



TWO

people were killed in torrential rain in southwest Japan on Monday, with fears the toll could rise

Beijing	39	26	TDS	Los Angeles	28	15	LC
Colombo	30	26	LC	Melbourne	16	12	HR
Dhaka	31	27	TDS	Moscow	20	12	HR
Dubai	42	34	SNY	New York	26	21	LC
Houston	36	27	SNY	Singapore	29	26	TDS
Istanbul	30	21	LC	Toronto	27	21	LC
London	23	17	LC	Washington	29	19	LC

GLOBAL WEATHER

LR: Light Rain HR: Heavy Rain SW: Snow

TDS: Thundershower LC: Light Cloud SNY: Sunny

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Turkey ties Sweden's NATO bid to its EU membership

Will back Stockholm if EU resumes talks on admitting Turkey: Erdogan

ANKARA

TURKISH President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said on Monday he would only back Sweden's NATO candidacy if the EU resumes long-stalled membership talks with Ankara.

The mercurial Turkish leader's unexpected new demand came on the eve of a landmark NATO summit at which Western leaders want to display unity in the face of Russia's war on Ukraine.

Erdogan has been blocking Sweden's accession for months because of what he deemed was Stockholm's failure to crack down on Kurdish militants who have been waging a bloody insurgency against the Turkish state.

His new condition — never raised in public before — threatened to open a new chasm between Turkey and its Western allies in the heat of Europe's worst conflict since World War II.

Germany's powerful Chancellor Olaf Scholz quickly called Erdogan's demand unrelated to the issue of giving Sweden the security guarantees afforded by the world's most powerful military organisation.



Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan and Swedish Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson (right) shake hands as NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg (centre) looks on | AFP

Erdogan argued on Monday that many of the same leaders who were blocking Turkey's EU membership now wanted him to support Sweden's candidacy.

"Almost all the NATO members are EU members. I now am addressing these countries, which are making Turkey wait for more than 50 years, and I will address them again in Vilnius," Erdogan said moments before boarding his flight for the summit in the Lithuanian capital.

"First, open the way to Turkey's membership of the European Union, and then we will open it for Sweden, just as we

had opened it for Finland."

Erdogan added that "this is what I told" US President Joe Biden when the two leaders spoke by phone on Sunday.

Turkey first applied to be a member of the European Economic Community — a predecessor to the EU — in 1987.

It became an EU candidate country in 1999 and formally launched membership negotiations with the bloc in 2005.

The talks stalled over European concerns about human rights violations that came in the midst of a sweeping crackdown Erdogan launched after surviving a failed 2016 military coup.

Scholz said Erdogan's new demand conflated two unrelated issues.

"Sweden meets all the requirements for NATO membership," he said in Berlin. "The other question is one that is not connected with it and that is why I do not think it should be seen as a connected issue."

Erdogan had previously voiced repeated frustrations with what he calls Sweden's failure to keep its promise to deal with suspected Kurdish militants allegedly "roaming the streets" of Stockholm. AFP

MOSCOW

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin hosted mercenary chief Yevgeny Prigozhin at the Kremlin days after the commander led a short-lived rebellion, a senior government spokesman said on Monday, the latest twist in a baffling episode that has raised questions about the influence held by both men.

The three-hour meeting took place on June 29 and also involved commanders from Prigozhin's Wagner Group military contractor, Kremlin spokesman

Dmitry Peskov said, Putin gave an assessment of Wagner's actions on the battlefield in Ukraine — where the mercenaries have fought alongside Russian troops — and of the revolt itself. The Wagner forces pledged loyalty to Putin, according to Peskov.

The confirmation that Putin met face-to-face with Prigozhin, who led troops on a march to Moscow last month in order to demand a change of defense minister, was ex-

traordinary. Though the Russian leader branded Prigozhin a traitor as the revolt unfolded and vowed harsh punishment, the criminal case against the mercenary chief was later dropped.

His ultimate fate remains unclear, particularly since Monday's announcement shows much is being negotiated behind closed doors.



On the day the meeting between Putin and Prigozhin took

place, Peskov told reporters he didn't have any information on the mercenary leader's whereabouts.

Monday's announcement came as Russia's Defence Ministry published a video featuring military chief Gen Valery Gerasimov — who was one of the targets of Prigozhin's rebellion. It was the first time Gerasimov has been seen since the revolt.

The twin updates appeared to be another attempt by the Kremlin to show it's in control after a turbulent period. AP

EXPRESS READ

Prachanda regrets saying Indian biz man helped him

KATHMANDU : Prime Minister Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda' on Monday expressed regret over his remarks that an Indian businessman staying here made efforts to make him the premier, saying he should not have made those comments in his present capacity. On July 3, during a book launch event, Prime Minister Prachanda said that Sardar Pritam Singh, a pioneer trucking entrepreneur in Nepal, played a key and historic role in enhancing Nepal-India relations and lobbied for him. "He (Singh) had once made efforts to make me the Prime minister," Prachanda said. PTI

BEIJING

SIX people were killed and one wounded in a kindergarten stabbing in southern China's Guangdong province on Monday, local officials said.

The victims include one teacher, two parents and three students," said a spokeswoman for the city government in Lianjiang, where the incident took place. She did not offer details about the identities or ages of the victims, nor about the weapon used in the attack.

"One suspect has been arrested," she said.

The suspect was a 25-year-old male surnamed Wu, local police said in a statement, adding that it was an "intentional assault". "The incident was a stabbing," a Lianjiang police spokesman said.

Police said they are now trying to verify the identities of the victims. The attack took place around 7.40 am (2340 GMT on Sunday), the state-backed *China News Network* reported. A tall, thin man with his hands pinned to his back is seen being shoved into a police car in a

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APPENDIX - IV-A [See provision to rule 8 (6)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

Notice is hereby given to the public in general that the below mentioned Borrower/co-borrower mortgaged the immovable property which is described hereunder to Five Star Business Finance Limited and the possession of the said immovable property ("secured asset/property") has been taken over by the Authorized Officer in accordance of the SARFAESI Act 2002 and rules there to. The secured asset will be sold through public auction by bidding for realization of the loan dues, applicable interest, charges and costs etc., payable to Five Star Business Finance Limited as detailed below. The secured asset is being sold on and the bidding will be held on 16-August-2023 "AS IS WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", "WHATEVER THERE IS" AND "WITHOUT RECOURE BASIS" under the rule number 8 (6) & 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules (hereinafter referred to as the rules) and on the terms and conditions specified here-under:

Name of the Branch & Account	Name of the owner of the property	Details of property	Outstanding Amount & Demand Notice Date	Reserve Price (INR) EMD Bid Increase Amount	Date/ Time of Auction
Five Star Business Finance Ltd, No.464/68 2nd Floor Nehru Nagar, North Udayapuram Enfield Showroom, Attur(T.K) Salem-636 202.	1. Mrs.Shanthi (Borrower) W/o.Vishwanathan(Late), No.6 571 C Mummidu Village, Thalaivasal (Post), Attur (Taluk) Salem (District) Tamilnadu- 636112.	All the piece of land and building bearing Plot No.57, in the layout named "Soundariya Nagar", Situated at Mummudi Village, Thalaivasal Taluk, Salem District, Comprised in O.S.No.144/1A, New S.No.144 /1A9, land measuring an extent of 1500 Sq. Feet, and Bounded on the North by -20 Feet wide East-West Road South by -Remaining lands of Mrs. Soundaravalli East by -Plot No.59 West by -Road Measurements	Rs.31,11,477/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Eleven Thousand Four Hundred and Seventy Seven Only) as on 10.03.2023	Rs. 23,50,000/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only)	16-Aug-2023 11:00 AM To 01:00 PM
Loan Account LA170134	2. Unknown Legal Heirs of Vishwanathan(Late) No.6 571 C Mummidu Village, Thalaivasal (Post), Attur (Taluk) Salem (District) Tamilnadu- 636112.	North by -20 Feet wide East-West Road South by -Remaining lands of Mrs. Soundaravalli East by -Plot No.59 West by -Road Measurements	Rs. 2,35,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Only)	Rs. 2,35,000/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Only)	Last Date Submitting Bid
	3. Unknown Legal Heirs of Prakash(Late) No.6 571 C Mummidu Village, Thalaivasal (Post), Attur (Taluk) Salem (District) Tamilnadu- 636112.	East to West on Both Sides -30 feet South to North on Both Sides -50 feet The above property is situated within the Registration District of Salem-East and within the Registration Sub-District of Thalaivasal	Amount 10,00/- (Ten Thousand only)	14/08/2023 at about 5 PM	Bid Increment

DATE AND TIME OF INSPECTION OF THE PROPERTY: From 11-08-2023& 12-08-2023 BETWEEN 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Terms and Conditions of the Public Auction are as under:

- * Public Auction is being held on "AS IS WHERE IS, AS IS WHAT IS AND WITHOUT RECOURE BASIS" and is being sold with all the existing and future encumbrances whether known or unknown to Five Star Business Finance Limited. The bid form, Declaration, General Terms and Conditions of Public Auction can be obtained from office of Five Star Business Finance Ltd., No.464/68 2nd Floor Nehru Nagar, North Udayapuram Near Royal Enfield Showroom, Attur(T.K) Salem- 636 202.
- * The Secured asset will not be sold below the Reserve price.
- * To the best of the knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on the properties. However, it is necessary that the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding any claims, charges, dues, encumbrances and should satisfy about the title, extent/measurement of the property prior to submitting their bid. For any discrepancy in the property the participating bidder is solely responsible for all future resources from the date of submission of bid.
- * No claim of whatsoever nature regarding the property put up for sale, charges/encumbrances over the property or on any other matter etc will be entertained after submission of the bid.
- * The Authorized Officer will not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrance, property tax dues, electricity dues etc. or any other dues to the Government, local authority or anybody, in respect of the property under sale.
- * The Public Auction notice/advertisement does not constitute and will not be deemed to constitute any offer, commitment or any representation of Five Star Business Finance Limited. The Authorized Officer shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims/rights/dues.
- * The Sale shall be subject to the rules/conditions prescribed under the SARFAESI Act 2002 and rules thereto.
- * The interested bidders shall submit their bids along with EMD, which shall be payable only through D.D.in favour of "Five Star Business Finance Limited" payable on or before the 14/08/2023 at about 5 PM
- * The Bids along with other documents must be submitted to the Authorized Officer in a sealed envelope mentioning "Offer for Purchase - Shanthy's Property to reach the Authorized Officer on or before the last date of submission of the Bids.
- * The bidder is supposed to submit the following documents at the time of submission of the bid: i) Proof of EMD paid ii) copy of the PAN Card iii) Proof of identification/Address proof/Aadhaar Card/KYC (self-attested copies) without which the bid is liable to be rejected.
- * The bidder alone can participate in the public auction proceeding and no other person is permitted.
- * The successful Bidder must deposit the 25% of the purchase amount (after adjusting the EMD already paid) immediately upon the acceptance of the offer and declaration of the successful bidder by the Authorized officer, failing which the EMD paid shall be forfeited and cannot be claimed by the bidder from Five Star Business Finance Limited.
- * The balance 75% of the purchase amount must be deposited by the successful bidder within 15 days, failing which the amounts already deposited by the bidder shall stand automatically forfeited without further notice and no request for refunds whatsoever shall be entertained. Further, the property will be put to re-auction and the defaulting bidder shall have no claim/right in respect of the property/amount and will not be eligible to participate in the re-auction, if any.
- * No interest is applicable to EMD or any amount deposited by the bidders/successful bidder in respect of sale of secured asset.
- * The Purchaser/successful bidder shall bear the (a) applicable stamp duty/registration/transfer charges; (b) all the statutory, non-statutory, conversion, electricity, sewage charges, any dues, cess, fees, taxes, rates, assessment charges etc. owing to any person, association or authority shall be borne by the successful Bidder only.
- * Sale certificate shall be issued in the prescribed format in favor of successful bidder only.
- * The successful bidder shall have to arrange for registration etc., at his/her/its cost of the sale certificate as per the provisions of prevailing Stamp and Registration Act. The successful bidder shall bear the charges for conveyance, registration fee, stamp duty, taxes, fee etc. as applicable.
- * In case of sale of property subject to any encumbrances, the successful bidder/purchaser shall deposit money required to discharge the encumbrance including interest, cost, expenses etc. if any to the Authorized officer.
- * In case if the public auction is stopped, stayed, postponed or rescheduled or cancelled, a public notice will be put on the notice board of Five Star Business Finance Limited, Trichy branch and no personalized/individual communication in this regard will be sent to any of the bidders or otherwise.
- * Submission of bid by the bidders is construed that they have read, understood and accepted the terms and conditions governing the public auction.
- * EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be returned on the closure of auction proceedings.
- * The Authorized officer is not bound to accept the highest offer/bid and the Authorized officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all offer(s) or adjourn/postpone/ cancel the public auction without assigning any reason thereof Please contact Mr.Thobiyas on his mobile no.740182929, E-mail: asstamvdmc@fivestargroup.in.

Date: 11/07/2023

Place: Attur

Authorized Officer

Five Star Business Finance Limited



Vehicles come to a standstill near a flooded portion in Orange County, NY | AP

Heavy rains pummel US northeast

NEW YORK

HEAVY rain washed out roads and forced evacuations in the Northeast on Monday as more downpours were forecast throughout the day. One person in New York drowned as she was trying to leave her home.

The slow-moving storm reached New England in the morning after hitting parts of New York and Connecticut. Heavy downpours with possible flash flooding were forecast in parts of Connecticut, New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont and Maine.

One of the worst hit places was New York's Hudson Valley, where rescuers found the body of a woman in her 30s whose home was surrounded by water. The force of the flash flooding dislodged boulders, which rammed the woman's house and damaged part of its wall. Orange County Executive Steven Neuhaus told *Associated Press*. Two other people escaped. "She was trying to get through (the flooding) with her dog," Neuhaus said. "and she was overwhelmed by tidal-wave type waves." He said many roads and bridges were washed out. Officials believed everyone was accounted for, but they were trying to reach people to make sure they were OK. Officials say the storm has already wrought tens of millions of dollars in damage. In New York, Gov. Kathy Hochul announced a state of emergency Sunday for Orange County. AP

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