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Why Spencer Pratt Failed. And Why Nithya Raman Came 2nd

Spencer Pratt was never going to be elected mayor of Los Angeles in 2026. It's too blue a city and too Democratic a year for a Republican with President Donald Trump's backing to prevail. But the former reality TV star's failure to advance to the general election underscores the challenges of fixing America's urban centers.

The Associated Press projected late Monday that socialist councilwoman Nithya Raman finished second in last week's jungle primary to face Mayor Karen Bass (D) in November. With an estimated 92 percent of votes counted, the mayor garnered 34.3 percent to Raman's 28.6 percent.

After being a reliable ally through most of Bass's term as mayor, and endorsing her reelection, Raman jumped into the race hours before the filing deadline. Raman may well win the head-to-head matchup because Bass is so unpopular, but don't expect the insurgent candidate to fundamentally change the trajectory of the country's second most-populous city.

Everyone knows Bass bungled last year's wildfire response, but she also has struggled to efficiently deliver other basic services.

The mayor spent more than \$300 million on a program called Inside Safe. It has permanently housed just 1,537

people.

While Bass touts a decline in the homeless count, the number of people without permanent housing remains around 44,000. That's 16,000 more than in 2015. Meanwhile, the most famous trade in the city of 4 million - show business - continues moving toward friendlier tax environments.

Raman, 44, was endorsed by the Democratic Socialists of America when she ran for city council on a platform of defunding the police. She has voted dozens of times against ordinances to stop homeless people from setting up tents within 500 feet of schools and day care centers. Bass, 72, is now attacking Raman for allowing encampments and trying to shrink law enforcement's footprint.

Bass preferred to face Pratt in the general, knowing Democrats would consolidate around her. Trump's endorsement was a kiss of death in a city that Vice President Kamala Harris carried with 70 percent two years ago. Notably, Trump received 26.5 percent of the city's votes in 2024. Pratt is slightly underperforming that, with 25.8 percent in the latest count.

Billionaire Rick Caruso, a developer, lost to Bass four years ago as an independent by nine points. Caruso opted not to try again because he understood the fundamentals were against him.

National Republicans got excited about Pratt because of viral campaign videos on social media. But what played well online with the right didn't broadly inspire the city's left-leaning electorate.

California's inability to quickly tabulate votes is embarrassing. It shouldn't take six days to call a mayoral primary, but the state allows ballots to be counted as long as they're postmarked by Election Day. Younger people tend to return their ballots closer to the deadline, which created a wave of late-breaking votes for Raman.

This is not evidence of a rigged election, but it creates fertile ground for conspiracy theories to take root, and it's irresponsible for Pratt to intimate on social media that the race is being stolen.

San Francisco shows reform in a city like L.A. will probably need to come from inside the Democratic Party. Mayor Daniel Lurie (D) was elected by promising law and order, and his approach is working.

How much worse will circumstances need to get in the City of Angels for residents to make that kind of change?.

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US - INDIA

India Demands End To US Attacks On Ships After Three Sailors Killed

By HRITAM MUKHERJEE, NIDHI VERMA
AND SAURABH SHARMA

India urged the United States to halt strikes on shipping on Thursday after three U.S. attacks on Indian-crewed tankers this week, including one that killed three sailors.

The deaths are the first reported since a U.S. blockade on Iran-linked shipping began on April 13 in which U.S. forces have disabled eight ships and turn back more than 100 others.

"These attacks must cease and end," Indian foreign ministry spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal told reporters. "We also call for dialogue and diplomacy so that we can have an early return to peace and stability in the region."

Jaiswal said the U.S. Navy has attacked three ships with Indian crews this week, including one on Thursday.

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He said the ministry had summoned the U.S. chargé d'affaires in New Delhi on Wednesday to convey its "deepest concerns over the ongoing attacks" after a strike on the tanker Settebello off Oman in which three Indian sailors died.

The U.S. embassy did not respond to requests for immediate comment.

The U.S. military's Central Command said a U.S. aircraft had carried out a precision strike on the Settebello's engine room "after the crew repeatedly failed to comply with directions from American forces".

It said the Settebello "violated the ongoing blockade by attempting to transport oil from Iran".



Vessels are anchored in the Strait of Hormuz, as seen from Musandam, Oman, June 11, 2026.

The ship's manager, IOS Marine FZE, rejected claims that it ignored warnings or was carrying Iranian crude and called for a transparent international investigation into the matter.

The Settebello "holds no affiliation whatsoever with Iran or Iranian oil", it said in a statement posted on X by Forward Seamen's Union of India.

OMANI NAVY RESCUED 21 CREW

The Omani Navy responded to the Settebello's distress call after it reported an engine fire and 21 Indian sailors were rescued. Family members of Shivanand Chaurasia, one of the sailors who died, told reporters he had gone to sea about nine months ago and had told his father earlier

this week that everything was fine.

Indian Shipping Minister Sarbananda Sonowal said the deaths of the three sailors was a "profound loss to our maritime family".

India has more than 300,000 sailors working in global shipping fleets, according to government data.

MODI AND TRUMP TO MEET

The U.S. attacks come ahead of next week's Group of Seven summit where Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi is likely to hold bilateral talks with U.S. President Donald Trump.

Centcom said the U.S. blockade had disabled eight non-compliant vessels, redirected 134 ships that complied, and allowed 42 vessels supporting humanitarian aid to pass.

U.S. forces disabled the unladen Marivex oil tanker, which also had Indian crew aboard, in the Gulf of Oman on Monday after it attempted to sail to an Iranian port.

Ships being targeted by the U.S. blockade include Iranian vessels as well as so-called shadow fleet tankers, which are typically older vessels without Western insurance used to transport sanctioned oil and sailing under the flags of various nations to obscure their true ownership, cargo and movements.

"I strongly condemn any act from any party that endangers the lives of seafarers and the safety of international shipping. This is simply unacceptable," Arsenio Dominguez, secretary-general of the UN's shipping agency the International Maritime Organization, said on Wednesday.

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Kamala Harris, Gavin Newsom, Pete Buttigieg, Josh Shapiro – Early Polls Overlook A Name- Ro Khanna

BY HENRY OLSEN

The early list of potential 2028 Democratic presidential nominees is pretty familiar. Former vice president Kamala Harris and California Gov. Gavin Newsom lead early polls, though Pennsylvania Gov. Josh Shapiro and Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (New York) capture attention, too. Former transportation secretary Pete Buttigieg is young and politically talented, as is Sen. Jon Ossoff (Georgia). Like Ossoff, Kentucky Gov. Andy Beshear has proved he can win on red terrain.

There are several others, but here's a tip: Keep an eye on Ro Khanna, because his time in the sun is coming.

Khanna is a transparently ambitious, ultraprogressive congressman from Silicon Valley. He first ran for Congress in 2004, at 27, against long-serving Rep. Tom Lantos, and got annihilated. Many young men would leave the arena after such an uninspiring debut, but not Khanna. Instead, he picked himself up, cultivated ties among the Valley's tech elite and served in President Barack Obama's Commerce Department.

He found his opportunity for reentry in 2014. Again challenging a longtime incumbent, San Jose's Mike Honda, Khanna raised millions of dollars from industry titans such as Facebook's Sheryl Sandberg. He lost narrowly, then handily won a rematch in 2016, and has served in the House ever since.

From there, Khanna could have followed a familiar, inside-game path, drawing on the important companies in his district to win clout in the halls of power. Instead, he almost immediately started to build a national reputation as an outspoken progressive advocate. Over years of appearances on Sunday talk shows, he has established a large national profile that's rare for a junior House member.

His presidential ambitions have been no secret, and Khanna recently said he would consider a run after the midterms. He's been extremely active in endorsing and campaigning for progressive candidates across the country, exactly what one would expect a potential candidate to do. He's also broadened his appeal by teaming with archconservative Rep. Thomas Massie (R-Kentucky) to push for disclosure of investigative files on Jeffrey Epstein.

Democrats have not nominated someone coming out of the House for president since 1896, when progressive firebrand William Jennings Bryan (Nebraska) enthralled the party's convention with his "Cross of Gold" speech. Modern campaigns reward those with national name recognition and fundraising ability, advantages that normally accrue to politicians who have served in the Senate or as a governor or vice president.

Khanna, however, already has those attributes. His fundraising prowess is stunning: He raised over \$9 million last year, putting him behind only Speaker Mike Johnson (R-Louisiana), Democratic leader Hakeem



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Rep. Ro Khanna (D-California) at a town hall in Norco, California, on March 23, 2025.

Jeffries (D-New York) and progressive superstar Ocasio-Cortez in the House. He currently has nearly \$17 million in his House bank account after adding \$6 million this campaign cycle. That's money he could roll over into a presidential

But his biggest advantage is the wide-open lane on the party's left. The front-runners are all straddling the line between the party's center-left and left-wing factions, while people like Shapiro, Beshear and former Chicago mayor Rahm Emanuel look likely to campaign as centrists. No one has seized an unabashedly progressive message seeking to represent what 2004's surprise contender, former Vermont governor Howard Dean, called "the Democratic wing of the Democratic Party."

That lane is large and growing larger. Strongly progressive House candidates are popping up and performing well across the country. Chris Rabb and Adam Hamawy are the two most recent examples of victorious democratic socialists or ultraprogressives who won House primaries in safe seats, and many others are likely to do so over the next few months. Even losing candidates like Illinois' Kat Abughazaleh and Junaid Ahmed won more than 25 percent of the vote.

Each cycle's surprise candidate typically emerges from a large party faction in search of a champion. In 2016, Donald Trump was the sole person campaigning against a stale party orthodoxy. Vermont Sen. Bernie

Sanders's emergence came from the Democratic left. In 2008 and 2012, respectively, Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee and former Pennsylvania senator Rick Santorum leaped to the forefront of the Republican race as unabashedly religious candidates. In 2008, Sen. Barack Obama (Illinois) found an electric "hope and change" lane in a year when a Democratic front-runner named Clinton appeared destined to succeed a Republican president named Bush.

This time around, all the evidence shows that perhaps as many as 40 percent of Democratic primary voters want an unabashed progressive at the top of the ticket. Khanna will be knocking on an open door if - when - he enters the race.

Ocasio-Cortez is his main obstacle. She is better known than Khanna, and her fundraising prowess dwarfs even his. If she got in, she would immediately own the progressive lane. But fortune favors the brave, and if Khanna plunges into the race in January while Ocasio-Cortez dawdles, he could steal much of her constituency before she makes up her mind.

And don't underestimate Khanna's chances of winning the nomination should he capture the left's imagination. The establishment beat Sanders in 2020 only when center-left candidates like Buttigieg and Sen. Amy Klobuchar (Minnesota) dropped out right before Super Tuesday to give Joe Biden an opportunity to consolidate that lane.

I doubt Harris, Newsom and Buttigieg would make such a pact before the early contests, and they may all do well enough to give them reason to stay in through Super Tuesday. Under the Democratic Party's delegate-allocation rules, a progressive candidate who wins 35 to 40 percent in big contests against a fractured field could build a nearly insurmountable lead by mid-March.

Perhaps this is what former Biden insider Ron Klain sees, too. Politico reported this week that he has been advising Khanna, which can only have national implications given Khanna's safely Democratic House seat. Expect to see other savvy party insiders make similar moves if AOC remains unclear about her 2028 intentions.

Plenty of candidates have looked good on paper but stumbled trying to make the leap to the big stage. But this much is clear: There is a big lane in the 2028 Democratic presidential nomination race that's still open to an ambitious and talented politician, and Khanna has never been shy about taking risks to meet the moment.

Henry Olsen is a senior fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center.

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Global Association of Physicians Of Indian Origin And Canada-India Network Society Host Conference On Integrative Approaches To Care

By A Staff Writer

The Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO) led by President Dr. Sudhir Parikh, and Canada India Network Initiative (CINI) under the Canada India Network Society (CINS) led by Dr. Arun Garg brought healthcare leaders, researchers, physicians, policymakers, and community advocates from US, Canada, and India to British Columbia, Canada in early June. They discussed integrative care and the impact of cultural and social factors on healthcare and advocated new approaches to preventive healthcare, chronic disease management, and community-based wellness.

The meeting was held in Surrey City Hall in the city of Surrey, British Columbia.

“By formalizing the Canada-India Bridge Accelerator and strengthening collaboration between CINS and the Global Association of Physicians of Indian Origin (GAPIO), the summit established a pathway toward a more integrated, culturally intelligent, and human-centered model of care,” organizers noted in a press release.

Padma Shri recipient Dr. Parikh, chairman of Parikh Worldwide Media/ITV Gold, among the largest Indian American media outlets in US, outlined the global reach of GAPIO, and



Dr. Arun Garg with participants/organizers, at the healthcare conference in Surrey, BC, Canada.

medicine excels at diagnosing disease and measuring biological markers, but it often fails to account for the full human context in which those diseases develop.

The conference called for expanding the definition of ‘clinical information’ to include questions around sleep, stress, diet, cultural practices, and spiritual beliefs as central determinants of disease expression and recovery, and that treatment and healing needed to go beyond prescriptions or procedures.

CONNECTING BIOLOGY, CULTURE, AND TECHNOLOGY

Under the theme ‘Connecting the Dots, the conference advanced a model integrating biomedical science with cultural knowledge and emerging technologies. Traditional practices, whether breathwork, nutrition, or community rituals, offer both physiological and psychosocial benefits. When validated and responsibly integrated, they enhance rather than compete with conventional care, the conference concluded.

At the same time as wearable devices, home diagnostics, and AI-driven platforms enable real-time tracking of the dynamic relationship between behavior, environment, and biology, aspects such as art, storytelling, and movement are therapeutic tools that support and influence recovery and long-term outcomes.

The conference called for steps to be taken



Dr. Arun Garg introducing GAPIO President Dr. Sudhir Parikh, center, as Dr. Ramesh Mehta, past president of GAPIO, looks on.



Certificate of Appreciation outlining objectives of the healthcare conference held in Surrey, Canada, in early June, 2026.



Mayor of Surrey, British Columbia Brenda Locke, speaking at the healthcare conference.

urged Indian-origin physicians in Canada to join GAPIO in order to improve healthcare outcomes around the world. He emphasized how GAPIO was present in 60 countries and represented the interests of the 1.6 million or so Indian origin physicians around the world.

CINS founder Dr. Arun Garg, emphasized culturally precise medicine, integrative thinking, and cross-sector collaboration to shift healthcare from a reactive system to a proactive creator of sustainable health.

The conference opened with municipal leaders, healthcare executives, and diplomatic representatives. Surrey Mayor Brenda Locke welcomed delegates, highlighting the role of local governments in shaping the social and cultural conditions that determine health outcomes.

Discussions centered around how modern



A section of the audience at the healthcare conference in Surrey, BC, Canada.

such as translating health resources into Punjabi, Hindi, Urdu, and Bengali, and expanding screening into trusted spaces such as gurdwaras, temples, and community centers.

Dr. Victoria Lee, Former President and CEO of Fraser Health, noted that embedding care within these ecosystems supports a shift from reactive emergency care to proactive, prevention-focused systems.

Several institutions including Apollo Hospitals in India whose Chairman Dr. Prathap C. Reddy had founded GAPIO in 2011, had been adopting the integrative approach, a press release from CINS said.

“Health is not created in clinics alone. It is shaped in kitchens, workplaces, places of worship, and everyday interactions,” organizers noted in the press release.

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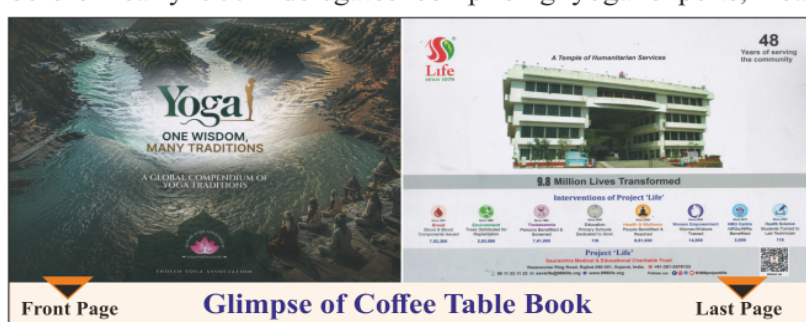


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"Project 'Life' exemplifies the highest ideals of humanitarian service. The organization's participation at YOGOTSAV 2026 - 6th National Conclave beautifully highlights the natural synergy between wellness and selfless service. As we work toward building healthier societies, organisations like Project 'Life' remind us that compassion remains the most powerful medicine. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the entire Project 'Life' family and wish them continued success as they move toward their Golden Jubilee celebrations."

Project 'Life', one of India's leading humanitarian organizations working in Blood Banking, Thalassaemia Prevention, Health & Wellness, Environment Protection, Education, Women Empowerment, NRG Integration and Paramedical Education, made a significant presence at YOGOTSAV 2026 – the 6th National Conclave of the Indian Yoga Association, held at the prestigious Kaivalyadhama Yoga Institute.

Representing the organization, Ms. Meetal Koticha Shah, Joint Executive Trustee & CEO and Mr. Rushikesh Pandya, Chief Development & Operations Officer presented Project 'Life's remarkable humanitarian journey before nearly 500+ delegates comprising yoga experts, healthcare professionals, policymakers and social leaders. The organization's audio-visual presentation received widespread appreciation, while its literature and awareness material were included in the official delegate kits.



A major highlight was the inclusion of Project 'Life's work in the prestigious YOGOTSAV Coffee Table Book, which will be shared with eminent personalities.



Ms. Meetal Koticha Shah Joint Executive Trustee & CEO, Project 'Life', Rajkot

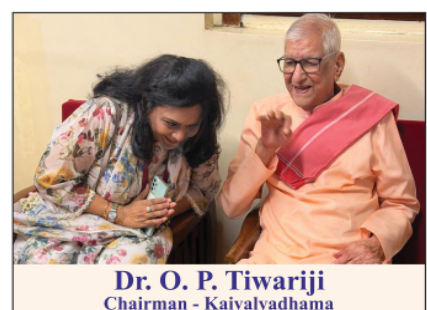


Shri Vidyut Jammwal IYA - Youth Ambassador, IDY 2026

Among the notable interactions was a special meeting with renowned actor, fitness icon Shri Vidyut Jammwal, who expressed keen interest in supporting awareness initiatives related to Thalassaemia Prevention and patient welfare.

The delegation also held meaningful discussions with Shri Subodh Tiwari, CEO of Kaivalyadhama Yoga Institute, Dr. O. P. Tiwariji, Chairman Kaivalyadhama and several distinguished leaders from the yoga fraternity. Many dignitaries expressed their desire to visit Project 'Life' during its forthcoming Golden Jubilee Celebrations in 2027 - 2028. The conclave was graced by eminent personalities including Dr. H. R. Nagendra - Chancellor - SYASA, Dr. Hansaji Yogendra, Director - The Yoga Institute, Yogacharya Dr. Ananda Balayogi Bhavanani, Chairman - ICYER Pondicherry, Dr. S. P. Mishra - CEO IYA PrCB, Dr. Ishwar Basavaraddi, Former Director - MDNIY, Shri Saurabh Bothra - Yoga Technology Innovator, making it a powerful celebration of wellness, consciousness and social responsibility.

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As Project 'Life' moves toward its historic Golden Jubilee year, its mission continues to inspire communities in India and abroad. Further strengthening this cause, renowned television personalities J.D. Majethia and Asit Kumarr Modi have extended their support to the organization's Thalassaemia Awareness, Prevention and Control Programme, reinforcing the vision of creating a Thalassaemia-Free Society. Through such collaborations and its unwavering commitment to service, Project 'Life' continues to transform lives and contribute towards a healthier future for generations to come.



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Sonal Shah Appointed Senior Practitioner Fellow At University Of Chicago's Center For Effective Government

BY BHAILAL M. PATEL

The University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy announced the appointment of Sonal Ramesh Shah as a Senior Practitioner Fellow at the University's Center for Effective Government.

A Houston native, Shah is a nationally recognized economist, public policy expert, nonprofit leader, and former professor at Georgetown University. Throughout her distinguished career, she has worked at the forefront of government innovation, civic engagement, technology policy, and social impact initiatives.

In her role as Senior Practitioner Fellow, Shah will contribute research, policy analysis, and strategic leadership focused on strengthening the intersection of technology, data, governance, and public policy to improve government effective-



Sonal Ramesh Shah

ness and civic outcomes.

Shah is also a proud alumna of the University of Chicago, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. Her appointment reflects the university's continued commitment to engaging accomplished leaders whose careers bridge academic scholarship and public service.

Most recently, Shah served as Chief Executive Officer of the Texas Tribune, the nonprofit news organization focused on politics and public policy in Texas, from January 2023 through December 2025. During the 2020 presidential election cycle, she also served as National Policy Director for Pete Buttigieg.

From 2009 to 2011, Shah served in the Obama administration as Director of the White House Office of Social Innovation and Civic Participation, where she led national initiatives designed to strengthen partnerships among government agencies, nonprofit organizations,

philanthropic institutions, and the private sector. Earlier, she served on President Barack Obama's presidential transition team and led Global Development Initiatives for Google.org.

Shah was also the founding executive director of the Beeck Center for Social Impact & Innovation, where she helped establish one of the nation's leading centers focused on public sector innovation, civic technology, and social impact.

Through her fellowship at the Center for Effective Government, Shah will collaborate with scholars, policymakers, researchers, and practitioners to explore innovative approaches to governance, public sector transformation, and civic engagement in an increasingly technology-driven society.

Additional information regarding Shah's research and initiatives is available through the Center for Effective Government portal.

Chicago Author Poonam Gupta-Krishnan Launches Groundbreaking Varna-CQ™ Leadership Framework

BY BHAILAL M. PATEL

Author and inventor Poonam Gupta-Krishnan launched her debut book, VARNAs: Know Your Why, and introduced the Varna-CQ™ Leadership Alignment Framework to an invitation-only audience at the Naperville Public Library on May 30, 2026. The response was immediate and unambiguous: every copy of the book available for purchase was claimed before the event closed, with requests continuing after. In a separate signal of the framework's resonance, approximately 90% of guests enrolled in the complimentary Varna-CQ™ Leadership Alignment Assessment offered at the event.

The event, held in recognition of Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month, was hosted by Bharathi Theertha — a 501(c)(3) nonprofit — under the leadership of founder Dr. Prakasam Tata, Environmental Scientist and Global Sustainability Leader, whose organizational journey is documented as a case study in Chapter One of the book. Dr. Chaudhary Jampala, Psychiatrist, served as Master of Ceremonies.

The foreword to VARNAs: Know Your Why was contributed by two distinguished voices: Padma Bhushan Prof. Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad — scholar, author, Sahitya Akademi Awardee, former Rajya Sabha Member, and former Chairman of the A.P. Hindi Academy — and Dorri McWhorter, President & CEO of The Executives' Club of Chicago.

Chief Guest Padma Bhushan Prof. Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad delivered the key-

note address on the cultural and philosophical roots of alignment, drawing from the Bhagavad Gita and the Vedic wisdom tradition that underlies the Varna-CQ™ framework. He called the work the following morning to personally commend the author's clarity and the timeliness of the framework, and indicated his intent to introduce the work to audiences in India.

Padma Shri Dr. S.V. Rama Rao — eminent artist and educationist whose work is held in the collections of MoMA (New York), the Victoria and Albert Museum (London), and Harvard University; Mr. Kriti Das Thokchom, Deputy Consul General of India in Chicago; Pam McElvane, CEO of Diversity MBA Media; James Clark, civic leader and former Superintendent of Joliet High Schools; and Sherman L. Jenkins, President of SLJ Communications and Chairman of the Quad County African American Chamber of Commerce Foundation. Attendees included senior executives from technology and healthcare corporations, University of Illinois faculty, CIOs, and community leaders.

"Poonam Gupta has not only written a book, but offered a civilizational contribution. This work carries the fragrance of our eternal heritage and the promise of a more aligned, humane, and prosperous world." — Padma Bhushan Prof. Yarlagadda Lakshmi Prasad — Foreword, Varnas: Know Your Why

"Culture is the soil in which leadership grows. When the soil is depleted — by misalignment, unclear values, or burnout — no amount of strategy or resources will



Poonam Gupta-Krishnan is the Founder and CEO of IYKA Enterprises, a 25-year-old nationally certified, woman-owned technology company.

make leaders thrive. Varna: Know Your Why replenishes that soil." — Dorri McWhorter, President & CEO, The Executives' Club of Chicago — Foreword

"Varna-CQ was born from a question I carried for many years: why do capable, talented people still feel misplaced, exhausted, or unseen? Success is not only about skill — it is also about alignment." —

Poonam Gupta-Krishnan, Author & Inventor

About the Framework ;Varna-CQ™ is a patent-pending leadership alignment and cognitive assessment system that identifies individuals' natural makeup, thinking and decision-making style, job-fit alignment, and pathways for growth. Gallup's 2025 research estimates the cost of global workforce disengagement at \$10 trillion annually — the organizational challenge Varna-CQ™ is built to address. Unlike conventional personality tools, Varna-CQ™ draws from the living science of Sanatan Dharma and bridges ancient human insight with modern behavioral science.

About Poonam Gupta-Krishnan is the Founder and CEO of IYKA Enterprises, a 25-year-old nationally certified, woman-owned technology company. She is a 2023 Crain's Chicago Business Notable Women in STEM honoree, a University of Chicago Leadership Circle Fellow, Honorary CTO of Diversity MBA Media, and a member of Chicago United's Business Leadership Council. She has been featured by the Chicago Tribune, Daily Herald, Comcast Newsmakers, TV Asia, Zee News, and Diversity MBA Magazine, and has received 35+ national and international awards.

About Bharathi Theertha is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to Education, Environment, and Health, led by founder Dr. Prakasam Tata. The organization hosted the May 30 event as part of its mission to advance human potential and community well-being.

US Indian Community Foundation Donates Swami Vivekananda Statue to Consulate General of India, Chicago

By BHAILAL M. PATEL

In a memorable celebration of India's spiritual and cultural heritage, the US Indian Community Foundation (USICF) donated a statue of Swami Vivekananda to the Consulate General of India in Chicago. The statue was formally unveiled June 14, 2026, by the Ambassador of India to the United States, Vinay Mohan Kwatra, in the presence of Consul General in Chicago Somnath Ghosh, community leaders, elected officials, religious representatives, and distinguished members of the Indian-American community.

The special event, jointly hosted by the Consulate General of India, Chicago, and the US Indian Community Foundation, also featured a Meet-and-Greet reception with Ambassador Kwatra. The occasion honored the life, teachings, and enduring legacy of Swami Vivekananda. The USICF's donation was a tribute one of India's great spiritual leaders who introduced India's ancient philosophy to the Western world through his historic address at the World's Parliament of Religions in Chicago in 1893. His famous opening words, "Sisters and Brothers of America," remain a powerful symbol of global unity and mutual respect, organizers said in a press release.

Ambassador Kwatra praised the Indian-American community for preserving and promoting India's rich cultural heritage while making significant contributions to American society. He emphasized that Swami Vivekananda's teachings remain highly relevant in today's world and continue to inspire future generations.

Consul General Ghosh expressed his appreciation to the US Indian Community Foundation for its generous donation. He noted that the statue will serve as a source of inspiration for visitors to the Consulate and stand as a symbol of India's timeless values and civilizational heritage.

About the US Indian Community Foundation:
The US Indian Community Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to promoting Indian culture, education, spirituality, community service, and civic engagement throughout the United States. The Foundation works to preserve India's rich traditions while strengthening connections between the Indian diaspora and their ancestral homeland.

The USICF is headed by Dr. Bharat Barai, Chairman, a respected physician, community leader, and philanthropist, Dr. Bharat Barai has long been recognized for his contributions to healthcare, public service, and Indian-American community development. Under his guidance, the Foundation has expanded its outreach and strengthened its commitment to cultural preservation and civic



From left, Vinay Mohan Kwatra, Ambassador of India to the United States, and Somnath Ghosh Consul General of India, Chicago, flank the statue of Swami Vivekananda.



India's Ambassador to the US Vinay Mohan Kwatra addressing the gathering at the installation of the statue of Swami Vivekananda at the Consulate in Chicago.



Indian American community leaders and members of the US Indian Community Foundation listen to the speech by Indian Ambassador Vinay Mohan Kwatra, at the event at the Chicago Consulate where Swami Vivekananda's statue was installed.



The US Indian Community Foundation's leadership: Dr. Bharat Barai - Chairman, Amitabh Mittal - President, Nirav K. Patel - Vice President, Public Relations

engagement.

Amitabh Mittal, President, has advanced the Foundation's mission of promoting education, culture, philanthropy, and community service. His efforts have helped build meaningful partnerships and expand the Foundation's role within the Indian-American community.

Nirav K. Patel, Vice President - Public Relations, leads the Foundation's public outreach and communications initiatives, and has enhanced awareness of USICF's programs and strengthened connections throughout the community.

Representatives of the Foundation described the donation of the Swami Vivekananda statue as a humble offering made with deep respect and devotion. They

emphasized that the gift reflects USICF's commitment to preserving and sharing India's spiritual heritage and values with future generations.

The event attracted numerous community leaders, professionals, business executives, and guests from across the Midwest. Several speakers reflected on Swami Vivekananda's enduring influence and his message of self-confidence, service, tolerance, and universal harmony.

Guests also had the opportunity to interact with Ambassador Kwatra and discuss the growing contributions of Indian-Americans in business, education, medicine, technology, public service, and civic leadership.

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FIA-Chicago And Community Members Organizations Celebrate International Day Of Yoga In Chicago



BY BHAILAL M. PATEL

The spirit of wellness, unity, and ancient Indian wisdom was on full display as the Federation of Indian Associations Chicago (FIA-Chicago), in partnership with the Indian Community of Niles Township (ICNT), United Senior Pariwar, and Hanuman Mandir, celebrated the International Day of Yoga in collaboration with the Consulate General of India in Chicago.

Despite rainy weather, nearly 100 enthusiastic participants, community leaders, and dignitaries gathered to honor the timeless practice of Yoga and its profound contributions to physical, mental, and spiritual well-being.

Among the distinguished attendees were Deputy Consul General Sanjeev Pal, ICNT President Rohit Joshi, United Senior Pariwar President Ramesh Choksi, representatives of Hanuman Mandir, FIA-Chicago President Hemant Patel, along with prominent community leaders including Virendra Patel, Jagdish Hingu, Pramod Joshi, Sanjay Vora, Smitesh Shah, Bhanubhai Vyas, Usha Kamaria, Kruti Pandya, Anil Singh, Arvind Ankleshwaria, Joy (Dipen) Shah, Bhavesh Patel, and Satheesan Nair.

The program commenced with a warm welcome by ICNT President Rohit Joshi, who greeted attendees and hon-

ored the distinguished guests. A highly engaging Yoga session was then conducted by Jignesh Dixit and a dedicated team of Yoga instructors from the Hindu Swayamsevak Sangh (HSS). Participants of all ages enthusiastically joined in practicing Yoga postures and breathing techniques designed to promote holistic health and inner balance.

Addressing the gathering, Deputy Consul General Sanjeev Pal highlighted the global significance of Yoga and emphasized its role in fostering healthier lifestyles and greater harmony in today's

Pi, radio waves, and trigonometry, Yoga originated from India's ancient wisdom traditions and was developed by Hindu sages for the welfare of mankind.

"Yoga is a priceless heritage that all Bharatiyas can proudly celebrate," Patel said. "It is important to acknowledge its origins while sharing its universal benefits with the entire world."

Patel also shared a personal reflection, noting that he has practiced Yoga regularly since the age of ten and has experienced its transformative benefits throughout his life. He encouraged at-

healthier and more balanced living.

Throughout the program, speakers emphasized that Yoga extends far beyond physical exercise. It represents the harmonious integration of body, mind, breath, spirit, and consciousness. Rooted in thousands of years of Indian philosophy, Yoga continues to serve as a complete science of well-being that remains relevant in the modern world.

The celebration also delivered a broader message of unity and collaboration within the community. The successful partnership among FIA-Chicago,

ICNT, United Senior Pariwar, Hanuman Mandir, and the Consulate General of India demonstrated the power of organizations working together toward common goals.

Community leaders noted that cooperation rather than competition strengthens organizations and enables them to better serve the community. The event stood as a shining ex-



fast-paced world. He praised the Indian-American community for preserving and promoting India's rich cultural heritage through initiatives such as International Day of Yoga.

In his remarks, FIA-Chicago President Hemant Patel, who also serves as Founder of Shree Sanatan Sewa Foundation, described Yoga as one of Bharat's most valuable gifts to humanity. He noted that, like Ayurveda, the concept of Zero,

tendees to make Yoga a daily discipline rather than limiting its observance to an annual celebration.

Speakers also acknowledged the visionary leadership of Narendra Modi, whose proposal at the United Nations led to the establishment of International Day of Yoga. Since then, the observance has grown into a global movement, celebrated by millions across continents who have embraced Yoga's teachings for

ample of collective effort, mutual respect, and shared commitment to preserving cultural values while promoting health and wellness.

As participants concluded the day's activities, the gathering reaffirmed Yoga's enduring message of harmony, peace, and unity—values that continue to inspire people around the world regardless of age, nationality, or background.

Federal Court Vacates USCIS Processing Pause Memo: What Immigrants, Employers, and Families Need to Know

By David H. Nachman, Esq

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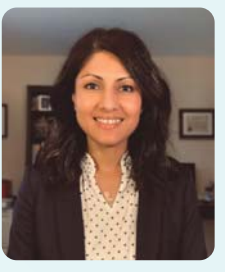
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A recent federal court decision has generated significant interest among immigrants, employers, and immigration practitioners across the United States. In a ruling issued by the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island, the court vacated several U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) policies that had been used to pause, delay, or subject certain immigration applications to enhanced review procedures.

Among the policies affected was the memorandum that implemented a broad processing pause impacting applicants from designated countries. The court concluded that USCIS exceeded its authority and that the challenged policies violated federal administrative law.

While the decision represents a significant development, applicants should understand that the ultimate scope of the ruling, as well as USCIS's implementation of the decision, may depend upon future guidance, additional litigation, or appellate review. Individuals should consult with immigration counsel regarding the potential impact on their specific cases.

What Was the USCIS Processing Pause?

The challenged policies permitted USCIS to place holds on certain immigration benefit applications and implement additional review procedures for applicants from designated countries.

These policies affected a variety of immigration benefits, including: Adjustment of Status (Green Card) applications; Employment Authorization Document (EAD) applications; Asylum-related applications; Naturalization and citizenship applications; and Other immigration benefits processed by USCIS. The court determined that several of these policies could not lawfully remain in effect and ordered that they be vacated.

Why Is This Decision Important?

The ruling reinforces a fundamental principle of administrative law: federal agencies must act within the authority granted to them by Congress. The court concluded that USCIS could not rely on internal policies that effectively prevented or significantly delayed the adjudication of immigration benefits when those policies lacked sufficient legal authority. For many applicants whose cases were delayed, the decision may remove one of the legal bases that USCIS had relied upon to place applications on hold. Potential Impact on Green Card Applicants The decision may be particularly important for individuals with pending Adjustment of Status applications.

Many Green Card applicants had already:

- Filed applications;
- Paid government filing fees;
- Completed biometrics appointments;
- Submitted supporting documentation; and
- Attended USCIS interviews.

Despite satisfying these requirements, some applicants experienced extended adjudication delays due to the challenged policies. Although the ruling does not automatically approve any pending application, it may help affected cases move forward through the adjudication process.

Impact on Work Permit, Asylum, and Citizenship Cases Employment Authorization Documents (EADs)

Applicants waiting for work authorization may benefit if USCIS modifies its processing procedures following the court's ruling.

Asylum Cases

The decision also addressed policies affecting asylum-related adjudications and enhanced review procedures.

Naturalization Applications

Individuals seeking U.S. citizenship may likewise be impacted if their cases were delayed due to the challenged policies.

What Happens Next?

While the court vacated the challenged policies, additional legal developments may follow.

The federal government may seek appellate review, and USCIS may issue updated guidance regarding implementation of the court's order.

Applicants should continue:

- Monitoring USCIS case updates;
- Responding promptly to Requests for Evidence and other notices;
- Maintaining copies of all immigration filings and correspondence; and
- Consulting experienced immigration counsel regarding case-specific questions.

What Employers Should Know

Employers sponsoring foreign nationals should closely monitor developments arising from this decision.

Immigration processing delays can affect workforce planning, onboarding, employment authorization, and long-term immigration strategies. Any reduction in unnecessary adjudication delays may provide greater predictability for both employers and sponsored employees.

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Liberal Council Member Nithya Raman Advances To Runoff With Bass In Los Angeles Mayor's Race

BY HANNAH KNOWLES

Nithya Raman, a liberal Los Angeles City council member, will head to a runoff with Mayor Karen Bass (D) to lead America's second-most-populous city, the Associated Press projected Monday.

Raman edged out Spencer Pratt, a Republican reality TV star, for the chance to go head-to-head with Bass in November. Because Bass fell short of the majority vote required to avoid a runoff in the nominally nonpartisan contest, the top two vote-getters face off again in the fall.

Raman was once an ally of Bass and endorsed her for a second term. But the council member decided to challenge Bass at the last minute, saying voters are eager for change and the city is failing on "the basics."

Pratt's loss in the primary is likely to fan GOP outrage at California's unusually slow process for counting votes. Pratt pulled well ahead of Raman after the polls closed on Tuesday before his lead eroded.

Political observers cautioned that mail-in votes counted later on could tilt Democratic and improve Raman's position. But some in the GOP have suggested, without evidence, that late shifts toward Democrats are evidence of election fraud – echoing President Donald Trump's false claims about the 2020 election.



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Nithya V. Raman, now in the runoffs for LA Mayor, was endorsed by Bernie Sanders.

Pratt – who rose to fame as a self-described "villain" on the MTV show "The Hills" – tapped into frustration with the status quo in Los Angeles and anger over the Palisades fire that destroyed his home and thousands of others last year.

He called Bass "Karen Basura" – using the Spanish word for garbage – and referred to homeless people with drug addictions as "zombies," advocating mandatory medical treatment and arrests to help clear them off the streets.

Raman, first elected to City Council in 2020, challenged Bass from the left. She was the first candidate backed by the Democratic Socialists of America to win a seat on the council. But she has broken with DSA at times, and DSA-LA did not make an endorsement in the mayoral primary.

An urban planner, Raman has championed a "YIMBY," or "Yes in my backyard," push for more housing. She has also criticized Bass's "Inside Safe" homeless program as too costly. Bass has emphasized that Raman is no outsider to city politics, despite her pitch for change.

The fact that Bass has been forced into a runoff – the first for an L.A. mayor in two decades – nods to many voters' frustration.

Bass, a former congresswoman and State Assembly speaker, has defended her first-term record, pointing to decreases in the city's homeless population and efforts to build new housing.

She faced fierce criticism last year for her handling of the wildfire in Los Angeles's Pacific Palisades neighborhood that left 12 people dead. Bass was on a diplomatic trip to Ghana when the blaze exploded – "one of the worst moments of my life," she said at a mayoral debate.

-THE WASHINGTON POST

BY A STAFF WRITER

The Kerala-born, 44 year-old Harvard graduate with a Masters in Urban Planning from MIT, Nithya V. Raman, an immigrant from Kerala, continues to beat the odds from the time she got elected as City Councillor in 2020, in the City of Angels.

In the June 2, 2026, open primaries, she did it again when she bumped up to 2nd place to enter a runoff for Mayor of Los Angeles, against a fellow Democrat and incumbent Mayor Karen Bass.

Raman, who is also a Democrat and a proclaimed Democratic Socialist like New York City Mayor Zohran Mamdani, began as an advocate to end homelessness, co-founding SELAH- a Neighborhood Homeless Coalition and began organizing her neighbors to provide direct help, according to her bio on nithyaforthecity.com.

In 2020, 2,000 volunteers knocked on more than 80,000 doors to make Raman's run for City Council to represent District 4, ended in a victory, and a defeat for a long-term incumbent. The Los Angeles Times described it as "a political earthquake."

Indian Americans are hoping Raman will create another earthquake come November 3 general elections, which if she wins, would make her the Mayor of the second-largest city in the nation.

Some newspaper headlines make it sound like the "earthquake" has already happened –The LA Times headline read – In L.A. mayor's race, controversial poll shows Nithya Raman ahead of Karen Bass.

"Rising Progressive Star Shakes Up Race for Los Angeles Mayor" proclaimed Deadline.

In a questionnaire that Ballotpedia asks all candidates to answer, Raman says, "I'm running for mayor to make Los Angeles a city that works — not just for the powerful interests, but for all Angelenos."

When she saw what she said was a gap between what people need and what government actually delivers, she



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Nithya V. Raman.

ran against her own representative, she ran against him and defeated him.

"I've spent five years on the City Council proving that government can deliver when it has the urgency and accountability to do so — passing some of the strongest tenant protections in the country, cutting rent increases for more than one million Angelenos for the first time in 40 years, and driving a 54% reduction in tents and homeless encampments in my district by moving people into shelter and housing," she notes.

Her campaign agenda revolves around affordable housing and ending homelessness to make it a 'city that works'.

As mayor, she said, her commitments to the city are: Make sure Angelenos have a home they can afford; Fix the city: fill the potholes, pave the roads, plant trees, turn on streetlights, and put a park near where you live; Protect Angelenos: from ICE, from harassing landlords, from unsafe streets, from fires and natural disasters. I'll make sure when you call 911, someone actually shows up; End the pay-to-play politics that have dominated the city for decades. I will not make political decisions. Only the best decisions for Angelenos; and Bring the jobs back. I'll make it easier to start and run a business. We'll revive small businesses, support restaurants and bars, and bring the Hollywood jobs back home.

"This victory reflects the growing political power of Indian and South Asian American communities in California, a state with more than 1 million South Asian residents – the largest such population in the country," noted Indian American Impact, an advocacy organization that has energized the community's rising political visibility, and endorsed more than 200 candidates around the country.

Chintan Patel, executive director of Indian American Impact, commenting on Raman's victory, called it "a testament to the power of a campaign built on a simple, urgent truth: Los Angeles must be affordable and safe for everyone."

He went on to claim that voters recognized "Nithya Raman is exactly the leader this city needs. Her vision for a city where working families can afford to stay, immigrants are protected, and no one is left behind has resonated across one of the most diverse electorates in America. As an immigrant herself, Nithya knows firsthand what is at stake for communities like ours."

Raman's website says, "Nithya believes Los Angeles is in a moment of crisis that requires urgency, accountability, and ambition, not half-measures and protecting the status quo."

Nithya lives in Silver Lake with her husband Vali Chandrasekaran, and 10-year old twins.

JD Vance Says He'll Discuss 2028 Presidential Run With Wife Usha After Midterms

By MARIANA ALFARO

Vice President JD Vance, in an interview with "CBS Sunday Morning," said he and his wife, Usha Vance, will discuss a 2028 presidential run after this year's midterm elections.

"Usha and I will absolutely sit down and talk about what comes next for our family," Vance told CBS. "The way I make decisions is I try not to make them until I absolutely must."

He said he expects President Donald Trump to be "very supportive" of his eventual decision.

"I have no doubt that the president of the United States is going to be very supportive of anything that I ultimately decide to do," Vance said. "But we really just haven't talked about what that thing will be."

A person close to Vance who spoke on the condition of anonymity to comment on private discussions has cited the expected birth of the vice president's fourth child in late July as a reason he has not yet made a decision on a 2028 run, The Post reported in March.

Vance, 41, represented Ohio in the Senate for two years before becoming



PHOTO: REUTERS/MIKE SEGAR/FILE PHOTO

Republican vice presidential candidate J.D. Vance is accompanied by his wife Usha Chilukuri Vance as he arrives for Day 1 of the Republican National Convention (RNC), at the Fiserv Forum in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, U.S., July 15, 2024.

vice president. He is a Marine Corps veteran and a Yale Law School graduate who gained prominence for his memoir,

"Hillbilly Elegy." Once a critic of military interventions overseas, Vance has become a staunch

defender of the war in Iran and other Trump policies.

Vance is the most high-profile of the potential 2028 contenders in the Trump administration, including Secretary of State Marco Rubio. Vance and Rubio have recently appeared in the White House briefing room, further fueling 2028 speculation as they raised their profiles. While Trump has stoked a rivalry between the two, he has also suggested that they could be running mates.

In his interview with CBS, Vance said he doesn't initiate conversations about his political future with Trump.

"I never bring it up. But sure, the president brings it up a lot, sometimes publicly, sometimes privately," Vance said. "The president's a political animal. He loves this stuff. He's very fascinated by it."

Vance wouldn't say whether Trump is pushing him to seek the party's nomination but noted that the president "kind of talks about it, like, 'What's gonna happen, you know? 'How do we make sure that we're successful? What does that mean for the future?'"

"So, we talk about it, but not in any great detail," Vance said.

-THE WASHINGTON POST

NASA Astronaut Anil Menon To Launch To Space Station July 14

By A STAFF WRITER

NASA astronaut Anil Menon is scheduled to launch to the International Space Station Tuesday, July 14, from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan aboard the Roscosmos Soyuz MS-29 spacecraft. He will be accompanied by Roscosmos cosmonauts Pyotr Dubrov and Anna Kikina, a June 15 press release from NASA said. The three will spend about eight months on ISS before returning to Earth in spring 2027.

NASA announced Menon would be available for limited media interviews beginning at 9 a.m. EDT Monday, June 22, to discuss his upcoming mission to the International Space Station as part of Expeditions 74/75.

The virtual interviews will take place from the Gagarin Cosmonaut Training Center in Star City, Russia, and will stream live on the agency's YouTube channel.

At the ISS for those 8 months, Menon is expected to conduct scientific investigations and technology demon-



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NASA astronaut and International Space Station Expedition 74/75 flight engineer Anil Menon poses for a portrait at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston.

strations "to help humans prepare for future exploration missions to the Moon and Mars, and to provide benefits on Earth," NASA said.

Among the experiments planned during his mission, he will participate in studies to better understand astronaut vein structure, blood flow, and blood composition in microgravity. He also will test producing intravenous fluids using the space station's potable water.

The Soyuz MS-29 mission will be his first spaceflight after he was selected as part of NASA's 2021 astronaut class.

Menon, who is a native of Minneapolis, is an emergency medicine physician, mechanical engineer, and colonel in the United States Space Force. He has also served as an expedition flight surgeon aboard the space station, which is now more than 25 years old.

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ARIES: This month brings excitement. Emotional warmth and conversations may strengthen bonds. Avoid splurges, as unnecessary expenses could disturb budget. Gatherings may demand extra spending, but they will create memories. At work, maintaining communication with seniors can clear confusion. Some natives move closer to owning property. Trips with your partner refresh your relationship.

TAURUS: Financial opportunities may arise through overseas contacts. Love life appears encouraging. Domestic matters, however, may require patience. Students preparing for competitive exams are likely to receive positive results. Health remains stable when supported by balanced meals, exercise. Staying calm in charged situations will help maintain harmony.

GEMINI: Financial progress may come through property matters. The atmosphere at home is expected to improve. Romantic relationships may feel confusing. Singles are advised not to rush into emotional commitments without clarity. Academic pursuits look favourable for students appearing in important examinations. Patience can help you maintain balance in personal and professional matters.

CANCER: Career growth may keep you motivated. Business persons are likely to witness encouraging gains. The home environment remains cheerful. Blessings from elders could strengthen a romantic relationship and even encourage discussions about marriage. Maintaining discipline in food habits and physical fitness may lead to better stamina and emotional wellness. This period supports positivity, stability, and renewed confidence.

LEO: Professional life may bring exciting prospects, including roles that offer better comfort, growth, and financial security. Earlier investments could begin delivering satisfying returns. Social interactions keep your spirits high and expand your circle of influence. Couples may enjoy private moments together. Your well-being should remain a priority. A balanced lifestyle will help you stay energetic.

VIRGO: Romantic energy remains strong. Singles could attract attention from someone within the workplace or social circle, making this an exciting phase. Financial concerns may continue temporarily, but an additional source of income can gradually improve stability. Professionally, taking initiative will help you gain recognition. Mental peace can be achieved through meditation, calming activities, Persistence will guide you toward steady progress.

LIBRA: Business expansion plans may prove rewarding. Property-related matters also look favorable. Family life is likely to remain harmonious. Romantic relationships may deepen through trust, affection, and mutual understanding. Those seeking emotional clarity may benefit from spiritual practices or quiet reflection. A calm and balanced mindset will help you attract positivity in every aspect of life.

SCORPIO: Financial planning strengthens your future security. Positive developments can create a cheerful atmosphere, while marriage discussions may move forward. In love matters, misunderstandings may arise. Physical activities can improve mental and physical health. Staying away from negative will help preserve your peace. This month favours discipline.

SAGITTARIUS: Professional achievements may boost your confidence. Pending projects are likely to move smoothly. Entrepreneurs launching ventures may witness growth. Family life may revolve around children and their accomplishments. Married couples should handle disagreements calmly. Educational pursuits remain favorable. Outdoor adventures or travel may refresh your spirit.

CAPRICORN: Financial stability may continue improving. Your leadership qualities could gain attention. Spending quality time with loved ones may strengthen emotional connections. Romantic relationships are likely to become more passionate and affectionate. Health goals will require dedication, so avoid shortcuts or unrealistic fitness methods. Continuous self-improvement and discipline will help you achieve long-term success.

AQUARIUS: Recognition at work may increase as your efforts attract praise. Those in business may discover new ways to expand earnings and improve professional growth. Support from friends and family motivates during challenging moments. Love relationships appear stable. Relaxation techniques can help reduce stress effectively. The month encourages optimism and personal growth.

PISCES: Joyful celebrations may keep your home filled with positivity. Your partner is likely to remain supportive helping the relationship become stronger. Financial management will be important, as rising expenses may require careful budgeting. Reducing unnecessary spending can help you prepare for future emergencies. Listen to your body and avoid overworking. Inner peace and emotional balance will become your greatest strengths this month.

Federal Court Vacates USCIS Processing Pause Memo: What Immigrants, Employers, and Families Need to Know

By DAVID H. NACHMAN, ESQ

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How NPZ Law Group Can Help
The immigration attorneys at NPZ Law Group continue to monitor federal court decisions, USCIS policy developments, and immigration processing issues affecting foreign nationals, families, students, investors, and employers.

We assist clients with:

- Adjustment of Status applications;
- Employment-based immigration matters;
- Family-based immigration petitions;
- Employment authorization requests;
- Naturalization and citizenship applications; and
- Complex immigration matters and federal immigration policy issues.

As additional information becomes available regarding implementation of this decision, we will continue providing updates.

FAQ

Does this ruling automatically approve pending immigration applications?

No. Applicants must still satisfy all statutory and regulatory eligibility requirements.

Does this decision affect Adjustment of Status applications?

Potentially. The court vacated policies that affected the adjudication of certain immigration benefit applications, including Adjustment of Status cases.

Does this ruling affect work permit ap-

plications?

Potentially. Employment authorization applications were among the benefit categories affected by the challenged policies.

Can USCIS still conduct security checks?

Yes. USCIS may continue conducting lawful background checks and security screening required by statute and regulation.

Can the government appeal the ruling? Yes. Additional litigation or appellate review may occur.

Should applicants take immediate action?

Applicants should continue following normal USCIS procedures and consult qualified immigration counsel regarding the impact of the ruling on their specific circumstances.

Will this eliminate all USCIS processing delays?

No. USCIS processing times and case-specific reviews will continue. However, the court's decision removes the challenged pause and hold policies that were the subject of the litigation.

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'Lagaan' Re-Screening: Paul Blackthorne Joins Aamir Khan And Cast At 25-Year Celebrations

The spirit of 'Lagaan' came alive once again as the iconic period sports drama is all set to mark 25 years since its release.

To celebrate the occasion, a special screening was held in Mumbai on Friday India-time June 12, 2026, where the entire cast of the film gathered, in an emotional event.

English actor Paul Blackthorne, who played the formidable British officer Captain Andrew Russell, also stole the spotlight with his stylish appearance on the red carpet.

Dressed in a blue shirt paired with grey trousers and a brown cap, Blackthorne made a rare public appearance, drawing attention from fans and photographers alike. The actor greeted attendees warmly and appeared delighted to be part of the milestone celebration.

The screening soon turned into a nostalgic reunion as lead star and producer Aamir Khan joined fellow cast members and director Ashutosh Gowariker on the red carpet. The actors posed together for photographs, recreating memories from one of Indian cinema's most celebrated films.

Among others were Aamir Khan's daughter Ira Khan and his ex-wives Reena Dutta and Kiran Rao.

This comes at a time when the makers have decided to re-release the Aamir Khan starrer in theatres on June 12, 13, and 14th.

The update was shared on the official Instagram handle of Aamir Khan Productions.

"A timeless epic that touched every heart. On the 25th Anniversary of LAGAAN, the epic saga returns to the big screen. Relive the magic in theatres on 12th, 13th and 14th June," the post read.

Set in 1893, during the late Victorian period of British colonial rule in India, the film follows the inhabitants of a village in Central India, who, burdened by high taxes and several years of drought, are chal-



Paul Blackthorne joins Lagaan cast on 25th anniversary of its release.



Poster on re-release of 'Lagaan'.



lenged by an arrogant British Indian Army officer to a game of cricket as a wager to avoid paying the taxes they owe. The villagers face the arduous task of learning a game that is alien to them and playing for victory.

'Lagaan' was screened at numerous international film festivals and garnered accolades. At the 49th National Film Awards, the film won eight awards, including Best Popular Film.

-ANI

Check Out The Trailer Of 'Pritam & Pedro'

The trailer of Rajkumar Hirani's debut web show 'Pritam & Pedro' was unveiled on Monday, June 15. Directed by Avinash Arun, the series stars Arshad Warsi, Vikrant Massey, Vir Hirani, Mona Singh and Boman Irani.

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The show will be out on JioHotstar on July 3.

Set against the vibrant backdrop of Goa, Pritam & Pedro follows "two completely different worlds colliding under the most unusual circumstances. At the heart of the story are Pedro, an instinct-driven old-school cop, and Pritam, a sharp young tech whiz, who find themselves pulled into a mystery that is far bigger, stranger and more unpredictable than either of them could have imagined. As their journey unfolds, secrets deepen, loyalties are tested and chaos follows at every turn."

On creating the show, Rajkumar Hirani in a press note said, "What excited me most about this story was the relationship at its heart. Pritam and Pedro come from completely different worlds and see life very differently, but they are forced into a journey together. I've always been drawn to stories about people, their contradic-



tions, their vulnerabilities and the unexpected relationships they form along the way. This series allowed us to explore all of that while having a lot of fun with the world and characters."

Arshad Warsi said, "Pedro is one of those characters who doesn't overthink life; he trusts his instincts, follows his heart and often lands himself in situations he probably shouldn't be in. What I loved about the show was the madness, humour and unpredictability of the journey. I think audiences are going to have a great time

watching the story unfold."

Vikrant Massey and Vir also opened up about their experience.

Vikrant said, "What drew me to the series was how layered and entertaining it is at the same time. There is humour, mystery, emotion and a lot of surprising turns. Every character has their own agenda, their own flaws and their own journey, which makes the world feel incredibly alive. It was a joy to be part of something so unique."

Vir Hirani shared, "For me, the biggest privilege of this journey has been the opportunity to learn from some of the finest actors and storytellers in the industry. Every day on set felt like a masterclass whether it was watching Arshad sir bring humour so effortlessly to a scene,

Vikrant's incredible attention to detail, Mona ma'am's warmth and spontaneity, or learning from Avinash sir behind the camera. I couldn't have asked for a better environment to learn, grow and find my footing as an actor. I'm excited for audiences to finally experience the world of Pritam & Pedro."

-ANI

The Washington Post

A carriage horse died in Central Park, reigniting calls to end a New York tradition

By Andrea Sachs

A 16-year-old carriage horse died last week while carting passengers around Central Park, reigniting a movement to ban the New York City tradition.

A spotted draft horse named Deniz was towing two passengers last Tuesday evening when he collapsed and died on the west side of the park. The death, which carriage driver Nurettin Kirbiyik attributed to a “medical emergency,” has turned up the heat on a long-simmering crusade by animal rights activists and city legislators to prohibit horse-drawn carriage rides in New York City.

On June 11, city council member Christopher Marte introduced the latest version of Ryder’s Law, which a predecessor first drafted four years ago. Under the bill, the city would no longer issue new carriage licenses, freezing the current number of “medallions” at 68, and phase out the rides over two years. A union representing carriage owners and drivers, meanwhile, is backing a separate measure that bolsters protections for the animals while safeguarding the workers’ livelihoods.

Marte said Ryder’s Law includes provisions to help the drivers and owners impacted by the ban, providing them with training and assistance in securing “suitable jobs.” (An earlier version of the bill recommended replacing the equine-drawn vehicles with electric carriages.) The roughly 200 horses, meanwhile, would be rehomed in “a more natural location,” he said, such as a sanctuary. When not pulling passengers around Central Park, the horses reside in private stables on the West Side of Manhattan or farms outside the city, depending on their work schedule. “I think we have a lot of momentum and a lot of wind in our sails,” said Marte, who represents Lower Manhattan. “We’re going to continue to work to really end this inhumane practice that should no longer exist.”

As an alternative to Ryder’s Law, Queens council member James Gennaro submitted the Horse Welfare and Job Protection Act to the council on June 11. The Transport Workers Union of America, which represents 150 drivers and owners, a fraction of its 165,000 members, supports the bill.

“We’re recommending better training and tougher examinations where the new applicants have to have a real proficiency of hitching and street safety protocols, tougher than the system now in place,” said TWU International president John Samuelson.

Since its 2022 introduction, Ryder’s Law has received a swell of support from local and national animal welfare groups; NYC legislators, including former mayor Eric Adams; and a slew of celebrities such as Billie Eilish, Ricky Gervais, Marisa Tomei and Christopher Walken.

“We would love an all-out ban,” said Julie Cappiello, president of the Brooklyn-based Voters for Animal Rights. “New York City is no place for a horse, especially in New York City traffic.”

The measure is named after an elderly, emaciated and ailing horse that was euthanized weeks after he crumpled to the ground in Hell’s Kitchen in August 2022. Last year, the driver was found not guilty of animal abuse.

After Deniz’s death, the Central Park Conservancy, which manages the 843-acre public space, released a statement supporting Ryder’s Law, citing public safety concerns.

“In the past year, New Yorkers have witnessed at least seven separate incidents in which horses became spooked and either broke free - posing danger to passengers, park-goers, and others - or caused injury to their drivers, or, now, collapsed and died on Central Park’s Drives,” the conservancy stated. “It’s time to end this practice.”

Unrelatedly, two days after Deniz’s death, Philadelphia outlawed horse-drawn carriages.

Horse-drawn carriages were part of Central Park’s original 19th-century design. According to the conservancy, Frederick Law Olmsted and Calvert Vaux fashioned a “circulation system” for their era’s primary modes of transportation - hooves and feet.

Early in its founding in New York City in 1866, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals advocated for the city’s horses, rallying against overloading the horse carts and supplying the animals with drinking water.

Today the carriages are no longer a necessity but an indulgence aimed at tourists. And while the horses primarily give rides within the confines of Central Park and the surrounding area, including Times Square, the commute from their stables can require a mile-long walk on busy midtown streets.

“This a situation more befitting of 1776, not 2026,” said Brian Shapiro, New York state director at Humane World for Animals.

According to Shapiro, at least four carriage horses have died since 2020, including Lady in 2025 and Aisha in 2020. Many more have been involved in accidents. In May, a frightened horse rammed into another carriage, causing the vehicle to flip over, injuring the driver. The horses have also crashed into parked and moving cars, and one alarmed equine bolted with no driver at the reins. The passengers had to self-eject from the speeding cab.

“A horse is a fight-or-flight creature,” Shapiro said. “They are easily spooked, and this is one of the reasons why we see these collisions happening.”

New York City’s Office of Veterinary Public Health Services, which operates under the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, regulates the working conditions of the carriage horses. The New York City Police Department, sometimes patrolling on horseback, enforces the rules, such as ensuring that the horses are not working in temperatures that exceed 89 degrees in the summer or drop below 18 degrees in the winter.



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The directive also limits the horses’ workday to nine hours per 24-hour period. Every year, they must receive at least five weeks of vacation. A veterinarian examines the horses every four to eight months on top of an annual check-up.

In Deniz’s case, the Transport Workers Union said a veterinarian with the NYPD Mounted Police Unit examined the horse in March and declared him fit to work. The organization said Kirbiyik, who spent 10 years alongside Deniz, had not noticed any signs of illness and was shocked by his sudden and inexplicable death. The corpse was shipped to Cornell University’s College of Veterinary Medicine, which will administer a necropsy to determine the cause of death.

The union supplements the regulations with a few measures of its own. For instance, its safety committee will investigate any welfare reports and consult with a veterinarian about health concerns.

The workers’ group opposes Ryder’s Law, which will sever the main income source for many of the heavily immigrant owners and drivers. It is pushing for greater oversight by NYC officials, instead.

“The city has a very extensive set of rules and regulations. Can it do more? Absolutely,” Samuelson said. “It took us years just to get the city to install an additional water trough for the horses in the park. One of the horse-carriage stands needs more shade, and there aren’t enough sanctioned parking spots in the park for the 68 carriages.”

The union-backed legislation introduced by Gennaro would enhance protections for the horses, such as requiring the Rental Horse Advisory Board “to study and make recommendations on conditions for horse-drawn carriages” and creating an “annual survey” on installing hitching posts, which could prevent the horses from dashing off. It would also extend the starting hours to earlier in the morning, so the animals can take advantage of the cooler temperatures.

Cappiello, who invites the union to collaborate on a compromise, is watching both bills to see which one will cross the finish line.

During a press conference the day after Deniz’s death, Mayor Zohran Mamdani said he supported removing the horse carriages from Central Park and would work with the union and the community to achieve this goal.

“I think in Central Park what we’ve seen is a lot of concern about the welfare of these horses, and I want to figure out a way for us to actually get to the end of that path,” Mamdani said.

A Conversation With Artist Ela Shah About Launch Of Ela & Bipin Shah Family Foundation

By Sandy Levine, Special to News India Times



Ela Shah is an award-winning Indian American contemporary artist whose work has been featured in museums and galleries in India, Europe and throughout the US. A native of Bombay, she, her physician husband and children moved to the US and settled in New Jersey nearly 50 years ago. Last year she

established the Ela and Dr. Bipin Shah Family Foundation, a passion project designed to honor the caring compassionate legacy of her late husband as well as her own artistic legacy. Writer Sandy Levine spoke with Ela about the motivation behind establishing the foundation as well as her current projects.

Sandy Levine: Tell us about your late husband Bipin and how this foundation honors his legacy.

Ela Shah: "Bipin was a physician and dedicated his life to helping his patients and serving his community. After medical school we lived in a small village in India (Cambay) where he was the only doctor. We saw poverty firsthand, the lack of basic supplies and widespread hunger. Throughout his life, Bipin continued to support the hospital in Cambay and to help the people it served... The foundation will continue his legacy by helping widows and children in need, whether orphaned, hungry, or facing physical hardship around the world."

SL: The foundation is unique in that it has a dual mission: charity and art. How do they fit together?

ES: "The overarching goal of the foundation is to uplift future generations. Charity of course plays a role, but art can too. Art can bring people together, encourage understanding, and open conversations about identity, migration, struggle, and belonging. Art can offer its own kind of healing, helping people process feelings and rediscover meaning."

SL: Was there an "ah ha!" moment when you realized you could create a single foundation to honor both Bipin and your legacies?

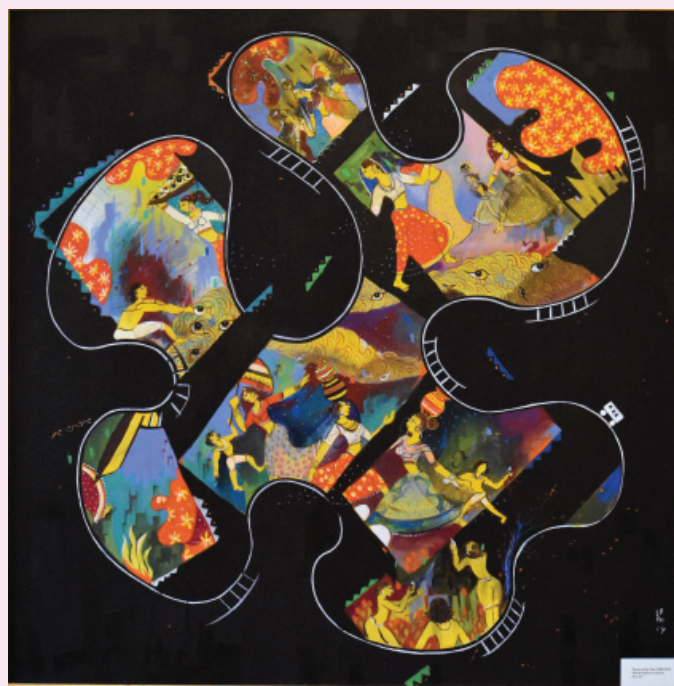
ES: "In 2025, I went to a show at Amy Sherald's work* at the Whitney Museum in New York. I was struck by all the children of color connecting to the artwork, finding reflections of their own culture, and feeling pride... Seeing the children helped me realize that I could create a single foundation that could honor Bipin's life of compassion and my own belief in the healing power of art."

SL: You've often said your body of work is a visual autobiography.** Can you explain?

ES: "My art is a story of resilience, how difficult experiences can still lead to strength, healing, and hope. After arriving in America, I was overwhelmed with physical and emotional burdens. I felt the sting of culture shock deeply. Every day there was something to remind me that I was different; the way I wore my hair, what I packed in my children's lunch box, the clothes I wore. It was one of the most difficult periods of my life..."



"Jab Tak Hai Card" (As long as I have the Card), 2016, Goldleaf and mix media on burnt wood, 'The title of the work comes from Shah Rukh Khan's Bollywood movie "Jab Tak Hai Jaan": A "Desi" girl, dressed in a hybrid of Indian and American clothing, emerges from a puzzle carrying a computer and an H-1B visa. A dark urban landscape merges with a temple-like structure crowned by a peacock atop a gateway, symbolizing the intersection of two cultures. The work reflects the uncertainty, excitement, opportunities, and challenges of living on a temporary visa. Caught between belonging and transition, the fragmented figure struggles to fit within the frame while confidently asserting her presence and identity in a new world. This work was done as a winner of the Smithsonian MUSEUM's Asian American Heritage program.



The Lost Puzzle Piece—After coming to this country, I felt like a lost puzzle piece—displaced from the landscape that had shaped me. The railway tracks carry me through a dreamlike déjà vu of my homeland: the ponds, farms, trees, and the people I left behind. Fragments of memory drift in and out of focus, connecting past and present, absence and belonging. Through nostalgia and longing, I continue to search for—and create—a place that feels like home.

My way of moving forward was to bring art back into my life... (and) since I am a visual artist, I express many of these ideas through images and sculpture rather than words alone. If my journey can help even a few people overcome challenges in their own lives, then the work has meaning beyond art itself."

SL: It seems that contemporary Indian art is under-represented in museums and galleries. Do you have a sense of why?

ES: "I think more traditional Indian arts get the attention. I see parents encouraging their children to learn Indian dance and music and they gain an appreciation for Indian visual arts in their homes and temples. But contemporary Indian art doesn't have a home... There's no one museum that's devoted to our work. My vision is that one day there will be a museum of contemporary Indian diaspora art, and most artists in our community feel the same way... While I may not live to see it realized, I can at least be part of the effort to make it happen."

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SL: Can you talk a little more about that vision?

ES: "Beyond showcasing the visual arts, I also hope to encourage cultural dialogue, so younger generations can better understand and relate to both their own culture and others. In the same way communities create temples, music programs, and cultural centers, I believe there can also be museums and spaces dedicated to art, culture, classes, conversations, and creative exchange."

SL: In addition to growing the foundation, what are you doing to expand awareness of contemporary Indian art?

ES: "We're looking for galleries where we can showcase the work of Indian artists as well as my own. I'm also reaching out to the community of artists I've met throughout my career. There's a group of Southeast Asian artists*** in the New York/New Jersey area that I've been speaking with and hope to collaborate with."

SL: And finally, how can individuals support the work of the Dr. Bipin and Ela Shah Foundation?

ES: "We're building a website specifically for the foundation, but in the meantime, you can visit my website: www.elashah.com"

*Artist Amy Sherald created the official portrait of Michelle Obama.

**Ela's journey from Bombay to New Jersey is explored in her book "Ela: Breaking Boundaries" and in the award-winning documentary of the same name.

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No.	Date	Teams	Venue
1	Thu, June 11	Mexico vs South Africa	Mexico City, Mexico
2	Fri, June 12	Korea Republic vs Czechia	Guadalajara, Mexico
3	Fri, June 12	Canada vs Bosnia & Herzegovina	Toronto, Canada
4	Sat, June 13	USA vs Paraguay	Los Angeles, USA
5	Sun, June 14	Haiti vs Scotland	Boston, USA
6	Sun, June 14	Australia vs Turkiye	Vancouver, Canada
7	Sat, June 13	Brazil vs Morocco	New York/New Jersey, USA
8	Sat, June 13	Qatar vs Switzerland	San Francisco Bay Area, USA
9	Mon, June 15	Cote d Ivoire vs Ecuador	Philadelphia, USA
10	Sun, June 14	Germany vs Curacao	Houston, USA
11	Sun, June 14	Netherlands vs Japan	Dallas, USA
12	Mon, June 15	Sweden vs Tunisia	Guadalajara, Mexico
13	Mon, June 15	Saudi Arabia vs Uruguay	Miami, USA
14	Mon, June 15	Spain vs Cabo Verde	Atlanta, USA
15	Tue, June 16	IR Iran vs New Zealand	Los Angeles, USA
16	Mon, June 15	Belgium vs Egypt	Seattle, USA
17	Tue, June 16	France vs Senegal	New York/New Jersey, USA
18	Tue, June 16	Iraq vs Norway	Boston, USA
19	Wed, June 17	Argentina vs Algeria	Kansas City, USA
20	Thu, June 18	Austria vs Jordan	San Francisco Bay Area, USA
21	Wed, June 17	Ghana vs Panama	Toronto, Canada
22	Wed, June 17	England vs Croatia	Dallas, USA
23	Wed, June 17	Portugal vs Congo DR	Houston, USA
24	Thu, June 18	Uzbekistan vs Colombia	Mexico City, Mexico
25	Thu, June 18	Czechia vs South Africa	Atlanta, USA
26	Thu, June 18	Switzerland vs Bosnia & Herzegovina	Los Angeles, USA

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53	Thu, June 25	Czechia vs Mexico	Mexico City, Mexico
54	Thu, June 25	South Africa vs Korea Republic	Guadalajara, Mexico
55	Thu, June 25	Curacao vs Cote d Ivoire	Philadelphia, USA
56	Thu, June 25	Ecuador vs Germany	New York/New Jersey, USA
57	Fri, June 26	Japan vs Sweden	Dallas, USA
58	Fri, June 26	Tunisia vs Netherlands	Kansas City, USA
59	Fri, June 26	Turkiye vs USA	Los Angeles, USA
60	Fri, June 26	Paraguay vs Australia	San Francisco Bay Area, USA
61	Fri, June 26	Norway vs France	Boston, USA
62	Fri, June 26	Senegal vs Iraq	Toronto, Canada
63	Sat, June 27	Egypt vs IR Iran	Seattle, USA
64	Sat, June 27	New Zealand vs Belgium	Vancouver, Canada
65	Sat, June 27	Cabo Verde vs Saudi Arabia	Houston, USA
66	Sat, June 27	Uruguay vs Spain	Guadalajara, Mexico
67	Sat, June 27	Panama vs England	New York/New Jersey, USA
68	Sat, June 27	Croatia vs Ghana	Philadelphia, USA
69	Sun, June 28	Algeria vs Austria	Kansas City, USA
70	Sun, June 28	Jordan vs Argentina	Dallas, USA
71	Sun, June 28	Colombia vs Portugal	Miami, USA
72	Sun, June 28	Congo DR vs Uzbekistan	Atlanta, USA
73	Sun, June 28	Group A runner-up vs Group B runner-up	Los Angeles, USA
74	Mon, June 29	Group E winner vs 3rd Place A/B/C/D/F	Boston, USA
75	Tue, June 30	Group F winner vs Group C runner-up	Guadalajara, Mexico
76	Mon, June 29	Group C winner vs Group F runner-up	Houston, USA
77	Tue, June 30	Group I winner vs 3rd Place C/D/F/G/H	New York/New Jersey, USA
78	Tue, June 30	Group E runner-up vs Group I runner-up	Dallas, USA

No.	Date	Teams	Venue
27	Thu, June 18	Canada vs Qatar	Vancouver, Canada
28	Fri, June 19	Mexico vs Korea Republic	Guadalajara, Mexico
29	Sat, June 20	Brazil vs Haiti	Philadelphia, USA
30	Fri, June 19	Scotland vs Morocco	Boston, USA
31	Sat, June 20	Turkiye vs Paraguay	San Francisco Bay Area, USA
32	Fri, June 19	USA vs Australia	Seattle, USA
33	Sat, June 20	Germany vs Cote d Ivoire	Toronto, Canada
34	Sun, June 21	Ecuador vs Curacao	Kansas City, USA
35	Sat, June 20	Netherlands vs Sweden	Houston, USA
36	Sun, June 21	Tunisia vs Japan	Guadalajara, Mexico
37	Sun, June 21	Uruguay vs Cabo Verde	Miami, USA
38	Sun, June 21	Spain vs Saudi Arabia	Atlanta, USA
39	Sun, June 21	Belgium vs IR Iran	Los Angeles, USA
40	Mon, June 22	New Zealand vs Egypt	Vancouver, Canada
41	Tue, June 23	Norway vs Senegal	Toronto, Canada
42	Mon, June 22	France vs Iraq	Philadelphia, USA
43	Mon, June 22	Argentina vs Austria	Dallas, USA
44	Tue, June 23	Jordan vs Algeria	San Francisco Bay Area, USA
45	Tue, June 23	England vs Ghana	Boston, USA
46	Wed, June 24	Panama vs Croatia	Boston, USA
47	Tue, June 23	Portugal vs Uzbekistan	Houston, USA
48	Wed, June 24	Colombia vs Congo DR	Guadalajara, Mexico
49	Wed, June 24	Scotland vs Brazil	Miami, USA
50	Wed, June 24	Morocco vs Haiti	Atlanta, USA
51	Wed, June 24	Switzerland vs Canada	Vancouver, Canada
52	Wed, June 24	Bosnia & Herzegovina vs Qatar	Seattle, USA

No.	Date	Teams	Venue
79	Wed, July 1	Group A winner vs 3rd Place C/E/F/H/I	Mexico City, Mexico
80	Wed, July 1	Group L winner vs 3rd Place E/H/I/J/K	Atlanta, USA
81	Thu, July 2	Group D winner vs 3rd Place B/E/F/G/J	San Francisco Bay Area, USA
82	Wed, July 1	Group G winner vs 3rd Place A/E/H/I/J	Seattle, USA
83	Fri, July 3	Group K runner-up vs Group L runner-up	Toronto, Canada
84	Thu, July 2	Group H winner vs Group J runner-up	Los Angeles, USA
85	Fri, July 3	Group B winner vs 3rd Place E/F/G/H/J	Vancouver, Canada
86	Fri, July 3	Group J winner vs Group H runner-up	Miami, USA
87	Sat, July 4	Group K winner vs 3rd Place D/E/I/J/L	Kansas City, USA
88	Fri, July 3	Group D runner-up vs Group G runner-up	Dallas, USA
89	Sat, July 4	Winner 74 vs Winner 77	Philadelphia, USA
90	Sat, July 4	Winner 73 vs Winner 75	Houston, USA
91	Sun, July 5	Winner 76 vs Winner 78	New York/New Jersey, USA
92	Mon, July 6	Winner 79 vs Winner 80	Mexico City, Mexico
93	Mon, July 6	Winner 83 vs Winner 84	Dallas, USA
94	Tue, July 7	Winner 81 vs Winner 82	Seattle, USA
95	Tue, July 7	Winner 86 vs Winner 88	Atlanta, USA
96	Tue, July 7	Winner 85 vs Winner 87	Vancouver, Canada
97	Thu, July 9	Winner 89 vs Winner 90	Boston, USA
98	Fri, July 10	Winner 93 vs Winner 94	Los Angeles, USA
99	Sat, July 11	Winner 91 vs Winner 92	Miami, USA
100	Sun, July 12	Winner 95 vs Winner 96	Kansas City, USA
101	Tue, July 14	Winner 97 vs Winner 98	Dallas, USA
102	Wed, July 15	Winner 99 vs Winner 100	Atlanta, USA
103	Sat, July 18	Loser 101 vs Loser 102 - Bronze Final	Miami, USA
104	Sun, July 19	Winner 101 vs Winner 102 - Final	New York/New Jersey, USA

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