



France ups the ante in spat with US, says ministers won't meet envoy

PARIS
FRANCE'S spat with the US ambassador to Paris took another turn Tuesday with the French foreign minister saying the top US diplomat in France must respond to a summons and won't have access to French government officials until he complies.
French authorities had summoned Ambassador Charles Kushner — the father of US President Donald Trump's son-in-law and adviser Jared Kushner — for a meeting on Monday over comments from the Trump

administration that France objected to. But Kushner did not show up. The US Embassy did not respond.
On Tuesday, French Foreign Minister Jean-Noël Barrot described the failure to attend the meeting as "a surprise" that flew in the face of diplomatic protocol and will dent Charles Kushner's ability to serve as an ambassador.
"It will, naturally, affect his capacity to exercise his mission in our country," Barrot told broadcaster France Info.
He said Kushner "is bringing difficulties on himself. Because

for an ambassador to be able to do his job he needs access to members of the government."
"There is nothing more usual than summoning an ambassador when explanations need to be made," he said. "When these explanations have taken place, then the US ambassador in France will, naturally, regain access to members of the French government."
France's foreign ministry had summoned Kushner over Trump administration tweets relating to the beating death in France of a far-right activist, Quentin Deranque. The 23-year-

old student, a nationalist, was beaten by a group earlier this month in Lyon, in fighting that erupted between far-left and far-right activists. He later died of brain injuries.
In a post last week on X, the State Department's Counterterrorism Bureau said "violent radical leftism is on the rise and its role in Quentin Deranque's death demonstrates the threat it poses to public safety." The US Embassy in Paris posted the same statement.
Barrot said France needs to discuss the comments with Kushner.

EXPRESS READ Egypt seeks support for Lebanese army

CAIRO: Egypt on Tuesday urged the international community to better support Lebanon's armed forces to ensure that all weapons in the country come under the exclusive authority of the state. Speaking at a preparatory meeting in Cairo ahead of next month's Paris conference in support of the Lebanese army, Egypt's Foreign Minister Badr Abdelatty praised "the success of the Lebanese army in completing the first phase of the plan."
"This achievement reflects the efficiency of the military institution and requires intensifying international support to complete the remaining phases of the plan," Abdelatty said. Last year, Lebanon's government committed to disarming Hezbollah, which was weakened in its recent war with Israel, and tasked the army with drafting a plan to implement the decision.

Aid groups move court to allow them to work in Gaza

TEL AVIV
SEVENTEEN international aid groups said Tuesday they have petitioned Israel's Supreme Court to allow them to keep working in the Gaza Strip and other Palestinian areas, where Israel is set to bar them for refusing to comply with new rules.
Israel says it will ban 37 aid groups by March 1. The rules announced last year require aid groups to register the names and contact information of employees, and to provide details about their funding and operations. The groups view the rules as invasive and arbitrary, and say the ban would hinder critical assistance to people in war-ravaged Gaza.
They have appealed for an urgent interim order that would halt the process until a final ruling, they said in a joint statement Tuesday. The government has until Wednesday afternoon to respond, according to a court document.
The statement said that stopping the groups' activities will lead to a "humanitarian collapse and irreparable harm" for hundreds of thousands of people in need. They say the ban violates Israel's obligations and shows "extreme unreasonableness and lack of proportionality."
Aid groups that refuse to comply say they fear what Israel might do with the data of their employees, noting that hundreds of workers have been killed in Israeli strikes. AP



The scene of a helicopter crash in the town of Dorcheh some 205 miles (330 kilometers) south of the capital Tehran, Iran, Tuesday | AP

Iran military helicopter crashes into market

TEHRAN
AN Iranian military helicopter crashed into a fruit and vegetable market in central Iran on Tuesday, reportedly killing at least four people.
The crash happened in the town of Dorcheh, some 330 kilometers (205 miles) south of Iran's capital, Tehran, in the country's Isfahan province, Iranian state television reported. Isfahan is home to a major Iranian air base, as well as a nuclear site struck by the U.S. during the Iran-Israel war in June.
The army helicopter had been on a training flight, state TV said. The pilot and co-pilot died in the crash, it added, showing footage of debris and smoke rising from the market.
Iran's semi-official Pars news agency said two people on the ground at the market died in the crash.
This is the second crash in less than a week in Iran. An F-4 fighter jet crashed near Iran's western city of Hamedan, killing one of its pilots.
Iran has a history of fatal crashes involving jets.
Western sanctions have dried up the supply of parts for aircraft in Iran, which relies on a fleet of aging helicopters and airplanes for both its government and commercial-owned airlines. AP



Relatives of those killed stand near the Wall of Remembrance to mark the fourth anniversary of the Russian invasion in Bucha, Ukraine, on Tuesday | AP

Zelensky says Putin has 'not broken' Ukrainians

KYIV
UKRAINIAN President Volodymyr Zelensky said Tuesday that Russia has not "broken Ukrainians" nor triumphed in its war, four years after an invasion that has tested the resolve of Kyiv and its allies and fueled European fears about the scale of Moscow's ambitions.
In a show of support, more than a dozen senior European officials headed to the Ukrainian capital to mark the anniversary of the conflict, which has killed tens of thousands of people, upended life for millions, and created instability beyond its borders.
Zelensky said his country has withstood the onslaught by Russia's bigger and better equipped army, which over the past year of fighting captured just 0.79% of Ukraine's territory, according to the Institute for the Study of War, a Washington-based think tank. Russia now holds nearly 20% of Ukraine.
"Looking back at the beginning of the

invasion and reflecting on today, we have every right to say: We have defended our independence, we have not lost our statehood," Zelensky said on social media, adding that Russian President Vladimir Putin has "not achieved his goals."
"He has not broken Ukrainians; he has not won this war," Zelensky said.
Despite the show of defiance, Ukraine has struggled to hold off Russia's onslaught, and the war has brought widespread hardship for Ukrainian civilians. Russia's aerial attacks have devastated families and denied civilians power and running water.
Putin made no mention of the anniversary nor did he say how the war was going when he spoke at a meeting in Moscow of top officials of the Federal Security Service, or FSB, on Tuesday.
However, he told them that the threat of Ukrainian attacks on Russian soil has grown. Ukraine has increasingly deployed long-range drones to strike Russia. AP

Tamil Nadu Power Generation Corporation Ltd
Notice Inviting Tenders (E-Tendering Process)

Specification No.	Tender Inviting Authority	Name of the Work
OT - 1	CE / PROJECTS	Ennore SEZ - Establishment of Flue Gas Desulphurisation (FGD) system & its Auxiliaries for 2 x 660 MW Ennore SEZ under Single EPC basis.

For details of works / Procurement / Due date of submission / Opening, viewing and downloading of tenders, please visit website: www.tnpsc.co.in, www.tenders.in.gov.in, www.tenders.gov.in DIPR/1374/Tender/2026

BENGALURU SOUTH CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer, Traffic Engineering and Mobility Cell, 2nd Floor, 9th Main Road, Jayanagara 2nd Block, Bengaluru-560011

No.: EE/TE&M Cell/BSCC/TEND/05/2025-26 Date: 24.02.2026

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)
(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPPP Portal only)

The Executive Engineer Traffic Engineering and Mobility Cell (BSCC) invites bids through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal from eligible licensed / registered advertisers with BSCC / any other Bengaluru City Corporation for assignment of commercial advertisement rights in 2-Zones in accordance with the Greater Bengaluru Area (Advertisement) Rules 2025.

Name of Work	Assignment of Commercial Advertisement Rights in Two (2) Zones of Bengaluru South City Corporation.
(1) Tender Notification No.: EE/TE&M Cell/BSCC/TEND/05/2025-26 Date: 25.02.2026	(2) Date from which bid document is ready for download through Karnataka Public Procurement Portal of Government of Karnataka (https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in): 25.02.2026 from 5:30 p.m.
(3) Date of Pre-bid meeting and venue: 09.03.2026 at 3:00 p.m.	Office of the Adtl. Commissioner (Advertisements), BSCC, 2nd Floor, 9th Main Road, Jayanagara 2nd Block, Bengaluru-560011.
(4) Last date for seeking clarification if any: 09.03.2026 at 11:00 a.m.	Last date and time for uploading of tender in Karnataka Public Procurement Portal platform: 21.03.2026 upto 5:00 p.m.
(5) Last date and time of opening of tenders: Technical bid & Technical Evaluation: 24.03.2026 at 3:00 p.m.	(7) Date and time of opening of tenders: Commercial bid of Technically qualified bidders (if possible): Immediately after technical evaluation.
(6) Contact person for queries: Additional Commissioner (Advertisements), Mobile: 9480056951, Email: adcl.comm.rev.bscc@gmail.com	(9) Place of opening of tenders and address for communication: Office of the Executive Engineer, Traffic Engineering and Mobility Cell, 2nd Floor, 9th Main Road, Jayanagara 2nd Block, Bengaluru-560011.
(10) EMD Amount: Rs. 20 Lakhs (out of which Rs. 16 Lakhs as bank guarantee and rest of Rs. 4 Lakhs paid in KPP Portal) for each zone wise bid. Further details may be obtained from the above office, during office hours or website https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in .	Sd/- Executive Engineer, Traffic Engineering and Mobility Cell, Bengaluru South City Corporation

BENGALURU NORTH CITY CORPORATION
Office of the Executive Engineer (QA/QC), Zone-2, Room No. 315, 3rd Floor, Mini Vidhana Soudha, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560064.

No: EE/QA/QC/Z-2/BNCC/TEND/07/2025-26 Date: 24-02-2026

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION - (CALL-2)
(Two Cover System) (Through GOK KPP Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Quality Assurance / Quality Control Division, Zone-2, BNCC, Bengaluru invites Request for Proposal from interested Persons / Firms those who have done similar type of work for Consultancy Services for Project Management including Supervision, Quality Control (PMC) for the below works.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work
1	Providing PMC Services including Supervision and Quality Control for Improvements to Roads and Drains at BB Road from Kempegowda Statue to Kogilu Circle in Ward No. 01 of Yelahanka Sub Division. Project Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 150.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 3,750/-
2	Providing PMC Services including Supervision and Quality Control for Improvements to Roads and Drains at Vishweshwaraiah Park Surrounding Area Main and Cross Roads in 'B' Sector Ward No. 04 of Yelahanka Sub Division. Project Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 150.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 3,750/-
3	Providing PMC Services including Supervision and Quality Control for Improvements to Roads and Drains at Basaveshwara Park Surrounding Area Main and Cross Roads in 'A' Sector Ward No. 04 of Yelahanka New Town Sub Division. Project Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 150.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 3,750/-
4	Providing PMC Services including Supervision and Quality Control for Development of Parks and Play Ground and Gym and Playing Equipments in Ward No. 02, 03, 04 of Yelahanka Sub Division. Project Amount (Rs. in Lakhs): 200.00, EMD Amount (in Rs.): 4,625/-

Calendar of Events: 1) Tender Document may be downloaded from the GOK Karnataka Public Procurement Portal Website: <https://kppp.karnataka.gov.in> from 26-02-2026 at 4.00 PM. 2) Pre Bid Meeting will be held on 02-03-2026 at 11.30 AM in the Office of the Executive Engineer (QA/QC), Zone-2, Room No. 315, 3rd Floor, Mini Vidhana Soudha, Yelahanka, Bengaluru - 560064. 3) Last Date and Time for Receipt of Tenders: 05-03-2026 upto 4.00 PM. 4) Date of Opening of Technical Bid: 06-03-2026 at 4.30 PM. Further details can be had from the above office.
Sd/- Executive Engineer (QA/QC) Zone-2, BNCC.

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME
I JAGADISH TEGGI (Old Name) No. 45, Toravi Road, Siddeshwar Colony, Bijapur, Vijayapura - 586101, Karnataka Changed my name as JAGADISH VEERANNA TEGGI (New Name) vide affidavit dated 24/02/2026 sworn before Notary Mr. Patil Chandramouli. B. Raichur.

CHANGE OF NAME
I VEERAPPA TEGGI (Old Name) No. 45, Toravi Road, Siddeshwar Colony, Bijapur, Vijayapura - 586101, Karnataka Changed my name as VEERANNA VEERABADRAPP TEGGI (New Name) vide affidavit dated 24/02/2026 sworn before Notary Mr. Patil Chandramouli. B. Raichur.

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INVITATION OF BIDS - ITEM WAR (Two Cover System) Second call (Short Term) e-Submission

IFB No.	Name of work	Approximate value (incl. GST 18%) (Rs. in crore)	Bid security (Rs. in lakh)
28	Operation and maintenance of CWSS in 3 Districts Chengalpet-13 Nos, Kancheepuram-8 Nos & Thiruvallur-11 Nos. Total- 32 Nos. (Pkg-43) including repair, rectification works and supply of Chemicals for three years period from 01.04.2026 to 31.03.2029.	21.35	16.50

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APPENDIX IV [Rule 8(1)] POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable Property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited) under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with [rule 3] of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notices calling upon the Borrower/Co-borrowers and Guarantors to repay the amount mentioned in the demand notice appended below within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

The Borrower/Co-borrowers/Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower/Co-borrowers/Guarantors and public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this notice.

Loan Account Number	Borrower/s/Co-Borrower/s & Guarantors Name	Description of the Mortgaged Properties	Demand Notice		Date and Type of Possession Taken
			Date	Outstanding Amount (Rs.)	
97755402	1. Nagappa Myagadi 2. Hanamavva Myagadi	All That Piece And Parcel Of Property Bearing Vpc No. 304/01, Measuring Area 30 x 40 Sq. Ft., Situated At Rio Dhavaleswar, Tq. Mudalagi, District: Belagavi, Belgaum, Karnataka-591227, And Bounded As: East: Smt. Kallava Bhimappa Myagadi, West: Kasheva Maruthi Myagadi, North: Road, South: Hanamant Bhamappa Myagadi	06.12.2025	INR 6,89,893.47/-	23.02.2026 Possession
108118606	1. Laxmi B Patil 2. Mallesh B Patil	All That Piece And Parcel Of Vpc No. 1-13, Swattn No. 150400503800300015, Measuring: East-west: 12.10 Mtrs., North-south: 9.09 Mtrs., Total Area 109.99 Sq. Mtrs., Situated At Munyal Village And Grampanchayat, Tq. Mudalagi, District: Belagavi, Belgaum, Karnataka-591312, And Bounded As: East: Hanamant S Koujalgi, West: Road, North: Shivanappa Baligar, South: Goudappa Patil	29.11.2025	INR 7,91,204.34/-	23.02.2026 Possession

The Borrower/Co-borrowers/Guarantors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of IDFC FIRST Bank Limited (erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited) for an amount mentioned in the demand notice together with further interest and other charges from the date of demand notice till payment/realization.

Date : 23.02.2026
Place : Belagavi, Karnataka

Sd/-
Authorized Officer
IDFC FIRST Bank Limited
(erstwhile Capital First Limited and amalgamated with IDFC Bank Limited)

AMARAVATI GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE CORPORATION LIMITED (AGICL)
PROJECT OFFICE, RAYAPUDI, THULLURU MANDAL, (A.P.)

E PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE

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- NIT No:120/MAU61-USIOHB(BG)/7/2026, Dt: 24.02.2026**
Construction of Club House Buildings comprising G+4 Floors with Civil Structure, including Interiors, Furniture, MEP and External Development Works, to AIS, Secretaries and Principal secretaires near APCRDA Office Rayapudi, Amaravati.
- NIT No:121/MAU61-USIOHB(BG)/6/2026 Dt: 24.02.2026**
Construction of Club House Buildings comprising G+3 Floors with Civil Structure, including Interiors, Furniture, MEP and External Development Works, to Hon'ble MLAs & Hon'ble MLCs, Hon'ble Ministers near APCRDA Office Rayapudi, Amaravati.

The bid can be downloaded on AP e-procurement portal from 27.02.2026 to 13.03.2026 up to 14.00 Hrs. Pre-Bid Meeting Date 05.03.2026. Due date for submission of Bid 13.03.2026 up to 15.00 Hrs. Technical bid opening 13.03.2026 @16.00Hrs. For further details please refer to www.approcurement.gov.in and www.crda.ap.gov.in
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GOLD AUCTION NOTICE

The borrowers, in specific and the public, in general, are hereby notified that public auction of the gold ornaments pledged in the below accounts is proposed to be conducted at the following branches on 16/03/2026 from 10.00 am onwards. The auction is of the gold ornaments of defaulted customers who have failed to make payment of their loan amount despite being notified by registered letters. Unauctioned items shall be auctioned on any other days without any further notice. Reserve price is fixed on the basis of market price of the gold on the date of auction or the 85% of the average 30 days IBA rate whichever is higher. Change in venue or date (if any) will be displayed at the auction centre and on the company website. The details given below are in the order of Branch Name, Loan Number, Customer Name, Total Due Amount (in *) & Item Name

List of pledges:-
RAICHUR, GUNJ MAIN ROAD, 0110680700047096, MANOHAR, 20000/-, STUD 1, GULBERGA, JEWARGI, 0136250700014328, NAGARAJA, 6000/-, STUD 1.

Persons wishing to participate in the above auction shall comply with the following:- Interested Bidders should submit Rs. 10,000/- as EMD (refundable to unsuccessful bidders) by way of NEFT/RTGS on the same day of auction. Bidders should carry valid ID card/PAN card. For more details please contact 9072607147.

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Corrigendum-1 दिनांक: 24/02/2026

In view of the issuance of Bid Clarifications including Addendum to RIP Nos. T-04/EE(Solar)/2025-26, T-05/EE(Solar)/2025-26, T-06/EE(Solar)/2025-26 and T-07/EE(Solar)/2025-26 invited by the office of Executive Engineer(Solar), Dehradun, the due dates in respect of the aforesaid Online Tariff Based Competitive Bids (RFP) for stand-alone Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) on BOOT basis under the VGF Scheme are hereby extended as follows:
Last Date /Time of Receipt of bid on the portal : 09-03-2026 upto 16:00 Hrs.
Last Date /Time of submission of bid in Office : 12-03-2026 upto 12:00 Hrs.
Date of opening of the bid on website : 12-03-2026 from 13:00 Hrs.
The Bid Clarifications including Addendum has been issued which can be obtained from the website.
Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal <http://uktenders.gov.in>.
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