Trump's vanity war in Iran echoes Biden's Ukraine gamble, weakens America further

Generally, I have little patience for the ideological pretensions of The Economist. Its worldview is predictably pro-West, often reflexively dismissive of Bharat, and cloaked in the smug certainties of 'liberal' internationalism. Yet, its recent assessment of Donald Trump's war in Iran is a moment, albeit a rare one, of clarity: the conflict is making Trump "weaker — and angrier," notes the magazine.

This is not merely a bad war. It is a reckless, unnecessary and strategically incoherent gamble — one that may come to define Trump's second presidency just as Iraq did during George W Bush's stint. But even that comparison flatters Trump. Bush made a case for the Iraq War, however dubious it might have been. Trump has not even bothered to do that. He has dragged America into a conflict it neither needed nor was prepared for, especially at a time when it is already entangled in Ukraine.

Let there be no doubt that this is not a strategy. This is vanity masquerading as power: a typically Trumpian vanity. Looked at closely, there are only two winners of the Iran war — Israel and Russia. For Israel, this war is not a policy choice but an existential doctrine. It doesn't see Iran's nuclear programme as an abstract phenomenon but as a doomsday clock. Every day without action poses a proportionately greater risk. The current war serves the Israeli purpose perfectly: weaken Iran so thoroughly that it ceases to matter who rules in Tehran. Regime change becomes irrelevant in that case. Negotiations turn immaterial. Tehran pushed to the Stone Ages is the best-case scenario for Tel Aviv.

As for Russia, it is the war's biggest beneficiary. For Vladimir Putin, this is not a crisis but a gift. As bombs drop in West Asia and crude prices spiral, Ukraine fades from global headlines. Western unity is fractured. And with oil prices rising, Russia's sanctions-hit economy gets a fresh lease of life. Moscow, cornered till recently, finds more elbow room today. More importantly, for Putin, this is revenge served cold. In Ukraine, after all, Washington armed, advised and emboldened Kyiv against Moscow. In Iran, Russia — backed by Xi Jinping's China — is returning the favour. Tehran is provided with real-time Russian/Chinese intelligence and military know-how. The cost of American intervention rises with every passing day. Putin is not merely watching the Iran war; he is shaping it — quietly, methodically and effectively. China, too, plays the long game. Yes, disruptions in Iranian and Venezuelan oil supplies have been aimed at hurting Beijing. But a distracted, overstretched America is a strategic dividend Beijing will gladly

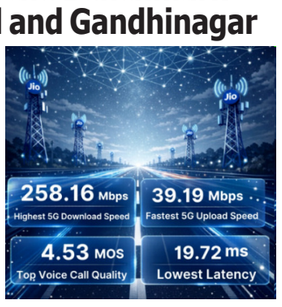


accept. Trump's so-called attempt to choke China's energy arteries may end up putting the decline of Pax Americana on the fast lane.

At the centre of it all is Trump's delusional foreign policy, which assumed that Iran would collapse like a house of cards. Instead, the US has stumbled into a quagmire. Tehran has adapted, learned and weaponised asymmetry. Missiles, drones and proxy networks — combined with Russo-Chinese backing — have turned this into a grinding, expensive war with no clear endgame. And the costs are mounting not just in blood and money but also in chaos and credibility. The roots of this disaster, however, do not begin with Trump. They lie in the accumulated failures of American foreign policy, particularly the Bidenian blunder in Ukraine. The Ukraine war, just like Iran, was not inevitable. It was largely provoked by incessant Nato expansion that ignored Russia's genuine security anxieties. Washington chose triumphalism over prudence, expansion over restraint, and Cold War obsessions over post-Cold War realities. Even George Kennan, America's foremost Russia strategist and architect of the Cold War containment doctrine, called Nato's eastward expansion "the most fateful error of American policy in the post-Cold War era". The consequence? Russia was pushed into a corner and then into China's arms. In trying to weaken Russia, Washington strengthened a Moscow-Beijing axis, when an astute American policy would have created a wedge between them by bringing Putin closer to the West. In a post-pandemic era, when the Xi Jinping dispensation should have faced global condemnation and isolation for its Covid-19 role, the Ukraine war provided China with a much-needed distraction. Trump recognised part of this mistake when he promised to end the Ukraine war. He understood, at least rhetorically, that driving Russia towards China was a strategic blunder. But his part-imperialistic, part-egoistical vanity has now pushed him into the Iranian muddle. If Ukraine was the first crack in the edifice of Pax Americana, Iran may well be the fracture that hurts it even more.

What we are witnessing is not just policy failure; it is a symptom of systemic decay. The Bidenian blunder and the Trumpian folly seem to be complementing each other: one is driven by ideological rigidity, the other by impulsive hubris. As the world feels the Iranian pinch, Einstein's words resonate with unsettling clarity: that human stupidity can be infinite. First Ukraine and now Iran have conclusively proved that.

Reliance Jio Sets the Benchmark across Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar



Ahmedabad, Reliance Jio has solidified its position as the top-performing telecom operator across Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar, outpacing competition across key voice and data performance metrics. The latest Independent Drive Test (IDT) conducted by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) during the month of Feb 2026 concluded that Jio offered the highest 5G download speed, fastest 5G upload speed, top voice call quality and lowest latency. TRAI findings are a clear endorsement of Jio's dedication to offering the best-in-class digital experience backed by its advanced, future-ready mobile network.

The TRAI report reveals that Jio delivered an average 5G download speed of 258.16 Mbps—the highest among all operators in the cities. This stellar performance guarantees faster video streaming, lag-free online gaming, quick app downloads, and uninterrupted browsing, even during peak usage hours. Jio delivered an average 5G upload speed of 39.19 Mbps – again the highest among all operators. Such speeds reflect not just technical superiority, but also Jio's customer-first approach to connectivity, making it the go-to network for digital-savvy users.

LG Electronics India Deploys Advanced HVAC Solutions

Ahmedabad, LG Electronics India (LGE India), India's Most Trusted Electronics Brands*, today announced the successful deployment of its advanced HVAC (Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) solutions at the recently inaugurated Prime Minister's Office building, Seva Teerth. LGE India installed a Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) air-conditioning system with a total capacity of 1,590 horsepower, comprising 113 outdoor units. The system was supplied from LGE India's Pune manufacturing facility, reinforcing the company's commitment to supporting India's Make in India initiative, and a further push towards an Atmanirbhar India. Engineered specifically for Indian conditions, these VRF systems are designed to operate at full capacity without deration even at temperatures up to 39°C as per internal product testing standards, ensuring consistent and efficient cooling performance during peak summer months.

Commenting on the project, Mr. Hong Ju Jeon, Managing Director and Chief Sales and Marketing Officer, LGE India said, "LGE India is honoured to have contributed to the Respected Prime Minister's Office building, Seva Teerth. As India undergoes a transformative phase of infrastructure development, the role of intelligent, energy-efficient climate control systems is becoming increasingly critical. At LGE India, we believe HVAC will play an important role in supporting operational efficiency across commercial and institutional spaces. (1-7)

Ms. Puja Garg takes over as the 43rd National president of the FLO



Ahmedabad, Lucknow based Ms Puja Garg took over as the 43rd National President of FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO), the business women wing of FICCI and the oldest women-led and women-centric business chamber of Southeast Asia. As the 43rd National President of FLO Ms Pooja Garg with a year long tenure 2026-27 will be focussing on empowering women by facilitating an enabling environment that promotes entrepreneurship, industry participation and economic development of women. Under her leadership, FLO will carry out many interventions towards fostering larger contributions of women in India's Industrial and economic growth story. FLO (FICCI Ladies Organisation) was established in 1983 as a division of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI). FLO serves as an all-India forum for women, with its headquarters in New Delhi and 21 chapters across India, representing about 15,000 women entrepreneurs, professionals, and corporate executives - and counting. As I take on the responsibility of leading this extraordinary collective of women across India, my vision is clear and deeply committed: to strengthen FLO from within and to scale our influence beyond. (1-7)

Narayana Hospital Ahmedabad Marks Major Milestone in Cardiac Care



Ahmedabad, In a significant medical breakthrough for the region, Narayana Hospital Ahmedabad has successfully conducted its first heart transplant, offering a new lease of life to a patient with advanced heart failure The complex procedure, among the most demanding in cardiac care, was performed by a highly specialised multidisciplinary team. The patient, who had been under long-term treatment at the hospital for severe heart failure, had exhausted all medical options before being advised a transplant as the only life-saving intervention. A suitable donor heart was subsequently allocated through the organ donation network after months of careful monitoring. The surgery was led by Dr. Atul Maslekar and performed by a team comprising Dr. Alpesh Patel, Dr. Utkarsh Sanghvi, Dr. Hetal Shah, and Dr. Tejas Kanzaria, along with the critical care, ICU, and nursing teams. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Atul Maslekar, Sr. Consultant, Cardio Thoracic and Vascular Surgeon, Narayana Hospital, Ahmedabad, said, "This first heart transplant is not just a clinical milestone for us, but a reflection of the depth of expertise, infrastructure, and coordinated teamwork required to deliver such complex care. Heart transplantation remains one of the most demanding procedures in cardiac science, and its success depends on precision across every stage - from patient selection to post-operative management. (19-10)

Science Carnival 2026 Successfully Concludes at Gujarat Science City



Ahmedabad, The Science Carnival 2026, organized by the Gujarat Council of Science City at Gujarat Science City in Ahmedabad, was successfully held from March 27 to 29, 2026. Organized as part of the National Science Day celebrations, the carnival witnessed enthusiastic participation from thousands of students from schools and colleges across the state. The carnival was inaugurated on the first day by Chief Secretary Shri M. K. Das. Secretary of the Science and Technology Department, Smt. P. Bharathi and Executive Director of Gujarat Council of Science City, Shri V. K. Patel, were also present on the occasion. The Science and Technology Exhibition was inaugurated as part of the event. Activities such as hands-on workshops (AI & Robotics), "Explore Science City," a grand drone show, and night sky observation were organized. On the second day, a science quiz was conducted for junior-level (primary) students. The day also featured science and technology exhibitions, scientific 3D rangoli, gallery visits, and a popular science lecture on the theme "Women in Science." Programs like the "Wonder of Chemistry" science show, Maths through Origami workshop, and science drama attracted students. Night sky observation was also held. –

REDMI 15A 5G: Performance You Feel, Reliability That Lasts



Ahmedabad, Xiaomi India today introduced the REDMI 15A 5G, a smartphone designed around one simple idea, to keep up with how people actually use their phones every day. Whether it's streaming, scrolling, staying connected, or juggling multiple apps, the REDMI 15A 5G fouses on delivering a smooth, reliable, and long-lasting experience without overcomplicating things.

Smartphones today are expected to do a lot more, and the REDMI 15A 5G is built with that in mind. Its 6300mAh battery is designed to comfortably last up to two days on a single charge, even with heavy usage across video streaming, social media, calls, and navigation. This reduces the need to constantly reach for a charger, making it especially useful for users who are always on the move. And when you do need to top up, the device supports 15W charging, along with 7.5W wired reverse charging, adding a layer of everyday convenience. (19-10)

PUBLIC NOTICE

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Branch Address: 4th Floor, Office No 436-443 Emerald One, Winward Buisness Park, Jetalpur Road, Vadodara, Gujarat- 390020

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from ICICI Home Finance Company Limited ("ICICI HFC") and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset/ Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Nadirbaba Munir Thakur (Borrower), Shanenajbano Munir Thakur (Co-Borrower), 8 Dharavi Main Road V Kalyan Wadi Mahim East, Dharavi Mahim East, Mumbai- 400017 Maharashtra, LHBRD00001283900	All The Piece And Parcel of Being The Property Being Plot No. 39, Sabanam Park Society, Rajpipra Road, Sarangpur, Jitai Fatak, Ankleshwar- 393002. Bounded By- North By: Plot No. 38, South By: Plot No. 40, East By: Road, West By: Plot No.28.	23-03-2026 Rs. 7,01,828/-	10-03-2026

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date: March 31, 2026
Place: Ankleshwar

Authorized Officer
ICICI Home Finance Company Limited

PHYSICAL POSSESSION NOTICE

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Branch Office: 1st Floor, Unit no. 317, Orion Arcade complex, near Inox multiplex, Zhadeshwar, Bharuch-392001

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Home Finance Company Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower 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 ICICI Home Finance Company Limited.

The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of property/ Date of Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Bhuva Madhubhai Vihabhai (Borrower), Bhuva Dhakuben Vihabhai (Co-Borrower), Sakariya Mukeshbhai Popatbhai (Guarantor), LHSUR00001378848	All the piece and parcel of the property situated at Plot No. B 139, Hari Darshan Residency, Nr. Hari Darshan Vidhya Sankul, Shekhpur, Kamrej 1, Surat-394150 Bounded By- East: Society Road, West: Plot No.B/158 , North: Plot No B/138, South: Plot No B/140/ Date of Possession- 26-03-2026	17-06-2025' Rs. 42,626.58/-	Surat
2.	Bhuva Madhubhai Vihabhai (Borrower), Bhuva Dhakuben Vihabhai (Co-Borrower), Sakariya Mukeshbhai Popatbhai (Guarantor), LHSUR00001379050	All the piece and parcel of the property situated at Plot No. B 139, Hari Darshan Residency, Nr. Hari Darshan Vidhya Sankul, Shekhpur, Kamrej 1, Surat-394150 Bounded By- East: Society Road, West: Plot No.B/158, North: Plot No B/138 , South : Plot No B/140/ Date of Possession- 26-03-2026	17-06-2025' Rs. 4,48,629/-	Surat
3.	Pandey Raja (Borrower), Pandey Shivkumari (Co-Borrower), LHSUR00001404014	All the piece and parcel of the property being situated At Survey No. 42/3 At Block No. 71, Nandanvan Residency, Near Tulsi Paper Mill, Beside Balaji Residency, Near Phc Gangadhara, Palsana, Surat-394315. Bounded By- North: Plot No 79, South: Plot No.81, East: Plot No 97, West: Society Road/ Date of Possession- 26-03-2026	13-08-2025' Rs. 31,674.23/-	Surat
4.	Pandey Raja (Borrower), Pandey Shivkumari (Co-Borrower), LHSUR00001404153	All the piece and parcel of the property being situated At Survey No. 42/3 At Block No. 71, Nandanvan Residency, Near Tulsi Paper Mill, Beside Balaji Residency, Near Phc Gangadhara, Palsana, Surat-394315. Bounded By- North: Plot No.79, South: Plot No 81, East: Plot No 97, West: Society Road/ Date of Possession- 26-03-2026	13-08-2025' Rs. 5,70,427/-	Surat
5.	Vikram Singh (Borrower), Anjana (Co-Borrower), LHBRH00001544064.	All The Piece And Parcel of The Flat No 802 Building No.A, Block No. 289, Sarjan Tower, Nr Sahajananad Park Apartment, Bhadkodra, Ankleshwar. Bounded By- North: Ots, South: Building B, East: Kapodra Simado, West: Main Road/ Date Of Possession- 27-03-2026	13-09-2025' Rs. 12,89,422.2/-	Bharuch
6.	Vikram Singh (Borrower), Anjana (Co-Borrower), LHBRH00001544065	All The Piece And Parcel of The Flat No 802 Building No.A, Block No. 289, Sarjan Tower, Nr Sahajananad Park Apartment, Bhadkodra, Ankleshwar. Bounded By- North: Ots, South: Building B, East: Kapodra Simado, West: Main Road/ Date Of Possession- 27-03-2026	13-09-2025' Rs. 57,473.99/-	Bharuch

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 day notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Date : March 31, 2026
Place: Surat, Ankleshwar

Authorized Officer,
ICICI Home Finance Company Limited

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APPENDIX-IV-A [SEE PROVISION TO RULE 8(6)] SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/s and Guarantor/s that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/ charged to Truhome Finance Limited (formerly Shriram Housing Finance Limited), the Physical Possession of which have been taken by the Authorized Officer of Truhome Finance Limited, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of the balance due to Truhome Finance Limited from the Borrowers And Guarantors, as mentioned in the table. Details of Borrowers and Guarantors, amount due, Short Description of the immovable property, reserve price and earnest money deposit and date of Inspection are also given as:

Name of Borrowers/ Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/Mortgagers	Amount of Recovery and date of Demand Notice	Reserve Price (Rs.) & Bid Increment	Date & Time of Auction	Contact Person Details – (AO and Disposal team)
MR.CHETANBHAI L ADESARA, MR.VISHAL LALITBHAI ADESARA, DIVYABEN CHETANBHAI ADESARA, SANGITABEN VISHALBHAI ADESARA, PRESENT & PERMANENT & ADDRESS:-GOVINDPARA STREET NO 2 APARTMENT END OF GUNDAWADI MAIN ROAD BHAKTINAGAR, NEXT TO R K PLAZA RAJKOT – 360002. OCCUPATION ADDRESS:SHOP NO. 101 KETAN HOUSE, KHETSI VORA STREET CORNER SONI BAZAR – RAJKOT 360001 PROPERTY ADDRESS:-SHOP NO. 204 TO 210, 2'ND FLOOR,PRABHUKRUPA COMPLEX. NR. DARBARGADH - RAJKOT PRESENT & PERMANENT ADDRESS:- DIVYABEN CHETANBHAI ADESARA SANGITABEN VISHALBHAI ADESARA YAMUNA KUNJ, GOVINDPARA ST.NO.2, GUNDAWADI MAIN ROAD,BHAKTINAGAR, RAJKOT-360002 LAN - SLPHRAJT0000125	13(2) Notice date 15.09.2025 Rs. 8051585/-(Rs. Eighty Lakh fifty one thousand five hundred eighty five only) as on dated. 09/09/2025 under reference of Loan Account No. SLPHRAJT0000125	Rs.65,00,000/- (Rs. Sixty five Lakh only) **Bid Increment:** Rs. 10,000/- and in such multiples. **Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)(Rs.)** Rs.6,50,000/- (Rs. Six Lakh Fifty thousand Only) **Last date for submission of EMD : 16 April 2026, Time 10.00 a.m. to 05.00 p.m.**	**17-APR-2026 Auction Time: 11 AM to 1 PM.**	**Ashfaq Patka 98194 15477 Dharmendrasinh Chauhan- 76007 62777 Property inspection Date.16 April 2026, Time.11 AM to 1 PM**

Date of Possession & Type 14-02-2026 and Physical Possession
Encumbranches known Not Known

Description of Property

Comm. Shop no. 204 built up area 12-20 sq.mt.& Shop No.205 carpet area 12-66 sq.mt. & Shop no. 206 Carpet area 14-53 sq. mt. & Shop no. 207 bult up area 14-66 sq.mt. & shop no. 208 built up area 14-27 sq. mt. & shop no. 209 built up area 14-53sq. mt. & shop no. 210 built up area 13-15sq. mt. (total built up area 96-00 sq. mt.)second floor, building known as Prabhukrupa complex, constructed on land 209-95 sq. mt. area known as Near darbargadh of Rajkot CSW 2, CS NO.1694. Boundaries of the property Shop No. 204 - 206, East : Passage and shutter, West : lagu city survey no.1692 & 1693. North : open margin then after others property. South : Shop no.203 . Boundaries of the property Shop No. 207 - 210, North – Satires and open space, South – Shop No.211 , East – Others Property, West – Passage and shutter,

1) **For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer the website of Truhome Finance Limited (Formerly Shriram Housing Finance Limited) website.**
2) **The intending bidders have to submit their EMD amount to be deposited by way of RTGS/NEFT to the account details mentioned herein below: BANK NAME: AXIS BANK LIMITED BRANCH: BANDRA KURLA COMPLEX, MUMBAI BANK ACCOUNT NO. Current Account No. 911020045677633 IFSC CODE: UTIB0000230.**
3) **The mortgagors/borrowers are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest before auction, failing which secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.**
4) **Please note that the secured creditor is going to issue the sale notice to all the Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Mortgagors by speed/ registered post. In case the same is not received by any of the parties, then this publication of sale notice may be treated as a substituted mode of service.**

Place : Rajkot
Date : 31-03-2026

Sd/- Authorised Officer- Truhome Finance Limited
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