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## Army got political signal to identify, occupy '6-7 locations' on LAC in May

KRISHN KAUSHIK  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

THE ARMY'S move to occupy dominant heights in the Chushul sub-sector and bolster its position in the border face-off with China in eastern Ladakh was taken after a political go-ahead in May to occupy "six to seven locations" along the Line of Actual Control (LAC), a senior government official told *The Indian Express*.

Following these directions, the top official said, the Army formulated plans and outmanoeu-

red Chinese troops in August-end to occupy the heights, including Mukhpari, Rezang La, Rechin La and Gurung Hill among others, and the south bank of Pangong Tso in the sub-sector.

The political leadership "had given instructions to the forces in May itself, to identify six to seven locations where we can go", the official said. Underlining the significance of these positions, the official said several of them are beyond the LAC. "It has given India something to bargain with," the official said.

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Farmers at the Singhu border in New Delhi on Monday. Praveen Khanna

## Ahead of Bharat bandh today, war of words between BJP, Congress

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A DAY after a united Opposition extended support to the December 8 Bharat Bandh called by protesting farmer groups, the ruling BJP on Monday hit out at the political parties for opposing the farm reform laws and, citing their earlier support to many of the provisions, accused them of "shameful double standards".

The Congress hit back, saying the BJP by launching a "senseless" and "mindless" anti-Congress

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tirade, was trying to hide the "sin" of attempting to snatch the livelihood of farmers and handing it over to its "crony capitalist friends".  
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## NEW PARLIAMENT

# Central Vista: SC cautions, makes Govt hit pause

No work until pleas decided, can go ahead with Dec 10 foundation laying

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

EXPRESSING ITS concern at the Government proceeding "aggressively" with the Central Vista redevelopment while petitions against the project are pending, the Supreme Court Monday gave its go-ahead for the foundation-laying ceremony on December 10 for the new Parliament building only after it was assured that no construction, demolition, or translocation of trees will be carried out at the site till it decides the various pleas.

"After interacting with the Solicitor General, and when the

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EXPLAINED  
On hold for now

THE SUPREME Court order comes at a time when the government is aiming to complete the new Parliament building by August 2022. For the government, the advantages of the project are many: security, technology and the cost-benefit of integrated offices. It will now have to put its plans on hold till the court clears the way.

## First details of immunisation emerge: shots in batches of 100 people; 30 minutes each

KAUNAIN SHERIFF M  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

100 individuals will be administered the vaccine during each session at a vaccination centre. The vaccinator will take at least 30 minutes to complete the process of vaccinating each recipient, to ensure tracking of a possible adverse event.

Both government and private healthcare facilities will be roped in to conduct the first round of immunisations for frontline healthcare workers.

As vaccines that are expected to finally defeat the novel coronavirus that has sickened 67 million people and killed over 1.5 million around the world seems increasingly close, the high-level expert group working on the logistics of administering it to Indians has firmed up some key decisions.

After Serum Institute of India sought emergency use authorisation for Covishield, a version of the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine candidate that it is manufacturing under licence, Hyderabad-based Bharat Biotech approached the regulator on Monday seeking similar approval for Covaxin, the country's indigenous Covid-19 vaccine candidate.

"Bharat Biotech has applied  
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The men were arrested from East Delhi on Monday. PTI

## Five held, ISI-Khalistan nexus busted: Delhi Police

2 from Punjab linked to Shaurya Chakra awardee's killing; 3 from Kashmir: cops

MAHENDER SINGH  
MANRAL  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

THE SPECIAL Cell of the Delhi Police on Monday arrested five alleged terrorists and claimed to have busted a narco-terror nexus

of Pakistan's Inter Service Intelligence (ISI) and pro-Khalistan militants.

DCP (Special Cell) Pramod Singh Kushwah identified the accused as Gurjit Singh and Sukhdeep Singh from Punjab, and Shabir Ahmad Gojree, and Shabir Ahmad Gojree,  
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PHASE 4: BOYCOTT HITS TURNOUT IN SOUTH KASHMIR  
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## In UP, 'love jihad' has two faces: man jailed in one case, woman gets police escort in other

MANISH SAHU  
LUCKNOW, DECEMBER 7

UTTAR PRADESH police have recorded five cases so far in the nine days since the state's anti-conversion law, which imposes stringent conditions on inter-faith marriages, came into force. But two of these cases, lodged within 24 hours of each other,

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What is a little bench after lockdown, micro-loans, curfews and confinement...?

present a sharp contrast — and show how police have wielded the new law selectively.

In Bareilly Saturday, police did not entertain the complaint of a father that his daughter had married a Hindu man after conversion. Police said they went by the woman's testimony that she got married in September before the law came into force.

But in Moradabad Sunday,

police arrested and jailed a Muslim man under the anti-conversion law despite his wife saying that they got married in July. The man's brother was also arrested and jailed.

In Bareilly, police said they dropped the woman back at her husband's home. In Moradabad, police said the woman has been lodged in a state protection home. On Saturday, Shahid Mian,

the father of 22-year-old Alisha, lodged an FIR at Prem Nagar police station in Bareilly stating that his daughter had been kidnapped by three persons, including the owner of a firm where she had worked.

Besides Siddharth Saxena alias Aman (24), who married Alisha, the FIR named his sister Chanchal, who was her colleague  
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**BENGALURU LOCALITY ASKED TO STAY INDOORS AFTER SUNSET AMID LEOPARD SCARE**

With residents and shepherds in the Veerabhadra Nagar area panicking, the police have instructed people not to travel outside alone in the dark and to be more vigilant



**VIDEO OF THE DAY**

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In today's episode, we're looking at why two pharmaceutical firms are seeking emergency authorisation for their vaccine candidates

**NCRB report on prison data to include category for transgender persons, HC told**

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THE CENTRE on Monday told the Delhi High Court it will include transgender persons as a separate gender in the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)'s annual report on prison statistics. A communication in this regard has been sent to all states and UTs, the court was told.

The submission was made before the division bench of Chief Justice D N Patel and Justice Prateek Jalan during its hearing in a PIL seeking a direction to NCRB for recognition and classification of transgender persons as a separate third gender in their annual publication of 'Prison Statistics, India'. On December 1, the court had asked the Centre and NCRB to apprise it about any decision regarding the petition.

Additional Solicitor General Chetan Sharma on Monday placed on record a letter written to states and UTs, according to which, "NCRB intends to include transgender in the gender classification of prisoners from PSI-2020 onwards. Accordingly, gender classification of the prisoners will be classified as Male, Female and Transgender in the PSI proforma and Annexures".

**Rampur district admn renames three gates, park**

**Lucknow:** The Rampur district administration has renamed the three gates in the city and a park that were built by former minister and MP Mohammad Azam Khan during the Samajwadi Party (SP) government.

While Mumtaz Park — named after Azam Khan's father Mumtaz Khan — has been renamed to Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Park, the Bab-e-Hayat Gate, which translates as 'Gate to Heaven', has been renamed after Sahibzada Colonel Yunus Ali Khan.

Bab-e-Nijat (Gate To Exit) will now be called after Major Abdul Rafe Khan and Bab-e-Ilm Gate (Gate To Knowledge), will now be called as Maulana Imtiaz Khan Arshi Gate. The new names were unveiled by Union Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi in the presence of state minister Baldev Singh Aulakh and Rampur District Magistrate Anjaneya Kumar Singh in Rampur on Monday. **ENS**

**MAHARASHTRA**

**Forest dept issues order to capture or kill 'maneater'**

**Pune:** The state forest department has issued an order to capture or kill a "maneater" leopard, which is believed to have killed as many as seven persons and injured four others in Beed, Aurangabad and Solapur forest divisions between November 15 and December 5, 2020.

According to the forest department, the suspected "maneater" leopard has created havoc in various villages under the Beed and Solapur forest divisions, including places in Beed, Ahmednagar, Solapur and Aurangabad districts.

Nitin Kakodkar, Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (Wildlife), issued the order on December 6. The order will be effective till January 31, 2021.

Kakodkar's order mentions that priority should be given to capture the leopard alive. **ENS**

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On the current state of play, the official said, India is awaiting a response from China to a memo it had sent for the ninth round of discussions at the level of the corps commander. The eighth round of discussions had taken place on November 6.

According to the official, China had previously shown willingness to pull back its troops from Finger 4 to Finger 8 on the north bank of Pangong Tso, but that has now changed because "it seems their top leadership doesn't want it".

At the same time, the official said, China has demanded since September that Indian troops should move back from heights in the Chushul sub-sector and the south bank of Pangong Tso, where they overlook China's Moldo garrison and the Spanggur Gap.

"China wants us to go from the south (bank)", the official said, adding, "we have told China that the solution has to be a package," so that disengagement from all friction points is discussed together. "There is no question (of) vacating the south" bank positions first, the official said.

The negotiations can take time and the government is willing to wait, the official said. "The government and the forces are ready for the long haul if a resolution cannot be found," the official said.

Referring to the issue in Depsang Plains, the official said it predates the current standoff by several years. In Depsang Plains, which is close to the strategic Daulat Beg Oldie post near the Karakoram Pass in the north, Indian troops are unable to access their traditional patrolling points 10, 11, 11A, 12 and 13.

In 2013, there was a stand-off after Chinese troops occupied an area known as the Bottleneck, which is 18 km in distance the LAC. The issue was resolved after 21 days.

The standoff in eastern Ladakh is now more than seven months old, with no sign of disengagement. Both the countries have positioned nearly 50,000 troops each in the region — along with tanks and air defence assets — amid the harsh winter where the temperature can drop to around minus 40 degree Celsius in some parts.

**Five held, ISI-Khalistan nexus busted: Delhi Police**

**Md. Ayub Pathan and Riyaz Rather** from Kashmir, and said they were in the Capital to collect funds and drugs as part of their larger plan to allegedly execute targeted killings in Delhi and neighbouring states.

The two men from Punjab, police said, are alleged associates of gangster Sukhmeet Pal Singh alias Sukh Bikhariwal and were allegedly involved in the killing of Balwinder Singh Sandhu, a former CPI(M) member who had been awarded the Shaurya Chakra for taking on militants during Punjab's days of insurgency in the 1990s. Singh was gunned down at his Tarn Taran home by two unidentified bikers on October 16.

Sources told *The Indian*

*Express* that intelligence agencies have traced Bikhariwal to Dubai and are likely to seek his extradition in the coming days.

While claiming a nexus between the ISI and Khalistani groups, police said Gurjit and Ravinder Joshi of the New Delhi Range had received information that the ISI was planning to execute targeted killings in Delhi and neighbouring states, for which they had activated their K2 (Kashmir-Khalistan) desk.

An official claimed the two had allegedly killed Sandhu on Bikhariwal's directions. "The duo had taken Rs 1.6 lakh to eliminate Sandhu and also planned to kill Shiv Sena leaders in Punjab. Bikhariwal was also involved in the Nabha jail break case," the official claimed.

Police said a team led by Inspectors Sunil Rajain and Ravinder Joshi of the New Delhi Range had received information that the ISI was planning to execute targeted killings in Delhi and neighbouring states, for which they had activated their K2 (Kashmir-Khalistan) desk.

The three men from Kashmir, police claimed, had come to Delhi on the instruction of the ISI to provide funds obtained from drug trafficking to the Punjab-based sharpshooters.

"Around 6.45 am, two cars were spotted in East Delhi's Shakarpur and they tried to escape after firing at the police team. We also fired in self-defence and they were arrested. A total of 13 rounds were fired from both sides," said DCP Kushwah.

He said the ISI, along with Pakistan-based Khalistan radicals Harmeet Singh (former chief of Khalistan Liberation Force) and Lakhbir Singh (chief of Khalistan Zindabad Force), were using Bikhariwal to carry out target killings in Punjab in an attempt to revive militancy there.

**In UP, 'love jihad' has two faces: man jailed in one case, woman gets police escort in other**

at a private firm, and the firm's owner Manoj Kumar Saxena. All three accused are Bareilly residents.

In the FIR, the father claimed that on December 1, his daughter left home "to collect pending dues from her office" and did not return. Finding her phone switched off, Mian said, he went to the office and met Saxena who did not provide any information.

Mian claimed that Aman used to pressure his daughter for marriage, which led to her stop going to work. He accused Manoj Kumar and Anchal of putting pressure on Alisha to marry Aman.

Station House Officer Avaneesh Kumar told *The Indian Express* that after the case was filed, Alisha visited the station and said that she was a major, denied the charge of kidnapping and confirmed that she had gone with Aman on her own.

"The girl told us that she married Aman at an Arya Samaj temple on September 29 and that they hid this information from her family. The girl had the marriage documents with her," said Kumar.

Police got Alisha's medical examination done, and got her identified by her family. On Monday, they got her statement recorded before a magistrate in which she reiterated what she told police.

Police said they did not invoke the new law because the

**SC cautions, Govt presses pause**

concern of the Court was expressed, on instructions, the Solicitor General stated that there will be no construction activity of any nature on the concerned site(s) nor demolition of any structure will be done, including the further trans-location of tree(s) will be kept in abeyance, until the pronouncement of judgment in all these cases," a Bench of Justices A M Khanwilkar, Dinesh Maheswari and Sanjeev Khanna said.

"In view of the above, we clarify that the authorities would be free to continue with procedural processes without altering the status of the site(s) in question in any manner, including to continue with the scheduled programme of foundation stone-laying on 10th December, 2020," the Bench said.

On November 5, the court had reserved its order on petitions against the project, which also includes a Common Central Secretariat as part of an integrated complex. On December 5, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla had unveiled the artistic design of the Parliament structure and announced that the aim was to

complete construction by 2022, in time for the 75th anniversary of Independence.

The Bench did not refer to the announcement but said it had listed the matter suo motu. While clarifying that it had not granted any stay, the Bench told Solicitor General Tushar Mehta: "The fact that there is no stay does not mean you can go ahead with everything."

"We thought we are dealing with a prudent litigant and that deference will be shown. We never thought you will go ahead so aggressively with construction. We don't mind if you do paperwork, or lay foundation stone but no construction should be done," Justice Khanwilkar said.

When Mehta sought a day's time to respond, the Bench asked him to take instructions in five minutes. Following this, Mehta assured that there will be no construction, demolition or felling of trees till the court decides the pending pleas. He submitted that only the foundation-laying will be conducted.

The pending petitions have challenged the notification on December 21, 2019, by Delhi Development Authority (DDA)

regarding changes in land use for the redevelopment.

Defending the project, the Centre had told the court that the existing Parliament building had many deficiencies, such as inadequacy of space, structural weaknesses and security issues. It said the Central Vista project will save the public exchequer Rs 1,000 crore that the Government currently pays as rent for many of its offices. The Central Public Works Department (CPWD) had submitted that the current strength of the Lok Sabha has remained at 545 on delimitation carried out on the basis of the 1971 Census and that it is likely to increase substantially after 2026 when the cap ends.

The new Lok Sabha Chamber, it said, will be able to accommodate 876 members and 1,224 members during joint sessions while the Rajya Sabha Chamber will be able to accommodate 400 members.

On the need for the Central Vista, it said the present Parliament building "is almost 100 years old and a Heritage Grade-I building." "Therefore, it is showing signs of distress due to over-utilisation and is not able to meet the current re-

quirements in terms of space, amenities and technology. The building structure also does not satisfy the upgraded earthquake Zone IV provisions regarding safety," it had said.

The CPWD said the Central Secretariat is currently spread over 17 buildings and there are 39 ministries located in the Central Vista in various buildings. The different locations of the central government offices "result in difficulty in inter-departmental coordination, inefficiency, longer travel time causing traffic congestion and pollution". The CPWD also said that the central government is facing a shortfall of about 0.38 million square metre and is paying around Rs 1000 crore annually "in rentals for hired spaces". In the new project, there will be a Common Central Secretariat with 51 ministries in 10 buildings. An underground shuttle of approximately 3 km length is also proposed to be constructed "to connect and integrate all the buildings of Common Central Secretariat". It will be connected to the Delhi Metro Transit system at Udyog Bhavan and Central Secretariat stations.

source said. The American pharma giant Pfizer was the first to seek emergency use authorisation on Saturday for its mRNA candidate.

Over the course of next year and beyond, India will carry out the largest vaccination drive in its history.

The national expert committee on Covid-19 vaccine administration drew up its final blueprint on logistics after "97 per cent of government facilities and 70 per cent of private facilities" submitted data on frontline healthcare workers, the first priority group to be vaccinated.

The Indian Express had earlier reported that as per data submitted by states to the expert committee, 1 crore frontline healthcare workers are likely to receive the first dose of the vaccine early next year.

Top government sources told *The Indian Express* that the guidelines on administration of the vaccine are based on the crucial question of the likelihood of an adverse event being reported after each dose. "Therefore, in the guidelines, we have finalised that there will be three separate rooms in each vaccination centre," a source said.

"In the first room, the beneficiary will have to wait; the second room is where the actual vaccine administration will take place; and finally, they will be directed to the observation room, where they will have to sit for 30 minutes because some of the adverse reactions occur during this period," the source added.

Sources said that since each vaccination will take at least 30 minutes, only 100 shots will be administered in each session. "The CoWin IT system allows vaccination sessions to be created, and vaccination sites to be fixed. Once that is done, each vaccination session will be for 100 vaccinations. After 30 minutes, the vaccinators will report the adverse event, if any, on the digital platform," sources said.

Data on frontline healthcare workers collected by states are currently in the process of being uploaded on the CoWin platform for verification and certification, the sources said.

"States have collected data on healthcare workers on Excel sheets. This data is now being uploaded... There are different levels; one where data are being uploaded, verified, and certified at the level of the state; once certified, the data are available with the Centre, and any changes thereafter will require the state to seek specific permission," sources said.

Data on 2.39 lakh vaccinators, many of whom are Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANMs), are also being uploaded by the states on the digital platform, the sources said.

Having decided that recipients of the vaccine will be monitored for at least 30 minutes, the expert group has asked states to expand the reporting network of AEFI (Adverse Event Following Immunisation) surveillance.

District Immunisation Officers have been asked to prepare lists of government and private hospitals, and to "contact" the head of the institution to identify a nodal officer for AEFI reporting.

This nodal officer is expected to conduct a one-hour sensitisation meeting with doctors, and train them on recording vaccination histories in OPDs, casualty and in-patient admissions. Medical officers will record "minor, serious, and severe" adverse events in an "AEFI register", which will be reviewed by the nodal officer weekly.

**Ahead of Bharat bandh today, war of words between BJP, Congress**

The BJP fielded senior party leader and Union minister Ravi Shankar Prasad to take on the Opposition. He alleged that a section of farmers had fallen in the grip of a few people with "vested interests", while asserting that the government was working to address their misgivings about the reforms.

Prasad said the BJP's rival parties have jumped into the protest in a bid to save their existence after being repeatedly rejected by people in different elections across the country. The minister pointed out that many of the parties that have declared their support to the farmers' protest had suggested similar reforms in their manifestos in the past. He read out from the Congress's manifesto for the 2019 general election to note that it had promised to "repeal" the APMC Act and also said that Rahul Gandhi had asked Congress-ruled states in 2013 to take measures to allow farmers to sell their produce directly.

Prasad said NCP leader Sharad Pawar, who was agriculture minister in the UPA

government, had asked states to amend the APMC Act and had even warned them that the Centre would not provide financial assistance in the absence of the three reforms.

He, however, praised the protesting farmer unions for not associating their stir with political parties.

Earlier, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, inaugurating the Agra Metro virtually from Delhi, said reforms are needed for development. "We cannot build the next century with laws of the previous century. Some laws that used to be good in the past century have become a burden now. Reforms should be a continuous process," he said without making any direct reference to the new laws or the farmer protests.

Reacting to Prasad's remarks, Congress's communication department in-charge Randeep Surjewala, while insisting on a repeal of the three laws, said, "It was the Modi government that brought the three black laws through a midnight ordinance. It was the

BJP government that forcibly passed the three black laws by a voice vote denigrating Parliament procedures and practice. The Modi government is acting as a subservient and subjugated servant of a handful of crony industrialists to hand over the 25 lakh crore agriculture product trade to its friends. And it is an irony that it is blaming the Congress for it."

Asked about Prasad's specific charges, he said, "The UPA and Congress gave maximum MSP to farmers and upheld the APMC system as also the MSP system. So what are the obnoxious comments that he is making? What he is saying neither makes any sense nor has any reason behind it. The Congress manifesto clearly states that APMC will be renamed as farmer markets and multiplied in thousands."

Tweeting in support of the protesters, former Congress president Rahul Gandhi said, "The 'Adani-Ambani Farm Laws' have to be revoked. Nothing less is acceptable." In another tweet, he said the

Congress would support the Bharat bandh fully.

"Atrocities and injustice on the annadatas cannot be tolerated," he added.

Opposition parties, including many regional outfits, on Sunday came out in strong support of the 'Bharat Bandh' on December 8 called by farmer unions who have been protesting at Delhi's borders for 11 days demanding the repeal of the Centre's new agrimarketing laws.

Congress president Sonia Gandhi, NCP's Pawar, CPI(M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury, DMK chief M K Stalin and PAGD chairman Farooq Abdullah, among others, have issued a joint statement backing the proposed day-long strike and pressed the Centre to meet the legitimate demands of the protesters.

The All India Kisan Sangharsh Coordination Committee said 24 political parties have extended support to the bandh call given by the farmer groups.

**WITH INPUTS FROM ENS, LUCKNOW**

Muslim. He hid his identity...he was going to marry my daughter and she was made to wear a burqa."

Asked Monday if police had verified the woman's claim that she married Rashid in July, the Circle Officer said: "This will be checked during investigation. The girl has so far not produced any documents of the marriage." Her statement before a magistrate is yet to be recorded.

Rasheed and Saleem have been remanded in judicial custody for 14 days. When contacted, ADGP (Bareilly zone), Avinash Chandra, said: "I have to check under which circumstances the arrest was made by Moradabad police."

The Uttar Pradesh Prohibition of Unlawful Conversion of Religion Ordinance, 2020, promulgated on November 28, seeks to end conversion through unlawful means. It prohibits conversion

for marriage, even if it is with the consent of the individual except when prior sanction is obtained from the state. The law provides for punishment of upto 10 years in jail.

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for the restricted emergency use. The subject expert committee will look at all the three vaccine candidate (Pfizer, Serum and Bharat Biotech), on the basis of which a final decision will be taken by the Drug Controller General of India (DCGI)," senior government

## 3 THE CITY



TOTAL CASES	HOSPITAL BEDS	Total		Tests
		18,813	12,896	
5,93,924	1,527	4,622	69	73,536
	VENTILATORS	3,818	63	53,207
		22,486*	5,61,732	9,706
			67,93,919	

## RUNWAY SHUT AT IGIA FOR A FEW HOURS City wakes up to dense fog, 50 flights delayed



This is the first dense fog of the season. Praveen Khanna

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THE CAPITAL woke up to dense fog — first of the season — on Monday morning, with areas in and around the Indira Gandhi International Airport seeing low visibility. According to officials, one of the three runways was closed for two-and-a-half hours. While no flights were cancelled, one was diverted and around 50 flights were delayed.

"Since one runway was shut from 7 am to 9.30 am, and flights were waiting in sequence, there were slight delays," said an official of the Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL).

The official said landing was

not disrupted as it is possible to land even when visibility is as low as 50 m, as the runways are equipped with CAT IIIB Instrument Landing Systems. An Instrument Landing System facilitates flight landing even in low visibility conditions, with the help of radio signals.

Kuldeep Srivastava, head of Delhi's regional weather forecasting centre, said there was dense fog — the season's first — in and around the airport from 4.30 am to 8.30 am. "Parts of the Delhi airport witnessed visibility dropping to 0 metres. This was due to low wind speed, excess moisture, and lack of cloud cover. It happens often in winter months," he said.

He explained that visibility is rarely uniform over a large area,

hence, only one of the three runways at the airport was affected.

Srivastava said the city will see dense fog for the next one-two days, following which it will be moderate, adding that the airport is likely to see dense fog because the area has clear skies: "The airport can expect dense fog starting from the first week of December to the last week of January, especially in the morning."

According to the IMD, very dense fog is when visibility is between 0 and 50 metres, 51 and 200 is dense, 201 and 500 moderate, and 501 and 1,000 shallow. Delhi's minimum temperature settled at 12 degrees Celsius. The mercury is likely to dip with wind direction changing to westerly-northwesterly.

## 1,674 cases, lowest 1-day spike since Aug

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NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

THE CAPITAL Monday recorded 1,674 fresh Covid-19 cases — the lowest single-day spike since August 31. The fatality rate, based on data from the last 10 days, rose to 2.14% after the city recorded 63 deaths in the last 24 hours. While total cases stand at 5,93,924, the death toll is at 9,706.

The positivity rate slipped to 3.15% Monday with authorities testing 53,207 people in the last 24 hours. The positivity rate on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday was 4.96%, 4.78%, 4.2% and 3.68% respectively.

Health Minister Satyendar Jain said this is the lowest positivity rate in six months and urged citizens to keep practicing Covid-19 precautions. "In a month, positivity declined to 3.15% today from 15.26% on



The positivity rate slipped to 3.15% Monday. Amit Mehra

November 7. During the same period, RT-PCR positivity reduced to 6.68% from 30.20%. Lowest positivity in last 6 months. Steadily, corona cases and positivity coming down. Hope this will continue. Please observe all precautions," he tweeted.

## Need Haryana, UP help to clean Yamuna: Chadha

New Delhi: DJB chairperson Raghav Chadha said UP and Haryana should fix issues in their jurisdiction to stop foam from forming in the Yamuna. Chadha said the reason for foaming was the overgrowth of water hyacinths at the Okhla Barrage (under the UP irrigation department). "When hyacinths decompose, they release surfactants like phosphates... When this water, filled with huge amounts of surfactants like phosphates, falls in Kalindi

Kunj from a height, it produces foam, which gradually accumulates and floats on the water surface. This foam is difficult to remove," Chadha said. Officials at UP Irrigation department could not be reached for comment.

Chadha also said untreated water from Haryana reaches Delhi via the Najafgarh drain. "... this is not Delhi's problem alone, and we will need cooperation from UP and Haryana to keep the Yamuna clean," he said. ENS

## Auto driver arrested for raping teen

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

A 23-YEAR-OLD auto driver was arrested from Eastern range for allegedly kidnapping and raping a minor girl and robbing her purse and phone. The incident took place Sunday night when the girl was returning home from Noida. JCP (Eastern range) Alok Kumar confirmed the incident and arrest.

Police identified the accused as Dushyant Kumar, a resident of Khora colony. He was earlier arrested in a case of theft in UP: "The 17-year-old victim approached police on December 5. She said she was returning home from her workplace in Noida and had boarded a shared auto at 10 pm. Two more passengers were sitting inside, who got off a few minutes later," said a senior officer.

The victim alleged the driver first went to a nearby CNG station and then took her to an isolated place. "She tried to scream, but he held her down and threatened her. He also physically assaulted her and fled," the officer said. Police said the girl managed to get home. Her uncle took her to the police station, where an FIR of robbery, assault, kidnapping and POCSO Act was filed. "She was taken to a hospital. Medical exam confirmed rape," the officer said.

The girl was counselled and told police about the location of the CNG station. "Police scanned footage from a CCTV at the station, following which he was arrested," an officer said. He was produced before a Delhi court Monday and sent to 14-day judicial custody.

## Central Vista: CPWD to seek fresh approvals

ANANYA TIWARI  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

CPWD will have to seek fresh approval of the Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) to include the Prime Minister's Office and residence, Vice-President Enclave and Special Protection Group in the redevelopment under the Central Vista project after being asked to "refrain from piecemeal approach for the proposed development and redevelopment".

On February 12, CPWD applied to EAC for environmental

clearance for proposed expansion and renovation of existing Parliament building, which was cleared on June 17 by the union environment ministry. On November 25, the EAC (Infra 2) returned the proposal submitted by CPWD which sought amendment to the Terms of Reference issued on November 10 for development and redevelopment of the Common Central Secretariat Buildings and Central Conference Centre. EAC directed CPWD to "refrain from piecemeal approach for proposed development and redevelopment".

**RAJKIYA ENGINEERING COLLEGE BANDA**  
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Advt. No: 01/Dir/REC/Banda/2020 APPOINTMENTS Date: 08.12.2020

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Member Secretary, Board of Governors, Rajkiya Engineering College Banda, Atarra, Banda [U.P.]

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**E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE**

**E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE / IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS & ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 READ WITH PROVISION RULE 6(2), 8(6) AND 9 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULE, 2002**

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower, Mortgagor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is whereis", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis of recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s)/Guarantor(s)/Secured Assets/Dues/Reserve Price/E-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below:-

Sr. No.	Name of Branch/ Telephone Nos./ e-mail	Name of Account & address of Borrower/s/ Guarantor/s/ Mortgagor(s)	Details of immovable property	Total Dues	Date & Time of E-auction	Reserve Price, EMD amount, Bid Increase Amount	Status of Possession	Property Inspection date & Time
1.	Bahadurgarh (e-VB) Phone No: 8439007677, Email: <a href="mailto:vybagr@bankofbaroda.com">vybagr@bankofbaroda.com</a>	(1) Shri Krishan s/o Mr. Jaswant Singh (2) Mrs. Ritusri w/o Mr. Krishan Both residing at H No 28/308A, Kila mohalla Bahadurgarh-124507	Residential House H. No.253, Ward No. 26, situated at Killa Mohalla, Near Sankat Mochan Mandir admeasuring 109 square yards within MC Limits, Bahadurgarh, Haryana (124507) in name of Mrs. Ritu, having boundaries East: 60°0' House of Lakhmi Chand West: 60°0' House of Son Nath North: 12°0' Gali Sare Aam South: 18°0' House of Chaman Lal.	Rs.30,01,887.30/- as on 31.07.2020 plus further interest and other charges as applicable	23.12.2020 time: 02.00 P.M. to 06.00 P.M.	Rs. 30.78 Lakh Rs. 3,07,800/- Rs. 10,000/-	Physical	21.12.2020 time: 11.00 A.M. to 04.00 P.M.
2.	BHIWANI (e-DB) Ph. No. 01664-245384 Mobile: 9152941323 e-mail: <a href="mailto:bbhiw@bankofbaroda.com">bbhiw@bankofbaroda.com</a>	M/s M.S. Stone Crusher, Gramudiyog Mandal, Dadam President: Ms. Kiran Sharma, Secretary: Mr. Rajkumar Sharma, Guarantor: Ms. Krishna Devi.	A) Land measuring 11 Kanals 13 Marlas, Khewat No. 81/68, Khatoni No. 117, Kharsa No. 3/231 (5-16), 22/2 (0-12), 10/3 (1-4-16), 2/1 (0-9) village Dadam, Tehsil Tosham, Dist. Bhiwani (Haryana), in the Name of M/s M.S. Stone Crusher Gram Udyog Mandal (B) Land Measuring 8 Kanals 11 Marla, Khewat No. 81/68, Khatoni No. 117, Kharsa No. 23/2 (1-0), 24 (5-11), 3/2 (2-0), Situated at Village Dadam, Tehsil Tosham, Dist. Bhiwani (Haryana).	Rs. 94,43,741/- plus further interest and other charges	23.12.2020 time: 02.00 P.M. to 06.00 P.M.	Rs. 99.87 lakh Rs. 9,98,700/- Rs. 10,000/-	Physical	21.12.2020 time: 11.00 A.M. to 04.00 P.M.
3.	BHIWANI (e-VB) Ph. No. 01664-244163 Mobile: 9731515169 e-mail: <a href="mailto:vybwan@bankofbaroda.com">vybwan@bankofbaroda.com</a>	M/s Bhawani Plastic Prop. Ms. Laxmi D/o Jai Prakash, Mortgagor Mrs. Neetu W/o Sri Parveen Kumar	EM of land & building 1 Kanal 19 Marla khasra no. 264/16 min (1-0), 25/1 (0-19) i.e. 3/95 share of land measuring 61 kanal 65 marla comprised in khasra no. 264/42 (4-0), 16 (8-0), 24 (1-4-2), 25/1 (0-19), 26/5 (1-8-0), 13/2 (1-11), 18 (8-0), 19 (5-6), 20 min (8-11) 23/4-6 situated at Village Tigrana, Tehsil & District Bhiwani Haryana in the name of Mrs. Neetu W/o Sri Parveen Boundaries:- North: Road, South: Rajpura Minor Rajwaha, East: Road, West: Plot of Shri Krishna Changiya and Plot of Sh. Lila.	Rs. 53,40,837.75 as on 31.07.2019 & last thereon at the contractual rate plus charges & expenses till date of payment.	23.12.2020 time: 02.00 P.M. to 06.00 P.M.	Rs. 25.51 lakh Rs. 2,55,100/- Rs. 10,000/-	Physical	21.12.2020 time: 11.00 A.M. to 04.00 P.M.

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Dated: 07.12.2020

Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

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पशुवैद्यकीय विभाग  
ई-निविदा सूचना क्र. ०२/२०२०-२१

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Whereas  
The Authorised Officer of the Punjab National Bank under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets & Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 read with the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued demand notice(s) on the dates mentioned against each account calling upon the respective borrower/s to repay the amount as mentioned against each account within 60 days from the date of notice(s)/date of receipt of the said notice(s).

The borrower/s having failed to repay the amount, notice(s) is hereby given to the borrower/s and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property/ies described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said Rules on the date mentioned each against account.

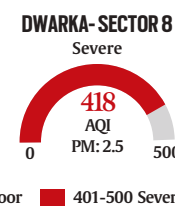
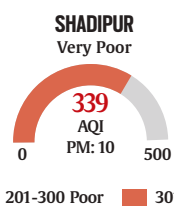
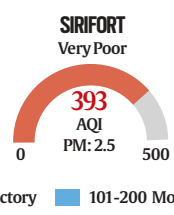
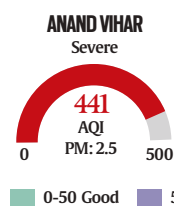
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Sr. No.	Name of the Account/Borrower /Branch	Owner of the property	Description of the property mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession Notice Affixed	Amount outstanding as on date of Demand Notice
1.	M/s Anjani Traders Prop. Sri Sunny Kumar S/o Sri Madhusudan Goswami BRANCH: MOKAMA A/c No. 0325008700005648	Smt. Shobha Devi W/o Sri Madhusudan Goswami	Description of Immovable Property: Registered Mortgage of Land and Building situated at Mouza- Chintamanichak, Thana-Mokama, Sub Division & Sub Registry Office: Barh, Dist. & Sadar Registry : Patna, Book No. 1, Volume: 103, Page No. 268 to 277, Thana No. 29, Circle Office: Mokama located within Nagar Parishad Mokama, Ward No. 19(New)/12/17(Old), Holding No. 281(New)/341(Old), Khata No. 26, Khesra No. 1170, Area: 2.34375 decimal(15 Dhur) covered by sale deed no.- 6895 dated 24.10.2016 (Originally pertaining to Smt. Shobha Devi W/o Sri Madhusudan Goswami), Boundary:- North: House of Baleswar Gosain, South: House of Misari Gosain, East: Lane & House of Darshan Mahto, West: Portion of House of Gopal Gosain.	17.03.2020	05.12.2020	₹ 7,10,355.00 (Rs. Seven Lakh Ten Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Five only) + interest.
2.	M/s Aradhana Rice Mill Prop. Sri Bobby Kant Kumar S/o Sri Surendra Kumar Akela BRANCH: FATUHA A/c No. 7178008700001036 & 7178008000000083	Sri Surendra Kumar Akela S/o Late Vidya Sagar Singh	Description of Immovable Property: EM of Land and Building situated at Mouza: Mosimpur Kurtha, Thana- Fatuha, Sub Registry: Patnacity, Sadar Registry: Bankipur, Patna, Dist.: Patna, Taazi: Bihar Sarkar, Thana No. 17, Khata No. 39, Part Khesra No. 238(P), Ward No. 23, Circle Office: Fatuha, Area: 8 Dhur(1.25 Decimal) covered by sale deed no.- 3657 dated 13.05.2015 in the name of Sri Surendra Kumar Akela S/o Late Vidya Sagar Singh, Boundary:- North: Smt. Veena Devi, South: Smt. Poonam Devi W/o Sri Dilip Singh, East: Public Road, West: Sri Ramesh Singh.	24.12.2019	05.12.2020	₹ 18,96,793.22 (Rs. Eighteen Lakh Ninety Six Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Three & paise Twenty Two only) + interest.

Date : 05.12.2020  
Place : Patna

(Authorised Officer)  
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Mainly clear sky.  
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## BHARAT BANDH TODAY: DELHI'S MARKET ASSOCIATIONS SAY WON'T JOIN

# Farmers appeal for peaceful protests: 'No one will be forced to close shops'

AMIL BHATNAGAR &  
ANANYA TIWARI  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

FARMERS HAVE appealed for peaceful and non-violent protests as part of Tuesday's Bharat bandh, slated a day before another round of talks between heads of farmer unions and the Centre. The bandh, farm leaders at Singhu border said, will include blockades or chakka jams on national highways between 10 am and 3 pm, while sit-in protests will continue the entire day.

"We have to mention with absolute clarity that there will be voluntary closure of shops and businesses and no one will be forced to do so. We do not want any sort of violence. For many days, we have been sitting at the borders peacefully and we want the bandh to reflect that. There are dedicated timings for protests and no emergency services will be halted," said Dr Darshan Pal, president of the Krantikari Kisan Union (Punjab).

Fresh blockades are expected at Delhi's borders, apart from Tikri, Singhu, Chilla and Ghazipur, where farmers are already sitting. Fire services, ambulances, medicine delivery and other emergency services will not be affected, farmers said, but dairy, vegetable and fruit delivery will be. Metro services in NCR will function as per usual.



At Ghazipur border Monday: (left) vehicles stuck in a long line near Akshardham in the evening. Pics: Amit Mehra

The bandh will see participation from political parties, and unions from states including Punjab, Karnataka, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh and UP have extended support. "We thank the politicians for supporting the farmer issue but if they want to protest, they will have to leave their banners behind and protest only under the flag of farmers. The bandh is purely for the farmers and their protest against the farmer bills," said Dr Pal.

Farm leaders also claimed they have received support from several transport, trader and mandi associations who will be suspending services for the day. Delhi's Azadpur Mandi will remain shut during the day as banners in support of farmers have come up at the gates. Udyog Vyapar Mandal in Haryana and

Madhya Pradesh will also shut shops, farmers said.

Azadpur Mandi chairman Adeel Ahmed Khan said: "Traders will shut shop in support of the bandh tomorrow, and farmers will not come to sell their produce since it is a strike. It will not have much impact on the supply of fruits and vegetables." Those farmers protesting at Singhu and Tikri borders will not move towards Delhi but will stay where they are.

### Market associations say won't shut

Market associations in the national capital said they will not be participating in Tuesday's bandh. The Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT) and All India Transport Welfare Association (AITWA) also took a similar stand. "We are not closing the mar-

ket tomorrow. We have not faced any shortage of supplies or any issues as such so far. Yes, there is slightly less footfall of customers from Noida and Gurgaon..." said Ashwani Marwah, general secretary of the Traders Association Lajpat Nagar.

Atul Bhargava, president of the New Delhi Traders' Association of Connaught Place, said, "We will continue business as usual, and have also informed the authorities. Our businesses have suffered since the pandemic and we do not wish to interrupt it in any manner."

Sanjay Bhargava, president, Chandni Chowk Sarv Vyapar Mandal, said, "We will remain open. Because of the surge in Covid cases and the agitation, there has been a bigger drop in footfall than was expected post-Diwali. This is unfortunate for us."

K K Balli, president, traders' association of the Gandhi Nagar wholesale market, said, "The market shall be open Tuesday. We have winter stock but if the agitation continues, it will affect us. Customers are also not coming to Delhi due to the agitation."

In a joint statement, CAIT and AITWA said no farmer association had approached them to join the bandh. The farmers, like traders and transporters, are an important part of the national economy and, therefore, immediate steps are needed to resolve their issues, read the statement.

## AAP backs bandh, CM visits border: Here to do sewa



CM and Sisodia at the Singhu border Monday. Praveen Khanna

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

DELHI CHIEF Minister Arvind Kejriwal and his cabinet members visited the Singhu border to meet protesting farmers and appealed to people to join Tuesday's Bharat bandh.

The AAP, like several other opposition parties, has supported the farmers' call for the bandh. "AAP is supporting the farmers' call for Bharat bandh tomorrow. All our volunteers from across the country will participate. I appeal to the people from across the nation to participate in the bandh peacefully," he said. Party members will hold a demonstration at ITO at 11 am on Tuesday.

After he surveyed the sanitation and water availability at the site, Kejriwal said he had not come as a CM, but as a sewardar.

AAP MLAs have been visiting the protest site for several days. Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia, health minister Satyendar Jain, social justice minister Rajendra Pal Gautam and food and civil supplies minister Imran Hussain also accompanied the CM.

"I have seen that the toilets have been set up and sanitation has also been ensured. The water will be diverted inside with the help of water pipes and motors. I have seen the living and food arrangements," Kejriwal said. The Aam Aadmi Party, which is the principal opposition in

Punjab, has expressed open support for the farmers' agitation. It has also attacked Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh for "failing to raise a voice" against the bills at an appropriate time.

Farmer bodies at the border have not allowed politicians to take the stage and deliver speeches, with a committee of volunteers deciding who gets to speak and for how long. Kejriwal, too, did not deliver a speech.

"I am not present here as a Chief Minister, I have come here as a sewardar, I have come here to serve the farmers. The farmers put in all their hard work and efforts and grow food for us. They are in a huge problem today, and it is the responsibility of all the citizens of the country to stand with the farmers and work for their service," he told reporters later.

He reiterated that he was under immense pressure to allow nine stadiums in the national capital to be used as temporary jails for protesting farmers, but he refused.

Meanwhile, Delhi Agriculture Minister Gopal Rai met the Central government's agriculture minister along with the ministers of Punjab and Haryana to discuss how to increase income of farmers.

"The central government should implement the recommendations of the Swaminathan Commission on the minimum support price (MSP)... The Centre must also listen to the demands of protesting farmers," Rai said.

### BRIEFLY HC pulls up crime branch over missing CISF officer

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court Monday pulled up Delhi Police's Crime Branch for its poor investigation in a case pertaining to the disappearance of a CISF officer, and warned that it will transfer the probe to an independent agency like the CBI after seeing the results of further investigation to be conducted by the Anti-Human Trafficking Unit. "The reason for the same (laxity) could be that it involves another force, i.e. CISF," said the division bench of Justices Vipin Sanghi and Rajnish Bhatnagar.

### Cycle theft at Khan Market

New Delhi: A 24-year-old man has been arrested from Tughlak Road for allegedly stealing a sports-cycle belonging to the owner of an electronic store in Khan Market.

### Man arrested for murder

New Delhi: A 25-year-old man, who is a house-keeper at the Palam Vihar Metro station, was arrested Sunday for allegedly murdering his girlfriend's father. ENS

## Borders under watch, so is Agri Minister's home

SOMYA LAKHANI  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

APART FROM heavy police deployment at key border areas for Tuesday's call for a Bharat bandh by farmer unions, Delhi Police will deploy personnel "outside offices of all political parties, the Agriculture Minister's residence and Krishi Bhawan" to ensure law and order is maintained.

"Delhi Police has made adequate arrangements to ensure normal movement of people on roads for the proposed bandh. Anybody who tries to disrupt normal movement/life or forcefully closes shops will be strongly dealt with, as per law," Delhi Police additional PRO Anil Mittal said.

A senior police officer from New Delhi district told *The Indian Express*, "There will be deployment at Jantar Mantar, Vijay Chowk, India Gate, the Agriculture Minister's residence, Krishi Bhawan, offices of all political parties — places from where crowd mobilisation is possible. We have also spoken to taxi, transport, trade unions on the bandh."

The officer said nine companies of Delhi Police, roughly 540 personnel, will be deployed in New Delhi district.

Meanwhile, Delhi Police Special Branch has shared inputs with all district DCPs regarding 400-500 farmers having left from Punjab by train to join the ongoing agitation. The special branch has written to all district DCPs, including railway, traffic, Metro and PCR, that farmers are also likely to

reach Tikri and Singhu borders via trains, buses, tractor/trolleys and private vehicles.

The special branch has also directed DCPs to monitor social media to know their future course of action.

At Singhu, where maximum farmers have gathered, an additional 50 concrete barriers have been placed to maintain distance between police and protesters in case farmers cross the border Tuesday. Apart from police personnel and senior officers of Outer-North district, outside force, as well as personnel from other districts such as northwest, have been deployed at Singhu.

A senior officer of Outer-North district said, "At least 500-550 local police and additional force will be deployed at Singhu. Staff on ground have been speaking to farmers protesting there daily on maintaining law and order."

There will also be heavy police deployment in Southwest Delhi's Mahipalpur and Dhaura Kuan that connect Delhi to Gurgaon. A senior officer from the district said, "So far, we've not received any inputs from Gurgaon or Jaipur regarding any kind of farmers' movement. All markets will be open. Places within the district where we feel flag demonstrations can happen will see extra police pickets and barricading such as Samalkha, Kapashera, Mahipalpur, Delhi Cantt... We also have to ensure the national highway that connects Dhaura Kuan to Rajokri doesn't get blocked."

## 150 km from Singhu, help pours in from Kurukshetra

SUKRITA BARUAH  
KURUKSHETRA, DECEMBER 7

MORE THAN 150 km from the Delhi-Haryana border at Singhu where thousands of farmers are protesting, a gurdwara and volunteers from across villages in Kurukshetra are working round the clock to sustain them.

At Padlu village in Kurukshetra's Shahabad block, for instance, farmers have a "relay system" — with batches of 50 farmers going to the capital at a time. They stay at the protest site for three days and return to the village for the next batch of 50 to take over. Dakala village, with a smaller population of around 1,000, sends 25-30 at a time.

"The aim is that there always be enough people to sustain the pressure while everyone is also able to carry out their responsibilities in their farms and homes," said Kulwinder Singh from Dakala.

Those not at Delhi's borders at a given time contribute with their material resources. "Our local gurdwara announces on a loudspeaker that such and such thing is currently required and we go and give according to our means there. Once everyone's contribution is collected, a vehicle carries it all to the dera kar sewa in Shahabad. We have given food supplies, fresh blankets, toothbrushes, medicines, hand sanitisers and odomos," said Gurdeep Singh from Padlu, who said his last contribution was 40 kg of atta on Saturday.

Every morning, a vehicle leaves the Shahabad branch of Dera Baba Jagtar Singh to pick up



Women prepare food for farmers at Shahabad. Abhinav Saha

around 20-25 women volunteers from the villages according to the day's roster. These women work from 8 am to 5-6 pm to prepare food and organise the ration arriving from the villages.

On Monday, it was turn for the women of Salpani village to perform what they refer to as sewa. "We do the cleaning here, cut the vegetables, prepare the food, and organise raw material. We come when it's our turn since we are all part of the movement. My father was also at Singhu border for a week and has returned now," said 19-year-old Mehekpreet Kaur, a B.Sc final-year student.

While another group of women will arrive to continue preparations through the night, women from their neighbouring village Ajrana will take over the next day.

Every day, multiple trucks leave the *rasoi*. Baba Gurmeet Singh, spiritual head and in-charge of the branch, said he is unable to keep count of the quantity of supplies which leave

the gurdwara each day.

"We don't have an estimate as we don't know how many people we are serving at the borders; the numbers grow every day and many people other than farmers come to the sites as well. 5,000, 10,000, 20,000? We don't know, and we send our trucks to Singhu, Tikri and Ghazipur borders... In the beginning, we were sending out many more trucks of cooked food, but since it's a long journey we also put up cooking set-ups and sent volunteers there and are now focusing on sending raw material for cooking and other essentials," he said.

Three trucks of cooked food head towards the capital from there every day — at around 4 am, 9 am, and 4 pm. Puran Chand, a social worker, estimates that each truck carries around seven quintals of food. "Including those carrying dry ration and other supplies, nearly 10 trucks leave every day. On Sunday, we had also sent a truckful of mattresses," he said.

## 53-yr-old dies as car rams two-wheeler

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

A 53-YEAR-OLD man was killed when an Audi Q7 allegedly rammed into a two-wheeler he was riding in New Delhi's Janpath Road area late Sunday night. Additional DCP (New Delhi) Deepak Yadav said, "A PCR call was received at 10.30 pm about an accident."

Police identified the deceased as Vinod Kumar, a resident of Yusuf Sarai. A case under sections of rash driving and causing death by negligence has been registered, and police have

arrested CA aspirant Ankit Gupta (30), a resident of Vasant Vihar.

Yadav said, "Kumar was rushed to RML hospital by Gupta, where he was declared dead on arrival." A senior police officer said that Kumar, who is unemployed, was returning home from the hospital where his wife is undergoing treatment for cancer.

Police said that the accused was driving back home from a friend's house when the incident took place. A senior police officer said they are looking into claims that the accused may have been speeding.

## In proposed South MCD budget, no new projects, plan to increase property tax

ABHINAV RAJPUR  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

NO NEW projects for 2021-22, a proposal to increase property tax to make up for revenue shortfall — the effect of the pandemic is visible in the South MCD's proposed budget, which has decided to focus mostly on old projects.

In last year's budget, it had announced 10 new automated multi-level car parking in different areas. This year, the civic body said it has made one of these operational at Green Park, while construction of similar facilities

### 3 mayors hold sit-in protest

New Delhi: The three mayors of the BJP-ruled MCDs Monday staged a dharna at Chief Minister's residence demanding release of outstanding dues, amounting to over Rs 13,000 crore, to the civic bodies. North MCD Mayor Jai Prakash said the Delhi government is playing politics keeping in mind the upcoming elections. ENS

at Adchini Village and Lajpat Nagar Central Market is on.

Among the other projects carried forward from last year include dog collars for sterilised dogs, an engineered landfill site at Okhla, and proposals to increase the per day capacity of construction and demolition waste management to be commissioned at Bakkarwala plant from 500 tonnes to 1,000 tonnes. Setting up another construction and demolition waste management plant at Maidan Garhi has also been repeated in this budget.

Owing to the financial crisis, South MCD has also proposed to

increase property tax — from 12% to 14% colonies in A and B categories; 11% to 12% in C, D and E categories; 7% to 12% increase in F, G and H category colonies. However, officials said, the civic body will need permission from its political wing to implement this. A senior official said it would be difficult this year, with MCD polls nearing.

The corporation has also proposed door-to-door collection of property tax in its next budget. Under this, sahayaks will visit residences and help people fill forms and pay the tax online, said a senior official.



The women from Shahjahanpur who have left the protest

'UTTAR KANYA ABHIYAN' TURNS VIOLENT



Police fire teargas to control the situation. Express

1 killed as BJP workers clash with police in Siliguri

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
KOLKATA, DECEMBER 7

ONE PERSON was killed as BJP workers clashed with the police in West Bengal's Siliguri on Monday. The clash broke out after BJP workers were allegedly stopped from moving past barricades at two points near branch secretariat 'Uttar Kanya' during their rally in protest against the TMC government's "misrule". The police used teargas shells, water cannons and resorted to lathicharge to control the situation; the BJP workers threw stones and allegedly ransacked barricades. While BJP leaders claimed it was a peaceful march and alleged "police brutality", the latter denied the allegations. BJP state president Dilip Ghosh said one party worker, identified as Ulen Roy, 50, suffered head injuries in the lathicharge and succumbed later. The BJP has called for a 12-hour bandh in north Bengal on Tuesday in protest against alleged police brutality. The party claimed that 40 workers, including six from Mahila Morcha, were injured. Besides Ghosh, BJP national

general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya, national vice-president Mukul Roy and several MPs were among those present at the programme. Tejaswi Surya, BJP Yuva Morcha national president, was also present. The programme was organised by BJYM. On Monday afternoon, as BJP workers marched towards Uttar Kanya, they allegedly tried to remove barricades put up by the police at Tinbatti and Phulbari crossings in Siliguri. Some barricades were reportedly set on fire. Ghosh said the deceased — Ulen Roy — also had pellet marks on his body. "Trinamool miscreants were with the police and attacked our workers. This is an example of police brutality," he said. The police tweeted: "Serious acts of violence were committed by supporters of a political party during their protest programme. They resorted to arson, brickbats, firing and vandalism... Police showed restraint and didn't do lathi charge or use firearms. Only water cannons and teargas were used to disperse the violent crowd... The body is being sent for post-mortem. Actual cause of death will be known only [after] the report is received."

DDC polls: Boycott hits South Kashmir turnout in Phase 4

BASHAARAT MASOOD, NAVEED IQBAL & ARUN SHARMA  
BONIYAR, VERINAG, JAMMU  
DECEMBER 7

A NEAR complete boycott in Shopian and low turnouts in Kulgam and Pulwama, the two other districts of south Kashmir, pulled down polling in the Valley to 31.95 per cent in the fourth phase of the District Development Council (DDC) elections on Monday. North and central Kashmir districts recorded a decent turnout and, with the Jammu region seeing 69.31 per cent voting, the overall turnout in the Union Territory was 50.08 per cent. In Shopian, where Kapran constituency went to polls Monday, only the occasional voter turned up at booths. As polling ended, the turnout was 1.96 per cent, much lower than 42.58 per cent, 17.28 per cent



In South Kashmir, only Anantnag saw queues. Shuaib Masoodi

and 22.68 per cent in the first three phases, respectively. Pulwama district, where three constituencies — Pulwama I, Awantipora I and Awantipora II — went to polls, the turnout was 6.70 per cent — the district polled 8.67 per cent and 10.87 per cent votes in the second and third phases, respectively. In Kulgam, where two constituencies went to polls, the turnout was 8.73 per cent. The district recorded 34.35

per cent, 29.90 per cent, and 64.45 per cent in the three earlier phases, respectively. The only district in south Kashmir that polled in double digits Monday was Anantnag, where Verinag and Shahbad went to polls. At the Government Girls' Middle School at Nowgam, Shahbad, a steady stream of voters started to arrive from the time polls opened. "I have never had any benefit in

Roshni Act: J&K HC to hear review plea on Dec 16

Jammu: The Jammu and Kashmir High Court on Monday adjourned to December 16 a review petition filed by the Union Territory administration, seeking modification of the court's October 9 decision declaring J&K State Land (Vesting of Occupants Ownership) Act 2001 "void ab initio" and ordering a CBI investigation into all instances of irregularities in transfer of state lands to private individuals. The case was listed before a

division bench comprising Chief Justice Gita Mittal and Justice Rajesh Bindal. However, as the Chief Justice is demitting office on Tuesday, the bench did not take up the hearing and asked the bench secretary to convey the next date to all the parties. Earlier, the court declared invalid all transfers of land done even before the 2018 repeal of the Act by the then Governor Satya Pal Malik. ARUN SHARMA

UTTARAKHAND  
Eye on polls, Nadda asks ministers to tour districts

Dehradun: To mobilise the party cadre ahead of the 2022 Assembly election in Uttarakhand, BJP national president P Nadda on Monday directed ministers of the Trivendra Singh Rawat government to tour the districts in the next 20 days and talk to people for feedback. The ministers will be accompanied by BJP state organisation members during the tours and they will present their reports to the party state core committee that will meet on December 26. The committee, which has members from the government as well as the organisation, will send to Nadda a report on the tours and a roadmap for programmes to be held till September 2021 to publicise the government's welfare schemes. ENS

Modi speaks to Macron, reiterates support in terror fight

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

PRIME MINISTER Narendra Modi on Monday spoke to French President Emmanuel Macron and expressed India's full support to France in the fight against terrorism, extremism and radicalism. This was their first conversation since the terror attacks in France in October. "Spoke with my friend @EmmanuelMacron on the challenges and opportunities presented by the post-COVID world. India stands by France in its fight against terrorism & extremism. The India-France partnership is a force for good in the world, including in the Indo-Pacific," Modi tweeted. A statement from the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) said he conveyed to President Macron his condolences for the attacks. "The leaders also discussed other bilateral, regional and global issues of mutual interest, including improving the affordability and accessibility of Covid-19 vaccines, post-covid economic recovery, cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region, maritime security, defence cooperation, digital economy and cyber security, strengthening multilateralism, and climate change & biodiversity," the statement said. "Prime Minister expressed his wish to welcome President Macron in India after the normalisation of the public-health situation," the PMO said. India was the first non-Western country to come out in support of Macron, and New Delhi had underlined its solidarity with a statement from PM Modi himself after the second set of attacks in Nice and Jeddah (Saudi Arabia). In the shadow of the attacks, Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla had visited Paris for a scheduled bilateral visit.

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Assam: 77% voting in 1st phase of BTC elections

TORA AGARWALA  
GUWAHATI, DECEMBER 7

POLLING FOR the first phase of Bodoland Territorial Council (BTC) elections in Assam passed off peacefully on Monday, with 77 per cent polling recorded, according to the State Election Commission. The election follows signing of the Bodo peace accord — described as the "final and comprehensive solution" — to the long-standing Bodo issue — between the Centre, the state and Bodo groups in January this year. The outcome is expected to be crucial for next year's state Assembly polls. "The polling was incident-free, peaceful and orderly," State Election Commissioner Alok Kumar said. "We started half-an-hour early since Covid-19 protocols were in place." The election was earlier scheduled for April but was postponed due to the pandemic. The BTC is an autonomous, self-governing body under the

Sixth Schedule of the Constitution, a special provision that allows for greater political autonomy and decentralised governance in certain tribal areas of the Northeast. It has under its jurisdiction the Bodo-inhabited districts of western Assam — Udalguri, Baksa, Chirang and Kokrajhar — together known as the Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR). Twenty-one seats in Udalguri and Baksa districts went to the polls on Monday; the remaining 19 will see voting on December 10. Since 2005, BTC has been controlled by the Hagrama Mohily-led Bodoland People's Front (BPF), an ally of BJP at the state and the Centre. The two parties are contesting separately in this election. The BPF is also facing a tough competition from United People's Party Liberal, which has in its fold Pramod Boro, former president of the influential All Bodo Students Union (ABSU), which was a key signatory of the 2020 accord. The Congress and the AIUDF are contesting jointly. Votes will be counted on December 12.

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## 6 GOVT &amp; POLITICS



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## NO CELEBRATIONS, PLEASE

HAVING EXTENDED support to the protesting farmers and Bharat bandh call given by them, the Congress is leaving no stone unturned to utilise the issue to gain some political mileage. Today, the party's central leadership sent a message to all state units, asking them not to celebrate party chief Sonia Gandhi's birthday on December 9. In a letter, AICC general secretary in charge of organisation K C Venugopal stated that Sonia has decided not to celebrate her birthday this year in view of the distress caused by the pandemic and the ongoing farmers' protests. Stressing that Sonia has requested that no celebratory activities should be carried out on her birthday this year, the letter to state Congress presidents, CLP leaders, AICC general secretaries, in charge of states and heads of frontal organisations asks them to avoid "all sorts of celebrations".

## UPDATING ANIMAL FARM

THE CENTRAL Zoo Authority (CZA) will upgrade 15 zoos across the country to meet international standards. The 10-year plan, announced by Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar today, includes the twinning of Indian zoos with foreign ones to ensure they reach these standards. The announcement has been a surprising one on the back of tight financial circumstances that the CZA has been facing in the light of the pandemic, resulting in few visitors and a big slump in ticket sales across the country.

## LATE STATESMAN

FRENCH AMBASSADOR to India, Emmanuel Lenain, remembered former President of the country, Valéry Giscard d'Estaing, who died recently, as "an exceptional statesman" who saw great potential in India-France strategic partnership. Interestingly, d'Estaing was the first French President to visit India as chief guest on Republic Day in 1980.

## Rs 2,000 cr for farm loan waiver; Jharkhand to replace Kisan Bima Yojana

ABHISHEK ANGAD  
RANCHI, DECEMBER 7

THE JHARKHAND government has earmarked Rs 2,000 crore for loan waiver to farmers in the state. The government is also set to replace PM Kisan Bima Yojna with the state's own Fasal Rahat Yojna and has earmarked Rs 100 crore for this scheme.

Both these initiatives are set to come into effect by the end of this month, as per details that emerged after the fourth day of the review meetings of various departments conducted by Chief Minister Hemant Soren.

The biggest challenge remains in implementing the loan waiver. During the Assembly Question and Answer session in March, in a response to a question on loans of farmers, the government had agreed that the farmers owed Rs 7,000 crore to the banks.

A source in the government said: "The biggest challenge will be selecting the criteria for loan waiver."



Hemant Soren

According to the source, during the review of the Department of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Co-operative, the Chief Minister was informed that a state-level committee has been formed under the Agriculture Minister. "Crop loanee data have been submitted. Various banks have been asked to complete Aadhaar enabling of crop loanee. So far six lakhs Aadhaar cards have been enabled out of 12 lakh loan accounts," the source said, adding that the department is building a web portal for the purpose.

Loan waiver was one of the poll planks of both the Congress and JMM ahead of the Assembly election.

The replacement of the PM Fasal Bima Yojna awaits Cabinet approval.

## 1ST PHASE OF KERALA LOCAL POLLS TODAY

## CPM tries to wrest secular position, says Jamaat party in Cong wing

SHAJUPHILIP  
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, DEC 7

WITH AN eye on winning back a section of Hindu voters who had drifted away from the Left fold in the last Lok Sabha elections in the wake of the Sabarimala issue, CPI(M), the biggest constituent in the state's ruling LDF, has brought to focus the Congress-led UDF's electoral understanding with Welfare Party of India (WPI), the political arm of Jamaat-e-Islami in the local body polls, calling it "communal" politics.

The first phase of elections to the three-tier local bodies in Kerala is slated for Tuesday. In its campaign pitch, the CPI(M) tried to portray the poll understanding as the Congress's ostensible overture to "communal elements", while the WPI has called it "hypocrisy" on part of the Communist party and pointed out that it was aligned with the LDF not long ago.

Both CPI(M) and the Congress,

meanwhile, accuse each other of helping the Sangh Parivar increase its footprint in the state. Results of the civic body polls are significant in that they are generally considered to reflect the political mindset of the state, which is scheduled to hold Assembly polls next summer.

On Monday, Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan accused the UDF and the BJP of vying with each other to make political gains from communalism. The UDF, he said, has joined hands with both BJP and Jamaat, and that this "unholy nexus" would reflect in results. CPI(M) state secretary and LDF convener A Vijayaraghavan said, "The Congress has gone into an alliance with WPI at the behest of Indian Union Muslim League (IUML, a UDF partner)... It is trying to give a public appeal for communal forces. This would lead to the Congress's ruin."

"That party's (Congress's) soft corner towards the Jamaat-e-Islami would only help further the Hindutva agenda of Sangh Parivar," he asserted.

## AHEAD OF BHARAT BANDH CALLED BY FARMER GROUPS

## BJP slams 'doublespeak' as Oppn backs stir

## Firing a gun from shoulders of farmers: CMs of BJP-ruled states lead attack

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
LUCKNOW, AHMEDABAD,  
CHANDIGARH, MUMBAI, SHIMLA,  
TIRUCHENDUR, DECEMBER 7

A DAY ahead of the Bharat Bandh announced by farmer unions seeking a repeal of the Centre's new agriculture laws, the BJP on Monday accused the Opposition parties of "trying to create anarchy in the country" by "politicising the issue using innocent farmers for their own benefit".

Chief Ministers of BJP-ruled states led the counter-attack on the Opposition, accusing it of "doublespeak" and "firing a gun from the shoulder of farmers".

Speaking to mediapersons at his Lucknow residence, UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath alleged that the political parties backing the farmers' protests had supported the "same agricultural reforms" during the Congress-led UPA government in 2010-2011.

"When the Congress was in power then parties like NCP, Left, DMK, SP, BSP and TMC were either in the government or were supporting it from outside. That time then Agriculture Minister Sharad Pawar wrote a letter to the state governments stating that there was a need to amend the APMC Act... It is an example of their double character and how they are firing from the shoulder of innocent farmers to create anarchy and disorder," the Chief Minister said.

In Haryana, Chief Minister



CMs Adityanath, Khattar, Rupani, Chouhan

Manohar Lal Khattar, after a meeting at the PWD Rest House in Gurgaon, accused opposition parties of "behaving like this" "whenever the BJP comes forward to do some good work". He insisted that farmers in Haryana are "happy" and are being "instigated" to protest by the "Opposition" which is "firing a gun from their shoulders". "It is ironic that the agrarian reform laws that were being spoken about in 2010-11 after the UPA government was formed... at that time they failed to make it and today, when PM Narendra Modi has made these agriculture Bills materialise, then all these parties are protesting," he said.

Reacting to the Bharat Bandh call, Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani said Gujarat would be fully functional Tuesday and warned of legal action against those "trying to vitiate the atmosphere". "The talk of Bharat Bandh by opposition parties in the name of farmers has made it clear that farmer is just a pretext. To show their political existence, Congress and other opposition parties have joined hands in this (call of) Bharat

Bandh," he said.

In Tamil Nadu, addressing party supporters at the conclusion of the state BJP's Vel Yatra in Tiruchendur, Madhya Pradesh CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan claimed that Opposition parties like Congress and DMK could not fight the BJP face to face and were therefore opposing the farm laws.

In Uttarakhand, CM Trivendra Singh Rawat said farmers have been misled about the new farm laws which are actually in their interest and accused the Congress government in Punjab of turning the agitation in the wrong direction.

In Maharashtra, former CM Devendra Fadnis said the Congress, NCP and Shiv Sena's support to the bandh has exposed their "double standards" as the new farm reforms are modelled on Acts already implemented successfully in the state during the Congress and NCP regime.

Meanwhile, the Shetkari Sanghatana, founded by farmer leader Sharad Joshi, has decided not to participate in the bandh and to also oppose any move to roll back the three farm laws.

## Akhilesh detained, BJP ally announces march as Oppn rallies behind farmers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
LUCKNOW, NEW DELHI,  
KOLKATA, JAIPUR, DECEMBER 7

WITH SEVERAL trade unions backing the 'Bharat Bandh' and many announcing parallel protests in support of the farmers, nearly all Opposition parties have come out in a rare show of unity against the BJP-led government in lending support to the nationwide strike on Monday.

In Lucknow, Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav was stopped from heading to Kannauj to launch his party's Kisaan Yatra against the new farm laws as police detained the former chief minister for nearly five hours. Police also beat up SP workers and supporters who were accompanying the SP chief.

According to senior officials in Lucknow, the Kannauj district administration had denied permission to the Samajwadi Party to hold the march, citing Covid and had imposed Section 144 of the CrPC in the districts.

"People are seeing the double standards of the BJP which itself is organizing events but is arresting the Opposition in the name of coronavirus. BJP is desperate because now even the common citizens have joined the farmers. When a government becomes the oppressor, a protest turns into revolution in no time. We will see for how many days, BJP will stop us," Akhilesh tweeted.



Akhilesh Yadav was detained in Lucknow when the SP chief was on way to Kannauj to launch his party's Kisaan Yatra

The Congress, NCP, Trinamool Congress, DMK and its allies, TRS, RJD, AAP, Samajwadi Party and the Left are among the political parties that are backing the strike.

In Delhi, several Congress MPs staged a sit-in at Jantar Mantar, demanding that the winter session of Parliament be immediately convened to discuss what they called "extremely serious issues" confronting the country, including the farmer unrest.

Manish Tewari, the MP of Anandpur Sahib in Punjab, said, "After 1952, this is perhaps the first time that the winter session of Parliament is being scuttled in this manner by the government. We could understand if the country had been in a state of lockdown and Parliament could not be called... But now everything else is going as

business as usual... Why is the Winter Session not being called?"

Meanwhile, at a rally in West Bengal's Medinipur, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee backed the Bharat Bandh and asked the BJP government at the Centre to either withdraw the "anti-people" farm laws immediately or step down.

In Rajasthan, BJP ally Rashtriya Loktantrik Party, led by Hanuman Beniwal, backed the bandh call and announced a march to Delhi on December 12 to lend its support to protesters.

CPI(M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury lashed out at the BJP for allegedly misleading the people of the country and spreading misinformation about the opposition parties who have shown solidarity with the farmers.

## In other states

With farmer bodies calling for a Bharat Bandh today, The Indian Express looks at other groups expressing solidarity, and services likely to be hit in states

## PUNJAB

The DC Office Employees Union of Punjab has announced they will go on mass casual leave and sit on dharnas while the Punjab Dairy Association has announced it won't supply milk. Wholesale vegetable and fruit mandis, hotels and petrol pumps will stay closed from 9 am to 5 pm.

## HARYANA

Indian Association of Lawyers (IAL) secretary Ashwani Bakshi said they have extended support to the bandh call. The Haryana Petroleum Dealer Welfare Association has announced that petrol pumps will be closed, while khap leaders in Jind have announced that they will block all roads to



Workers in Amritsar before leaving for Delhi to join stir. PTI

Delhi from Haryana.

**MADHYA PRADESH**  
Major trade and transport unions and Mandi Board

unions have extended their support. A high alert has been issued in 35 districts. The authorities have also imposed CrPC Section 144 in

## several districts

## MAHARASHTRA

Major APMCs such as Navi Mumbai, Nashik, Pune and Solapur will remain shut. MSRTC has shut bus services on sensitive routes but Mumbai buses will continue.

## GUJARAT

Some APMCs are expected to remain closed, and the Textile Market Labour Union and Textile Tempo Association have announced their support for the bandh. FULL REPORT ON [www.indianexpress.com](http://www.indianexpress.com)

## Farmer delegation meets Tomar, seeks amendments

HARIKISHAN SHARMA  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

AMID PROTESTS against the new farm laws, a delegation of farmers from Haryana and Uttar Pradesh on Monday met Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar and demanded that all the three Acts should continue with the amendments suggested by farmer organisations.

"We support these (laws). They should continue by incorporation of suggestions by farm

organisations," the delegation said in a letter to Tomar.

"We are in favour of continuing the MSP (minimum support price) and (APMC) Mandi system. But we request you that these laws should continue with the suggested amendments," says the letter signed by 20 farmers.

Pushendra Chauhan from Baghat in Uttar Pradesh was among the members of the delegation that met Tomar.

"The Acts are good but the government failed to convey the message on the ground. The gov-



Narendra Singh Tomar

ernment should have held online discussions with farmers across all panchayats," he said.

"Why is the government raising questions on the Andolan... The government should ask it-

self why it could not implement such a good initiative on the ground," Chauhan said, adding, "The farm laws are in the interest of the nation, that's why we support these laws."

Kanwal Singh Chauhan, a farmer from Aterna village in Sonapat, was also part of the delegation. A Padma Shri awardee, he said all the three Acts are in the interest of farmers. He suggested that the government bring a new law to provide legal guarantee for MSP.

Rampal Yadav, a farmer from Rewari in Haryana and a mem-

ber of the delegation, said he supports the new laws.

While there was no statement from the government about the meeting between the delegation and Tomar, sources said it took place at Krishi Bhawan for about 40 minutes.

The meeting comes at a time when farm unions are demanding repeal of the three farm laws. Five rounds of talks between the government and representatives of the farm organisations have remained inconclusive. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday.

## Athletes march to Rashtrapati Bhavan to return awards

New Delhi: Led by two-time Asian Games gold-winning former wrestler Kartar Singh, a few sports persons from Punjab on Monday marched towards the Rashtrapati Bhavan to return "35 national sports awards" in a show of solidarity with farmers agitating against new agriculture laws but were stopped midway by the police.

"The farmers have always supported us. We felt bad when we saw that our farmer brothers were lathicharged, roads were closed. Farmers are sitting on streets in bitter cold for their rights," said Kartar, gold medalist in the 1978 and 1986 Asian games.

The marching athletes claimed to have the support of several Arjuna and other national sports awards winners.

The Indian Olympic Association offered its first comments on the sports persons' involvement in the protest. "Of late sports persons are seen to be announcing return of their National Awards as a mark of their support for the recent farmers issue. National Awards and farmers issue are two separate things," IOA President Narinder Batra and Secretary General Rajeev Mehta said in a joint statement. PTI

## Day after meeting Shah, Vijayashanti returns to BJP

New Delhi: Days after its outstanding performance in the GHMC elections, BJP on Monday received a morale boost when actor-turned-politician Vijayashanti returned to the party after more than a decade. The former Lok Sabha MP joined the BJP officially a day after meeting Home Minister Amit Shah and asserted that only the saffron party can fulfil the aspirations of the people of Telangana.

Vijayashanti (54) was a south Indian cinema star when she began her political career with the BJP in 1997. She quit the BJP to join TRS during the Telangana movement and was elected to Lok Sabha in 2009. But she quit the TRS in 2014 and joined the Congress before the creation of the state. ENS

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## WHO VOTES, WHERE &amp; WHEN

Counting on Dec 16

88,26,620 electors registered to vote in 11,225 polling stations in the first phase. State Election Commission officials say

## 1ST PHASE OF VOTING,

in 6,911 wards, is to elect representatives for 395 local bodies 5 southern districts - Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Pathanamthitta, Alappuzha and Idukki - that go to the polls on Tuesday

## 2ND PHASE OF ELECTIONS

in Ernakulam, Kottayam, Thrissur, Palakkad and Wayanad on December 10

## 3RD PHASE POLLING

in Malappuram, Kozhikode, Kannur and Kasaragod districts on December 14

Source: State Election Commission; PTI

## CAMPAIGN FOCUS

■ Ruling CPI(M)-led Left Democratic Front focussed primarily on achievements of the Pinarayi Vijayan govt since 2016

■ Effective disbursement of social welfare pensions, steps taken to tackle coronavirus pandemic and implementation of various programmes through Kerala Infrastructure Investment Board (KIIFB)

■ Hi-tech school project

■ Opposition Cong-led UDF focussed on controversies related to the gold smuggling case, alleged corruption in the Life Mission project and allegations against the CM's office

■ Arrest, imprisonment of CPI(M) state secretary Kodyeri Balakrishnan's son Bineesh in a money laundering and drug case, and Balakrishnan's subsequent stepping aside from party post

■ Recent electoral victories in other states give confidence to BJP, which is yet to make a space in Kerala politics

## EXPLAINED

Welfare Party of India's Left stint

JAMAAT-E-ISLAMI and its political wing were supporting LDF until the 2019 Lok Sabha elections. In its debut in Kerala local body elections in 2015, the party had supported the LDF in several local bodies, and ruled a few as part of the CPI(M)-led coalition. Even in West Bengal and Tamil Nadu, WPI state president Hameed Vaniyambalam points out, the party is with CPI(M).

WPI state president Hameed Vaniyambalam countered, saying that his party has formed electoral understanding with UDF in many local bodies "to strengthen the secular side at the national level",

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## BRIEFLY



Was diagnosed with Covid-19 earlier

### MAHARASHTRA Actor Divya Bhatnagar dies of cardiac arrest

Mumbai: TV actor Divya Bhatnagar of *Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai* fame, who had been diagnosed with Covid-19, died early on Monday at a hospital here following a cardiac arrest, family sources said. She was 36. The actor was admitted to Seven Hills hospital recently. "She died after a cardiac arrest. She was admitted to hospital for about seven-eight days ago," a family member said. Several TV actors took to social media to mourn Bhatnagar's death. Her co-star Ridhiima Tiwari from *Sasural Genda Phool* said despite going through several problems, Bhatnagar always appeared positive and smiling. **PTI**

### CHHATTISGARH 4 minors among 8 held for raping class 9 student

Balrampur: Eight people, including four minor boys, have been nabbed by police after a 15-year-old girl lodged an FIR of rape against them in Balrampur district, a senior officer said on Monday. They allegedly sexually assaulted the girl during the past 15 days in Gandhi Nagar area of the neighbouring Surguja district. The parents of the victim, a student of Class 9, had lodged a missing persons' complaint on November 30, saying that she was missing since November 20. The girl returned home on December 5. **PTI**

### J&K Minor sisters from PoK repatriated

Jammu: Army troops on Monday repatriated two minor sisters from Pakistan-occupied Kashmir, who were detained after they inadvertently crossed the Line of Control (LoC) into Jammu and Kashmir's Poonch district. Laiba Zabair (17) and Sana Zabair (13), residents of village Abbasspur in Forward Kahuta tehsil, had entered Poonch on Sunday morning. Both of them were repatriated from Chakan Da Bagh crossing point in Poonch, said Army PRO Lt Colonel Devender Anand. **ENS**

### GUJARAT 19 mild quakes recorded in Gir Somnath

Ahmedabad: As many as 19 earthquakes of magnitudes in the range of 1.7 to 3.3 were experienced in Gir Somnath district from the wee hours of Monday till morning, officials said. There was no report of any casualty or loss of property, they said. A senior official at the Gandhinagar-based Institute of Seismological Research (ISR) called the phenomena as "moon-son-induced seismicity," generally experienced in a few areas of Saurashtra region after two-three months of heavy rainfall. **PTI**

## With data from UK and India, Covishield and Covaxin go to regulator

Serum Institute, Bharat Biotech seek emergency authorisation

PRABHA RAGHAVAN & ANURADHA MASCARENHAS  
NEW DELHI, PUNE, DECEMBER 7

IN ITS application for emergency use approval, Hyderabad-headquartered Bharat Biotech has included interim data from early-to mid-stage human trials of its vaccine candidate Covaxin, sources said.

Bharat Biotech submitted its application to the drug regulator late on Monday evening, the sources said, becoming the third company after American pharma giant Pfizer and Pune-based Serum Institute of India (SII) to seek emergency use authorisation for its Covid-19 vaccine candidate.

"This (Bharat Biotech's) is an application (under the category of) issue of permission to either import, manufacture a drug or for grant of clinical trial NOC (no-object certificate)," a person close to the development told *The Indian Express*.

Separately, a different set of sources told *The Indian Express* that SII had completed the application process for its candidate Covishield – a variant of the University of Oxford-AstraZeneca candidate that SII is manufacturing and testing under licence in India – on Saturday. SII submitted efficacy data from the late stage human trials of the AZD1222 vaccine candidate in the United

Kingdom, and safety data from the trials of the candidate that are ongoing in India.

Senior officials at the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), the country's top biomedical research body, said that a candidate intended for use in India must submit data from clinical trials conducted in India. However, the authorisation committee of experts, while considering the Indian data, can also draw conclusions based on data from international trials. Approval can be granted given the extraordinary emergency in the country, experts told *The Indian Express*.

The source close to the Bharat Biotech development said India does not have specific regulations or permissions for emergency use authorisation (EUA) – and therefore, the portal under which these submissions are made – SUGAM – does not have an EUA category. This means that firms have to seek regular market authorisation, and a subject expert committee looking into the application may decide to allow speedy access to the vaccine with certain restrictions.

This was also the case for the requests made by Pfizer and SII when they approached the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO), according to a senior government official.

"As promised, before the end of 2020, @SerumInstIndia has applied for emergency use authorisation for the first made-in-

India vaccine, COVISHIELD," SII CEO Adar Poonawalla posted on Twitter on Monday. "This will save countless lives, and I thank the Government of India and Sri @narendramodi ji for their invaluable support."

While it is unclear how effectively Covaxin will bring down the number of symptomatic Covid-19 cases – given that its efficacy information is yet to be released – it is likely that SII's EUA request for Covishield may give India early access to a vaccine with an efficacy of a little over 60 per cent. By comparison, Pfizer's vaccine may provide over 90 per cent reduction in the number of symptomatic Covid-19 cases, trial data suggest.

Preliminary findings of AZD1222, on which Covishield is based, showed the candidate provided around 90 per cent efficacy if given in a two-dose regimen where the first dose was around half the strength of the second dose. A senior government official privy to SII's application to CDSCO said the firm has so far only sought marketing approval for the regimen where both shots of the vaccine were full doses – a regimen that had yielded only around 62 per cent efficacy.

Bharat Biotech, which is currently conducting phase 3 trials on over 25,000 participants across the country, is expected to complete the process by February, according to a person privy to progress in the vaccine's testing.

## CDSCO expert panel to review Covid-19 vaccine applications tomorrow

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

AN EXPERT committee of the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) will meet on Wednesday to review applications of Pfizer, Serum Institute of India and Bharat Biotech seeking emergency use authorisation for their COVID-19 vaccine candidates, official sources said on Monday night.

The decision was taken late on Monday evening after the Hyderabad-based Bharat Biotech became the third pharmaceutical firm to apply to the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) for emergency use authorisation for its indigenously developed Covid-19 vaccine Covaxin.

The Indian arm of US pharmaceutical giant Pfizer had on December 4 sought approval for its vaccine from the central drug regulator, after the firm secured such clearance in the UK and Bahrain.

The Pune-based Serum Institute of India sought such a nod for the Oxford Covid-19 vaccine, Covishield, on December 6. "DCGI has already started processing the applications. The subject expert committee on Covid-19 at CDSCO will deliberate on the applications by Pfizer, Serum Institute of India and Bharat Biotech seeking emergency use authorisation for their Covid-19 vaccines on December 9," a source said.

At an all-party meeting on December 4, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had expressed hope that a Covid-19 vaccine may be ready in a few weeks.

## TRACKING INDIA'S COVID CURVE

280 DAYS SINCE PANDEMIC BEGAN  
CASES: 96,77,203  
ACTIVE CASES: 3,96,729  
DEATHS: 1,40,573  
TESTS: 14,77,87,656 | RECOVERIES: 91,39,901

DEC 6 CASES 32,981 DEATHS 391 RECOVERIES 39,109 TESTS 8,01,081



### STATES WITH RISING ACTIVE CASES

	ACTIVE CASES	RISE IN LAST WEEK
Karnataka	25,381	878
Uttarakhand	6,078	435
Assam	3,555	202

### STATES WHERE ACTIVE CASES ARE DECLINING

	ACTIVE CASES	DECLINE IN LAST WEEK
Maharashtra	80,079	10,918
Delhi	24,693	10,398
Rajasthan	22,427	6,331

### STATES REPORTING MAXIMUM CASES

	ON DEC 6	TOTAL
Kerala	4,777	6,36,393
Maharashtra	4,757	18,52,266
West Bengal	3,143	5,02,840

### STATES REPORTING MAXIMUM DEATHS

	ON DEC 6	TOTAL
Delhi	69	9,643
West Bengal	46	8,723
Maharashtra	41	48,817

Data as on December 6, released by Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Indian Council of Medical Research and state governments. Often, the numbers released every day contain data from previous days as well. As such, trends based on daily numbers are only indicative and not definitive.

## Jha's *The City and the Sea* wins Tagore Literary Prize

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

THE RABINDRANATH Tagore Literary Prize 2020 was awarded on Monday to *The City and the Sea*, a novel written by Raj Kamal Jha, chief editor of *The Indian Express*.

*The City and the Sea* (Penguin Random House) takes off from an incident of horrific sexual assault and murder in New Delhi on this starting point of the factual framework, Raj Kamal Jha takes a leap of imagination and twines a story of love and loss around the bond between a mother and a child that breaks away into realms of phantasmagoria and supernatural where suffering becomes multidimensional," said the citation by members of the jury led by its literary director, Maja Marunovic.

"Genuinely concerned with present day afflictions, this novel is a lament of the flawed society, evocation to all who perished in violation of their fundamental rights, but also a ray of hope for a different humankind, awake to our intrinsic unity, even in sorrow," it said.

On receiving the award, Jha said, "Introducing Tagore's *Gitanjali*, WB Yeats talked about how the poet's work took the 'immeasurably strange', and moved us, not because of its strangeness but because we met in it our own image, heard in it

our own voice. There couldn't be a more powerful imperative of storytelling today than this humanism – this is what the Tagore Prize celebrates and it's a privilege to be the finalist of its extraordinary finalists."

They included Amitav Ghosh's *Gun Island*, Nirmala Govindarajan's *Taboo*, Ranjit Hoskote's *Jonahwhale*, Sachin Kundalkar's *Cobalt Blue*, translated from Marathi into English by Jerry Pinto, Varun Thomas Mathew's *The Black Dwarves of the Good Little Bay*, Sonnet Mondal's *Karnic Chanting*, Rochelle Potkar's *Paper Asylum*, Bijoya Sawian's *Shadow Men*, and Sudeep Sen's *EroText*.

Due to the pandemic, the announcement of the award, that carries a prize money of \$5,000 and a Tagore statuette, was made in Copenhagen, Denmark.

This year's Tagore Prize for Social Achievement was conferred on His Majesty Sultan Qaboos bin Said Al Said, the late Sultan of Oman, and the people of Oman and Indian dancer-choreographer, Sandip Soparrkar.

Congratulating the awardees, chair of the awarding committee and founder of the Prize, US-based publisher Peter Bundalo, said, "This year has been challenging in many ways for the entire world. The spirit of humanity, compassion, empathy will lead us to a new year and hopefully, we shall all meet in New Delhi in-person for the next award ceremony..."

## MAHARASHTRA PANEL SET UP TO LOOK AT ISSUES AFFECTING OBCs OBC ministers want caste-based survey, proportionate budget outlay

SANDEEP ASHAR  
MUMBAI, DECEMBER 7

THE MINISTERIAL sub-committee set up by Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray to look in issues affecting OBCs, on Monday sought a caste-based survey to determine budgetary allocations depending on population, resumption of government recruitment process and special concessions for OBCs, Vimukt Jati and Nomadic Tribes (VJNT) and Special Backward Classes (SBC) on the lines of those extended to the Marathas. A delegation of ministers, who



NCP's Chhagan Bhujbal headed the panel

were a part of the sub-committee, Monday visited Thackeray's official residence in Mumbai with a list of 22 demands.

Ever since the Supreme Court stayed Maratha reservation in jobs and education on September 9, caste tensions have flared up in the state.

On October 16, Thackeray had appointed the committee

for recommending additional welfare measures for the OBCs after announcing special concessions to the Marathas.

The committee, in its seven-page report, called for the "immediate resumption" of recruitment process.

While an OBC census count was last carried out in 1931, the panel asked the CM to write to the Centre to recommence it. Backing the demand for a population-based budget allocation, the report demanded a 67 per cent hike in OBC, VJNT, SBC department's budget, arguing that the current allocation of Rs 3,000 crore was woefully inadequate.

## In first complaint to Lokayukta, Odisha CM refers case against expelled BJD MLA

AISHWARYA MOHANTY  
BHUBANESWAR, DECEMBER 7

IN THE first corruption complaint referred by the Odisha government to the Lokayukta after its creation last year, Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik has forwarded the allegation against Gopalpur MLA Pradeep Panigrahy for investigation, the Chief Minister's Office said in a statement.

Panigrahy was arrested on December 3 for alleged involve-



Pradeep Panigrahy

ment in a job scam.

He was expelled from BJD days after the state Vigilance Department arrested senior Forest Service officer Abhay Pathak and his son Akash for allegedly amassing assets dispro-

portionate to their income. Panigrahy's daughter was set to marry Akash this month, who was under probe for impersonating a Tata Motors executive and allegedly cheating people.

Opposition Congress and BJP have also demanded Panigrahy's expulsion from the Assembly. In a letter to the CM, Congress workers urged him to write to the Assembly Speaker for revoking his membership of the House on the grounds that Panigrahy has lost credibility after his arrest.

## Need to create molecular profiles of all cancers in India: Harsh Vardhan

Pune: Health Minister Harsh Vardhan said it was important to create indigenous, open-source, comprehensive database of molecular profiles of all cancers prevalent in India. Addressing an

international gathering, the minister said, "Diverse molecular mechanisms... contribute to cancer... hence it is necessary to better understand the underlying factors – patient by patient." **ENS**

## BJP state in-charge visit gives BSY little clarity on cabinet expansion

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
BENGALURU, DECEMBER 7

A THREE-DAY visit to Karnataka by Arun Singh, the new BJP in-charge for the state, over the weekend to review the status of the party and development under the BJP government has not provided Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa much clarity on his efforts to expand the cabinet.

Singh has reportedly told Yediyurappa to carry out the cabinet expansion in consultation with the party's central leadership.

Last month, Yediyurappa visited Delhi to meet the BJP central leadership on the cabinet expansion issue, but was reportedly advised to consult the new party in-charge for the state. Yediyurappa is keen to expand

the cabinet to fill seven vacancies by appointing many loyalists, including former Congress and JDS legislators who defected to the BJP in 2019, toppling the Congress-JDS government and enabling the BJP to come to power.

The cabinet currently has 10 rebel MLAs. The chief minister backing the rebel MLAs who helped him come to power has been a cause of heartburn among several senior BJP leaders and long-term MLAs.

During his visit, Singh held consultations with state party president Nalin Kumar Kateel and members of the state party executive in Belgaum and Bengaluru for building the party structure in the state on a "pro-development and pro-people platform" instead of "dynastic politics and individualism", according to BJP sources.



BJP Karnataka in-charge Arun Singh and CM B S Yediyurappa

One of the messages that emerged was that the party is not going to replace Yediyurappa as Chief Minister as of now. There has been speculation of the possibility of the BJP replacing him on account of his age – he is 77 – and corruption charges surrounding his family.

During his visit, Singh is learnt to have received complaints from BJP MLAs on



Yediyurappa's "unilateral functioning".

The BJP in-charge was informed by a key functionary that the Chief Minister did not consult the party while making appointments to boards and corporations and that he appointed people considered to be his loyalists, sources said.

Singh, who had a lunch meeting with Yediyurappa on

December 5, is learnt to have told him to take decisions in consultations with the state party unit.

According to BJP observers in Karnataka, Yediyurappa and the central leadership are currently assessing each other's strength. "The BJP high command is very strong at present and they are assessing Yediyurappa and his support. Yediyurappa is trying to get into a position where he has full control of the government," a party source said.

After the BJP central leadership did not respond to his requests for clearing the cabinet expansion, Yediyurappa decided to get his cabinet to clear a move to recommend to the Centre the inclusion of the Lingayat community – to which he belongs – in the central OBC quota category. On the eve of the cabinet

meeting on November 27, Yediyurappa deferred the plan after Home Minister Amit Shah reportedly asked him to avoid making the move.

The move is believed to have been an attempt to warn the party leadership that he enjoys the support of the Lingayat community – a decisive caste block in Karnataka.

In 2012, Yediyurappa split with the BJP and formed Karnataka Janata Party after the BJP leadership pressured him into resigning as Chief Minister amid corruption charges. The move damaged the BJP's performance in the 2013 state polls.

"The situation is different from 2013. The central leadership is very strong now. It has a lot of firepower to control the situation – even cases that can be opened," a BJP source said.

## CSIR to hold human trials of drug that 'blocks transmission of virus in 24 hrs'

ANURADHA MASCARENHAS  
PUNE, DECEMBER 7

THE COUNCIL of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) on Monday said it will hold human clinical trials of antiviral drug Molnupiravir, which, according to a study published in *Nature Microbiology* shows that the re-purposed drug suppresses SARS-CoV2 (coronavirus) transmission within 24 hours.

After a meeting on Monday, CSIR director general Shekhar Mande told *The Indian Express*, "We will seek approval from the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) this week itself so that the process can be initiated of identifying hospital sites and patients recruitment."

The study, published by researchers at the Institute for Biomedical Sciences, Georgia State University, claims that a new antiviral drug has been designed which successfully suppresses the SARS-CoV-2 virus and inhibits transmission within 24 hours. According to the researchers, this is the first orally available drug to quickly block coronavirus.

Molnupiravir is being developed by the biotechnology firm Ridgeback Biotherapeutics in collaboration with pharmaceutical firm Merck. The drug can be taken orally and treatment can be started early for preventing the condition of the patient from becoming severe.

## Over 300 ill with unknown disease in Andhra's Eluru, Central team to probe

SREENIVAS JANYALA  
HYDERABAD, DECEMBER 7

THE MINISTRY of Health and Family Welfare is sending a Central team to Eluru in Andhra Pradesh's West Godavari district, where 340 people have fallen sick due to an unknown disease.

West Godavari District Collector R Muthyala Raju said, "Some of these people complained of seizures, anxiety, vomiting, and headache. So far, the illness has not spread from one to another person. People living in other areas, where Eluru Municipality does not supply drinking water, have also fallen ill."

Union Minister of State for Home Affairs G Kishan Reddy said the Central team, comprising Dr Jamsheed Nayar, Associate Professor (Emergency Medicine) at AIIMS, New Delhi; Dr Avinash Deostawar, virologist at NIV, Pune; and Dr Sanket Kulkarni, Deputy Director at National Centre for Disease Control, New Delhi, will reach Eluru Tuesday and try to find out the root causes for the illness.

## Body found near MiG-29K crash site, DNA test to confirm if it's missing pilot's

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, PANAJI, DECEMBER 7

ELEVEN DAYS after a naval MiG-29K trainer aircraft crashed in the Arabian Sea, the Navy Monday recovered the remains of a body close to the wreckage site. There is a high probability that it is pilot Commander Nishant Singh's body but it can be confirmed only after a DNA test, sources said.

"Mortal remains of a human body have been recovered in the vicinity of the wreckage site. The samples are being sent for DNA testing for confirmation of identity," the Navy said in a statement.

The twin-seater aircraft had taken off from INS Vikramaditya on November 26 with two pilots and had crashed off the Goa coast around 5 pm that evening. While one of the pilots was rescued, the search for the second pilot had been continuing.

The Navy also kept its fast-interceptor craft engaged in search across waters along the coast.

ELGAAR PARISHAD CASE

# Navlakha says glasses stolen; replacement sent through post not allowed inside jail

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE MUMBAI, NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7



Gautam Navlakha

ARRESTED IN the Elgaar Parishad case, activist Gautam Navlakha, who has been lodged at Taloja Central Jail in Navi Mumbai for the last eight months, has said that his spectacles were stolen last month and the prison authorities have refused to accept a parcel that had arrived by post containing his new glasses. In a recent communication with his family, Navlakha has said that he is in "acute distress" and

unable to see. His partner, Sahba Husain, on Monday said that while she has got a new pair of glasses made and sent it to the jail, the prison authorities have refused to accept the parcel - sent from Delhi on December 3 - when it arrived by post. Navlakha will turn 69 on December 22. A statement issued by Husain

said that Navlakha's spectacles were stolen on November 27. It added that without his glasses, "he (Navlakha) is close to blind" and yet he was not permitted to call home for a replacement until three days later. "The jail authorities were informed that Gautam was almost blind without the spectacles and that a pair would be arriving any day and to ensure that the parcel is accepted and not returned. In spite of this, the jail refused to accept the parcel when it arrived by post," the statement said. "During the video call, I could see him squinting. I asked him

where his glasses were. He said they had been stolen three days earlier but he had been told to wait for his turn to call home," Husain told *The Indian Express*.

Jail authorities claimed that they had informed Husain that courier parcels will not be accepted and the spectacles could be sent physically through someone. "We have also offered to get the spectacles made here but received no response. There is a risk in allowing parcels inside the jail. We will accept them if they are delivered physically by someone known to him," a jail official said.

TOP COURT REFUSES TO QUASH FIRs AGAINST JOURNALIST AMISH DEVGAN

# SC: Historical truths must be depicted without encouraging hatred or enmity

ANANTHAKRISHNAN G NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

"HISTORICAL TRUTHS must be depicted without in any way disclosing or encouraging hatred or enmity between different classes or communities," the Supreme Court said on Tuesday in the context of discussing the limits of free speech, and what may tantamount to hate speech, while refusing to quash FIRs against senior TV journalist Amish Devgan. The FIRs were filed against

Devgan for alleged remarks on Khwaja Moinuddin Chishti in a news show he had anchored. A bench of Justices A M Khanwilkar and Sanjeev Khanna, however, granted Devgan interim protection from arrest subject to his joining investigation. It also clubbed all FIRs against him in different states and transferred them to Ajmer, where the first FIR in this connection was lodged. The court asked Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan governments to assess threat perception to the petitioner and his family members, and take appropriate steps, as

may be necessary. Elaborating on the point about truth or true facts being a defence in cases of free speech, Justice Khanna, writing for the bench, cited the top court's 1970 ruling in *K A Abbas vs Union of India*, which was about censorship. The order said that there is no bar in showing carnage or bloodshed which have historical value, and depiction of such scenes as the ransack of Delhi by Nadir Shah may be permissible, if handled delicately as apart of an artistic portrayal of confrontation with Mohammed Shah Rangila. "The likelihood must be judged from healthy and reasonable standard, thereby accepting the position that historical truth may be a relevant and important factor. However, historical truth must be depicted without in any way disclosing or encouraging hatred or enmity between different classes or communities," the order stated. The court, which cited writ-

ings of western academics on what constitutes hate speech, said that according to these, "Speech should have no redeeming purpose, which means that 'the speech primarily carries no meaning other than hatred towards a particular group'. This is necessarily subjective and requires examination of good faith and good motives on the part of the speaker". The court also said "political speech relating to government policies requires greater protection for preservation and promotion of democracy". The bench held, "Dissent and criticism of the elected government's policy, when pious, deceptive or even false would be ethically wrong, but would not invite penal action... Government should be left out from adjudicating what is true or false, good or bad, valid or invalid as these aspects should be left for open discussion in public domain."

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The Executive Engineer, PWD(R&B) LTV Division, Manu, Dhalai, invites on behalf of the 'Governor of Tripura' percentage rate e-tender from the Central & State public sector/ undertaking/enterprise and eligible Bidders/ Firms/Agencies of appropriate class registered with PWD/TTAAD/CES/CPWD/Railway/Other State PWD up to 3.00 P.M. on 24.12.2020 for the following work-  
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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male named Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown was found Unconscious condition on 19.09.2013 Near gate no. 1, PGI gate, Lady Harding Medical College, New Delhi. He was admitted in LHMC Hospital vide MLC No. E-41839/13. Doctor declared him dead during treatment. In this regard DD No. 9A, dated 19.09.2013 has been lodged at Police Station, Mandir Marg, New Delhi. Dead Body has been preserved in LHMC Hospital Mortuary, for 72 hrs for Identification. Identification of unidentified dead body of male is as under:

Name: Unknown, Age: About 35 Years, Height: 5'7", Complexion: Shallow, Face: Round, Built: Normal, Hair: Black, Wearing: White Shirt and Pant.  
If anyone have any information or clue about this male deceased may kindly be inform undersigned.

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Tender Notice No MCFRBL/Mechanized cleaning\_Mech/2020-21 & 2021-22/C-457 Dated: 02.12.2020 On behalf of the President of India, Dy. Chief M&MS & Housekeeping, Modern Coach Factory, Raebareilly is inviting open tender based on two packet systems i.e. Technical Bid & Financial Bid in prescribed tender format from capable bidders through IREPS portal [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) for the under mentioned work. Description of Work Contract for industrial waste / scrap segregation, collection, removal, mechanized cleaning and other scheduled work of MCF as per scope of work for 02 years (i.e. 600 working days) as per scope of work. Approx. Value (₹) Rs. 13,27,81,832 EMD (₹) Rs. 5,13,500.00 Cost of Tender document - ₹. 10,000.00 only Quantity of Work- 600 Working Days. Completion period of Work- 600 Working Days. Period of Submission of tender document- From 10.12.2020 to 24.12.2020 Date & time of closing of Tender- 24.12.2020 at 15:00 hrs. Date & time of opening of Tender- 24.12.2020 at 15:15 hrs. Detailed Tender Notice, Eligibility criteria, Terms & conditions are available at IREPS website [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) in tender document. Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer (Shel). MCFRBL through IREPS portal [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) invited by Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer (Shel). MCFRBL through IREPS portal [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) on behalf of president of India for the following work: Description of Work Fitment and Working of Ventral arrangement on shells as per scope of work Approx. Value (₹) 33,81,20,000 EMD (₹) 56,000.00 Cost of Tender document - ₹. 3,000.00 only Quantity of Work- 1500 Shell. Completion period of Work- 12 Months or earlier. Period of Submission of tender document- From 14.12.2020 to 25.12.2020. Date & time of closing of Tender- 25.12.2020 at 15:00 hrs. Date & time of opening of Tender- 26.12.2020 at 15:15 hrs. Detailed Tender Notice, Eligibility criteria, Terms & conditions are available at IREPS website [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) in tender document. Dy. Chief Mechanical Engineer (Shel).  
EA Notice No. 04/EA/2020-21 Date: 04.12.2020  
e-AUCTION NOTICE NO -54  
Modern Coach Factory Raebareilly, Lalgarh, will be conducting e-auction for disposal of scrap materials (Scrap of EN Steel, Scrap of Corten steel, Scrap Austenitic Steel, Scrap of Ferritic Steel, Skelton of different shape & size and Misc. other ferrous scrap & non ferrous scrap etc.) Through the website [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) at 11.00AM. e-AUCTION DATES FROM January-2021 to February-2021  
Month January February  
Date 15.22&29 12.19&26  
The intending purchasers may inspect the scrap materials before the auction during the working hours. To participate in e-Auction, purchasers need to get themselves registered with IREPS e-auction module. For further details regarding Registration, Payment of Earnest Money and participation in the e-Auction for the above item, Dy. Chief Materials Manager/Scrap Depot, Modern Coach Factory, Raebareilly, Lalgarh-229120 may be contacted. For PCMM Office  
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**MAHARASHTRA STATE WAREHOUSING CORPORATION**  
583/B, MARKET YARD, GULTEKADI, PUNE-411037  
Phone 020-24206800 / 827 / 850 Web site: [www.mswarehousing.com](http://www.mswarehousing.com)  
TENDER NOTICE 16 FOR 2020-2021 (Electronic tendering system only)  
Sealed Expression of Interest (EOI) are invited from experienced & registered Architect firms & Interior designers Details as below.  
Sd/-  
Supervisor,  
Associated Group of Hospitals,  
Jodhpur.  
DIPRC/9369/2020

**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
1st CORRIGENDUM  
With reference to this office tender notice of even no. dated 01.12.2020 issued for the work of "Hiring of full body Truck (Carrying capacity-9T) at Coach Care Centre, Delhi Sarai Rohilla for two years, following changes have been made in the Tender Notice:-  
S.No. Existing Revised  
1. Period of online sale of Tender Documents Dt. 08/12/2020 to 22/12/2020 upto 14.00 hrs  
2. Prebid Meeting for above all works Nil  
3. Period of online submission of tender Dt. 22/12/2020 at 17.00 hrs  
4. Date of online Tender Opening Dt. 24/12/2020 (if possible) at 10.00 am  
News Paper- Sakal (All Edition), The Indian Express (All Edition), The New Indian Express (Chennai)  
1. Bidding documents can be seen and downloaded from the website: <http://www.nwrailways.com>  
2. Right to Reject any of all tenders without assigning any reason is reserved.  
Chairman and Managing Director  
Other terms and conditions will remain same.  
No. 197-S/185/Hiring-Truck/DEE/20/MC-IV Date : 04.12.2020 2727/2020  
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**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE  
No. 128-W/260/Tender Notice/NIT 38-W-IV/20-21 Date: 07.12.2020  
The Sr. Divisional Engineer-IV, Northern Railway, Delhi Division for and on behalf of President of India invites E-Tender on prescribed form for the following work  
Invitation of tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems)  
1 Name of work with its location Merging of L-Xing No. 52 with 53 to eliminate L-xing no. 52 at km 62/19-21 on DL-BTI section in the section of SSE/WBZG under ADEN/ROK.  
2 Approx. cost of work. Rs. 89,85,867.25  
3 Earnest money. Rs. 1,79,700.00  
4 Date and Time of submission of tender and opening of tender. Bidding Start date for work no. Up to 15:00 hrs. on 15.12.2020 opening of e-Tender at 15:00 hrs. on 29.12.2020.  
5 Website particulars, published e-tender, notice location etc. complete details of tender can be seen and web site where the tender form can be downloaded [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in)  
2728/20  
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**Notice Inviting e-Tender**  
No. SSA/Estt/EPB-V/356/2020/3219 Date : 05.12.2020  
Mission Director, Axom Sarba Siksha Abhijan Mission, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19, Assam (Samagra Siksha) invites tender through e-Tendering process from reputed exercise book manufacturers for the supply of Evaluation and Practice Books for class -VI (Single Line and Plain).  
To participate in this tender process through e-procurement document, bidder should have valid Digital Signature Certificate and have to register in the portal <https://assamtenders.gov.in> by themselves. The Bidder who have downloaded the tender schedules containing the tender details, terms and conditions, from the website shall submit their tender on-line on the website <https://assamtenders.gov.in>, with proof of payment of non refundable tender fee of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees five thousand) only in the form of demand draft/Bankers Cheque drawn in favour of Mission Director, Axom Sarba Siksha Abhijan Mission, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19, Assam, from any nationalized/scheduled Bank and payable at Guwahati. The tender should be submitted on-line as per date and time of submission as per prescribed schedule.  
Sd/- Executive Director,  
SSA, Assam  
Kahilipara, Guwahati-19  
Jarakajy No ICRC067120

**कार्यालय अधिष्ठाता**  
**शासकीय चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय,**  
**अम्बिकापुर, सरगुजा (छ.ग.)**  
Phone No. 07774-297800 Email:-[deanmedicalcollegesurguja@gmail.com](mailto:deanmedicalcollegesurguja@gmail.com)  
क्रमांक: 5188/क्रय/शाचिम्/2020 अम्बिकापुर, दिनांक: 05/12/2020

**निविदा**  
शासकीय चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय, अम्बिकापुर, सरगुजा (छ.ग.) की ओर से पुस्तक एवं नियतकालिक पत्रिकाएँ (शोध, पत्रिका) के प्रकाशक अथवा उनके अधिकृत विक्रेताओं से पुस्तक एवं नियतकालिक पत्रिकाएँ (शोध पत्रिका) प्रदान करने हेतु मुहरबंद निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है। निविदा की शर्तें, निविदा प्रपत्र एवं अन्य दस्तावेजों के संबंध में विस्तृत विवरण हेतु शासकीय चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय अम्बिकापुर, सरगुजा छ.ग. के वेबसाईट <http://www.gmcambikapur.co.in/> में अवलोकन एवं डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है।  
निविदा प्रपत्र जमा करने की तिथि - 08/01/2021 समय दोपहर 3 बजे तक।  
निविदा प्रपत्र खोलने की तिथि - 08/01/2021 समय- संध्या 4 बजे।  
निविदा प्रपत्र खोलने का स्थान - शासकीय चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय, अम्बिकापुर, सरगुजा (छ.ग.)  
हस्ता/-  
अधिष्ठाता  
शासकीय चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय  
अम्बिकापुर, सरगुजा (छ.ग.)  
85445

**SPECIAL BRANCH**  
**POLICE HEADQUARTER, M.P., BHOPAL**  
NO. SB/Store/2020-25(511), Bhopal, Dated 01.12.2020  
"ONLINE E-TENDER NOTICE"  
e-Tender are invited by Assistant Inspector General of Police, Special Branch (G) M.P., Bhopal on behalf of DGP MP Bhopal for the following item on website <https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app>:-  
S. No. Name of Item(s) Qty. Tender Fees (Rs.) EMD (Rs.) Tender No.  
Paid Online Through [mptender.gov.in](http://mptender.gov.in)  
1. Drone (UAV) 20 5,000/- 1,00,000/- 1st Tender  
2. High End Server 2 2,000/- 35,000/- 1st Tender  
3. Automatic Thermal Body Temperature System 3 2,000/- 45,000/- 1st Tender  
4. Drone /RPAS (Remotely Piloted Aircraft System) 1 2,000/- 40,000/- 1st Tender  
5. Night Vision Device 20 10,000/- 2,00,000/- 2nd Tender  
6. Social Media Labs 8 15,000/- 7,00,000/- 2nd Tender  
7. Thermal Camera 12 5,000/- 60,000/- 2nd Tender  
8. 4K Ultra Handy cam Video Camera 5 2,000/- 14,000/- 2nd Tender  
9. Mobile Digital Evidence Extraction and Analyzing Tool Kit 1 2,000/- 50,000/- 3rd Tender  
10. Server Monitoring & Access Control Solution 1 5,000/- 1,25,000/- 3rd Tender  
1. Cost of tender document (Tender Fee) is non refundable and cannot be exempted in any condition & must submit online through website <https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app>.  
2. Tender document can be download from the website of MP Police ([www.mp.police.gov.in](http://www.mp.police.gov.in))  
3. Bids shall be submitted online only at MP Tenders website: <https://mptenders.gov.in/nicgep/app>  
4. Tender Schedule:  
No. Tender Activity Date & Time  
i Submission of written queries- through e-mail: [sec24-sb@mp.police.gov.in](mailto:sec24-sb@mp.police.gov.in) 08.12.2020 up to 1700 hrs.  
ii Pre Bid Meeting along with written queries 09-10/12/2020 at 1200 hrs.  
iii Bid Submission Start Date 17/12/2020 at 1000 hrs.  
iv Last date of online e-Tender submission 23/12/2020 up to 1700 hrs.  
v Bid will be opened on 24/12/2020 up to 1700 hrs.  
vi Demonstration from 29, 30, 31/12/2020 at 1200 hrs.  
Sd/-  
A.I.G. of Police  
Special Branch (G) M.P. Bhopal  
Tel. No. 0755-2443654  
G-16161/20  
दो गज की दूरी, मास्क है जरूरी, जब तक कोरोना की दवाई नहीं, तब तक हिलाई नहीं।

**GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA**  
Executive Engineer, Central Mumbai Electrical Division, P.W.D., Sawali Building Ganpat Jadhav Marg, Worli, Mumbai-400 018. e-mail : [ee@centralmumbai.ee@mahapwd.com](mailto:ee@centralmumbai.ee@mahapwd.com) Tel. No. : 022-24924349  
Short E-Tender Notice No. 10/2020-21  
ONLINE Percentage rates tenders in "B-1" form are invited by the Executive Engineer, Central Mumbai Electrical Division, P.W.D., Worli, Mumbai for the following work from Electrical Licence Holder Contractor. B-1 e-Tender document can be downloaded from the e-Tendering portal of P.W.D., Government of Maharashtra <http://mahatenders.gov.in>, The Executive Engineer, CMED, Worli, Mumbai reserves right to accept or reject any tender. The conditional tender will not be accepted.  
Sr.No. Name of work Tender Amount  
1 Est. No. 9029/2020-21 Providing replacement of Lift No. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 (13 Passengers) with 10 Passenger Lift G+9 floors damaged in fire occurred on 17th February 2020 at GST Bhavan Building, Mazgaon, Mumbai. Rs. 28513930/-  
1. Contractor should quote price excluding G.S.T. G.S.T. upto 12% will be paid Extra.  
2. Download/ Sale Period : Date 09.12.2020 to 23.12.2020 up to 05.30 pm.  
3. Pre-Bid Meeting Date : 15.12.2020 at office of The Chief Engineer (Electrical) PWD Mumbai.  
4. Bid Opening Date : 28.12.2020 after 11.00 am. Superintending Engineer (Electrical) Pune Regional Elect. Circle P.W.D. Pune.  
5. All information about E-Tender is available on following web site <http://mahatenders.gov.in>  
6. If there will be change in E-Tender Notice, it will be informed on above web site and on Notice Board.  
Sd/-  
Executive Engineer  
Central Mumbai Electrical Division  
P.W.D. Worli, Mumbai  
EE/CMED/TC/ 2020  
Date :  
DGIPR/2020-2021-C-1397

**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
Tender Notice  
No.: CIID/DLI/Stacking/Tender/2018 Date: 07.12.2020  
The Senior Divisional Commercial Manager/Freight, Northern Railway, New Delhi invites E-tender for the contract of Management of Stacking of Parcels at Delhi Junction Railway Station (PF 20 outward Parcel Godown and Machchi Godown) for three years. The details are as under:  
Tender Opening Date: 08/01/2021  
S. no. Station Name Station category Type of work Total Area (In sq. Mtr) Advertised Value/Reserve price for one (1) Year (In Rs.) Total Reserve price for Three (3) years (In Rs.) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (In Rs.) Tender cost including GST @ 18% (in Rs.) Tender No.  
Delhi Junction Railway Station (PF 20 outward Parcel Godown and Machchi Godown) A-1 Management of Stacking of Parcels at Delhi Junction Railway Station (PF 20 outward Parcel Godown and Machchi Godown) 2909.02 2,03,77,686 6,11,33,058 12,22,700 11,800 CIID-Stacking-DLI-PF20-Dec20  
Interested bidders may please visit official website for E-tendering i.e. [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) for further details and submitting the tender.  
Important Notes:  
1. Bidders who wish to participate in the e-tendering will have to procure class-3 valid Digital Security Certificate (DSC) as per Information Technology Act, 2000. Bidders can procure this certificate from any of the certifying authority of Controller of Certifying Authorities (CCA), Government of India. Details of certifying authorities can be obtained from [www.cca.gov.in](http://www.cca.gov.in).  
2. The bidder has to register (if not registered earlier) with [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) using DSC to participate in tender process. Detailed procedure for registration, system requirements and bidding are also available on [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in). 2730/2020  
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# Alwar: 3 booked for slaughtering bull for slaughter, 4 for assault

DEEP MUKHERJEE JAIPUR, DECEMBER 7

A 26-YEAR-OLD man who was allegedly transporting a bull was assaulted by a mob in Rajasthan's Alwar district, police officers said. According to the police, the man, identified as Hansar (26), has said in his statement that he and two others wanted to sell the bull for slaughter. Police have booked Hansar and two others under sections 5, 8, 9 of the Rajasthan Bovine Animal (Prohibition of Slaughter and Regulation of Temporary Migration or Export) Act, 1995, said the officers.

The police said an FIR has also been registered in connection with the assault after videos of the incident went viral. "We received information on Saturday that three people were transporting a bull for the purpose of slaughter. When we reached the spot, two of them escaped while one person was caught by villagers who handed him over to the police. During questioning, he said the three of them were taking the bull away to sell it for slaughter," said Dara Singh, SHO, Khairthal police station. "Hansar didn't tell us anything about being assaulted before the videos went viral. Family members of Hansar alleged that he was beaten up. After we verified the allegation, an FIR was lodged. Four people named in the FIR, who are seen in the videos, have been arrested under Section 151 of CrPC. They have been identified as Satnam Singh, Pratap Singh, Harpal Singh and Pappu Ram. Hansar's condition is fine," he said.

The SHO said those booked for allegedly assaulting Hansar have been charged under IPC sections 323 (punishment for voluntarily causing hurt), 341 (wrongful restraint), 342 (wrongful confinement) and 143 (unlawful assembly).

# Study: Growing influence of monsoon in Ladakh-Karakoram

ANJALI MARAR PUNE, DECEMBER 7

The Ladakh-Karakoram region has seen an increase in recurrent flash floods in recent centuries which have been triggered by the growing influence of the Indian Summer Monsoon over the area, a study has found. The international research group reconstructed climate variability observed over the region during the last 4,000 years and have identified five major climatic shifts, all of which have influenced the flora and fauna of this Himalayan province. "Earlier, the region's precipitation was dominated mostly by western disturbances. In recent centuries, due to the strengthening of monsoon penetration over this trans-Himalayan region, monsoon became an additional source causing precipitation, here," Binita Phartiyal from Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeosciences, Lucknow, who is the lead author of the study, told *The Indian Express*.

Led by Phartiyal, along with scientists from Agharkar Research Institute (ARI), Pune and the Institute of Tibetan Plateau Research, Beijing, the study has identified the period when the monsoon influence started showing dominance over this cold desert. This has been earmarked sometime around 2,640 years Before Present (BP), the research suggests. The work included the study of physical, chemical and biological proxies collected from glacial lakes approximately 4,100 years old, with 168cm deep pits dug at various locations.

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## SIMPLY PUT QUESTION &amp; ANSWER

# In criticism & lawsuit, debate over coding for kids

As ambitious parents nudged by tech education companies push their children to start young with learning programming, critics raise red flags, the key contention being that it is being taught too early for some. Some of the questions being raised are part of an ongoing defamation case in Delhi High Court.

**AASHISH ARYAN & PRANAV MUKUL**  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

MUMBAI-BASED WhiteHat Jr has been in the news for the past several months over allegedly stifling free speech and misleading customers. In addition, the startup — which was acquired by education tech company Byju's earlier this year for \$300 million — has found itself in the centre of a debate on the right age for children to start learning to code.

## Why is learning to code a big deal?

At the turn of this century, when extremely affordable computers made their way into technical and engineering colleges across the country, India was able to produce a huge army of coders and programmers — essentially people who could create computer software.

As computing devices have taken over every aspect of life, the need for good programmers and coders has been increasing relentlessly — and calls to teach coding and programming to young students have got louder. In recent years, platforms and companies have started to claim that kids as young as those in elementary school must begin to learn coding.

## And how did the call to start teaching code to children in elementary school come about?

Since the advent of computers and the arrival of computer coding as the next big thing, leaders of technology companies around the world have pushed for coding to be included as a subject in middle or higher secondary school for students who may be interested to learn.

In 2018, Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates wrote in a blog post that everyone could benefit from learning the basics of computer science. According to Gates, coding, which he taught himself and fell in love with at the age of 13, led him to ask questions about how to achieve tasks, and find answers to questions. "The questions it teaches you to ask — How do you accomplish a task? Can you find a pattern? What data do you need? — are useful no matter where you go in life," Gates wrote.

Leaders of several other tech companies agreed. The idea, most said, was to make coding as simple and accessible as the "mother tongue" for young children. Gates subsequently named online classes such as Khan Academy and Code.org, which he said helped to break down the complexities of coding into simpler ideas.

## What do the critics of code-learning at an early age say?

The primary contention against learning to code at a very young age is that some age groups, which are being targeted by platforms, are being pushed into it even before they have mastered the mathematical and technological fundamentals.

A metaphor that is often used is that children are being made to ride a bicycle before they have even learnt to walk. Software engineer Pradeep Poonia, 30, a vocal critic who has become a prominent voice in the debate, says: "There's a reason why in mathematics addition is taught first, then subtraction, then multiplication, and then division. It is necessary to learn several elements of mathematics and logical thinking before one can code. [What many of the online platforms are doing these days] is like someone teaching you to draw a car under the pretext of making you learn how to build a car."

## Who teaches code-learning in India?

Enthusiastic entrepreneurs introduced online education technology platforms along the lines of Khan Academy and Code.org in India. Though their introduction went relatively unnoticed initially, several questions have since been raised around the methods

and marketing strategies adopted by many of these platforms.

One such platform, WhiteHat Jr especially, has been rocked by criticism — allegations against the company have included aggressive marketing bordering on unethical practices, harassment of teachers and young children, as well as of parents of kids enrolled in the online coding classes.

While WhiteHat Jr is the best known among platforms that teach coding to children, there are several others, including Coding Ninjas, Coding Blocks, Camp K12, Codermentor, etc.

## Why is WhiteHat Jr in the news?

WhiteHat Jr says it provides coding tutorials to children between the ages of 6 and 18, through using what it says are innovative methods to keep them engaged and interested.

The platform claims to have developed programming courses that allow "kids, teens, and young adults to learn how to code at all ages with proper coding classes".

Critics have, however, disputed the claims made in the advertisements run by WhiteHat Jr, and raised questions about claims that its students landed plush jobs at major software companies such as Google and Apple. The company's social media pol-

icy, as part of which it allegedly took down any posts that were critical of WhiteHat Jr's curriculum, teaching methodology, or its teachers, has also faced severe criticism.

After critics such as Poonia and angel investor Aniruddha Malpani posted negative reviews of the programming courses and teachers, WhiteHat Jr first approached social media platforms claiming alleged copyrights violations, and subsequently filed a defamation suit in Delhi High Court.

Poonia has claimed that 17 videos posted by him on YouTube, two YouTube channels run by him, two Reddit accounts, one Twitter handle, one Quora account, three LinkedIn articles, and one LinkedIn account have been temporarily or permanently taken down as a result of WhiteHat Jr's complaints to these platforms.

The company, for its part, has maintained that it is "under a deep targeted attack from an organised group, which included false allegations and unauthorised images and videos being posted". However, some WhiteHat Jr executives, including CEO Karan Bajaj himself, have conceded having made "mistakes".

"We've made mistakes while growing up. Our marketing campaigns were poorly designed, which we changed. Legitimate,

honest fact-based criticism is truly welcome..." Bajaj wrote in a post on the jobs portal LinkedIn.

## So what has happened in the High Court?

On November 24, the court directed Poonia to refrain from posting about WhiteHat Jr until the next date of hearing. The court also asked him not to download the instruction set or curriculum of WhiteHat Jr, and distribute it, as "the same causes financial loss" to the company.

Poonia has also been directed not to hack into or access any internal chats of the company, or to post company conversations on his YouTube channel. He must not, until the next date of hearing, make any comments on the number of teachers or the quality of teachers at WhiteHat Jr, or use the name WhiteHat Sr, a play on the company's name, for his YouTube channel.

Following the Delhi High Court order, Poonia has taken down all the tweets and videos that were critical of WhiteHat Jr. As of date, his account on Twitter stands suspended, which has once again inflamed all over again the debate on the social media company's handling of complaints by companies against individuals.

Ganesh Raghunathan, National Conservation Foundation



Clockwise from above left: A macaque crosses a canopy bridge in a rainforest on Valparai plateau in Anamalai Hills, Tamil Nadu; the new eco-bridge built for reptiles in Ramnagar, Uttarakhand; and a Royal Bengal tiger uses one of several underpasses along National Highway 44.

Chandra Sekhar Joshi, Ramnagar Divisional Forest Officer



Bilal Habib, WII-NITCA road project



## CORONAVIRUS DASHBOARD

# For the first time since July, active cases below 4 lakh

MORE THAN two months of sustained decline in daily detection of new cases of coronavirus infection has meant that there are less than 4 lakh active cases of the disease now, a level that was last seen as far back as July. As on Sunday, there were 3.96 lakh known active cases in the country, down from the peak of 10.17 lakh reached in the third week of September.

It's now exactly one month since the last time more than 50,000 cases were detected in a day. On Sunday, less than 33,000 cases were reported from across the country, taking the total number of people infected so far to over 96.77 lakh.

Sunday was also the first time since early July that less than 400 deaths were reported in a day. More than 1.4 lakh



Covid deaths have been reported in India so far.

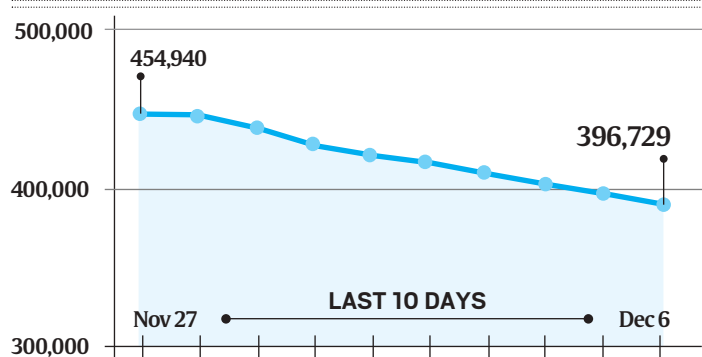
The minor rebound in the daily new cases seen in the last week of November seems to have halted, at least for the time being. For more than a week now, the daily number has remained below 40,000 and less than the number of people who are declared to have recovered every day.

Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and Gujarat, where numbers had risen significantly in the second half of November, have been recording a slow decline in daily numbers. The last one week has also seen the re-emergence of Kerala as the topmost contributor of new cases in the country. This is largely due to the fact that Delhi has shown a considerable decline during this period.

AMITABH SINHA

## INDIA ACTIVE CASES

396,729



Note: The Dec 6 figure in this graph is based on the government update on Dec 7

INDIA TOTAL CASES  
9,677,203

WORLD TOTAL CASES  
67,316,936

Source: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, updated at 11 pm on Dec 7

Source: Johns Hopkins University, updated at 11 pm on Dec 7

## SHINY VARGHESE

NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

RAMNAGAR FOREST Division in Nainital district, Uttarakhand, recently built its first eco-bridge for reptiles and smaller mammals. What are these, and why are they important?

## Why eco-bridges matter

Eco-ducts or eco-bridges aim to enhance wildlife connectivity that can be disrupted because of highways or logging. These include canopy bridges (usually for monkeys, squirrels and other arboreal species); concrete underpasses or overpass tunnels or viaducts (usually for larger animals); and amphibian tunnels or culverts. Usually these bridges are overlaid with planting from the area to give it a contiguous look with the landscape.

A 2020 study by the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) noted that nearly 50,000 km of road projects have been identified for construction in India over the next five to six years, while many highways are being upgraded to four lanes. The National Tiger Conservation Authority, New Delhi, had identified three major sites that were cutting

across animal corridors, including National Highway 37 through the Kaziranga-Karbi Anglong landscape in Assam, and State Highway 33 through the Nagarhole Tiger Reserve in Karnataka.

On the Kaldhungi-Nainital Highway, Chandra Sekhar Joshi, Ramnagar Divisional Forest Officer, supervised the building of the new 90-foot eco-bridge. "We found many roadkills on this route, especially of reptiles such as the monitor lizard. The bridge is an awareness-building mechanism for this very congested tourist route," he said. "... The bridge was a way to see how we can preserve the ecosystem necessary for reptiles that feed on insects, for snakes that feed on reptiles, and for eagles that feed on snakes."

## What builders look at

Bilal Habib, Head, Animal Ecology and Conservation Biology, WII, said there are two important aspects of building eco-bridges — size and location. "When you see a roadkill, you imagine that the animal has died there and so you place a bridge there. However... this may not be the only indicator. Often you don't see collisions because the road has already become a wall for animals in that area.

For instance, when highways are upgraded from two lanes to four lanes, you stop seeing roadkills. It doesn't mean it becomes a green highway... It's important therefore to understand what the animal habitats are in the area, topography, disturbance types, road length and its curvature," he said.

The span and distribution of eco-bridges should depend on animal movement patterns. "The bigger bridges will see sambar, spotted deer, nilgai, wild pig using them, while for tigers or leopards, if the bridge is 5m or 500 m, it doesn't bother them. But some animals like the barking deer, which prefer closed habitats, need smaller bridges," Habib said.

## The challenges

Senior scientist Divya Mudappa of Nature Conservation Foundation, working in Tamil Nadu's Anamalai Hills, built canopy bridges for lion-tailed macaques and Nilgiri langurs. "In 2008, we built six bridges across a 3-km stretch where these arboreal animals could move freely without being run over. Our smallest bridge was about 10m and the longest was about 25m. These have been very successful with the monkeys taking to them

pretty fast," she said.

Habib recounted his team's observations on NH 44, which intersects Kanha-Pench and Pench-Navegaon-Nagzira corridors in various sections. With five animal underpasses and four minor bridges on the 6.6-km road within the forests, it's one of India's success stories. They captured nearly 18 species that used these underpasses, including tiger, leopard, and golden jackal.

"We have a 750m long bridge here, possibly the world's largest underpass. Most species use this. However, we found that on our 50m bridge, sloth bears and female nilgais don't travel... In this 750m bridge, the sloth bear took two years to cross, the wolf and the pangolin took less than a year, while the spotted deer and jungle cat barely took a month," he said.

One of the largest underpasses — 1.4km — for animal conservation in India is being built along the Madhya Pradesh-Maharashtra border, he said. Other proposals include the Chennai-Bangalore National Highway, in the Hosur-Krishnagiri segment, near reserve forests for elephant crossings, and in the Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve in Chandrapur, Maharashtra.

# In previous term, when NDA govt withdrew an Ordinance amid protests

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IN THE ongoing farmers' agitation, the NDA government has indicated that it will not accept the demand by farm unions to repeal the three laws at the heart of the protests. During its previous term, the government had withdrawn a contentious Ordinance in view of stiff opposition during its previous term.

## What was that Ordinance?

Within months of coming to power in May 2014, the Narendra Modi government promulgated an Ordinance to amend the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement (RFCT-LARR) Act, 2013, which was enacted during

the UPA regime and came into effect from January 1, 2014. The new law replaced the Land Acquisition Act, 1894, which had been in force for over a century.

On December 31, 2014, exactly one year after the new law had come into effect, the government sought to amend it by promulgating the RFCT-LARR (Amendment) Ordinance, 2014.

Through the Ordinance, the government attempted to make several changes in the 2013 Act. These included empowering the government to exempt five categories of projects — national security, rural infrastructure, affordable housing, industrial corridors, and infrastructure and social infrastructure projects — from the requirements of "determination of social impact and public purpose", and "special provision to safeguard food security". Besides, it also exempted these categories of projects from the "con-

sent" clause provided under sub-section (2) of section 2 (Fair Compensation) in the new Land Acquisition Act.

## What was the journey of the Ordinance?

It faced widespread protests. When the government introduced a Bill to replace the Ordinance in Lok Sabha on February 24, 2015, the Opposition attacked it over the proposed changes in the Act. The Bill was passed in Lok Sabha on March 10 that year, but it failed to clear Rajya Sabha. Although a notice for motion for consideration and passing of the Bill was given in Rajya Sabha on March 13, it could not be taken up for consideration as the House was prorogued on March 28.

When the Bill again failed to get approval

of Parliament during the first leg of that year's Budget Session, the government promulgated it again as the RFCT-LARR (Amendment) Ordinance, 2015 on April 3.

Meanwhile, the Opposition continued its protests outside and inside Parliament. Congress leader Rahul Gandhi attacked the government in Lok Sabha on April 20, 2015.

## ANOTHER LAW ANOTHER TIME

Making an intervention during a discussion on the agrarian situation, he said: "... your government is ignoring the problems of farmers and does not listen to the voice of workers. Your government is the government of industrialists... Your government is a government of big people. Suit-boot ki sarkar hai. We all understand that... On one hand you are weakening farmers and labourers, and when they are able to stand on their feet, you will hit

them with the axe of your Ordinance."

In the second leg of the Budget Session, the Bill was referred to a Joint Parliamentary Committee for examination. On May 30, the government reissued the Ordinance, as the RFCT-LARR (Amendment) Second Ordinance, 2015.

## How was it eventually withdrawn?

Amid continuing anger against the amendment, Prime Minister Modi announced the decision to withdraw the Ordinance in his *Mann Ki Baat* programme broadcast on August 31, 2015. "I have always said that the government is open to all views and suggestions on the issue of Land Acquisition Act, on which a debate is going on. I have reiterated again and again that I am open to any suggestion in the interest of the farmers. But today, I want to tell all my farmer brothers and sisters that the request

to reform the 'Land Acquisition Act' was raised by the states very emphatically... And hence this reformed proposal was introduced," Modi said.

"But I saw how the farmers were being misled and a fear psychosis created. My dear farmers, you should not be misled and definitely never be scared. And I do not wish to give anyone the opportunity to mislead you and scare you. For me, every single voice in the nation is important but most important to me is the voice of the farmer. We had issued an ordinance. Tomorrow, on August 31st the deadline for this ordinance ends. I have decided that let this ordinance be lapsed," he said.

The Joint Committee of Parliament, headed by BJP member SS Ahluwalia, held several meetings to discuss the amendment Bill. Eventually, the Bill lapsed with the dissolution of the 16th Lok Sabha.



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# TRUST THE IIMs

By dangling threat of inquiry, education ministry slides back into micro-management. PMO must step in, again

THE GOVERNMENT DOESN'T seem to be able to keep its hands off the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs). As this newspaper has reported, the ministry of education is considering a proposal that will empower it to initiate an inquiry against the board of governors (BOG) of any of the 20 IIMs, if it is found to violate the IIM Act. The heads of the institutes are alarmed, rightfully so, at this clear move to encroach on the autonomy guaranteed to the IIMs almost three years ago by the very same Act. The most recent standoff between the government and the IIMs involves its one-year programme. The IIMs call it an MBA degree, as is the global norm in many business schools. But the mighty UGC rulebook says only two-year programmes deserve that term. This illustrates the kind of tussle over trivialities that bureaucratic systems expend energies on, almost by reflex.

This tug-of-war has played out before. In 2015, the ministry under Smriti Irani was involved in a tussle with the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) on the matter of government role in the elite institutions. At the time, the PMO had pushed back against the ministry's plans to give itself sweeping powers over the IIMs, and underlined the need for autonomy on various fronts, from scrapping the President's role as "visitor" of the IIMs to the composition of the board and regulation of the fee structure. Thankfully, the PMO's views prevailed. In 2016, almost a year later and with a new minister, Prakash Javadekar, in charge, a new draft of the law gave wide powers to the IIMs, with an internal system of checks and balances.

The current move threatens to undo that detente and slide back into central micro-management for goals that remain extremely unclear. The PM has championed the autonomy of the IIMs, a system which has proved its mettle over and over again. The New Education Policy (NEP 2020), too, envisages greater freedom for institutions of higher learning. Neither of those objectives are met by this attempted change in law. Indeed, dangling the threat of an inquiry over IIM boards leaves little about the ministry's intentions to the imagination. It also depicts a suspicion of decentralisation characteristic of all Big Government, and signals its patronising certainty that only "sarkar knows best". It is precisely this attitude that, over decades and over several governments, has cramped the creativity of institutes of higher learning. Of all human endeavour, learning and knowledge, especially, are contingent on institutional freedoms. It is not something that should be granted as a favour by a patrician state to "deserving" B-schools of excellence, but promoted in all educational institutions. In this new flashpoint, the PMO must step in again and convince the ministry of education to trust the IIMs and back off from a pointless wrangle. As an IIM director told this newspaper, learn to trust the Board please, the government isn't the only responsible agency in the country.

## IN THE OPEN

When granting emergency approval to anti-Covid vaccines, India's drug regulator must ensure transparency

WITH PHASE 3 trials for the anti-COVID-19 vaccines entering the last lap in several parts of the world, the ball is now in the court of national regulators to fast-track approval procedures that used to take years in the past. The UK's Medicines and Healthcare Regulatory Authority (MHRA) last week was the first to take the emergency use approval (EUA) route to sanction use of the vaccine developed by the pharma giant Pfizer and German firm BioNTech. Pfizer has now approached the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) for a similar approval to use its vaccine candidate in the country. The Pune-based Serum Institute, the Indian collaborator of the vaccine developed by Oxford University and AstraZeneca, has also sought an EUA from the country's drug regulator. However, unlike "Section 174" of the UK's Human Medicines Regulations or the US's EUA guidelines, India's drug regulations do not have clearly defined provisions for emergency approvals. The onus is, therefore, on the DCGI to ensure that the compressed procedure doesn't compromise on safety thresholds and is scrupulously transparent at every stage.

During the pandemic, the DCGI has given emergency approvals to drugs such as remdesivir. However, these medicines were not new introductions to the pharmacopeia — remdesivir, for instance, has been used as a broad spectrum antiviral for about five years. They were repurposed for treating COVID-19 patients. Unlike drugs which are only administered to patients, vaccines are meant for mass use by healthy people. The safety bar must, necessarily, be set higher for the latter. That's why regulatory procedures for vaccines are long-drawn out affairs. However, the pandemic has forced regulatory bodies to crunch timelines and grant interim approvals if they are satisfied that "the vaccine is safe and effective".

Globally, the EUA is a very recent addition to the regulatory arsenal — in the US, it dates to 2009 and in the UK to 2012. They have been granted primarily for drugs, diagnostics, and equipment like ventilators or PPEs. When the search for a shield against COVID-19 began, the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) underlined that it will use the emergency provision only when it is evident "the potential benefits of a vaccine candidate outweigh its risks". In October, the US regulator made a number of additions to this approval procedure to make it "more transparent". People will have to be informed about the major risks associated with a vaccine candidate and "how that threat would be addressed by the product under the proposed use". The DCGI would do well to draw lessons from its US counterpart, keep all channels of information open.

## THE VEG OPTION

Singapore has approved an artificial meat product — the soya chaap has come full circle

IN SINGAPORE, YOU can now get "chicken bites" (a nugget, really), which have nothing to do with chickens. The city-state has become the first to approve a "cultured meat" product — flesh-equivalents produced in bio-reactors that do not require the slaughter of an animal. The move is being seen as a landmark moment for the livestock industry: For some time now, several companies have been developing cultured meat to mitigate the impact of animal rearing on climate change as well as provide vegetarians with a "cruelty free" option. These are laudable goals, no doubt. But vegetarian meat is also the disturbing, almost dystopic, fruit of a phenomenon that began with such innovations as the soya chaap.

For people socialised in food cultures where animal protein is not the centre of the meal — in the Subcontinent, for example, a cereal, pulses, vegetables usually accompany a meat dish — the overwhelming need that vegetarians have to eat meat substitutes may not make sense. In fact, a dietary pattern which does not rely on mass-produced animal protein also puts far less stress on the environment. That Indians consumed only 3.16 kg of meat per capita per annum in 2017, (in Singapore, the figure is over 71 kg, in the US, 98.6 kg) is as much to do with eating habits that encourage diversity as socio-economic factors.

What is irksome about lab-grown meat, and meat-substitutes in general, really, is that they claim nobility for what is essentially a fear of missing out. They allow people to make the choice of being vegetarian, without feeling like they have to actually give up meat. And finally, is all the research and money put into an over-processed chicken nugget worth it? Just stick to the soya chaap.

# With anger and a song

Farmers' protest questions reform that promotes efficiency of agriculture, not well-being of agriculturists



PRAMOD KUMAR

THE FARMERS' AGITATION is unique in many ways. One, it is a coming together of 31 ideologically competing organisations. Two, it has successfully purged itself of the influence and interference of the established political parties as reflected in the popular song, "Kithe kithe paye aa vande, kedi party de kede jhande, O vota paake khaave dande, O bholey jatta samajh agende (We are divided under different party flags, you vote only to get beaten up; All you innocent people, arise and understand their real agendas)". Three, the movement goes beyond the kisans, as there is a broad-based engagement of the arhtiyas, small shopkeepers, landless labourers and social and cultural activists.

The support lent by families and women is striking. In my interactions with the families of the agitators in the Malwa region of Punjab, the women, particularly, were expressive. For a Punjabi, land is not only an economic asset, but a lifeline and status symbol. Many women exhorted their men, "Go and fight; we will look after the house and the land till you come back victorious." This sentiment is also reflected in song — "Khet tereh khon nu firde; Jo tu paddre kite anter naal (These corporate are eyeing your land, which you have cultivated with hard labour)".

Anger against the central government was visible amongst the farmers, arhtiyas and their families. The extent of the anti-Centre feeling revived echoes of the time of the Emergency in the 1970s. This is expressed in another song: "Khichla jatta, khich tyari, pecha pai gaya Centre naal (Pull up your socks, as we have locked horns with the Centre)".

Even the traders and the arhtiyas, who have been staunch supporters of the BJP, have expressed their anguish against the new farm laws. Social activists, youth and the local singers and artists in the region have been actively involved in the current mobilisation: "Oh akla waleo chak lo kalmia; Maar len na riflan saanu (Pick up your pens, before the men with rifles act)" — a call to the intelligentsia to use their pen as a weapon and shield for the farmers. Several writers, artists, singers and others have come forward and returned their state honours in protest.

Why is the anger so pronounced in Punjab?

The farmers of Punjab feel that from a sellers' market they are now being pushed into the buyers' market. And it would obviously be left to the discretion of the Central government to decide on the quantum of procurement on the declared MSP. Also, taking agriculture out of the Essential Commodities (Amendment) Act will not only legalise, but legitimise, the private players' procurement of foodgrain at prices lower than the fixed MSP. In other words, nearly 86 per cent of small and marginal farmers would be left at the mercy of the corporates, with reduced collective bargaining capacity.

Punjab has been the food bowl of India. It has largely showcased a seller's market. All these years, Punjab has contributed the largest amount of foodgrain in the central pool. However, in 2020, Madhya Pradesh contributed 129 lakh metric tonnes (LMT), while Punjab's share was 127 LMT of wheat; Punjab lagged behind Madhya Pradesh. The Punjab farmers see this as the outcome of an unlevel field. They point out that the Punjab farmers are being asked to diversify their cropping patterns whereas other states like Madhya Pradesh and western Uttar Pradesh are encouraged to produce grains. Why are the farmers in these states not being supported to diversify to commercial crops, they ask.

Punjab and Haryana receive more than Rs 80,000 crore in Minimum Support Price (MSP) every year. Not only is the livelihood of the kisans and their families, but also that of the traders, shopkeepers and other beneficiaries dependent on this. According to data, only 6 per cent of the farmers in India are fully covered by the MSP, and 84 per cent are located in the states of Punjab and Haryana. Therefore, the possible withdrawal of the protective cover of the MSP is seen as an act of betrayal here. The argument also is that Punjab was initially used to fight hunger in the nation and the farmers of this state worked hard to do so against all odds while other states were taking advantage of the industrial and information technology revolution. As a result, Punjab lagged behind and has remained a predominantly agricultural state.

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The Central government's argument is that

these Acts are intended to empower the farmers and ensure doubling of their incomes. Farmers' organisations are critical of these laws as they believe that they will lead to the privatisation of agriculture, reduce agriculture to a subsidiary activity, make way for removing the protective cover of government-led procurement, MSP, Agriculture Produce Market Committee and other safety nets.

The reality is that the free market does not have the solutions to improve the well-being of people living on the margins. The assumption that the market shall protect and multiply farmers' income is misleading. The new farm laws have direct implications for the livelihood and survival of the people engaged in or dependent on agriculture, food security of the poor and food sovereignty of the country. No doubt, with these laws, agricultural operations may become more efficient, but they threaten to lead to the marginalisation of the farmers. In other words, agriculture may flourish, but agriculturists could perish.

Being a surplus agrarian state, Punjab needs to sustain high levels of farm incomes with effective market support to sustain the livelihoods of 50 per cent of its population that is dependent on agriculture. If the government wants to procure less, let the farmer be compensated under the World Trade Organisation (WTO) compatible blue box. For this, the Centre could allocate subsidies for diversification to commercial crops for the farmers of Punjab. This subsidy could be given for three consecutive years. To keep the mandi system functional, the APMC Act may be reformed, the state governments permitted to collect mandi fee and arhtiyas given handling charges.

Outsourcing agricultural operations to the big corporates and legitimising contract farming amounts to a virtual abandonment of the Prime Minister's Atmanirbhar Bharat project. The market works for those whose signals it can hear, but the voices of the poor farmers remain inaudible. It is pointless to hope that the market will accomplish what it was never cut out to do.

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JNU WOMEN AND men have written stories of JNU at 50 (*JNU Stories: The First 50 Years*; editors: Neeladri Bhattacharya, Kunal Chakrabarti, S Gunasekaran, Janaki Nair, Joy L K Pachua). They are stolid tales of personalities who have arrived. For instance, Sukhadeo Thorat, who was chairman of University Grants Commission and the Indian Council of Social Science Research and so on. You name it he has done it. Similarly, Kamal Mitra Chenoy. A former president of JNU, he was the firebrand of the teachers' association. You may think he is on the wrong ladder. No, he isn't. Chenoy led JNU teachers and today that makes him a sought-after political adviser. And so it goes on. The young police commissioner, who led the President's cavalcade from JNU convocation, was a JNUite and knew how to lead the cavalcade without creating more mayhem.

I, of course, was the vice-chancellor when JNU would not hold a convocation because it was a "bourgeois practice". So I would, every late evening before winding up, write personal letters of congratulations to all those who got a doctorate and MPhil with A plus in my own handwriting. They remember that and accost me anywhere in the world. You are Alagh, I still save your letter. They have memories of JNU at 50 and have written so in the volume.

But life was different in JNU when it was just 25. At 25, you are young and confident.

## CELEBRATING JNU

The university's greatness is earned, not bestowed on it

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You know you are right and yet they don't listen to you. It saddens you and you feel sorry for them. So, when Chenoy went to the chancellor, P N Haksar, and said Alagh is downgrading the prestige of JNU because he goes to the joint secretary in the Ministry of Education to fix JNU's grant and then lobbies with companies for donations for buildings (Tata Library), Haksar was to admonish him in his own style. Your VC will lead a long life, he said.

Sukhadeo Thorat came and met me after his stint at the university was over and said young men in Western Maharashtra come to JNU with me as their icon. "But our reservation is a farce," he told me. I agreed and asked him to visit every department in JNU, work on reservation and tell us what to do. He said they won't give me the facts. I said I am appointing you as a one-man committee to do the work. He did a bang-up job and that's how the Indian Institute of Dalit Studies came to be set up. The activist Thorat in JNU at 25 was different from the staid Thorat of JNU at 50.

At 50, JNU has the activist Kanhaiya Kumar lobbying for you as the only radical in the group who have written stories. When JNU was 25, they were all so. Sometimes, I meet them again. The *jholavallahs* have become journalists wearing patented shoes. VC, don't you remember me, I was joint secretary of JNUSU, she tells me. At 50, come what may, you are the establishment. At 25,

you are challenging it. When they didn't let me hold the AC meeting I went on satyagraha, a hunger fast, until they let me convene the postponed meeting. At 50, only Kanhaiya Kumar goes on fast.

And then there are the JNU women. A tribe of their own. Analysing the back of beyond, the droughts, hunger. You name the issue, they have put it at the forefront. In fact, Anuradha Chenoy was to force me into the madding crowd to get the crazed boys wanting to attack the outsiders who had behaved inappropriately with a woman student of the university. Yes, shave their heads but hand them over to the DCP waiting with his force outside, she convinced them. The case is still taught in police academies as a success in riot control if the local establishment helps you.

When JNU turned 25, I was invited, to my surprise, to a Global Rectors Group to represent a great Indian university. At 50, there is JNU and many others which have been established to be "great" in its image. It is still unique in its genre. If for no other reason, it has an Act of its own, the others are all lumped together. But greatness at 50 cannot be pasted on another institution, it will have to be earned.

The writer, an economist and former minister, was vice-chancellor of JNU during 1992-95

## DECEMBER 8, 1980, FORTY YEARS AGO

### FARMERS STRIKE

ABOUT 15,000 FARMERS set out from Jalgaon to Nagpur on a 365 kilometre march organised by Opposition parties. At the head of the mammoth procession was the leader of the Opposition in Maharashtra, Sharad Pawar, the Janata Party leader RA Patil, the PWP leader N D Patil. Two palanquins carrying photographs of Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, BR Ambedkar and Jyotiba Phule were at the forefront of the procession. The leaders have finalised a charter of demands. These include a built-in system on the lines of the cost of living index to decide the support price for farm produce. They charter of demands also includes weekly offs and increased wages for farm labour.

### ASSAM STRIKE

NORMAL LIFE CAME to a grinding halt and communication services were paralysed in Assam as a 24-hour non cooperation protest got under way against the installation of a new ministry led by Anwara Taimur. Transmission on the Guwahati station of the All India Radio was disrupted. Most parts of the state, except Cachar district, was affected by the strike. For the first time, the All Assam Students Union and the Assam Gana Sangram Parishad did not exempt the essential services except the police and health workers.

### DENG'S WARNING

THE CHINESE LEADER Deng Xiaoping has reportedly warned US authorities through

Japanese foreign minister Masayoshi Ito that if the Ronald Reagan administration upgrades its ties with Taiwan, China may try to improve its relations with the Soviet Union. The angry Chinese statement followed a statement by Reagan adviser Ray Cline that China was "diplomatically uncivilised" and it should declare a policy of non-belligerence towards China.

### INTELSAT LAUNCHED

THE WORLD'S LARGEST communication satellite, Intelsat, was launched from Cape Canaveral from Florida in the US. It will be able to handle 12,000 telephone calls and two TV channels simultaneously — twice the capacity of any previous satellite.



# 11 THE IDEAS PAGE

## The great global climate reset

Despite contrasting approaches, China and US share goals on environment, recognise it is fundamental to a new world order. India must start work on building political consensus to adapt to changed reality



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THE QUESTION of penalising stubble burning that chokes the cities of north-western India during the early winter months is only one of the issues in the larger argument between the NDA government and the Punjab farmers. But the question of developing and enforcing new environmental norms is not limited to India.

Our focus here is on China and the US — the world's two largest economies. China's vigorous pursuit of "ecological civilisation" under President Xi Jinping and president-elect Joe Biden's promise to put climate issues at the heart of US domestic and foreign policies are set to transform the terms of the global discourse on environment. At least some goalposts of the climate debate that we have known are likely to move, and quite soon.

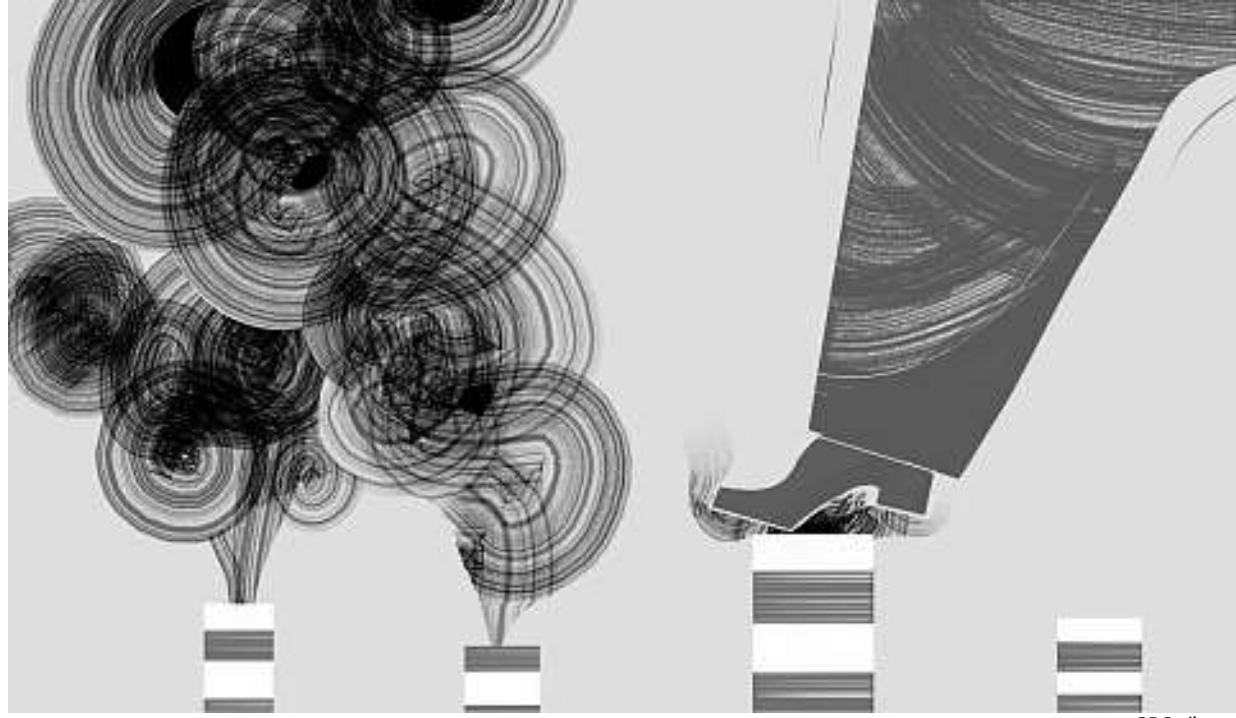
Delhi is probably better prepared than in the past when India was widely seen as part of the problem on climate issues. Delhi is no longer defensive on climate change and is actively engaged in shaping the international debate. But the urgency of addressing climate change is likely to intensify in the immediate term with the election of Biden as US President and the prospect of cooperation on climate change between Washington and Beijing.

The new direction of Chinese and US policies (in partnership with Europe and Japan) will inevitably put pressure on other states to reorganise their energy production and consumption, restructure economies, adopt new technologies, and manage the internal political backlash against the costs that are likely to be distributed unevenly among nations and the class hierarchies within them.

India's ability to influence the new geopolitics of climate change will depend a lot on its domestic political resilience in adapting to the new imperatives. While a democratic India struggles to deal with the new internal conflicts centred on climate, China has crafted a new template of "coercive environmentalism". Until the early 21st century, China was the prime example of putting growth and development above considerations of ecological sustainability. This has dramatically changed in recent years as China moved decisively in addressing many challenges of climate change. President Xi's predecessor, Hu Jintao, had identified the construction of a "harmonious society" as a major objective of the Chinese Communist Party. Resolving the tension between development and environment was very much part of building a harmonious society in China.

As the scale of the challenge at the national and global levels became clear, the CCP reframed the problem as bringing harmony between humanity and nature and the building of an "ecological civilisation". The CCP's formulation that the objectives of a modern ecological civilisation are in harmony with ancient Chinese culture helped give the pursuit of new climate objectives a stronger political sanction.

Once he took charge from Hu in 2012, Xi brought his own distinctive brand of governance to the building of an ecological civili-



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sation. His decision to strengthen the party-state against the rest of society, curb dissent, and impose tough and unconventional solutions for the problems confronting China had its expression in the environmental policy.

Xi's vigorous mobilisation of state power to enforce new environmental norms in the last few years has helped China shed the image of being the "bad boy" on climate issues. China's ecological activism has been hailed or derided as the model for "authoritarian environmentalism". For proponents, Xi's coercive strategy has been more effective than the "liberal environmentalism" of democracies that find it hard to generate political consensus on the necessity for action or the nature of it.

Critics do concede the effectiveness of some of China's coercive strategies, but also point to massive political and social costs of China's ecological authoritarianism — the suffering of local communities arising from top-down solutions, and the tendency of the CCP's technocratic elites to make major mistakes in assessing and treating environmental problems.

But the Chinese model of coercive environmentalism is finding an echo among some Western environmentalists. They believe planetary survival must be the foremost objective of the moment and all other considerations must be subordinated to it. Whatever the merits of authoritarian environmentalism, it has little political chance of being replicated in democracies. Plural societies are focused on improving the nature of liberal environmentalism that relies on political consensus in drafting new environmental norms and their effective enforcement as well as the reliance on market-based mechanisms.

Modernising liberal environmentalism is indeed the essence of president-elect Biden's commitment to integrating the climate question with the domestic policy agenda. Biden plans to enforce environmental regulations that were either diluted or discarded by the Donald Trump administration and enhance the incentives for polluters to compensate for their violation of norms. "Climate justice" is another important objective of Biden's domestic environmental policy. It is based on the recognition that pollution and other ecological problems have a greater impact on the poor and minorities.

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Although coercive and liberal approaches to managing climate change are poles apart, they share some important objectives. Both China and the US (along with the West) recognise the urgency of the challenge. Beijing and Washington are also racing to develop new technologies that will constitute the foundations of the green economic future. Both have zeroed in on industrial policy to achieve their climate objectives. For Xi and Biden, gaining the leadership of the global movement for mitigating climate change is a strategic mission. Washington and Beijing understand that climate politics is in the end about rearranging the global order.

Biden is looking beyond rejoining the Paris Accord to set accelerated timelines for reducing carbon emissions. There will be a special focus on an early end to the worldwide use of coal. The appointment of a cabinet-level special envoy on climate change and the choice of former secretary of state John Kerry for the job underlines the seriousness of the intent of the Biden team.

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In underlining climate change as an important area of engagement with Biden, Delhi has signalled its readiness to deal with a new phase in the global politics of environment. But diplomacy can only win time and space for India's internal adjustment to the new imperatives. Delhi's real test on climate change is on building a new domestic consensus that can address the economic and political costs associated with an internal adjustment to the prospect of a great global reset.

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## WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"The open season on journalists is acquiring a darker edge. When the government itself becomes party to smear campaigns against journalists, an important line is crossed." — DAWN

## Banking on status quo

All models of bank ownership and governance have bugs and features. Let there be open debate



MANISH SABHARWAL

IF YOU only read the multiple, interesting and expert responses to RBI's recent Internal Working Group report that targets higher banking competition, you could be forgiven for believing that Indian banking doesn't need radical change, that most Indian entrepreneurs deserve their own episode in Netflix's Bad Boys Billionaires, and that banks are only safe in the hands of employees or foreigners. Demonising Indian entrepreneurs not only excludes capital but encourages the possibility of Indian banking becoming like Wimbledon; it is played in England but Britishers rarely win. Shouldn't building big Indian banks be an important strategic priority when five of the world's top 10 banks are Chinese? As Poet Ramdhari Singh Dinkar wrote: *Kshama shobhiti us bhujang ko jiske paas garal ho* (Benevolence only befits snakes that have venom).

Whatever is finally done — the recommendations are open for public comments — any debate must openly consider the painful status quo, the tyranny of technocracy, and the possibilities of entrepreneurship.

Ending the poor productivity and wages of our MSMEs, self-employed, and farmers, needs rebooting Indian banking. The credit to GDP ratio has been stuck at 50 per cent for 10 years (most developed countries are 100 per cent), the number of scheduled commercial banks is lower than in 1947, net interest margins are among the highest in the world, and bad loans have been over Rs 10 lakh crore for a decade. Over the last few decades, we fixed the big NBFC problem of "too-retail-to-fail", but the last few years suggest a "too-wholesale-to-fail" problem that needs reviewing their regulatory arbitrage. Weak competition for new banking business — deposits and loan concentration has increased by 70 per cent in the last five years — means that our version of "too-big-to-fail" is "too-few-to-fail". And current banking problems can hardly be the fault of entrepreneurs currently not allowed. India cannot accelerate its economic growth or counter China's economic-growth driven militarisation with the current structure, management, ownership, governance, regulation, and supervision of banking.

Over the last few decades cognitive experts — an elite global minority of educated, articulate, and connected professionals to which I belong — have provided important ideas. But we have become less mindful about the unintended consequences of theory and less open to the messiness of change because of our self-image as society's fire alarms, seat belts, or life insurance. COVID exposes the dangers of certainty because, first, science progresses through the iterative hypothesis testing of debate, disagree, pivot, and reassess that can't prove anything right but proves things wrong. Second, all prescriptions are based on the best available data and will change as inevitable new evidence emerges or relationships change. Third, science is better at addressing the technical problems of the physical world rather than adaptive or wicked problems of the human world. Unfortunately, the tyranny of technocracy —

they prefer the impossibilities of democracy without politics and markets without business — is higher in social sciences like economics. Maybe because economics isn't a science. Nobel Laureate Richard Feynman wisely reflected that physics would be impossible if electrons had feelings.

It's important to remember that the report has many thoughtful recommendations beyond the question about entrepreneur shareholders. And their question does not deserve suggestions of suspicious timing (why now), conspiracy (who for), dyslexia (we can't improve supervision), fatalism (we won't improve supervision), and contested history (fraud, not ideology, drove nationalisation). The notion that financial institutions with tiny shareholders, professional management, and boards that ban shareholders are infallible ignores Indian evidence (most recent financial accidents involved institutions that don't have entrepreneurs and met current ownership guidelines) and global evidence (foreign banks idealised in the current debate made losses in the 2008 financial crisis that exceeded all profits made since the Medicis invented banking in 15th century Florence). This blind spot is the agency problem highlighted by the new book, *Lights Out*, about two CEOs at General Electric where a new board member's question to a tenured member about the role of the board of directors gets the unforgettable answer of "Applause".

Clearly, all models of ownership and governance have bugs and features and none is perfect. But reactions to the report suggest that we Indian entrepreneurs need to introspect about perception and trust. However, questioning the motivations of RBI's working group in raising questions is unfair, implying that Nirav Modi and Bhushan Steel represent most Indian entrepreneurs is using drunk driving as an argument against cars, and believing that most Indian entrepreneurs don't care about honour, stakeholders, and purpose, seems ideological. Nothing unnatural about being ideological — the great new book *Jugalbandi* by Vinay Sitapati of Ashoka University has the wise Atal Bihari Vajpayee quoting *Jaki rahi bhawana jaisi, Prabhu moorat dekhi tin tarsi* (a devotee sees God in the image he wants to see).

Fixing Indian banking needs luck and skill. Will come from foreign banks (DBS takeover of LVB), foreign public investors (HDFC is 70 per cent owned by foreigners), foreign private investors (Catholic Syrian Bank Fairfax investment), four public sector banks (with an independently governed holding company that has no access to government finances), and a revamped RBI (a higher game in regulation and supervision through organisational structure changes, specialisation, performance management, training, and technology).

The "luck" question is more complicated. The British psychologist Richard Wiseman suggests that lucky people are outgoing, and are more open to new experiences, talking to new people, and traveling to new places. They smile twice as often, make more eye contact, and are optimistic. The RBI working group — staffed with people of talent, integrity, and imagination — seems to have intuitively understood Wiseman and challenges us to shift Indian banking to being open, big and inclusive from its current closed, small and exclusive form. No change is finalised, but let's have an open debate without canceling the question.

The writer is with Teamlease Services. Views are personal



UMA MAHADEVAN DASGUPTA

## Trouble in cinema paradiso

India's Oscar entry, 'Jallikattu', is about the seething brutality of everyday life

DURING A period of COVID-induced self-isolation this year, I watched Malayalam movies. They were like a balm. The backwaters are beautiful, as in ad films; the people are engagingly real. The stories are intensely local, set on the blurred boundaries between rural and urban that is so peculiar to Kerala. One plot unfolds in Kumbalangi, another in Angamaly, and a third in Idukki; the settings are richly specific to the narratives. In another film, after their inter-caste marriage, a couple leave southern Kerala to start a new life in Kasaragod in the north.

These are ensemble stories, perhaps because Kerala is in some ways more egalitarian than many other places; also because that's how communities live. There are awkward brothers, inquisitive grandmothers, and a teenager who plays football, cooks dinner and yearns for his mum. I love that a person called Baby can be a woman or a man, diminutive or large in size, Hindu or Muslim or Christian by faith. A character can drive an auto, be a friend, and have a hobby, all at once. Identity doesn't feel rigidly fixed. People can change. Can it be that people are complex?

The characters resist easy categorisation. A photographer learns from his elderly father how to see. Three people find them-

selves in a Rashomon-like plot set inside a police station. After the death of a Tamil man at a roadside ironing stand, his Malayali employer silently befriends his employee's widow. It is just that: Friendship. Indeed, one of the best things about Malayalam cinema is how it depicts friendship between people of different backgrounds not just as possible, but also light, natural and valuable. It shows what brings people together.

But film is also a powerful way to explore what divides people, such as misogyny, toxic masculinity, and lasting enmities between people in a society that continues to be riven with feudal and hierarchical elements. And that is the theme of Lijo Jose Pellissery's cinema. His *Angamaly Diaries* (2017) shows that man's inclination for violence runs deep. *Ee Ma Yau* (2018) shows that it runs deeper than the depth of a grave. In the first film, a religious procession becomes the site of a fight; in the other, a man's grave itself becomes an embattled space.

The most powerful depiction of toxic masculinity and violence is in Pellissery's latest work, *Jallikattu* (2019) — selected as India's official entry for the Academy Awards. *Jallikattu* is based on a short story by the Malayalam writer S Hareesh.

Like the landscape of Kerala, S Hareesh's

writing contains breathtakingly beautiful sentences. They are dense and textured, with rich detail — the dip and swirl of birds against the bright green fields, the movement of long-oars gliding through the canal, the flitting of pied paddy skimmers over the pond — when suddenly, one word can stop us short, such as: Hunger.

I think of the opening scene of Hareesh's award-winning novel, *Moustache* (Meesha in Malayalam). Paviyan, who lives on the embankment of the Chozhiyappara fields, is walking home one night in the month of Karkitakam. After going to "those with over-filled grain chests and stores of paddy" seeking a bit of rice, he is returning empty-handed. On the way home, he sees an eenamechi, or pangolin. "He picked it up thinking it would amuse his children, make them forget their hunger for a while."

Even in God's own country, just beneath the surface, one encounters hunger, inequality and deep fissures that are never quite forgotten. A starving child. A boy digging the earth for roots. The ghost of a man who has starved to death, still asking for kanji water. A scrawny migrant worker; a well-fed priest. "Caste is still the primary signifier of worth, dignity, and position of people in Kerala," writes Hareesh in the foreword to *Moustache*.

About Hareesh's fiction, I have to say this: There are sentences in his prose that, when they end, I have to go back and read them again from start to finish, because they are so magically crafted. It is the same with Pellissery's film sequences.

Such as the opening moments of *Jallikattu*: Before dawn, a clock ticking, and people's eyes snapping open, one by one. "Hold the rope tight." A knife being sharpened; a sudden lunge; and blood spreading darkly on the ground.

Inside a house, a man hits a woman: "Rice-cake again for breakfast?"

While the men gather into a mob, the women continue to cook tapioca, check the salt, pet the dog, and wash the clothes.

*Jallikattu* is about an ancient violence, one that is deeply linked to land and jungle. "This land was all a dense forest," says one character. "My dad usurped it and gave it to the church."

The film is about conflict between man and beast; man and man; and man and woman. It is about the seething brutality that lies just beneath the surface of everyday life.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### NO WIN-WIN

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Democracy tutorial' (IE, December 7). Farmers have had a long experience of poor harvests due to the weather, and its ruinous effects on their lives. The operation of the contested farm laws, and their proclaimed benefits are subject to market conditions, which unlike acts of god, are also liable to corporate manipulations — the latter acting in self interest, with potential deleterious effects on farmers' lives. Clearly, farmers are not convinced of a win-win situation in reality.

L R Murmu, Delhi

### LEGALISE NOW

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Clear the smoke' (IE, December 7). It is preposterous to selectively criminalise the consumption of marijuana when other deadlier substances such as alcohol — often spurious — are freely available. This has only resulted in a cat and mouse game between offenders and the venal officials serving their vested interests. An outright ban stimulates some people to experiment and unscrupulous players go underground to evade laws. The need of the hour is to scale up awareness about the pitfalls of addiction rather than being a nanny state.

Deepak Singhal, Noida

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### FARMERS' FUTURE

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Make Punjab great again' (IE, December 7). The writer has made it clear that increasing the productivity of one or two crops (wheat and rice) is not the way forward. Depleting water table, increasing cost of the fertiliser subsidy, virtual water export and soil degradation have posed a threat to the sustainability of the agriculture. Crop diversification, climate-friendly farming are needed to increase farmer's income.

Dhawal Joshi, Churu

## TOP OF THE WORLD



Maduro shows his ballot in Caracas on Sunday. AP

### VENEZUELA

#### Congressional polls: Maduro claims victory

VENEZUELAN PRESIDENT Nicolás Maduro's political alliance claimed a sweeping victory Monday in congressional elections boycotted by the many opposition politicians and criticised internationally as being fraudulent. The win gives Maduro control of the last major branch of government outside his grasp. It plays out in the waning days of the Trump administration, which leaves office with Maduro firmly entrenched despite its efforts to bring about his departure through diplomacy and sanctions. "We have recovered the National Assembly with the majority vote of the Venezuelan people," Maduro said. AP

### TURKEY

#### Erdogan: Won't bow to threats in Mediterranean

TURKEY WILL not bow to threats in its dispute with Greece and Cyprus over maritime claims in the eastern Mediterranean, President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said on Monday as European Union foreign ministers met in Brussels to discuss the issue. But Erdogan also said Turkey wanted negotiations over the conflicting claims to continental shelves and rights to potential energy resources. The EU ministers were due to evaluate grounds for sanctions against Turkey. REUTERS

### CHINA

#### HK police asks banks to freeze ex-lawmaker's accounts

HONG KONG police said on Monday they had asked banks to freeze Ted Hui's accounts because they suspected money-laundering by the ex-lawmaker, who fled to Britain after facing criminal charges related to anti-government protests last year. Police said it sought assistance from banks to freeze funds related to a crowdfunding operation tied to Hui. Hui had said funds raised from crowdfunding last year to fund prosecution against police had been deposited in a lawyer's account and had nothing to do with him. REUTERS



### SWISS PAY TRIBUTE TO COVID DEAD

Activists light around 5,000 candles to commemorate the people who died of the coronavirus in Switzerland, in front of the Federal Palace in Bern, Switzerland, on Sunday night. AP

## Brexit crunch time: Standoff puts EU-UK deal on knife edge

RAF CASERT & JILL LAWLESS  
BRUSSELS, DECEMBER 7

ONE OF the most intense days in the long-running Brexit trade negotiations started off with little good news about any progress Monday, with the United Kingdom and the European Union seemingly still stuck on the same issues that have dogged the standoff for months.

EU chief negotiator Michel Barnier held a pre-dawn briefing with ambassadors of the 27 member states to see if a deal is still possible with London ahead of the Jan. 1 deadline, but had no news of a breakthrough.

Irish Foreign Minister Simon Coveney said Barnier's message was "very downbeat". British Prime Minister Boris Johnson and EU Commission chief Ursula von der Leyen are due to speak by phone Monday evening for the second time in barely 48 hours, to decide whether to pull the plug on talks — a decision that could cost hundreds of thousands of jobs on both sides and disrupt cross-channel trade for years to come.

One official from an EU nation said "the difficulties persist" over the legal oversight of any trade deal and standards of fair play that the UK needs to meet



EU chief Brexit negotiator Michel Barnier with French envoy Philippe Leglise-Costa in Brussels on Monday. Reuters

### UK sees France playing 'bad cop'

FRANCE HAS been accused by the British of playing "bad cop" in the trade deal negotiations as points stressed by Paris remain the main issues that are still unresolved between the UK and the EU. It is the French who have insisted on access to fishing in British waters, one of the two remaining sticking points in the nego-

tiations. France has also taken the lead in demanding that UK closely align itself with EU rules and standards if it wants access to the single market. On the other hand, Germany has been seen as the "good cop", trying to get a deal done. One of the reasons for this is that the UK provides a major market for Germany's large auto industry.

to be able to export in the EU. On fisheries too, a lot of work remains, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the talks

were ongoing. UK Foreign Office Minister James Cleverly acknowledged the situation had changed little despite the need for speed. AP

## Iran: Smart satellite-controlled machine gun killed top scientist

REUTERS  
DUBAI, DECEMBER 7

THE KILLING of Iran's top nuclear scientist last month was carried out remotely with artificial intelligence and a machine gun equipped with a "satellite-controlled smart system", Tasnim news agency quoted a senior commander as saying.

Iran has blamed Israel for the assassination of Mohsen Fakhrizadeh, who was seen by Western intelligence services as the mastermind of a covert Iranian

programme to develop nuclear weapons capability. Tehran has long denied any such ambition.

Israel has neither confirmed nor denied responsibility for the killing. The Islamic Republic has given contradictory details of Fakhrizadeh's death in a daytime Nov. 27 ambush on his car on a highway near Tehran.

"No terrorists were present on the ground... Martyr Fakhrizadeh was driving when a weapon, using an advanced camera, zoomed in on him," Tasnim, a semi-official agency, quoted Ali Fadavi, the

deputy commander of Iran's Revolutionary Guards, as saying in a ceremony on Sunday. "The machine gun was placed on a pick-up truck and was controlled by a satellite."

Last week Ali Shamkhani, Secretary of the Supreme National Security Council of Iran, said the killing was carried out with "electronic devices" with no people on the ground. Experts said last week Fakhrizadeh's killing exposed security gaps that suggest its security forces may have been infiltrated and that Iran is vulnerable to further attacks.



MEANWHILE

### HARRIS REMEMBERS HER MOTHER ON B'DAY

US Vice President-elect Kamala Harris posted a photograph of her late mother Shyamala Gopalan on Twitter on the occasion of the latter's birthday. "Thinking of my beloved mother today on her birthday. Here's my mother, Uncle Balu, and my Chinni Chitti at the Montreal airport for the 76 Olympics," Harris posted on Monday along with the photo.

## Biden builds health team to fight pandemic, names Becerra for leading post

Fauci to be top adviser to president on coronavirus

TREVOR HUNNICUTT  
WILMINGTON, DECEMBER 7

US PRESIDENT-ELECT Joe Biden said he will nominate California Attorney General Xavier Becerra for secretary of health and human services on Monday as one of the top officials on his team to fight the raging Covid-19 pandemic.

Biden chose Becerra, 62, a Latino former congressman, as he faces more pressure to add diversity to his Cabinet appointments, including complaints from the Congressional Hispanic Caucus about the number of Latinos.

Becerra will lead the health agency as officials struggle to contain a resurgence of the novel coronavirus, including record infections and a daily death toll that has exceeded 2,000 in recent days, and to prepare for a mammoth effort to vaccinate Americans.

"This team of world-class medical experts and public servants will be ready on Day One to mobilize every resource of the federal government to expand testing and masking," Biden said in a statement, adding that they would "oversee the safe, equitable, and free distribution of treatments and vaccines."

More than 282,000 Americans have died from Covid-19, the disease caused by the virus, according to a Reuters tally. Authorities in California, the most

### BIDEN'S HEALTH TEAM



Xavier Becerra  
Secretary of Health and Human Services



Vivek Murthy  
Surgeon General



Rochelle Walensky  
Director of the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention



Marcella Nunez-Smith  
Covid-19 Equity Task Force Chair



Anthony Fauci  
Chief Medical Adviser on Covid-19 to the President



Jeff Zients  
Coordinator of the Covid-19 Response

populous state in the country with about 40 million residents, on Monday compelled much of the state to close shop and stay at home the day after it reported a record 30,000-plus new cases.

Biden, who takes office on Jan. 20, has announced top nominees for his national security and economic teams.

During his time in Congress, Becerra played a role in passing the Affordable Care Act, Democratic President Barack Obama's main domestic policy achievement. In his current role in California, he leads a coalition of 20 states defending the program better known as Obamacare against Republican attacks, including in a case before the Supreme Court last month.

Biden also chose Dr Rochelle Walensky, chief of infectious diseases at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, to run the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Dr Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, whom Biden has tapped as his chief medical adviser on the coronavirus, said he would be involved in all aspects of the response.

Biden also named Jeff Zients, an economic adviser known for his managerial skills, as a coronavirus "czar" to oversee a Covid-19 response. The President-elect also picked Vivek Murthy, a physician and former surgeon general, to return for a second term as surgeon general. REUTERS

## Trump lawyer Rudy Giuliani in hospital after positive virus test

AAMER MADHANI & JONATHAN LEMIRE  
WASHINGTON, DECEMBER 7

US PRESIDENT Donald Trump says his personal attorney Rudy Giuliani has tested positive for the coronavirus, making him the latest in Trump's inner circle to contract the disease that is now surging across the US.

Giuliani was exhibiting some symptoms and was admitted Sunday to Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington, according to a person familiar with the matter who was not authorized to speak publicly.

The 76-year-old former New York mayor has traveled exten-



The former New York mayor is 76 years old

Sunday afternoon tweet, wished him a speedy recovery.

"Get better soon Rudy, we will carry on!!!" Trump wrote. Giuliani did not immediately respond to a request for comment, but on Sunday evening he retweeted Trump's announcement of his diagnosis. He also tweeted thanks to a conservative writer who had said he was praying for Giuliani.

Giuliani on Thursday attended a hearing at the Georgia Capitol, where he went without a mask for several hours. Several state senators, all Republicans, also did not wear masks at the hearing. Unidentified Trump team members who had close contact with Giuliani are in self-isolation. AP

sively to battleground states in an effort to help Trump subvert his election loss to Joe Biden. On numerous occasions he has met with officials for hours at a time without wearing a mask.

Trump, who announced Giuliani's positive test in a

## Roald Dahl's kin apologise for his anti-Semitism

ISABELLA KWAI  
LONDON, DECEMBER 7

THE FAMILY of Roald Dahl has apologised for "the lasting and understanding hurt" caused by anti-Semitic comments the author made during his lifetime.

Dahl, the writer of classic children's books such as *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and *The BFG*, made several disparaging comments about Jewish people in interviews and in writing and made no secret of his anti-Semitism.

"Those prejudiced remarks are incomprehensible to us and stand in marked contrast to the man we knew and to the values



Roald Dahl is the writer of classic children's books such as *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and *The BFG*

at the heart of Roald Dahl's stories," the Dahl family and the Roald Dahl Story Co. wrote in the online statement. "We hope that, just as he did at his best, at his ab-

solute worst, Roald Dahl can help remind us of the lasting impact of words," the statement added.

The apology was in such an obscure part of the author's website that it was unclear how long it had been there. *The Sunday Times*, a British newspaper, drew attention to the statement in an article Sunday.

Dahl, who died in 1990 at 74, has a complicated legacy.

His many imaginative tales — including *Matilda*, *Fantastic Mr. Fox* and *The Witches*, as well as the Charlie books — have endured through the years and have been adapted into films. But Dahl's self-avowed anti-Semitism has cast a shadow over his work.

"There is a trait in the Jewish character that does provoke animosity," Dahl said in a 1983 interview with *The New Statesman*.

He reinforced his views in another interview months before his death in 1990. "I am certainly anti-Israel, and I have become anti-Semitic," he said, according to *The Independent*, a British newspaper.

In response to a request for comment Sunday, the Roald Dahl Story Co, which manages copyrights and trademarks for the author, said, "Apologising for the words of a much-loved grandparent is a challenging thing to do, but made more difficult when the words are so hurtful to an entire community." NYT

### ACQUISITION BY UNIVERSAL MUSIC MAY BE BIGGEST EVER OF A SINGLE ACT'S PUBLISHING RIGHTS

## Bob Dylan sells his songwriting catalogue in blockbuster deal

BEN SISARIO  
DECEMBER 7

BOB DYLAN'S memoir *Chronicles: Volume One* opens in 1962 with the signing of his first music publishing deal — a contract for the copyrights of the budding songwriter's work. The terms of that agreement, brokered by Lou Levy of Leeds Music Publishing, met young Dylan's approval.

"Lou had advanced me a hundred dollars against future royalties to sign the paper," he wrote, "and that was fine with me."

Fifty-eight years, more than 600 songs and one Nobel Prize later, the cultural and economic

value of Dylan's songwriting corpus have both grown exponentially.

On Monday, the Universal Music Publishing Group announced that it had signed a landmark deal to purchase Dylan's entire songwriting catalogue — including world-changing classics like *Blowin' in the Wind*, *The Times They Are A-Changin'* and *Like a Rolling Stone* — in what may be the biggest acquisition ever of the music publishing rights of a single act.

The deal, which covers Dylan's entire career, from his earliest songs to the tunes on his latest album, *Rough and Rowdy Ways*, was struck directly with



The Nobel-winner's songwriting catalogue consists of more than 600 songs. AP

Dylan, 79, who has long controlled the majority of his own songwriting copyrights.

The price was not disclosed, but is estimated at more than \$300 million.

"It's no secret that the art of songwriting is the fundamental key to all great music, nor is it a secret that Bob is one of the very greatest practitioners of that art," Lucian Grainge, the chief executive of the Universal Music Group, said in a statement announcing the deal.

Jody Gerson, the chief executive of Universal's publishing division, added, "To represent the body of work of one of the greatest songwriters of all time — whose cultural importance can't be overstated — is both a privilege and a responsibility."

Dylan had no comment, a spokesman said. The deal is the latest and

most high-profile in this year's buzzing market for music catalogues.

Last week, Stevie Nicks sold a majority stake in her songwriting catalogue for an estimated \$80 million to Primary Wave Music, an independent publisher and marketing company. Hipgnosis Songs Fund, a British company that has made a rapid run in the market in just two and a half years, recently disclosed that it had spent about \$670 million from March to September acquiring rights in more than 44,000 songs by

Blondie, Rick James, Barry Manilow, Chrissie Hynde of the Pretenders and others. NYT

### SHOOTOUT RAISES WORRIES

## 6 supporters of hardline Indonesian cleric killed

AGUSTINUS BEO DA COSTA  
JAKARTA, DECEMBER 7

SIX SUPPORTERS of Indonesian Islamic cleric Rizieq Shihab were killed in a shootout on Monday, police said, raising worries the clash could reignite tensions between authorities and Islamist groups in the world's biggest Muslim majority country.

Jakarta police chief Fadil Imran said the incident occurred just after midnight on a highway when the cleric's supporters attacked a police vehicle with firearms, sickles and a samurai sword. Police displayed the weapons during the news conference. Police have been investigat-

ing the controversial and politically influential cleric for violating coronavirus protocols after several mass gatherings to celebrate his return from self exile in Saudi Arabia last month.

Rizieq was scheduled to appear for police questioning on Monday, after failing to appear last week.

Munarnan, a spokesman for the Islamic Defender's Front (FPI), the hardline group led by Rizieq, denied their entourage was armed, saying the cleric and his family had been travelling to a dawn prayer event when they were attacked by "unknown thugs". He said six of Rizieq's bodyguards were victims of "extrajudicial killing". REUTERS



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## E-VOTING FOR UNITHOLDERS DURING DECEMBER 26-28

## Franklin Templeton warns of losses in case of vote against wind-up plan

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU  
MUMBAI, DECEMBER 7

FRANKLIN TEMPLETON (FT) AMC has warned investors of a fall in net asset values and losses for unitholders if they vote against its decision to wind up six credit guarantee schemes in April this year.

According to FT, the Trustee is of the view that if the decision to wind up the scheme in an orderly manner is not implemented, it will precipitate a rush of redemptions, which will force a distress sale of the portfolio securities — likely resulting in a reduction in the net asset value (NAV) of the scheme and substantial losses for unitholders. Around Rs 26,000 crore of investors' money is stuck in the six schemes.

FT said the facility of electronic voting will be made available to unitholders for the period from December 26, 2020 to December 28. A meeting of unitholders of the scheme will be held on December 29 from 9.00 am via video conferencing, accompanied by the facility of electronic voting on the same day from 9.00 am until 10.30 am, it said.

EXPLAINED  
Full redemption not guaranteed

INVESTORS COMPLAIN that Franklin Templeton (FT), which unilaterally decided to close the scheme, is now forcing them to back its decision. There's demand from investors that FT's parent in the US should step in and provide funds for redemption. Even if investors vote for winding up, there's no guarantee that they will get full refund.

"It is also likely that such a large volume of sale in a short period of time would impact the bond market as a whole and compound liquidity issues for securities in the scheme portfolio," FT said in a letter to the unitholders. Further, if the scheme is opened for redemptions under these circumstances, meeting redemption demand as they come is likely to result in disorderly distributions, besides significant losses for unitholders, it said.

However, a section of unitholders has been demanding immediate redemption of the money as per the net asset value.

"How can we trust them again? The US parent of FT should bail out the Indian arm. Indian investors put money in the schemes considering the foreign parentage of the fund house," said stock broker Pawan Dhamidharka.

On the other hand, the Trustee is of the view that an orderly liquidation would maximise the value of the portfolio assets for distribution of cash to unitholders on a pro-rata basis, FT said. "Thus, in an orderly winding up, there is a greater likelihood of realising fair value from the investments within a reasonable period of time by the

person authorised under Regulation 41," FT said.

"Unitholders may note that a significant portion of the scheme assets is held in securities and the liquidity position of each security, and consequently the value realized may vary depending on the time available to generate liquidity. An orderly liquidation would obtain better value for unitholders," it said.

"There can be no guarantee that the outcomes will be exactly as the Trustee expects," FT said. The Supreme Court last week permitted Franklin Templeton Trustee Services to hold meeting with unitholders of six debt schemes that the company proposed to wind up on April 23, citing difficulties in the bond market due to the Covid pandemic. The apex court also stayed redemption from the schemes till further orders.

The six schemes that Franklin Templeton had shut since April this year have received total cash flows of Rs 11,576 crore till November 27, 2020 from maturities, pre-payments and coupon payments, of which Rs 2,836 crore was received in the month of

November. Individually, Franklin India Low Duration Fund, Franklin India Ultra Short Bond Fund, Franklin India Dynamic Accrual Fund and Franklin India Credit Risk Fund have 48 per cent, 46 per cent, 33 per cent and 14 per cent of their respective AUM in cash.

A Bench comprising justices Abdul S Nazeer and Sanjiv Khanna, while seeking response from investors, said, "... without prejudice to rights and contentions of all parties, trustees are permitted to call meeting of unitholders to seek their consent/approval. Steps in this regard will be taken within a period of one week. There will be stay on redemptions till then," the judges said in its brief order.

The SC Bench also frowned upon the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) regulations, saying they are not easy to comprehend for the laymen. "Your regulations are so sketchy. All the confusion is because of your regulations. We also interpret these liberally. A layman cannot understand the language of your regulations," Justice Khanna told the Sebi counsel.

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU  
MUMBAI, DECEMBER 7

JET AIRWAYS Ltd, which collapsed in 2019, is likely to be back in the skies as early as the summer of next year (April-May 2021). The airline's new promoters, Murari Lal Jalan and Kalrock Capital, plan to start domestic and international operations with all the slots that were available to the airline before it stopped operations.

Announcing the revival, the promoters said the "Jet 2.0 programme is aimed at reviving the past glory of Jet Airways" with a fresh set of processes and systems to ensure greater efficiency and productivity across all routes. "As per the resolution plan, Jet Airways intends to operate all of its historic domestic slots in India and restart international operations. If everything goes as per plan and the consortium receives the NCLT and regulatory approvals on time, Jet Airways would be back in the skies by the summer of 2021, they said.



On April 17, 2019, Jet Airways ceased all operations. File

According to a statement from the new promoters, the consortium's vision is "to regain the lost ground, set new benchmarks for the airline industry with the tag of being the best corporate full-service airline operating on domestic and international routes".

It said Jet 2.0 hubs will remain Delhi, Mumbai and Bengaluru like before.

"The revival plan proposes to support Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities by creating sub-hubs in such cities. This would boost the economy in these cities, help Jet Airways stand

back on its feet fast, and support the overall vision of the government to promote aviation business through Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities in India," the statement said. On April 17, 2019, Jet Airways ceased all operations as it ran out of cash.

The statement said the consortium had evaluated the option of starting a new airline but some inherent strengths of Jet Airways like the optimal flight slots, brand value and reputation for best-in-class in-flight service and safety, giving Jet 2.0 an edge over others, were too tempting to resist.

## INTERVIEW WITH ANAND AGARWAL, GROUP CEO, STL

## 'Wireline capex will have to be on par with investment in wireless'

THE CAPITAL investment

planned by telecom companies in wireline and optical fibre networks over the next few quarters will have to be on par with their investment in wireless technologies to achieve quality as well as scale of service, the group chief executive officer (CEO) of optical fibre cable-maker and tech solutions provider STL, ANAND AGARWAL said in an interaction with AASHISH ARYAN. Edited excerpts:

**While the first three months of the fiscal year were spent in strict lockdown, there has been relative bounce-back in economic activity. What were the learnings at STL?**

The biggest issue for us was working on project sites itself. In terms of augmenting the workforce and getting the right permissions, there were issues. A lot of time up until July-August was spent on that, along with making sure that everybody is healthy and safe. So, those were the issues that we encountered. In hindsight, everybody can wonder whether we could have planned better or done something differ-



ent. Right now, if people act in a more calibrated manner, we should be able to come out of this and leave the pandemic behind us. As far as STL is concerned, the shift towards digital is creating a global demand for us. That gives us good visibility in the short-to-mid term.

**Is it a deliberate focus of telecom companies to move from a pure wireless play to a combined mix of wireless and wireline services?**

Wireless gives you coverage and wireline gives you capacity. For example, for Jio (Reliance Jio Infocomm), 85 per cent of the towers are connected with fibre. Airtel is now adding much more to its present capacity.

The more wireless services

expand, the more wireline will be required. With 5G, the data consumption in India goes up more than 10 fold, which is nearly 10 GB per user per month right now.

**What can we make of STL's partnership with Airtel? Is it a sign of things to come wherein we can see more such telecom-fibre company partnerships?**

In 2019, there was not a lot of investment happening in this sector in India. There was a lot of talk, re-calibration and reconnection. In 2020, with this sort of order book, the investments have started happening again. This is a macro opportunity. The scale is decent, the execution is very focused, and largely will happen in second half of this year. This is an integrated opportunity which takes a solution-based approach fibre, cable, interconnect, network design, roll-out. It will be an end-to-end solution. What it does for Airtel is that it creates a robust backhaul, tower connectivity network for them.

Full interview on [www.indianexpress.com](http://www.indianexpress.com)

## BRIEFLY

## Bankers not to take part in bandh

New Delhi: Bank unions said they will not participate in the 'Bharat Bandh' on Tuesday, even as they expressed solidarity with farmers protesting against the new farm laws. Farmer groups have called for a nationwide shutdown on Tuesday to protest against three recently enacted agriculture-related legislations.

## Petrol, diesel rise for 6th day

New Delhi: Petrol price was hiked by 30 paise per litre and diesel by 26 paise, according to a price notification of oil marketing companies. Rates for petrol in Delhi rose to Rs 83.71 per litre, from Rs 83.41 while diesel price went up from Rs 73.61 to Rs 73.87 per litre.

## ArcelorMittal: Stay on orders

New Delhi: The National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) has stayed the orders of Ahmedabad bench of NCLT directing ArcelorMittal India to pay around Rs 1,300 crore as IRP costs in Odisha Slurry Pipeline Infrastructure (OS-PIL) for using its assets.

## Malavika Hegde Coffee Day CEO

New Delhi: Coffee Day Enterprises Ltd (CDEL) on Monday said Malavika Hegde, the wife of its late founder V G Siddhartha, has been appointed as the company's Chief Executive Officer. CDEL runs a chain of Cafe Coffee Day restaurants in India. PTI

## Chinese exports to India decline in 2020 so far

K J M VARMA  
BEIJING, DECEMBER 7

CHINA'S EXPORTS to India declined by 13 per cent in the first 11 months of the year, while India's exports to China rose 16 per cent in the same period, as per Chinese customs data released on Monday.

The bilateral trade in the first 11 months of 2020 touched \$78 billion, amidst border tensions between the two countries in eastern Ladakh. The two countries traded about \$92.68 billion worth of goods in 2019.

According to customs data released on Monday, China exported

## India's exports to China rise 16% in the first 11 months of year, as per Chinese customs data

about \$59 billion worth of products to India from January to November, down 13 per cent, a report in the state-run *Global Times* said. China's imports from India stood at about \$19 billion in the first 11 months, up 16 per cent.

Amid border tension, India has banned over 200 Chinese apps as they posed a threat to the "sovereignty of India". PTI

## Cos garner ₹73,215 cr from mkts in Oct, debt via private placement leads

Companies raised ₹73,215 crore from the capital markets in October, with private placement of debt instruments continuing to be the most-preferred route, as per monthly bulletin published by Securities and Exchange Board of India



**6 companies launched IPOs on main board stock exchanges are: CAMS, UTI Asset Management Company, Chemcon Speciality Chemicals, Angel Broking, Likhitha Infrastructure and Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders**

## ₹73,215 cr RAISED IN OCTOBER COMPARED TO ₹75,232 CRORE IN SEPTEMBER THROUGH ISSUANCE OF EQUITY AND DEBT SECURITIES

**PURPOSE:** The funds have been mopped up mainly for business expansion plans, loan repayments and working capital requirements

**₹62,331 cr** of the total was mopped up from private placement of debt securities and ₹4,144 crore through private placement of equity, which include qualified institutional placement (QIP) and preferential allotment routes

**₹2,200 cr** raised through the QIP route

**1 public issue of corporate bonds amounting to Rs 300 crore in October, data from the market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) showed**

**₹1.1 lakh cr** mop up in August

**₹1,944 cr** raised through issuance of shares on a preferential allotment basis

**STATUS IN SEPTEMBER:** In comparison, corporates had mobilised ₹64,389 crore and ₹9,022 crore through private placement of debt securities and equities, respectively, in September

**₹5,825 cr** was raised through six main-board initial public offering, ₹62 crore from eight SME's initial share-sale and ₹554 crore through rights issue

Source: Sebi/PTI

## 'Quarterly GSTRs to ease compliance from Jan'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

THE GOODS and Services Tax (GST) taxpayers with turnover up to Rs 5 crore will have the option to ease their compliance burden from January 1, as the facility to file GSTR-3B only on quarterly basis kicks in. Currently, GSTR-3B is filed on a monthly basis along with payment of taxes.

The Quarterly filing of Return with Monthly Payment (QRMP) scheme, which was approved by the GST Council in October, means that instead of a mandatory 16 returns that need to be filed a year (12 GSTR-3B and 4 GSTR-1), the new system would provide for 8 returns (4 GSTR-3B and 4 GSTR-1).

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## SCHEME TO COVER 92% REGISTERED TAXPAYERS

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12 crore registered taxpayers, including 17 lakh composition dealers. However, an assessee opting for the scheme will need to pay tax on monthly basis but will have the option to either discharge the actual liability via the cash ledger or through a pre-filled challan amounting to 35 per cent of the cash paid as taxes in the previous quarter.

"This may also reduce his

new system would provide for 8 returns (4 GSTR-3B and 4 GSTR-1).

■ The scheme will cover 92% or 94 lakh GST-registered taxpayers. Currently, there are about 1.2 crore registered taxpayers, including 17 lakh composition dealers.

tributions of late fee, as the pre-filled challan will allow taxpayers to deposit monthly 35 per cent of the cash paid in the previous quarter in the electronic cash ledger," a source said.

The sources said that the scheme was aimed at cutting down compliance cost of smaller taxpayers who are forced to engage professional help for filing returns. FE

## MSME taxpayers may file GST return via SMS

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU  
KOLKATA, DECEMBER 7

The MSME taxpayers will no longer require to log on to the GST portal to file their return. Instead, they can file their return through an SMS helping to reduce their cost of compliance.

Ajit Kumar, chairman, Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Custom at a session of the Bharat Chamber of Commerce, said: "MSME taxpayers, with nil liability, can file GST return by a mere SMS. This will improve the ease of doing business, particularly during the COVID-19 onslaught". There have been demands

from the tax payers, mostly in the MSME sector, that GST be charged on receipt of payment instead of the tax liability coming to them on the date of issuance of invoice or receipt of payment whichever is earlier. This causes blockage of working capital, putting much pressure on the liquidity.

Though Kumar remained non-committal to the proposal, he said, the Customs department rolled out the nationwide faceless assessment system for shipment clearances at every port from 31st October providing maximum benefit to the industry, once again saving their costs of compliance. FE

## Pandemic forces IKEA to turn the page on catalogue after 7 decades

REUTERS  
STOCKHOLM, DECEMBER 7

BUDGET FURNITURE giant IKEA said it has taken the emotional decision to end a seven-decade tradition and discontinue its catalogue, one of the world's biggest annual publications, as shoppers move online.

The publication reached a peak in 2016, when more than 200 million copies were distributed to households and IKEA stores in more than 50 markets. Its very first edition, in 1951,



The 2021 catalogue at an IKEA store in Stockholm. Reuters

featuring the MK Wing Chair on the cover, had a print run of 285,000 copies and was distributed in southern Sweden. The last

one, from this year, runs to 40 million copies.

The decision is part of IKEA's push to become more digital as

consumers increasingly seek inspiration online, as well as shopping via the web. In the 12 months to end-August, IKEA's online sales jumped by 45 per cent.

"The number of copies has gone down, but we have also seen that people have much more used our website, apps and social media. The catalogue became less and less important," said Konrad Gruss, Managing Director at franchisor Inter IKEA Systems — a division of brand owner Inter IKEA Group.

"The interest in the catalogue has come down," he told Reuters in an interview.

**E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE/IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 UNDER RULES 6(2), 6(6) & 9 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002**  
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Sr. No.	Branch Name/ name & Address of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Brief Description of Property/ies	Possession Type	Total Liabilities in Rs.	Reserve Price (Lakh)	Earnest Money Deposit (Lakh)	Bid increase amount (Rs.)	Name of Authorised Officer & Contact Details	Earnest Money Collection A/c details along with IFSC Code of Branch	Date of E-Auction Date of EMD
1.	<b>BALLBAGARH BRANCH, CHAWLA COLONY, LOCATED ON AGRA DELHI HIGHWAY, BALLBAGARH, HARYANA- 121004</b> M/s A K Good Earth Pvt Ltd At 817, Hemkunt Chambers, 89- Nehru Place, New Delhi - 110019 Guarantor(s): A. Mrs. Asha Kumari W/o Late Shri Subhash Chand Madan, Resident Of House No A-2678, Ground Floor, Green Fields Colony, Faridabad. B. Ms Komal D/o Late Shri Subhash Chand Madan, Resident Of House No A-2678, Ground Floor, Green Fields Colony, Faridabad. C. Mrs. Jyoti Bhatt W/o Shri Kabir Bhatt Resident Of House No A-2678, Ground Floor, Green Fields Colony, Faridabad.	All that piece & parcel of Flat on Ground Floor admeasuring 2440. Sq ft, Plot no 2678, Block A, part of Khasra No 61/4-5, Green Field residential Colony, Faridabad, Haryana - 121010 in the name of Mrs. Jyoti Bhatt W/o Mr. Kabir Bhatt. Its outer four boundaries are:- North: Prop No. A-2679, South: Prop No. A-2677, East: Prop No. A-2693, West: Road	Physical	as on 12.01.2015 Rs. 88,67,314.70/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 136.00 Lakhs	Rs. 13.60 Lakhs	Rs. 1000	Sh. SUNIL KUMAR Ph. 973951744, 0129-2211710 Mail ID: cb18220@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, Ballabgarh branch, Haryana, A/c No 8220302000017 IFSC Code SYNB0008220	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
2.	<b>RADAUR BRANCH, RADAUR, DISTT YAMUNA NAGAR, HARYANA</b> M/S Aarkey Jewellers, Prop. Sh. Ashish Verma, Shop No. 8, Golden Market, Yamuna Nagar. Prop. Sh. Ashish Verma S/o Sh. Ram Kumar Verma, H. No. 744/5, Mata Mohalla, VPO Radaur, Distt. Yamunanagar - 135133 Guarantor(s) : 1. Smt. Jyoti Verma, H. No. 744/5, Mata Mohalla, VPO Radaur, Distt. Yamunanagar - 135133 Smt. Neelam Verma, H. No. 744/5, Mata Mohalla, VPO Radaur, Distt. Yamunanagar - 135133 Property No-2:- All that part and parcel of PLOT no. 210 measuring 100 Sq. Yards i.e. OK-03M-03 Sarsai being 30/19818 share out of land measuring 110K-02M comprising Khewat No. 949/910, Khatauni No. 1115, Khasra No. 1093(5-8), 1094(8-0), 1095(2/6-8), 1098(8-0), 1099(8-0), 1102(2/10-2), 1106(8-0), 1107(8-0), 1128(8-0), 1129(8-0), 1131(2/8-16), 1132(8-0), 1136(2/7-8), situated at Mauja Jaat Nagar Colony, Radaur, H.B. No. 45, Tehsil Radaur, District Yamunanagar vide Jamabandi for the Year 2015-16, with mutation No. 11182, Purchased vide Sale Deed No. 1192, dated 29-12-2017, registered at SRO Radaur. The property is owned by Smt. Jyoti Verma W/O Sh. Ashish Verma. The property is bounded as under : On the North by Street 33 ft Wide, On the South by Property of Jagdhari wale, On the East by Property of Neelam Verma, On the West by Plot No. 208 Owned by Others	Property No-1 :- All that part and parcel of PLOT no. 209 measuring 100 Sq. Yards i.e. OK-03M-03 Sarsai being 30/19818 share out of land measuring 110K-02M comprising Khewat No. 949/910, Khatauni No. 1115, Khasra No. 1093(5-8), 1094(8-0), 1095(2/6-8), 1098(8-0), 1099(8-0), 1102(2/10-2), 1106(8-0), 1107(8-0), 1128(8-0), 1129(8-0), 1131(2/8-16), 1132(8-0), 1136(2/7-8), situated at Mauja Jaat Nagar Colony, Radaur, H.B. No. 45, Tehsil Radaur, District Yamunanagar vide Jamabandi for the Year 2015-16, with mutation No. 11182, Purchased vide Sale Deed No. 1192, dated 29-12-2017, registered at SRO Radaur. The property is owned by Smt. Jyoti Verma W/O Sh. Ashish Verma. The property is bounded as under : On the North by Street 33 ft Wide, On the South by Property of Jagdhari wale, On the East by Property of Neelam Verma, On the West by Plot No. 208 Owned by Others	Physical	as on 01.12.2020 Rs. 10,10,753.17/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	P-1: Rs. 07.70 Lakhs P-2: Rs. 07.70 Lakhs	P-1: Rs. 0.77 Lakh P-2: Rs. 0.77 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Amit Parihar Ph. No. 01723-284007, 9416800127, 9650256228, Mail ID: cb18290@canarabank.com	Canara Bank RADAUR Branch, RADAUR, Distt. Yamuna Nagar, Haryana, A/c No 8290310000011 IFSC Code SYND0008290	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
3.	<b>RADAUR BRANCH, RADAUR, DISTT YAMUNA NAGAR, HARYANA</b> M/S Bimal Jewellers, Prop. Sh. Ashish Verma, Shop No. 8, Golden Market, Yamuna Nagar. Prop. Sh. Sunil Kumar S/o Sh. Chhuni Lal H.No 424, Ward No.3, Dhobi Mohalla, College Road, VPO Radaur, Distt. Yamunanagar-135133. Guarantor(s): Surety: Smt. Anju Bala W/o Sh. Sunil Kumar H.No 424, Ward No.3, Dhobi Mohalla, College Road VPO Radaur, Distt. Yamunanagar-135133	Residential Plot measuring OK-03M-04 Sarsai i.e. 106.86 Sq. Yards being 7/320 Share of 08K-0M comprising in Khewat No. 921, Khatauni 1096, Khasra No. 1275, Kitta 1 as per Jamabandi for the year 2010-11 situated at SAI COLONY, Near Govt. Hospital, Radaur, Tehsil Radaur, Distt. Yamunanagar vide registered Sale Deed No. 2896, dated 25-03-2014, registered at SRO Radaur. The property is owned by Smt. Anju Bala W/O Sh. Sunil Kumar. The property is bounded is under: On the North by Side Gali 22 Wide, On the South by Side Gali 20 Wide, On the East by Plot no 35-C, On the East by Plot no 34-A	Physical	as on 30.11.2020 Rs. 7,36,699.35/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 4.52 Lakhs	Rs. 0.45 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Amit Parihar Ph. No. 01723-284007, 9416800127, 9650256228, Mail ID: cb18290@canarabank.com	Canara Bank RADAUR Branch, RADAUR, Distt. Yamuna Nagar, Haryana, A/c No 8290310000011 IFSC Code SYND0008290	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
4.	<b>FARIDABAD MAIN BRANCH, #48, NEELAM BATA ROAD, NIT FARIDABAD, FARIDABAD, HARYANA- 121001</b> M/S E2S Infranet Pvt Ltd At 817, Hemkunt Chambers, 89- Nehru Place, New Delhi - 110019 Guarantor(s): Mr. Chandra Shekhar Kukreja, Resident Of House No 10, Panchayat Bhawan Road, Old Civil Lines, Jawahar Nagar, Palwal, Haryana. Mrs. Nisha Kukreja, Resident Of House No 10, Panchayat Bhawan Road, Old Civil Lines, Jawahar Nagar, Palwal, Haryana. Mr. Ashok Kumar Gandhi, Resident Of House No 1313, LIG, Housing Board Colony, Sector 18, Faridabad. Mr. Kushal Gandhi, Resident Of Plot No 112 L, New Colony, Palwal, Haryana. Mr. Subhash Chand, Resident Of 1956/1-2, Ward No 10, Nasha Mukti Centre wali gali, Asoati Road, Ramnagar, Palwal, Haryana.	1. All part & parcel of H.No. MC Unit no 1956/1-2, Forming out of Khasra No 3078/3556, Rect No 229, Kila no 8 (7-13), 131(15-7), Ward no 10, Nasha Mukti Centre Wali Gali , Brij Nagar , Asoati Road, Ram , Palwal, Haryana measuring 150 Sq yds in the name of Sh Subhash Chand S/o Narayan Singh. 2. All part & parcel of H No -10 Panchayat Bhawan Road, Old Civil Lines, Jawahar Nagar , Palwal, Haryana . Measuring 173 Sq yds in the name of Sh Chander Shekhar Kukreja S/o Shree Chand Kukreja , Smt Nisha Kukreja W/o Sh Chander Shekhar Kukreja ,Smt Kanta Kukreja W/o Sh Shree Chand Kukreja & Shi Shree Chand Kukreja.	Physical	as on 31.01.2020 Rs. 1,13,03,285/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	P-1: Rs. 37.80 Lakhs P-2: Rs. 65.00 Lakhs	P-1: Rs. 3.78 Lakh P-2: Rs. 6.50 Lakhs	Rs. 1000	Sh. Vikramjeet Singh Ph. 8572802228, 1744-280230 Mail ID: cb18214@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, Faridabad Main Branch, #48, Neelam Bata Road, NIT Faridabad, Faridabad, Haryana- 121001, A/c No 170800100 IFSC Code SYNB0008214	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
5.	<b>FARIDABAD MAIN BRANCH, ADDRESS: P.B. NO. 12, 8/A, NEHRU GROUNDS, NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN BRANCH, FARIDABAD HARYANA - 121001</b> M/s Garg Trading Company through its proprietor Sh. Bhupesh Garg, Plot No. -133, Ward No.-4, Punjabi Mohalla, Ballabgarh-121004	Residential Property at H.No.-133 Ward No.-4 Punjabi Mohalla, Ballabgarh measuring 59 Sq Yds in the name of Bhupesh Garg and is bounded as under:- North: Street, South: Property of Sh. Dinesh Mangla, East: 12ft wide street, West: Property of Smt Urmila	Symbolic	as on 30.09.2018 Rs. 47,75,380.00/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 35.50 Lakh	Rs. 3.55 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. SHIV KUMAR PRASAD Ph. 0129-2430426, 76075-96950 Mail ID: cb330@canarabank.com	Canara Bank P.B. No.12, 8/A, Nehru Grounds, New Industrial Town Branch, Faridabad Haryana - 121001, A/c No 209272434, IFSC Code CNRB0000330	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
6.	<b>GT ROAD KUNDLI, DIST SONEPAT - 131028</b> M/S GARIMA INDUSTRIES, Prop. Smt. SAPNA TYAGI W/O SRI ASHISH TYAGI, PLOT NO. 258, HSIIDC RAI, DIST-SONIPAT Partner & Guarantor(s): (a) SH. ASHISH TYAGI S/O SHIV DUTT (b) SAPNA TYAGI W/O ASHISH TYAGI VILL TEHA, TH GANAUR, DIST SONEPAT	Residential building situated on land area measuring 327.55 Sq. yards Khewat No. 50, Khata No. 59-60, Kila No. 5, Village Teha Ganaur Tehsil & Dist Sonepat in the name of Sh Ashish Tyagi S/O Shiv Dutt. Boundaries : East : Gali, West : Plot of Jaipal, North : House of Bhanushan, South : Plot of Jaipal	Symbolic	as on 07/08/2019 Rs. 544533.00 plus further interest & other charges. (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 41.00 Lakh	Rs. 4.10 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Jagdev Singh Meena Ph. 01302470539, 8572803236 , 9205197770 Mail ID: cb3236@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, KUNDLI Branch, GT ROAD KUNDLI, Dist- Sonepat - 131028, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0003236	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
7.	<b>AIR FORCE STATION BRANCH, ADDRESS: A-69 , AIR FORCE STATION ROAD, NIT FARIDABAD 121001, FARIDABAD (HRY)</b> M/s Jain Trading (Proprietor:- Sh. Kuldeep Jain) Address:- Shop No 15, Dabua Colony, Ghazipur, NIT Faridabad (Hry) - 121001 Sh. Kuldeep Jain Address:- H.No.-E-233, Air Force Road, Dabua Colony, NIT Faridabad (Hry) - 121001 Guarantor : Sh. Manoj Jain Address:- H.No.-E-233, Air Force Road, Dabua Colony, NIT Faridabad (Hry) - 121001 Sh. HARISH JAIN Address:- H.No.-E-161, Air Force Road, Dabua Colony, NIT Faridabad (Hry) - 121001 Sh. Kuldeep Jain, Sh. Manoj Jain & Sh. HARISH JAIN Jointly.	Property : EMT of residential House admeasuring 100 sq yards at E-233, at Plot No 141 forming part of Khasra No 30/24/1, 24/2, Mauze Saran, Dabus Colony, NIT Faridabad (Hry) - 121001 in the name of Sh. Kuldeep Jain, Sh. Manoj Jain & Sh. HARISH JAIN Jointly as per registered sale deed No 58 dt 02/04/2002. The Property is bounded as under: Boundaries : North : 22 ft road, South : Portion of Plot No 141, East : 15 ft road, West : Plot No 140	Symbolic	as on 12.02.2020 Rs. 41,06,557.17 + future interest & costs, expenses etc.(Minus Recovery if any)	Rs. 40.80 Lakhs	Rs. 4.08 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Mr. Ramavtar Biloniya Ph. No.0129-2475040, 9650048430 E-mail id: cb8430@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Faridabad Airforce Branch, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB00008430	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
8.	<b>BALLBAGARH BRANCH, CHAWLA COLONY, LOCATED ON AGRA DELHI HIGHWAY, BALLBAGARH, HARYANA- 121004</b> M/s K B Enterprises At 719, Hemkunt Chambers, 89 - Nehru Place, New Delhi - 11001 Guarantor(s): A. Mr. Kabir Bhatt (Prop), Resident Of House No A-2678, Ground Floor, Green Fields Colony, Faridabad B. Mrs. Jyoti Bhatt W/o Shri Kabir Bhatt Resident Of House No A-2678, Ground Floor, Green Fields Colony, Faridabad C. Mrs. Jyoti Bhatt W/o Shri Kabir Bhatt Resident Of House No A-2678, Ground Floor, Green Fields Colony, Faridabad	All that piece & parcel of Flat on Second Floor admeasuring 2440. Sq ft, Plot no 2678, Block A, part of Khasra No 61/4-5, Green Field residential Colony, Faridabad, Haryana - 121010 in the name of Shri Kabir Bhatt s/o Sh. A S Bhatt. Its outer four boundaries are as North: A-2679, South: A-2677, East : A-2693, West: Road	Physical	as on 14.10.2013 Rs. 1,13,03,285.37/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 89.00 lakhs	Rs. 8.90 lakhs	Rs. 10000	Sh. Sunil Kumar Ph.973951744, 0129-2211710 E-mail id: cb18220@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, Ballabgarh branch, Haryana, A/c No 8220302000017 IFSC Code SYNB0008220	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
9.	<b>FARIDABAD 21 C BRANCH, ADDRESS - SECTOR - 21 C, DSS 45-46, HUDA MARKET, FARIDABAD -121001, HARYANA</b> i) Kamlesh Gupta w/o Sh. Moolchand Gupta R/O House no-222, Sector 17, Faridabad Haryana ii) Guarantors : Sh. Moolchand Gupta S/o Sh. Banarsi Dass R/o House No-222, Sector -17, Faridabad, Haryana. iii) M/s JKAK Industries Pvt. Ltd. through its authorized Directors- Registered Address- SCO-32, Sector-16, Near Vegetable Market, Old Faridabad, Haryana iv) Guarantors- Sh. Moolchand Gupta S/o Sh. Banarsi Dass R/o House No-222, Sector -17, Faridabad, Haryana. v) Sh. Ankush Gupta S/o Sh. Moolchand Gupta R/o House no.-222, Sector -17, Faridabad Haryana	All Part and Parcel of House Cum-Plot No-468-P Sector-17, Huda , Faridabad , Haryana admeasuring 856.67 Sq. yards in the name of Smt Kamlesh Gupta w/o Sh. Moolchand Gupta. Bounded as under : North - Road, South - Others property, East- Road, West- Plot no -469	Physical	as on 30.01.2020 Rs. 24,41,61,822/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 380.00 Lakhs	Rs. 38.00 Lakhs	Rs. 1000	Sh. Vinay Singh Rawatal Ph. 0128-2437209 E-mail id: cb18299@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, Faridabad Sec-21C branch, Haryana A/c 8299302000012, IFSC Code SYNB0008299	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
10.	<b>MC ROAD, 1ST FLOOR OF LIC BUILDING, GANAUR, DIST- SONEPAT - 131101</b> M/S KRISHNA TEXTILES, Prop. Sri SHUBHAM BAJAJ S/O Sri SUNIL BAJAJ, BARSAT ROAD, BUILDING NO 1507, WARD NO 9, NEAR SACHDEVA GARDEN, PANIPAT Partner & Guarantor(s): (a) Sri SHUBHAM BAJAJ S/O Sri SUNIL BAJAJ (b) Smt. VERSHA RANI W/O Sh. SUNIL KUMAR	Property/house having rasta towards its southern side, measuring 270 Sq. yards having dimensions of 51'47.5" or Biswa being 107/4600 share out of land measuring 11 bigha comprising in Khewat no 651/629 khatauni no 928, khasra no 4283/2 min (2-15) 4384/2 min (2-16) khatauni no 929 khasra no 4383/2 min (3-5) 4384/2 min (2-14) situated within revenue estate of Taraf Inari Panipat Tehsil and Distt Panipat with in limit of MC Panipat. Boundaries : East :17'6" 31'9" : Owner's Property, West : 49'3" : property of Vinod, North :48'6" + 2'6" : Vacant property of Harjeet, South : 51'0" : Street	Symbolic	as on 01/05/2019 Rs. 1819571.32 plus further interest & other charges. (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 72.00 Lakhs	Rs. 7.20 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Jagdev Singh Meena Ph. 01302461283, 8572803446, 9205197770 Mail ID: cb3446@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, GANAUR Branch, MC ROAD, 1st FLOOR OF LIC BUILDING, Ganaur, Dist- Sonepat - 131101, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0003446	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
11.	<b>S.C.F 52, URBAN ESTATE-II, DELHI ROAD, HISAR, HARYANA, Ph. No. 01662-246122, 8572802990</b> M/s Laptop Depot, SSB-85, Urban Estate II, Behind Puspaha Complex, Delhi Road, Hisar. Guarantor(s): a) Smt. Sunita Rani Grover W/o Sh. Sita Ram Grover, (Partner/Mortgagor) House No. 194, Urban Estate -II, Delhi Road, Hisar-125005. b) Mr. Satpal Arya S/o Sh. Ved Parkash, (Partner) VPO-Mayyar, Delhi Hisar Road, Distt- Hisar (Haryana)-125005. c) Smt. Darshna W/o Sh. Rajpal Arya, (Partner) VPO-Mayyar, Delhi Hisar Road, Distt- Hisar (Haryana)-125005.	Commercial Shop No.5, property No. 669/5, Ward No. 17, Mahavir Colony Road, Near Main Water Works, Hisar measuring 40 sq yards bearing property No. iSale Deed No. 2161 dated 17.06.2009 in favour of Smt. Sunita Rani Grover W/o Sh. Sita Ram Grover (R/o House No. 194, Urban Estate-II, Delhi Road, Hisar-125005), further measuring and bounded as under: East: Danda 10'-7" Property of Others, West: Danda 10'-7" Road, North: Danda 33'-6" Property of Makhan Lal, South: Danda 33'-6" Property of Sh. Brij Lal	Physical	as on 31.05.2017 Rs. 16,55,632/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 11.61 Lakhs	Rs. 1.17 Lakh	Rs. 1000	SH. Rajesh Verma Ph. No. 01662246122, 8572802990 9205197771 Mail ID: cb2990@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, HISAR UE II Branch SCF 52, UE II, Hisar-125001, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0002990	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
12.	<b>KARNAL PREM NAGAR BRANCH, DIST KARNAL, HARYANA</b> M/s Mahadev Iron Works (Prop Sh. Gopal Kumar s/o Sh. Mamchand), at House No 2365, Gali No 1, Shastri Nagar, Karnal (Hry)- 132001 (Borrower) Guarantor(s) : 1. Sh. Dhruv Kumar Arora s/o Sh. Mottan Das, House No 31, Gali No 1, Shiv Colony, Karnal (Hry) - 132001 (Guarantor). 2. Sh. Tejinder s/o Sh. Gopal Kumar), at House No 2365, Gali No 1, Shastri Nagar, Karnal (Hry)- 132001 (Guarantor).	All that piece & parcel of Residential Property at House property ID 104C1082U175 on land Khewat No 2561/2507, Khatauni No 4293, Khewat No 1804/1770, Khatauni No 3122 Khewat No 11270/1664, Khatauni No 339/3447 abad Shastri Colony, near Chauthary Card Board Factory, Ward No 17, Karnal in the name of Sh. Gopal Kumar s/o Sh. Mam Chand & bounded as under: North : House of other owner, South : 18 ft wide street, East: House of Gopal Das, West : Plot of other owner	Symbolic	as on 01.06.2016 Rs. 22,63,934/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 31.00 lakhs	Rs. 3.10 lakhs	Rs. 1000	Sh. Prabhu Dayal Meena Ph. 0184-2294022, 8572825054 Mail ID: cb5054@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Karnal Prem Nagar Branch, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB5054	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
13.	<b>RS PUBLIC SENIOR SEC SCHOOL, MEERA SADBHAVANA CHOWK, KARNAL, HARYANA- 132 001</b> Mamta (Legal heir of Late Sh Prem Kumar) Address:- H.NO- 485, Gali no-7 Vikas Nagar, 132001, Haryana Sanjay S/o Sh Ram Chand H.no- 102A, Gali no-3, Rajiv Puram Karnal 132001, Haryana	All part and parcel of House no- 485, Gali No-7, Vikas Nagar, Phosnagar Road Karnal measuring-86.44 Sq Yds. Bounded as under :- North-Property of other, South:-Rasta, East:-Rasta, West:-Property of others	Physical	as on 01.01.2020 Rs. 1,224,326.14/- plus further interest & other charges thereon (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 18.10 Lakh	Rs. 1.81 lakh	Rs. 1000	Prabhu Dayal Meena Ph. 0184-2232817, 9416800120 Mail ID: cb8256@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, RSPS ,Karnal Branch, Haryana, A/c No 8256302000016 IFSC Code SYNB0008256	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
14.	<b>KURUKSHETRA BRANCH, ADDRESS- RAILWAY ROAD , 136118, KURUKSHETRA HARYANA</b> M/s Mittal Enterprises Through its Prop: Sunider Mittal S/o Sh. Chela Ram Mittal, Address :-Amin Road, Kurukshetra Haryana	All that piece & parcel of single story commercial property on Plot No 16 & 17 bearing part of Khasra No 108(9/2/3-1), 8/2(1-14), 9/1(3-8)10(7-19), Khewat Khatauni No 1439(Min)1640 Min situated at Vakya Rakha Village Darru Kalan (now known as Gurdev Barman Colony) near Salarpur road, very near to KSK Hanuman Petrol Pump, Teh Thanesar, Dist Kurukshetra in the name of Mr. Surinder Kumar Mittal S/o Sh Chela Ram and Mrs. Renu Bala w/o Surinder Kumar Mittal. The property is bounded as under: North: Agri Land of other, South: Open Plot no-15, East: Agri Land of other, West: Street/ Agri Land	Symbolic	as on 02.07.2019 Rs. 32,61,311.08/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 18.00 Lakhs	Rs. 1.80 Lakhs	Rs. 1000	Sh. Brij Raj Bengali Ph. No.01744-251912, Mobile: 8572802475 Mail ID: cb2475@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Kurukshetra Branch, Address- Railway Road, 136118, Haryana, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0002475	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
15.	<b>SIRSA MAIN BRANCH , 12173 SURKHAB CHOWK, HISSAR ROAD SIRSA-125055.</b> M/S N K Steel Industries Prop. Sh Naresh Kumar Near Dhailwal Marriage palace Village Shahpur Begu Distt. Sirsa Partner & Guarantor(s): (a) Mr. Naresh Kumar s/o Makhan Lal	Land and building measuring 212.38 sq yards i.e. 7 marlas being 17/393 share of khewat /khatauni no 2258/2578 (6-11), 2/45 share of khewat/khatauni no 2393/2725 (1-10) situated within the revenue estate of Shahpur Begu. Tehsil and Distt Sirsa vide sale deed no 11736/dated 09.11.201 registered with sub registrar Sirsa vide jamabandi for the year 2007-2008 mutation no 108041. Boundaries : East : Shop of Beer Chand (33'), West : Property of Shri Bansil Lal (47'), North: Property of Bhanu (54'), South :Street	Symbolic	as on 08/01/2018 Rs. 1521391/- plus further interest & other charges. (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 18.16 lakh	Rs. 1.82 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. SANDEEP KUMAR Ph. 01302461283, 8572801403 Mail ID: cb1403@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Sirsa, 12173 SURKHAB CHOWK, Hissar Road Sirsa-125055, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0001403	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
16.	<b>CHAWLA COLONY, MATHURA ROAD (G T ROAD), BALLABHAGARH, DIST FARIDABAD (HRY) - 121004</b> M/s Namo Forgings Pvt Ltd ( Borrower) Address Plot No 87, Sanjay Colony, Opp Maurya Udyog, Sector 23, Faridabad (Hry) - 121004. Guarantor(s): Shri Narendra Kumar Aggarwal s/o Late Sh. Shri Ram Aggarwal (Director/Guarantor) Address House No 2085, Green Field Colony, Faridabad (Hry) - 121010 Smt. Indira Aggarwal W/o Shri Narendra Kumar Aggarwal (Director/Guarantor) Address House No 2085, Green Field Colony, Faridabad (Hry) - 121010	Property No.1. All that piece & parcel of Industrial Plot No-86, admeasuring 533 sq yds, at Sector-23, Sanjay Colony, Faridabad in the name of Mr. Narendar Aggarwal. The premises is bounded as under: Property No.2. All that piece & parcel of House No-87, admeasuring 669 sq yds, at Sector-23, Sanjay Colony, Faridabad in the name of Mr. Narendar Aggarwal. The premises is bounded as under:	Symbolic	as on 31-01-2019 Rs. 2,63,83,658.26/- plus further interest & other charges. (minus recovery ,if any)	P-1: Rs. 188.00 Lakh P-2: Rs. 197.50 Lakh	P-1: Rs. 18.80 lakh P-2: Rs. 19.75 lakh	Rs. 50000 Rs. 50000	Sh. Neeraj Singh Ph. No. 0129-2241530, 8130922033 Mail ID: cb2033@canarabank.com	CHAWLA COLONY, MATHURA ROAD (G T ROAD), BALLABHAGARH, DIST FARIDABAD (HRY) - 121004 A/c No 8290310000011 IFSC Code CNRB2033	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
17.	<b>RADAUR BRANCH, RADAUR, DISTT YAMUNA NAGAR, HARYANA</b> M/S R K TRADING CO., Prop. Smt. Neelam Verma Main Bazar, Radaur, Distt. Yamunanagar-135133. Prop. Smt. Neelam Verma W/O Sh. Ram Kumar Verma H. No. 744/5, Mata Mohalla, VPO Radaur, Distt Yamunanagar-135133 Guarantor(s) : Smt. Jyoti, H. No. 744/5, Mata Mohalla, VPO Radaur, Distt Yamunanagar-135133 South by Plot of Ankit Kumar, On the East by Plot no 214 of Neelam Verma, On the West by Street 21 Ft wide Property No-2:- All that Part & Parcel of PLOT No. 214 measuring OK-03M-03 SARSAI, i.e. 100 sq. yards being 10/6606 share out of land measuring 110K-02M comprising Khewat No. 949/910, Khatauni No. 1115, Khasra No. 1093(5-8), 1094(8-0), 1095(2/6-8), 1098(8-0), 1099(8-0), 1102(2/10-2), 1106(8-0), 1107(8-0), 1128(8-0), 1129(8-0), 1131(2/8-16), 1132(8-0), 1136(2/7-8), situated at Village Radaur H.B. No. 45, Musuma Jaat Nagar, Tehsil Radaur, District Yamunanagar vide Jamabandi for the Year 2015-16, Purchased vide Sale Deed No. 1334 Dated 18-10-2016, registered at SRO Radaur read with Mutation No 10809. The property is owned by Smt. Jyoti Verma W/O Sh. Ashish Verma. The property is bounded as under : On the North by Street 33 Ft wide, On the South by Plot of Ankit Kumar, On the East by Plot no 214 of Neelam Verma, On the West by Street 21 Ft wide	Property No-1:- All that Part & Parcel of PLOT No. 213 measuring OK-03M-03 SARSAI, i.e. 100 sq. yards being 10/6606 share out of land measuring 110K-02M comprising Khewat No. 949/910, Khatauni No. 1115, Khasra No. 1093(5-8), 1094(8-0), 1095(2/6-8), 1098(8-0), 1099(8-0), 1102(2/10-2), 1106(8-0), 1107(8-0), 1128(8-0), 1129(8-0), 1131(2/8-16), 1132(8-0), 1136(2/7-8), situated at Village Radaur H.B. No. 45, Musuma Jaat Nagar, Tehsil Radaur, District Yamunanagar vide Jamabandi for the Year 2015-16, Purchased vide Sale Deed								

**E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF MOVABLE/IMMOVABLE ASSETS UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 UNDER RULES 8(2), 8(6) & 9 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES, 2002**  
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the symbolic/physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Canara Bank of respective branches will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" E auction arranged by the service provider M/s CANBANK COMPUTER SERVICES LIMITED Contact: Mr. Pakhare DD (948091777/8553643144). Email id: auction@ccsl.co.in through the website www.indianbankseuction.com, www.canarabank.com, www.bapi.in

Sr. No.	Branch Name/ name & Address of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Brief Description of Property/ies	Possession Type	Total Liabilities in Rs.	Reserve Price (Lakh)	Earnest Money Deposit (Lakh)	Bid increase amount (Rs.)	Name of Authorised Officer & Contact Details	Earnest Money Collection A/c details along with IFSC Code of Branch	Date of E-Auction Date of EMD
21.	<b>FARIDABAD SME -III BRANCH, ADDRES- 1F-20, NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN FARIDABAD HARYANA</b> M/s G G Engineering Works through its Prop: Mr. Pritpal Singh Address: New MCF no-244, H.No.-147, Gali No-17, Jawahar Colony, Ward no-2, Faridabad-121005, Haryana Mr. Pritpal Singh Address: New MCF no-244, H.No.-147, Gali No-17, Jawahar Colony, Ward no-2, Faridabad-121005, Haryana Shri Nand Kishore s/o Sevak Ram R/o H no-147/1, Jawahar Colony Faridabad-5, Haryana Name and Address of the Guarantor/ Mortgagee: Shri Nand Kishore s/o Sevak Ram R/o H no-147/1, Jawahar Colony Faridabad-5, Haryana	Property of residential unit measuring 200 Sq Yards plot in gali after Hanumana Mandir Jawahar Colony Faridabad, House no -147 New MCF no-244, Gali no-17, Ward no-2 Jawahar Colony NIT Faridabad, Haryana. The property is bounded as under: North: Another property, South: Gali, East: House Sh. Sat Pal, West: House Sh. Namita	Symbolic	as on 30.04.2018 Rs. 2833036.82/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 51.30 Lakhs	Rs. 5.13 Lakhs	Rs. 10000	Sh. Vaibhav Porwal Ph. No.0129-2410661 Mobile: 9650458608, Mail ID: cb18238@canarabank.com	Canara Bank FARIDABAD SME -III Branch, A/c No 82383020000014, IFSC Code SYNB0008238	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
22.	<b>FARIDABAD SME -III BRANCH, ADDRES- 1F-20, NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN FARIDABAD HARYANA.</b> M/s Guru Kirpa Engineering Works Through its Prop: Sh. Gopal Das Arora Address: -Shop No 1008-106B, Sanjay Colony, Sector 23, Dist Faridabad - 121001. Guarantor/ Mortgagee(s): Sh. Khem Chand Arora, R/o House No 1395/A, Jawahar Colony, Faridabad (Hry) - 121001. Sh. Titak Raj Arora, R/o House No 1395/A, Jawahar Colony, Faridabad (Hry) - 121001. Sh. Bijender Kalra, R/o Sh. Narayan Das Kalra, R/o Plot No 7, Gali No 3, Behind Mile Stone Public School Sran, Faridabad.	All part & parcel of immovable property at House No 1395A measuring 110 sq yards comprising in Khasra No 55/1(2/8-0) situated at Jawahar Colony NIT Mauza Saran District Faridabad - 121001.	Physical	as on 31.05.2018 Rs. 40,75,207.35/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 43.83 lakhs	Rs. 4.39 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Vaibhav Porwal Contact No.0129-2410661 Mobile: 9650458608 Mail ID: cb18238@canarabank.com	Canara Bank FARIDABAD SME -III Branch, Address-1F-20, New Industrial Town Faridabad Haryana, A/c No 82383020000014, IFSC Code SYNB0008238	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
23.	<b>REWARI BRANCH,CIRCULAR ROAD REWARI</b> M/s Harsh Auto Care Address:- Showroom at Dharuhera chunghi delhi road, Rewari-123401, Haryana (HR) Guarantor(s): Sh. Gopal Kishan Chawla (Proprietor/ Mortgagee) Address - House No-176, Sector-3, Part-1 Rewari-123401, Haryana., Smt Nitesh Chawla Address - House No-176, Sector-3, Part-1 Rewari-123401, Haryana., Smt Renu Chawla(Director) Address - House No-191, Sector-3, Part-1 Rewari-123401, Haryana	All that piece & parcel of Commercial Property located at House Tax no. 7625/D/F-1, Khasra No. 157/10/1 admeasuring 01 K 12 M, near Dharuhera Chowk, Delhi Road, Rewari (Hry) - 123401 The premises is bounded as under: By N: Property of other, By S: Property of other, By E: Barsati Nala, By W: Delhi Road	Physical	as on 18.12.2019 Rs. 3,23,17,630.53 plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 70.00 Lakhs	Rs. 70.00 Lakhs	Rs. 10000	Sh. Dhir Singh Ph. No. 129-2414070, 2410163, 9416400387 Mail ID: cb18261@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, Faridabad MCB, , A-8, 1st Floor, Nehru Ground, NIT Faridabad -121001 Haryana A/c No 170800100 IFSC Code SYNB0008216	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
24.	<b>FARIDABAD SME -III BRANCH, ADDRESS- 1F-20, NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN FARIDABAD HARYANA.</b> M/s Kalra Industries through its Prop: Mr. Bijender Kalra Address:- Plot No 7, Gali No-3, Milestone Public School Street, Old Saran, Talab Colony, Jawahar Colony, Saran Industrial Area, Faridabad (Haryana), Mr. Bijender Kalra Address:- House No 399, Sector 23, Faridabad (Hry)- 121005 Guarantor/ Mortgagee(s): Mrs. Pooja Kalra & Mr. Bijender Kalra Address:- House No 399, Sector 23, Faridabad (Hry)- 121005	All part & parcels of immovable property at Plot no 7, measuring 200 Sq yds comprising in Khasra no 78 situated at Gali no 3, Mile stone Public Street, Old Talab Saran Colony at jawahar Colony , Mauza Saran, The & Distt Faridabad. North: Other Shed, South: Raasta, East: Scrapyard, West: Other property	Physical	as on 28.01.2019 Rs. 90,25,638.63/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 73.00 Lakhs	Rs. 7.30 Lakh	Rs. 10000	Sh. Vaibhav Porwal Ph. No.0129-2410661 Mobile: 9650458608, Mail ID: cb18238@canarabank.com	Canara Bank FARIDABAD SME -III Branch, A/c No 82383020000014 IFSC Code SYNB0008238	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
25.	<b>FARIDABAD SME -III BRANCH, ADDRESS- 1F-20, NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN FARIDABAD HARYANA.</b> M/s Prakash Industries through its Prop: Smt. Madhubala Sharma Address:- Plot No A/1168, Dabua Colony, NIT, Faridabad, Dist Faridabad (Hry) - 121001 Smt. Madhubala Sharma w/o Sh. Pradeep Sharma Address:- House No 630, Sector 16 A, Dist Faridabad (Hry) - 121001	Plot no 1168/A(old plot no 41-P), admeasuring 100 sq yards, comprised in Khasra no 311/13, Mauja Dabua Now MCF 1168/A,Dabua Colony, Faridabad. The property is bounded as under:	Physical	as on 31.05.2015 Rs. 11,00,288.00/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 24.20 Lakh	Rs. 2.42 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Vaibhav Porwal Ph. No.0129-2410661 Mobile: 9650458608, Mail ID: cb18238@canarabank.com	Canara Bank FARIDABAD SME -III Branch, A/c No 82383020000014, IFSC Code SYNB0008238	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
26.	<b>FARIDABAD SME -III BRANCH, ADDRESS- 1F-20, NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN FARIDABAD HARYANA.</b> M/s Rose Enterprises Through its Prop: Sh. Nateshwar Singh Walia. Address :-No 14/1/2, Sikri Pyala Ballabgarh, Dist Faridabad., Guarantor/ Mortgagee(s): Sh. Nateshwar Singh Walia, R/o Plot No 101, Kaveri Apartments, Sector 21 D, Faridabad., Sh. Prince Rudra, R/o House No 5A/290, NIT Faridabad, Dist Faridabad., Smt. Ruchi Munjal, R/o Plot No 101, Kaveri Apartments, Sector 21 D, Faridabad.	All the part & parcel of immovable property at Plot measuring 546 Sq yds forming part of Khewat no 252/276. Rect no 17, kila no 24/2,25/1/2,25/2/2 rect no 61, kila no 3,8/2,9/1,13,4 situated at Mauza Sikri , Tehsil Ballabgarh, District Faridabad owned and possessed by Mrs Ruchi Munjal W/o Mr Nateshwar Singh Walia.	Physical	as on 30.04.2018 Rs. 43,58,338.79/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 64.60 Lakh	Rs. 6.46 Lakh	Rs. 10000	Sh. Vaibhav Porwal Contact No.0129-2410661 Mobile: 9650458608, Mail ID: cb18238@canarabank.com	Canara Bank FARIDABAD SME -III Branch, Address-1F-20, New Industrial Town Faridabad Haryana, A/c No 82383020000014 IFSC Code SYNB0008238	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
27.	<b>FARIDABAD SME -III BRANCH, ADDRESS- 1F-20, NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN FARIDABAD HARYANA.</b> M/s S S Mobiles Through its Prop: Sh. Mohd Shabnoor S/o Sh Raseed Ahmed. Address -Shop No 397, Adarsh Colony, SGM Nagar, Dist Faridabad (Hry) - 121001. Guarantor/ Mortgagee(s): Sh. Mohd Akhmoor S/o Sh. Raseed Ahmed, R/o FCA 2376 Block A, near Mehta Sweet House, SGM Nagar, Dist Faridabad (Hry) - 121001. Smt. Safi Khan w/o Sh. Raseed Ahmed, R/o House No 2976 Block A, SGM Nagar, Dist Faridabad (Hry) - 121001 Sh. Ramesh Kumar s/o Sh. Ek Bahadur, R/o House No 128, 3rd Floor, Nassan Hut., NH 06, NIT, Faridabad (Hry) - 12100	All part & parcel of immovable property at house no. 4 Comprised in khasra no. 119/8 mauza bhadkal, tehsil & distt. Faridabad now known as MCF 2976 SGM Nagar Faridabad measuring 140 sq. yds. & bounded as under North : House of Sh. Sandeep Arora, South : Gali 18 ft wide, East : House No. 2977, Sh. Naveen Kumar, West : House No. 1975, Vicky.	Physical	as on 31.05.2019 Rs. 16,25,922.34/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 67.50 Lakh	Rs. 6.75 Lakh	Rs. 10000	Sh. Vaibhav Porwal Contact No.0129-2410661 Mobile: 9650458608, Mail ID: cb18238@canarabank.com	Canara Bank FARIDABAD SME -III Branch, Address-1F-20, New Industrial Town Faridabad Haryana, A/c No 82383020000014 IFSC Code SYNB0008238	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
28.	<b>FARIDABAD SME -III BRANCH, ADDRES- 1F-20, NEW INDUSTRIAL TOWN FARIDABAD HARYANA.</b> M/s Shree Ganesh Electric Co through its Prop: Mr. Harprasad Gaur Address:- Shop No 1, Pathwari Shopping Complex, Ballabgarh, Dist Faridabad (Hry)- 121004 Mr. Harprasad Gaur Address:- New House No 163, Shyam Colony, Ballabgarh, Dist Faridabad (Hry) - 121004 Guarantor/ Mortgagee(s): Mr. Rishi Dev Sharma s/o Sh. Hetram Sharma, R/o House No-400, Ward No 23, Ballabgarh, Dist Faridabad (Hry) - 121004	All part & parcel of immovable property at plot no 88/9 measuring 57sq yards comprised in Rect No 62, Kila no 7/2,13/1,8 Mauza Ballabgarh District Faridabad (now known as H No 163/1 Pathwari Manider Colony/Shyam Colony Ballabgarh Tehsil Ballabgarh, District Faridabad. The property is bounded as under: North: House of SDH. Jaipal, South: Part of House No 63/Sh. Keshav Dutt, East: Part of House No 63/Sh. Som Dutt, West: Raasta	Physical	as on 30.04.2018 Rs. 28,42,306.76/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs 30.60 Lakhs	Rs. 3.06 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Vaibhav Porwal Ph. No.0129-2410661 Mobile: 9650458608, Mail ID: cb18238@canarabank.com	Canara Bank FARIDABAD SME -III Branch, A/c No 82383020000014 IFSC Code SYNB0008238	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
29.	<b>S.M.E. SUKRAHRI BRANCH</b> M/S Subhash & sons , Shop No 12, GF, Shiva Market, Basai Road, Gurgaon-122001, Hry., Sh. Subhash Chander Verma (Partner 1), Plot No 809-P sector., Sh. Subhash Chander Verma (Partner 1) Plot no 809-P sector-04, Urban Estate, Gurgaon 122001 Haryana., Sh. Vineet Verma (Partner 2) Plot no 809-P sector -04, Urban Estate, Gurgaon 122001 Haryana., Sh. Vivek Verma (Partner 3) Plot no 809-P sector -04, Urban Estate, Gurgaon 122001 Haryana., Smt. Usha Verma (Partner 4) Plot no 809-P sector -04, Urban Estate, Gurgaon 122001 Haryana., Guarantor(s): Shri Sanjeev Dhingra(Guarantor) Address: A-40/21 DLF Phase I Gurgaon 122001, Haryana., Smt. Seema Dhingra (Guarantor) Address: A-40/21 DLF Phase I, Gurgaon 122001, Haryana	Residential House no-809-P admeasuring 600 sq Yards , located at Sector 4, Gurgaon (Hry) - 122001, in the name of Smt. Usha Verma w/o Sh. Subhash Verma. The premises is bounded as under By North: 18M wide road, By South: other's property, By East: Plot No., other's property, By West: Plot No. road	Symbolic	as on 10.05.2016 Rs. 3,02,53,637.85/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 522.00 lakhs	Rs. 52.20 lakhs	Rs. 50000	Sh. Sushil Jain Ph. 0124-2348733, 9811764471 Mail ID: cb18243@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, S.M.E. Branch, Sun Towers, Mehrauli Road, Sukrahari, Gurgaon-122001 Haryana A/c No 170800100 IFSC Code SYNB0008243	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
30.	<b>KATH MANDI ROAD REWARI BRANCH</b> Mr. Sunil Kumar S/o Sh Yuvir Singh, H no 86, vill -Kharagwas, Tehsil and district-Rewari, Haryana Guarantor(s): Smt Savita Yadav W/o Sh Rakesh Kumar, Hno 92, village Narayanpur, P.O. Saharanwas, Tehsil and district -Rewari, Haryana	Residential House No 2272, Mohalla Nai Basti, Gali jokhi Ram, Tehsil and District-Rewari, measuring 133 sq Yds in the name of Smt. Savita Yadav and Shri Sunil Kumar : The premises is bounded as under: By North: Ganti Gali, By South: Thorough Fare & H/o Sh Krishan Mohan Sharma, By East: H/o Sh Krishan Mohan Sharma, By West:H/o Sh Roshan Lal Sharma	Symbolic	as on 02.12.2019 Rs. 29,59,068.00/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 34.00 Lakhs	Rs. 3.40 Lakhs	Rs. 1000	Sh. Dhir Singh Ph. 01274-256278, 8572802056 Mail ID: cb2056@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, KathMandi Road, Rewari branch, Haryana. A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0002056	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
31.	<b>AIRFORCE STATION BRANCH, T-51, AIR FORCE STATION CAMPUS, SOHNA ROAD, GURGAON -122001</b> Mr. Vidhur Kumar S/o Sh Patwari Yadav, R/o House No. C1230 GF, Sushant Lok -1, Gurgaon-122001, Haryana Guarantor(s): Mr. Abanish Kumar R/o House No 1615, DLF Phase IV, Gurgaon-122001, Haryana	Residential EWS Flat No RE-415 located on 4th floor in DLF Ridgewood Estate Complex, DLF CITY PHASE IV Gurgaon, within revenue estate of village Chhokarpur, Tehsil & Dist Gurgaon : The premises is bounded as under By North: Corridor, By South: open, By East: flat RE-416, By West: flat RE-414	Physical	as on 31.10.2017 Rs. 7,08,383.74 plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 11.05 Lakhs	Rs. 1.11 Lakh	Rs. 10000	Sh. Rajeev Verma Ph. No. 0127-2202793, 9868394472 Mail ID: cb18246@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, Airforce Station Branch, T-51, Air Force Station Campus, Sohna road, Gurgaon-122001 A/c No 170800100 IFSC Code SYNB0008246	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
32.	<b>TEHSIL MUSTAFABAD ,THANA CHHAPPAR -133103, YAMUNANAGAR HARYANA</b> M/s Saraswati Auto Spare Parts, Prop. Sh. Jangsher Singh, Near Syndicate Bank, Ambala Jagadhari Road, Thana Chhappar, Tehsil Jagadhari, Yamunanagar - 133103 Guarantor(s): Sh. Jangsher Singh (BORROWER) S/O Sh. Chander Muni ,House No. 17, VILLAGE KULPUR , Thana Chhappar, Tehsil Jagadhari, Yamunanagar, 133103 Sh. Praveen Kumar (GUARANTOR/S/O Sh. Babu Ram, Village Haripur Jatta, Thana Chhappar, Tehsil Jagadhari, Yamunanagar. 133103	COMERCIAL PLOT NO 11 MEASURING 43 SQ YD, 00K-01M-04S BEING 86/18029 SHARE OUT OF LAND MEASURING 14K-18M COMPRISED IN KHEWAT NO 734/716,KHATONI NO 929,KHASRA NO 19/11/1/1,20/2/20/15,16/11/1,24/1/2 SITUATED AT CHHAPPAR MUSTAFABAD ROAD,NEAR DURGA PETROL PUMPKNOW AS SHIV ENCLAVE PART    ,MAUJA MUSTAFABAD,H B NO 444,SUB TEHSIL MUSTAFABAD,TEHSIL JAGADHRI, DIST YAMUNANAGAR. OWNED BY SH JANGSHER SINGH S/O SH CHANDER MUNI BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY PROPERTY OF SH SATISH, ON THE SOUTH BY CHHAPPAR-MUSTAFABAD ROAD, ON THE EAST BY SHOP NO 12 OF SH MANPREET, ON THE WEST BY PLOT NO 10 SMT SAYOGITA	Physical	as on 30.11.2019 Rs. 14,38,882.87/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 8.06 Lakhs	Rs. 0.81 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Amit Parhiar Ph. 9416800216 Mail ID: cb19644@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, Thana Chhappar branch, Haryana, A/c No 96643100000014 IFSC Code SYNB0009664	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
33.	<b>SIRSA MAIN BRANCH , SURKHAB CHOWK, HISSAR ROAD SIRSA -125055.</b> M/S Saubhagya Traders Gali No. 4 Kalyan Nagar,Near Jagdambey Paper Mill, Begu road,Sirsa Partner & Guarantor(s): (a) Mr. Gulshan(Proprietor) Gali No 9 Preet nagar begu road Sirsa (b) Mr Bal Bhushan(Guarantor) Gali no. 9.H.No. 20/333 Preet nagar Begu Road Sirsa	Residential Property at plot no. 21 ft-03 In *55 ft-00in, total area of 130sqyds situated in revenue estate of Khaja khera Sirsa presently known as gali no 9 preet nagar Sirsa in the name of Gulshan kumar. Boundaries : East : Property of Smt. Veena Rani, West : Other House, North : House of Others, South : Common Street	Symbolic	as on 11/09/2019 Rs. 37,06,827/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 36.92 lakhs	Rs. 3.70 lakhs	Rs. 1000	Sh. Sandeep kumar Ph. 01666-220892, 8572801403 Mail ID: cb1403@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Sirsa, SURKHAB CHOWK, Hissar Road Sirsa-125055, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0001403	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
34.	<b>KASAN ROAD MANESAR, DISTRICT GURGAON , HARYANA.</b> Sh. Shri Chand Saini S/o Hari Singh Address:- R/o Flat no-408, Block D-2, SIDCO Shivalik Apartments, HSIIDC, SECTOR-1, IMT Manesar-Haryana Smt Kamlesh Devi w/o Sh. Shri Chand Saini Address:- R/o Flat no-408, Block D-2, SIDCO Shivalik Apartments, HSIIDC, SECTOR-1, IMT Manesar- Haryana Other Address of both of the borrower R/o H. No.-541, Samast Gram Mahtawas ki Dhani, Tehsil Behror, District:- Alwar, Rajasthan Guarantor/ Mortgagee: Sh. Upkar Singh S/o Shri Dhiraj Singh(Guarantor/Co-obligant) Address:- Village and Post Bhora Kalan, Distt Gurgaon Haryana	Flat no-408, Located on 4th Floor, Block D2 Category D, Having Covered area measuring-770.57 Sq Ft and Super area 1146.06 Sq Ft and one Car Parking constructed on Plot no-GH-02, Situated in Sector-1, IMT Manesar SIDCO Shivalik Apartment HSIIDC. North: open, South: Entrance + Flat No-407, EAST: Lift, West :Open	Physical	as on 01.04.2017 Rs. 961259.81/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 44.00 Lakhs	Rs. 4.40 Lakhs	Rs. 1000	Sh. Rajeev Verma Ph. No.0124-2337239, Mobile: 9868394468, Mail ID: cb8237@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Manesar branch, Address Kasan Road Manesar, District Gurgaon , Haryana, A/c No 170800100 IFSC Code SYNB0008237	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
35.	<b>BALLBAGARH BRANCH, CHAWLA COLONY, LOCATED ON AGRA DELHI HIGHWAY, BALLBAGARH, HARYANA- 121004</b> M/s Sun Micro Networks Pvt Ltd. At 718/722, Hemkunt Chambers, B-89 -Nehru Place, New Delhi - 110019. B. Mrs. Jyoti Bhatt W/o Shri Kabir Bhatt (Director), Resident Of House No A-2678, Ground Floor, Green Fields Colony, Faridabad. B. Mrs. Jyoti Bhatt W/o Shri Kabir Bhatt (Director) Resident Of House No A-2678, Ground Floor, Green Fields Colony, Faridabad.	All that piece & parcel of Flat in First Floor admeasuring 2440. Sq ft, Plot no 2678, Block A, part of Khasra No 61/4-5, Green Field Residential Colony, Faridabad, Haryana - 121010 in the name of Mrs. Jyoti Bhatt W/o Shri Kabir Bhatt. Its outer four boundaries are as North: A-2679, South: A-2677, East : A-2693, West : Open	Physical	as on 31.10.2014 Rs. 2,03,03,830.68/- plus further interest & other charges (minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 89.00 lakh	Rs. 8.90 Lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. SUNIL KUMAR Ph. 9739511744, 0129-2211710 Mail ID: cb18220@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, Ballabgarh branch, Haryana, A/c No 82203020000017 IFSC Code SYNB0008220	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
36.	<b>SCO SECTOR-55, HUDA MARKET, GURGAON HARYANA, 122001, HARYANA</b> Mr. Sunil Rajora Address:- H.No.- 1794, Sec-4, Gurgaon -122001, Haryana. Guarantor/ Mortgagee: Awadhes Nagrahiya Address:- 1331/C/1, Laxman Vihar Phase-I, Near Bal Bharti School, Gurgaon-122001, Haryana	Property No: Shop no: 41 first Floor Shree Shyam Palace Sector - 4&5 Chowk Laxman Vihar Gurgaon owned by Sunil Rajora and bounded: North: Railway Road, South: Other Property, EAST: Road, West : Gali to Laxman Vihar	Physical	as on 01.05.2018 Rs. 1215252.02/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 22.80 Lakh	Rs. 2.28 lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Rajeev Verma Ph. No.0124-2396777, Mobile: 9212618323, Mail ID: cb18183@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Gurgaon Sec-55 Branch, Address-SCO, Sector-55, HUDA Market, Gurgaon Haryana,122001,Haryana, A/c No 81833020000015, IFSC Code SYNB0008183	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
37.	<b>GUARD BHWAN, NEAR KANWAR SAINI CHOWK, TOHANA, DIST. FATEHABAD-125120</b> M/S SUN RISE INFOTECH, SHOP NO 55, BISHNOI DHARAMSHALA, OPP POST OFFICE, TOHANA. Partner & Guarantor(s): (a) Sh. SURENDER KUMAR, SHOP NO 55, BISHNOI DHARAMSHALA, OPP POST OFFICE, TOHANA., (b) Smt. PHOOLPATI DEVI W/O SH. GYAN CHAND	Residential house no. 11/611, Punjabi Basti, Tohana in the name of Smt. Phoolpati Devi W/O Gyan Chand total area measuring 203 sq. yards. Boundaries : East : House of Sh. Madan Lal, West : House of Sh. Ram Bhadur, North: House of Sh. Surat Singh, South: Gali 24 Wide	Symbolic	as on 31/08/2019 Rs. 1774780.69 plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	Rs. 23.21 Lakh	Rs. 2.33 lakh	Rs. 1000	Sh. Rajesh Verma Ph. 01692232655, 8572803165,920519770 Mail ID: cb3165@canarabank.com	Canara Bank, TOHANA branch, GUARD BHWAN, NEAR KANWAR SAINI CHOWK, TOHANA, Dist- Fatehabad-125120, A/c No 209272434, IFSC Code CNRB0003165	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
38.	<b>FARIDABAD MCB BRANCH , A-8 , 1ST FLOOR GROUND, NIT FARIDABAD -121001, HARYANA</b> M/s UR Healthcare Pvt. Ltd. Address Regd Office- Shop No 226-227, 1st Floor, Mittal Shopping complex, NH-V, NIT Faridabad-121001 Haryana Shop No. 108, 1st Floor, Mittal Shopping Complex, NH-V, NIT, Faridabad-121001, Haryana Ms Pooja Srinivas (Directors cum Guarantors) Address:- House No.-129, Sector -28, Faridabad -121008, Haryana Shri Malladi Upendra Phani Kumar (Directors cum Guarantors) Address:- House No.-129, Sector -28, Faridabad -121008, Haryana	Property No:- 1: EMT of shop no 226 (First Floor) admeasuring 165 sq ft, Situated at Plot No-3 Mittal Shopping Complex, , Kullbir Singh Marg, NH No 5, NIT, Faridabad-121001, Haryana (without roof rights) in the name of Malladi Upendra Phani Kumar. The property is bounded as under: North: Shop No.-227, South: Shop No:-225, East: Open Area, West: Shop No-220 Property No:-2: EMT of shop no 227 (First Floor) admeasuring 200 sq ft, Situated at Mittal Shopping Complex, Kullbir Singh Marg, NH No 5, NIT, Faridabad (without roof rights) in the name of Malladi Upendra Phani Kumar. The property is bounded as under: North: Shop No.-228, South: Shop No.-226, East: Open Area, West: Shop No.-221	Physical	as on 30.11.2016 Rs. 1,49,88,917/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	P-1: Rs. 6.68 Lakh P-2: Rs. 8.10 Lakh	P-1: Rs. 0.67 Lakh P-2: Rs. 0.81 Lakh	Rs. 1000 Rs. 1000	Sh. Amrit Ghosh Ph. No. 0129-2414070, 24110163, Mobile: 8450969334, 9416145492 Mail ID: cb5059@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Faridabad MCB Branch, Address- A-8, 1st Floor Ground, NIT Faridabad -121001, Haryana, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0005059	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
39.	<b>FARIDABAD MCB BRANCH , A-8 , 1ST FLOOR GROUND , NIT FARIDABAD -121001, HARYANA</b> M/s Victoria Creation Address :- Basement and First Floor, B-644, Green Fields Colony, Sector-43, Faridabad - 121003, Haryana PARTNERS, MORTGAGOR CUM GUARANTOR Shri Mohit Kohli Address: Flat No-003, Aster Tower, Green Valley, Urban Estate Faridabad-121003, Haryana Shri Manisha Kohli Address: Flat No-003, Aster Tower, Green Valley, Urban Estate Faridabad-121003, Haryana	Property No:- 1: Stock & other movable assets in possession of the bank. Details are as under 30 sewing machines, 1 conference table, 5 chairs, 1 fan, 1 AC, 3 steel stands & rolls of cloth. Property No:- 2: All that piece and parcel of property comprising property/Flat no-003 measuring 1520 Sq Ft Situated on the ground floor of Aster Tower in the residential colony known as Green Valley Urban Estate Sector-41-42 Faridabad-121003, Haryana in the name of Mohit Kohli and Mrs. Manisha Kohli North: Shop No.-Stairs/Parking, South: Shop No-Open/Lawn, East: Corridor, West: Open	Symbolic	as on 31.05.2019 Rs. 21896822.92/- plus further interest & other charges .(minus recovery ,if any)	P-1: Rs. 6.74 lakhs P-2: Rs. 69.00 Lakh	P-1: Rs. 0.67 lakhs P-2: Rs. 6.90 Lakh	Rs. 1000 Rs. 1000	Sh. Amrit Ghosh Ph. No.0129-2414070, 24110163, Mobile: 8450969334, 9416145492 Mail ID: cb5059@canarabank.com	Canara Bank Faridabad MCB Branch, Address- A-8 , 1st Floor Ground, NIT Faridabad -121001, Haryana, A/c No 209272434 IFSC Code CNRB0005059	23.12.2020 21.12.2020
40.	<b>KARNAL PREM NAGAR BRANCH, DIST KARNAL, HARYANA</b> 1. Sh. Yogesh Sharma s/o Sh. Surender Sharma, House No 31, Gali No 1, Shiv Colony, Karnal (Hry) - 132001 (Borrower) 2. Sh. Sachin Sharma s/o Sh. Surender Sharma, House No 31, Gali No 1, Shiv Colony, Karnal (Hry) - 132001 (Borrower) Guarantor(s): Sh. Raj Pal s/o Late Sh. Ram Swaroop, House No 420/10, Bhatt Colony, Bansogate, Karnal (Hry) - 132001 (Guarantor).	All that piece & parcel of Residential Property at House No 31 admeasuring 121.33 sq yards situated in Gali No 1, Shiv Colony, backside of Aggarwal Flour Mills, near Railway Crossing, Karnal in the name of Sh. Yogesh Sharma & Sh. Sachin Sharma & bounded as under: North								

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## PERSONAL

**I, YATIN S/o Mukesh Sharma, R/O WZ-175, A-BLOCK, NEAR-SCHOOL ROAD, OPP.GALI.NO.40, UTTAM NAGAR, DELHI-59, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO YATIN SHARMA, FOR ALL PURPOSES.**

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**I, Vinod Gupta S/o Sugan Chand Gupta R/O A-297, Sector-47, Noida (U.P.), have changed my name to Vinod Kumar Gupta for all future purposes.**

0040557046-2

**I, VIJAY JINDAL, S/O BALDEV DASS, R/O W-22, GREATER KAILASH PART-I, SOUTH-EAST-DELHI, DELHI-110048, changed my name to VIJAY GOPAL JINDAL.**

0040557085-5

**I, Uday Singh S/o Bir Singh Rana R/O-19, Amrita Sher Gill-Marg New Delhi-110003, have changed my name to Uday Singh Rana.**

0040557084-6

**I, Shekhar S/o Doult Ram R/O-16/1695, Block-E, Bapa-Nagar, Karol Nagar, Delhi-110005, have changed my name to Shekhar Chandoliya.**

0040557092-10

**I, Shamshad Ahmed S/o-Mohd Haneef R/O-G-29/7, Muradi Road, Batla House, Jamia Nagar, Okhla, New Delhi-110025, have changed my name to Shamshad Ahmad for all future purpose.**

0040557084-4

**I, Shakil Ahmed, S/o- Abdul Gani, Add-F-247, Block-F, Shaheen bagh, Jamia- Nagar Okhla, AbulFazal enclave-II, Delhi-110025, changed my name to shakeel ahmed.**

0040557084-3

**I, SONIYA SINGH D/O RAMASHRAY SHARMA R/O HNO.2, GALI.NO.7, RATAN VIHAR, KIRARI, SULEMAN NAGAR, DELHI-110086. CHANGED MY NAME TO SONIYA SHARMA.**

0040557089-2

**I, SONIA, D/O RAJENDRA SHARMA AD-37/B GALI NO.4 CHANKYA PLACE PART-I UTTAM-NAGAR D.K.MOHAN GARDEN WEST DELHI-110059, changed my name to SONIA SHARMA permanently.**

0040557085-1

**I, SHOBHA TRIPATHI, spouse of SHIVA KANT TRIPATHI, Resident of D/160, GALI.NO-2, BHARAT-VIHAR KAKROLA, SOUTH-WEST DELHI-110078, have changed my name, from SHOBHA DEVI TRIPATHI to SHOBHA TRIPATHI, vide Affidavit, Dated- 19/11/2020, At-Delhi.**

0040557089-6

**I, Ravi Bhusan, R/o Flat.No.D-403, Maurya-Apartment, I.P.Extension, Patparganj, Delhi-110092, have changed my minor daughter's name from Ananya to Ahana Bhusan permanently.**

0040557089-3

**I, Najeeb Sultan Sherwani S/O Barkat Ahmed, R/o Kinawa Post Ghinawa, Kasganj, Bilaram Uttar Pradesh, 207124, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Najeeb Ahma.**

00405723088-1

**I, Monica Pathak Raghavan, W/o Anoop Angirish, R/O 4Q-804, AWHO Township, Gurjinder Vihar, Sector Chi-1, Greater Noida-201310, have changed my name to Monica Pathak Angirish permanently.**

0040557089-4

**I, Mohd Khalid, S/o Mohd faizuddin, R/O-12A/58D, Main-Road, No.66, Nehar-Bazar, Maujpur, Delhi-110053, have changed my name to Khalid Firdos S/o Yaqoob, for all future purposes.**

0040557084-2

**I, Uditi Narayan Sharma, S/o Aditya Narayan Sharma, R/O-390/2, Sector-5 Vasundhara Ghaziabad-201012 (U.P.) Have changed My Name Uditi Sharma, For Future.**

0040557092-3

**I, Kulvinder Padam, S/O Pritam Singh Padam R/O-H-431, Gali.No.7, Kushak Road.No-2, Sindhi Colony Saroop-Nagar Delhi-110042, changed my nameto Kulvinder Singh.**

0040557084-7

**I, Indupuri Sahithi, W/o Vuduta Nanaji, presently, R/O-Qtr.No.18/304, Tejas -Enclave Vayu-Sena-Vihar, AFSSR Gurgaon, Haryana-122003, have changed my name, from Indupuri Sahithi to Vuduta Sahithi, vide Affidavit, dated-04.12.2020.**

0040557085-8

**I, Manoj S/o Ashwani Kumar, H.No.750, Sector-5, Gurgaon, Sector-52, Gurgaon (Haryana)-122003, have changed my name to Manoj Gupta.**

0040557092-1

**I, Mohd Anas S/o Khurshheed Ahmad R/O House No.-613, Gali No.-22, E-Block, Old Mustafabad, Mustafabad, Delhi-110094, that name of my father has been wrongly written as Khurshid Ahmed in my Voter ID, Pan Card, OBC Certificate, Educational Documents and Birth Certificate. The actual name of my father is Khurshheed Ahmad**

0070723107-1

**I, Imrana Shamshad W/o-Shamshad Ahmad R/o-G-29/7, Muradi Road, Batla House, Jamia Nagar, Okhla, New Delhi-110025, have changed my name to Imrana Begum for all future purpose.**

0040557084-5

**I, Dimple Sangwan D/o Rattan Singh Duhan R/o House No.1488, Sector-13P, Hisar (Haryana) have changed my name from Dimple Sangwan to Dimple Duhan for all future purpose.**

0040557046-1

**I, Darpan Sharma S/o-Sh.Yog Dhyam Sharma, R/O, House, No.635/4, Gali.No.4, Arjun Nagar, Gurugram, Haryana, inform that my son's name Ashu and Angad both are one and same person. His DOB-27.08.2011.**

0040557092-2

**I, Brjij Mohan Kohli S/o Late Sh.Kartar Chand Kohli R/O KG-3/138, Vikas Puri, New Delhi-110018 declares that correct and exact date of birth of my wife namely Smt.Vinod Kohli is 27.12.1947 instead of 17.12.1947 (which mentioned in my office record).**

0040557025-1

**I, BANTI Mahadhavrao paikrao, D/o mahadu paikrao, H.No.17, basant-nagar, vasant-vihar south/west delhi, NewDelhi-110057, changed my name to Banti mahadu paikrao.**

0040557089-1

**I, Vinjamuri Seethamma, w/o Vinjamuri Venkata Surya Subrahmanya Sarma, R/o Kakinada, Engg. college, East Godavari, Andhra Pradesh-533003 has changed my name and shall hereafter be Known as Vinjamuri Sita Ramalakshmi**

0070723095-1

**I, Vernalli Mohanty D/o Bijaya Kumar Mohanty R/o A-601, Nirman Palace, Jijamata Road, Pumphouse, Andheri East Mumbai Chakala Midc Mumbai Maharashtra-400093, have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known as Vernalli Z Mohanty**

0070723094-1

**I, Surjit Kaur Wife of S. Balwinder Singh Chhatwal R/o K-58 Fateh Nagar Jail Road Near Tilak Nagar New Delhi-110018. I have changed my name from Surjit Kaur to Surjeet Kaur.**

0040557061-1

**I, SHAMA SARAF, W/O TEJ KRISHEN SAFAR, R/O-B-203, PRINCESS-PARK, AHINSAKHAND-2, INDIRAPURAM, GHAZIABAD, U.P.201010, changed my name to SHAMA NAGRI.**

0040557085-6

**I, Raghubhar Dayal/Raghubar Dayal, S/o Laxmi Narayan, H.No.3546, Qutab-Road, Sadar-Bazar, Delhi-110006, have changed my name to Raghubhar Dayal Shrivastav permanently.**

0040557085-7

**I, Praveen Shukla S/o Pradyumna Nath Shukla R/o Mayur Vihar Phase-1, East Delhi-110091, have changed the name of my son Prannay Shukla aged about 13 Years and he shall hereafter be known as Prannay Nath.**

0070723090-1

**I, Praveen Kumar S/o Radhey Shyam R/o House No.-1000, Gali No.-22A, Swatantra Nagar, Narela, Delhi-110040 changed my name to Parveen Kumar for all future purposes**

0070723096-1

**I, Aamir S/O Mohamad Anwar R/O Wz-56, Gali no-9 virendra nagar , baake bihari mandir, janakpuri, west delhi-110058 Have changed my name to Aamir khan.**

0070723052-1

**I, Neetu Devi W/o Ranjit Thakur R/O-H.No-190A, G/F, Munirka Village, New-Delhi, have changed my name to Nitu Devi.**

0040557084-1

**I, Monika D/o Gajendra Negi R/o H.No.1584, Sector-5, R.K. Puram, New Delhi-110022, have changed my name to Monika Negi, permanently.**

0040557085-4

**I, Mohammad Islam S/o Mohd Yamin R/O House No.-613, Street No.-22, E-Block, Old Mustafabad, Dayalpur, Delhi-110094, that name of my father has been wrongly written as Mohammad Yamin in my Passport, Voter ID, Driving Licence, Pan Card, Office Record, OBC Certificate, Educational Documents and Birth Certificate. The actual name of my father is Mohd Yamin**

0070723104-1

It is general information that Heena Parveen D/o MD Saiddul Islam R/O Ramjanpur Near Haidri Masjid-Jhanadoba Post-Bhaga Dist.-Dhanbad Jharkhand-828301 inform that my name has been wrongly written as Heena Parveen in my 10 class educational documents the actual of mine is Heena Parveen.0040556757-6

0040556835-2

**I, Praveen Kumar Garg R/O-C-53, First-Floor, Flat.No.102, Vishwakarma Colony, M.B.Road, New Delhi-110044, have change my son's name Peeyush Garg to Atharv Garg for all future purpose.**

0040557089-9

**I, Gita Verma D/O Sri Suresh Chandra Verma R/O AL/254, 2nd Floor, Pankha Road, Janakpuri, Delhi-110058, have changed my name to Geeta Verma.**

0070723061-1

**I, MANSI SHARMA D/O- PRADEEP R/O- H.NO.402, GALI.NO.7, SHALIMAR VILLAGE, SHALIMAR-BAGH, DELHI-88, have changed my name to MANSI.**

0040557085-2

**I, Kusum W/o Amrit Lal Suryabansi R/o H No. 42 Jain Dera, Suraj Kund, Faridabad have changed my name to Kesri W/o Amrit Lal Suryabansi for all purposes.**

0040557076-1

**I, Khurshheed Ahmad S/o Mohd Yamin R/O E-613, Gali No.-22, Mustafabad Extension, Delhi-110094, that name of my father has been wrongly written as Yameen in my Voter ID, Pan Card, Educational Documents and Birth Certificate. The actual name of my father is Mohd Yamin.**

0070723105-1

**I, Harish Chandra Singh S/O Jabbar Singh, R/o O, Ravali Pal Khundawas, Pali, Rajasthan 306104, have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known as Rajwardhan Singh Rathore.**

0070723085-1

**I, Bharat Bhushan S/o Ram Lal R/O New HNo-1892/2, Old HNo-127, Katra Moti Ram, Hathri Gate, Amritsar, Punjab-143001, that name of mine has been wrongly written as Bharat Julka in my Amritsar Central Co-Operative Bank Account. The actual name of mine is Bharat Bhushan.**

0070723097-1

**I, Ashwin Amarnath S/o Amarnath Sundaram R/o 181, DDA (SFS), Flats, pocket No.1, Sec-5, Dwarka Sec-6, Delhi-110075, have changed my minor son's name from Joshua Kewin aged 13 years to Aashray Amarnath and I have changed only my minor son name not his Religion**

0070723102-1

**I, Archana U Reddy D/O Krishna Shabaraya, R/o 001 Diviya Jyothi Classic, S.T.Bed, Kormangala, Bangalore, Karnataka-560047, have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known as ARCHANA SHABARAYA.**

0070723081-1

**I, Anisha, W/O Late, Pradeep Khatri, R/O-502, Pana Sehri, VPO Kotewara, Delhi-110039, have changed my name after marriage, from ANISH KUMARI, to ANISHA, for all purposes.**

0040557089-5

**I, Aminder Singh S/O Sulakhan Singh, R/O Village, Jhawar, P.O. Babri Jiwawal, have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known as Amrinder Singh**

0070723078-1

**I, Sahayaraj A S/O Late Shri S Arokia Samy R/O 236 Sec-1.R.R.K. Puram New Delhi-110022, have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known As Sahayaraj Arokia Samy.**

0070723092-1

**I, Prince S/O-Surender Kumar R/O-Flat-No.6, Pocket-4, Sector-24, Akash Ganga Apartment, Rohini, Delhi-110085 have changed my name to Prince Kataria for all purposes.**

0040557032-1

**I, Omdutt Singh R/O B-48, Gali No.19, Sushant Vihar, Alipur, Mukhmelpur, New Delhi have changed my minor daughter's name from Niketa to Niketa Galiyan .**

0040557029-1

**I, Mohit Bansal S/O, Naresh Chand Bansal R/O 444/12, Jacobpura, Gurgaon, have changed my name to Mohit Chand Bansal for all purposes**

0040557051-1

**I, Geeta Rani W/o Satya Prakash Sharma, R/O Lotus-3, 206, Gulmohar Garden, Raj Nagar Extension, Ghaziabad-201017, have changed my name to Geeta.**

0040557066-2

**I, Avik S/O Rabindra Behera R/O H-144, Flat No-401, Bengali Colony, Mahavir Enclave, Delhi-110045, have changed my name to Avik Behera.**

0040557066-1

## LOST & FOUND

**I, Sunil Gupta S/o Sh.K.C.Gupta R/O I-159, Second Floor, Ashok Vihar Phase-1, Delhi have lost my Original Allment Letter, Perpetual Lease Deed, Possession Letter, Mutation Letter etc. Of Shop No.49, G.F., Khurshheed Market, Sadar Bazar, Delhi. Finders may contact at above address.**

0040557025-2

**Lost my original 10th-class Examination certificate Roll.No.8704861, Year-2014-2016. Finder pls contact: Virat Gupta S/O-Sudesh R/O Plot.No.35, B-Block, Pochan Pur Extn., Sector-23, Dwarka, New Delhi-110077.**

0040557084-10

**My original lease deed in respect of Shop.No.14, Old Market, Tilak-Nagar, New-Delhi, has been lost finder contact: Yashpal Kalra, S/o, VL Kalra R/O-30/42, West Punjabi-Bagh, New Delhi-110026, Mobile-9891595492.**

0040557089-10

**My original sale deed and other relevant documents in respect of Property.No.14/114, Tehar-I, Subhash Nagar, New Delhi has been lost finder contact: Gulshan Gaba, S/o Manohar Lal Gaba, R/O-14/114, Subhash Nagar, New Delhi. Mobile-9811088743.**

0040557089-9

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## RECRUITMENT

### SITUATION VACANT

#### OTHERS

**Required PGT-English, Hindi, Political science, History Commerce, Accounts, RCCE Public School, K.H.No-265/1, Chandan Hilla, New Delhi. Mobile No:- 9650873636**

0040557071-1

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby informed that I, Randhir Kumar Sharma, S/O Shri Rup Lal Sharma, R/O 94-B, Pocket A, Sukhdev Vihar, New Delhi-25, have disowned and disinherited my son Shri Gaurav Sharma along with his family, from all my immovable and movable properties, and he shall not be entitled to grant of probate of my Will. I will not be responsible for their actions.

**Bhavook Chauhan**  
Advocate

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Be it known to all that my client Meeta Sharma W/o Late Prem Prakash R/O B-2/14, Yamuna Vihar, Delhi-110053 has disowned/detested/denied her Daughter-in-law namely Suman Sharma and her Grand Children namely Manvi Sharma and Piyush Sharma who are temporarily residing at B-2/14, First Floor, Yamuna Vihar, Delhi-110053. Henceforth her entire movable and immovable properties and had also severed all the relations with them due to the adamant, disobedient, quarrelsome, irresponsible, misconduct and misbehavior with her and her late husband namely Deepak Sharma who died untimely due to the above said conduct with him, through Public Notice. If anyone deals with them hereafter they will do so at his/her/their own risk, cost and consequences. My client shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for the same and shall have no liability and responsibility in future.

**WINASH PANDEY (Advocate)**  
Ch. No. 748, Western Wing,  
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-54

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given on behalf of my client Sh. Mayank Mittal S/o Late Ravinder Mittal R/O BH-344, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi 88, that the property as described in the Schedule hereunder and situated at 380, Jogwadi Gali, Old Abadi of Village Azadpur, Delhi 33, which is exclusively held by my above named client and he has decided to sell the said Scheduled Property.

Therefore, any person(s) having any claim in respect of the above referred property or part thereof by way of Sale, Exchange, Mortgage, Charge, Gift, Maintenance, Inheritance, Possession, License, Agency, Sub-tenancy, Joint Tenure, Hypothecation, Transfer of title or beneficial interest under any trust, right of prescription or pre-emptor under any agreement or other deposition or under any decree, order or award or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby requested to make the same known in writing together with supporting documents to the undersigned at his office at 651, Western Wing, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi 54 within a period of 14 days of the publication hereof failing which the claim of such person(s) shall deemed to have been waived and/or abandoned.

**SCHEDULE**  
Built up property bearing No.380, built on area measuring 32.5 Sq.Yds. consisting with Ground, First & Second Floor with roof/terrace rights, duly fitted with all fittings & fixtures situated at Jogwadi Gali, Old Abadi of Village Azadpur, Delhi 33, with free hold rights of the land underneath, which is described as mentioned hereunder:

**EAST:** Other Property (Remaining Portion); WEST: Gali; NORTH: Other Property (Remaining Portion); SOUTH: House of Others  
**Sd/- Vibhor Gupta (Advocate)**  
Ch. No. 651, Western Wing,  
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-54

**Sd/- Vibhor Gupta (Advocate)**  
Ch. No. 651, Western Wing,  
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-54

**My client Smt. Neelam Devi, wife of late Shri Hanuman Singh (deceased) resident of Village P.O. Sindhra (subdivision) New Delhi-110011 has deceased and dissolved her one son (deceased) and one daughter (deceased). Both daughter and wife of Shri Hanuman Singh both are resident of House No. 415, Sector-14, Connaught Place, New Delhi-110028, from her all movable as well as immovable properties whatsoever present or in future. This notice is hereby given to inform my client and her heirs and relatives to whom said step has been taken by my client, My client, this, is not responsible for any action of her heirs and relatives in including their liability, loss or any kind of wrongdoings from any other person/their heirs, in including their death with them, they will do so at their own risk, cost and consequences and my client shall not be responsible for any act of their above mentioned in any manner whatsoever.**

**(JYOTI KUMAR) ADVOCATE**  
CHAMBER # 81, DWARKA COURTS, COMPLEX SECTION, NEW DELHI-110025

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Public at large is hereby informed that my clients Sh. Baljeet Singh S/O Sh. Raghubar Singh and his wife Smt. Babita Devi, R/O F-255, Madipur Colony, New Delhi-110063 have obtained/dissolved their son Om Prakash Singh, from all their movable and immovable properties due to his misbehavior, from their quarrelsome, adamant nature and being out of control. My clients have also severed all their relations with him. If any one deal with their above mentioned son, hereafter they will be doing his/her/their own risk and consequences and my clients shall not be responsible in any manner and shall have no liability and responsibilities in any manner in future for the acts & deeds of their above mentioned son.

**(JANKANDAS BANSAL) ADVOCATE**  
Chamber No. 371 & 372, Western Wing, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-110054

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client Smt. Krishna devi wife of Late Shri Radhey Shyam, R/O C-61, Rama park, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059, do hereby disinherited from their movable and immovable properties who and severs their all relations with his son namely Shri. Sunil Kumar and his wife namely Smt. Babita and his only one daughter namely Miss Megha & only one son named Himanshu, R/O C-61, Rama Park, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059, as well as they are disobeiscent to him and a person dealing with them shall be dealing at his own costs and responsibility from the date of publication of this notice.  
**B. B. N. Deo (Advocate)**  
S-8, Block B Complex, Tis Hazari New Delhi-110058

### PUBLIC NOTICE

My client ICICI Bank Ltd., Veera Tower, S-26, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Green Park Extn., New Delhi, is in the process of advancing loan to Mr. Ajay Kumar Aggarwal against mortgage of First floor of Property No. C/2, (233.3/10 sq. yds.) Mahalax Khan Garden., Rana Pratap Bagh, Delhi, who has represented that he is the absolute owner of the said property, having purchased from Mr. Sunil Anand, Mr. Rajesh Anand, Mr. Ramesh Chander Anand, Mr. Ashok Anand & Mr. Arun Kumar Anand vide Sale Deed dated 23.01.2017 (Regn. No. 685). If anyone has any right or claim on the said Property, then he/she/it may contact the undersigned with documentary proof of claim within 10 days of publication of this notice, otherwise it shall be deemed that either there are no claims or the same have been waived off. No claim shall be entertained thereafter and my client shall proceed to advance the loan by mortgaging the said property.

**Krishan Narang, Advocate**  
GNA & Associates  
D-28, Jangpura Extension,  
New Delhi-110014.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

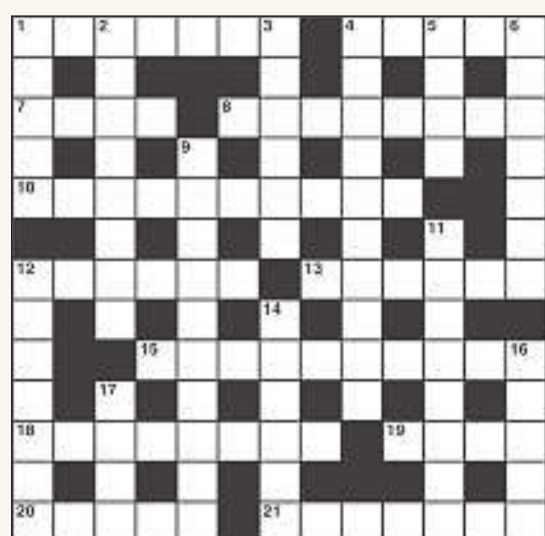
My Client SHRI MAHENDER KUMAR SHARMA SON OF SHRI HARISH CHAND SHARMA, RESIDENT OF: B-1/196, YAMUNA VIHAR, DELHI-53, has cancelled the property sale documents in favour of Shri Manish Kumar Sharma on dt.13.08.2019 of Plot Land Area Measuring 150 Sq. Yds. out of Kharsa No.291, 296, 297, 305 to 316, to 303 & 315 situated in the area of Village Sadat Pur Gurgaon abadi known as Sonia Vihar, Delhi. But for dispute/arbitration my client Shri Mahender Kumar Sharma has cancelled those papers. If this property is purchased by any other person Mr. Manish Kumar then he himself will be responsible for it because of the issue of this property is Mr. Mahender Kumar Sharma.  
**Sd/- BRAJESH DWIVEDI (ADVOCATE)**  
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## PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients Sh. Ajay S/o Late Sh. Bishambhar and Anila W/o Sh. Ajay R/O R/o 342, P And T Colony, Sector-6, R K Puram, Secd-6 Postal Stn. South West Delhi, Delhi-110022 have severed all their relations from their Son Shri. Ashish Paroha and his wife Pooja have disowned & detested him from all movable and immovable properties, assets and bank balances and shall not be responsible for the acts, deeds, omissions and things done by Shri. Ashish Paroha S/o Ajay and his wife Pooja in past, present or future.

**Sd/- KUNWAL PAL**  
Adv

## CROSSWORD 4296



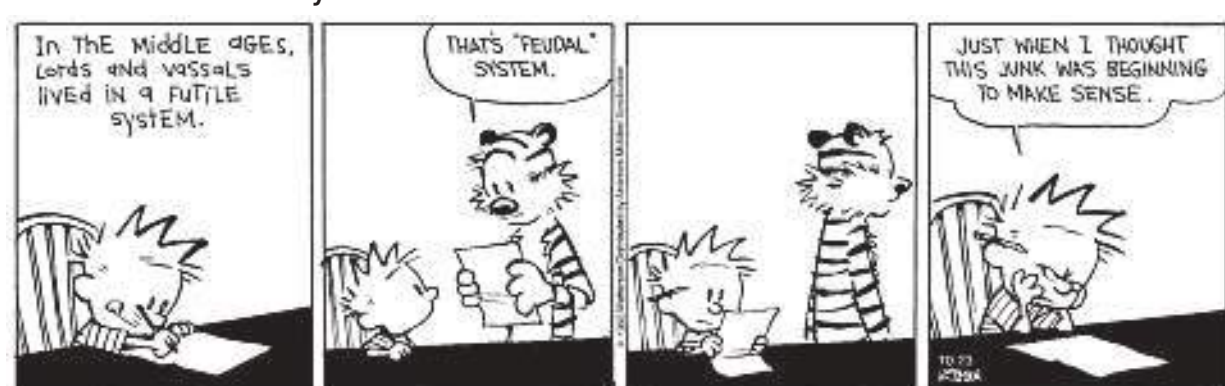
- ACROSS**
- Leaving things late? (7)
  - The upshot is to go to law (5)
  - Monster who is in no great hurry (4)
  - Talk with the other side (8)
  - Press cited perhaps for contempt (10)
  - Marine creatures with something to chew on board (6)
  - A whole lot of work for chimney sweeps (6)
  - Not working is quite irregular (3,2,5)
  - Kept alive the bread round? (8)
  - Inactivity about the street (4)
  - Wood spirit (5)
  - He betrays a characteristic alternative (7)
- DOWN**
- Tried to get a hand (5)
  - Incentive to have a bit of fun in the plant? (8)
  - Pop's executors? (6)
  - Calling upon one in employment (10)
  - Sounds like one bound on the crest of a wave (4)
  - Open and shut cases for the viewers? (7)
  - His success is proved by capital gains (10)
  - Dictates one way to prove gold genuine (4,4)
  - Writers copy a quarter on board (7)
  - Brief period of importance (6)
  - Chopper blade going up and down (5)
  - Advanced one good reason for abstinence (4)

**Solutions Crossword 4295:** Across: 1 Environment, 9 Private, 10 Salth, 11 Obey, 12 Dear, 14 Nobles, 16 Asleep, 18 Malign, 19 Sold, 22 Noose, 23 Updates, 24 On one's knees. Down: 2 Noise, 3 Iran, 4 Opener, 5 Mistress, 6 Naivete, 7 Appointment, 8 Chiropodist, 13 Sea green, 15 Balloon, 17 Demurs, 20 Outre, 21 Eden.

## OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis



## CALVIN & HOBBES 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.

**MARRIAGES:** Like careers, need constant nurturing... the secret of \_\_\_ it all. -Joyce Brothers (6,6)

DS A I O                      T H I N G S

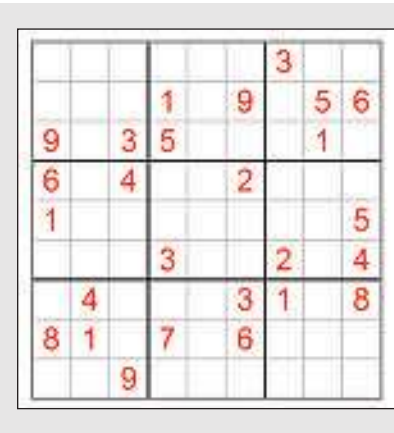
L I N G S                      E E L T V V

**Answer:** Loving it all - Joyce Brothers  
SOLUTION: ADVIS, SINCE, NIGHTS, VENTIL

## SUDOKU 4316

**Difficulty Level 5s**  
**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 4315



### AGRI BUSINESS INCUBATION CENTRE, GANDHI BHAWAN, CCSHAU, HISAR-125004 (HARYANA), INDIA

Haryana Registration & Regulation of Societies Act 2012  
Regd. No. HR 12 2019 02861  
Advertisement No: 1/20

#### NOTIFICATION

Applications are invited from the eligible candidates for One post of CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER at fixed emoluments of Rs. 1,20,000/- per month with an increment of 8% per annum under the NABARD project in operation in ABIC, CCS HAU, Hisar on contractual basis for a period of 2 years which can be extended based upon the performance and / or extension of project as per guidelines of the funding agency. Application form along with other complete details such as essential/desirable qualifications, terms and conditions, etc. can be downloaded from the CCS Haryana Agricultural University Website <http://www.hau.ernet.in>. Application form, duly filled in along with self-attested photocopies of required certificates and documents should reach at the address "Nodal Officer, Agri Business Incubation Centre, Gandhi Bhawan, CCSHaryana Agricultural University, Hisar-125 004 (Haryana)" on or before 8.1.2020 up to 5.00 p.m. Application processing fee in the shape of Bank Draft of Rs. 1,200/- (Rs. 300/- for SC/BCA/BCB) of Haryana drawn in favour of "ABIC, CCS HAU, HISAR" and payable at Hisar should be attached with application form. No amount will be accepted through Cheque, Cash, Money Order or Postal - Order. Persons with disabilities / ESM of Haryana shall be exempted from payment of application processing fee. The female candidates of Haryana Domicile shall also be granted 50% concession in the application processing fee. The candidates are also requested to visit University website regularly for updates/corrigendum/amendment, if any, with respect to above advertisement.

Sd/- NODAL OFFICER

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Networking & Communication Dept., State Bank Global IT Centre, Main Building, Sector 11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai - 400 614.

#### CORRIGENDUM

Please refer the EO for Procurement of Cyber Security Threat Deception (HoneyPot) Solutions dated 18-11-2020, Bank has released Corrigendum dated 08-12-2020 and can be accessed under Procurement News at <https://www.sbi.co.in> or <https://bank.sbi>.

Sd/- Deputy General Manager (Networking & Communication Dept.)  
Date: 08/12/2020

### SOUTH DELHI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Assessment & Collection Department  
20th Floor, Dr. S.P.M. Civic Center, New Delhi-110002

#### E-TENDER NOTICE

SDMC invites bids from eligible bidders for E-Tender No. A&C/SDMC/RFP/20-21/01 for engaging services of an Agency through open tender for providing doorstep service to taxpayers in filing online property tax returns and collection of online property tax through Mobile Sahayaks under the jurisdiction of SDMC in a two bid system for an initial period of two (2) years starting from 1st January, 2021.

The last date of submission of bids is 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020, 3:00 P.M. RFP document can be downloaded from MCD's website [www.mcdonline.nic.in](http://www.mcdonline.nic.in) and [www.tenderwizard.com/SouthDMC](http://www.tenderwizard.com/SouthDMC).

Sd/- Deputy A&C/CHQ A&C Department SDMC  
Ro No.54/DPI/S/2020-21

### TAMILNADU CEMENTS CORPORATION LIMITED

(A GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU UNDERTAKING)  
L.L.A. Building, II Floor, 735, Anna Salai, Chennai-600 002.

#### e-TENDER NOTICE

e-Tender Ref. No.34/2020-21, Supply of Imported Limestone to Ariyalur Cement Works, Ariyalur District, Tamil Nadu Value Rs. 27.47 Crore. EMD Rs. 5.00 Lakhs. Submission of tender: Up to 3.00 P.M. on 28.12.2020

**Important Note :**  
A pre-bid meeting will be held on 14.12.2020 at 3.00 pm at TANCEM, Corporate Office, No.735, L.L.A. Building, II Floor, Anna Salai, Chennai - 600 002.

The tender document can be downloaded from [www.tntenders.gov.in](http://www.tntenders.gov.in) Corrigendum / Addendum to this publication, if any would appear only on the above said website.

General Manager (Marketing)

### BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division, R.R. Nagara Zone, No.144, 2nd main, Jagajyothi Layout, Bengaluru - 560 056.

No: EE/KNG/TEND/24/2020-21 Date: 05.12.2020

#### INVITATION FOR TENDER NOTIFICATION (IFT)

(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer, Kengeri Division invites tenders on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP, Bengaluru from eligible Tenderers for the Construction of works detailed in the table below.

Sl. No.	Name of the Works	Approx. Value of Work (₹. in Lakhs)	EMD (in ₹.)	Reservation of Works to
<b>Single Cover System - Call 1</b>				
1	Improvements to Side Drains and Roads in Ullal and Surrounding Areas in Ward No-130.	40.00	1,00,000	Others
2	Maintenance of Park in Ullal Ward No-130.	10.00	25,000	Others
3	Maintenance of Public Toilet in Ward No-130.	5.00	12,500	Others
4	Maintenance of UGD in Ward No-130.	15.00	37,500	Others
5	Providing Pipe Line and Maintenance to Existing Borewell at Ward No-130.	20.00	50,000	Others
<b>Single Cover System Call-2</b>				
6	UGD Maintenance at Herohalli Ward Limits in Ward No-72 of Herohalli Sub Division for the Year 2019-20.	30.00	75,000	Others
<b>Two Cover System Call-1</b>				
7	Comprehensive Development of Roads & Drains in SC Beneficiary Areas in Ullala Upanagara near Church in Upanagara & Maruthingara Sy No-17 and Surrounding Areas in Ward No-130 Package-1	300.00	252.52	3,80,000

Calendar of Events For SI No-1 to 6: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded through e-portal from 09.12.2020 from 4:00 pm. (2) Last Date and time for Receipt of Tenders is 16.12.2020 upto 4:00 pm. (3) Opening of Bids on 18.12.2020 at 4:00 pm.

Calendar of Events For SI No-7: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded through e-portal from 09.12.2020 from 4:00 pm. (2) Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on 14.12.2020 at 4:00 pm in the office of the Chief Engineer, RR Nagara Zone, RR Nagara. (3) Last Date and time for Receipt of Tenders is 19.12.2020 upto 4:00 pm. (4) Opening of Bids on 21.12.2020 at 4:00 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 - Kengeri Division

## SALUTE THE SOLDIER

08 DEC 1971

LNK KUL BAHADUR RAI      RFN JAI PRASAD LIMBU      RFN CHANDRA BAHADUR LIMBU

Lnk Kul Bahadur Rai, Rfn Jai Prasad Limbu and Rfn Chandra Bahadur Limbu of 1/11 Gorkha Rifles (BATALIK) made the supreme sacrifice during "OP CACTUS LILY" in Erstwhile East Pakistan on 08 Dec 1971 in a true act of valour. The brave soldiers will always be remembered for their raw courage and remembered for their raw courage and indomitable spirit. To these bravehearts we pledge that we shall always be guided by their immortal spirit and make their names proud.

CO AND ALL RANKS, 1/11 GORKHA RIFLES (BRAVEST OF THE BRAVE) (BATALIK)

## SEARCH FOR MISSING PERSON

General public is here by informed that one person Namely: Pappu Shah S/o Subodh Shah, R/o RZ-216/317, Gali No. 11, Shivpuri, West, Sagarpur, Delhi, Age: 27 years, Height: 5'2", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Round, Built: Medium, Wearing: Multi Colour Checkered Shirt, Blue Jeans & Brown Colour Chappal in Feet. has been missing from his rented house since 19.11.2020.

In this regard a DD No. 82A dated 21.11.2020 has been lodged at P.S. Sagarpur, Delhi.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this person but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this person kindly inform to the following.

E-Mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)      SHO  
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>      P.S. Sagarpur, Delhi  
Fax: 011-24368639      Ph. 011-28522653, 7065036228  
Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641      DP/419/SW/2020

### NORTHERN RAILWAY

Invitation of tender through IREPS

Electrical department Northern Railway, New Delhi-110001 for and on behalf of President of India, invites tender through IREPS for work of following item.

Tender No.	Description	Qty.	55 power cars
L-24C-2020-21	Supply & Installation of 750V, 3-phase power contractor for isolation of IV coupler at input and ACB output (HOG-A&HOG-B) in LHB power cars as per specification no. EDML-154 (Rev-Nil).	Earnest Money	2,34,100/-
	Cost of tender document		10,000/-
	Due Date		30.12.2020

Note : Above tender with detailed description are uploaded on IREPS site i.e. [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) The firm, which desire to participate against e-tenders, are advised to electronically register themselves on the above website for which they would require to have a class III digital certificate from certifying agencies authorized under IT act 2000 by Govt. of India. Manual offers against e-tenders will not be accepted.

Tender Notice No. L-24C-2020-21-1. Date : 07.12.2020      2729/20

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

### BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of the Executive Engineer, Project South, South Zone Office Complex, 9th Main, 9th Cross, Jayanagar 2nd Block, Bengaluru-560011

No.: EEP(S)/E-Proc/40/2020-21 Date: 07-12-2020

#### INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Two Cover System) Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only

The Executive Engineer Project South, BBMP, Bengaluru on behalf of the Commissioner, BBMP invites tenders from eligible contractors for the below mentioned construction works.

Sl. No.	Name of the Work	Approx. Amount Put to Tender (Rs. in lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)
1	Improvement and repairs to BBMP building and development of parks in Ward No.165 Ganesh Mandira	130.00	1.95 Lakhs (Rs.1.00 Lakh Through e-portal and remaining amount in the form of Bank Guarantee)

Calendar of Events: (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from GOK e-Procurement portal <https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in> (2) Date of Pre-bid meeting: 15.12.2020 at 3:00 PM at Office of The Executive Engineer Project (South), (3) Last date & time for receipt of tenders: 28.12.2020 upto 4:00 PM. (4) Date of Opening of Technical Bid: 30.12.2020 at 4:30 PM. (5) Date of Opening of Financial Bid : 02.01.2021 at 4:00 PM or After Technical Bid Approval. 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, Project-South

### GOVT. OF ODISHA

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER  
NORTH EASTERN RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, KEONJHAR

Identification No. PMGSY Online NCB No. 283  
NO. 2236 / Date: 7.12.2020

1. Name of the work : Construction of road & CD works under PMGSY Programme  
2. Total No. of Packages : 51 Nos. individual packages  
3. Estimated Cost of individual packages : Varies from Rs. 97.59 lakh to Rs. 781.10 lakh.  
4. Period of Completion : 12 calendar months for works above Rs. 5.00 Cr. & 11 calendar months for works below Rs. 5.00 Cr. and 9 calendar months for works below Rs. 3.00 Cr. as specified in DTN.

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	No. of Packages	Availability of tender On-line for bidding
1	2	3	4
Superintending Engineer, North Eastern Rural Works, Circle, Keonjhar.	PMGSY Online NCB No. 283	51 Nos.	15.12.2020 at 11.00 A.M. to 04.01.2021 up to 5.00 P.M.

\* Further details can be seen from the website: [www.tendersorissa.gov.in](http://www.tendersorissa.gov.in)

Sd/- (Er. P.K. Misra)  
Superintending Engineer, N.E.R.W. Circle, Keonjhar  
OIPR-25048/11/0010/2021

### GOVT. OF ODISHA

OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF, WATER RESOURCES ODISHA, BHUBANESWAR

'e' Procurement Notice No. CELMB 02 OF 2020-21

1. Name of the work : Construction of Flood Protection Embankment on Lanth left from Tikrapara to Brahmani RD 00 M to RD 12000 M under NABARD Assistance RIDF-XXV.  
2. Amount put to Tender : Rs. 11,97,58,925.00  
3. Bid Document Cost : Rs. 10,000.00 (online)  
4. E.M.D. : Rs. 11,97,600.00 (online)  
5. Class of Contractor : Special Class & Super Class  
6. Period of Completion : 18 calendar months (548 Days)  
7. Other details are as follows.

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender On-line for bidding	Date of Opening of Technical Bid (Cover-I)
1	2	3	4
Chief Engineer FC & Basin Manager, LMB, Bhubaneswar	CELMB BOL 01 OF 2020-21	From 14.12.2020 10.00hrs To 29.12.2020 17.00hrs	30.12.2020 11.00hrs

8. e-mail id : [celmbbs@yahoo.co.in](mailto:celmbbs@yahoo.co.in)  
Further detail conditions can be seen from the Govt. website [www.tendersorissa.gov.in](http://www.tendersorissa.gov.in)

Sd/- Chief Engineer FC & Basin Manager Lower Mahanadi Basin OIPR-32252/11/0003/2021

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### COVID-19. DO NOT PANIC. BE AWARE

England's ODI cricket series in South Africa was called off after an outbreak of COVID-19 cases at the luxurious and supposedly bio-secure Cape Town hotel where both teams are staying. Both squads have had members infected, while two workers at the hotel also contracted the disease.

AP

## Reached the 'world top' with single kidney, Anju reveals



PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
KOCCHI, DECEMBER 7

Olympian Anju Bobby George, who secured a historic bronze medal in the 2003 World Athletics Championship in Paris, on Monday said she achieved success and reached the top with a single kidney.

In a tweet, the ace athlete, a gold medalist in the IAAF World Athletics Finals (Monaco, 2005), said she had many limitations, including being allergic to even a painkiller, but still made it. "Believe it or not, I'm one of the fortunate, among very few who reached the world top with a single KIDNEY, allergic with even a painkiller, with a dead takeoff leg... Many limitations...still made it. Can we call, magic of a coach or his talent," Anju tweeted.

Her career blossomed under the coaching of husband Robert Bobby George. Anju said she chose the pandemic season to make this revelation to "motivate" all the sports persons in the current generation, who are missing their practice and competitions due to the spread of the deadly virus.

"The general perception of the people is that I have a perfect body. But the fact is that I achieved all the success in my field by overcoming all difficulties. I hope that sharing of my experience will help motivate all aspiring sports persons," she told PTI.

Anju said doctors in Germany had advised her six months rest just 20 days ahead of the 2003 World Athletics Championship in Paris. She said she complained of fatigue while in Germany for a competition in 2003 and doctors there advised her rest for six months and not to even think about sports. "It was just 20 days ahead of the Paris World Athletics Championship. I overcame all the issues and won a medal in Paris," she said.

Anju came to know she was living with a single kidney during an overall health check-up in Bengaluru 2001 due to some health issues before starting her international career. "It was shocking news for me. But Bobby (husband) motivated me to continue my career and achieve success. He even offered his kidney if I face any problem," she said.

Anju said she was now mature enough to handle the situation brought about by her health issues. "If I had gone public with my health then, the situation would have been different," Anju said. Responding to her tweet, Union Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju said: "Anju, it's your hard work, grit and determination to bring laurels for India, supported by the dedicated coaches and the whole technical backup team. We are so proud of you being the only Indian so far to win a medal in the World Athletic Championship!"

**Believe it or not, I'm one of the fortunate, among very few who reached the world top with a single KIDNEY, allergic with even a painkiller, with a dead takeoff leg... Many limitations...still made it."**

ANJU BOBBY GEORGE  
ON TWITTER

# Power of simplicity

Hardik has fashioned a minimalistic technique that enables him to hit sixes seemingly with ease

SRIRAM VEERA  
DECEMBER 7

SIXTY TO seventy batting videos of Hardik Pandya wirelessly dropped into Jitender Singh's phone. Then came a text: "Is everything okay, coach?"

Jeetubhai tapped up each video, carefully watched with increasing satisfaction and typed out his reply, "Yes all good". It was June end, and coach Jitender had returned to his village after a month of training with Pandya, who was still working at nets in Baroda. "The deal was if I saw something not right in those videos, I will return to Baroda. It wasn't needed and he (Pandya) could happily go to his wife who was expecting a child; everything was fine with his batting," Jeetubhai says.

"I go really deep in my batting. I really like to know the factors which I am working for. [For me] maintaining shape is more important. I keep working on my technique," Pandya said this IPL. It's a stance and technique created for (and by) the six-lust of our times. Pandya has stripped batting to its essence: balance, eyesight, fast hands. The aspects that he leaves out are as fascinating as the ones he retains. He cuts out the much-revered positive strides; he doesn't take a stride forward or back. There are no unnecessary tiny feet movements that can upset balance. He just leans forward or back with his knee-flex, driving through the hips, without a stride – a minimalistic explosion.

Pandya's balance component has a few ingredients: the knee-flex that allows him to spring off from the balls of his feet, the subsequent postural-sway that allows a smooth transfer of weight and makes feet movement almost unnecessary, and the associated hip-turn that powers the bat to and through the contact zone. "The head, the feet and the hands" are what Jeetubhai watches, his checklist when Pandya starts batting. He remembers when Pandya discussed with him a couple of seasons ago about the new position at stance – around the off-stump, with a small trigger movement that at times takes him even outside off, and deep inside the crease.

"He has that cricketing intelligence. With his batting, he realised the need to create angles. He also stands deep in the crease with that guard – he told me that he doesn't have to worry about yorkers and bouncers," the coach says. "We worked on getting in a stable, steady position. But fundamentally, he hasn't changed much. The load-up, the way he holds his bat, the bat-swing are like before, so we didn't have to worry much. I just told him, 'just have a method to keep out the full balls on the middle and leg.'"

"The logic in this stance now is that it's not so easy to get that yorker at the base of stumps – as he is almost by the stumps. With bouncers, because he is so back, he gets extra time and the bowlers try to pitch the ball fuller for the bouncer to trouble his head, but it's not easy to get the ball to bounce from a fuller length. If they bang it short, middle of the pitch, because he is back, it almost sits up and he has more time to cut and pull."

The open stance allows an unrestricted view of the ball that is about to be released. Since the shoulders are already a touch open, a batsman can avoid the reflex-jerk – that can invariably happen in a more conventional stance to a bouncer – which upsets the stillness of the head. "The head position is key," Jeetubhai says. "Both eyes are level, which means the head isn't tilted and he watches the ball release with his right eye." That right eye preference means the shoulder will face the non-striker, with his hips also slightly open.



Hardik Pandya has played a decisive role in India's wins in the first two T20Is. AP

From the hips to the flexed knees, to the weight on the balls of the feet – as the late Martin Crowe would often say – the rest of Pandya's stance retains a natural fluidity.



It's fascinating that of all the batsmen in the modern era, it's Pandya who has taken to Crowe's urging to move towards off stump in T20 (and while in the hitting zone). The former classicist, who was ever-open to innovation, would talk exactly what Pandya does now – about a stance around off-stump and deep inside crease. "If I am facing someone like Glenn McGrath, I would stand on off or even outside," Crowe told this writer in 2008. "If the bowls on the stumps, good luck to him as I am confident about my legside play. And I have taken out his strength of hitting the off-stump and forced him to go wider and even change angle from where he bowls on the crease. I am amazed more batsmen don't try it out; it will free them up."

Pandya has freed himself up. The knee-flex that allows batsmen to a position on the balls of their feet was another Crowe theme. "The balls of feet are where the energy and springy muscle is". Pandya does that. His legs don't remain straight, instead they flex, allowing him to spring off the balls of his feet. The one thing that Crowe fussed about most was feet movement and strides. Pandya doesn't. He relies on a wider base, and just the posture-sway (leaning forward and back) to transfer weight.

His hips then generate furious bat speeds through his swing. "He turns his back leg from his hip and not from his knee, when he is driving through the line," Jeetubhai says. This allows unimpeded movement for the bat-swing and greater speed to scythe through the line. "When it's short, he will press down on that front leg, and load up on the back leg, sort of twist and turn it quickly and with his already open stance, it allows a free swing of the bat for the pull. He has trained for hours, for months, and now it's all a natural reactionary movement."

**Aus vs Ind, third T20, Live on Sony Sports Network, 1.40pm**

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## Yadav impresses in audition for third seamer's slot

SANDIP G  
DECEMBER 7

THE HIGHLY-RATED Western Australia all-rounder Cameron Green filed yet another reminder of his potential with an unbeaten 114 in crisis, amidst encouraging performances from Indians' seamers Umesh Yadav and Mohammad Siraj as well as spinner Ravichandran Ashwin. Yadav grabbed three wickets, while Siraj and Ashwin nabbed a brace apiece as Australia A ended the second day of the warm-up against Indians at 286/8, a lead of 39 runs after the tourists had declared on 247/9.

In the first audition for the third seamer's slot for the Adelaide Test, Yadav put in an imposing shift with the new ball, accounting for what could be the new-fangled opening pair for the first Test. Joe Burns and Will Pucovski. The latter hung around for 22 deliveries before he was caught at point when driving Yadav before the Indian bowler induced a nick off Burns to the wicket-keeper Wriddhiman Saha. Pucovski's last three knocks had featured two mammoth double hundreds, but he could not kick on to a meaningful score this time. Burns, on the contrary, had been in wretched form, his last five outings yielding only 57 runs.

Yadav dealing early blows and bowling economically would push his case for a rare Test appearance outside India. But with stiff competition from Siraj and Navdeep Saini, he needs to keep producing such spells in every opportunity that dwells on him. Maybe, he could get another bite of the red ball later on the third and final day, though the priority of Indians' would be to get adequate batting practice after a slew of them had endured a harrowing time in the first innings.

With Yadav impressing, it was vital that Siraj keep himself in contention with a clutch of useful performances. A wicket eluded him in the first spell, but he came to break an innings-steady partnership by Travis Head and Marcus Harris. The pair had resurrected



Illustration: Sujavjit Dey

Ever since Hardik Pandya shifted to a guard on the off-stump line, and opened his stance, it has forced the bowlers to hit different lengths and lines than what they are used to. With the way he transfers weight on a wider stance without taking a stride, and uses his hips to generate furious bat-speed, Pandya has become the quintessential powerhitter of our times.



Umesh Yadav took three wickets. File

Australia A from 5 for 2 to 60 for 2 before Siraj removed Head to put his side back into the game. Soon, they were 68 for 4, when Ashwin had Harris caught at slip for 35. Indians' bowlers sniffed a quick kill, which would have enabled their batters some more useful time in the middle as well as allowed their bowlers an extended dig on the final day.

But Green put paid to their aspirations with a sumptuous hundred, fully justifying the hype that surrounds him. He bowled penetratively without success and batted with unrestrained freedom, his 114 consuming only 173 deliveries. Many in Australia reckon that he should be straightaway handed out the Baggy Green and he might have done himself a big favour by showing his class right in front of Australia skipper Tim Paine. They added 104 runs to help Australia cross 200 after Ashwin had trapped Nic Maddinson in front of the wicket for 23 runs.

Green dealt Ashwin with authority, even slamming the clever spinner for a massive six. Likewise, he dealt the seamers with conviction, though Yadav was unfortunate that Hanuma Vihari grassed a catch when Green was on 24. Saha, too, dropped him, on 78. But Green made the best of his fortune and compiled his third three-figure mark of this year.

**BRIEF SCORES:** Indians 247/9 dec (Pujara 54, Rahane 117\*; Pattinson 3-58, Nesar 2-55, Head 2-24) trail Australia A 286/8 (Harris 35, Green 114\*, Paine 44; Yadav 3-44, Siraj 2-71, Ashwin 2-58) by 39 runs.

## In CL, Real fight for survival as Messi, Ronaldo renew rivalry

REAL MADRID are used to breezing through the Champions League, rather than facing must-win matches near the end of the group stage. But poor performances this season have left Zinedine Zidane's team needing a victory on Wednesday against Borussia Monchengladbach to ensure the record 13-time European champions don't miss out on the knockout phase for the first time in the club's Champions League history. Real Madrid is the only group where all four teams remain in contention for a place in the Round of 16. But there is a lot at stake elsewhere too. Here are a few key games from the last round of Group Stage matches of the Champions League:

### BARCELONA VS JUVENTUS

**Group G, Wednesday, 1.30am**  
Barcelona will win the group unless Juventus can overtake it in head-to-head goals. Barcelona won 2-0 in Turin. Ronaldo missed that possible rematch with Messi after catching the coronavirus. The duo have not faced another since Ronaldo left Real Madrid in 2018.

### REAL MADRID VS M'GLADBACH

**Group B, Thursday, 1.30am**  
All four teams stand a chance to progress

## Awards, agitation two separate things: IOA to protesting athletes

ANDREW AMSAN  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

A DAY after several sports persons threatened to return their national awards in a show of solidarity with protesting farmers, the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) issued a call to treat national honours and the agitation as "two separate things".

"Of late sports persons are seen to be announcing return of their National Awards as a mark of their support for the recent farmers issue. National Awards and farmers issue are two separate things," IOA President Narinder Batra and Secretary General Rajeev Mehta said in a joint statement on Monday. "Every Indian, including us, loves and supports the farmers and we all would always like our farming community to be happy as they are the 'Annadatas' of our country."

Two-time Asiad gold-winning former wrestler Kartar Singh – who on Monday led a delegation of Punjab athletes towards the Rashtrapati Bhavan to return their national awards – criticised IOA's stance.

"We and the farmers are one. As a budding wrestler, it was these farmers who fed me, organised village tournaments where I honed my skills, gave me cash awards. So their cause is our cause. So how can our awards and their issues be two separate things?" the Arjuna and Padma Shri awardee told *The Indian Express*. Kartar, former India hockey captain and Arjuna awardee Rajbir Kaur and others were on their way to return at least 40 national sports awards in protest of the farm bills before they were stopped by security personnel outside the Delhi Press Club – less than five kilometres from the Rashtrapati Bhavan.

"We met the media at the Press Club and right outside the security people had put up barriers to stop us. We had already made our plans known to them through the media. We are respected athletes and all we wanted to do is a peaceful march towards the President's residence. But they stopped us as if we were rioters," Kartar said.

Kartar, a retired inspector general with the Punjab police, said that the forty-strong group was denied permission even though a security official from the Rashtrapati Bhavan had called and assured him that the delegation would be taken to meet President Ram Nath Kovind. "First they told us we would be taken and then they did not. Now we have been told it will take a few more days to make the arrangements. We will wait and see but there is no question of returning back to Punjab without meeting the president," Kartar said.

Earlier, India's first Olympic medal-winning boxer Vijender Singh reached Singhu border on Sunday and told the protesting farmers that he would return his Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna – the country's highest sporting honour – if the government doesn't withdraw the "black laws".

"I have trained in Punjab and eaten their bread. They have been protesting in this biting cold and I have arrived here as a son and a brother. Other athletes from Haryana wanted to come too but they have government jobs and fear repercussions. I am in touch with them and they are with our farmers," Vijender said.

**We and the farmers are one. As a budding wrestler, it was these farmers who fed me, organised village tournaments where I honed my skills, gave me cash awards. So their cause is our cause."**

KARTAR SINGH  
ARJUNA AND PADMA SHREE AWARDEE

## Top takeaways from maiden F2 race win for Jehan

NIHAL KOSHI  
NEW DELHI, DECEMBER 7

A MAIDEN win in Formula 2, the national anthem playing when standing atop the podium, his father watching him from the stands. Jehan Daruvala's tough rookie season ended on a good note at the Sakhir race track in Bahrain on Sunday.

The graduation from Formula 3 to 2 hadn't been a smooth drive. But over two weeks in Bahrain, the 22-year-old scored his first podium – before winning seven days later. The Red Bull Junior driver also held his own by defending his position and regaining his place in races against one of the most famous surnames in single-seat racing, Mick Schumacher in a thrilling battle last weekend. Schumacher, the race leader, after getting fresher tyres during the pitstop was in Jehan's mirrors and had caught up to be 0.7 seconds behind third-placed Jehan with five laps remaining. With three laps to go Jehan had to fend off during wheel-to-wheel racing around corners to defend his position.

"As a driver you just have to make it as hard as possible, defend as hard as you can and keep the car behind. So I didn't really think who it was or what he was fighting for. I just tried to be as stern as I could in defence and in the end it paid off," Jehan said. He'd battle it out with



JEHAN DARUVALA

Daniel Ticktum to take the lead with less than 10 laps to go for his first win.

"I remember when I was at the Wankhede Stadium for the cricket world cup and the national anthem would play, I used to feel really proud. And now it was playing for me," Jehan, who races for Carlin Motorsport, says. "My father was there, I hugged him, met the team crew, spoke with my mom, sister and grandmother later in the evening. This was the only race where my father attended this year," Jehan says.

### Caring for tyres

In a stiff rookie season, an engine issue robbed him of power for a good part of the year. The Pirelli tyres have to be treated with care, Jehan says. Push them too hard and a

race could be effectively over in a few laps with tyre degradation greater than in Formula One or even Formula 3.

"These Pirelli tyres are very sensitive. There is thermal degradation (overheating), if you push too hard. You can go from being in control of the race to being outside the points in a matter of laps. Pushing very close to the limit is hard because the car can start sliding," Jehan says.

It often boiled down to who had better tyres towards the end. The quest to make racing exciting for viewers plus a heavier car all contribute to lower tyre life. "Firstly the car itself is quite heavy, almost 800 kilograms with a driver. If you have tyres that last the whole way, drivers would be pushing the whole way. But there would be less racing. A small lock-up and these tyres completely flat spot and the race is completely over," Jehan adds.

### Clutch challenge

Race starts are tense-affairs because it takes time to get used to the bite point of the clutch in Formula 2.

"We use two paddles and the hand clutch (all behind the steering wheel). The bite point on the clutch is hard to predict. With so much horsepower you can't just start at 100 percent throttle. Over last 8 races I've had consistently good starts, but you always get one or two starts where things don't go the right way."

### Managing brakes

Stepping up to Formula 2 – 'four to five seconds faster' compared to Formula 3 – means Jehan has to be very accurate about brakes settings, which lose efficiency if a driver is not alert. "Formula 2 has steel brakes. So with F3's carbon brakes if you didn't put enough temperature in them you can lose braking efficiency. We have to use a toggle on the right-hand side of the steering wheel to adjust distribution of brake balance and distribution. As the front tyres wear out you will go to the back, or vice versa. You can easily lose efficiency if you go too far forward with the brake balance because then your rear brakes completely switch off because there is not enough temperature going into them. In Formula 3 you started with a set bias and finished with it. Here in Formula 2, you are continuously adjusting."

Racing with a top team in Formula 2 next season is lined up though it's the exposure with big teams with F1 & F2 races running concurrently that's been the biggest take-away. Schumacher, Ferrari's Charles Leclerc and McLaren's Lando Norris have most recently moved up to Formula One but bagging a seat for another year, gives Jehan more opportunities.

"I am doing something I love. I will be lying if I say I don't feel pressure but I keep it all under control."