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Mamdani salutes global upbringing after victory

New York City Mayor-elect Zohran Mamdani hugs his mother, Mira Nair, as his wife, Rama Duwaji, stands next to them on Nov. 4. JEENAH MOON/REUTERS

Bollywood music, Arabic phrases feature in speech

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USA TODAY

Moments after he made history as the first Muslim and Asian American to be elected mayor of New York City, Zohran Mamdani dished out a fiery acceptance speech and topped it off with a hit Bollywood soundtrack that boomed through a crowded hall of supporters.

Mamdani's vibe, aesthetic and vocabulary often reference his global upbringing by two Indian-born immigrant parents in Uganda, South Africa and the city he now will lead.

The democratic socialist's speech was peppered with an array of cosmopolitan references.

"Dhoom Machale ... Dhoom Machale Dhoom," the song goes, which loosely translates to "make some noise, have some fun." The tune he closed out to is the title song from the 2004 Hindi movie "Dhoom."

Moments earlier, Mamdani had a high-octane message for President Donald Trump: "Since I know you're watching, I have four words for you:

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Weight loss drugs to get price cut

Trump says GLP-1s to be covered under Medicare

Ken Alltucker and Zac Anderson
USA TODAY

President Donald Trump announced a deal Nov. 6 with drugmakers Eli Lilly and Novo Nordisk to cut prices of their popular weight loss drugs and expand Medicare coverage of these medications for older adults.

The negotiated deals will allow Medicare and Medicaid coverage for Eli Lilly's Zepbound and Novo Nordisk's Wegovy, and consumers will be able to purchase drugs at discounted prices through the federal government's direct-to-consumer website, TrumpRx, which will launch in 2026.

"For years, politicians have talked about making health care affordable," Trump said during an Oval Office news conference announcing the price cuts. "But my administration is actually doing it."

The least expensive price – $149 per month – will apply to yet-to-launch oral versions of these weight loss drugs. Eli Lilly has sought priority Food and Drug Administration review of its oral drug, called orforglipron.

The drugmakers will sell injectable versions of these medications for an average of $350 per month, a price the drugmakers will reduce to $250 over the next 24 months, a senior administration official said.

The discounts can vary depending on the dosage, drug company officials said.

The negotiated deals will expand access to millions of Medicare recipients who now must pay out-of-pocket

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Trump gets new review of New York criminal case

REUTERS

NEW YORK – A federal appeals court on Nov. 6 said President Donald Trump deserves another chance to show his New York state hush money criminal case belonged in federal court, providing a fresh opportunity for Trump to try to erase his conviction. Trump has argued that presidents are immune from prosecution over their official acts.

The 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Manhattan said a federal district judge should have more closely reviewed whether a 2024 Supreme Court decision on presidential immunity meant some evidence at Trump's criminal trial should have been excluded.

A jury found Trump guilty in May 2024 on 34 charges of falsifying business records.

Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg accused Trump of trying to influence the 2016 presidential election by covering up $130,000 of hush money payments to porn star Stormy Daniels, who claimed to have had a sexual encounter with Trump.

Trump denied Daniels' claim, and defeated Democrat Hillary Clinton in the

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