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Alec Baldwin kills DOP on set with prop gun

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Hollywood actor Alec Baldwin accidentally shot and killed Cinematographer Halyna Hutchins and wounded Director Joel Souza, with a prop gun during the shoot of his upcoming movie 'Rust'. Hutchins, 42, was taken to the hospital by helicopter where she was pronounced dead.

Miss Hutchins was named a "rising star" by the American Cinematographer magazine in 2019. Souza is responding to medication, according to reports from the hospital. Cinematographer Halyna Hutchins had worked on a number of Indie productions including Archenemy, Blindfire and The Mad Hatter.

Aamir Sohail, a movie enthusiast, told The Beacon, "It's an unfortunate situation that has happened to Alec Baldwin. This situation can get political because Alec Baldwin has made fun of Trump on SNL. The right-wing people will not remain silent. The person who died should be remembered," he added. Pranav Shriram, the creator of Today's Adda Production said, "Regardless of his profession and fame, he has to be tried in the court of law."

Siddu slams 100 crore vaccine celebration

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Former Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah on Friday slammed the Modi government for misleading the citizens by quoting the 'fancy' figures about the vaccination drive. This comes in the wake of the central government celebrating the occasion of India administering over one hundred crores of vaccines.

Siddaramaiah, on Twitter, asked the Prime Minister to raise the bar before celebrating. "1 billion doses [sound] fancy number but the devil is in the details. Only 29 Cr people out of 139Cr are fully vaccinated, which means only about 21% are fully vaccinated. What are @BJP4India leaders



Former Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah

Twitter/Siddaramaiah

celebrating for? For 56% population are fully [vaccinating] just 21% of the population?" tweeted Siddaramaiah. He further added, "In US -

@narendramodi, let us raise the bar before celebrating!! (sic)" Karnataka's opposition leader Siddaramaiah asked

the Union government to put a hold on celebrations as a big population is yet to be inoculated.

He said, "There may be a need for a booster dose too & with even 1st doses & 2nd doses pending for a large population, can we even think of a booster dose? Mr PM @narendramodi, Let us put a hold on the celebrations & concentrate on vaccinating everyone."

The Prime Minister on Friday addressed the nation on the occasion of India's 100 crore vaccine milestone, where he congratulated the citizens of India. While addressing the nation, Modi said that 100 crore Covid vaccine dose achievement is not merely statistics but a new chapter in history.

CEAT faces backlash against Diwali advt

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BENGALURU: CEAT's latest Diwali advertisement featuring Aamir Khan received sharp reactions across communities following BJP MP from Uttara Kannada Anantkumar Hegde's letter to the CEAT CEO Anant Vardhan Geonka in which he claimed that the advertisement hurt religious sentiments.

Anantkumar had written a letter addressing CEAT's advertisement, 'appreciating



Aamir Khan in the ad

Twitter/CEAT

the company's initiative, but urging them to weigh in on the noise pollution created by mosque loudspeakers and roadblockage during namaz.

"I saw the advertisement. I don't think there was anything wrong with the advertisement. Firecrackers are road hazards and cause air pollution. They should be completely banned. This should not be an issue about religion," said Mainak Chakraborty, a Doctor from Kolkata.

Avipriti Roy, a student from Delhi, said, "I do not feel the

advertisement was essentially anti-Hindu but what the BJP MP Anantkumar Hegde said also makes sense. Blocking of roads for Namaz or loud noise exceeding permissible limits from mosques should also be addressed in these advertisements."

Fabindia's recent Diwali advertisement had also received backlash from BJP's youth leader and MP from South Bengaluru Tejasvi Surya who claimed the advertisement was an "abrahmisation of Hindu festivals".

IFFI to honour Istevan Szabo and Martin Scorsese

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BENGALURU: The 52nd edition of India's most revered film festival, the International Film Festival of India (IFFI), will be held from 20th to 28th November 2021 in Goa.

The government on Friday announced that renowned Directors, Istevan Szabo and Martin Scorsese will be honoured with the Satyajit Ray Lifetime Achievement Award at the festival.

Anurag Thakur, Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting said, "India is a

land of storytellers; our tales have captured the imagination of the world. India's wide variety of stories rightly makes us the 'Content Subcontinent'."

Niranjan Damodaran, a film enthusiast told The Beacon, "Martin Scorsese himself was amazed after watching the Apu trilogy by Satyajit Ray and he getting this award is heart-warming."

Students from recognized institutions of India can apply to attend the 'hybrid film festival', that will be conducted both offline and online.

Spectators look forward to sports rivalries

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A blockbuster Sunday awaits sports enthusiasts around the globe as India takes on Pakistan in the ICC T20 World Cup at Dubai International Cricket Stadium.

Meanwhile Manchester United welcomes Liverpool at Old Trafford in the Premier League.

The matches, between arch rivals, expect packed stadiums.

Talking about the India-Pakistan match, Shahul Hameed, a cricket enthusiast said, "Both teams are



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favorites to win. The United Arab Emirates (UAE) has been the home ground for

Pakistan for 10 years while India is also in good form following the Indian Premier

League (IPL). I am eagerly waiting for the match and hope that India defeats Pakistan."

Aksa Elizabeth Johnson, who is both a cricket and football fan said, "I am very excited for Sunday. India vs Pakistan is the biggest rivalry in cricket while Manchester United and Liverpool is the biggest rivalry in English football. It is going to be a jam-packed Sunday evening for me."

Some other rivalry matches are also set to take place on Sunday. Paris Saint-Germain plays against Marseille while Inter Milan takes on Juventus.