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Jharkhand changes process, physical checks must for all schools, applicants

THE SCHOLARSHIP SCAM**ABHISHEK ANGAD**
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

DAYS AFTER it registered FIRs to probe the illegal diversion of the Centre's pre-Matric scholarship for poor minority students, based on the findings of an investigation by *The Indian Express*, the Jharkhand government has ordered its officers to "physically verify" all schools and applicants seeking to avail scholarships under the Union Ministry of Minority Affairs for 2020-21.

In a letter dated November 19, and sent to all Deputy Commissioners, Welfare Secretary Amitabh Kaushal also directed that necessary steps be taken to recover the scholarship

Letter refers to *The Indian Express* reports

disbursed to fake beneficiaries in "previous years".

The letter referred to *The Indian Express* investigation, which found that the scholarship was being siphoned off by a nexus of middlemen, school staff and district officials that either set up fake beneficiaries or duped students into letting them apply on their behalf and pocket a share of the money.

It said that physical verification
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Electoral bonds of Rs 282 cr sold ahead of Bihar elections

Only Rs 80 lakh from Patna; funding to parties via bonds in 3 yrs is Rs 6,493 cr

GEORGE MATHEW
MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 20

THE STATE Bank of India (SBI) sold Electoral Bonds worth Rs 282 crore to fund political parties in October ahead of the Assembly elections in Bihar.

With this, total donations to political parties through Electoral Bonds have touched Rs 6,493 crore from the time the scheme was introduced in 2018.

The bank sold 279 bonds worth Rs 1 crore each, 32 bonds worth Rs 10 lakh each to donors in the 14th tranche, which was open from October 19 to 28, the SBI said in its reply to a Right to Information application filed by *The Indian Express*.

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According to the data, the bank's main branch Mumbai issued bonds worth Rs 130 crore in the 14th tranche while the New Delhi branch issued Rs 11.99 crore bonds. The SBI branch in Patna sold only Rs 80 lakh worth of bonds. Its Bengaluru branch did not sell any bonds. Encashment of bonds worth Rs 237 crore were done in three cities — Bhubaneswar (Rs 67 crore), Chennai (Rs 80 crore) and Hyderabad (Rs 90 crore).

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On a bench, under a tree... jobs gone in time of Covid, Mumbai hospitals their new home

TABASSUM BARNAGARWALA
MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 20

SINCE EARLY last month, when he visited Lokmanya Tilak Municipal General (LTMG) Hospital to treat a leg injury, Shakti Kumar has made a bench at the facility his home. Vishal Pawar and his mother have been living in a shed nearby for the last three months. Vijay Boite and his daughter stayed under a tree in KEM Hospital for three weeks.

Meet Mumbai's new home-

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less. They lost their livelihoods during the Covid lockdown and now seek shelter in the city's hospitals, arriving for treatment

and then quietly claiming corners in corridors and waiting areas, clinging on for survival, nowhere else to go.

That's how the green bench became his home, says Kumar. "I have never been homeless before. I used to work and stay at a restaurant in Virar, earning Rs 15,000 a month, sending most of it to my family in UP. Covid forced the restaurant owner to shut in March, leaving me and five other staffers jobless and homeless," he says.

"I met with an accident and was admitted for a week here.

CONTINUED ON PAGE 6**Laxmi Gangadhar Parate, 60, is a familiar face at BYL Nair Hospital. Tabassum Barnagarwala**

COVID CURFEW BACK, AHMEDABAD

Amid rising Covid-19 cases, the Gujarat government has imposed a weekend curfew in Ahmedabad, and night curfew in Surat, Vadodara and Rajkot. *Nirmal Harindran* **REPORT, PAGE 9**

UP govt on Kappan: Had India's daughter pamphlet, riot plan

KAUNAIN SHERIFF M
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

■ The "pamphlets so recovered i.e. AM I NOT INDIA'S DAUGHTER..." etc have an effect of amplifying social hostility and public revolt".

■ Accused have revealed they "gathered funds" to "instigate rioting on basis of caste" in connection with the Hathras case, "as they have done on the basis of religion in protest of CAA".

■ Accused created a website us-

**Siddique Kappan was arrested on Oct 5. PTI file**

ing web platform 'Carrrd'; "Many kinds of anti-national propaganda are being spread in India

through such kind of websites viz. propaganda relating to incidents of mob lynching, migration of labours in recent times"

These submissions of the Uttar Pradesh Police in official records — the FIR, remand applications seeking custody — regarding the case registered against Delhi-based journalist Siddique Kappan and three others, are part of the state government's affidavit before the Supreme Court in response to a petition seeking release of Kappan from custody.

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UP to bring ordinance, non-BJP state govts slam 'love jihad' law

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
LUCKNOW, NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

NEARLY A year after the amendment in the citizenship Act and talk of an all-India National Register of Citizens provoked several Chief Ministers to declare they would not implement the CAA and NRC in their states, moves by three BJP-ruled states to bring a law to check what they say is "love jihad", has once again split the nation down the middle.

At least five Opposition-ruled states on Friday condemned the announcements by Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and

**Gehlot: Word manufactured by BJP**

Haryana as an encroachment on personal liberty, and an attempt to create a communal divide in the country.

Late in the evening, the Uttar Pradesh government announced it had initiated the process to bring an Ordinance to check unlawful conversions in the state.

The UP State Law Commission has submitted a

CONTINUED ON PAGE 6**MODI, SHAH HOLD SECURITY MEET**

Day after Jammu firing, PM says plot to derail grassroots democracy

Despite Pak bid, DDC polls as per schedule: official

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

A DAY after four terrorists were killed and a cache of arms and explosives recovered in Jammu, Prime Minister Narendra Modi Friday pointed to cross-border terror from Pakistan while thanking the security forces for having "defeated a nefarious plot" to target grassroots democracy in J&K.

With the District Development Council (DDC) elections scheduled to take place in the Union Territory from November 28, Modi posted on Twitter: "Our security forces have once again displayed utmost bravery and professionalism. Thanks to their alertness, they have defeated a nefarious plot to target grassroots level democratic exercises in Jammu and Kashmir."

The Prime Minister wrote: "Neutralising of 4 terrorists belonging to Pakistan-based terrorist

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Pakistan fingerprints all over: Phones, medicines, weapons

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

"Kaha Phnche Kia Sorate Hal Hai Koi Mushkil To Nahi, 2 Baje, Phir Bta Dan Gy (Where have you reached? What's the situation? Is there any problem?, 2 O'clock, Will let you know)."

These were some of the text messages received by the four Jaish-e-Mohammed terrorists, who were gunned down by security forces in an encounter in Nagrota, in Jammu, Thursday, on a Digital Mobile Radio manufactured by Pakistani company Micro Electronics.

The terrorists had been in touch with their handlers in Pakistan over smartphones manufactured by Q Mobile, a Pakistani company. They were carrying medicines manufactured in Karachi, and wore shoes

**A text message received by the JeM terrorists**

made in Pakistan.

J&K Police investigations have revealed that the Jaish terrorists had been sent with the specific task of carrying out a large attack ahead of the District Development Council (DDC)

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FPI inflows highest ever, over Rs 1.4 lakh cr in eight months

SANDEEP SINGH
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

FOREIGN PORTFOLIO investors have staged a remarkable comeback after pulling out a record Rs 61,973 crore from Indian equities in March 2020 dragging down the benchmark indices Sensex and Nifty by 23 per cent.

In just eight months of the current financial year, net foreign portfolio investment (FPI) into equities jumped by Rs 1,40,295 crore, the highest-ever in any fi-

nanacial year. In 2012-13, net FPIs stood at Rs 1,40,033 crore (the second highest now).

Foreign portfolio investors include both foreign individuals and foreign institutional investors (FIIs).

In the first 20 days of November, net inflows added up to Rs 44,378 crore, which has led to a 4,267 point or 10.8 per cent surge in Sensex.

Inflows started picking up in August with more liberal unlock guidelines, and a faster and

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FPIs see value in recovery

AFTER A 23.9 per cent contraction in GDP growth rate in April-June 2020, the reopening of the economy in the following months has led to a sharper than expected recovery. This has attracted FPIs to see value and re-enter.

With distancing, ghat art, pollution measures, Haridwar prepares for Covid Maha Kumbh

PAGE 1 ANCHOR**ESHAROY**
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

LESS THAN two months from now, the Maha Kumbh will return to Haridwar, bringing with it a sea of pilgrims and enormous logistics challenges in the middle of the novel coronavirus pandemic.

The last Maha Kumbh in Haridwar in 2010 was attended by 1.62 crore pilgrims according to estimates by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).

Officials have ruled out the possibility of the mega-event — which will begin on January 14 and continue until the end of April — being cancelled on account of the Covid-19 outbreak.

"The Kumbh Mela in Haridwar takes place once every 12 years. In 2021 it'll be taking place after 11 years, a phenomenon that is happening after 80 years. Of course, with the Covid-19 pandemic, the management of the Kumbh Mela is tricky, and we are planning according to the guidelines issued by the government," Kumbh Mela Adhikari Deepak Rawat said.

According to Rawat, manage-

**Besides Indian artists, street art practitioners from Malaysia, Japan, Australia, Switzerland, France, Nepal have been roped in**

ment of the crowds is being planned in accordance with social distancing norms, and will be enforced through surveillance by a network of CCTV cameras. A 1,000-bed prefabricated hospital is being put in place for Covid-19, and a separate, 50-bed hospital for other ailments and emergencies. The Uttarakhand government will acquire an adequate number of masks, he said.

The Kumbh Mela also presents a challenge in terms of controlling pollution in the Ganga, the responsibility for which is with the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) under the

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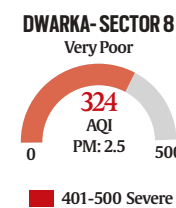
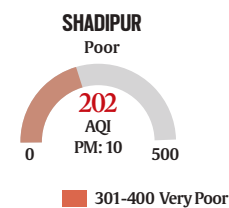
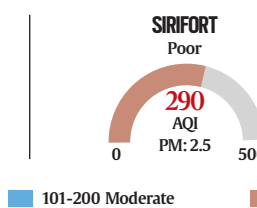
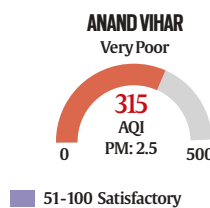
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Staff association seeks panel to assist students, St Stephen's principal says no need

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

A DEMAND by the Staff Association of St Stephen's College, to constitute a committee comprising the heads of all courses to "consider needs" for financial assistance to students, has been shot down by the Principal, who said it will "not be required" and that they could only recommend cases of "deserving students".

In his email response to the Staff Association president Nandita Narain, Principal John Varghese also said he was "disappointed" by the email and that it was "least required". He said "collective responsibility" was the need of the day, and that the pandemic was not the time for "pettifoggery" and "one-upmanship". Narain said she raised the issue again at a Finance Committee meeting Friday. By evening, the bursar put out a notice inviting applications from second and third year students "for a limited number of college bursaries". To apply, the applicants need to have a first division and family income below Rs 5 lakh per annum. They should also not have any other scholarship above Rs 20,000 per month.

Narain had Thursday written to Varghese asking him to constitute the committee, and also consider the possibility of distributing laptops to those in need. The letter also referred to the suicide of a DU student "as a result of financial distress and lack of institutional support". Aishwarya Reddy (19), a second-year Lady Shri Ram College student, had



Applications have been invited from 2nd and 3rd year students 'for a limited number of college bursaries'

committed suicide on November 2 at her Telangana home. Her family couldn't afford a laptop for her to attend online classes.

In his response, Varghese said, "Please be informed that the college and every working part of the college administration/community has ONLY the interest of the students at heart... I feel a little disappointed that a communication of the kind that you have sent was done. It is least required."

"The college administration, including the Principal and the Bursar, are most accessible and, in fact, a recent communication by the Bursar also bears out the fact that some student issues pertaining to fees have been addressed. There has been no instance where a student has ever been turned away for want of funds; in fact the administration has only sought ways and means to ensure that our students face no problems, especially when it comes to academics," he added.

Varghese said that the sugges-

tion for "Heads (of departments) being given the responsibility of forming a committee to handle bursaries... will not be required".

"Heads may recommend the case/s of deserving students and the office of the Bursar will do whatever it takes to ensure that our students enjoy the benefits of an uninterrupted study to help them move on with their studies," he said.

"This time of the pandemic is certainly not one to indulge in pettifoggery, one-upmanship or try to pull in different directions. The focus must be, will be on the students and they alone will be the centre of our focus," he added.

On the possibility of distributing laptops, Bursar Renish Abraham had told *The Indian Express* Thursday, "We used to issue laptops to students while they were on campus, but now since laptops are provided by the university, I don't think we can send it to their residence... Probably we need to have a policy on this."

PARTIAL VICTORY, SAYS STUDENTS' UNION

After student suicide, LSR announces fee cuts, hostel relaxation

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

MORE THAN a week after the Lady Shri Ram (LSR) College Students' Union submitted a 12-point memorandum to the principal in light of the suicide of Aishwarya Reddy (19), a second-year student of the college due to financial hardships, college authorities Friday announced they had accepted some demands, including reducing the fee for courses, setting up a committee to provide laptops to students, and allowing some second-year students to reside in hostels.

The Union called this a "partial victory" but said many demands were yet to be achieved.

A document titled "response to the demands met by students", uploaded on the college website, read, "Given the fact that students are not able to avail certain facilities of the college due to being off-campus, the College has removed such charges from the fees this year. This has led to a substantial reduction in the fees... In addition, it is possible to pay the fee in installments."

A revised fee notice states that the annual fee for all courses for second- and third-year students will now be Rs 7,970. LSR Students' Union general secretary Unnimaya said the fee ranged from Rs 12,000 to Rs



The students' union said many demands were yet to be achieved

26,000 depending on the course.

"While the fee has been revised, it is not transparent under which heads the charges have been waived off. The college authorities should clarify that," she said.

LSR also decided that "keeping in mind the exceptional circumstances of the Covid pandemic, and for one year only", current second years "who lived in the hostel, upon fresh application" and "on the basis of need", will be allowed to stay in the hostel "after the Hostel's commitments to incoming first years and the current third years, who already are in the Hostel, have been met".

"When the pandemic recedes and the situation normalises and hostel seats are once again 288 in number, the College would look into accommodating

some more students of the second and third year in the hostel, on the basis of need, during their remaining years of study," the document read.

The college also said it would be removing a sentence which says a student "will not participate in any activity seeking to prolong my/her tenure at the hostel" from the hostel registration form, as it has been "misquoted as preventing students from participating in all protest".

"A committee has been constituted to ensure that each student who needs a device is provided one and each department is in the process of creating a list of students requiring devices and their addresses. The college committee will ensure that these are procured and distributed to all students who need these at the earliest possible," the college said.

However, in its email to the principal, students' union wrote: "Regarding this committee, please clearly mention who all are in it, what is their status of work and what is being done by them on priority and kindly mention the deadline by which you will meet the requirements of students since examinations for the students are less than a month away."

Principal Suman Sharma did not respond to calls seeking a comment.

Weekend cold wave as city sees frostiest Nov since 2006

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

A COLD wave is forecast in Delhi on Saturday and Sunday as the minimum temperature on Friday dropped to 7.5 degrees Celsius, lowest for the season so far this year and five degrees below normal.

For the month of November, this is the lowest reading of mercury at night time since 2006, as per India Meteorological Department (IMD).

Minimum temperature last fell below this mark at the IMD's Safdarjung observatory, which is representative of the city, on November 29, 2006 when it was 7.3 degrees Celsius.

Kuldeep Srivastava, head of the IMD's regional weather forecasting centre in Delhi, said, "We are receiving cold winds from northern areas that have witnessed snowfall in the past few days. Delhi also has clear skies at present, which is causing higher radiation and faster cooling at night time."

Srivastava added that areas in Himachal Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Jammu & Kashmir had witnessed snowfall earlier this week and winds from these regions were influencing Delhi's temperature.

He said that by Sunday, the minimum temperature is expected to reach 7 degrees Celsius. "Cold wave conditions could persist on Saturday and Sunday, after which the minimum temperature is expected to rise," Srivastava said.

In plains, the IMD's criteria

THE WEEK AHEAD

Day	Min	Max
Saturday	8°C	25°C
Cold wave		
Sunday	7°C	24°C
Cold wave		
Monday	8°C	25°C
Shallow fog		
Tuesday	8°C	25°C
Fog/mist in morning, clear sky later		
Wednesday	9°C	26°C
Fog or mist		
Thu	9°C	26°C
Mist		

for cold wave is when the minimum temperature is 10 degrees Celsius or lower and the departure from normal temperature is below 4.5 degrees for two days.

Maximum or day time temperature in Delhi has also dropped from 31.6 degrees Celsius on November 4 to 25.4 degrees Celsius on Friday, two degrees below normal.

Meanwhile, the average air quality index (AQI) of Delhi deteriorated within the 'poor' category on Friday with a reading of 296, higher than 211 recorded on Wednesday, as per the Central Pollution Control Board.

Air quality is expected to remain in the 'very poor' to 'poor' category for the next two days, according to a forecast from the Ministry of Earth Sciences' monitor SAFAR.

Woman forcibly sent to rehab, court orders probe

SOFIAHSAN

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

THE DELHI High Court has directed the CBI to conduct a preliminary inquiry into the affairs of a Dehradun-based drug rehabilitation centre where a 22-year-old Delhi woman was allegedly detained for at least 22 days on the request of her mother, who objected to her relationship with a married man from a different faith. Delhi Police has also been directed to register an FIR against the centre, its director and others responsible for her illegal detention.

The division bench of Justices Vipin Sanghi and Rajnish

Bhatnagar asked the CBI to examine "the complete records, activities and ongoing" at Golden Dream Society Rehabilitation Centre, Dehradun, and register a case, if it is made out, under provisions of law. The possibility of the centre being misused for the purpose of forcibly detaining people on the ground that they require rehabilitation cannot be ruled out, said the court.

The order has been passed in a habeas corpus filed earlier this month by a friend of the detained woman. The court was told the 22-year-old was engaged in a property dispute with her mother and was missing since October 17. Delhi Police, in a status report, told the court on November 9 that she

was admitted to a rehabilitation centre as she was addicted to drugs—a claim challenged by her friend, who said it was her brother who was undergoing rehabilitation there once.

The story unfolded on November 12, when the 22-year-old was produced before the court through video-conferencing. Stating that she was not addicted to any substance, the woman told the court she was illegally detained. The rehabilitation centre's director, Vikas Bisht, conceded before the court she was not suffering from any addiction and does not require rehabilitation. It was also revealed that the centre charged Rs 8,000 from the woman's mother, who had

laid down conditions for her daughter's release.

After an interaction with the mother, the court came to the conclusion that "her real concern" is that her daughter is "in relation with... a married man with two children". She told the court he had been "exploiting" the 22-year-old for the past 2.5 years.

The court in the order said it has "counselled" the woman separately and she stated that she "does not wish to have any alliance" with either the man or her mother. The court directed police to ensure her release from the centre, noting that she is a major.

Meanwhile, the HC also took note of Delhi Police's failure to act on complaints made by the

mother at police stations in Bindapur and Shahdara regarding threats issued to her and her son by the man who was allegedly in a relationship with her daughter. "Unfortunately, this is the usual trend... People who come from the poorer strata of the society hardly ever are heard by the police and their complaints remain unactioned," said the court, as it noted no FIR had been registered and no action had been taken.

Directing the police commissioner to take action "against erring officials", the HC asked him to ensure that appropriate action is taken on the complaints filed by the mother and that the man does not come to her residence or loiter around the place.

Man alleges forced conversion by wife and her parents

New Delhi: A 28-year-old man has filed a complaint against his wife and her family for allegedly forcing him to convert to Islam. Police said the complainant, Mohit, has named his wife Nazreen, her parents Fareed and Shaheen, and uncle Ahmad. The FIR has been filed under sections of criminal intimidation, cheating by personation, extortion and outraging religious feelings. PK Mishra, DCP (Rohini), said the alleged incident dates back to last year.

Police said the woman and her family had also filed a dowry case against Mohit last year. As per the FIR, Mohit claims he met Nazreen on Facebook two years ago and she told him she is Hindu. "Five days before the wedding, I came to know she is Muslim. She told me that she's ready to be a Hindu... Later, she and her parents called me to Ghonda in UP and harassed me. They told me to give them Rs 80,000 and locked me in a hotel," he alleges, adding that they also coerced him to convert. **ENS**



Children play in the spray of an anti-smog gun along the Hindon River on Friday. Abhinav Saha

Research points to PM1 increase, experts say most harmful

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

HIGH CONCENTRATION of ultra-fine particles in the air, which can "increase the risk of cancer", was found in Delhi-NCR in the days before and after Diwali by a NASA-funded research.

Analysis of data from 35 PurpleAir sensors in a radius of 200 km from Delhi found that the concentration of particulate matter of size one micrometres (PM1) increased from 100 µg/m3 in September to 200-300 µg/m3 in one month from October 15.

The data was analysed by Palak Balyan from the IIT Delhi, AP Dimri from JNU and SK Dhaka from DU, who emphasised on the need to monitor PM1, which presently does not have an exposure limit in India unlike PM2.5 and PM10. Balyan said, "PM1 can impact our health more by reach-

ing deeper into our lungs."

Concentration of PM2.5, which has a 24-hour exposure limit of 60 µg/m3, was found to be close to 1,000 µg/m3 on November 10 and around 700 µg/m3 on November 14.

While the analysis attributed this spike in PM2.5 to mainly crop residue burning in Punjab and Haryana, it also stated that high humidity and low temperature cause smaller PM1 particles to merge and form secondary particles of larger size. Professor Arun Sharma of the University College of Medical Sciences, DU, said, "Particles of size 1 micron or less are more harmful as they can cross the mucus barrier and, through blood circulation, reach any organ and cause damage or increase the risk of cancer."

As per the analysis, composition of PM1 and smaller particles mainly "contain trace elements" that create a "carcinogenic risk".

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Notice of 46th Annual General Meeting

1. Notice is hereby given that the 46th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Members of National Fertilizers Limited ('Company') will be held on **Thursday, the 17th day of December, 2020 at 02:30 P.M. IST through Video Conferencing ("VC")/Other Audio Visual Means ("OAVM")** to transact the business as set out in the notice of the AGM in compliance with General Circular No.14/2020 dated April 8, 2020, General Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 and General Circular No.20/2020 dated May 5, 2020 and also Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) vide its Circular No. SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD1/CIR/P/2020/79 dated May 12, 2020 ("Circulars"), the relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

In accordance with the aforesaid Circulars, Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report 2019-20 has been sent only by electronic mode to those Members whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Registrar and Transfer Agent / Depositories. Notice and Annual Report is also available on the Company's website viz. www.nationalfertilizers.com as well as on the website of National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) viz. www.evoting.nsdl.com. **Member may please note that in view of Circulars/CoVID-19 pandemic, no hard copies of the Notice of AGM and Annual Report 2019-20 have been sent.**

2. **Book Closure**
Notice is also hereby given under Section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 10 of Companies (Management & Administration) Rules, 2014 and Regulation 42 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 that the Register of the Members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from 11.12.2020 to 17.12.2020 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of AGM.

3. **Voting through electronic mode (Remote E-voting and E-voting at the AGM)**
(a) In compliance with the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 20 of the Companies (Management & Administration) Rules, 2014, as amended from time to time, Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and Circulars, the Company is pleased to provide e-voting (Remote E-voting and E-voting at the AGM) facility to its Members enabling them to cast their vote electronically for all the resolutions as set in the AGM Notice dated 11.11.2020 through the e-voting services provided by NSDL. The cut-off date for determining the eligibility to vote through Remote E-voting and E-voting at the AGM is 10.12.2020.

(b) Members can attend and participate in the AGM through the VC/OAVM facility only. Members attending the meeting through VC/OAVM shall be counted for the purpose of reckoning the quorum as per Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013. The instructions for joining the AGM are provided in the Notice of the AGM.

(c) The Company is providing remote e-voting facility to all its members to cast their votes on all resolutions as set out in the Notice of AGM. Additionally, the Company is providing the facility of voting through e-voting at the AGM. Detailed procedure for remote e-voting and e-voting at the AGM is provided in the Notice of the AGM. Remote E-voting shall commence at **9.00 A.M. on Monday, 14th December, 2020 and end at 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, 16th December, 2020**. Remote e-voting shall not be allowed beyond **5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, 16th December, 2020** and once the vote on a resolution is cast by the Member, the Member shall not be allowed to change it subsequently.

(d) Members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting prior to the AGM may attend the AGM through VC / OAVM, but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again. Members, who have not cast their vote through remote e-voting and are present in the AGM through VC / OAVM, shall be eligible to vote through e-voting at the AGM.

(e) A person whose name is recorded in the Register of the Members or in the Register of Beneficial Owners maintained by the Depositories as on the cut-off date i.e. 10.12.2020 shall only be entitled to avail the facility of remote e-voting or e-voting at the AGM.

(f) Any person becoming the Member of the Company after the dispatch of Notice of AGM, but on or before the cutoff date, may obtain login ID & password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in or info@masserv.com. However, if a person is already registered with NSDL for e-voting then existing user ID and password can be used for casting vote through Remote e-voting or e-voting at the AGM.

4. **Scrutinizer**
Shri Naresh Kumar Sinha, Proprietor of M/s Kumar Naresh Sinha & Associates (CP :14984), Company Secretaries has been appointed as the Scrutinizer for conducting the remote e-voting and e-voting at the AGM process in a fair and transparent manner.

5. **Proxy**
In accordance with the Circulars, the facility of appointment of proxies by members will not be available for the AGM. However, in pursuance of section 112 and section 113 of the Act, representatives of the members may be appointed for the purpose of voting through remote e-voting or for participation and voting in the meeting held through VC or OAVM.

6. **Contact details**
Members are requested to read the instructions pertaining to Remote e-voting, e-voting at the AGM and Joining of AGM through VC as printed in the AGM notice carefully. In case of any queries/concern/ grievance, you may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Members and Remote e-voting user manual for Members available at the Download Section of www.evoting.nsdl.com or contact Mr. Amit Vishal, Sr. Manager, NSDL through e-mail at evoting@nsdl.co.in / amitv@nsdl.co.in or on Toll Free No:1800-222-990/Telephone No.: 022-24994360 or Mr. Deepanshu Rastogi, Asst. Manager, M/s. MAS Service Limited through email at info@masserv.com or on Telephone No: 011-26387281/82/83.

7. **Manner of registering/ updating e-mail address:**
(a) Members holding shares in physical form register/update their e-mail address for receiving all communications from the Company electronically. Members are requested to provide necessary details like Folio No., Name of shareholder, scanned copy of the share certificate (front and back), PAN (self-attested scanned copy of PAN card), Aadhar (self-attested scanned copy of Aadhar Card) by e-mail to info@masserv.com.

(b) Members holding shares in dematerialised mode, who have not registered / updated their e-mail address with their Depository Participants, are requested to register / update their e-mail address with the Depository Participants with whom they maintain their demat accounts.

8. **Instruction for Corporate Members**
Corporate Members intending to attend the AGM through their authorized representatives are requested to send a certified copy of Board Resolution authorizing their representative to attend and vote on their behalf at the Meeting. The said Resolution/Authorization shall be sent to the Scrutinizer by email through its registered email address to kumarnarehsinha@gmail.com with a copy marked to evoting@nsdl.co.in.

9. **Go Green initiative**
To support green initiative, Members who have not registered their email address so far or who want to update their e-mail address are requested to approach their respective DP (for electronic holding) or with M/s. MAS Services Limited/Company (for physical holding), for receiving all communications electronically. Members are requested to carefully read all the Notes set out in the Notice of the AGM and in particular, instructions for joining the AGM, manner of casting vote through remote e-voting or e-voting during the AGM.

For National Fertilizers Limited
Sd/-
(Ashok Jha)
Company Secretary

Place: New Delhi
Date: 20.11.2020

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New Delhi

4 THE CITY

CORONAVIRUS
IN THE CAPITAL

TOTAL CASES		HOSPITAL BEDS		Total	Vacant
5,17,238				17,234	7,738
		VENTILATORS		1,383	122
	Daily cases	Recoveries	Deaths	Tests	*Total active cases
Nov 19	7,546	6,685	98	62,437	
Nov 20	6,608	8,775	118	62,425	
Total	40,936*	4,68,143	8,159	57,15,516	

BRIEFLY

NE Delhi students get time to submit admission docs

New Delhi: The Directorate of Higher Education has asked its universities to allow students from the riot-hit areas of Northeast Delhi a relaxation of "at least three months" in submitting original documents for admission. The order said students could be given "provisional admission" on the basis of the "mark-sheet/certificate available on Digi Locker".

Girl shot at by brother for talking to friend

New Delhi: A 16-year-old girl was allegedly shot at by her elder brother for chatting with a friend in Northeast Delhi's Welcome area. DCP (Northeast) Ved Prakash Surya said: "We received information at 11.46 am on Thursday that a girl, a resident of Janta Colony, was admitted to Jag Pravesh Chandra hospital with a gunshot injury. The victim said that she was in contact with a boy who lives in Babarpur. He is the brother-in-law of her elder sister." Police said her elder brother objected to their friendship.

Man held for duping home buyers of crores

New Delhi: Delhi Police's Economic Offences Wing has arrested a man, who along with his associates allegedly duped 250 homebuyers of Rs 29 crore on the pretext of getting them flats under a DDA scheme. **ENS**



At Nigambodh Ghat on Friday. Officials said one in five cremations here is of a Covid patient. *Praveen Khanna*

Covid crisis finds reflection at cremation grounds: 'We thought the worst was over'

ASHNA BUTANI & JIGNASA SINHA

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

"THE PYRES have been burning constantly for a few days now," said a priest at Delhi's Nigambodh Ghat Friday, as the sound of an ambulance rang out every few minutes. The November afternoon mirrored days from June when ambulances packed with bodies of those who had succumbed to Covid could be seen at the ghat.

As five ambulances waited outside, fatigued crematorium workers stood next to grieving relatives in masks, who had been waiting two hours to get a cremation slot, for which a token was needed from the admin office.

At 2 pm, with 15 pyres lit,

workers tried to dissuade relatives in PPEs from going too close.

An MCD official told *The Indian Express*, "Over 100 bodies are being cremated here every day for the last two weeks, and roughly 20 a day are Covid patients." A worker said that on November 18, when the Covid death was 131, over 30 cremations of patients took place here.

The ground has about 110 wood pyres and four CNG cremation units. Officials said bodies of Covid patients start coming around 10 am, and within 2-3 hours, half of the ground is filled.

Earlier this year, the crematorium had a separate section for Covid deaths, but with a decrease in deaths, the two sections were merged in August.

Rajesh (27), who works at LNJP hospital's mortuary depart-

ment, was deployed at the ghat amid a Covid surge in May. "I collect bodies that come from LNJP and help families set the pyre and do formalities. We had started to think Covid was over but this month has been shocking. There have been days where I carried 10-12 bodies here." On Friday, as he asked a family member to wear a PPE, he was told a stern no. "I work morning to night without breaks... I am also scared, I have three daughters at home," he said.

Anu Sharma (51), a priest also called the "Covid in-charge", said the ghat has 30-40 helpers. "Two days ago, we cremated a total of 118 bodies," he said.

"Now, no one is scared — they don't follow social distancing or wear masks," he said.

Vijay Kumar (55), a business-

man who lost his wife to Covid, said he had been waiting to set the pyre for over two hours: "Sapna was fine last week... We celebrated Diwali with our son and grandson. She tested positive three days ago and was shifted to Aruna Asaf Ali Hospital. She had trouble breathing and was referred to a hospital in Burari. Last night, we spoke on the phone but by morning, she was no more."

Outside the crematorium, Aashiq (20), who sells cremation items, said he sells PPE kits at Rs 300 because he does not want families to suffer. "In case someone cannot afford it, we give it to them for free."

Similar scenes played out at Seemapuri ghat. An official said, "Daily, we get at least 15 Covid cremations, as opposed to two-three till a few weeks ago."

Around 4 pm, an ambulance with two bodies in a white body bag waited outside, as cremations went on inside. Each family member inside was kitted in a PPE, but they weren't allowed to light the pyre.

An argument between a family member and a crematorium worker broke out over allowing them to do the rituals. Govind Sharma (30), who works there, said, "Sadly, we cannot show the families the face of the deceased, even if they request it."

Used PPE kits were carelessly thrown across the road. "I can't keep going out to check every few hours... Many family members visit the ghat despite being positive. I have young children at home; I might send them to my sister's house in Jaipur where they will be safer," said Sharma.

Ghaziabad will also test drivers taking patients to hospital

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
GHAZIABAD, NOVEMBER 20

GHAZIABAD ADMINISTRATION will track cab drivers taking Covid patients to hospitals as part of contact tracing, district officials have said.

According to the administration, those assisting the patient's travel to hospitals and their admissions will also be included in the ambit of contact tracing to track infections. Ghaziabad reported 255 cases on Friday, an increase from the 150-170 figure in the last few weeks.

"We found that there is no record of those bringing Covid patients from home isolation to hospitals. There is no data about how many people came into contact with those patients, especially drivers. It will be necessary to provide information of all such people and the surveillance teams will carry out due procedures like conducting antigen or RT-PCR tests of those persons," said Ajay Shankar Pandey, DM Ghaziabad.

According to officials, hospitals will maintain contact details of drivers and the registra-

tion number of their vehicles. It will be mandatory for patients to provide information of those who accompanied them to the hospital, said officials. The hospitals will then provide the information to Covid control rooms which will coordinate tests.

Further, the administration has directed local radiology labs to provide information on patients coming for CT scans. "It has also been found that several patients were diagnosed negative in Covid tests but during CT scan, presence of the virus was found. Since there is no compiled data of those getting the tests done, labs have been directed to provide details of those coming in for surveillance," said Pandey.

In view of rising cases in NCR, the Ghaziabad administration has directed private hospitals to reserve 20% beds for the state administration in the event of emergency admissions. Currently, there are 1,476 beds in both L2 and L3 hospitals for symptomatic patients requiring oxygen and ICU treatments. There are currently 145 ICU beds with 95 ventilators for patients with severe conditions.

Market associations blame vendors in meet with CM

ANANYA TIWARI

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

CHIEF MINISTER Arvind Kejriwal held a meeting with various members of market associations in the city Friday and assured them markets will not be shut. He stressed on the importance of enforcing and following health guidelines, while the associations unanimously complained that hawkers were not following protocols.

Starting with Navaratri mid-October, markets across the city have witnessed high footfall throughout the festival and wedding seasons leading up to Diwali on November 14.

This coincided with a sharp rise in daily case count, peaking on November 11 with 8,593 cases.

At the meeting attended by the Chief Secretary and district administrators, the CM emphasised on the importance of wearing masks, making hand sanitizers available and checking temperature of customers.

Kejriwal said the Delhi government does not want to shut any market and the associations should provide free masks to those without one. "Our MLAs, MPs, councilors and volunteers, all of you also go to public places



At Lajpat Nagar. Market bodies stressed on the need to regulate street vendors and remove illegal hawkers. *Praveen Khanna*

and distribute free masks. This is the greatest patriotic and human service," he tweeted.

Market associations said they had mostly been following such norms and would enforce them stringently, but they emphasised on the need to regulate street vendors and remove illegal hawkers.

Vikram Badhwar, general secretary of New Delhi Traders' Association, of Connaught Place market, said, "Shopkeepers cannot do anything about hawkers even if they are authorised. The issue is how to control social distancing at vendor stalls. The CM did not comment on the issue."

Jai Prakash, mayor-elect of the North MCD from BJP, said, "The issue is that there are no proper

guidelines for vendors. They too are part of the market. I had written to the Delhi government that they could be shifted to nearby parks, but nothing was done."

A spokesperson from the North MCD said they "regularly take action against illegal hawkers", while a spokesperson of the New Delhi Municipal Council said "the enforcement department with the help of the health department is enforcing protocols in markets".

"I do agree that on the ground enforcement has not been 100%. However, to single out vendors here is unfair," said Sunil Tripathi, Assistant Commissioner, (Shahdara South Zone), East Delhi Municipal Corporation.

No let-up in deaths: 118 in past 24 hours

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

THE NATIONAL capital reported 6,608 new cases of Covid-19 and 118 deaths Friday, taking the infection tally to 5,17,238 and the death toll to 8,159. The new deaths have pushed the fatality rate based on the last 10 days' data to 1.54 per cent, a notch higher than the national average at 1.47 per cent.

The daily positivity rate fell to 10.59 per cent after the city conducted 6,242.5 tests in the last 24 hours.

Health Minister Satyendar Jain said most of the Covid-19 deaths are occurring within 10 days of hospitalisation.

"In June, the fatality rate in Delhi was 3.5 per cent. It has now come down to 1.54 per cent, which is a little higher than the national average. The positivity rate in Delhi on November 7 was 15.26 per cent, which is below 11 per cent at the moment. The highest number of cases was reported on November 10 with 7,810 cases. The number of cases is also coming down and the positivity rate, which is the biggest indicator, is also falling down," Jain said.

A penalty of Rs 2,000 will be imposed on people violating quarantine rules, spitting in public spaces, not following social distancing norms, among several such violations, stated a notification issued by the state health department after Delhi Lieutenant Governor Anil Bajjal amended Delhi Epidemic Disease Management of Covid-19 Regulations, 2020.

The amendment empowers 'authorised persons' to impose a Rs 2,000 fine for violation of quarantine rules, social distancing norms, not wearing face masks, and consumption of pan, gutka, etc in public places.

5-DAY SURVEY BEGINS

Teams fan out to identify and isolate Covid patients

SOURAV ROY BARMAN

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

A MEGA survey to identify and isolate suspected coronavirus positive cases began in Delhi Friday with several three-member teams, mostly comprising ASHA workers, primary school teachers and civil defence volunteers, fanning out across containment zones and areas with high caseloads, housing nearly a quarter of the city's population.

Authorities plan to wind up the household survey, prompted by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs, which stepped in after cases soared in the city, by November 24. The city has seen two similar surveys in the last nine months.

Accordingly, teams ranging from 1,200 members each in west and northwest districts to 600 in the north district have been deployed, depending on the population and number of households to be surveyed. Each three-member team is expected to cover 30 households daily over the next five days, district magistrates Neha Bansal (west), Cheshta Yadav (northwest) and Deepak Shinde (north) said.

The teams have been provided a common format to tabulate data and information. Each team, armed with thermal scanners and oximeters, has been tasked with identifying people who have come in contact with corona positive cases and individuals showing symptoms of the infection. Information being collected include name, address, mobile number, age, gender, temperature, oxygen level and the nature of symptoms, be it cold/cough, fever or breathing issues. The district authorities have been directed to ensure that all suspected cases are made to undergo tests.

According to feedback from the ground, the other crucial task — isolating contacts — is proving to be difficult as the entire exercise hinges on self-declaration. "The Centre has maintained from the beginning that contact tracing has always been weak in Delhi. This is why the survey also looks to identify and isolate contacts. But it is rather difficult for these teams that are already working under a tight deadline to ensure that all contacts are

identified, as much of it depends on whether a person speaks the truth or not," a senior district official said.

According to information obtained through RTI by The Indian Express in October, districts in Delhi were tracing an average of three contacts per infected individual.

As per the format to collate the information on contacts, the teams are expected to gather information on the date of exposure of a contact to an infected patient, symptoms and other basic details. The previous two surveys, albeit at a smaller scale, were carried out in April and June.

The data gathered during the survey will also help authorities review containment zone strategy as over 65 per cent of active cases in Delhi remain outside sealed zones, according to official data. The Home Ministry has also directed the Delhi government to ensure that large clusters of cases do not remain unmonitored.

Official numbers, updated till November 15, show that out of 43,774 active cases in the national capital, 15,242 were in 4,430 containment zones across 11 districts, while the remaining 28,532 were outside such zones. In terms of active cases, southwest district leads the chart with 6,391 cases, trailed closely by south with 5,815 cases and southeast with 5,013 cases.

The district with less than one-third active cases in containment zones are central (30.46 per cent), north (26.71 per cent), northeast (23.20), northwest (32.46 per cent) and south (25.89 per cent). West district has the maximum number of cases (45.39 per cent) in containment zones, followed by Shahdara (42.83) and New Delhi (41.96 per cent).

Cong collapsing, need alternative at national level: CM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

ASSERTING THAT the Congress is "collapsing" and has no future to offer, Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal said Friday that the country needs an "alternative" at the national level.

Kejriwal said people unhappy with the BJP vote for the Congress — only to find that the latter's legislators end up joining forces with the BJP and form governments.

"Congress is collapsing or may have collapsed. It seems Congress does not have an owner. Wherever people, unhappy with the BJP, vote for the Congress, the Congress leaders end up forming BJP governments. We need an alternative to the Congress at the national level," the AAP chief told the HT leadership summit.

Asked about the Diwali Lakshmi Puja held by the Delhi government, and his take on suggestions that the AAP is pedalling soft Hindutva, Kejriwal said he finds the criticism baffling.

"I fail to understand what people have got against performing puja. Worshipping is a good thing. You tell your liberal



Chief Minister Kejriwal during the event on Friday

friends to perform puja as well, they will find peace," Kejriwal said.

Addressing the summit virtually, the CM also said that trends suggests the coronavirus situation in the city was stabilising and that the third wave was abating.

"I think the indications are good. On November 15, the positivity rate was 15 per cent. On November 17, it reduced to 13 per cent, which came down further to 10.5 per cent on Friday," he said.

Asked about his views on a lockdown, Kejriwal said, "As of now, I don't think there is any need for a lockdown."

INQUIRY REPORT ON BIHAR MINISTER WHO QUIT
As then BAU V-C, JD(U) MLA
‘responsible for bungling’: probe

SANTOSH SINGH
PATNA, NOVEMBER 20



Mewalal Choudhary resigned as Education Minister

IN A severe indictment of Mewalal Choudhary's role in appointments during his tenure as vice-chancellor of Bihar Agriculture University (BAU), Sabaur, the inquiry commission of retired Patna High Court judge, Justice Syed Mohammed Mahfooz Alam, has held him "responsible for large-scale bungling, favouritism and manipulation".

An FIR was registered by Sabaur police in 2017 based on the commission's 2016 report.

On Thursday, Choudhary, newly elected MLA from Tarapur on a JD(U) ticket, resigned as Bihar Education Minister within an hour of taking charge.

The inquiry report --- The Indian Express has accessed a copy --- states: "I have come to conclusion that large-scale bungling, favouritism, interpolation, manipulation, addition and subtraction in academic points of candidates, overwriting in remarks column, and thereby changing remarks

Choudhary held him mainly responsible for "bungling, favouritism and manipulation" in those appointments. The BAU had advertised 281 vacancies for these posts in 2011.

The report asks how and why Choudhary appointed 161 candidates when the selection board had cleared only 115 names. It also asks why other members of the selection board remained "mute spectators".

In his inquiry, Justice Alam found "disparity" in the number of candidates selected for appointment as per merit and selection list, and the list of candidates appointed.

The report stated: "The appointment list supplied by the university shows that 161 candidates were appointed against the advertisements, but from merit list, I find names of only 115 candidates appear among candidates 'selected for appointment', against whom remarks 'SL for selected' have been incorporated in handwriting of the chairman of the board, Dr Mewalal Choudhary."

The report states that

Choudhary, in his testimony before the commission, had "admitted that he himself had filled up remarks and other columns". Other witnesses have admitted that these columns were filled up Choudhary, the report noted.

The inquiry report stated: "All circumstances indicate that it was done at the instance of Dr Mewalal Choudhary... who was single-handedly dealing all candidates at the time of interview and performing the job of posting of marks to candidates in interview, doing tabulation work and then allotting total marks to candidates, and finally giving remarks to candidates for their performance."

The Vigilance Department is yet to file a chargesheet against Choudhary, who is out on bail. In its case (4/2017), the Vigilance, however, has filed chargesheet against two others.

Bhagalpur DIG Sujit Kumar said, "A supplementary chargesheet may be filed in the case." The investigation is delayed by the pandemic.

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Art 370 buried, will never return: Shah Nawaz
Says results of DDC polls won't be referendum on stripping J&K of special status

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 20



BJP national spokesperson Shah Nawaz Hussain

ARTICLE 370, which was revoked by the Centre last year, "could never be restored in Jammu and Kashmir", BJP national spokesperson Shah Nawaz Hussain said on Friday. He also denied claims that the results of the upcoming polls to the District Development Councils (DDC) would be a referendum on the Centre's August 5 decision to strip Jammu and Kashmir of its special status.

"We believe that when someone dies, he cannot return from the grave. Article 370 has also been buried and it will never re-

turn. It can never be restored and no world power can help in its restoration," Hussain said.

When asked if the BJP loses the DDC polls, would it mean that the people of Kashmir have not accepted the abrogation of Article 370, he said: "This is not a referendum. This is a local body election, about local issues. This is not about national politics."

Hussain said that parties under the banner of "Gupkar alliance" were "misleading" people

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ADVERTORIAL

How to Keep Your Heart Healthy During the COVID-19 Pandemic



Dr Arvind Das, Senior Director & HOD - Cardiology, Max Hospital, Gurugram

YOU MAY have heard that heart health affects your risk for severe illness from COVID-19 (the disease caused by the new coronavirus). And while it's true that heart disease and high blood pressure (hypertension) put you at greater risk, there are things you can do to protect your heart during the COVID-19 pandemic. DR. ARVIND M DAS Senior Director and HOD - Cardiology, Max Gurgaon, recommends these five ways to protect your heart if you're living with a chronic heart condition:

Keep Up Your New Normal

The number one thing is to continue what you're doing, which is staying at home when possible, practicing safe distancing, wear a mask, and sanitize as much as possible, and seeking medical attention if you're having problems.

Take Advantage of Telemedicine

Communication with your doctor should be at the top of your list. Telemedicine really does help, especially the video element. Through this, the doctors can make sure you're hitting your health goals, have your meds, and don't have symptoms.

Continue Taking Your Medications

With confusing news about common blood pressure medications and their connection to COVID-19 risk, you may be tempted to stop taking them. But the pendulum is swinging toward there being no cause for concern.

Cultivate and Keep Up Healthy Lifestyle Habits

Stay healthy by:

- Communicating with your doctor
- Eating healthy
- Exercising
- Getting enough rest
- Monitoring blood pressure if you have hypertension or heart failure
- Know When to Seek Emergency Care for COVID-19 and Heart Problems
- Get to know the signs of a COVID-19 infection. Watch out for:
 - Dry cough
 - Fever or chills
 - Shortness of breath or trouble breathing
 - Muscle pain
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Gastrointestinal symptoms like nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea
- But the heart and stroke symptoms also spell trouble — and could signal COVID-19 infection as well. Watch for:
 - Chest pain or pressure, especially during physical activity
 - Facial drooping on one side of the face
 - Arm weakness or numbness on one side of the body
 - Speech changes, including slurred or garbled speech
 - Loss of vision
 - Severe headache
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing at night associated with:
 - Leg swelling
 - Dizziness
 - Fainting
 - Passing out

If you think you're having a heart attack or some other heart issue, don't ride it out at home because you're worried about COVID. It's really important to come in and get evaluated so you can get the problem taken care of early. Delaying care because of fears of COVID-19 can lead to long-term health consequences. Skipping appointments or not being as diligent with your cardiac care plan in the short-term can lead to long term health issues, including heart attack, stroke, and heart damage.

Myocardial infarction (MI) or heart attack kills thousands of Indians every year, and it is vital for patient survival to receive early and optimal treatment. MI treatment consists in opening the blocked coronary artery as rapidly as possible using catheterization. Any delay in receiving appropriate treatment produces progressive cellular death in the heart muscles. Delayed treatment can generate important complications in the long run as well, as the heart loses strength and the ability to contract itself, which can bring damage and death. At most hospitals, maximum safety measures are being taken to protect you. This includes new procedures to allow for physical distancing and infection control and daily symptom screenings of staff and patients.

Issued in Public Interest by
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India to send Bhutanese satellite to space: PM

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PM Narendra Modi

LAUNCHING THE second phase of RuPay card, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday announced that India will soon be sending a Bhutanese satellite to space.

"India opened its space sector for private enterprises. It will boost innovation, capacity and skills. ISRO will be sending Bhutan's satellite next year and work on that is progressing fast," he said.

"Like other Indians I have great love and friendship with

I congratulate these Bhutanese nationals," Modi said.

"The relation between India and Bhutan is an important and best example for the world," the PM said.


He said he is happy that 11,000 transactions took place through RuPay cards in Bhutan, and if the Covid pandemic had not hit, the volume could have been greater.

"From my visit to Bhutan, in the phase-1 of RuPay card launch, till now, 11,000 successful RuPay transactions have taken place in Bhutan. Today with the launch of phase-2, we welcome Bhutan as a full-time partner in the RuPay network," Modi said.

The Bhutan Prime Minister lauded Modi's efforts in tackling the pandemic. "The Excellency's (PM Modi) leadership in tackling the pandemic at home is highly commended," Lotay Tshering said.

"I am sure India will come out much stronger from the pandemic. The lead that India is taking in developing vaccines is a source of hope for all of us," he added.

The Bhutanese Prime Minister also thanked India for promising to provide a vaccine when it is ready.

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NOTICE TO THE SHAREHOLDERS FOR 17TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
NOTICE is hereby given that the 17th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the members of Rail Vikas Nigam Limited will be held on **Wednesday, 16th December, 2020 at 11:30 AM (IST)** through Video Conferencing (VC)/Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM) to transact the business as set out in the Notice of AGM, being circulated separately. In view of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, Ministry of Corporate Affairs vide its General Circular No. 14/2020 dated 8th April, 2020, General Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 and General Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 5, 2020 issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") and also Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) vide its circular SEBI/HO/CFD/CMD/1/CIR/P/2020/79 dated May 12, 2020 have permitted the holding of AGM through Video Conferencing (VC) or Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM) without requiring the physical presence of the Members at a common venue. Accordingly, in compliance with these circulars, relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the 17th AGM of the Members of the Company will be held through Video Conferencing (VC)/Other Audio Visual Means (OAVM).


In Compliance with the aforesaid circulars, Notice of the AGM along with the Annual Report 2019-20, will be sent only by electronic mode to those Members of the Company whose email addresses are registered with the Company / Depository Participant(s). The aforesaid documents will also be available on the Company's website at www.rvnl.org, the website of the Stock Exchanges, i.e., BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com, respectively, the website of NSDL (agency for providing e-voting/remote e-voting facility) i.e. www.evoting.nsdl.com and on the website of Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agents (RTA) i.e. **M/s Alankit Assignments Limited at www.alankit.com.**

Manner of Registering / Updating Email Addresses	Manner of casting vote(s) through Remote e-voting /e-voting at AGM	Manner of registering mandate for receiving dividend
a) Members holding shares in physical mode, who have not registered /updated their email addresses with the Company are requested to register / update the same with the Registrar of the Company viz, M/s Alankit Assignments Limited or by writing to the Company with details of Folio number and attaching a self attested copy of PAN card at investors@rvnl.org or to Alankit Assignments at virenders@alankit.com detailed instructions have been uploaded on Company's website at https://www.rvnl.org	(a) Members will have the opportunity to cast their vote (s) on the business as set out in the Notice of the AGM through electronic voting system ("e-voting"). (b) The manner of voting remotely ("remote e-voting") by members holding shares in dematerialized mode, physical mode and for members who have not registered their email addresses has been provided in the Notice of AGM. The details will also be available on the website of Company at www.rvnl.org and on the website of NSDL www.evoting.nsdl.com (c) The facility of voting through electronic voting system will also be made available at the AGM ("Insta-Poll") and Members attending AGM who have not cast their vote(s) by remote e-voting will be able to vote at the AGM through Insta Poll. (d) The login credentials for casting votes through e-voting shall be made available to all members through email. Members who do not receive email or whose email addresses are not registered with the Company/Alankit Assignments/Depository Participants may generate login credentials by following instructions given in the Notes to Notice of AGM. The same login credentials may also be used for attending the AGM through VC/OAVM.	(a) Payment of dividend shall be made through electronic mode to the Shareholders who have updated their bank account detail. (b) Members are requested to register /update their complete bank details: (i) With the Depository Participant (s) with whom they maintain their demat accounts by submitting the requisite documents. (ii) With the Company /Alankit Assignments by emailing at virenders@alankit.com , if shares are held in physical mode, by submitting (i) scanned copy of signed request letter which shall contain member's name, folio number, bank details (Bank Account number, Bank and Branch Name and address, IFSC, MICR details), (ii) self attested copy of PAN card and (iii) cancelled cheque leaf. Detailed instructions have been uploaded on Company's website at https://www.rvnl.org
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Members are requested to carefully read all the Notes set out in the Notice of the AGM and in particular instructions to register / update e-mail id, joining AGM, manner of casting votes through remote e-voting or voting at AGM and Dividend related information.

Place : New Delhi
Dated : 20.11.2020



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Company Secretary & Compliance Officer

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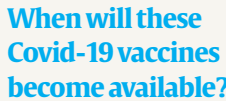
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The BJP's Rajasthan unit president Satish Poonia said Gehlot's comments were "shameful", and that "everyone knows that in the tradition of sanatan Bharat, marriage is a religious and socially approved sanskaar and is not restricted to individual freedom."

UP Additional Chief Secretary Home, Awanish Kumar Awasthi confirmed the government is set to bring the anti-conversion Ordinance. As per the Ordinance conversion done for the sole purpose of marriage will be declared null and void, and violation will lead to three to six months in jail and a fine of Rs 10,000.

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GRAND SLAM TIME

IN WHAT will be a first for a Governor of West Bengal, Jagdeep Thakur on Friday took part in a panel discussion on a news channel, and vehemently criticised the state government over a host of issues. Appearing on a debate on NDTV, Thakur slammed the Mamata Banerjee-led TMC government on law and order issues, accused government officials of acting in the interest of the ruling party, spoke on atrocities on leaders and workers of Opposition parties, especially those belonging to the BJP. No previous Governor of the state has taken part in such a panel discussion before while holding the constitutional post. Other panelists in the programme included Lok Sabha MP and West Bengal BJP president Dilip Ghosh, state Women and Child Welfare Minister and TMC leader Shashi Panja and BJP leader Chandra Kumar Bose, among others.

POLL-BOUND PARTY

FOR THE first time, the Congress has decided to issue digital identity cards to the 1,500-odd AICC delegates. The revamped central election authority of the party is working overtime to finalise the revised list of AICC delegates, which forms the electoral college to elect the party president and half of the Congress Working Committee. The move by the authority to issue digitised identity cards comes at a time when many in the party believe Rahul Gandhi would return as Congress president. But if there is a contest for the post of party president, and if there is a decision to hold elections for the CWC, then the digital ID cards will ensure a glitch-free process. But many in the party believe convening an AICC session to elect a new president could be difficult given the coronavirus protocols. Since Sonia Gandhi has expressed desire to not continue as interim president, the party has to soon elect a regular president for the rest of her term.

IGNORANCE IS BLISS?

NOT EVERYONE seems convinced that the coronavirus is still raging in the national capital—or, for that matter, in the country. During a meeting of a ministry this week, a discussion was going on about why a certain job was not done yet. When officials said that the work was getting affected by the pandemic, the Cabinet minister concerned surprised everyone when he remarked: “What Covid? Covid is over.” The officials present were particularly surprised because the ministry concerned is dealing with several officers currently affected by the infection.

Onion, potato prices rise; House panel to take up issue

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AMID SOARING prices of food items such as tomato, onion and potato, a Parliamentary standing committee is going to deliberate on the “causes and effects” of price rise of essential commodities.

According to sources, the Standing Committee on Food, Consumer Affairs & Public Distribution is scheduled to discuss the issue on November 27.

The committee has called representatives of the Ministry

of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Department of Consumer Affairs) on the subject ‘Price Rise of Essential Commodities – Causes & Effects’, sources said.

The meeting comes at a time when retail prices of essential food items such as tomato, onion and potato are hovering around Rs 50 per kg across the country. According to data available with the Department of Consumer Affairs, the modal retail prices of potato, onion and tomato were Rs 50 per kg, Rs 60 per kg and Rs 50 per kg, respectively, at national level on Friday.

Rabi crop sowing on track, increase in coverage this yr: govt

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CROPSOWING in the ongoing rabi season is on track, with 265.43 lakh hectare (ha) area sown till November 20, according to latest data released by the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers’ Welfare on Friday.

“As on 20.11.2020, total rabi crops has been sown on 265.43 lakh ha area against 241.66 lakh ha area during the corresponding period of last year, thus increase in area coverage by 23.77 lakh ha compared to last year in the country,” the ministry said in a statement. “There is no impact of Covid-19 on progress of area coverage under rabi crops as on date.”

Rabi—or winter season—crops are sown around mid-November, and harvesting begins in April-May. The overall area sown under total rabi crops till Friday is 9.84 per cent higher than the corre-

sponding period of the last year, data shows. However, the increase is sharpest in case of pulses.

The area under rabi pulses such as gram, lentil, field pea, kulthi, urd bean, moong bean and lathyrus has been reported 82.59 lakh ha till date, which is 27.91 per cent higher than 64.57 lakh ha during the corresponding period last year.

According to the ministry, the higher area under pulses has been reported from Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Karnataka, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Assam, Telangana, West Bengal, Odisha and Uttarakhand.

However, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Tamil Nadu and Nagaland have reported less area under rabi pulses during the current season. About 97.27 lakh ha area has been reported under wheat as of November 20, against 96.77 lakh ha area during the corresponding period last year.

Sonia forms 3 panels to steer party position, packs them with old hands—and ‘dissenters’

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

CONGRESS PRESIDENT Sonia Gandhi on Friday set up three committees comprising top party leaders to help her formulate the party’s position on economic issues, foreign affairs and national security. Barring one or two, the panels are packed with the old guard, including former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, Leader of the Opposition in Rajya Sabha Ghulam Nabi Azad and many former Union ministers.

Among the members are Azad, former union ministers Anand Sharma, M Veerappa Moily and Shashi Tharoor, who were signatories to the unprecedented letter a group of 23 leaders had written to Gandhi in August seeking sweeping changes in the party. The com-



(From left) Ghulam Nabi Azad, Shashi Tharoor, Anand Sharma and Veerappa Moily, all part of the ‘group of 23’, were accommodated in the panels.

position of the panels signals Gandhi’s continued reliance on veteran and experienced leaders when it comes to deliberating on serious policy matters.

The setting up of the panels, significantly, came days after top party leaders spoke in different voices on India staying out of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) agreement. Even on the issue of restoration of Article 370, the view in the party had been divided.

By including four senior leaders, who had raised serious questions on the functioning of the party in the letter, Gandhi has once again signaled that she does not hold any ill-will against them. It is also seen as an attempt to ensure that the rumblings in the party, which resurfaced after the Congress’s poor performance in the Bihar elections and the assembly bye-elections, do not gather momentum. But the leaders who wrote

SONIA, RAHUL FLY DOWN TO GOA

New Delhi: Congress chief Sonia Gandhi and her son Rahul flew down to Goa on Friday on a personal visit. While the party officially was tight-lipped about their travel plans and duration of their stay in Goa, sources said Sonia will be in the state for a few days since her doctors have advised her to be away from the heavy pollution in Delhi in view of her chronic chest infection. Sonia will be in Goa till the air quality in Delhi improves, leaders said. **ENS**

the letter to Gandhi are not enthused by the move. “I am not enthused but amused... the issues that we had raised remain unaddressed and the party is in a state of drift,” one of the senior leaders who has been included in the panels told *The Indian Express*.

When contacted, another leader said, “Instead of addressing organisational matters, we are asked to look at policy issues... the party already has the forums and the in-house expert-

ise to give inputs to the Congress president on any development and involving the former Prime Minister in this exercise is belittling the office he held.”

Former Prime Minister Singh has been included in all three panels. Besides him, the members of the committee on economic affairs are former finance minister P Chidambaram, former leader of the Congress in Lok Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge, former Madhya Pradesh chief minister Digvijaya Singh. Former

union minister Jairam Ramesh will be the convener of the group.

Sharma, Tharoor, former external affairs minister Salman Khurshid and young Lok Sabha MP from Odisha Saptagiri Ulaka have been made members of the panel on foreign affairs. Khurshid will be the convener of the panel. Sharma is the head of the party’s foreign affairs department.

Azad, Moily, former Lok Sabha MP Vincent Pala and Lok Sabha MP and former chief minister of Puducherry V Vaithilingam have been named members of the panel on national security.

The notable omissions from the panels are former Defence Minister A K Antony and veteran Congress leader Ahmed Patel. Both are members of the committee set up by the Congress president to assist her.

FARM LAW PROTESTS IN PUNJAB



At the protest outside Shambhu railway station in Patiala on Thursday night. Gurmeet Singh

With tents and langar, farmers take over station parking area

Question of pride, they say as logjam with Railways drags on

RAAKHI JAGGA

SHAMBHU (PATIALA), NOVEMBER 20

IT IS 4 am, the air is chilly, the town of Shambhu is fast asleep, but the moonlit parking lot at the railway station is rife with activity. Protesting farmers are getting ready for a change of ‘shift’.

Farmers from 10 unions have been camping in and around Shambhu railway station for over 50 days now. Hazura Singh (57), block president of BKU (Rajewal) and chief organiser of the morcha, recounted they had started out by descending on the tracks on October 1.

Protesting against the three central farm laws, farmers across Punjab blocked rail tracks for almost 21 days. “There was a lot of anger and the crowd would swell to over 5,000 during the day here,” Hazura said.

On October 21, however, 30 farmers’ unions decided to clear the tracks for goods trains, and moved to the platforms. Goods trains ran for three days before the Railways stopped them on October 24, saying they feared for the safety of their staff.

Faced with an unprecedented situation, the state government urged the unions to clear the platforms as well. “On November 5 we moved to the parking lot, now we don’t ever enter the platform, not even to drink water. But the Railways still accuse us of obstructing trains,” said Nathu Lal, former sarpanch of Gharma village.

As a solitary locomotive roared past the station that usually sees the movement of 200-odd goods and passenger trains every day, a Railway employee, requesting anonymity, said the engineering wing is “deep screening” the tracks. The critical Delhi-Ludhiana-Jammu line passes through Shambhu.

Outside, over a breakfast of *aloo parantha* and tea, a farmer asked, “If these locomotives can run round the clock, why can’t the goods trains?”

The Railways have refused to run just goods trains, as has been proposed by the protesters—and have taken the position that both goods and passenger trains would run simultaneously. Farmer Ranjit Singh said it would be difficult for them to back down, but they would reciprocate if the Railways

took a step forward.

“*Kisan di moohh da sawaal hai* (It’s a question of a farmer’s pride). Our leaders have already said that if they run goods trains, we will allow passenger trains the very next day, if not on the same day,” Ranjit said.

The farmers have put up tents in the parking space, and spread out bedding on the ground. Punjabi language newspapers are everywhere. A motley group of Railway and Punjab Police personnel keep a watch on them.

At the station, two personnel from the Railway Protection Force and three from the Government Railway Police are on duty. GRP ASI Jarnail Singh said: “This dharna has been peaceful since the beginning but we have to remain alert.” RPF Head Constable Suresh Kumar said: “They have not damaged any property of the railway station.”

At lunch time, some Railway staff sit down for the langar along with the 70-odd farmers and children from the Railways quarters nearby. On Friday, it was rumali roti with soya nuggets and potatoes. On Diwali there was a big spread of sweets, the children said.

It’s a matter of security, we won’t be dictated, says Railways

AVISHEK G DASTIDAR

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

THE INDIAN Railways insisted on Friday that services through Punjab would resume only after the state government provides an assurance of security to all trains.

The unprecedented stoppage of all train services in Punjab completed its 56th day on Friday. A total 2,352 passenger trains have been cancelled or diverted since farmers began a protest in September against the Centre’s new farm laws.

“Law and order is the subject of the state government. It is up to them how they want to deal with the protesters. We have said to the state government time and again that the tracks should be handed over to us to safely run all kinds of trains. That is the stand,” Arun Kumar, Director General of Railway Protection Force (RPF), who is in touch with his counterparts in Punjab Police, told *The Indian Express*.

For the Railways, as long as protesters were sitting in the vicinity of the tracks or on station premises, there was no guarantee they would not move to the tracks as a train approaches. “Many trains that carry our staff for maintenance and other duties look like passenger trains. We need to have the confidence that protesters will not harm them thinking they are passenger trains,” Kumar said.

On November 6, Chairman Railway Board V K Yadav had said that running only goods trains as per the wishes of the protesters was not possible.

“Nowhere in the country can any state government or any other agency dictate terms to Railways. It is our network and we decide whether to run goods trains or passenger trains,” Yadav had said.

Kamra tweets on CJI: AG grants consent for contempt action

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ATTORNEY GENERAL K K Venugopal has granted his consent to initiate contempt proceedings against stand-up comedian Kunal Kamra in connection with a tweet he posted on Chief Justice of India S A Bobde on November 18.

The consent came on a request made by Allahabad-based Advocate Anuj Singh.

Granting consent under Section 15 of the Contempt of Courts Act, Venugopal wrote the tweet was “grossly vulgar and obnoxious”.

“...and I have no doubt that it would tend to lower the authority of the Supreme Court of India as well as undermine the confidence that the litigant public have in the institute of the Supreme Court itself,” he wrote.

On November 12, Venugopal had granted his consent for initiation of criminal contempt of court proceedings against Kamra for his tweets on the Supreme Court the day before.

KERALA GOLD SMUGGLING CASE

ED to seek info on how audio clip recorded in jail

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

THE ENFORCEMENT Directorate (ED) is writing to prison authorities in Kerala to seek details of how an audio clip in which a key accused in the gold smuggling case is purportedly heard suggesting that she is under pressure to implicate Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan was recorded.

In the short voice clip, Swapna, who is in judicial custody, is purportedly heard saying she would be made an approver if she confessed that she went to UAE with M Sivasankar—former principal secretary to



Stand-up comedian Kunal Kamra

Kamra had posted the tweets the day a vacation bench of the court granted interim bail to Republic TV editor-in-chief Arnab Goswami in an alleged abetment to suicide case.

The consent followed multiple letters of requests to the AG, including those from Shrirang Katneshwarkar, a law student from Aurangabad; Rizwan Siddiquee, an advocate; and Pune-based lawyers Amey Abhay Sirsikar and Abhishek Sharad Raskar.

“Have gone through each one of the tweets which you have annexed for consent to proceed by way of criminal contempt against Sh. Kunal Kamra. The tweets which I am extracting below are not only in bad taste but clearly cross the line between humour and contempt of the court,” Venugopal had then said.

CM Pinarayi Vijayan and an accused in the case—for financial negotiations meant for the Chief Minister.

She is also heard purportedly saying that “they” did not allow her to read her statement, but scrolled through it and asked her to sign it.

ED sources on Friday said it was a ploy by the accused to give political colour to the case and wriggle out of trouble. “First, the clip nowhere mentioned the Enforcement Directorate. Two, how was this clip recorded in jail? We are writing to the chief of prisons in Kerala to give us details of circumstances in which this clip was recorded,” a senior ED official said.

BSY asked to wait, Cabinet expansion stuck in party-govt gap

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
BENGALURU, NOVEMBER 20

AN EXPANSION of the Karnataka Cabinet proposed by Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa hangs in the balance with the party leadership yet to approve it despite him dashing to Delhi on November 18 to meet BJP national president J P Nadda to obtain clearances.

According to sources, the BJP central leadership has directed Yediyurappa to hold consultations with the new BJP in-charge for the state Arun Singh to finalise the proposed Cabinet expansion. Yediyurappa has, however, suggested a decision will be taken in a few days time.

Since Yediyurappa’s return from Delhi without obtaining the clearance some of the min-



Karnataka Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa

isterial aspirants, who were earlier at his doorstep, have begun approaching BJP state president Nalin Kumar Kateel for his intervention in accommodating them in the Cabinet.

Soon after the BJP won two bypoll seats in Karnataka on November 10, giving him a political boost amid speculation that the central leadership was looking for a change of guard, the chief minister had announced his decision to seek a Cabinet expansion. “I will go to Delhi or talk to our national president and Amit Shah over the phone about

EXPLAINED BSY’s promise to rebels

ONE OF the things Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa is keen to complete while he is in power is accommodation in the Cabinet of rebels from the Congress and JDS who helped the BJP come to power in 2019. While several BJP veterans like Umesh Katti, Murugesh Nirani and Arvind Limbavalli have been pushing for the seven cabinet vacancies, Yediyurappa is keen on keeping his 2019 promise to rebels—such as Munirathna Naidu, who recently won the RR Nagar bypoll, veteran H Vishwanath, the wealthy MTB Nagaraj and MLC R Shankar—of making them ministers.

expanding the Cabinet,” Yediyurappa had said. Eight days later, he travelled to Delhi and met Nadda.

“We held discussions on Cabinet expansion and development matters,” he said after the

meeting.

On his return, party leaders suggested that Yediyurappa had been asked to wait for a while and involve the party in the decision-making process for the Cabinet expansion.

This is a marked change from how Yediyurappa has been unilaterally managing the affairs of the government ever since he was replaced as the state party chief in 2019 by Kateel, who was handpicked by the central leadership, although Yediyurappa was keen on keeping a grip on both the government and party.

The delay in the BJP over the Cabinet expansion has led to the opposition Congress targeting the ruling party. “BJP was targeting the Opposition with jibes like high-command culture, family politics, etc. It is now doing the same and also ignoring administration,” said former chief minister and Congress leader Siddaramaiah on Friday. “Administration in Karnataka is suffering due to confusion within the Karnataka BJP.” Earlier this month, he had

claimed that the BJP will affect a change in leadership in Karnataka after the Bihar polls. BJP MLA Basavaraj Yatala had also said Yediyurappa will not continue to be the chief minister for long.

Ano-confidence motion was moved against Yediyurappa by the Congress in September following allegations of corruption and nepotism around his family members.

The motion was defeated but there have been persistent rumours of the BJP not being keen on continuing with him as the chief minister following the allegations.

BJP sources, however, said an immediate change in leadership is unlikely on account of the party not finding a suitable replacement for the veteran Lingayat leader.

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7	HPGCL, PANIPAT	(NET NO.04/CHDP-1/2020-21 / 1184) SUB- ARC FOR REMOVAL OF GRASS/ SARGANDA WILD GROWTH ETC. IN PLANT AREA UNIT-5 TO 8 AND COLONY AT PTPS, PANIPAT	CLOSING DATE 12.12.2020	26.13 LACS	www.hpgcl.org.in	0180-2566015 xerentpplg1@gmail.com
8	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE ISMAILABAD	TOTAL 27 NO. OF DEVELOPMENT WORKS TO BE EXECUTED IN THE JURISDICTION OF MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE ISMAILABAD	CLOSING DATE 25.11.2020	663.79 LACS	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	secymcismailabad@gmail.com
9	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE ISMAILABAD	DOOR TO DOOR COLLECTION, SEGREGATION, TRANSPORTATION AS WELL AS PROCESSING & DISPOSAL OF WASTE MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE ISMAILABAD	CLOSING DATE 10.12.2020	-	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	secymcismailabad@gmail.com
10	HARYANA LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT BOARD PANCHKULA	VACCINE CARRIER BOX (2.4-3.0 LITRES) + 1 OTHER WORKS	19.11.2020 02.12.2020	EMD 2.60 LACS	http://pashudhanharyana.gov.in	9416172358 hldo-hry@nic.in
11	HARYANA SCHOOL SHIKSHA PARITYOJNA PARISHAD	CONSTRUCTION OF 10 NO. ACR IN GGPS BASS DISTRICT HISAR. + 11 OTHER WORKS	25.11.2020 10.12.2020	458.38 LACS	www.hsspp.in	EXECUTIVE ENGINEER
12	MUNICIPAL COUNCIL REWARI	REPAIRING OF ROAD TULA RAM CHOWK NEAR NATWALI IN MC REWARI	CLOSING DATE 27.11.2020	0.99 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in/nicjsep/acp	9728025011 secymcrrw@gmail.com
13	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, GURUGRAM	CONSTRUCTION OF BOUNDARY WALL AND GOOD EARTH FILLING IN GAMA SHAMLAAT LAND IN MOHAMMADPUR JHARSA VILLAGE WARD NO. 24 GURUGRAM	17.11.2020 08.12.2020	81.38 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	9995740089
83944/HRY FOR FURTHER INFORMATION KINDLY VISIT : www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in or www.etenders.hry.nic.in						

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE						
SR. No.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT / EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	PWD B&R, NUH	SPECIAL REPAIR BY PROVIDING AND LAYING OF HEAVY PATCH WORK ON PUNHANA SHIKRAWA ROAD AT KM 0 TO 5.00 & 5.40 TO 9.83 IN NUH DISTT. (ROAD ID 1288) + 9 OTHER WORKS	20.11.2020 10.12.2020	351.82 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01267-271237
2	PWD B&R, GURUGRAM	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVT. VETERINARY HOSPITAL AT HANDOLA IN DISTRICT PALWAL (REPLACE WITH MANUPUR (POG. E.I. AND STREET LIGHT ONLY). + 5 OTHER WORKS	20.11.2020 07.12.2020	30.95 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	Pwd-eeed-gurgaon@hry.nic.in 0124-2320874
3	PWD B&R, CHANDIGARH	UPGRADATION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CENTRE TO URBAN POLYCLINIC AT PUNJORE IN PANCHKULA DISTT.	CLOSING DATE 14.12.2020	487.51 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0172-2618279 pwd-eeed-chandigarh@hry.nic.in
4	PWD B&R, KATHAL	HARYANA VISION ZERO ROAD SAFETY OF KATHAL KHANOURI ROAD (SH - 08) IN KATHAL DISTT. (RE-INVITED)	CLOSING DATE 25.11.2020	21.41 LACS	https://etender.hry.nic.in	01746-212282 pwd-eeed-kathal@hry.nic.in
5	PWD B&R, SIRSA	DNIT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD FROM RISALAKHERA TO KEHARWALA KM. 0.00 TO 6.66 KM. IN SIRSA DISTT. (CM ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 25286 DATED 08.03.2020). (RE-INVITED) + 1 OTHER WORK	19.11.2020 03.12.2020	570.11 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01666-220530 pwd-eeed-sirsa@hry.nic.in
6	PWD B&R, PANIPAT	CONSTRUCTION OF SUB HEALTH CENTER AT VILLAGE KUTANI IN DISTRICT PANIPAT (RE-INVITED)	19.11.2020 03.12.2020	21.46 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0180-2618652
7	PWD B&R, AMBALA	SPECIAL REPAIR OF FOUR LANNING OF NH-72 AMBALA NARAINGARH ROAD FROM KM 1.00 KM 3.500 (BALDEV NAGAR CHOWK TO NARAINGARH ROAD) IN AMBALA DISTRICT. + 2 OTHER WORKS	17.11.2020 04.12.2020	1251.73 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2977224 pwd-eeed-ambala@hry.nic.in
8	PWD B&R, KATHAL	FIRE FIGHTING SYSTEM AT CIVIL HOSPITAL AT KATHAL (IN KATHAL DISTT.)	CLOSING DATE 09.12.2020	95.13 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-212282 pwd-eeed-kathal@hry.nic.in
9	PWD B&R, KARNAL	UP-GRADATION OF 50 BEDDED HOSPITAL INTO 100 BEDDED HOSPITAL AT NILOKHERI DISTT., KARNAL (POG. MGP AND ALLIED WORKS). + 2 OTHER WORKS	18.11.2020 09.12.2020	9.61 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0184-2285696 pwd-eeed-karnal@hry.nic.in
10	PWD B&R, YAMUNA NAGAR	WIDENING WITH HARD SHOULDERING AND STC. OF LINK ROAD FROM KARERA KHURD TO MISRI KI MAJRI (JD 518) (0.00 TO 1.80) IN YAMUNA NAGAR DISTRICT (RE-INVITE) + 5 OTHER WORKS	26.11.2020 10.12.2020	274.42 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	pwd-eeed-yamunanagar@hry.nic.in 01732-237834
11	PWD B&R, GURUGRAM	DEVELOPMENT OF LANDSCAPING WORK OF GOVT. COLLEGE FOR WOMEN AT PAU IN DISTT. REWARI.	19.11.2020 26.11.2020	16.85 LACS	https://www.haryanapwd-bandc.org/	Executive Engineer,
12	PWD B&R, HISAR	CONSTRUCTION OF PRIMARY HEALTH CENTER WITH RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION AT VILLAGE BHANBHORI IN DISTT. HISAR (POG. STREET SECURITY LIGHT ONLY) + 9 OTHER WORKS	19.11.2020 26.11.2020	21.93 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01662-225651/ pwd-eeed-hissar@hry.nic.in
13	DISTRICT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SOCIETY BHIVANE	E-TENDERS FOR AMC OF PRINTERS-CUM-PHOTO-COPIER MACHINE	19.11.2020 07.12.2020	8 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01664-242172
14	DIRECTOR GENERAL HIGHER EDUCATION, PANCHKULA, HARYANA	CANTEEN E- TENDER	19.11.2020 25.11.2020	1 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	9530570503, sdebi3106@gmail.com
15	CONTROLLER PRINTING & STATIONERY DEPARTMENT, HARYANA, CHANDIGARH	PURCHASE OF KRAFT PAPER CLOTH LINED CENTRAL ENVELOPES WITH PRINTING	CLOSING DATE 02.12.2020	1 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	9466333026 basurajender1264@gmail.com
16	PANCHAYATI RAJ YAMUNA NAGAR	RE- TENDER - CONST. OF 3 NO. BUILDING WORKS (COMMUNITY CENTER + GYM+ ONE STOP CENTER)	20.11.2020 10.12.2020	163.36 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01732-237833 / preveeng.ynr@hry.nic.in
17	PANCHAYATI RAJ PALWAL	PAVEMENT OF STREET WITH IPB AND DRAIN AT VILLAGE GADPUR BLOCK PALWAL DISTT PALWAL	23.11.2020 02.12.2020	35.82 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	preveeng.pwl@gmail.com 01275-298600
18	PANCHAYATI RAJ, FARIDABAD	SUPPLY, INSTALLATION/COMS. & COMMISSIONING OF GOSARDHAN PROJECT IN GRAM PANCHAYAT MOHNA, BLOCK BALLABGARH, DISTRICT FARIDABAD	20.11.2020 29.11.2020	58.97 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	thdsscm@gmail.com 0129-2227922
19	PANCHAYATI RAJ, AMBALA	POG E.I. IN VILLAGE KNOWLEDGE CENTER V. BAPOLI, JAMANA, USHA (BAPOLI), BUANA LAKHU, DIDWARI, ISARNA, NAULTHA DINGRAW, PUTHAR (ISARNA), GANJAR & RAJAPUR (PANDPAT), PANIPA + 1 OTHER WORK	18.11.2020 24.11.2020	14.32 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	98020-58735 / 0171-2980510 preveeng.ecc.amb@hry.nic.in
20	FOREST DEPARTMENT, AMBALA	CAMPA SOIL CONSERVATION WORKS + 12 OTHER WORKS	17.11.2020 25.11.2020	1.76 CRORE	www.haryanaforest.gov.in	016 amb-hry@nic.in dfo_amb@al2345@gmail.com
21	FOREST DEPARTMENT, KURUKSHETRA	PLANTATION	20.11.2020 01.12.2020	1.15 CRORE	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01744-230743 dfo.kr-hry@nic.in
22	IRRIGATION AND WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, SIRSA	RECONSTRUCTION OF IWC Q/L RD 49850-L OF TEJAKHERA DISTY (DEPOSIT WORK)	CLOSING DATE 26.11.2020	16.22 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	senronrirsar@rediffmail.com
23	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT NUH	REPAIRING OF V.R. BRIDGE AT RD.203300 OF RAJASTHAN LINK CANAL. + 1 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 01.12.2020	3.85 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01267-271271 xennwssnuh@gmail.com
24	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT HARYANA PANCHKULA	EXTENSION OF WATER COURSE OUTLET AT RD. 36570-R OF KAPILMUNI MONOI. + 3 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 14.12.2020	48.14 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-224253 xennspdk@gmail.com
25	IRRIGATION AND WATER RESOURCES SIRSA	RECONSTRUCTION OF IWC Q/L RD 49850-L OF TEJAKHERA DISTY (DEPOSIT WORK)	CLOSING DATE 25.11.2020	16.22 LACS	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	senronrirsar@rediffmail.com
26	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, KURUKSHETRA	PROVIDING AND FIXING OF VITRIFIED FLOOR TILES IN RESIDENTIAL QUARTER NO. 7 IN CANAL COLONY, JYOTISAR. + 3 OTHER WORKS	17.11.2020 27.11.2020	6.47 LACS	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	01744-239164 xennssdnkkr@gmail.com
27	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING, KATHAL	KAKHERI - PROVIDING 509 NOS FUNCTIONAL HOUSEHOLD TAP CONNECTION IN VARIOUS STREET AT VILLAGE KAKHERI AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERE TO" (UNDER JAL JEEVAN MISSION PHASE-1) + 7 OTHER WORKS	17.11.2020 23.11.2020	81.83 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	01746-222348 / eelkathal@shredharyana.gov.in
28	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING GOHANA	BHAVAR - DNIT FOR WATER SUPPLY SCHEME BHAVAR - * PROVIDING FUNCTIONAL HOUSEHOLD CONNECTION WITH BALANCE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO. + 12 OTHER WORKS	13.11.2020 27.11.2020	619.37 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01263-258417 / eelgohana@gmail.com / eelgohana@shredharyana.gov.in
29	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING JHAJJAR	A/MTCC W/S SCHEME DUBALDHAN BIDHAYAN UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING SUB DIVISION NO-2 BEAT FOR THE YEAR 2020-21 *JOB FOR OUTSOURCING OF SERVICES FOR UNSKILLED/SEMI SKILLED JOB WORK FOR WATER SUPPLY SCHEME DUBALDHAN BIDHAYAN UNDER (SECTION-2) PHED NO. 2 BEKI AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO FOR 06 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT. + 4 OTHER WORKS	18.11.2020 01.12.2020	31.75 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01251-252086 eejhajjar@gmail.com
30	ESI HEALTH CARE/CIVIL SURGEON ESI HEALTH CARE KARNAL	SWEPPER SERVICES	21.11.2020 03.12.2020	3.50 LACS	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	csesi@karnal@gmail.com 0184-2207005
31	HEALTH DEPARTMENT / CIVIL SURGEON JIND	PROVIDING MEDICINES/ LAB ITEMS /ITEMS FOR DISTRICT JIND	20.11.2020 01.12.2020	EMD 200000/-	www.etenders.hry.nic.in	01681-245455, 7015441291 dfo.csjind@hry.nic.in ods.jind@gmail.com
32	HEALTH DEPARTMENT CIVIL SURGEON FATEHABAD	SHORT TERM E-TENDER 2020-21 OF EAR INSTRUMENT/EQUIPMENT ETC.	21.11.2020 30.11.2020	EMD-RS. 10000/-	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01667230424 ods.ft@gmail.com
33	BHAGAT PHOOL SINGH GOVERNMENT MEDICAL COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, KHANPUR KALAN SOHAT	E-TENDER FOR PROVIDING THE SERVICES OF CMC INCLUDING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MEDICAL GAS PIPELINES SYSTEM AND GAS MANIFOLD	26.11.2020 21.12.2020	RS. 40,000/-	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	bpsgmc.purchase@gmail.com
34	CIVIL AVIATION DEPARTMENT, HARYANA	CONDUCT OF MULTI-AVIATION ACTIVITIES (FLYING TRAINING ORGANISATION/ PRGY/ AERO-ADVENTURES) AT BACHHOD (NARNAUL) AIRSTRIP, HARYANA (ON A NON-EXCLUSIVE BASIS) + 1 OTHER WORK	19.11.2020 22.12.2020	EMD 10 LACS	www.havcivilaviation.gov.in	0172-2709386 cav@son@hry.nic.in
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दूरभाष : 01978-233911, E-mail: setehripayal@gmail.com
ई-निविदा सूचना
दिनांक 18.11.2020

पत्रांक 3043 / 508 / 50

1. कार्य का नाम :- निर्माण शाखा, उत्तराखण्ड प्रेजल निगम, चम्पा के अन्तर्गत जनपद टिहरी के विकास क्षेत्र चम्पा में बनावली ग्राम समूह पमिंग प्रेजल योजना के अन्तर्गत इन्टर्क वेल्, ट्रीटमेन्ट प्लान्ट, राईजिंग मेन, जलाशय, पम्प हाउस, सफाई मेन, स्टाफ क्वार्टर, वितरण प्रणाली, विद्युत यांत्रिक कार्य एवं तत्सम्बन्धी समस्त निर्माण कार्य।

2. कार्यदायी संस्था :- निर्माण शाखा, उत्तराखण्ड प्रेजल निगम, चम्पा।

3. अनुमानित लागत / कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि :- रु 880.00 लाख / 18 माह

4. निविदा प्राप्ति की अन्तिम तिथि :- दिनांक 10.12.2020 समय 17.00 बजे अपराह्न

5. निविदा मूल्य :- रु 10000.00 + सीएससीटी 18%

6. घोरेहर धराराशि :- रु 17.60 लाख

किस्तुत ई-निविदा नोटिस एवं निविदा प्रपत्र www.uktenders.gov.in पोर्टल पर दिनांक 25.11.2020 को 17.00 बजे प्रकाशित की जायेगी।

अधीक्षण अभियन्ता

"जल संयंत्र-जीवन संचयन" रूपका जल श्रोतों को प्रदूषित होने से बचाये"
वैधानिक चेतावनी-जल श्रोतों को प्रदूषित करना दण्डनीय अपराध है।

राजस्थान विश्वविद्यालय, जयपुर
अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सूचना
राजस्थान विश्वविद्यालय की वर्ष 2019 एवं पूर्व की विभिन्न परीक्षाओं के उपयोग में ली गई उत्तरपुस्तिकाओं की लगभग 2200 क्विंटल, रद्दी तौल एवं एक मुक्त के अनुसार तथा कोपियों के साथ काम में लिया गया पैकिंग मैटेरियल इत्यादि की एकमुश्त के लिये टेका / बित्री हेतु रद्दी का व्यवसाय करने वाली मिलों / फर्मों / ठेकेदारों से ऑनलाइन ई-निविदायें 09.12.2020 अपराह्न 02.00 बजे तक आमंत्रित की जाती है।
निविदा प्रपत्र एवं शर्तें **State Public Procurement Portal** <http://sppp.raj.nic.in>, or www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in, www.uniraj.ac.in राजस्थान विश्वविद्यालय, जयपुर से डाउनलोड की जा सकती है। **UBN No. : URA2021GLOB00039**
कुलसचिव

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NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
Online e-tender are invited on behalf of Director, Forest Research Institute, Dehradun, from reputed, registered & licensed agencies who fulfill the eligibility criteria for **"Supply of Man Power for Civil & Electrical Services** at Forest Research Institute (FRI), Dehradun for a period of one year.:
1. **NIT No.:** 12-30/2020-21/Head/Engineering Cell
2. **Tender ID No.:** 2020_ICFRE_598118_1.
3. **Earnest money:** Rs. 1,00,000/-, **Tender fee:** Rs. 1,180/- (Non-refundable) including 18% GST and **Period of Contract** : One Year, **Pre-bid meeting** : 01-12-2020, 3.00 P.M. **Bid submission start date:** 02-12-2020, 3.00 P.M., **Last date and time of submission of bid:** 10.12.2020 up-to 3.00 P.M.
4. The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website <https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> and www.fri.res.in
Head, Engineering Cell, Forest Research Institute, Dehradun

SEARCH FOR KIDNAPPED
General public is hereby informed that a boy namely **Noor Mohammad, S/o: Md. Maqsood, R/o: H. No. C-12/A-14, Gali No. 16-17, Vijay Mohalla, Maujpur, Delhi has been reported kidnapped since 16.11.2020 from his house. In this regard FIR No. 494/20, dated 17.11.2020 U/s 363 IPC has been registered at P.S. Jafrabad, Delhi.**
The description of kidnapped boy is as under:
Name: Noor Mohammad, Age: about 17 Years, Height: 5'5", Face: Round, Complexion: Shallow, Built: Thin, Wearing: White T-Shirt, Blue colour Jeans and Black Shoes in feet.
If anyone have any information about this kidnapped boy please inform P.S. Jafrabad, Delhi
Web: <http://cbi.nic.in>, Email: cic@cbi.gov.in
Ph.: 011-24368638/24368641, Fax: 011-24368639
SHO Police Station Jafrabad, Delhi
Ph: 011-22560191, 8750870732
DP/432/NE/2020

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Gandhinagar Division, Bashyam Park, South Central Street, Bengaluru-560020
No: EE/(GNR)/E-Proc/004/2020-21 Date : 19.11.2020
INVITATION FOR TENDER (KW-4)
(Two Cover System) (Short Term Tender Notification) (Through GOK e-Procurement Portal)
Executive Engineer, Gandhinagar Division, BBMP invites Tenders from eligible contractors for the construction of works detailed in the table below. The bidders are advised to note the minimum qualification criteria specified in Clause 3 of the ITT to qualify for award of the contract.

SL No.	Name of the work	EMD (in Lakhs)
1	Comprehensive development to Community Hall, Toilet Blocks and Other works in Ward- 94, 95 and 96.	3.60

(1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal **02.12.2020** (2) Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal on or before **16.00 Hours on 04.12.2020** (3). Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **05.12.2020 at 16.00 Hrs** in the office of the Chief Engineer (West) (4). The Technical Bids will be opened on the website <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in> on **07.12.2020 at 12.30 PM**. Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from **website <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in>**
Sd/- Executive Engineer, Gandhinagar Division
STAY PROTECTED FROM COVID-19, NO CARELESSNESS UNTIL THERE IS A CURE.

कार्यालय, प्रधानाचार्य एवं मुख्य कार्यपालन अधिकारी
पं. खुशीलाल शर्मा, शासकीय (स्वशासी) आयुर्वेद महाविद्यालय एवं संस्थान,
(साइन्स हिल्स, सेंट्रल के पीठे, कोलार-नेहरू स्मॉल रोड, भोपाल 462 003)
Web: www.klsgaci.edu.in E-mail: principal@klsgaci.nic.in दूरभाष क्र.- 0755-2970310
क्रमांक/क्रय/2020/5004
//ई-निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना//
पं. खुशीलाल शर्मा शासकीय (स्वशासी) आयुर्वेद महाविद्यालय एवं संस्थान भोपाल द्वारा निम्नलिखित विवरण अनुसार ई-चुक्क फर्मों ई-निविदायें आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। ई-चुक्क निविदाकर्ता www.mptender.gov.in पर नियमानुसार भुगतान कर निविदा प्राप्त कर सकते हैं।
विवरण निम्नानुसार है:-

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TRP 'scam': ED initiates money laundering probe

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 20

THE ENFORCEMENT Directorate (ED) has initiated a money laundering probe into the alleged manipulation of Television Rating Points (TRP) by some news channels.

Sources said the ED has registered an enforcement case information report (ECIR), which is based on the FIR registered by the Mumbai Police last month.

According to sources, the ED will probe whether illegal assets were acquired using money earned through the allegedly manipulated TRPs.

The Mumbai Police's case is that Republic TV and two Marathi channels had allegedly paid to illegally boost their TRPs and thus earned profits illegally by getting higher rates for advertisements they earned due to high TRPs.</

BRIEFLY



At the accident site in Pratapgarh. PTI

UTTAR PRADESH
6 kids among 14 killed as SUV rams into truck

Lucknow: Fourteen people, including six children, were killed after their SUV rammed into a stationary truck on the Lucknow-Allahabad highway in Pratapgarh district late Thursday. Police said the deceased were returning from a wedding at Sheikhpur in the district. Five bodies were initially pulled out. A machine had to be used to extricate the vehicle from under the truck and pull out the remaining nine bodies. **ENS**

MAHARASHTRA
Man kills partner, dies by suicide

Mumbai: An electrical engineer allegedly killed his girlfriend with a metal power grinder before taking his own life in Thane on Thursday. The police found the bodies of Sandeep Saxena (36) and Jayanti Saha (33) at his home. They said Saxena and Saha were married but had separated from their spouses. Saha's husband was a colleague of Saxena's. A power grinder plugged into a socket was also found at the residence, said an officer. Prashant Mohite, DCP (Zone IV), said Saxena had access to the grinder, as he used one in his factory. **ENS**

HIMACHAL PRADESH
41 of 42 villagers test positive

Shimla: Of 42 residents of a village in Himachal's Lahaul-Spiti district, 41 have tested positive for Covid-19, officials said. They have been isolated at home and the area is a containment zone. A middle-aged man is the only resident of Thorang to test negative. Area MLA Ram Lal Markanda said residents had not participated in any gathering. **ENS**

RAJASTHAN

Labourers' daughters wait years for Rs 55,000 under empowerment scheme

DEEP MUKHERJEE
JAIPUR, NOVEMBER 20

SANTOSH KUMARI was 18 when she submitted an application in June 2016 under Rajasthan government's Shubh Shakti scheme. She is 22 now, and still waiting for money promised under the scheme. The Shubh Shakti Yojana was started in January 2016 by the previous BJP government to empower unmarried daughters of building and other construction workers with a grant of Rs 55,000. Santosh, who lives in Devdungri village in Rajsamand district, had been banking on the money to chase her dream of studying nursing. "I had hoped that I could go to a city such as Udaipur to study nursing," she said. Her parents are daily wage labourers, and her mother's labour card made her eligible for the scheme. Waiting for the money, Santosh delayed taking admission in college by a year after Class 12. "I didn't want the money to get married. I wanted to study and help my parents with my income as a nurse. But I had to finally take admission in a BA course." Santosh is now in the final year of college. The physical verification required under the scheme was recently completed, but she reckons it will probably be too late by the time she gets the money, if ever. Many young women and their parents across the state have stories similar to Santosh's. Women applying under the scheme needed to be at least 18 years old, pass

After Ahmedabad curfew, Gujarat imposes night curfew in Surat, Vadodara, Rajkot

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
AHMEDABAD, VADODARA, NOVEMBER 20

WITH THE state reporting 1,420 fresh Covid-19 cases on Friday, the Gujarat government decided to impose night curfew in Surat, Vadodara and Rajkot from Saturday. This came on a day complete curfew – from Friday night till Monday morning – was imposed in Ahmedabad.

During the curfew, essential services such as medical shops, hospitals, clinics, dairy booths and petroleum/CNG pumps will remain open. Rail and air passengers as well as candidates appearing for various competitive exams will be allowed to commute if they possess valid travel tickets and admit cards respectively, said officials. Addressing a press conference



A market in Ahmedabad ahead of the weekend curfew from Friday night. PTI

in Gandhinagar Friday evening, Deputy Chief Minister Nitin Patel said the decision to impose night curfew followed a meeting of the core group with Chief Minister Vijay Rupani, and senior police and administrative officials. It was decided to impose total curfew from 9 pm Friday to 6 am Monday in Ahmedabad and night curfew – from 9 pm to 6 am – from

Saturday until further notice in Vadodara, Rajkot and Surat.

"This is the time when thousands of families in Gujarat travel to their native places or go on vacation during Diwali and Gujarati New Year... During the meeting, it was decided to take steps to reduce rising cases of coronavirus infection," said Patel, who holds the health portfolio.

Rupani, who was in Ambaji earlier in the day, said, "During holidays, the corona infection has seen a rise and the state government has taken certain decisions in the past 2-3 days... as a precautionary measure, we have imposed a curfew in Ahmedabad. Surveillance and testing have been increased... hospital bed capacity, which was cut down when the cases went down, have been increased again."

When asked if there would be

a lockdown across the state, he said, "There is no talk of lockdown... only a weekend curfew for Ahmedabad and generally stricter policing." In Ahmedabad, ahead of the 9 pm curfew deadline, people resorted to panic buying, turning out in large numbers to stock essentials. The Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC) had to seal a mart that saw overcrowding.

AMC officials, along with police, detained 256 commuters who were found without masks. They were tested for Covid-19. Nine who tested positive were isolated at Samras Covid care centre, according to an official. The remaining 247 were penalised Rs 1,000 each. In Vadodara too, as speculation of a possible curfew spread, people queued up to buy essentials. The district tally is 16,940 positive cases until Friday and 1,135 active cases.

Maharashtra considers suspending flights, trains to Delhi amid Covid surge

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 20

AS COVID-19 cases surge in Delhi, Maharashtra is considering curtailing or discontinuing flights and trains to the national capital.

The national capital has seen a surge in cases post Diwali. Delhi added 7,546 cases Thursday, taking its total tally to 5,10,630 cases. Till Thursday, the number of active cases in Delhi stood at 43,221. Mumbai, which was at the centre of the pandemic not so long ago, had 11,694 active cases in comparison.

Sources said Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray has directed officials to "act fast" to contain a fresh wave of infections in the state. Sources said the CMO has directed officials to explore the option of curtailing train and air services to Delhi.

When contacted, Chief Secretary Sanjay Kumar confirmed that the move was under discussion. "It is under discussion at this stage. But it is yet to be finalised. No proposal has been realised so far," Kumar said. He said this was one of several moves under consideration.

On Thursday, Maharashtra also witnessed a spike in cases, recording 5,535 cases, a 15-day high. Cases in Mumbai soared from 541 on Tuesday to 924 on Thursday.

Kumar also said the state will be further stepping up its health infrastructure and spreading more awareness among people to contain the spread of the virus. "We are much more prepared this time. But we are taking no chances," Kumar said, adding that the state's community campaign, My Family, My Responsibility, will be intensified in the coming days.

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CORRIDGMENTO TO ADVERTISEMENT NOTIFICATION NO. 02/2020
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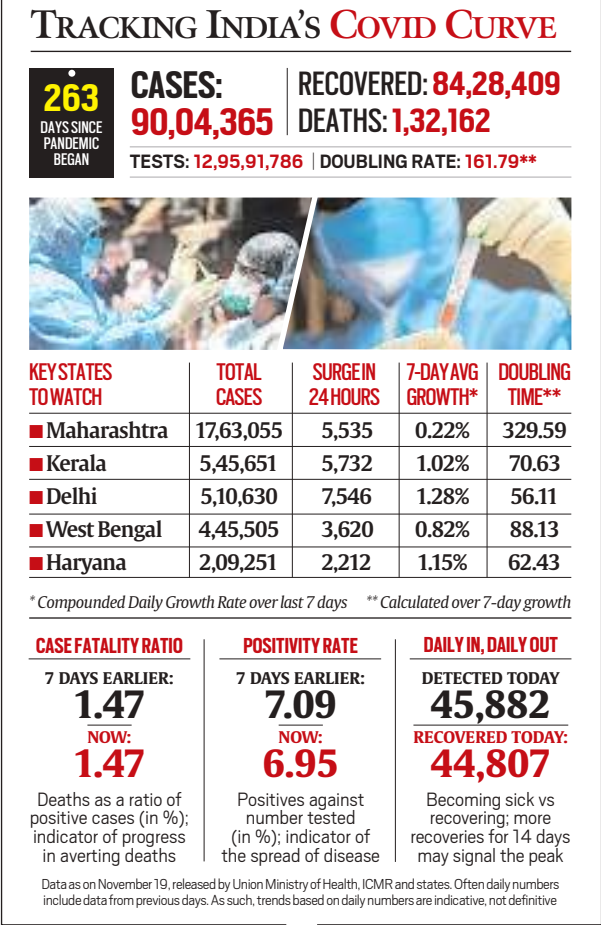
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WHO suspends remdesivir from list of medicines

ANURADHA MASCARENHAS
PUNE, NOVEMBER 20

WHO chief scientist Dr Soumya Swaminathan Friday said remdesivir has been dropped from the prequalification list – an official list of medicines – because of negative recommendations. The suspension is a signal to countries that WHO does not recommend countries procure the drug for Covid-19, WHO spokesper-

son Tarik Jasarevic said in an email response to *The Indian Express*.

Remdesivir received worldwide attention as a potentially effective treatment in severe Covid-19 cases and is increasingly being used to treat patients in hospitals.

The WHO Guideline Development Group panel of experts said it is not suggested for patients hospitalised with Covid-19 because there is currently no evidence that it improves survival or need for ventilation. This was reported in The BMJ on Friday.

FORM NO. INC-26
(Pursuant to rule 30 the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014)
BEFORE THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT, MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS, REGIONAL DIRECTOR, NORTHERN REGION OFFICE, DELHI IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013, SECTION 13(4) COMPANIES ACT, 2013 AND RULE 30 (6) (a) OF COMPANIES (INCORPORATION) RULES, 2014 AND

IN THE MATTER OF ORGANOSYN LIFE SCIENCES PRIVATE LIMITED

Petitioner
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Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the company proposes to make application to the Central Government under section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 seeking confirmation of alteration of the Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of the special resolution passed at the Annual General Meeting/Extra ordinary general meeting held on Wednesday, 18th November 2020 to enable the company to change its Registered office from "State of Delhi" to "State of Telangana".

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the Company may deliver or cause to be delivered or send by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and grounds of opposition to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Regional Director, Northern Region Office, B-2 Wing, 2nd Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan, Cgo Complex, New Delhi - 110003 within Fourteen days from the date of publication of this notice with a copy to the applicant company at its registered office at the address mentioned above:

For Organosyn Life Sciences Private Limited
Sd/-
Sat Paul Jassal, Director
DIN: 07329650
Date: 21st November 2020
Place : Delhi

MP announces night curfew in five cities

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
BHOPAL, NOVEMBER 20

THE MADHYA Pradesh government on Friday announced night curfew in five cities. The curfew will come into force from November 21, from 10 pm till 6 am.

After Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan held a review meeting with health officials, it was announced that night curfew will be imposed in Bhopal, Indore, Gwalior, Ratlam and Vidisha. However, the night curfew will not hinder movement of transportation vehicles and labour working in factories.

Schools up to Class VIII will remain shut in Madhya Pradesh.

Night curfew will continue until Covid cases have stabilised, said Chouhan. On November 20, 1,529 new cases of COVID-19 were recorded in the state.

PM holds review meeting on vaccination strategy

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 20

PRIME MINISTER Narendra Modi on Friday held a review meeting with key officials on India's vaccination strategy for COVID-19.

"Held a meeting to review India's vaccination strategy and the way forward. Important issues related to progress of vaccine development, regulatory approvals and procurement were discussed," PM Modi said in a tweet.

During the meeting, he reviewed various issues like prioritisation of population groups, reaching out to HCWs, cold-chain infrastructure augmentation, adding vaccinators and tech platform for vaccine roll-out.

In the last review meeting, the Prime Minister had taken stock of the Union Health Minis-



PM Narendra Modi during the review meeting. ANI

try mechanisms being planned for distribution and delivery for the vaccines; issues related to adequate procurement, and technologies for bulk-stockpiling, filling vials for distribution and ensuring effective delivery were discussed in detail.

The PM had suggested that keeping in view the geographical span of the country, the vaccine delivery system could likely be developed on the lines of conducting elections.

CANCELLATION / PARTIAL CANCELLATION /SHORT TERMINATION/ SHORT ORIGINATION /DIVERSION OF TRAINS

It is notified for the information of all concerned that Railways have decided to Cancel / Partially Cancel / Short Terminate/Short Originate/Divert following Passengers Special Trains / Festival Special Trains/Parcel Express Trains in view of the Kisan Agitation in Punjab:-

CANCELLATION OF MAIL / EXPRESS TRAINS			
Train No. & Name	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)		
02425/02426 New Delhi-Jammu Tawi-New Delhi Rajdhani Special	Upto 21.11.2020		
22439/22440 New Delhi-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-New Delhi Vande Bharat Exp.	Upto 21.11.2020		
02462 Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra-New Delhi Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
02461 New Delhi-Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Katra Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
02011/02012 New Delhi-Kalka-New Delhi Shatabdi Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
02029/02030 New Delhi-Amritsar-New Delhi Shatabdi Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
05211 Darbhanga Jn. - Amritsar Jn. Special	Upto 21.11.2020		
05212 Amritsar Jn. - Darbhanga Jn. Special	Upto 21.11.2020		
02053/02054 Haridwar Jn. - Amritsar Jn. - Haridwar Jn. Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
04624 Amritsar-Saharsa Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
04623 Saharsa-Amritsar Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
05251 Darbhanga-Jalandhar City Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
05252 Jalandhar City-Darbhanga Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
09803 Kota Jn. - Amritsar Jn. Special	Upto 21.11.2020		
09804 Amritsar Jn. - Kota Jn. Special	Upto 22.11.2020		

CANCELLATION OF FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS			
Train No. & Name	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)		
02422 Jammu Tawi-Ajmer Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
02421 Ajmer-Jammu Tawi Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
02231 Lucknow - Chandigarh Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
02232 Chandigarh-Lucknow Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
04888 Barmer - Rishikesh Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
04887 Rishikesh - Barmer Express	Upto 23.11.2020		
04519 Delhi Jn. -Bathinda Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
04520 Bathinda-Delhi Jn. Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
02471/02472 Shri Ganganagar - Delhi Jn. - Shri Ganganagar Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
02331 Howrah-Jammu Tawi Festival Special	Upto 21.11.2020		
02332 Jammu Tawi-Howrah Festival Special	Upto 23.11.2020		
09611 Ajmer-Amritsar Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
09614 Amritsar - Ajmer Express	Upto 22.11.2020		
09027 Bandra Terminus-Jammu Tawi Express	Upto 21.11.2020		
09028 Jammu Tawi-Bandra Terminus Express	Upto 23.11.2020		

PARTIAL CANCELLATION OF SPECIAL TRAINS			
Train No. & Name	Short Terminate at/ Short originate from	Partially Cancelled between Stations	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)
02903 Golden Temple Mail	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Amritsar	20.11.2020
02904 Golden Temple Mail	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	21.11.2020
02925 Bandra Terminus-Amritsar Special Express	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt. - Amritsar	20.11.2020
02926 Amritsar-Bandra Terminus Special Exp.	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	22.11.2020
02715 Sachkhand Express	at New Delhi	New Delhi-Amritsar	20.11.2020
02716 Sachkhand Express	from New Delhi	Amritsar-New Delhi	22.11.2020
03307 Dhanbad-Firozpur Exp.	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Firozpur	20.11.2020
03308 Firozpur-Dhanbad Exp.	from Ambala Cantt.	Firozpur-Ambala Cantt.	22.11.2020
04649/04673 Jaynagar-Amritsar Saryu Yamuna Exp.	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt. - Amritsar	20.11.2020
04650/04674 Amritsar-Jaynagar Saryu Yamuna Exp.	from Ambala Cantt.	Amritsar-Ambala Cantt.	22.11.2020
02057 New Delhi - Una Himachal Janshatabdi	at Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt. - Una Himachal	21.11.2020
02058 Una Himachal - New Delhi Janshatabdi	from Ambala Cantt.	Una Himachal - Ambala Cantt.	22.11.2020
02237 Varanasi-Jammu Tawi Festival Special	at Saharanpur	Saharanpur-Jammu Tawi	21.11.2020
02238 Jammu Tawi-Varanasi Festival Special	from Saharanpur	Jammu Tawi-Saharanpur	22.11.2020
02357 Kolkata - Amritsar Jn. Special	At Ambala Cantt. Jn.	Ambala Cantt. Jn. - Amritsar	21.11.2020
04652 Amritsar Jn. - Jaynagar Express	From Delhi jn.	Amritsar-Delhi Jn.	22.11.2020
04131 Prayagraj - Udhampur Jn. Express	From Saharanpur	Saharanpur - Udhampur	21.11.2020
04132 Udhampur Jn. - Prayagraj Express	At Saharanpur	Udhampur - Saharanpur	22.11.2020
02355 Patna Jn. - Jammu Tawi Express	At Saharanpur	Saharanpur-Jammu Tawi	21.11.2020
02356 Jammu Tawi - Patna Jn. Express	From Saharanpur	Jammu Tawi - Saharanpur	22.11.2020
02025 Nagpur - Amritsar Jn. AC Special	At Ambala Cantt. Jn.	Ambala Cantt. Jn. - Amritsar	21.11.2020

PARTIAL CANCELLATION OF PARCEL SPECIAL TRAINS			
Train No. & Name	Short Terminate at/ Short originate from	Partially Cancelled between Stations	Date of cancellation (from the Originating Station)
00901 Bandra(T)-Jammu Tawi	At Ambala Cantt.	Ambala Cantt.-Jammu Tawi	21.11.2020
00902 Jammu Tawi-Bandra(T)	From Ambala Cantt.	Jammu Tawi-Ambala Cantt.	23.11.2020
00463 Howrah - Amritsar	At Delhi Jn.	Delhi Jn. - Amritsar	21.11.2020

DIVERSION OF SPECIAL TRAINS		
Train No. & Name	Diverted Via	Date (from the Originating Station)
05909 Dibrugarh-Lalgah Spl.	Rohtak-Bhiwani-Hisar-Hanumangarh	19.11.2020
05910 Lalgah-Dibrugarh Spl.	Hanumangarh-Hisar-Bhiwani-Rohtak	21.11.2020

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Right climate for a handshake

India must reach out to the Biden administration and propose a bilateral deal that shifts focus from political rhetoric to climate action



ARUNABHA GHOSH

SIX YEARS AGO, on November 12, 2014, President Barack Obama and President Xi Jinping struck a deal on climate change. It made sense then for the largest historical carbon polluter and the largest current polluter to agree to act together. But the deal also disrupted developing country unity. Caught in a “climate *chakravayuh*”, India was encircled by larger economies demanding more climate action from it — a far poorer country but, in aggregate terms, a major emitter. The ascent of US President-elect Joe Biden raises the prospect of renewed efforts against the climate crisis. It also offers a strategic opportunity for India — an historic Biden-Modi deal in 2021.

The biggest damage President Donald Trump did to the fight against climate change was to remove trust between major economies. The Paris Agreement painstakingly created the conditions for building trust incrementally after more than two decades of fractious climate negotiations. By withdrawing, Trump threatened to fatally weaken those foundations. He also elevated denial of climate science into high art. And his actions gave other major polluters an excuse to slow down their efforts.

A Biden administration promises to change this. At home, it intends to spend more than \$2 trillion on energy and infrastructure to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050. This includes the aim to have zero-emission power generation by 2035, stronger regulation of polluters, and focus on climate risks for companies and their supply chains.

Abroad, Biden plans to bring the US back into the Paris Agreement and wishes to host a world summit to ask other countries to ramp up their climate pledges. He will certainly put pressure on India to announce its mid-century plans. More ominously, with the EU already promising to introduce a carbon border adjustment mechanism by 2021, the US could also bring in border tariffs (something on which the Democrats and Trump Republicans might converge), potentially triggering a slew of climate-related trade disputes. Against such compulsions, India could change the game and shift focus on climate action rather than political rhetoric. It should reach out to the Biden administration early on and propose a bilateral deal, drawing out four contours — changing narratives, facilitating investment, developing technology and increasing resilience.

The narrative around climate ambition is increasingly crowded with terms such as net-zero, carbon-neutral and climate positive. Recent announcements by China (2060), the EU (2050) and Japan (2050) for net-zero emissions are too far into the future, highly unlikely to have any serious accountability and reduce growth opportunities for developing countries. Lesser the action in the past or near future means tighter the carbon budget in the future for them.

A changed narrative must discount distant promises and lay premium on proximate action. For India, this would be a chance to showcase its climate actions more robustly to the world: Hundreds of millions getting access to electricity and clean cooking energy, massive reductions in costs of LED light bulbs, the first country in the world with a cooling action plan, aims to have 30 per cent electric vehicle sales by 2030 and, of course,



C R Sasikumar

the huge target of 4,50,000 megawatts of renewable energy capacity.

Since Biden does not intend to pursue a second term, his climate legacy would be contingent on him pushing actions now, rather than later. This is where India can become a strong ally. If India and the US worked together, they could put China in a spot, asking it to give details about its road to 2060 or calling out its funding of thermal power assets in the Belt and Road Initiative countries. They could also simultaneously ratify the Kigali Amendment to the Montreal Protocol, injecting new energy into the global phase-down of highly potent hydrofluorocarbons.

India has huge demand for institutional investment (domestic and foreign) for its low-carbon growth. At the height of the pandemic, it sanctioned 12,000 MW of renewable capacity (15,000 MW since January), even as thermal power assets were lying idle. Despite such signals, it gets investments of about \$10-11 billion for renewables annually, when it needs upwards of \$30 billion. When combined with investments in EVs, industrial energy efficiency, appliance efficiency (including sustainable cooling), and new applications of smart distributed energy, the demand for capital is much higher. Yet, clean-tech capital mostly circulates in rich countries. As, respectively, among the largest demanders and suppliers of capital, India and the US should cooperate to bridge the supply-demand gap, lower risk perceptions, de-risk investments and promote state-level investment relationships, which could democratise and decentralise low-carbon pathways.

The two countries should leverage their R&D priorities. India's Science, Technology and Innovation Policy 2020 (only the fifth since Independence) now has an explicit focus on low-carbon technologies. Biden wants

Both countries have been hit by unprecedented extreme weather events in 2020, from cyclones to forest fires, causing billions of dollars in damage. India and the US could begin to rebuild multilateralism centred around chronic risks. This would mean deeper cooperation via the India-sponsored Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure, developing financial solutions to upgrade older infrastructure (power, roads/bridges, telecom), and designing new climate risk insurance schemes.

a massive \$300 billion push on climate-related R&D. Two critical areas in which they could collaborate are green hydrogen and carbon dioxide removal. A Global Green Hydrogen Alliance, spearheaded by India and the US, would galvanise global attention towards a breakthrough technology-transforming industrial production processes. Equally, the road to net-zero emissions would be near impossible without removing carbon dioxide from the atmosphere to some degree. This is a technological frontier in which India would do well to engage and design collaborative research programmes and governance protocols.

Another area of critical importance is the potential to collaborate on rising climate risks. Both countries have been hit by unprecedented extreme weather events in 2020, from cyclones to forest fires, causing billions of dollars in damage. India and the US could begin to rebuild multilateralism centred around chronic risks. This would mean deeper cooperation via the India-sponsored Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure, developing financial solutions to upgrade older infrastructure (power, roads/bridges, telecom), and designing new climate risk insurance schemes.

Rather than feel cornered and react under pressure, India must seize the moment. On the US side, there is mainly a lot of intention and expectation right now. On the Indian side, there is already a lot of climate action. These interests can converge. India's public communication on climate change needs sharper focus and raised decibels. Its diplomatic outreach needs deft alliance-building, starting with a climate handshake between Biden and Modi.

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WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

“The US is leading the Five Eyes alliance to counter China, building up a false appearance that they can overwhelm China with numerical strength. Another of their illusions is that they think they are the world, while they are only a ‘handful’ of the world.”
— GLOBAL TIMES, CHINA

Supremely injudicious

Judiciary is not slipping into ‘barbarism’. Rather, disgruntled individuals cannot move beyond selective outrage



GAURAV BHATIA

THE FRAMERS OF the Indian Constitution reposed their faith in the judiciary as the custodian of the Constitution and protector of fundamental rights of the citizens. But since Narendra Modi took over the reins of government, a disgruntled “secular brigade” has been selectively targeting the country's institutions, including the Supreme Court. It is alleged by Pratap Bhanu Mehta (‘Their Lordships & Masters’, IE, November 18) that the SC is slipping into “judicial barbarism”. Many like me fail to agree with this selective and unfair criticism. The author conveniently omits important facts and facets of law to paint a gloomy picture of the judiciary, which remains the most venerated institution of the country.

The first charge made is that “the court has refused to do timely hearings of cases that go to the heart of the institutional integrity of a democracy”. The author cites the example of the electoral bonds case. Why does he not cite cases directly relating to personal liberty like the Prashant Bhushan case and the case of journalist Vinod Dua? Are those not reflective of the fact that the Supreme Court has always come to the rescue of citizens? Not only did these individuals get an early and effective hearing but also relief from the court. Both had criticised the government. Why does the author not make a mention of historic verdicts by the SC such as when nine judges held that the right to privacy is a fundamental right or when it held that the CJI is a public authority under the RTI Act?

The second criticism made by the author has been regarding the action taken by the investigating agency in the Elgar Parishad case, wherein several arrests were made after careful consideration of the available evidence. In the article, the Supreme Court has been blamed for denying bail to Sudha Bharadwaj, who has been hailed as a “patriot”. The SC, while hearing Bharadwaj's bail plea, had rightly observed that her bail plea was pending in the high court. The court then said, “either you withdraw it or we will dismiss it” and suggested that a regular bail plea could be filed. The plea was then withdrawn.

Anand Teltumbde has been eulogised as a thinker and the charge that he was not granted a hearing or relief is also misconceived. In 2018, Teltumbde was granted interim protection from arrest by the Bombay High Court. Subsequently in March, the SC observed, “since the protection has been enjoyed by the petitioners approximately for one-and-a-half years, three weeks' time from today is granted to them to surrender”. Thus, it is evident that Teltumbde and Gautam Navlakha got relief from the Supreme Court.

However, they failed to comply with the order and were again granted a week to surrender on April 8. The SC observed, “though we expected that the accused would surrender, honouring the order of this court, they have not done so. We are told that in Bombay, the courts are functioning. It would have been appropriate for the accused to surrender as the courts are open and not closed. However, since the petitioners have enjoyed the protection for long, by way of a last opportunity, we extend the time granted to surrender for one week. We make it clear that there shall not be any further extension of time.”

The Supreme Court evidently heard the parties and extended their interim protection from arrest. A judiciary slipping into “judicial barbarism” will not grant such reliefs to people accused of serious crimes. Umar Khalid has been portrayed as a young student whereas the fact is that he is being probed for his role in the Delhi riots. The charges against him are also very serious, as he allegedly tried to incite violence during the Delhi riots, which cost more than 50 lives.

The third charge he makes against the judiciary is scurrilous. He states in the context of “love jihad”, that “the judiciary abets legitimising this newest assault on liberty”. Mehta conveniently omitted the fact that the Supreme Court in *Shafin Jahan v. Ashokan K M* (Hadiya case) observed that Hadiya, being a 24-year-old adult, had the power to make her own decisions, and the court could not compel her to go to her father or husband against her will. Was the honourable Supreme Court not protecting the personal liberty of an individual irrespective of her caste, religion or creed, or was that judicial barbarism?

The fourth charge that the author makes against the incumbent Chief Justice of India is that he has been selective in his approach and cites the example of Arnab Goswami and an accused journalist charged under serious provisions of the UAPA Act. Why doesn't the author mention that in Goswami's case, which prima facie appears to be a case of malafide prosecution, Goswami approached the trial court first, then the high court and only after his petition was dismissed by the HC, did he approach the Supreme Court like any other citizen?

In the case of the accused journalist, the charges are very serious in nature and his matter is pending before the Allahabad High Court. The Supreme Court rightly remarked that the accused should pursue his remedy before the high court. Any lawyer will testify that this is the regular practice as per procedure followed in the Supreme Court.

The foregoing facts make it amply clear that it is not the judiciary which is slipping into “judicial barbarism”, but it is a group of disgruntled individuals that suffers from selective outrage syndrome. In this case, the criticism of the judiciary stems not from facts or evidence but from ideological inclination and utter dislike of particular political leaders.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE THINKER

THIS REFERS TO P Raman's ‘When Opposition asked (November 15)’, for which the writer ought to be congratulated. Nehru was a follower of Harold Laski and there is a particular passage in their conversation that I would like to share with readers. Nehru: “I have a confession to make. In the last 15 years, my ideas have become the exact opposite of all you preached”. Laski: “I taught you no ideas. What I taught you was to think for yourself. If your own experiences... have caused you ... to conclusions different from my own, I am happy. For I have succeeded. I have taught you how to think”. The significance of this passage was Laski's perception of Nehru as a thinker. Nehru's colleague, Sardar Patel, was a doer, and it is a fact of modern Indian history that the establishment and survival of our democracy in the critical years after Independence owes as much to the thinker as to the doer. It would be a good thing if those presently in management of our great country never forget this!

Fali S. Nariman, New Delhi

STOP SERMONISING

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, ‘Fighting smarter’ (IE, November 20). The Delhi government's approach of running with the hare and hunting with the hound has boomeranged. Experts had warned that festivals and Delhi's pollution shall increase the spread of virus, but the administration failed miserably to take proactive measures. The government is

just playing to the gallery and the constant appearances of the Delhi Chief Minister on TV just aim to further his visibility. It shall be better to pay medical staff their salaries than to indulge in self-promotion exercises.

Deepak Singhal, Noida

SHOW RESTRAINT

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, ‘Shadow in Bengal’ (IE, November 20). There has been an alarming amount of violence across the state for almost a year now and with assembly elections approaching, it is bound to grow. The responsibility of ensuring peace lies with both the ruling and opposition parties.

Bal Govind, via email



LEHER KALA

IT WAS WITH some astonishment that I read the piece ‘For a Leading Light of Indian Fashion, All That Glitters Is Not Gold’ in *The New York Times* that details the rise and fall of Paris-based Indian fashion designer, Manish Arora. In the midst of a pandemic and right after a contentious election, the mighty NYT deems him worthy of a 2,000 plus word article (even as it holds him up as a shining example of spectacular failure). No Indian newspaper would have given him so much space. However, the professional obituary it wrote required a more nuanced framing, in the larger context of international fashion.

For the uninitiated, before leaving his business in tatters and accumulating a trail of debt, Arora had been a trailblazer for Indian fashion, his vividly theatrical outfits blending the best of Indian tradition with an aura of ecstatic rebellion. The first time I met him was in 2001, when he ran up to me squealing, since I was wearing a white shirt with a red leather-embossed rose, his interpretation of Nehruvian style. Arora himself was wearing black jeans and a black T-Shirt that said “Ladies Tailor”, a wry ode to the anonymous tailors operating in every crowded gully of

A star goes out of style

The rise and spectacular fall of designer Manish Arora

this country. In an interview in those early days, when asked whether there was a market for his unapologetically flashy clothes, he replied unfazed, “If nobody buys them, I'll wear them myself.” Arora drove a bubble-gum pink Ambassador and when he found out that the Amby was going out of production, he bought a second one as spare, saying he couldn't imagine himself in any other car.

I'm not sure this provides a sense of Arora's unique sensibility but he did what no other textile designer has managed to do: Take ancient Indian embroideries, jazz them up, and find them a centrestage in the global marketplace. Two of his creations were showcased at the World of Wearable Art extravaganza held in New Zealand. One of those caught the eye of Katy Perry, who wore his carousel dress, shaped like a circus merry-go-round, to the MTV awards in 2008. It was mad and it is unforgettable. I remember meeting his Japanese buyers from Tokyo, dressed head to toe by him, proud to be identified as Manish groupies. Arora's fashion shows were reminiscent of the Aurora Borealis, a spectacle of dazzling neon on the ramp, exactly the way those stars dance

across the sky. But that's the thing with meteorites, one minute they're lighting up the universe, the next they're crashing down to earth, burnt out, washed up and over.

History is replete with examples of football legends turned penniless and pop stars running through a fortune because of bad decisions and megalomania. Fame is a funny beast. There is so much pressure to be the star the world thinks you are that you lose track of what's important.

Arora's clothes are dramatic showstoppers but they're not sexy. Only those blessed with slim good looks and a penchant for the extraordinary will gravitate towards them. When you're running a business, you can't afford to be so stratospherically cool that only Lady Gaga gets it (She is a fan). Arora's biggest blunder was not hiring a bespectacled IIT/IIM grad, the kind who'd sit behind a glass cubicle and sip green tea, to decide his business plan. He needed a partner who'd complement his creativity, not a combustible alter ego. It must be said that none of the other Indian designers referenced by the NYT and benchmarked against Arora are relevant anywhere, except among

a small bubble of elites in Delhi and Mumbai. To his credit, Arora made it to Paris, he just didn't have the wherewithal to survive there.

What's amply clear is that behind all the glitz and glamour, India's fashion industry is largely a mom-and-pop enterprise, operating in a haphazard and unstructured manner. It is a matter of national shame that crores of talented people employed in unorganised sectors (not restricted to fashion) lead desperately precarious lives, entirely at the mercy of whimsical bosses; who, depending on their mood and their own expenses, may or may not clear dues. This appears to be a deep-rooted cultural malaise. It is common practice for event companies to employ one person dedicated to chasing payments. Just weeks ago, a prominent TV anchor was in jail because an interior designer he owed money to died by suicide citing financial difficulties. Will the wealthy and privileged ever stop asserting themselves over the downtrodden? No. We are like this only.

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CORONAVIRUS DASHBOARD

After one-and-a-half months, new cases exceed recoveries

AFTER 47 days, India on Thursday reported more new cases of coronavirus infection than recoveries. The result was a minor increase in the number of active cases, which has been falling steadily for almost two months now. A total of 45,882 new cases were detected on Thursday, slightly higher than the 44,807 who were declared to have recovered.

Recoveries exceeding new cases is the clearest sign that the spread of the disease is being contained, if the trend is maintained over a long time. In India, this trend has been holding since the third week of September. There is no guarantee that the number of new cases would not rise again, as has happened in the US and Europe, and even in Delhi and Kerala, all of which are experiencing a second or third wave of infections. But until the time this trend holds, it gives much-needed breathing space to healthcare authorities, because the number of active cases begins to go down. It also provides hope to people that if they continue to take protective measures, they could keep the disease at bay.

In India, active Covid-19 cases have become less than half of what they were two months ago. This is all the

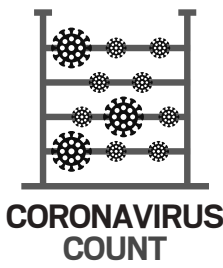
more remarkable since the reduction has happened during the festival season, and has also survived a state election in Bihar.

The break in the trend, as happened on Thursday, can only be seen as an aberration right now. Daily data released by the state governments are not uniform. They do not necessarily contain numbers only from the day these are released. For example, many states release their data in early afternoon, and most probably have numbers from the previous day. Also, there is a lag in every stage of reporting, because of which there is a delay of two to three days, sometimes even more, before a case gets reported. That is why, it is much better to look at trends than at individual day's data to get a more accurate picture.

With Thursday's addition of nearly 46,000 new cases, the total number of confirmed infections in the country has crossed the 90-lakh mark. Of these, more than 84.28 lakh, or nearly 94%, have recovered from the disease, while over 1.32 lakh patients have died.

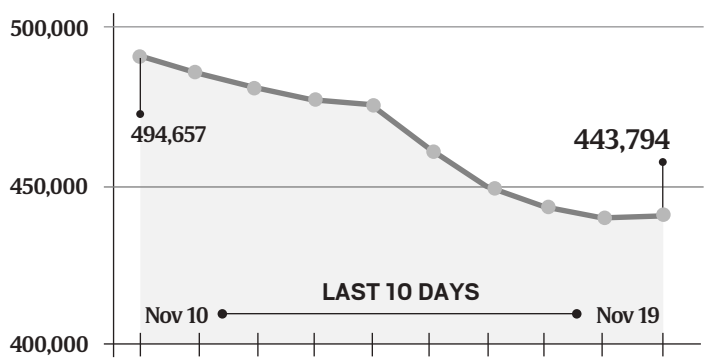
Delhi and Kerala continue to contribute the highest number of cases. On Thursday, Delhi reported over 7,500 new cases, and Kerala about 5,700.

AMITABH SINHA



INDIA ACTIVE CASES

443,794



Note: The Nov 19 figure in this graph is based on the government update on Nov 20

INDIA TOTAL CASES
9,004,365

Source: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, updated at 11 pm on Nov 20

WORLD TOTAL CASES
57,204,849

Source: Johns Hopkins University, updated at 11 pm on Nov 20

Study suggests delirium can predict Covid in the elderly

A NEW study supports evidence that delirium can predict coronavirus infection in older patients who show no other typical symptoms of Covid-19. Published in the journal *JAMA Network Open*, the study is by researchers at Hebrew SeniorLife, a healthcare, education and research facility affiliated to Harvard Medical School.

Delirium is an acute state of confusion, marked by disorientation, lack of attention etc. Even beyond Covid-19, delirium is a common symptom in older adults with severe disease. And in Covid-19, adults aged 65 years and

older are at greatest risk of severe disease, and death.

The new study examined 817 elderly patients of Covid-19. The researchers found that almost a third of the patients had delirium. A delirium diagnosis was the main presenting symptom for 16% of those patients, and 37% had no typical COVID-19 symptoms. Delirium was the sixth most common presenting symptoms in all patients. The researchers stressed the importance of including delirium on the checklist of Covid-19 symptoms.

Source: *Hebrew SeniorLife*

PAPER CLIP

NEW RESEARCH

SIMPLY PUT QUESTION & ANSWER

Which antibodies give immunity

Out of those found infected with novel coronavirus in a serosurvey in Pune, 85% developed neutralising antibodies. What does this mean, and what does it tell us about progress towards 'herd immunity'?

ANURADHA MASCARENHAS
PUNE, NOVEMBER 20

A NEW study in Pune has revealed that nearly 85% of the people who had been found infected with novel coronavirus in a serosurvey, conducted earlier, had developed neutralising antibodies. In other words, these people had developed immunity against the disease.

It is sometimes thought that everyone who is infected with a disease-causing virus, and recovers, becomes immune to the disease, because they build antibodies against it. But that is not the case. While the creation of antibodies is necessary for the recovery process, it does not guarantee immunity against a future attack from the same virus. Immunity comes from what are known as "neutralising" or "protective" antibodies.

So, what are these?

Neutralising antibodies, like other antibodies that are created to fight the disease, are nothing but proteins. These are a small subset of the disease-specific antibodies that are generated once an infection has occurred. The neutralising antibodies become special because they have the ability to thwart the entry of the same virus inside human bodies in the future. The other antibodies help in fighting off the virus once the infection has already happened.

Serosurveys, like the ones that have been conducted in Delhi, Mumbai, Pune and other cities, only look for the presence of antibodies in people. Their purpose is to find out whether a person has been infected with the virus or not, and through random testing of people, estimate the extent of spread of the disease, or prevalence, in a population group. Detection of disease-specific antibodies confirms that the person had been infected with the virus in the past.

But a further test needs to be carried out to detect the presence of neutralising antibodies. This is what has happened in the case of Pune. So far, this is the only study that has looked for neutralising antibodies.

The study shows that while a majority of infected people do develop immunity, a significant proportion (15% in this case) who do not become immune even after getting infected. That would mean that they are at risk of reinfection. Although very few cases of reinfection have been documented in the cur-



In the serosurvey in Pune (left), about 51% of those tested were found to have antibodies; among these, 85% had neutralising antibodies. *Express*



antibodies (or specific protein molecules) could be expected to remain immune to the disease for a longer time.

"There are many important caveats to this, and the amount of neutralising antibodies would be just one factor, but in general one can say that higher quantities of neutralising antibodies would be associated with longer-lasting immunity against the disease," said Vineeta Bal, an immunologist who is a co-author of this study.

This is because neutralising antibodies, as also other antibodies, decrease with time. The rate of decline varies in different diseases and individuals. So, in the same time that people with low neutralising antibodies see their immunity becoming ineffective, those with higher levels could still have enough to continue to fend off the virus.

In general, those with higher amounts of neutralising antibodies are also better protected. What is difficult to ascertain, however, especially in the case of a new virus like the one behind the present epidemic, is the optimum level above which a person would be definitely immune to the disease.

Also, scientists do not fully understand why certain people do not generate neutralising antibodies. "Their immune system seems to be working fine, but for whatever

reason they do not create those specific proteins. No biology that we know of can explain this as of now," Bal said.

What about vaccine-induced immunity?

As in the case of naturally-acquired immunity, we do not know, as of now, how long the immunity provided by a vaccine would last against the novel coronavirus. Dr Aarti Nagarkar, one of the investigators for the Pune study, said the level of immunity generated by a vaccine is usually expected to be longer and better. That is because the vaccine is designed to trigger a strong immune response with a high fraction of neutralising antibodies.

But since the vaccines currently under production have been under trial for only a few months, the duration of immunity they provide is not known. If the vaccines that are eventually approved for use do not provide long-lasting immunity, they are unlikely to have high acceptance among the general public.

Is Pune approaching 'herd immunity'?

That is something that scientists are careful not to assert. The serosurvey was conducted on about 1,650 individuals in five *prabhags* (each consisting of three to four municipal wards) of the city. About 51% of those who were tested, or about 850, were found to have antibodies. Of those with antibodies, now 85% have been found to have developed immunity.

Disease prevalence in Pune, like any other city, is not uniform. But the findings of the study could be applied well in the small population groups within the *prabhags* where the serosurvey was conducted. The findings do suggest that the disease prevalence within these population groups had reached such levels that the concept of herd immunity could be playing out.

This is also supported by the fact that in Lohianagar, the *prabhag* with the highest disease prevalence detected in the serosurvey, the incidence rate had fallen sharply in the last three months.

"I don't think we can still say that Pune has achieved, or is reaching, herd immunity. But the study is important because it shows that wherever there was high seropositivity, incidence rate has fallen subsequently," said Dr Gagandeep Kang, a professor at Christian Medical College, Vellore, and one of the co-authors of the study.

BJP in Tamil Nadu: growing, but miles still to go

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CHENNAI, NOVEMBER 20

WITH ABOUT six months to go for the Assembly polls, Union Home Minister Amit Shah is scheduled to visit Tamil Nadu on Saturday, apparently to discuss the BJP's poll plans with alliance partners AIADMK and PMK. The BJP has grown in the state over the years but is yet to translate that growth into electoral victories.

Growth since 2016

In the months following the death of AIADMK chief J Jayalalithaa in December 2016, the BJP was accused of orchestrating a number of events: a split in AIADMK through a revolt by then Chief Minister O Panneerselvam; a series of high-profile raids by central agencies targeting top businessmen, bureaucrats and senior cabinet members linked to AIADMK; and a merger of rival AIADMK factions leading to the ouster of Jayalalithaa aide V K Sasikala and her family.

Lacking the skills to counter such aggression, the AIADMK leadership chose to ally with the BJP in the 2019 Lok Sabha polls. The

price paid was heavy: AIADMK lost 38 of 39 seats it contested. But while people voted against the AIADMK-BJP alliance in Lok Sabha sets, the AIADMK fared better going it alone in simultaneous bypolls to 22 Assembly seats: it won nine seats which saved the Edappadi K Palaniswami government from losing its majority.

In the 2016 Assembly polls, the BJP had polled 2.86%. In 2021, the BJP is hopeful of winning 5 to 10 Assembly seats. More than the number of seats it does win, however, what is significant now is the number of seats the BJP gets to contest in the alliance.

Bickering allies

The AIADMK leadership has confronted the BJP on several issues — most recently over the BJP's attempt to take out a month-long Vel Yatra through six abodes of the popular Tamil deity Lord Muruga. BJP leaders are still being arrested while trying to defy the ban on the Yatra.

This week, AIADMK mouthpiece compared BJP with Karuppar Koottam, a YouTube channel charged under the Goonda Act for a video hurting religious sentiments of Hindus. In multiple statements, senior AIADMK lead-

ers have stressed that they will not allow any attempt to fan communal tensions.

Senior AIADMK leaders said all issues will be resolved if the Governor clears the state Cabinet's decision to release the seven convicts in the Rajiv Gandhi assassination case. This has been pending for more than two years at Raj Bhawan. "A decision at the earliest from the Governor will be a game-changer; it will favour the prospects of the AIADMK-BJP alliance," said an AIADMK minister.

Growing visibility

While it continues to struggle in elections, the BJP's visibility in the media has been increasing since Jayalalithaa's death. No political debate on popular Tamil TV goes without a BJP representative.

The BJP has also started investing more in its campaigns. For instance, it released nearly a dozen teaser videos for Vel Yatra — one of which, controversially, used AIADMK founder M G Ramachandran's picture. The BJP videos are marked by high-quality editing and graphics, often projecting state party chief L Murugan prominently. Celebrating the BJP leader's devotion for Lord Muruga and calling him the saviour of Tamil Hindus,

these videos often resemble film song sequences with superstars.

Recruitment drive

The BJP has been recruiting continuously since 2014, bringing in celebrities, bureaucrats, politicians from other parties, and even a few individuals with criminal backgrounds. Recent recruits include actor-turned-politician Khushbu and Karnataka-cadre IPS officer K Annamalai, 35.

Until a few years ago, the actor Rajinikanth was seen as key for BJP. Today, Rajinikanth, 70, is thinking twice about launching his own outfit before the polls, considering the pandemic and health risks — he underwent a kidney transplant in 2016.

There has been speculation around M K Alagiri, DMK chief M Karunanidhi's elder son who has proposed a new party, and around Alagiri's son Dayanidhi who is reportedly being offered a BJP position. "Karunanidhi's grandchild cannot be on the BJP stage. He will have the space he deserves in the DMK family itself," said a senior DMK leader, referring to Dayanidhi. Ahead of Shah's visit, veteran DMK leader Duraimurugan is said to have been urging Alagiri to take back his decision.

Why conflict in Ethiopia has started to create ripples in its neighbourhood

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KOLKATA, NOVEMBER 20

CONFLICT WITHIN Ethiopia between the federal government and forces in the country's Tigray region has been unfolding over the last several months, and now threatens to impact the Horn of Africa region at large. Neighbouring Eritrea has already been drawn in and observers are wary of the possibility of Sudan too getting involved.

On Friday, Reuters reported that rebels from Tigray had fired rockets at Bahir Dar, the capital of the neighbouring Amhara region in Ethiopia.

What is the conflict about?

The conflict escalated in September, when Tigray held local elections which were considered "illegal" by the federal government, according to a Reuters report.

Ethiopia's federal system allows the country's ten regions significant autonomy. They have their own parliaments, their own

security forces, and the right to a referendum for independent rule. According to observers of the Horn of Africa, the Tigray region is wealthier than other parts of the country, and has a well-trained army.

The ongoing conflict can be traced to when Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed came to power in 2018. A Reuters report describes how Abiy has detained, fired and reduced the importance of several Tigray officials. While Abiy had called it a crackdown on corruption, Tigray officials and their supporters had called it an attempt to curb potential opposition.

How has it escalated in recent weeks?

Earlier this month, the Prime Minister's Office said the Tigray People's Liberation Front (TPLF), the ruling party in that region, had "tried to steal artillery and other equipment from federal forces stationed there", according to a Reuters report. Abiy's office released a statement: "The last red line has been crossed with this morning's attacks and the federal government is therefore



forced into a military confrontation."

Following the start of heavy fighting, telephone lines were blocked and Internet services shut down. There have also been reports of injured soldiers on both sides.

The conflict escalated when Tigrayan forces fired rockets across the border into Eritrea, claiming that the Ethiopian government was using an Eritrean airport to attack Tigray. Tigrayan leaders have also accused Eritrean forces of entering Ethiopia to support the federal government against Tigray. Abiy has denied this, tweeting that Ethiopia was more than capable of achieving its ob-

jectives in Tigray "by itself".

Why is there animosity between Tigray and Eritrea?

This can be traced to the Ethiopian-Eritrean war two decades ago, in which thousands were killed. According to a report in *The New York Times* earlier this month, "many veterans from the TPLF who participated in the Ethiopian-Eritrean war between 1998 and 2000 are now part of the Tigray region's paramilitary forces". The animosity between these TPLF veterans and Eritrea has continued.

Last year, Abiy won the Nobel Peace Prize because of his efforts that resulted in peace with Eritrea's leadership. While Eritrea has made peace with the government in Addis Ababa, it remains hostile to Tigrayans and their leaders.

Has the conflict affected civilians?

International observers say countless Ethiopian civilians have been displaced. The UNHCR reported that thousands of refugees

had been crossing over the border and arriving in Sudan. An Associated Press report suggested that more than 200,000 refugees fleeing Tigray could enter Sudan following the outbreak of the conflict.

In the aftermath of the Ethiopia-Eritrea war, several thousand civilians were already internally displaced in Tigray, researchers say. Now, this latest conflict has increased the number of displaced people.

In what ways can this impact the larger Horn of Africa region?

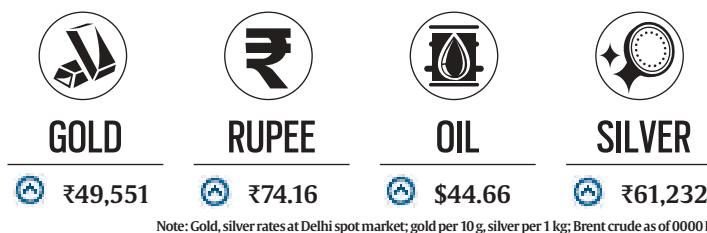
With Ethiopian civilians escaping in large numbers to Sudan, the neighbouring country may find itself inadvertently drawn into the conflict. Earlier this year, in the midst of Ethiopia's long-standing conflict with Egypt over the construction of the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam over the Blue Nile, Sudan had found itself involved in the dispute.

Last week, Sudan and Egypt had engaged in joint military exercises in what observers have said was an indication of deepening

ties between the two countries. According to a Reuters report, the "International Crisis Group, a think-tank, warned on Nov. 5 that any involvement by Eritrea in the conflict could in turn draw in Sudan."

The United States and China have several strategic military bases in the Horn of Africa region. On November 16, Reuters reported that Russian President Vladimir Putin had approved the creation of a Russian naval facility in Sudan earlier this week that would be "capable of mooring nuclear-powered surface vessels, clearing the way for Moscow's first substantial military foothold in Africa since the Soviet fall". If these military bases and facilities were to be impacted in any way, it may cause foreign powers to get militarily involved in the region and the conflict.

"The stability of Ethiopia is important for the entire Horn of Africa region. I call for an immediate de-escalation of tensions and a peaceful resolution to the dispute," UN Secretary General António Guterres tweeted on November 6.



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INTERNAL WORKING GROUP SUGGESTS RAISING PROMOTER STAKE IN PRIVATE BANKS

RBI committee for conversion of large NBFCs into banks, entry of corporates

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IN A series of proposals, an Internal Working Group (IWG) of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recommended the guarded entry of corporates into the banking space, conversion of big NBFCs into banks and hike in promoters' stake to 26 per cent from 15 per cent. The group also proposed a hike in minimum capital for new banks from Rs 500 crore to Rs 1,000 crore.

"The cap on promoters' stake in the long run — 15 years — may be raised from the current level of 15 per cent to 26 per cent of the paid-up voting equity share capital of the bank," the group proposed. This stipulation should be uniform for all types of promoters and would mean that promoters, who have already diluted their holdings to below 26 per cent will be permitted to raise it to 26 per cent of the paid-up voting equity share capital of the bank, it added.

The committee, headed by PK Mohanty, has said "large corpo-

rates and industrial houses may be allowed as promoters of banks only after necessary amendments to the Banking Regulation Act, 1949" and strengthening of the supervisory mechanism for large conglomerates, including consolidated supervision. This is to prevent connected lending and exposures between the banks and other financial and non-financial group entities, it added.

The RBI has been against allowing corporate houses to set up or run commercial banks.

"Well-run large non-banking finance companies (NBFCs), with an asset size of Rs 50,000 crore and above, including those which are owned by a corporate house, may be considered for conversion into banks subject to completion of 10 years of operations and meeting due diligence criteria and compliance with additional conditions specified in this regard," it said. The IWG was constituted by the RBI on June 12 to examine and review the extant licensing and regulatory guidelines relating to ownership and control, corporate structure and other related issues.

CORPORATE ENTRY AFTER AMENDMENTS

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On non-promoter shareholding, the panel has suggested a uniform cap of 15 per cent of the paid-up voting equity share capital of the bank may be prescribed for all types of shareholders.

For payments banks intending to convert to a small finance bank (SFB), track record of three years of experience as payments bank may be considered as sufficient, the working group said.

SFBs and payments banks

may be listed within six years from the date of reaching net worth equivalent to prevalent entry capital requirement prescribed for universal banks or 10 years from the date of commencement of operations, whichever is earlier, it has proposed.

The minimum initial capital requirement for licensing new banks should be enhanced from Rs 500 crore to Rs 1,000 crore for universal banks and from Rs 200 crore to Rs 300 crore for small finance banks. The initial voting capital should be raised from Rs 150 crore to Rs 300 crore in five years, it said.

Non-operative financial holding company (NOFHC) should continue to be the preferred structure for all new licenses to be issued for universal banks. However, it should be mandatory only in cases where the individual promoters, promoting entities and converting entities have other group entities, the IWG said.

While banks licensed before 2013 may move to an NOFHC structure at their discretion, once the NOFHC structure attains a tax-

neutral status, all banks licensed before 2013 should move to the NOFHC structure within five years from announcement of tax-neutrality, it has proposed.

According to the committee, till the NOFHC structure is made feasible and operational, the concerns with regard to banks undertaking different activities through subsidiaries, joint ventures and associates need to be addressed through suitable regulations.

Banks currently under NOFHC structure should be allowed to exit from such a structure if they do not have other group entities in their fold.

The Reserve Bank may take steps to ensure harmonisation and uniformity in different licensing guidelines, to the extent possible, it said. Whenever new licensing guidelines are issued, if new rules are more relaxed, benefit should be given to existing banks, and if new rules are tougher, legacy banks should also conform to new tighter regulations, but a non-disruptive transition path may be provided to affected banks, the panel said.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY, HEALTH AND WORKING CONDITIONS CODE

Cap on weekly working time retained, spread-over time hiked to 12 hours in draft rules

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THE GOVERNMENT has proposed to increase the maximum limit for potential working hours or spread-over time to 12 hours from 10.5 hours earlier in the draft rules for Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions (OSH) Code. The weekly cap of working hours, though, has been retained at 48 hours in the rules.

"No worker shall be required or allowed to work in an establishment for more than forty-eight hours in any week. The period of work of a worker shall be so arranged that inclusive of his intervals for rest, shall not spread over for more than twelve hours in a day," the draft rules said. In the OSH Code, which was passed in Parliament in September, the daily working hour limit had been set at eight hours.

Experts said the extension in the spread-over time will have adverse consequences on the workers. "The increase in spread-over time from 10 ½ hours as in the Factories Act, 1948 to 12 hours in

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the Rules could have some adverse consequences for the workers. By making 12 hours as a spread-over time, employers will be incentivised to keep the workers on worksite for the entire period. But one does not know what the workers will be expected to do for 90 minutes of extra time? If the employers keep the workers for the full 12 hours and if we include travel time which in metros would easily be another 60 minutes, then the work-life balance of the workers will be adversely affected. Also, it will incentivise the employers to go for two shifts in place of three shifts. Then, employment numbers might also probably decline," XLRI Professor KR Shyam Sundar said.

The draft rules have also prescribed conditions for journey al-

lowance for inter-state migrant workers stating that the allowance would be provided only if the worker has worked for a period of not less than 180 days in the concerned establishment during the preceding 12 months. This is expected to lead to exclusion of a large number of migrant workers as they do not work with longer tenure work contracts.

"...it will be hard to implement and will even affect employment chances by another employer should the worker leave the previous employer in the middle of the eligible period for journey allowance or may be forced to work for the original employer to be able to avail the allowance," Sundar said.

The draft rules, which have been placed in public domain for 45 days, also propose a single nationwide licence for contractors and setting up of safety committees for establishments employing over 500 for normal ones and over 250 for those engaging in hazardous processes, a measure which experts said could exclude a large number of workers in smaller establishments.

Sebi moves Supreme Court, seeks more than ₹62K crore from two Sahara firms

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THE SECURITIES and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has moved the Supreme Court asking it to direct two Sahara firms — Sahara Indian Real Estate Corp Ltd (SIRECL) and Sahara Housing Investment Corp Ltd (SHCIL) — that illegally raised money from investors to pay Rs 62,602 crore to the regulator, in compliance with the apex court order of August 31, 2012 or cancel the parole of Subrata Roy, chief worker of the Sahara Group. Sebi has also asked the SC to

hear its application for appointing a receiver to oversee the entire business of the Sahara Group as it has failed to garner money that was to be deposited with Sebi in 2012.

The market regulator's petition in the apex court said SIRECL and SHCIL have "not been complying" with the orders passed by the SC "despite the long rope provided to them" and even as their liability has increased over the years, Roy and other top officials of the group are "enjoying" the release from custody that is being extended by the court "from time to time without even any attempt at compliance with the orders"

passed by the apex court in 2012.

The SC, in August 2012, had ordered the Lucknow-based conglomerate to deposit with the regulator over Rs 25,781.32 crore collected from nearly three crore investors through issuance of bonds by SIRECL and SHCIL in violation of Sebi norms, along with an interest of 15 per cent from the date of subscription of the bonds. It also asked Sebi to repay the investors of Sahara once the money is deposited by the group.

Subsequently, Roy was sent to jail on May 4, 2014, for not complying with the SC order. He has been out on parole since 2016.

Large cos: Sebi for easier IPO norms

Mumbai: Sebi has proposed equity dilution requirement from 10 per cent to 5 per cent for initial public offers (IPOs) of over Rs 10,000 crore as post-issue capital.

Meanwhile, a Sebi panel recommended that listed companies should make available audio and video recordings of post-earning conference calls on their websites and bourses. **ENS**

Tax abuse by MNCs, individual evasions causing \$10.3 bn loss per year

India is losing over \$10.3 billion in taxes each year due to global tax abuse by MNCs and evasion by individuals, a State of Tax Justice report, published by Tax Justice Network, with global union federation Public Services International and Global Alliance for Tax Justice, said

HOW TAX MONEY IS LOST BY INDIA:

■ **>\$10 billion:** Tax abuse by multinational corporations
■ **\$200 million:** Tax evasion by private individuals

\$427 billion: Amount in taxes lost per year by countries due to corporate tax abuse and private evasion

34 million: Number of nurses whose annual salaries could be paid with the amount that countries globally lose in taxes each year



Why it is important: The social impact of the lost tax in India is equivalent to 44.70% of the health budget and 10.68% of education spending. It also equals paying yearly salaries of over 42.30 lakh nurses

Source: Tax Justice Network, Public Services International, Global Alliance for Tax Justice/PTI

Hong Kong bans flights from India for 5th time, now till Dec 3

New Delhi: The Hong Kong administration has banned flights from India for the fifth time after passengers who flew to the city on Air India tested Covid-19 positive upon landing. The ban has been implemented for two weeks till December 3.

Confirming the development, an Air India spokesperson in a

statement said, "Air India has been barred from operating between Delhi and Hong Kong from 20th November till 3rd December, '20. Air India does not have any flight scheduled to Hong Kong during this period. Air India has always been adhering to all the mandatory safety protocols for its flights operating to any international or

domestic destination."

Flights from India to Hong Kong have been barred for a fortnight on four prior occasions in the last three months — every time after passengers carried by Air India tested positive for coronavirus upon arrival.

The first such ban was imposed from August 18-31. **ENS**

Apr-Oct: EPFO settles claims worth ₹55.9K cr

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THE EMPLOYEES' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has settled 149.31 lakh settlement and advance claims during April-October amounting to Rs 55,900.88 crore.

Of this, 47.58 lakh were Covid-19 advance claims worth Rs 12,220.26 crore, a letter sent by EPFO to its Central Board of Trus-

tees on Friday showed. Exempted establishments have settled 3,89,178 Covid-19 advance claims, disbursing Rs 3,782.83 crore to its members, the letter stated.

In the wake of the pandemic, the government had in March announced an online facility to allow withdrawal not exceeding the basic wages and dearness allowance for three months or up to 75 per cent of the amount standing to a member's credit in the EPF account, whichever is less.

The scheme allowing advance withdrawal was notified on March 27 and the online facility launched on March 29.

The earlier withdrawal conditions allowed subscribers to take non-refundable advance or withdrawal money before retirement for specified purposes, such as a medical emergency, marriage, higher education or purchase of a house, etc. Moreover, subscribers who have been unem-

ployed for more than a month can withdraw up to 75 per cent of their balance.

The Covid-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdowns across the country had adversely affected the enrolments under the EPFO during the first quarter, the letter stated, adding that the provisional figures of subscribers for July and August indicate a gradual recovery to pre-Covid levels.

BRIEFLY
OneWeb exits bankruptcy

New Delhi: With satellite company, OneWeb emerging from bankruptcy protection, the firm's chairman Sunil Bharti Mittal said that from mid-December till October 2021 the company will launch 360 satellites. **FE**

DGGI on three arrested CAs

New Delhi: GST investigation arm DGGI will write to the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India to take action against 3 chartered accountants who were arrested in alleged GST fake invoice cases, sources said. **PTI**

J&J ordered to pay \$120 mn

New York: Johnson & Johnson has been ordered by a New York state judge to pay \$120 million to a woman, who blamed her cancer on asbestos exposure from its baby powder. **REUTERS**

Backend code of Aarogya Setu

New Delhi: The government has released the backend code of Aarogya Setu in the open domain. **PTI**

IBBI amends liquidation norms: Who will benefit most

AASHISH ARYAN
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THE INSOLVENCY and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) has amended the regulations for liquidation under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), by which it effectively allowed the liquidator to assign or transfer a 'not readily realisable asset' to any person in consultation with the stakeholders' consultation committee. This move has sparked off a debate among stakeholders.

What are the new regulations?

In the latest regulations, the IBBI has said that to ensure quick liquidation of companies that are unable to find bidders under IBC, the liquidator can 'assign or transfer

for a not readily realisable asset' to any person. The said transfer or assignment of the asset must be done in consultation with the stakeholders committee.

IBBI has also said that the definition of "a not readily realisable asset" would include any assets of the corporate debtor, which could

either not be sold through the available options. Further, IBBI has said financial creditors can, for the purpose of furnishing a record of default, submit their own book which established lapse of payment of debt by the corporate debtor. The insolvency regulator has also amended the regulation to allow certain creditors, who don't want to wait for the liquidation process to be over, to exit the process by assigning or transferring

the debt due to them, to other creditors of the company.

Do the changes in liquidation norms help?

Among all, the changes to expedite liquidation norms are likely to benefit real estate companies the most, legal experts said. One of the first changes to speed up the liquidation process is allowing the liquidator to assign or transfer any not readily realisable asset.

What are the likely challenges for the new amended regulations?

Though the intent of IBBI in amending the regulations is right, the new regulations will have to be tested by a court of law or an appropriate forum as its definition of 'a not readily realisable asset' is contentious.

Full report on www.indianexpress.com

Oil & gas cos, tech providers to invest ₹30,000 cr to set up 900 bio-gas plants

New Delhi: The central government and oil and gas marketing companies and technology providers will invest Rs 30,000 crore to set up 900 compressed bio-gas (CBG) plants, under a memorandum of understanding (MoU) signed on Friday.

The Centre has envisaged a total of 5,000 CBG plants being set up in India by FY24, with approximate investment of Rs 2 lakh crore.

The move is part of the Centre's Sustainable Alternative Towards Affordable Transportation initiative, aimed at cutting dependence on imports and providing clean and affordable transport fuels.

"Rs 30,000 crore of investment is envisaged in these 900 plants. A total of 5000 CBG plants with an approximate investment of Rs 2 lakh crore are envisaged. Biofuels have the potential to reduce our fuel import bill by Rs. 1 lakh crore," said petroleum minister Dharmendra Pradhan. **ENS**

Rajasthan State Road Development And Construction Corporation Ltd., JAIPUR

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निविदाकर्ता को निर्माण कार्य के लिए निविदा पत्र प्राप्त होना चाहिए। निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 1. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 2. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 3. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 4. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 5. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 6. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 7. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 8. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 9. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 10. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 11. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 12. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 13. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 14. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 15. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 16. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 17. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी होगी: 18. निविदा पत्र में निम्नलिखित जानकारी देनी 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Jolovan Wham with his smiley face sign. Reuters

SINGAPORE

Activist faces fine over smiley face sign protest

SINGAPORE IS set to charge an activist with staging a one-man protest without a permit over an incident in which he held up a sign bearing a crudely drawn smiley face outside a police station. Police told Jolovan Wham, 40, on Thursday that he would be formally charged in court Monday. The city-state tightly controls public assembly, the media and free speech. The charge relates to a March incident in which Wham demonstrated his support for a young climate activist, who said he had been questioned over a similar protest days earlier. Wham had posted a picture of himself holding the sign on his social media accounts. **REUTERS**

PAKISTAN

Ancient temple discovered in Swat District

A HINDU temple, believed to have been constructed 1,300 years ago, has been discovered by Pakistani and Italian archaeological experts at a mountain in northwest Pakistan's Swat District. The discovery was made during an excavation at Barikot Ghundai. Announcing the discovery, Fazle Khaliq of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Department of Archaeology said that the temple discovered is of Lord Vishnu. It was built 1,300 years ago during the Hindu Shahi period, he said. **PTI**

THAILAND

Police to charge school students over protest

TWO THAI high school student leaders will be charged for joining a banned protest last month, police said on Friday, a day after embattled Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-ocha threatened tougher action against protesters. The students said they had been summoned for violating an emergency decree by joining a protest on Oct. 15, when tens of thousands of people defied a ban by Prayuth aimed at halting protests demanding his removal and reforms of the monarchy. "There is not enough space in prison because hundreds more will rise up," a student said. **REUTERS**

Trump, his allies step up efforts to overturn Biden's election victory

Hand tally of Georgia ballots reaffirms president-elect's win in the state

COLLEEN LONG, ZEKE MILLER, JILL COLVIN & DAVID EGGERT
WASHINGTON, NOVEMBER 20

US PRESIDENT Donald Trump and his allies are taking increasingly frantic steps to subvert the results of the 2020 election, including summoning state legislators to the White House as part of a longshot bid to overturn Joe Biden's victory.

Among other last-ditch tactics: personally calling local election officials who are trying to rescind their certification votes in Michigan, suggesting in a legal challenge that Pennsylvania set aside the popular vote there and pressuring county officials in Arizona to delay certifying vote tallies.

Election law experts see it as the last, dying gasps of the Trump campaign and say Biden is certain to walk into the Oval Office come January. But there is great concern that Trump's effort is doing real damage to public faith in the integrity of US elections.

Earlier this week, two Republicans canvassers in



Trump's personal attorney Rudy Giuliani at a press conference in Washington on Thursday. Reuters

Michigan's Wayne County blocked the certification of votes there. They later relented and the results were certified. But a person familiar with the matter said Trump reached out to the canvassers, Monica Palmer and William Hartmann, on Tuesday evening after the revised vote to express gratitude for their support. Then, on Wednesday, Palmer and Hartmann signed affidavits saying they believed the county vote "should not be certified".

They cannot rescind their votes, according to the Michigan

secretary of state.

Trump appears intent on pushing the issue. He has invited Michigan's Republican legislative leaders to the White House, according to two officials familiar with the matter. It's not clear what the purpose of the meeting is.

The Michigan Legislature would be called on to select electors if Trump succeeded in convincing the state's board of canvassers not to certify Biden's 154,000-vote victory in the state.

Trump's personal attorney Rudy Giuliani and others held a press conference to allege a widespread Democratic election conspiracy involving multiple states and suspect voting machines. But election officials across the country have said repeatedly there was no widespread fraud.

Giuliani cited a few sworn affidavits that he said showed a vast Democratic conspiracy, but added that he could not reveal much of the evidence. One he cited was from Jessy Jacob, identified as a city employee in Detroit who said she saw other workers coaching voters to cast ballots for Biden and the Democrats.



Joe Biden

Biden turns 78, set to be oldest US President

Washington: US president-elect Joe Biden turned 78 on Friday. In two months, he'll take the reins of a politically fractured nation facing the worst public health crisis in a century, high unemployment and a reckoning on racial injustice.

As he wrestles with those issues, Biden will be attempting to accomplish another feat: demonstrate to Americans that age is but a number and he's up to the job.

Biden will be sworn in as the oldest President in the nation's history, displacing Ronald Reagan, who left the White House in 1989 when he was 77 years and 349 days old. **AP**



Pfizer world headquarters in New York. Pfizer had announced on Wednesday that more results in its ongoing coronavirus vaccine study suggested the shots were 95% effective a month after the first dose. AP

Pfizer applying for emergency use of its Covid vaccine in US

LAURAN NEERGAARD
NOVEMBER 20

PFIZER SAID Friday it is asking US regulators to allow emergency use of its Covid-19 vaccine, starting the clock on a process that could bring limited first shots as early as next month and eventually an end to the pandemic—but not until after a long, hard winter.

The action comes days after Pfizer and its German partner BioNTech announced that its vaccine appears 95% effective at preventing mild to severe Covid-19 disease in a large, ongoing study.

The companies said that protection plus a good safety record means the vaccine should qualify for emergency use authorisation, something the Food and Drug Administration can grant before the final testing is fully complete. In addition to Friday's FDA submission, they have already started "rolling" applications in Europe and the UK and intend to submit similar information soon.

"Our work to deliver a safe and effective vaccine has never

The US Food and Drug Administration can grant emergency use authorisation before final testing is complete

been more urgent," Pfizer CEO Albert Bourla said in a statement.

With the coronavirus surging around the US and the world, the pressure is on for regulators to make a speedy decision.

"Help is on the way," Dr Anthony Fauci, the top US infectious disease expert said on the eve of Pfizer's announcement, adding that it's too early to abandon masks and other protective measures. "We need to actually double down on the public health measures as we're waiting for that help to come."

Friday's filing would set off a chain of events as the FDA and its independent advisers debate if the shots are ready. If so, still another government group will have to decide how the initial limited supplies are rationed out to anxiously awaiting Americans. **AP**



IOTA WREAKS HAVOC

Vehicles submerged at a plot flooded by the Chamelecon River due to heavy rain caused by Storm Iota, in La Lima, Honduras, on Thursday. Authorities in Central America recovered more bodies on Thursday from landslides triggered by hurricane Iota, which battered the impoverished region this week, the second deadly storm to roar through this month. The death toll rose to 40 across Central America, with the number expected to rise. Honduran President Juan Orlando Hernandez issued an urgent plea for international help. **Reuters**

37 killed in Uganda protests after presidential candidate Wine's arrest

The pop star-turned-politician was released on bail Friday

ELIAS BIRYABAREMA
KAMPALA, NOVEMBER 20

UGANDAN POP star and presidential candidate Bobi Wine, whose arrest this week triggered protests that led to at least 37 deaths, was released on bail on Friday after being charged with holding rallies likely to spread the coronavirus.

Authorities have deployed the military across the capital Kampala and surrounding areas to help police forces disperse protesters. They have used live bullets, teargas, water cannon



Bobi Wine inside a courtroom in Iganga, Uganda, Friday. Reuters

and arrested hundreds.

Wine, whose real name is Robert Kyagulanyi, was arrested while campaigning on Wednesday for allegedly holding

mass rallies in violation of restrictions on gatherings imposed to curb the spread of the coronavirus.

"It is Museveni who is supposed to be in this dock for killing innocent citizens," Wine said after he was charged in a televised court appearance, referring to incumbent leader President Yoweri Museveni.

Police on Friday said the death toll sparked by the protests had jumped to 37.

Uganda is due to hold presidential elections on Jan 14, with Wine emerging as a serious threat to veteran Museveni, 76, who aims to extend his rule. **REUTERS**

UK PM Johnson backs Home Secy Priti Patel over bullying report

Independent adviser who reported that Patel broke the Ministerial Code resigns

MICHAEL HOLDEN
LONDON, NOVEMBER 20

BRITISH PRIME Minister Boris Johnson on Friday backed one of his senior ministers after an independent inquiry concluded she had broken rules following allegations of bullying of her staff, prompting the report's author quit.

Home Secretary Priti Patel, one of the most senior figures in the government, had not met the standards set under Britain's Ministerial Code which states ministers should treat officials with respect, independent adviser Alex Allan concluded.

However, a government statement said Johnson noted that concerns had not been raised at the time and that Patel was unaware of the impact of her actions. She apologised for any upset she may have caused.

"The Prime Minister has full confidence in the home secretary and considers this matter now closed," the government statement said.

However, Allan immediately quit, with opponents saying Johnson was giving the green light to bullying.

The issue comes at a difficult time for Johnson, who is trying to reset his government after his top adviser Dominic Cummings left Downing Street last week and the PM grapples with divisions in his ruling Conservative Party over his Covid-19 policies.



British Home Secretary Priti Patel

EXPLAINED **E** What is the Ministerial Code?

BRITAIN'S MINISTERIAL Code is a set of rules and standards that government ministers are expected to adhere to. It includes treating colleagues with "consideration and respect", and Boris Johnson has written in the foreword to the latest edition of the Code that there must be no "bullying or harassment". Ministers usually resign if found to have been in breach of the Code, but it is not mandatory and the Prime Minister has the final say in the matter.

Patel had been accused of demeaning treatment of her staff, prompting Johnson to launch an inquiry in March.

The government statement said Allan had found Patel had become "justifiably in many instances" frustrated by her department's lack of support. **REUTERS**

Lord Meghnad Desai resigns from Labour Party

ADITI KHANNA
LONDON, NOVEMBER 20

INDIAN-ORIGINECONOMIST, author and peer Lord Meghnad Desai has resigned as a member of the UK's opposition Labour Party over its failure to effectively tackle anti-semitism within its ranks.

The 80-year-old said he was forced to take the decision to cancel his membership of the Labour Party on Thursday after former party leader Jeremy Corbyn was readmitted following just 19 days of suspension despite findings of "unlawful acts" by the country's human rights watchdog.

"It was a very peculiar decision to allow him back without any apology. He has been refused the party whip in the House of Commons for a few months, but that is a very lame response to a very big crisis," Lord Desai said. "I have been very uncomfortable



Lord Meghnad Desai

and slightly ashamed that the party has been injected with this sort of racism. Jewish MPs were abused openly, and female members were trolled. It is out and out racism," he said.

The Labour Party has been plagued by allegations of anti-semitism over the years. Sir Keir Starmer, who took over as party leader this year, had suspended Corbyn last month after he seemed to downplay the findings of the Equality and Human Rights Commission.

The watchdog had found that Labour had broken the law in its failure to handle anti-semitism complaints and there were "serious failings" by its leadership at the time. **PTI**

China's Defence Minister set to visit Nepal soon

YUBARAJ GHIMIRE
KATHMANDU, NOVEMBER 20

CHINA'S MINISTER of National Defence Wei Fenghe, who is also a member of the Central Military Commission headed by President Xi Jinping, will visit Nepal soon.

Wei will be the highest Chinese dignitary to go to Nepal after Xi's visit in October last

year. The visit also coincides with a series of high-level visits from India — recently by R&AW Chief Samant Goel, and Army Chief General M M Naravane. Also, Indian Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla is expected to visit Nepal next week.

No date has been officially set for the Chinese Defence Minister's visit, but it is likely to take place on November 29.

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHICAL NOVEL TELLS THE STORY OF THE LONELY GAY SON OF AN ALCOHOLIC MOTHER IN 1980s SCOTLAND

Douglas Stuart wins Booker Prize for his debut novel 'Shuggie Bain'

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NOVEMBER 20

WHEN DOUGLAS STUART began writing a fictional account of his childhood, growing up in Glasgow with an alcoholic mother, he wasn't sure it would ever be published.

"I wouldn't allow myself to believe I was writing a book, because it was too intimidating," he said during an interview last month.

Early responses from editors were equally discouraging: More than 30 publishers rejected the book. He finally sold it to Grove Atlantic, and the novel, *Shuggie Bain*, drew rapturous reviews.

Now, his debut has won the Booker Prize, one of the most prestigious literary awards in the world, cementing Stuart's reputation as a blazing new literary talent. The award, which was announced Thursday, will likely draw a large new audience to the novel, which came out earlier this year.

In a video news conference, Margaret Busby, this year's chair of judges, said the vote was unanimous and quick, and she noted that she believed the book is destined to become a classic.

"It's challenging, it's intimate, it's gripping, it's daring," she said of the novel. "To some extent, I think anybody who reads it will

never feel the same."

For Stuart, working on *Shuggie Bain* gave him a way to process the trauma of his childhood and to pay tribute to his mother, who died when he was 16.

Shuggie Bain unfolds in 1980s Glasgow and centres on a boy nicknamed Shuggie, who is struggling with being gay and his mother's addiction. Shuggie is precocious and sensitive, making him a target for school bullies. He devotes himself to caring for his mother, Agnes, sometimes skipping school to make sure she doesn't harm herself and checking on her when she passes out drunk.

Stuart was one of four debut novelists on this year's shortlist.



Douglas Stuart's novel has drawn comparisons to DH Lawrence, James Joyce and Frank McCourt. NYT

The others were Brandon Taylor for *Real Life*, which follows a Black gay graduate student navigating

white campus culture; Diane Cook for her dystopian novel *The New Wilderness*, about a mother

and daughter who polluted city for the last swath of wilderness; and Avni Doshi for *Burnt Sugar*, about an artist in Pune, India, whose mother abandoned her to join an ashram.

The two established authors on the shortlist were Maaza Mengiste, for her novel *The Shadow King*, set during Italy's invasion of Ethiopia in the 1930s, and Tsitsi Dangaremba for *This Mournable Body*, which centres on a middle-aged woman struggling with life in Harare.

Last year, the Booker judges made the surprising decision to flout their own rules and award the prize jointly to Margaret Atwood, for *The Testaments*, a se-

quel to her 1985 dystopian classic, *The Handmaid's Tale*, and Bernardine Evaristo, for her novel *Girl, Woman, Other*. She became the first Black woman to win the Booker Prize.

This year, the judges were able to come to a unanimous consensus. They included thriller writer Lee Child, poet Lemn Sissay, classicist and translator Emily Wilson, and British author and critic Sameer Rahim.

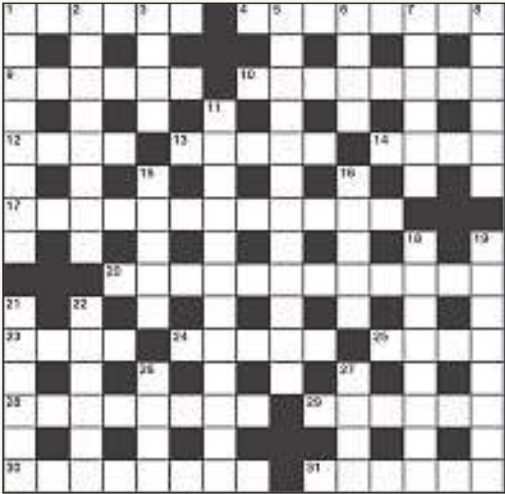
This year's ceremony, held online because of the pandemic, included a star-studded lineup of guest speakers. Former President Barack Obama — whose memoir came out this week, prompting the Booker to reschedule its cere-

mony — spoke about some of his favourite Booker-winning novels, and the solace he takes in reading fiction. The Duchess of Cornwall described how people can forge a sense of connection by reading during the pandemic. Previous winners, including Kazuo Ishiguro, Atwood and Evaristo, also spoke.

During a news conference, Booker representatives said *Shuggie Bain* had prevailed because of the strength of the narrative and the prose.

"It appears to be a very classical novel on a first reading," said Gaby Wood, the literary director of the Booker Prize Foundation. "But actually when you reread it, you find it's quite daring." **NYT**

CROSSWORD 4282



- ACROSS
- DOWN
- 1 Composer whose works Bach and Elgar took to heart (6)
- 1 They don't believe he requires foreign capital (8)
- 4 Cut off with wrongly set compass (8)
- 2 They open out for the novice (8)
- 9 It can make one act straightaway (2,4)
- 3 Terrible ache in a head (4)
- 10 Means to call potentially happy individual (8)
- 5 They should be carefully rounded inside and out (5,7)
- 12 The boundary of laughter (2-2)
- 6 Broken part carried away (4)
- 13 Lay very softly in the hay, perfectly content (5)
- 7 Fool put back on the dole, perhaps (6)
- 14 Friend about to return to show appreciation (4)
- 8 Not liable to grant immunity (6)
- 17 Metal fasteners held together by a thread (4,3,5)
- 11 Bringing down a plane used for putting troops into action (7,5)
- 20 Listed building visited by tourists in Italy (7,5)
- 15 Stand in the drawing room (5)
- 23 Does wrong lines of Keats, for instance (4)
- 16 Declare it in bad taste (5)
- 24 A hit number (5)
- 18 Those who feel the heat for those who feel the cold (8)
- 25 Mineral in crystal-clear form (4)
- 19 Possibly give a ring- to us it's valuable (8)
- 28 Preliminary race which is neither quick nor decisive (4,4)
- 21 Being wealthy gets charged (6)
- 29 It's worn by a woman for a dance (6)
- 22 Some particular soldiers perhaps (6)
- 30 Tender arrangement for Ted and Alice (8)
- 26 In which I combine style and elegance (4)
- 31 Just one of them is perfect (6)
- 27 Care for nothing (4)

Solutions Crossword 4281: Across: 1 Lasso, 4 Tooting, 8 Cat, 9 Bagatelle, 10 Startle, 11 Elate, 13 Skilling, 15 Mosaic, 18 Tenet, 19 Ethical, 21 Conscript, 23 Ian, 24 Satisfy, 25 Lotus. Down: 1 Locusts, 2 Situation, 3 Orbit, 4 Tagged, 5 On the go, 6 Ill, 7 Gleebe, 12 Anarchist, 14 Notices, 16 Calends, 17 Verify, 18 Ticks, 20 Hotel, 22 Net.

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis



CALVIN & HOBBS by Bill Watterson



MARVIN by Tom Armstrong



JUMBLED WORDS

Given below are four jumbled words. Solve the jumbles to make proper words and move them to the respective squares below. Select the letters in the shaded squares and jumble them to get the answer for the given clue.

___ keeps the cold out better than a ___ - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (4,_,5)

GMAEO

CIINCL

ANOLE

EILNKV

Answer: Love keeps the cold out better than a cloak. - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

SUDOKU 4299

Difficulty Level 2s
Instructions
To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Difficulty Level
1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy; 3s = Medium; 4s = Hard; 5s = Very Hard; 6s = Genius



SOLUTION SUDOKU 4298



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LAUNCH - NSIC

CMD, NSIC, Shri Vijayendra, IAS launched a mobile application "MSME Global Mart" for facilitating MSMEs and to popularize the M-Commerce, in presence of P Udayakumar, Dir. (P&M), NSIC, G Dixit, Dir. (Fin.), NSIC.



FOUNDATION DAY - NBCC

NBCC recently celebrated its 61st Foundation Day in New Delhi. R Chaudhari, Dir. (Comm); N Shah, Dir. (Projects) & BK Sokhey, Dir. (Fin.), accompanied by senior officers, lit the lamp and congratulated employees on the occasion.



HAN MURAL - EMBASSY OF FINLAND

The Embassy of Finland recently collaborated with Delhi Street Art to transform an old, dilapidated wall in Khan Market into a beautiful mural depicting equality among diversity in the country set against Han in bold letters.



CONVOCATION - SHARDA UNIVERSITY

Sharda University conducted its convocation ceremony, wherein Union Education Minister RP Nishank awarded degrees to students, in presence of Meghalaya CM C Sangma & local MP Dr M Sharma & Secy. General of Quality Council of India & others.



MoU - HSCL

A Gopal, Chairman, NSTFDC & Commissioner, NESTS, Union M/o Tribal Affairs, and R Chaudhari, MD, HSCL, a Subsidiary of NBCC, signed an MoU for construction of 58 No. Ekavya Model Residential Schools by HSCL in Odisha, Jharkhand and Dadar & Nagar Haveli.

APPOINTMENT

REC Sanjay Malhotra, IAS, assumed the charge of CMD, REC Limited w.e.f. 09.11.2020. Prior to this, he was posted as Additional Secretary in the Ministry of Power. With demonstrated leadership and excellence in his career of over 30 years, Malhotra has worked in multifarious sectors, including energy, information technology, mines & minerals, finance, agriculture, health etc. As Principal Secretary, in-charge of the Energy Department in Rajasthan, he spearheaded many initiatives, including appointment of distribution franchisees in four towns, introduction of PPP in transmission and innovations in Metering, Billing and Collection. As Additional Secretary in the Ministry of Power, he was looking after transmission, distribution, reforms and restructuring and was deeply involved in the various reforms, policy initiatives and privatization of distribution utilities of Union Territories.

EIL The Board of Engineers India Limited in its meeting on November 12, 2020 has approved the proposal to buyback of around 7 cr equity shares, representing about 11.06% of the fully paid-up equity shares of the Company. EIL will buy back the shares at a price of `84/- per equity share for an aggregate consideration not exceeding ` 586.90 Cr.

NTPC has successfully developed Geo-polymer coarse aggregate from fly ash. The development will help in replacing natural aggregates reducing the impact on the environment. NTPC's research project on production of Geo-polymer coarse aggregate from fly ash has met the statutory parameters of Indian Standards and confirmed by National Council for Cement and Building Materials (NCCBM). NTPC has successfully developed Geo-polymer coarse aggregates as a replacement to natural aggregates. The technical parameters as per Indian standards for its suitability to use in concrete works were tested by NCCBM, Hyderabad and the results are in acceptable range. The development is NTPC's R&D achievement in expanding the horizon in ash utilisation. India's demand for these aggregates touches close to 2000 million metric tons mark every year. The aggregate developed by NTPC from fly ash will help in meeting the demand to a great extent and also will reduce the impact on the environment caused by Natural aggregates which require quarrying of natural stone.

ICAI As a committed and continued True Partner in Nation Building, ICAI recently opened a representative office of the institute in Eliezer Joldan Memorial College, Leh, Capital of Union Territory of Ladakh. This initiative will aid in Development of the newly formed Union Territory by extending support to Government initiatives besides spreading knowledge in the field of accountancy and facilitating services to the upcoming and existing members and students. Jamyang Tsering Namgyal, Member of Parliament, Ladakh Parliamentary Constituency, e-inaugurated the ICAI Representative Office on November 17, 2020. In his address, Jamyang Tsering Namgyal said, "The waiver of 75% Fee for Chartered Accountancy course by the Council of ICAI will be the biggest motivating factor for students of Ladakh to join this prestigious course. Creation of more Chartered Accountants in Ladakh will play a very positive role in Financial and Commercial development of Ladakh."

Indian Oil The #TreeCheers campaign of IndianOil, aimed at promoting environmental consciousness and boosting the country's green cover, has received an enthusiastic response, making it a huge success. Over 2.26 lakh customers drove into IndianOil fuel stations to get their new vehicles (2/3/4 wheelers) refuelled during the campaign period November 12-16, 2020. Under the #TreeCheers scheme, IndianOil is planting a sapling on behalf of these patrons. By the time the scheme closed, over 1.17 lakh saplings had already been planted. Plantation of the balance lakh-plus saplings is underway.

IGNOU celebrated its 35th Foundation Day virtually recently. V. Muraleedharan, Union Minister of State for External Affairs & Parliamentary Affairs, was the chief guest on the occasion and delivered the Foundation Day Address. The virtual function was presided over by Prof. Nageshwar Rao, VC IGNOU. The function started with floral tributes to the Former Prime Minister Late Indira Gandhi's statuette at the main gate of the university campus by Prof. Nageshwar Rao, VC IGNOU and other IGNOU officials. The Chief Guest in his address talked about the New Education Policy which he said lays stress on the holistic development of a person and not only knowledge acquisition, character building and other aspects are also important. He commended IGNOU for its enormous role in promoting flexible and inclusive higher education in realizing the vision of the New Education Policy.

TRIFED Continuing with its expansion spree, Tribes India has now added more new products. One of the highlights among these products are the beautiful, handcrafted items that have been made by the inmates of the Central Jail in Jagdalpur, Chhattisgarh. Among the products launched recently include beautifully crafted moorthis and some Ketki baskets from the tribal inmates of Jagdalpur Jail in Chhattisgarh. These attractive moorthis of Ganesha, Lakshmi, Durga will not only make for gifting items, but will also help make the tribal jail inmates self-reliant. It has been decided that TRIFED will now partner with the Central Jail of Jagdalpur, so that the sourcing of the handicrafts from the jail inmates can become a regular process, and Tribes India can help take these attractive handiwork to the rest of the world.

कार्यालय अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, निर्माण मण्डल, उत्तराखण्ड पेयजल संसाधन विकास एवं निगम निगम, नई दिल्ली
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Tender Notice No. E-KGP-BRIDGE-06-2020, dated 19.11.2020, opening date : 10.12.2020 published earlier by ADEN (HQ), Kharagpur, S.E.Railway for the work of "Kharagpur Division : Replacement of bearing for 25 ton axle load in the section of SSE/Br/KGP/I & KIG under AXEN/BR/LG/P (4th call), treated as cancelled due to administrative reason. (PR-385/C)

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BRIEFLY

Djokovic knocks out Zverev, advances to ATP Finals semis

London: Novak Djokovic reached the semifinals at the ATP Finals and eliminated Alexander Zverev on Friday by beating the German 6-3, 7-6 (4), ensuring the top four players in the world advanced at the season-ending event for the first time since 2004. The top-ranked Djokovic set up a match against Dominic Thiem on Saturday as he goes for a record-tying sixth title at the tournament, and a first since 2015. Rafael Nadal will take on Daniil Medvedev in the other semifinal match. Djokovic pulled out some big serves in the important moments in an empty O2 Arena to reach the semifinals for the ninth time, notably in the tiebreaker when he recovered from a 2-0 deficit.

“Contrary to the last match against Daniil,” said Djokovic, referring to a straight-set loss to Medvedev on Wednesday, “I managed to find the right shots at the right time.” Djokovic broke Zverev to take a 2-0 lead in the first set when his opponent double-faulted on the second break point. He then saved two break points at 4-2 before clinching the set with a backhand down the line as he closed in on the net following a serve out wide. It really was anyone’s game,” Djokovic said. “In the tiebreaker, again I served well when I needed to close out the match.” **AP**

EPL managers want heading curbed if it leads to dementia

London: Players should stop heading the ball in training if research proves it leads to dementia when they are older, several Premier League managers have said since the topic came to the fore following the death of England’s Nobby Stiles. Stiles and many of his 1966 World Cup winning team mates had been diagnosed with dementia before their deaths while Manchester United great Bobby Charlton, 83, also disclosed his diagnosis recently. Stiles’ family hoped it would be a catalyst for addressing dementia while Geoff Hurst, England’s hat-trick hero from the 1966 final, said heading the ball often in practice was dangerous and kids should not be doing it at all.

“If they find out through the research that heading the ball 10 times during training is going to cause you dementia, then let’s stop it,” West Bromwich Albion boss Slaven Bilic told reporters. “For me, the great thing is they are talking about it and recognising it.” Chelsea’s Frank Lampard said he is now considering how his players train and favoured rules to curb heading in youth football before implementing guidelines higher up the pyramid. “The rules need to be stronger to make sure we’re not making younger children head it if they don’t need to,” Lampard said. **REUTERS**

AUSTRALIAN WIRES

Adelaide Oval likely to remain venue for the first Test match

News and views around India’s tour Down Under

LOCKDOWN TO BE LIFTED
WITH SOUTH Australia’s lockdown set to be lifted on Saturday, the first Test between India and Australia at Adelaide Oval is expected to be played as per schedule, from December 17, reported Cricket Australia’s (CA) website. “Next month’s day-night Test had looked in some jeopardy following South Australia’s COVID cluster, with the state’s chief public health officer admitting this week there was no guarantee they could host,” CA’s website mentioned. It added: “That prompted some belief that either Sydney or Melbourne could step up if required, in what would likely still be a pink-ball fixture. “But Friday’s news of the easing of restrictions from midnight Saturday will go a long way to allaying those concerns over the December 17 fixture.” South Australia had zero new Covid cases on Thursday, and although the state recorded three new cases on Friday, as per the data provided by the Government of South Australia, the state government has decided to lift the lockdown early. Schools will reopen on Monday.

MISSION ‘TARGET KOHLI’
This is an age-old tactic by the Aussies – ahead of a marquee series, target the biggest threat in the opposition ranks. Virat Kohli will return home after playing the first Test, but as long as he is there, Australia will try to get under his skin. The first Test could set the tone for the entire series, as it did to some extent

Surya moves from darkness to light

Dejected at the India snub, a message from Tendulkar quoting his guru Achrekar was to change Yadav’s perspective towards the game

DEVENDRA PANDEY
MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 20

“If you are honest and sincere to the game, the game will look after you,” flashed a message on Suryakumar Yadav’s phone, a few days after he was ignored for the tour to Australia. The message was from Sachin Tendulkar. And the well-worn piece of advice from his coach, the late legendary Ramakant Achrekar.

Excitement still ringing in his tone, he recounts the rest of Tendulkar’s message: “This might well be your final hurdle. Your dream of playing for India is around the corner. Stay focused and surrender yourself to cricket. I know you are not one of those who will be disheartened and give it up. Keep going on and give us many more reasons to celebrate.”

Yadav, nursing the wounds of yet another omission, despite a rich haul of runs in domestic cricket and IPL, felt overwhelmed. The disappointment vanished and optimism kicked in. He could see beyond the immediate rejection. “He (Tendulkar) made me understand in one single message that this is how it should be. I have been fair to cricket, cricket will be fair to me someday. The man, who for 24 years gave reason to the world to celebrate because of his cricket, and has endured several ups and downs in his career, has sent me this lovely message. I don’t think I need to say anything further,” he says, a streak of excitement still lingering in his tone.

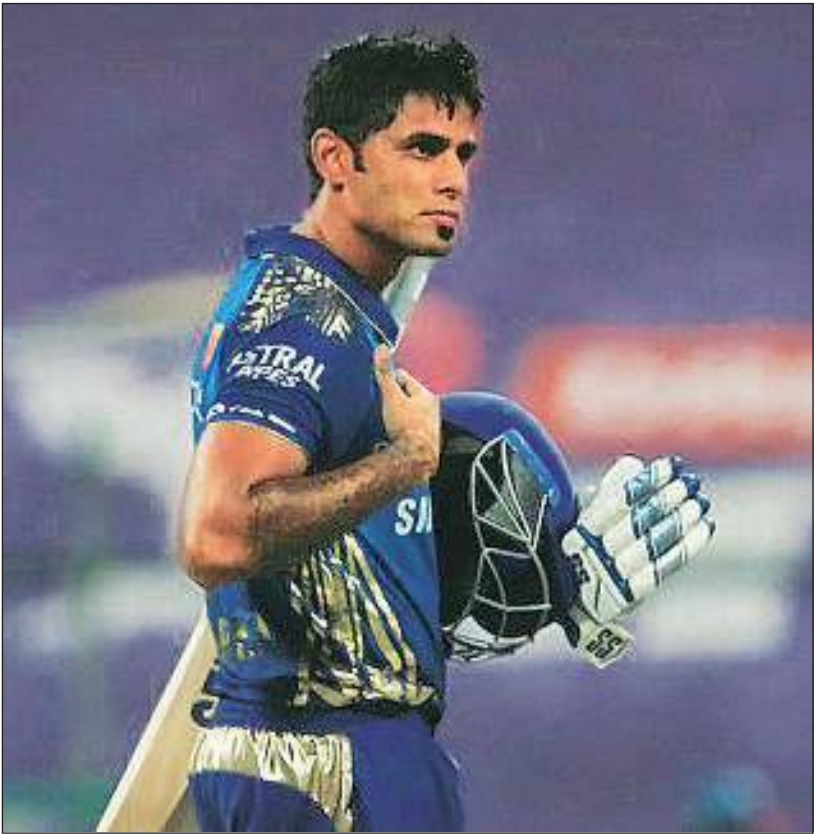
The days that preluded were tough though. Before the selection day, friends and team-mates told him, “*deemagpe mat rakhna*”. That things will fall in place when the time comes. But he was after all human. “It’s a human tendency that things will keep running in the back of my mind. Thoughts keep on trespassing, reminding me that team selection is around the corner, I have to do well,” he points out.

Then, as wicked fortune would have it, he didn’t get to bat in the match the day before the selection. In the previous outing, he had made a duck. To it, I thought *ke arre yeh kya hogaya? Score laga nahi*. On the day of the selection, I pretended to be calm,” he recollects. Beneath the sheet of pretence, lurked a nervous mind.

The next evening, his worst fears were confirmed. He was yet again overlooked. He brooded: “How long will I carry this burden?” Coach Mahela Jayawardene and Zaheer Khan asked whether he was disappointed. Yadav had no answers. A defeated state spoke more than words. “I didn’t go to practice for the next two days. I was completely quiet,” he adds. The team gave him a break to fight and vanquish the demons all by himself.

At that time, all the hard work he had put in during the lockdown seemed wasted. In those four months of uncertainty, he undertook an intense fitness regimen, shedding 14 kilograms and adding shreds of lean muscles. He gave up rice, *chaat*, fried stuff and reduced his dinner to just soup and salad. The fitness helped deal with the intensity of a T20 game. “Last two seasons, I used to get tired after playing some 30 balls. I wanted to play at least 40-50 balls before I got tired,” he admits.

Leaner and lighter, he was a different batsman. Yadav was always an elegant stroke-player, this edition he was a fearless stroke-



With 480 runs, this was Suryakumar Yadav’s most prolific IPL season. *BCCI*

machine. Whereas in the past, a bulk of his runs came in front of the wicket or through the midwicket, this term he expanded the range so effectively that he was a Mr 360 in his own terms.

Nothing more illustrated his fine-tuned batsmanship than the reverse-scooped six off tearaway Jofra Archer. The ball before arguably the most outrageous stroke of this IPL edition, he was banged on his helmet by Archer. The two deliveries duly capture the inner steel as much as the daring of Yadav. A batsman who mostly drove and pulled, he has learned to harness the pace of the bowlers too.

Another quick, Kagiso Rabada, too would testify about Yadav’s skills. In their last group game, he steered a four past the third man, before flicking him backward of square leg for a six a ball later. It was all fast hands and faster bat-swing. And just to prove his ability against spinners, he launched Yuzvendra Chahal for a six over long-off with nothing but an extension of his follow-through. No frills, no fuss. Some of his Mumbai (domestic side) team-mates consider him the finest player of spin-bowling in the domestic circuit.

His wagon wheel betrayed no preferences – he scored all around the wicket. To survive in the league, he needed to be proficient all around the wicket so that bowlers can’t size him up easily. Or as he says: “I didn’t want them to get into a zone where they can block me,” he says. The retooled and renewed approach helped him achieve the foremost of his pre-season goals, which was to score impactful knocks, those in crisis and those that have recall value. The other was to score around 550-570 runs. He managed 480, but he made up

for it with impactful knocks. “Every year, I did well. But there was hardly any impact (knocks). *Aisa koi knock nahi tha ke sab uske bare baatein kare* (there wasn’t a knock which people spoke about). This year I had few knocks that won the game for the team,” he says.

Like the unbeaten 79 off 43 balls against Royal Challengers Bangalore, or the 51 in Qualifier 1 against Delhi Capitals. He recollects the Bangalore match, wherein Mumbai were 72 for 3 at one stage, chasing 165: “I couldn’t have asked for a better stage to show what I have. RCB is one of the best sides in the tournament. I wanted to finish the game.” And finish he did.

Various roles

He straddled various roles too – sometimes, he was the innings stabiliser, around whom the rest flourished; at times, he was the finisher, and often he was the middle-order destroyer. The stroke-play was immaculate as it always had been, now he has forged it with inner steel and ice-cool temperament.

Another significant improvement in his batting has been his strike rate (145), his IPL-best, and phenomenal for someone who usually bats in the middle overs, where there’s neither the field restrictions of the powerplay nor the liberty of death overs. Thus ticking one box after the other, he is inching closer to being ignored no longer. He could wait, score runs and keep knocking on the selectors’ door. “I know the doors would soon open for me,” he says. And now in the darkest hours, he has Achrekar’s message to spread light on his life and career. “If you are honest and sincere to the game, the game will look after you.”

ISL SEASON OPENER

In a rusty start, Krishna shows the way for ATK Mohun Bagan

SHASHANK NAIR
NOVEMBER 20

AN EIGHT-MONTH layoff, the country’s first attempt to organise a major tournament in a bio-secure environment and a look at one of the oldest Indian clubs in a new avatar – the new season of the Indian Super League (ISL) on Friday marked the return of football in a country that continues to grapple with the concept of normalcy in a Covid-stricken world.

But it wasn’t a smooth start, as many had expected. The way clubs had to go through their pre-season training, with many of them playing their first competitive match since March, made sure the players wouldn’t be at their peak right out of the game. Add to this the complexities of living in a bubble and playing in front of empty stands.

Yet, Bambolim’s GMC Stadium hosted the Season 7 between Kerala Blasters and ATK Mohun Bagan, with the Mariners edging their opponents 1-0 thanks to an opportunistic second-half goal by Roy Krishna.

Ring rust

Teams will take a couple of games to truly get into the thick of matters and that was apparent just three minutes into the new season. A routine corner, directed into the six-yard box, saw no attempt at a clearance by Kerala defenders and the ball fell kindly to Krishna. But the Fijian, who netted 15 goals in his debut season in 2019-20, fluffed his attempt at a tap-in and somehow the score remained goalless.

The game was a riot of poor decisions, passes and missed opportunities. Indian international Sahal Abdu Samad had a similar chance to score in the second half with the ball landing nicely at his feet in the box and



Prabir Das and Roy Krishna (right) celebrate the winning goal. *ISL*

no tackle or interception in sight. The Kerala-native responded with a poorly judged slice at the ball that once again showed the effects of no football for eight months.

Living in their own bubble

Bagan coach Antonio Habas has always been a lively figure. His screams and his gesticulations dominate the touchline proceedings in most matches – as it did on Friday. But behind him were the substitutes

and the coaching staff, most of whom were wearing masks – albeit incorrectly.

There is plenty at stake and a lot of personal freedoms have been flung out the window in an attempt to create a bio-secure bubble. The ISL rules on social distancing and wearing a mask even in the bubble is a fail-safe for, if by some accident, a player or staff member contracts the virus.

Bagan’s case for champions

Kerala may have lost but they were

MI understood why family was important

From putting up a tent for training during monsoon to getting family on board, Mumbai Indians went the extra mile

SURYAKUMAR YADAV
NOVEMBER 20

AFTER THE lockdown, it took me 30-45 days to get back in my zone. The way Mumbai Indians planned our preparation, it was unbelievable. It was raining here in Mumbai when our camp resumed. There was waterlogging in Mumbai, but despite those conditions we managed practice at the Reliance ground.

We were battling under a giant tent which was put up. So bowlers were running off their full run-ups and bowling to us on a turf wicket. There were days when it was raining outside and we were batting in the tent made especially for us.

I know many players whom I used to talk to going to the IPL without any practice. The best part of MI is that they always want to stay one step ahead. We had three kinds of wickets for practice. We had a black soil wicket, a red soil wicket, and one completely batting-friendly wicket. By the time we reached UAE, we were all prepared mentally.

Comfort food

They kept everyone safe, which was important. From food and entertainment to the guy who was driving us, everything was quarantined. At the same time, the hotel staff was like an extended family.

MI had arranged a chef for us who could cook food like we have at our homes. Many a time, players do get bored after a point eating the same food. So whatever dish one wanted to get cooked like home, the chef used to cook it that way.

Be it *ghar ki dal* or chicken. In the team room every alternate day, we used to have a *chaat* corner. If anyone wanted to have *pani-puri*, there was a separate counter. On Dussehra, we had all kinds of sweets in the team room. We also had a barber from the UAE. If anyone had a birthday, we all celebrated together. These are small things which mattered a lot.

Get-togethers

Many teams didn’t allow families but MI even allowed kids to be there. MI understood why family was important. They understood that players need someone who can give them the mental support once they are back from the game. It was a big group.

Whenever we used to meet in our team room, it used to be like a mela. We are back home now but everyone is still in touch with each other. It’s a bond which I didn’t find in the previous two years.



Mumbai Indians allowed families with children for this IPL. *MI/Instagram*

In normal times, we used to return from a game and sit in our rooms. May be go out. Families were allowed earlier too for a brief period, but they used to leave later on. Many a time when we had bad game, we didn’t find someone to talk to in the room.

This time we couldn’t go anywhere as we were part of the bubble, so it gave us time to understand everyone. We discussed everything with other families, and these things reflected on the ground. These small things matter a lot.

People go by what they see on the ground but what happens behind the scenes matters. I could feel the difference in our performance because we were all happy.

At the same time, my wife ensured that I switched off from cricket. We never talked cricket once I was back.

Once we entered the team room, we never discussed cricket there. We never carried it to the next game.

We were always fresh. For the first seven games, we had seven different players getting the Man of the Match award. And in those seven games, it’s the other players’ families who enjoyed the success.

They used to push other players. Such was the environment.

After every game, we used to get together and watch other IPL games, sometimes movies, in the team room. When we were in the UAE, we used to sometimes miss home but now that we are back here (in India), we are missing UAE. Life has suddenly become slow now. I am getting the same feeling I had in March-April.

(As told to Devendra Pandey)

clearly the better team.

There was but a rare occasion when the Blasters tried to live up to their name and get rid of the ball. Instead, they played out of the back, rarely kicked the ball away under pressure but were eventually victims of not being able to create any real possibilities to score.

Bagan on the other hand, touted to be the favourites to defend the title, may have to look at that abysmal 59 per cent pass completion rate that they had, then take a look at Pronay Halder and then take one more look at just how bad they were at keeping the ball last night.

The quality that they enjoy in a striker of the calibre of Roy Krishna saved them from a draw because it seldom happens that a team completes only 132 successful passes in a game and comes away with all three points – and usually it’s hard to comprehend those teams vying for titles.

Krishna’s moment of quality

All through the game, a mistake being capitalised upon was how it seemed a goal might come about – which happened in the 67th minute. Kerala’s Jose Vicente Gomez and Sergio Cidoncha attempted to clear the ball from a weak attempt at a cross from Manvir Singh.

Whether it was a lack of communication or just poor contact, the clearance from Cidoncha didn’t end up being worth much and the ball landed squarely between both players. Krishna, who at the moment, wasn’t enjoying the best of games, found himself in the middle of both culprits with space.

The Fijian took a swipe with his wrong foot on the half volley and expertly put it past KBFC goalkeeper Albino Gomes’ right side for the winning goal.

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