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Govt's new defence acquisition policy drops offsets in 3 types of contracts

Changes not retrospective, ongoing deals not to be impacted, says Govt

KRISHN KAUSHIK

NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

THE GOVERNMENT has decided not to have an offset clause in procurement of defence equipment if the deal is done through inter-government agreement (IGA), government-to-government or an ab initio single vendor. The offset clause requires a foreign vendor to invest a part of the contract value in India.

The decision, part of the government's new policy for defence acquisitions, was approved by the Defence Acquisition

Unveiling the new policy, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, in a Twitter post, said it has been "aligned" with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's "vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat and empowering the Indian domestic industry through Make in India CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Council Monday

Offset clause not helping

ONE REASON why the

offset clause policy was dropped was its failure to bring in any critical technology to India. Moreover, the clause made foreign vendors add extra costs in contracts in government-togovernment, single-vendor deals.

CAG flags policy change months before Rafale deal

KRISHN KAUSHIK NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

CHANGES MADE to the Defence Procurement Policy in April 2016 allowed suppliers of the Rafale fighter jets not to declare any offset partner when India and France signed a deal in September that year to buy 36 aircraft.

The Comptroller and Auditor General of India, in its Report No.

20 of 2019 which was tabled in Parliament last week, said changes in the offset policy introduced by the government in 2015 were "duly incorporated" with effect from April 1, 2016.

This policy change meant that in the case of the Rafale deal, the foreign vendor did not have to declare an offset partner around the time of the signing of the contract in September 2016. CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Youth Congress members protesting against the farm laws set a tractor on fire at India Gate in New Delhi Monday. PTI

Cong CMs look at bypassing farm laws, its MP goes to SC

MANOJCG, ANANTHAKRISHNANG& **ANJU AGNIHOTRI CHABA** NEW DELHI, NAWANSHAHR, SEPTEMBER 28

THE CONGRESS on Monday stepped up its agitation over the new farm laws, with the party asking the four states ruled by it to explore legislation to "bypass" their provisions. As the Congress held protests outside Raj Bhavans across states, the party's Thrissur MP, T N Prathapan,

moved the Supreme Court against one of the Acts. Punjab Chief Minister

Amarinder Singh also announced that the state, which is seeing massive protests over the laws. would approach the top court. Congress general secretary

(organisation) K C Venugopal said party president Sonia Gandhi had directed Punjab, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh and Puducherry to explore the possibility of passing laws under Article 254(2) of the CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Centre clears early procurement of paddy in all states

HARIKISHAN SHARMA NEW DELHI. SEPTEMBER 28

AMID PROTESTS against the new farm laws, and days after it advanced procurement of kharif paddy in Punjab and Haryana, the Centre on Monday cleared early procurement in all the remaining states.

The usual procurement date is October 1. On September 26, the Centre ordered "immediate" procurement in Punjab and

The Centre also approved the

ric tonnes (LMT) of pulses and oilseeds for Kharif Marketing Season(KMS)2020-21 for Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Telangana and Haryana.

In an apparent attempt to allay farmers' fears that the Minimum Support Price (MSP) system may be scrapped, the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare also released data on paddy procurement in Punjab and Haryana over the last two days.

"The procurement of paddy during Kĥarif Marketing Ŝeason 2020-21 has just started from

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IPS OFFICER OUT AFTER WIFE ABUSE VIDEO P9 procurement of 13.77 lakh met-CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

No govt nominees yet, RBI monetary panel meet put off

GEORGE MATHEW & SUNNY VERMA MUMBAI. NEW DELHI

SEPTEMBER 28

IN AN unprecedented development, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Monday postponed the bimonthly meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) scheduled September 29 to October 1, after the government failed to nominate its three members to the six-member panel on time, The Indian Express has learnt.

The MPC is a statutory committee that fixes the key policy interest rates and monetary policy stance of the country as well as the inflation target.

The four-year tenure of the three government-nominated members – Ravindra Dholakia, Chetan Ghate and Pami Dua had expired after the previous policy on August 6. The government had not announced the three new members till late Monday.

meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee during September 29, 30 and October 1, 2020, as announced, is being rescheduled. The dates of the MPC's meeting will be announced shortly," the RBI said. Though the RBI had sought

"The

an extension of the tenure of external members until March due to the Covid situation, it was not accepted by the government as there was no such provision in the RBI Act.

The new members were expected to be named Monday but there may have been delays due to "certain departmental clearances required to appoint the members", government sources said, adding that the process is likely to be completed soon.

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THE LAST STOP

INS Viraat approaching the Alang ship breaking yard in Gujarat. The 'world's longest serving warship' will be dismantled three years after it was decommissioned by the Indian Navy, Nirmal Harindran

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Police search channel that aired sting on 'corruption' by BSY family

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE BENGALURU. SEPTEMBER 28

BENGALURU POLICE began an investigation on Monday against officials of a private television channel that recently aired a sting alleging the involvement of members of Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa's family in acts of

Police carried out searches at the offices of Power TV and the home of its managing director-editor Rakesh Shetty, and also questioned an anchor. The investigation was triggered by a complaint filed by the director of a construction firm who has been cited by the channel as a source of information on the alleged corruption involving the CM's family. The channel has run a series

month using a sting audio of alleged conversations of Rakesh Shetty with an important member of the CM's family,

of programmes over the last

WhatsApp chats exchanged by a construction firm official with another member of the family, and documents showing large deposits in banks accounts of firms linked to a family member. CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

Law Admission Test (CLAT) began on Monday afternoon, the Supreme Court allowed a student in Gwalior, who said he was "in isolation" as he was "suspected of being Covid-positive", to sit for the test in a "separate isolation room" at his exam centre.

"In the facts of the present MR Shah.

The Bench, which gave the order in the morning, told the

New science policy: institutes to be rated on support for women staff

ESHAROY NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

AIMING TO create women lead-

ers, the Department of Science and Technology is developing a framework to rate and rank science institutes depending on the proportion of women employed.

The initiative, under the new Science and Technology Policy 2020, will cover government and private institutes, which will be rated on a number of parameters that includes promotion opportunities, leadership positions and support structure, such as

Speaking to The Indian Express, Prof Ashutosh Sharma, Secretary, Department of Science and Technology, said the framework is being conceptualised as a part of the new policy's push towards "inclusivity, equity and diversity".

The last science policy was drawn up in 2013, and the new version is expected to be unveiled by December.

"The representation of women in engineering courses at IITs is around 10-12 per cent. Even in our own department, we **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

HOURS BEFORE the Common

CLAT student

says may have

SC, sits for

case, we are of the view that the applicant should be permitted to take his CLAT examination on 28.09.2020 in a separate isolation room to be provided by his centre superintendent," said a Bench of Justices Ashok Bhushan, R Subhash Reddy and

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From bites to bytes: Startups use AI for instant quality check of farm produce visually inspect grain samples to

PAGE 1 ANCHOR

HARISH DAMODARAN NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

A LEGACY of the 'Amul model' is that dairy farmers today are paid not just for quantity, but also for quality of the milk they supply. Both cooperative and private dairies fix the purchase price of milk based on its fat and solidsnot-fat content. The Gerber centrifuge and lactometer that measure these enable farmers to be paid more for the same volume of milk containing higher total solids.

This benefit isn't available to other farmers, more so in crops that — unlike milk or sugarcane are sold through APMC (Agricultural Produce Market Committee) mandis. Even where some quality premium is given, it is a result of subjective assessment.

For instance, soyabean traders hardly check for oil. They



Most mandis have no

systems to grade produce

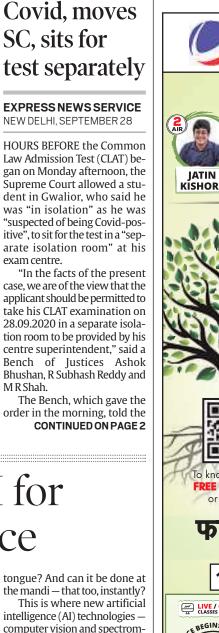
gauge size uniformity and extent of damaged/ discoloured beans or foreign matter. Moisture level is determined by simply biting the bean - it is low if it cracks, and high (unacceptable) if the teeth sink in. So the farmer loses out.

There's no equivalent of a Gerber-lactometer reading that he can cite to demand a better price, even if his crop is above "fair average quality". But can quality be assessed without depending on the eyes, nose and

tongue? And can it be done at the mandi – that too, instantly? This is where new artificial

intelligence (AI) technologies computer vision and spectrometry – hold promise. "AI is about seeing like a com-

puter, but analysing like a human being. Just as the Tesla selfdriving car is trained to recognise red lights and roads, and know when to stop and when to move, we can replace humans with machines to do both physical and chemical analysis of food. CONTINUED ON PAGE 2



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Kerala Health Minister KK Shailaja said the incident was extremely distressing and promised action against

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KARNATAKA: FARMERS **TAKE TO STREETS**

Various organisations plunged into protests against the farm Bills

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With 32% population the community is politically-dominant

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In today's episode, we're looking at why actors like Deepika Padukone, Sara Ali Khan and Shraddha Kapoor are being interrogated and what's next

smut infection.

"In all, we have algorithms for

55 horticultural produce" adds

Similarly, Nebulaa's MATT

Grain Analyser can give a full

morphological analysis of cere-

als, pulses, mustard, soyabean

and cumin "within 1 minute",

can all this so-called Deep Tech

get deployed on the ground?

Will they get a fillip, thanks to the

Shekhar Pallela, a commis-

sion agent at India's largest chilli

mandi in Guntur, feels they

would be used only by compa-

nies that buy directly from farm-

ers. "In our market yard, farmers

sell through us and the existing

system (of subjective quality as-

sessment) will continue," he

According to Unupom Kausik, president of the com-

modity warehousing firm

National Collateral Management

Services Ltd, the success of AI-

based quality assessment de-

pends on the creation of an "ex-

haustive library" of images from

millions of crop samples. "You

are eventually competing with

35-40 pairs of eyes with 25 years

demand for Deep Tech to come

mainly from processors. He cites

a major ghee maker, which

wants to ensure its milk suppli-

ers aren't skimming off butter fat

and replacing it with cheaper

palm oil. Another example is a

starch extractor company that

receives around 100 trucks of

broken rice and wheat daily. For

AgNext's Bhamra expects the

experience," he notes.

recent farm reforms?

The question is: How much

states the company's website.

FROM PAGE ONE

It's for the first time in recent history that the RBI had to postpone its monetary policy review. The MPC comprises three external members and three members from the RBI. The RBI Governor heads the MPC, with the Deputy Governor in charge of the Monetary Policy Department, and the Executive Director looking after the policy as the other members from the central bank.

Two senior Ministry officials did not comment on the reasons for the delay. Incidentally, if there's a tie on any proposal, the RBI Governor holds the casting vote.

The first MPC meeting was held on October 4, 2016. The MPC has since then slashed the key policy rate -- Repo rate -- by 250 basis points to 4 per cent in the last four years with 115 bps reduction in the last nine months. Prior to October 2016, the RBI Governor used to decide on policy rate. In its last policy meeting on

August 6, the MPC kept the Repo rate unchanged at 4 per cent and decided to "continue with the accommodative stance as long as it is necessary to revive growth and mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on the economy, while ensuring that inflation remains within the target going forward".

In 2016, the government had provided statutory backing to the MPC. As per the amendments, the central government should, in consultation with the (Reserve) Bank, determine the inflation target in terms of the Consumer Price Index, once every five years.

Experts expect the MPC to maintain status quo in the next meeting. "There is likely to be no change in the repo and reverse repo rates. The Monetary Policy Committee's stance will continue to be accommodative and supportive of economic growth," said Shanti Ekambaram, Group President, Consumer Banking, Kotak Mahindra Bank.

Procurement

September 26, and up to September 27, 5,637 MT having MSP value of Rs 10.53 crore, at MSP of Rs 1,868 per quintal, has been procured from 390 farmers of Haryana and Punjab," it said. "The procurement of paddy for the remaining states will commence from 28.09.2020," the ministry said. "The arrival of Kharif Marketing Season 2020-21 has just begun and the government continues to procure Kharif 2020-21 crops at MSP from farmers as per its existing MSP schemes as done in previous sea-

The government fixes the MSP for 22 "mandated agricultural crops" and the Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) for sugarcane. However, it mainly procures paddy, wheat, coarse grains and some amount of pulses.

In the last kharif season (KMS 2019-20), 512 LMT of paddy was procured from 23 states.

The ministry also approved a proposal for procurement of pulses for KMS 2020-21 for Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Telangana and Harvana.

"Up to 24,09,2020, the government, through its nodal agencies has procured 34.20 MT of moong having MSP value of Rs 25 lakh, benefiting 40 farmers in Tamil Nadu. Similarly, 5,089 MT of copra (the perennial crop) having MSP value of Rs 52.40 crore has been procured, benefiting 3,961 farmers in Karnataka and Tamil Nadu against the sanctioned quantity of 95.75 LMT for Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Kerala," it said.

"The procurement of cotton for the season 2020-21 shall commence from October 1," it added.

Cong protests

Constitution, "to negate the antiagriculture central laws, encroaching upon the states' juris-

Under Article 254(2), a state can make changes to a central leg-

islation on a subject in the concurrent list provided its law gets Presidential assent. While the Congress does not expect President Ram Nath Kovind to clear legislation circumventing the new farm laws, it believes doing so would be a strong political statement.

In the first legal challenge to the laws, Congress MP T N Prathapan on Monday moved the Supreme Court against the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement of Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, saving the legislation had been passed "hastily" and will spell disaster for farmers by opening a "parallel", "unregulated" market.

The Thrissur MP also questioned the provision for disputes regarding payment to be resolved under the new system by sub-divisional magistrates. "It puts them in a position wherein if any dispute arises, the farmer will be running towards the already overburdened bureaucracy... instead of... a court of law."

Holding a dharna on the farm laws at Khatar Kalan, Bhagat Singh's ancestral village, where he had gone to offer tributes to the freedom fighter on his 113th birth anniversary, Amarinder Singh said his lawyers were arriving in Delhi on Tuesday for consultations. "We will take our fight to the Supreme Court," he said, adding a decision would be taken in the Singh warned that Punjab's

youth might decide that taking up arms is their only option to preserve their right to live. "The new laws will endanger the security of the border state of Punjab, as Pakistan's ISI is always looking for opportunities to foment trouble," he said, adding that with farmer unrest spreading, the entire country might be at risk.

The CM also ac Centre of bypassing states on the matter, saying Punjab was never consulted, and asked why the Bills Farmers' Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement of Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, and

Commodities (Amendment) Bill — had been rushed through Parliament. "When they can break constitutional guarantees, who can trust their verbal assurances (on the MSP)?" the CM said. "We (the states) have nothing left except excise from liquor sales.'

Sources said the Congress leadership had taken advice of senior lawyer and party MP Abhishek Singhvi before issuing the direction to its CMs to frame laws bypassing the changes by the Centre. Leaders pointed out that in 2015, then Finance Minister Arun Jaitley had advised states to use the same route when amendment to the land acquisition Bill had got stalled.

"I have no doubt that given the BJP's double standards, what was accepted and held to be valid when given by the central BJP leadership will now hypocritically not be followed by the BJP," Singhvi told The Indian Express.

BSY family

After the sting was aired, the opposition Congress demanded Yediyurappa's resignation, and a probe into the allegations by a sitting judge of the Supreme Court or a Special Investigation Team (SIT) monitored by the Chief Justice of the Karnataka High Court.

The Chief Minister has challenged the opposition to prove the charges against his family. On Monday, he declined to comment on the police action against the channel. "The mat-

ter is in court." he said. Amid political controversy over the sting, a police complaint was filed on September 24 by Chandrakanth Ramalingam, a director in Ramalingam Construction Company Limited (RCCL), which is involved in construction and irrigation projects in the state, alleging that the MD of the channel had coerced him into saying he had made payments to political persons.

Police have registered a case of criminal intimidation, forgery, extortion, cheating, and criminal conspiracy against the MDeditor of Power TV and others.

Ramalingam has alleged that he was approached by the MD in June, claiming he had connections to Home Minister Amit Shah, and could swing central and state contracts for RCCL. According to the complaint,

a copy of which was produced in the state legislature on Saturday by Law Minister J C Madhuswamy, the MD obtained details of RCCL's projects in Karnataka, and offered to get an outstanding amount of Rs 140 crore from the Bengaluru Development Authority for a housing project in return for a 5 per cent commission. The company paid the channel official Rs 25 lakh after receiving a payment of Rs 7.79 crore from BDA in August. Power TV claimed on Monday that it was in fact, the RCCL official who had approached it for help to get projects cleared. The channel has accused the government of getting the official to file the complaint.

Incidentally, a criminal defamation notice issued on behalf of Yediyurappa's younger son B Y Vijayendra to Power TV last week said the channel was targeting Vijayendra after he turned down a request by a channel official to transfer a deputy commissioner of police.

The sting was aired by Power TV amid a temporary injunction obtained from a senior civil judge by BJP worker C Nagaraja Gowda, prohibiting broadcast of "allegations against the Chief Minister of Karnataka, his family members and the BIP on the basis of false, fabricated and concocted stories".

Science policy

have said that all the committees must have at least 25 per cent women. But the number of women in the sciences are so low, it is often difficult to fill these positions. Even when they do join the sciences, they tend to drop out due to socio-cultural reasons. family pressure, children, etc,"

The committees looking at women's issues, including that of sexual harassment complaints. will be strengthened, he said.

The framework will also look at how to create interventions that will help female entrepreneurs as well as other communities that are cut off from science due to geographical and regional reasons and as well as that of privilege. "Why should the sciences be restricted only to those who are fluent in the English language?" Sharma said.

A Task Force on Women in Science, set up by the government in 2005, had found that there has been a growth in enrolment of women at the university level. from 10.9 per cent in 1950-51 to 39.4 per cent in 2000-2001. However, it also found marked regional differences

The task force found that the "situation in the IITs is particularly dismal" and that there was a drastic drop in women from the doctoral level to that of scientist or faculty, indicating bottlenecks at the employment stage. The number of women scientists occupying faculty positions in research institutes and prestigious universities was less than 15 per cent.

The DST has, over the years, introduced various initiatives to encourage women in science. such as Kiran for scientists to build their

career paths. "We are very excited about Vigyan Jyoti, which we launched recently, to encourage girls to choose STEM careers and bring more of them into IITs, NITs and

Govt unveils new defence acquisition policy, offsets dropped in 3 categories

initiative with the ultimate aim of turning India into a global manufacturing hub".

He said with the "new Foreign Direct Investment policy announced, the DAP 2020 has adequately included provisions to encourage FDI to establish manufacturing hubs both for import substitution and exports while protecting the interests of Indian domestic indus-

Director General (Acquisitions) Apurva Chandra said the offset clause policy had not brought any critical technology to India yet, and had only resulted in foreign vendors loading extra costs in contracts in single-vendor or governmentto-government deals. Chandra said changes to the

defence procurement policy will not be retrospective and ongoing deals will not be im-Offsets, however, will con-

tinue to be part of multi-vendor competitive procurement contracts, officials said. Since the clause will not be there in the three categories - IGA, government-to-government or ab initio single vendor -- offsets are expected to "reduce substan-

The deal to buy 36 Rafale fighter jets was signed as an IGA with the French government, which included a 50 per cent offset clause.

In a report tabled in Parliament last week, the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) was critical of the offset policy, noting "it was found that the foreign vendors made various offset commitments to qualify for the main

On the Rafale deal, the CAG

said the offset obligations were

to kick in from September 2019.

The first annual commitment,

it said, should have been com-

pleted this month and the

Ministry of Defence (MoD)

Policy of 2013 stated that a

Technical Offset Evaluation

Committee (TOEC) will scruti-

nise the technical offset propos-

als "to ensure conformity with

the offset guidelines" and the

foreign vendor "may be advised

to undertake changes to bring

his offset proposals in conform-

ity with the offset guidelines".

The policy stated that the "TOEC

will be expected to submit its

report within 4-8 weeks of its

2015, which came into effect on

The policy amended in

constitution".

The Defence Procurement

must obtain details.

not earnest about fulfilling these commitments".

The auditor noted that obtaining technology transfer has been a particular failure, as "90 per cent of the investment by the vendors was in the form of direct purchase of goods and services from the Indian industry". Besides, it said, "of the total value of offsets only 3.5 per cent was contracted to be discharged

The CAG did not find "a single case where the foreign vendor had transferred high technology to the Indian industry".

through FDI".

Mentioning the CAG report, Chandra said that "no offsets have led to any Technology of Transfer" as part of the offset deals yet.

that foreign vendors added around 10 per cent to balance the offset costs. Thus, doing away with mandatory offsets is likely to bring down costs in such contracts.

tled Defence Acquisition Procedure 2020, which has been in the works since August 2019, will come into effect from October 1. Under the new policy "offset guidelines have been revised, wherein preference will be given to manufacture of complete defence products over components and various multipliers have been added to give incentivisation in discharge of DRDO, ordnance factories or Defence PSUs and just 0.5X for components The DAP has reserved pro-

Designed,

plier, compared to 3X for ToT to

According to official sources, anecdotal evidence suggested

The new policy for procurement of defence equipment, ti-

Offsets," the government said.

The multiplier value for offset transaction to earn offset credits will be focused towards technology transfer, with Transfer of Technology for critisupply contract but later, were cal technology with a 4X multi-

April 1, 2016, amended Para

8.2 under Defence Offset

Guidelines and added, "if ven-

dor is unable to provide these

details at the time of TOEC, the

same may be provided to the

DOFW (Defence Offset

Management Wing) either at

the time of seeking offset cred-

its or one year prior to dis-

charge of offset obligations,"

noted that the Indian govern-

ment had signed an Inter-

Governmental Agreement

(IGA) on September 23, 2016,

with the French government

to buy 36 Rafale Medium

Multi Role Combat Aircraft

(MMRCA), and the offset obli-

gations were signed by suppli-

ers Dassault Aviation and

The initial negotiation brief

On the Rafale deal, the CAG

the CAG noted.

curement under several important categories for companies that are owned 50 per cent or more by Indians. The categories including Buy (Indian --Indigenously Developed and Manufactured), Make I -- with 70 per cent initial government funding, Make II --

industry funded, Production Agency in Design and Development, and Strategic Partner model will be exclusively reserved for Indian vendors with ownership and con-

trol by resident Indian citizens

with up to 49 per cent maxi-The government has also decided to increase the indigenous content (IC) requirement for all projects from 40 per cent to 50 per cent earlier, depending on the category, to 50 per cent to 60

cent IC from Indian companies. The new DAP has several new chapters compared to the Defence Procurement Policy of 2016. It has a dedicated chapter to buy weapons and platforms designed by DRDO, ordnance factories and Defence PSUs.

per cent now. Only under pro-

curement through Buy (Global),

foreign vendors can have 30 per

A new chapter for leasing has also been introduced. Chandra said that while India has leased military equipment in the past, it has generally been through the government-togovernment route, but "now they will be more open".

Leasing or "asset acquisition for a limited period" finds a dedicated chapter in the procure-

for the Indian Negotiation

Team (INT) on May 12, 2015,

and broad Indian expectations

stated that the "terms of off-

sets is to be also directed to-

wards setting up of Depot

Level maintenance facilities in

India and manufacturing of

spares to supply our require-

ments and to integrate into

global supply chain" of

The CAG noted "consequen-

tial changes in line with the

amendments, were not made

in related clauses and model

amended for the offset policy,

the CAG said the model format

to submit technical and com-

mercial offset offers, including

name, profile of IOP and eligible

offset products and services,

Although the DPP was

Original

Manufacturers.

CAG flags policy change months before Rafale deal

lowing the government to hire equipment from either domestic or foreign vendors. There is a chapter that also

ment policy for the first time, al-

looks at procuring software. The chapter on Information Communication Technology will look at "peculiar issues related to procurement of ICT intensive equipment especially of Interoperability & Built-in Upgradability, enhanced security requirements and change management," the government said in a statement.

A new Make III category has also been introduced, which will be indigenously manufactured defence equipment and platforms or spares and assemblies intended to enable import sub-The DAP 2020 will also cater

to price variation in long-term projects -- into the Request for Proposals for projects worth more than Rs 300 crore with a duration of over 3 years. Qualitative Services

Requirement, which defines the capabilities sought for any equipment, weapon or platform, will now include a comparative analysis for products available within the country and internationally, and making them "more realistic". Chandra said. The government has also tried to "rationalise" the trial and testing procedures. With the new measures, the government hopes to bring down the defence procurement timelines. The Long Term Integrated

rspective Plan has now been re-designated as Integrated Capability Development Plan (ICDP), and will cover a period of ten years, instead of 15 years

was not amended in August

2015, and neither was the

model offset contract amended.

which required offset contracts

to be provided to the DOMW

"within 90 days from contract

date", the CAG said, "... this am-

biguity created uncertainty in

the minds of vendors on the ex-

act details to be furnished to the

responded to the CAG in May

and October 2019 that the

Frequently Asked Questions

(FAO) had been brought out

which "illustrate the details to

be provided by vendors" and

hence, "no requirement was

convincing as FAQ is a docu-

ment that is subsidiary to the

Offset Guidelines and hence

FAQ cannot override it".

The CAG said this is "not

felt to amend the formats".

On being asked, the MoD

Ministry," it stated

each truck, physical analysis of the grain and starch content determination at the factory's laboratory translates into long lines and waiting time. "Breweries and animal feed

makers can similarly gain from instant quality estimation of barley or maize at the mandi itself, instead of the plant," he sums up.

CLAT student to "ensure that a down-

loaded copy of this order should be presented before his centre superintendent as early as possible by any other non-symptomatic person".

The entrance test began at 2

The Bench said the centre superintendent, on production of the order, should provide a separate room for the student. It also asked the student to enter the exam centre "after other candidates take entry and... first leave the examination centre." "Centre superintendent may also request the chief medical officer of the district or superintendent, government hospital, to provide a medical staff to render necessary assistance," it said.

The student had said that while he is "in isolation" as he was "suspected of being Covidpositive", he "is otherwise fine and is fully ready and prepared to give the... test".

He had said that while the CLAT admit card said that Covid-19 symptomatic candidates would be allocated an isolated room, the Consortium of National Law Universities, which conducts the exam, had issued instructions that "candidates who have been tested positive and are under medical surveillance or in isolation will not be permitted to take the ... examina-

Referring to its order last week, the Bench said while directing that the CLAT be held on September 28, it had said that all precautions and care for health of the students should be taken, after following the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Ministry of Human Resource

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IISERs. The Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti is running this programme in which 2,500 of the top performing Class XI students have been chosen from 50 districts. This will be scaled up to 50,000 top high school students from across all boards," Sharma said.

"Students will get to meet top women scientists, entrepreneurs, captains of industry, etc," he said.

Farm produce Such analysis would be instant, on the spot and without going to a

lab," says Taranjeet Singh Bhamra, CEO of AgNext Technologies. His IIT Kharagpur-incubated company has developed machine-learning algorithms that

can do quality assessment of produce "in 30 seconds". AgNext has also come out with an AI-based solution for fine leaf count in tea. "We can, through image recognition – computer eye instead of human eye — accurately count as well as classify leaves, buds, banjhi and shoots in

any sample," he says. AgNext has also built algorithm models to analyse the chemical characteristics of food. It draws on the concept that when light is thrown at different wavelengths on an object, the object (produce) would generate a reflectance spectrum graph. Each of its molecules will, in turn, have a unique signature in that graph. The molecular signature of the chemical of interest — it could be curcumin (the key active ingredient in turmeric), capsaicin (which imparts pungency to chilli), polyphenols in tea, caffeine in coffee, nicotine and chloride in tobacco, gluten in wheat and amylose in paddy.

"In turmeric alone, we collected 7,000-8,000 samples, whose curcumin content varied from 2-3% in Puniab and Harvana to 3-5% in Erode (Tamil Nadu), Nizamabad (Telangana) and Sangli (Maharashtra) and 6-7% in Manipur. For tea, we collected over half-a-million leaves to analyse and annotate each image," says Bhamra.

AgNext's SpecX devices operate on a common AI 'Qualix' platform. Being lightweight, they can be taken to the field, with internet connection required only to transfer data onto the platform.

The Mohali-based startup isn't the only one working on eliminating subjectivity in quality analysis – what Bhamra calls "converting bites to bytes". There are others like Intello Labs and

New Delhi

Nebulaa Innovations Private Ltd, whose founders are from IIT Bombay and Jodhpur.

"Most mandis have no systems to objectively grade produce. Once produce is automatically graded and standardised, the power of assaying will get democratised and taken away from traders," points out Milan Sharma, CEO of Intello Labs. The Gurugram-headquar-

tered company's mobile app, Intello Track, uses neural network machine learning algorithms to analyse physical quality of fruits and vegetables. Thus, grade A onions are defect-free and of 40-55 mm diameter, while grade B will have no skin with below 40 mm or above 55 mm size. In grade Conions, there would be cuts or cracks with double patti (skin), sprouting,

Development. **FULL REPORTS ON**

Delhi HC judge bars

public, media from

SUB-INSPECTOR STILL ON THE RUN

Hours after firing at woman, Delhi cop shoots dead father-in-law in Rohtak

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE CHANDIGARH, SEPTEMBER 28

HOURS AFTER he allegedly shot at a woman inside his car and threw her out on the Delhi-Karnal national highway late Sunday evening, Delhi Police sub-inspector Sandeep Dahiya (35) shot dead his father-in-law in a village in Haryana's Rohtak Monday morning.

Dahiya continues to be on the run in his Renault Duster, and is suspected to be in possession of his 9MM service pistol and 7-8 rounds of ammunition. Police suspect he used the pistol in both crimes. Both Delhi and Haryana Police have constituted teams and are conducting raids at his suspected hideouts in Delhi and Rohtak.

BRIEFLY ——

Jain offers

tips to prevent

New Delhi: Health

Minister Satyendar Jain

Monday requested people

to follow preventive

measures against Covid-

19 if they organise small

gatherings. Sharing tips on

social media, Jain wrote, "If

you are organising a small

gathering or event, take

precautions to prevent

spread of Covid-19 among

guests. You should pro-

vide all necessary sup-

plies: Tissues, hand sani-

tisers or soap and water,

masks, distance markers,

HC seeks status

of Covid cases

in city's prisons

New Delhi: The Delhi High

Court Monday asked au-

thorities about the num-

ber of Covid cases in jails, and number of prisoners

who have been released on interim bail and are scheduled to surrender

next month. It also asked DG(Prisons) to attend the

hearing on October 16.

3 held for

kidnapping

govt scientist

Noida: Three persons

were arrested Monday

for allegedly kidnapping

a government scientist in

Noida. According to po-

lice, the man had gone to meet a woman and was

kidnapped on Saturday

evening. He was as-

saulted and held hostage

in a hotel in Sector 41 be-

fore being rescued a day

later, said police. "We re-

ceived information from

the man's wife on Sunday

that her husband had

been missing since the

previous evening. Teams

were formed and the man's number was put

on surveillance. The ac-

cused were demanding

Rs 10 lakh for his release.

We traced their location

to a hotel in Sector 41 and

rescued the man," said

Ranvijay Singh, ADCP,

Man deposits

stolen gold at

finance firm

for loan, held

New Delhi: A 22-year-old

man, who deposited

stolen gold items in a re-

puted finance firm to take

a loan of Rs 1 lakh, was ar-

rested from North Delhi's

Burari. The accused has

been identified as Manish

Mathur, a resident of Sant

Nagar. Police arrested him

on Saturday during picket

checking. ENS

Gautam Budh Nagar.

closed bins."

Covid spread

reached Bhainsi village and parked his car near his estranged wife's home. He found his fatherin-law, Ranveer Singh (65), cleaning the area outside and shot him dead. The bullet hit Ranveer's forehead and he died on the spot. Dahiya sped away in his vehicle. An alert was flashed in Rohtak and adjoining districts to nab Dahiya, who continues to be on the run," said inspector Rajinder Bhoora, SHO of

Lakhanmajra police station. Police recovered an empty cartridge from the crime scene.

According to police, Dahiya was in a relationship with the woman he allegedly shot at a day earlier. Police said the two were in his car and got into an argument, following which he allegedly shot at her and dumped



The FSL team at Rohtak's Bhainsi village. Express

her on the highway near North Delhi's Alipur.

Sub-Inspector Jaiveer spotted the woman on the road and rushed her to a hospital. Her condition is learnt to be stable. The woman reportedly told SI Jaiveer that SI Daĥiya, posted at Lahori Gate police station, had shot at her.

Dahiya, a native of Sisana village in Sonepat, is also facing dowry and mental harassment istered against him in this regard, which is under trial in the civil

"His wife, Rajesh, and fatherin-law had accused Dahiya of demanding dowry and mentally harassing Rajesh. The couple have two children, an eight-yearold daughter and a six-year-old son. He was facing these accusations for the last couple of years. They had been living separately since then... Dahiya had been pressuring Rajesh to give their son's custody to him, which she refused. Dahiya, on several occasions in the past, also got into heated arguments and altercations with his father-in-law on the same issue," inspector

Bhoora told *The Indian Express*. Delhi Police said "a departmental enquiry had also found Dahiya guilty of dowry charges and his service was forfeited".

Police said he was on medical rest for the last two days as he had stomach pain, and rejoined duty on September 25. As he was the division officer, a 9MM pistol with 10 rounds was allotted to him. "On September 26-27, he was deputed on patrolling duty from 9 pm to 1 am. But he didn't show up and was marked absent... A report of his absence from duty was also registered at Lahori Gate police station," said a Delhi Police spokesperson.

Dahiya joined Delhi Police in 2006 as a constable and became a sub-inspector in 2010. He was posted in the North district in 2013. In December 2017, he was posted at Lahori Gate police station. He was staying at the Shalimar Bagh police colony.

virtual hearings

SOFI AHSAN NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

A SINGLE-JUDGE bench of the Delhi High Court has barred the general public, including the media, from viewing court proceedings and directed court officials to provide virtual hearings links only to advocates, investigating officers and parties attending the matters n-person.

hereby Registry/Court Master to not provide the link to video conferencing to any other person or correspondent and the same shall be provided only to advocates concerned, IO concerned, parties in person in case the petition is filed for quashing, and to the persons specifically directed by this Court to join the proceedings," Justice Suresh Kumar Kait said in an order.

The order, according to the court, was passed after "a very unpleasant situation came" before the court during the hearing of a case on September 21.

"Certain unidentified persons joined the proceedings through VC and could be heard talking continuously, thereby creating hindrance in hearing the submission of counsels and proper justice dispensation," the order reads.

A request sent to Justice Kait's Court Master by The Indian Express on Sunday evening and Monday morning for a video link to the court proceedings was de-

"As per order dated 21.09.2020... of our court, link will be provided only to the counsel concerned... kindly check that order...," the court staff responded in a message.

The order passed by the court also bars advocates from sharing the link with anyone else except senior advocates or advocates appearing on their behalf.

The Delhi HC, like other HCs in the country, is holding virtual hearings due to the Covid outbreak but is among few courts to allow the public to view proceedings on request

The High Court of Delhi Rules for Video Conferencing for Courts 2020 permit public viewing of court proceedings, except proceedings ordered — for reasons recorded in writing - to be conducted in-camera.

In a circular issued on June 20, the HC said the links will be offered for public viewing so long as the stability of the system is not disturbed, and asked those interested in obtaining links for viewing court hearings to contact the Court Master concerned or court official on their mobile phone numbers published in the cause list a day before, and at most by morning of the day on which the case is listed.

"Those who are given link for viewing court proceedings will ensure their mic is kept on mute mode and the video on switch-off mode," reads the circular.

content on PM: Police

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE GHAZIABAD, SEPTEMBER 28

TWO GHAZIABAD residents were arrested for allegedly posting defamatory content about the Prime Minister and Home Minister on Facebook. According to police, a Ghaziabad-based lawyer, Akash Vashishtha, filed a complaint against the two men, Zakir Hussain and Sadir Ali, who are in their early twenties.

"We received a complaint against two locals for their social media post, which was found to be objectionable in nature. They were booked under the IT Act and arrested on Monday. Police are questioning the accused on their social media activity. Further action will be taken after digital evidence is analysed," said Abhishek Verma. SP City.

According to the FIR, the complainant was browsing Facebook when he found a post on the group 'Modi Mission 2024'. The morphed picture, allegedly

posted by Hussain, had the PM in it, the FIR states. The complainant said he then scanned Hussain's profile and found an objectionable photo of the Home Minister. The following day, the complainant claims, he chanced on Ali's profile, which had similar content.

The FIR has been filed under Section 501 (printing defamatory matter) and Section 67 (obscene material) of the IT Act in Kavi Nagar police station. "Facebook is an international

social media website. Any such posts bring the country shame and portray the PM in a bad light. I am not a political person and I am not affiliated to any party. But no responsible citizen will tolerate the PM's insult in such a manner," the FIR quotes the lawyer as saying.

The complainant further alleged that the incident took place in May and Ghaziabad Police delayed filing the FIR. Verma denied this claim: "There was no delay and we filed the FIR within hours after receiving the complaint."

2 held for 'defamatory' HC issues notice to Centre over plea to stop stubble burning

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

THE DELHI High Court on Monday issued a notice, including to the Centre, in an application seeking directions for immediate measures to prevent stubble burning in Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh. The application had claimed pollution will aggravate the Covid-19 situation in the capital.

The division bench of Chief Justice D N Patel and Justice Prateek Jalan issued a notice to all responding parties, including the Centre, in the case and posted the matter for hearing on October 22. The court also asked if any case regarding the issue is pending before the Supreme Court.

The notice was issued in an application filed in a pending matter regarding air pollution in the capital. During the hearing, the counsel representing the petitioner stressed on the need for coordination among the states



Stubble burning in Punjab, UP and Haryana is one of the major contributors of pollution in Delhi-NCR. Archive

and suggested a meeting among Chief Secretaries of Delhi, Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh or a meeting under the Union Ministry of Health.

"Now the situation is such that something needs to be done on a war footing," it was argued. The application also prayed that a team of experts be sent to the states for effective implementation of measures to tackle stubble burning, and argued that the pollution caused by stubble burning will make residents more susceptible to coronavirus due to weakening of the immune system.

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DU teachers go on strike over non-payment of funds

New Delhi: The DU Teachers' Association has started a 'cluster-wise' strike to demand that the Delhi government release funds for six DU colleges fully funded by it. Salaries of staff members of these colleges have been on hold for many months.

On Monday, teachers of 13 colleges, including Gargi, Kirori Mal, Kamala Nehru, Keshav Mahavidyalaya and Shaheed Bhagat Singh, participated in the strike. Teachers from other clusters of colleges will take turns to go on strike till October 1. ENS

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Dated: 18.09.2020

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Registered & Corporate Office: 11th Floor, B-148, Statesman House, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi-110001 Tel: 011-23311263-64; Website: www.irctc.com, e-mail id: investors@irctc.com NOTICE FOR ATTENTON OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

Notice is hereby given that:

1. The 21st Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of the Company will be held through Video Conferencing ("VC") / Other Audio-Visual Means ("OAVM") on Tuesday, 27th October, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. IST, to transact the business contained in the notice calling the AGM, in compliance with all the applicable provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Rules made thereunder and the Securities and Exchange Board of India ("SEBI") (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, read with General Circular No. 14/2020 dated April 08, 2020, General Circular No. 17/2020 dated April 13, 2020 and General Circular No. 20/2020 dated May 5, 2020, and other applicable circulars issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") and SEBI (collectively referred to as "relevant circulars"). Members will be able to attend the AGM through VC / OAVM or view the live webcast by using their login credentials at NSDL e-voting website at https://www.evoting.nsdl.com. Members participating through the VC / OAVM facility shall be reckoned for the purpose of quorum under Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.

2. In compliance with the relevant circulars, the Notice of the AGM and the financial statements for the financia year 2019-20, along with Board's Report, Auditors' Report and other documents required to be attached thereto will be sent to all the Members of the Company whose email addresses are registered with the Company Depository Participant(s). The aforesaid documents will also be available on the Company's website at www.irctc.com and on the website of the Stock Exchanges, viz., BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited at www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com, respectively, and NSDL (agency for providing he remote e-voting facility and e-voting system during AGM) at https://www.evoting.nsdl.com. 3.Manner of registering / updating email addresses:

a) Members holding shares in physical mode, who have not registered / updated their email addresses with the Company, are requested to register / update the same by writing to Alankit Assignments Limited, the RTA, with details of folio number and attaching a self-attested copy of PAN card at **rta@alankit.com.** Members may also write to Alankit Assignments Limited, 205-208 Anarkali market Jhandewalan extension New Delhi-110055.

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

4. Manner of casting vote(s) through e-voting: (a) Members will have an opportunity to cast their vote(s) on the business as set out in the Notice of the AGM

6. Manner of registering mandate for receiving Dividend:

elf-attested copy of the PAN card and (iii) cancelled cheque leaf

during the AGM.

Place: New Delhi

Dated: 28th September, 2020

Section 103 of the Companies Act, 2013.

through electronic voting system ("e-voting").

(b) The manner of voting remotely ("remote e-voting") by members holding shares in dematerialised mode, physical mode and for members who have not registered their email addresses has been provided in the Notice of the AGM. The details will also be available on the website of the Company at www.irctc.com and on the website of NSDLat https://www.evoting.nsdl.com. c) The facility for voting through electronic voting system will also be made available during the AGM (througl

C/OAVM) and Members attending the AGM who have not cast their vote(s) by remote e-voting will be able to ote during the AGM. (d) The login credentials for casting votes through e-voting shall be made available to the members through email. Members who do not receive email or whose email addresses are not registered with Alankit / Depository Participant(s), may generate login credentials by following instructions given in the

(e) The same login credentials may also be used for attending the AGM through VC / OAVM.

5. Record Date for Dividend and payment thereof:

(a) The Company has fixed **Tuesday, 20th October, 2020** as the '**Record Date'** for determining entitlement of the Members for Final Dividend for the Financial Year 2019-20, if approved in the AGM.

(b) Subject to approval of the Members at the AGM, the dividend will be paid within a period of thirty days from the conclusion of the AGM, to the Members whose names appear on the Company's Register of Members as on the Record Date, and in respect of the shares held in dematerialised mode, to the Members whose names are furnished by National Securities Depository Limited and Central Depository Services (India) Limited as beneficial owners as on that date.

(c) As per the relevant circulars, payment of dividend shall be made through electronic mode to the members who have updated their bank account details. Dividend warrants / demand drafts will be despatched to the registered address of the members who have not updated their bank account details, upon normalisation of the

. (d) Payment of dividend will be subject to deduction of tax at source (TDS) at applicable rates. For more details please refer to the Notes to the Notice of AGM.

Members are requested to register / update their complete bank details: (a) with their Depository Participant(s) with whom they maintain their demat accounts, if shares are held in naterialised mode by submitting the requisite documents. (b) with the Alankit Assignments Limited (RTA) by emailing at rta@alankit.com, if shares are held in physical mode, by submitting (i) scanned copy of the signed request letter which shall contain member's name, folio number, bank details (Bank account number, Bank and Branch Name and address, IFSC, MICR details), (ii)

7. Members are requested to carefully read all the Notes set out in the Notice of the AGM and in particular, instructions for joining the AGM, manner of casting vote through remote e-voting or e-voting By order of the Board of Directors

Suman Kalra Company Secretary and Compliance Officer

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EMPLOYMENT NOTIFICATION NO. HR/SUP: 02/2020 RECRUITMENT OF SUPERVISORS (ON FIXED TERM)

A. Supervisors (S-1) - 24 Posts

A. Supervisors (S-1) – 24 Posts (IR-01, ST-01, OBC-01) (ii) Finance – 01 post (OBC) (iii) Pharmacy -04 Posts(UR-02, OBC-01, SC-01) (iv) Security- 03 posts (UR-01, OBC-02) (v) Naval Architecture – 01 post (OBC) (vi) Mechanical – 05 post (UR-02, OBC-01, SC-01, EWS-01) (vii) Electrical -03 Posts (UR-01, SC-02) (viii) Civil -03 Posts (UR-01, SC-01, EWS-01) (ix) Computer Science /IT- 01 Post (UR). (Out of 24 posts of Supervisors on fixed term, 01 post is reserved for PwBD (HH))

(i) Mechanical 04 Posts (UR-02,SC-01,OBC-01), (ii) Electrical -03 Posts (UR-01,SC-01,OBC-01), (iii) Electronics-01 Post (EWS), (iv) Civil-04 Posts (UR-02,SC-01,ST-01) [Out of 12 posts of Supervisors on fixed term, 01 post is reserved for PwBD (VH)]

EMPLOYMENT NOTIFICATION NO. OS: 03/2020 RECRUITMENT OF OFFICERS

(I) Deputy General Manager (E-5) – Tech- 01 post (ST), Tech (IT) – 01 post (SC) (ii) Deputy General Manager (E-5) [On fixed Term] – Tech (BB) – 01 post (UR), Tech (IT) – 01 post (UR) (iii) Deputy Manager (E-2) - Tech - 01 post (ST), Finance - 01 post (ST) (iv) Deputy Manager (E-2) – Medical [On Fixed Term Contract] – 02 posts (UR-01, OBC – 01). Out of 02 posts, 01 post is reserved for PWBD (OH) (v) Assistant Manager (E-1) –

Company Secretary – 01 post (OBC) The details like General Conditions, eligibility, essential qualification, minimum experience, selection process, how to apply etc. are available in 'Career section' of GRSE website www.grse.in or https://jobapply.in/grse2020

(Opening Date for Online registration: 30 Sep 2020/ Closing Date for Online registration: 20 Oct 2020 Candidates are required to apply only through ONLINE mode. No other means / mode of

submission of applications will be accepted $\label{lem:constraints} \textbf{Any Addendum/Corrigendum will only be published in GRSE website.}$

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At launch event in Jamia, V-C makes pitch for funding

New Delhi: Jamia Millia Islamia virtually inaugurated a new School of Education building on Monday, with Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank as the chief guest. During her inauguration address, Jamia Vice-Chancellor Naima Akhtar stated that university is now working towards a strong focus on medical educa-

Appealing to the ministry to consider funds to the university to pursue this, she said, "Within Jamia, there will be a medical centre, a government medical college with a hospital... The lack and need for this has been felt for a long time and has increased in the time of Covid, especially where Jamia is located because there is no medical college for a great distance and no good government hospital

She also appealed to the minister to release complete funds for the School of Education. "Out of the sanctioned Rs 9.5 crore, keeping in mind which we had started work on the school of education, we have received only Rs 5.77 crore. Because of this, we had to take a lot from overdraft. We have accomplished the proiect with Rs 6.42 crore but I appeal to you to consider recurring and non-recurring expenditure and release the rest of the funds so the centre can be equipped with all that is required for modern education," she said.

Saying that the newly constructed building of the School of Education is foundational to the New Education Policy, the education minister said, "I see all our universities and I feel proud that we are not behind the world at all. We are at the peak in all areas... These universities are the foundation of the nation."



An earlier protest by paramedical technical staff at Hindu Rao hospital

100-PLUS DAYS AND COUNTING

Unpaid for months, Hindu Rao doctors to take protest online

ABHINAV RAJPUT NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

IRKED BY salary delays, doctors on Covid duty at Hindu Rao Hospital have launched an online campaign demanding pending payments. As part of it, they will post pictures with the text — 'Doctors on Covid duty, Unpaid Day 105, Hindu Rao Hospital Delhi' - on their social media from Monday. The day will be updated daily. They will also post pictures related to problems they face due to non-

Dr Sagar Deep, general secretary of the hospital's Resident Doctors' Association (RDA), said doctors will keep posting such photos every day since "those risking their lives are not being paid despite regular protests".

payment of salaries.

"Salary has been delayed for three months. We were last paid in June. Earlier too, there has been a two-three month delay. Doctors are fed up with this," he said, adding that nobody, including around 50 doctors on Covid duty, has been paid.

Nurses and doctors in other hospitals and health facilities run by the North MCD are also holding protests over salary delay. Hindu Rao, Maharishi Valmiki Infectious Diseases, Kasturba Hospital, Girdhari Lal Maternity Hospital and Rajan Babu Institute of Pulmonary Medicine and Tuberculosis fall under the North MCD, in addition to 21 dispensaries, 63 maternity and child welfare centres, 17 polyclinics and 7 maternity homes.

The North MCD employs at least 1,000 senior doctors, 500 resident doctors, and 1,500 nursing officers across its medical facilities. North MCD Mayor Jai Prakash said he will call a meeting with doctors and healthcare workers to sort out the issue. He said the civic body's finances were deeply affected due to Covid and accused the Delhi government of not paying dues amounting to Rs 1,200 crore. He said he has reached out to ministers in the central government, "We have been promised some help. But since I was affected with Covid, I couldn't follow up on

help in some form soon," he said. government A Delhi spokesperson didn't respond to queries seeking comment.

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RDA president Abhimanyu Sardana said he has written a letter to the Hindu Rao administration, stating that despite the High Court Order, salaries are long overdue. "Residents (doctors) have decided to go for a 'pen down' strike every day from 9 am to 12 pm displaying our ordeal; we request you to provide us with a solution promptly... healthcare workers are frontline Covid warriors providing their valuable services while risking their lives. However, in every compensatory way, the salary should be of high priority and this issue must be addressed." he wrote.

In a hearing in June, taking note of instances of non-payment of salary to doctors treating Covid-19 patients, the Supreme Court had told the Centre that the country cannot afford to have "dissatisfied soldiers in the war against the pandemic", and asked authorities to go the extra mile to raise funds for them.

Meanwhile, the Confederation of MCD Employees Union, which was also holding protests over salary delay, ended its strike on Monday for 60 days after assurance from the mayor that they

Registration of labourers lags despite HC order

SOURAV ROY BARMAN NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

THOUSANDS OF construction

workers remain deprived of welfare benefits in Delhi with consensus eluding authorities on whether a government or a private agency should bring the necessary software changes for online verification of applications.

The Delhi High Court had on Iuly 17 suggested that the Delhi **Building and Other Construction** Workers Welfare Board should explore the possibility of carrying out verification of applications from workers, for renewal of their memberships with the board for receiving welfare benefits, via video calls.

The board, which comes under the Delhi government's Labour Department, expressed hesitation over the proposal but the HC said on July 30 and August 26 that it was issuing a direction, not just a suggestion, which the board must implement.

The court intervention came after it emerged — as reported by The Indian Express — that thousands of workers were unable to turn up at labour offices and camps for verification despite applying for renewals and registrations. The court said it may be because workers returned to their villages during the lockdown.

Official records reviewed by The Indian Express show that the board's first move on allowing verification over video calls was taken on September 4 through a letter to the National Informatics Centre (NIC) to make the necessary "software changes" on the portal. "A meeting was also called in the camp office of Hon'ble Minister Labour cum Chairman (Board) which was also attended by NIC officials as well as officials of IT Department, wherein they were directed to make suitable changes in the software for immediate compliance of the court



order," documents say.

On September 10, the NIC responded to the letter "raising queries on the software and also suggested that this may be done through a third party or any professional agency" On September 21, the board



registered with the board

wrote back to the NIC saying that since it maintains all online application windows of the Delhi government, "it will be in the fitness of things" that the changes be also brought by it and that NIC should handle any external agency, if required. The board also wrote that the HC has ordered that to ensure Covid-19 relief reaches the workers, online renewal verification through video calls be allowed and a log of each such call be maintained.

"Since NIC is the technical expert and presently the e-district portal of the Board is being run and maintained by them, NIC being the domain expert was requested to take up this matter and provide a solution at the ear-

"In view of the discussion held in the meeting, it is reguested that a timeline for rolling out this facility may be provided at the earliest in view of the direction of the Hon'ble High Court, so that a compli-



board, which runs an array of welfare schemes for them, funded by the cess collected from building projects under the Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Cess Act, 1996. The Delhi board has a corpus of over Rs 3,200 crore.

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struction workers welfare

Hon'ble High Court of Delhi before next date of hearing," the letter states

While members of the welfare board are entitled to many benefits covering a range of areas from health to marriages, the court had taken up the matter following a PIL filed by social activist Sunil Kumar Aledia on the gradual dip in the number of registered workers between 2015 and 2020.

In 2015, the number of active workers were over 1.28 lakh. It came down to less than 40.000 by 2020, which came to light during the disbursal of Rs 10,000 each for workers registered with the board to tide over financial distress due to the lockdown in April and May.

Education dept orders: Youth Cong sets tractor on fire, Delhi Police seeks Engage all guest staff

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NFW DELHI. SEPTEMBER 28

AFTER MONTHS of uncertainty **Education department Monday** ordered all heads of government schools to engage services of all guest teachers who had been hired in the last academic session.

There has been uncertainty over the engagement of the 20,000 odd guest teachers who are paid per day of work across Delhi since May 8, which is when their services were discon-

In July, Education Minister Manish Sisodia had said they would be re-engaged as part of the remote teaching-learning plan. On July 13, the Education department issued directions to all heads of schools to "engage willing guest teachers and contract teachers, wherever required, for online teaching-learn-

However, even after that, many guest teachers were not engaged, especially librarians, art, music. P.E. and home science teachers - known as miscellaneous teachers — who were told by the heads of schools that they could not be engaged as they were not required for online

The order issued on Monday

is the first explicit order to engage all such teachers. "...all heads of government schools are hereby directed to engage all such guest teachers (except non-CTET) who were engaged during last academic session i.e. 2019-2020 (including misc. guest teachers), subject to the availability of vacancy in their schools, within three days positively," it said.

It states that the guest teachers should be engaged because of the directions which have authorised all schools to call 50% of teaching and non-teaching staff

action against Punjab cops who escorted accused **EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**

men, including several members of the Youth Congress's Punjab unit, set a tractor on fire at Rajpath, near the India Gate lawns, on Monday morning, to protest against the farm Bills.

NEW DELHI. SEPTEMBER 28

Six men have been arrested so far. According to police investigation, the men entered Delhi after four PSOs (personal security officers) posted with Brinder Singh Dhillon, president of the Punjab Youth Congress, escorted them in a gypsy. Delhi Police said they plan to send a letter to their counterparts in Punjab seeking departmental action against these policemen.

When contacted, DCP (New Delhi district) Dr Eish Singhal "15 to 20 persons had gathered in Rajpath at around 7.15-



The tractor set on fire at India Gate on Monday. Express

on fire. The fire was doused and the tractor was removed. We have registered an FIR and arrested six members of Youth Congress. A search is on for Brinder and the others.'

With Mansingh Road and the surrounding area in New Delhi district designated as a high security zone through the year, Section 144 is in place.

A PCR call was made at 7.42 am and two fire tenders, as well as several senior police officers. were rushed to the spot.

The Punjab Youth Congress posted a video on its Facebook page which showed the tractor being unloaded from a truck and

tweeted: "Our country thrives Sumit Singh (28) and Omprakash on the blood and sweat of our — all from Punjab. Our initial infarmers. From fighting the British to feeding the entire nation, our farmers are the nation's backbone. On #BhagatSingh's anniversary Youth Congress set ablaze a tractor in protest against the govt's antifarmer Bills"

"Eyewitnesses informed the police that they also raised slogans of 'Jai Jawan Jai Kisan' and clicked group pictures with the burning tractor. Some also went live on social media from the spot, clicked pictures and shot videos. They were also carrying effigies," said a senior police of-

An officer said the incident came to light when a police patrolling vehicle spotted the fire, but the men had fled by then.

tified as Manjot Singh (36), Raman Deep Singh Sandhu (28), The Indian Youth Congress Rahul Kumar (23), Sahib (28), vestigation has revealed that they left (for Delhi) last night and were escorted by PSOs of Brinder that's why they were not stopped at any security checkpoint. We are now writing a letter to Punjab Police informing them about their conduct and asking for de-

> Sing hal said. Police said the accused entered Delhi through Singhu border. Delhi Police had stepped up its security at the border areas last week amid the ongoing farmers' protest in neighbouring Punjab and Haryana.

partmental action against them,"

Punjab Director General of Police Dinkar Gupta and Punjab ADGP (Security) S S Srivastava did not answer calls or respond to text messages seeking a com-

Councillors from SAD to quit posts

New Delhi: Days after the Shiromani Akali Dal pulled out of the National Democratic Alliance. its Delhi unit has also decided that councillors holding different posts in the Delhi's municipal corporations, which are ruled by the BIP, would resign.

Delhi SAD president Harmeet Singh Kalka said elected representatives would however continue as councillors since they have the people's mandate.

The SAD and BIP fought the 2017 Delhi corporation polls in an alliance, and five councillors from the former had won. Out of them, three hold posts such as chairman of civil lines zone, law and general purposes committee, and deputy chairman of tehbazari commit-

Kalka said that while the councillor from Kalkaji, Manpreet Kaur, has already resigned from the post of deputy of tehbazari committee, others have been

Doctors cut down on arthritis drug being used in coronavirus treatment

ASTHA SAXENA NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

SIX MONTHS into the pandemic, hospitals in Delhi appear to be cutting down on the use of tocilizumab, a rheumatoid arthritis drug that has been used for treatment of Covid-19. An experimental drug approved for Covid treatment by the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI), it has been part of the Union Health Ministry's Clinical Management Protocol.

In July, a phase III trial study conducted by Swiss biotech firm Roche suggested that the drug "did not demonstrate a benefit for patients in either clinical status or mortality".

"During earlier months, we were using tocilizumab quite frequently, but over the last few months, we have limited its use to only those patients who have cytokine storm or high inflammatory markers. For medical CORONAVIRUS IN THE CAPITAL

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		HOSPITAL BEDS	15,828	9,231	
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Sep 27	3,292	3,739	42	51,416	
Sep 28	1,984	4,052	37	36,302	
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practitioners across the globe, it has been a learning curve during which guidelines on treatment have also altered as per the need. Now less than 7% of the patients are prescribed the drug," said Dr Atul Kakar, vicechairman of the department of internal medicine at Sir Ganga

Ram Hospital. Doctors said tocilizumab has no role in the early stage of Covid, and can even be harmful as it can lead to a high chance of secondary bacterial and fungal infection. Therefore, in that doctors look at Remdesivir, steroids, oxygen therapy or convalescent

"We have completely eliminated the use of tocilizumab and are relying on steroids, oxygen therapy and plasma therapy for patients," said Dr B L Sherwal, medical director of Rajiv Gandhi Super Speciality hospital.

FAQs on Covid treatment, prepared by top medical experts from AIIMS, was released While experts discouraged the use of favipiravir, an antiviral that has been approved by DCGI, it said tocilizumab should only be used in patients with cytokine release syndrome once there is no active infection.

Dr Neeraj Nischal, an associate professor in the department of medicine at AIIMS said "All the therapies, whether it is remdesivir, tocilizumab or plasma, they all are experimental therapy which may be tried only in the selected group of patients. It is not meant to be administered to each and every patient, a trend which is being followed in some centres. Supportive therapy remains the mainstay of this disease. Proper oxygenation strategy and judicious use of steroids and anticoagulant in appropriate patients can be life saving."

SOFI AHSAN NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

THE DELHI High Court Monday issued notice to the Association of Healthcare Providers India (AHPI) and the Centre in an appeal filed by Delhi government against the stay ordered by a single bench on its decision to reserve 80% of ICU beds for Covid-19 patients in 33 major private

hospitals. While declining to vacate the stay at this stage, the court also did not accede to an oral request for clarification that willing hospitals may voluntarily be allowed to choose to reserve beds for Covid patients in accordance with the government order.

The division bench of Chief Justice D N Patel and Justice Prateek Jalan asked the state government to apprise it whether sufficient number of ICU beds would be available for non-Covid patients after the



HC seeks info about availability of ICU

The govt had ordered reservation of 80% ICU beds in 33 pvt hospitals. The HC has stayed the order

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state order and how compensation will be given to the private hospitals for keeping ICU beds vacant for Covid patients. The case will be heard again on October 9.

"The difficulty is only The whether we are blinding ourselves to the needs of other patients," observed the court, as it

asked the state about the total number of ICU beds in Delhi, the number reserved for Covid and non-Covid patients, and about the occupancy of such beds in both categories. government's

September 12 order instructing hospitals to reserve ICU beds was stayed by a single bench last

week, with the observation that the state cannot discriminate between Covid and non-Covid patients. The single bench intervened in a petition filed by AHPI.

In the appeal before the division bench against the stay, the government has argued that its order does not take away anyone's right to be treated for other ailments and that it was issued keeping in view the unprecedented rise of Covid cases in

Additional Solicitor General Sanjay Jain submitted before the court that there are 1,170 private hospitals and nursing homes in the capital and the order passed by the state is restricted to only 33 hospitals. He said it takes very little time for a moderate patient to become a severe patient and require an ICU bed for care of different organs.

The hospitals participated in a Zoom meeting and most of them agreed with the decision, the court was told.

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India remains high on the hypertension index

Percentage of people suffering with this lifestyle disorder is on a rise. The problem may lead to severe chronic diseases. Leading medical experts opine that hypertension can be controlled.

Interview

Dr Siddharth Shah

Consulting Physician & Diabetologist, Mumbai Hypertension Prevalence in India

"Hypertension is a social problem too"

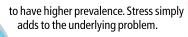
Is the problem of hypertension really big? Are we underestimating it? Problems related to hyper-

tension and incidences of
hypertension is really high in
comparison to other chronic diseases. Some of the consequences
of hypertension include heart attack,
kidney failure, eye damage and increased
blood flow through arteries. As per estimates,
there are 207 million people suffering by hypertension
in the country. A non-communicable disease, it's a comorbid condition which often leads to other chronic
diseases. It may also result in strokes. Maximum number of strokes in the country reported are due to hyper-

Unfortunately, our priority towards health is very low. An average patient with hypertension issues may not know about the disease fully. He may also ignore the real issue. Many leave the treatment in between.

Has there been an increase in hypertension cases in the country in past some years?

I think we are now detecting more and more cases. The rise in cases is also because of various reasons. Lifestyle is a prime cause for hypertension related diseases. Moreover, diet has also changed, obesity is on a rise and stress is an accompanying factor. But this is a misnomer that stress alone is a major contributor. In fact, people with genetically prone BP issues tend to fall for it and tend



Are urban areas more prone to

hypertension than rural?

No, awareness in urban areas is not more than that in the rural areas. It is just that in urban areas, there is better detection. Cases of hypertension can be seen all over the country.

Is this a social problem too?

Yes it is. See, the person suffering from hypertension spends on his treatment. Hence, it is really important that we spread awareness on hypertension and high BP. But the patient in the country are not aware most often. And they tend to ignore the problems related to hypertension. Patients do not regularly monitor his or her blood pressure if diagnosed. Sometimes, after initial medication, they do not continue the treatment. Often they forget to take their pills. Hence, it is really important that they are able to monitor their BP and their condition on a regular basis at their homes.

So, what can be done to put a check on the rise in number of patients and do you think that the newly launched Hypertension Awareness Symbol will help in building awareness about the disease?

First, We should start detection and increase the monitoring at early life stage. This means, children, young, adults and old, all should be monitored.

Second, we need to increase awareness. Recently a big step is taken in increasing awareness for Hypertension by launch of World's first Hypertension Awareness Symbol by Glenmark Pharamceuticals Limited. With endorsement of Hypertension Society of India and Association of Physicians of Inida, this symbol will play a big role in taking Hypertension Awareness to next level. There is also a need to modify our lifestyles. We have seen that people with increased amount of exercise, good healthy lifestyle can have a better life and control over BP.

Third, the government has already got a policy on chronic diseases. But unfortunately, there is very low level of data present to reach a conclusion and analysis. Hence, we need more data set at the national level. We need more market studies to really analyse our situation.

Interview

Dr Jamshed Dalal

Cardiologist, Mumbai
Importance of adherence to the hypertension treatment

"Regular blood pressure monitoring is a must"

Why is it important to adhere to the hypertension treatment?

Firstly, it is important to detect hypertension in the early years of life. If one is detected with blood pressure early, the course correction can begin from that moment itself. 18 years is considered a fairly ideal age for checking BP as increasingly, we have found that the youth in our country are having BP related problems.

It is important to adhere to the treatment, beginning with the first detection. As we have moved to digital machines, BP measurement is fairly easy now. With these, people can easily track their own BP on a daily basis.

There are two important aspects — adherence to life style and adherence to medicines. It is accepted, that the very first step in the treatment of hypertension is lifestyle modification. It can lead to control of mild hypertension without medicines and in more severe cases allows use of less medication. But if someone has established hypertension, adherence to medicines and monitoring is a must. It is also imperative for the doctor to regularly communicate with the patient on the importance of regular medication and good control of hypertension.

We should popularise BP monitoring. Here, we can create a mechanism to track BP of people of all ages across malls, public places, schools, libraries, free health camps and hospital visitors. Increasing monitoring will help to identify the many patients who are unaware that they have hypertension and address this problem.

This awareness will also increase the compliance towards treatment, which in most cases is for life time

Is there a standard guideline in India for hypertension treatment?

A lot of work has already been done to establish guidelines for hypertension treatment in our country. Many societies such as the Hypertension Society of India and Cardiological Society of India have developed guidelines based on international best practices with modification to Indian needs. For example, earlier, there were multiple tablets being administered at varying times in the day leading to less adherence, and poor BP control. Now, we recommend a single pill containing a combination of medicines to be taken only once a day. These combination pills are easily available in India and greatly benefit in compliance and good BP control.

Is there a standard for hypertension treatment?

Yes physicians, cardiologists, and other specialists have already set up standard guidelines that are being followed. But the problem is, the good practices don't percolate down to people, resulting in late treatment, and poor overall BP control.

World over this is a problem, a large percent of people don't know if they have BP issues. And less than half of the patients detected don't even achieve the full intended milestones of their treatment. Hence, it is really important for general public to adhere to the treatment and achieve proper and persistent BP control, because absence of doing so will be associated with damage to multiple organs leading to heart failure, stroke and kidney damage.

Why is maintaining a national registry important for India?

Hypertension epidemiology requires vast amounts of data gathering, which is partly already available. Such data is scattered across the states and localities, and many geographical maps are available on BP incidence and extent of treatment. But these data need to be collated and the lacuna in overall BP control can be identified and rectified. This will lead us to early diagnosis and treatment, good follow up and allow us to achieve our goal of best BP control in the maximum number of our popu-



Dr Tiny Nair, Cardiologist, Trivandrum

"High number of youth suffer

Hypertension Control: 1st step to prevent

Interview

Cardiovascular Disease

Prof Upendra Kaul, Cardiologist, Delhi Past President of Cardiological Society of India, Recipient of Padma Shri and Dr B C Roy Award.

"Use heart to beat heart attack and COVID 19 pandemic"

ARDIOVASCULAR diseaseare leading cause of mortality in India. 25 to 30% mortality in our country is attributable to heart attacks, brain strokes and heart failure. The Global Burden of disease in India is estimated at age-standardized death rate of 272per 100,000 population. It is higher than the global average of 235 per 100,000 populations.

The other peculiarities in our country are a younger age at presentation, an accelerated course of disease and high mortality. Preventive strategies are therefore the keys to reduce this alarming trend because once it manifests, most treatment strategies are at best palliative.

This year, the challenge is even more intense. With over 5 million cases of COVID 19 already reported from India and numbers steeply increasing is a very scary issue. We are living in an un precedented era with our health care systems trying to work very hard and to their best, under severe financial constraints.

Our responsibilities for individuals, the families and the vulnerable Societies health are therefore on a severe test. The future course of this viral disease is un-predictable but we do know that it is of utmost importance to take care of our heart for fighting this pandemic.

During COVID times because the patients with cardiovascular disease are faced with a dual challenge. They are more prone to get a serious complication leading to a high mortality and also, they are scared to seek ongoing treatment for their ailing hearts.

We therefore need to understand what it means to keep our hearts healthy to lead a Healthy Heart Life and also propagate this message to our loved ones, to our patients if we

are health care workers and if we are employees to invest in the heart health of our employees. The measures are simple and very cost effective.

Use Heart to Make Better

Choices: Healthy diet consisting of 4 to 5 servings of fruits, vegetables and greens daily, exercising for 30 to 45 minutes at least 5 times a week, saying no to tobacco in any form and keeping alcohol to minimum.

Use Heart to Listen to your Heart: If you have an existing heart problem, high blood pressure, diabetes or obesity, you need to continue all the treatment schedules meticulously. Don't let COVID 19 stop your attending regular check-ups. These can very often be done virtually.

In case of COVID like symptoms of fever, cough, shortness of breath you should never feel shy of a testing under medical supervision. Early recognition always helps you and your family.

Use Heart for Society, Loved ones and yourself: The response of the community in general, individuals and business has been incredible during the pandemic. Extending support to each other, the health care personnel, and the vulnerable in the society has been a hallmark in our day to day life.

Use Heart to Thank the Healthcare profession: The pandemic has led to outpouring of support towards nurses, doctors, researchers and carers in the system. Never before has their role been so crucial, which all of them exhibited at the cost of even their lives at times.

our Heart Heroes. **Use Heart to Take Part:** Let us make this World Heart Day much more impactful than ever.

These frontline heroes have become

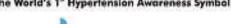
Special focus is on the state of Jammu & Kashmir. Our group is launching a unique project under the auspices of "Gauri Healthy Heart Project (GHHP)" to bring in updated treatment protocols to existing patients with high BP, Diabetes or exiting heart disease. The current treatment of 100 patients with any of these problems, pre-selected by the district health authorities under the CMO, will be reviewed by well-known doctors from the state from internal medicine, Cardiology and Geriatrics.

The treatment will be upgraded as per the current recommendations. All the 20 districts of Jammu and Kashmir will be visited over a period of ensuing twoyears. A "healthy heart campaign" for the people of the region during the event will also be run.

We do hope, with the launch of this programme a new concept in our health care system in the rural Jammu and Kashmir can be introduced under the supervision of the district administrations.

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Do you believe cardio-vascular disease (CVD) to be an epidemic? And how do you rate our preparedness against the

The situation of hypertension and related cardiovascular diseases (CVD) are worsening in the country; the overall scenario is grim. It is estimated that around 30% of our population is hypertensive. This prevalence is re-

ally high!

Unfortunately, we are poorly prepared against it. We hardly have any plans to fight this neglected 'social' transition. This is because, on one side we have infectious diseases to fight, and on the other side we have non-communicable diseases like CV with our foot on both the sides of the spectrum. So we have this problem of twin challenge of infections as well as CVDs. This is a cause for worry for everyone involved in healthcare delivery.

What are the symptoms of CVD?

Many often the CVD can be silent, with no symptoms. CVD without symptoms can be seen in people who are diabetic, aged or in women. Typically, symptoms are chest discomfort or heaviness, or epigastric discomfort, with radiation to left or right hand or shoulder. Any discomfort in the chest, neck,

from cardio-vascular disease" lower jaw or upper abdomen, appearing during exertion and relieved at rest could of their time in front of computer systems. They subsist, mostly on fast food, smoke

lation.

be a symptom of CVD.

Unusual symptoms of CVD include fatigue, breathlessness, sweating or even loss of consciousness. Any such symptom

should warrant a medical examination to

rule out CVD.

Rarely the first symptoms of a CVD could be an unfortunate 'sudden cardiac death' resulting from an unrecognised massive heart attack or a cardiac arrhythmia.

What problems do you see in our society towards the treatment of cardio-vascular diseases?

There are three things that can be troubling: First, the rate of the CVD prevalence is really high and more importantly, has been on the rise. Second, unlike the western population, we have patients who get the problem at an earlier age. Third, we have a high CVD mortality rate in India. One in every four deaths in India are because of CVD.

CVD epidemic in India is on a rise amongst the youth of the country. What reasons do you see here?

Youth in India has a high rate of CVD and it is becoming very common. There are two age groups where we find peak incidence of 'heart attacks' in India: First is the age group between 40 and 45, and second are those who are above 55 years of age.

The first age group of younger population is a challenge because this is the period of their peak productivity. These young men are often employed in high stress jobs like the IT sector, where they have timebound high-stress, short-deadline projects; they do very little exercise, spending most

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of their time in front of computer systems. They subsist, mostly on fast food, smoke and binge on alcohol. They lose sleep, working at night when the western hemisphere wakes up. Most end up being obese, diabetic and are burdened with multiple lifestyle risk factors.

The other interesting fact is the low awareness of risk factors. Many of them have mild hypertension, coupled with mildly altered lipid levels and are pre diabetic. But these often go undetected, as these mild deviations are trashed as minor irritants. In fact combination of multiple low level risk factors are turning out to be an important reason contributing to the CVD epidemic in these young Indians.

Do you think controlling hypertension is the first step to prevent the disease?

Yes definitely. Not just hypertension, but all the reversible risk factors need to be addressed, that too starting early. Risk factors are not diseases, but failing to control them could result in CVD. Controlling risk factors can prevent development of CVD itself. This is the concept of 'primary prevention'. Today we are talking about primordial intervention, which is targeted at controlling risk factors even before they emerge, with a focus on better health promotion among school children. Of the risk factors, hypertension is the one that can be readily detected with ease, and effectively treated.

Unfortunately, we are only focusing on CVD treatment, which is a culmination of years of neglected risk factors. Building bigger hospitals with better technology is not an answer to reducing CVD burden in India; tackling risk factors like hypertension and changing lifestyle early is the key.

6 Express Interview

NIRMALA SITHARAMAN, MINISTER OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS

Fight us in House, attract smaller parties, keep us under watch...but Cong moving further to fringe

From Covid health and economics to ED and Delhi riot politics, Union Finance Minister NIRMALA SITHARAMAN speaks to PVAIDYANATHAN IYER and RAJ KAMAL JHA. Excerpts:

Six months since Lockdown 1 began, what has changed from where you sit?

All of us were facing a situation never been seen for generations. So the earlier focus was on adapting, responding to that change; hearing out difficulties from the ground. Now it's keeping pace with the changes, calibrating the response. So six months gone hasn't really reduced the challenges, their nature has changed. The Ministry is now quicker in responding; it has understood these are things for which they have to be on their feet constantly.

What concerns have reduced, what haven't? There is a steady surge in cases.

No, I'm not even going that far. I'm looking at it more from the point of view of how long we still have to go on with these preventive measures. Wear your mask, keep your social distance, wash your hand, you are doing all this with no material change...you don't have a sure-shot vaccine, you don't have a clear-cut end date. There are some reports of people who were cured, some getting it back. These are big uncertainties playing in the minds of entrepreneurs, small and medium. They are very worried to what extent can they expose their staff; to what extent can they go out there — like earlier — to access raw material. The good news is the rural areas, there the spread is probably lesser than anyone would have thought, their economic activity is back. And that is the big story which I suppose the Indian economy can draw comfort from.

What's the corporate sector telling you?

In fact, at three o'clock today (September 26), I had a big industry leader call me — he is not in India but has units here. When I was telling him what I have heard from industry here, he said it matches with what he wanted to report about his units.

That production and utilization of capacities are almost near pre-COVID levels. From many areas, workers have started coming back; industries are spending resources to get them back, offering them a slightly better deal. In some industries, pickup in export of produce is far better than the domestic pickup. Some good news I heard from some core industries, for example, steel, which has seen a strong demand from China. Then labour-intensive areas like textiles, hosiery, have started using their full capacities.

But the service sector remains badly hit.

That's right. Hospitality, hotel, tourists are ets, domestic tourists have started coming. Hopefully, there will be some improvement in the festival season. Weekend destinations closer to metros have started seeing people coming for a day, those tired of being locked up. Food takeaways are showing some signs of activity. There is a mixed story about

We have been talking to a range of officials who have had meetings with the Prime Minister. Many of them talk of increasing expenditure, pushing financial sector reforms. But there is disquiet that three months have passed since the package and the government is risk averse, it's not willing to spend.

Well, no, I don't think there's any such hesitation. You're right, the Prime Minister himself heard — I was present in each one of those meetings - cross-section of experts, economists, political observers, industry leaders, business leaders, chambers of commerce. everyone. Some people have written to the Prime Minister, which he duly forwards to me, and we also look into it.

The AtmaNirbhar package consists of so many different things for so many different sectors... it's not as if what we announced got exhausted within 24 hours. Actually. it's rolling on even now. Take the example of this emergency liquidity guarantee. We have expanded its scope from MSMEs now to cover proprietorships, partnerships, and even individual professionals. So, what was announced (across the board) has expanded in

The funding of NBFCs has increased; banks have been given more liquidity. RBI lent them at far below the repo rate to the extent that now they are returning the money saying we have enough, we're spending it.

NABARD brought in another Rs 45,000 crore over and above what it used to give for farmers so that they can have that extra cash as they looked at Rabi sowing. So that original Rs 90,000 crore, and this Rs 45,000 crore, have expanded the access of liquidity for farmers.

We are also looking at simultaneously opening up and doing some systemic reforms, that's where your labour codes, your agricultural APMC come in.

What about extra spending?

I am not closed (on) the option... doing all this, we have kept ourselves open to the idea of... in case, there is any need for further

Within the government, we get an impression there is risk aversion on



pushing expenditure this year... one fear is will it reach the right hands.

None of this is true. First of all, there is no risk aversion the way you are saying. Two, it can't be on these grounds, DBT (Direct Benefit Transfer) being in our hands, an instrument which no other country has, why should we be worried about whether it will reach the person it is meant for. I will, of course, time the way...as to when I want to do the stimulus...

Another argument against spending is that money that went into Jan Dhan accounts is sitting there, no one is

If you are giving me an impression that you got in June, I will agree with you. That's not at all the case now. The additional Rs 2,000 for farmers released is reaching people, otherwise why do you think the rural economy is all robust; without money being spent, to buy raw materials or seeds or medicines. Tractor

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sales, agriculture equipment sales, have gone up. People are saying our business in rural areas is doing

So what's the dashboard you are looking at to decide when and how to intervene, and where?

I'm looking at banks and their reportage. Which are the sections who are taking it? Are they retail, agriculture loans, are they student loans, are they homebuyers? If one gets that picture, then you're able to see which are the sections desperately reaching out and taking

the help of the institutions. That analysis is happening.

Were you surprised by the protests

I am not surprised, I am disappointed because the extent to which consultations had happened, not just with stakeholders, but MPs were asked for their views. I must give credit to Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar for having gone through the rigour, for talking to the people, taking their inputs, and then bringing it to the Cabinet.

When I announced it in AtmaNirbhar, by that time itself, most of the consultations were done. And amazingly, these are the very things most parties had committed themselves to.

Why didn't you say yes to a select committee?

(They would have said) when it's in the select committee, what's the need to go for an Ordinance. There is no end to the debate because the debate is not on the merit of the matter. Ask us that one question where we

Another aspect to the risk-aversion, officers tell us, is look at the Arun Shourie ITDC disinvestment case. The CBI files a closure report, Special CBI court issues an arrest warrant 18 years

One thing is very clear, the PM and all of us are constantly ensuring that the decisions are fairly and collectively taken. There are committees of Secretaries, there are committees of inter-ministerial group of Secretaries, the Air India Special Group of Secretaries; then there is the Group of Ministers. So, there is the first layering of all decisions, taking it through the hierarchy, and before the Cabinet takes a decision, there are so many people who are brought into the system of decision-making itself. Clearly, no one Secretary is going to feel, I am alone who is signing this file, God knows what will happen to me after I retire.

There is a perception that Enforcement Directorate is the new CBI. Its abysmal record of convictions, its potential of harassment, we see in the Sushant Singh Rajput case.

I am not commenting on any one particular case. But it's also a time where we have to understand that globally, too, there is this very serious concern about money laundering. Now largely, what does the ED deal with? It deals with PMLA (Prevention of Money Laundering Act), which are clearly money laundering cases, and ED on its own doesn't book any case, it has to be a case which the CBI is handling, and if there is a money laundering aspect to it, ED comes in.

Yes, I agree, ED has very severe challenges. They want a Letter Rogatory issued for some fellow who's gone away. Or he's in some tax

haven with his money. That process itself takes more than 360 days. In the meanwhile, in the court, your chargesheet, 90 days business comes in. Then we'll pull up the ED saying look you went with it to the court, but you're not even in a position to file a substantive chargesheet.

He would then say, look, I'm waiting for a reply to come from this particular country or that particular country. So, the mismatch in terms of response, which is critical for a chargesheet, also makes ED appear as if they're just trigger

Coming back to Sushant Singh Rajput case, because ED got the phones first, it didn't find any evidence of money being siphoned off as the father had alleged; then the WhatsApp chats went to Narcotics. What started off as a suicide of a young man, the way it has morphed...

Matter of fact is I don't know. How much of an attention a particular case should be given is completely in the hands of the agencies. I may not be able to even tell them why you are overdoing here? Why are you exaggerating here? I can't, I'm not privy to many of the operational details. It can't be that the minister is sitting and lording over them. Not at all. They should have the independence to do their job

Agencies need independence but take the Delhi riots. Students chargesheeted based on ideology. This is perhaps the first riots case where debates, protests are being linked to violence; when civil society, academics are being questioned. There is fear on campus that being anti-BJP could get you named in a chargesheet linked to violence. How do vou see this?

There's no question that young people should have freedom. I've been part of that (JNU) university. And I'm not commenting on any one particular case. That said, big student protests have happened earlier; big violent protests have happened earlier. Academics writing about any one issue in which they feel very strongly about (has) happened earlier.

Now, I'm asking you a question: protests happening now, is there an aura added to it because it's against this government whom we love to oppose? When protests happen now, I find it gets gilt-edged, it attains a certain halo, oh, look at this. And it's followed up by a lot of international voices quickly. And it, therefore, acquires a greater traction.

I will give you this example. We still believe in our courts however long-drawn their process is. That's why we even quote in international fora, that whether it was a terror accused in the (26/11) Mumbai attack, caught red-handed, we ensure due process from every stage until the mercy petition to the Rashtrapati. We believe in the institutions in this country

..(And then) people who should believe in the institutions of this country write about an elected Chief Minister to the US President that deny him visa, don't allow him to come to your country.

They were also professors, scholars, thinkers, there were Members of Parliament in it at that time, didn't they believe in this country's judiciary? Some of them today are joining in the same protest against this government. The same set of people today are saying there is fear, that the

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Tell me one individual let him be a journalist, let him be a writer, who has been held or chargesheeted because they attacked the Prime Minister or spoke about the BJP or spoke about us, any ministers.

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Whereas I'll name non-BJP states, where journalists have been arrested, questioned, how many such protesters are put inside for auestioning.

Rajasthan, you have an example. Maharashtra, you

have an example. Kerala, you have several examples. So, everything that happens is thanks to Modi, is it? What is the questioning of a journalist in Mumbai or what is that which is happening in Rajasthan — Dalit atrocity in $Rajas than-goes\,unnoticed.\,No\,professors\,or$ teachers or thinkers write about that.

Yesterday in Telangana, an honour killing happened. Professors, where are you? Kerala, such a major incident is happening every day, about thrashing political opponents. Where are the professors writing about it? West Bengal, you utter a word against the government there, I'm not talking about individuals people are hanged in public on branches of trees. Tell me where are the professors writing letters about that oppression.

But even that oppression is thanks to Modi, even what's happening in Maharashtra is thanks to Modi, what happens in Kerala is thanks to Modi when it comes to these kinds

But all over the country 83 crore people are getting free food, that's not thanks to Modi. The poorest of poor getting Rs 1,500 directly into their accounts during the lockdown, no middlemen. That's not thanks to Modi.

So the politics of the protesters undermines their right?

They are not just being academics or theoreticians or ideologues, they are wearing their politics on their sleeve. And making sure that when they talk against this government, the international community, the league, the Old Boys Club they built over these last 50 years, is invoked. So that immediately there can be an international outcry.

Anybody we will align with, so long as it's against this particular government, this particular leader, this particular ideology, this particular set of people, and that's where it doesn't stand the scrutiny of being objective. And when it doesn't stand the scrutiny of being objective, being an academic, being an ideologue, being somebody who thinks about India, completely gets watered down.

But to call your critics anti-national?

Let us understand: who's calling anybody an anti-national? Has any one of us done it? No. People out there can do it. Calling anyone anti-national is wrong? Yes, it is wrong. But what was the other way around? We don't believe in our systems, we go outside to achieve our norms, you did that.

We have not written to any country saying please stop so and so from coming. We have not written to any country saving. Oh My God, I'm scared to live here, I want to get out the moment X gets elected. Or the moment X gets elected, I will run away, my wife will run away, we don't want to live in this country...Who's uttered these kinds of things, they may not be anti-national, but they did enough, because some people who are great icons for the youth, when they say these sort of things, today you also have the some mock-

ing them and saying: Oh, why didn't you go, X has got elected? Haven't you gone?

We got used to this country of quiet, accepteverything... today when people are, everybody is their own lord, they're speaking out...everybody's flashing their own opinion, you call them the unbound unwashed masses. You don't want to hear them. You say they are not (in) my league.

These are voices long silenced?

Absolutely, and intellectuals have to sit down and listen. And such voices which didn't have a voice earlier, may say what manners, what decorum? And today, there is a powerful tool in your hand (the cellphone). Every fellow is using it. This is not a tirade against one ideology. There are people accusing every minister, too. You are useless, you resign. Certainly not my fans. So those who are with you are also speaking this language. You may choose to put hate on me, but I am receiving hate. The maturity level of our so-called self-appointed liberals is to be

What do you mean by maturity?

There should definitely be a lot of engagement, a lot of talking, a lot of hearing one an-

Your party has been in power for six years and, going by numbers, is as strong as ever. Doesn't that mean the onus is on you to give space. There will be critics, there will be noise, some critics will be very partisan...You can't paint everybody with the same brush.

Of course, I want to ask who's painting, if any one of us has even remotely painted, pull us up. I'm fully willing to stand up and say, yes, sorry, that was wrong. That was off tangent. They say you painted all of us anti-nationals, tell me where have I (done that)? I want to know when.

CAA is a classic example. You built a narrative outside, and said, this is going to mean that minorities in this country will be stripped of their citizenship. Just show me one Indian citizen non-Hindu who has been denied citizenship, who has been stripped

Conversely, from Afghanistan and from Pakistan, how many people who are oppressed because they are religious minorities, whose cases are coming up, are saying please save us, we desperately want to come. Whether they are Sikhs, whether they are

New Delhi

Christians, whether they are Hindus, have they come or not?

But there is fear.

So tell me which aspect of CAA is the cause of fear. You want to have your figment of imagination thrown at me. I may not be able to answer. But here I am standing in Parliament, here I am standing outside and saying

If you are a Muslim and you have heard the Home Minister talk about chronology, and you know you have no representation in Parliament in the ruling party, you know that CAA is the first Indian law that excluded your faith...then comes along a video of a Muslim man being harassed, all this reinforces fear.

That is exactly my point. Five years ago, 10 years ago, 20 years ago, many things happened. But when it is Prime Minister Modi's government, even what happened 5, 10, 20 years ago, in some remote village, it attains a certain traction because that's the level to which certain people in the Opposition would want to go to undermine an elected government. It is definitely undermining the elected government. People have given a vote, it's a solid vote, majority, but I can't digest it. I will do anything to disturb the stability of this country. You are unable to remain out of power and fight for the causes close to your heart.

Come fight in Parliament. Demand things you want to demand for those sections who you say are living in fear. Come, fight, ask us.

To contain or suppress this fear is wrong. But you should address it. And if you have to address this fear, here we go... a, b, c, d... Do that. You don't want to do that. You don't want to sweat it out. You don't want to think constructively. You want to continuously keep destabilising this government.

Whenever Congress has been in Opposition, or whenever there is fear they will go into Opposition, they have done everything to remain in power, inclusive of Mrs Indira Gandhi, who knowing what the Allahabad High Court decision is going to do to her, twisted the Constitution to continue being in

I will compare here again, till before 1998, was there a chance for BJP to come to power? Didn't BJP play its role of Opposition? And in the Opposition, didn't they raise issues which matter to the people? And only because of that, here was a responsible party, gradually from two, today we have come to 303.

And even in the recent past, when UPA I and UPA II was there, Congress repeatedly reminded us, even though you were very disruptive in Parliament and all that, but we played a role in the Opposition. We didn't choose to sit on the sidelines and kindle fear, we didn't stoke fear. We didn't give statements like aar paar ki ladayi ho jaayegi.

(On the CAA debate), at a time when people have to come out as responsible Opposition to say, don't worry, we tried doing it (countering the law) in Parliament but because we didn't have the numbers we couldn't, but we will engage with the government to ensure nothing goes which you fear. They didn't do that on the CAA.

What was the statement given? Aarpaarki ladavi ho jaavegi... Till today, these 18-23 people who are

writing letters, professors, thinkers, writers, never questioned Congress leadership to say, what does that line mean? Will that lead to riots? Is that a responsible line to take?

Congress and the level of maturity of their leadership, is such that they can never play the role of a responsible Opposition. And more so, now. They have moved further to

Numerically, the Opposition is far weaker. The Congress's number may be small, the

other small parties should look up to you. I remember, Sushmaji (Swaraj) in Lok Sabha and (Arun) Jaitleyji in Rajya Sabha would be like a magnet, attracting all small parties saying hum sab question karenge.

Here we find that completely absent. And to then go into a denial mode and say this government is not engaging with us, is unfair.

In a democracy, the Opposition plays an equal, if not, more significant role. We look forward to having them do that. I felt in the Rajya Sabha, the leader of the Opposition, if anything, I was very saddened when I heard him speak. The role of the leader of the Opposition has been undermined, he said in Raiva Sabha. I am not sure if it is the House which is undermining the leader of the Opposition or the Congress party's internal

politics is undermining him. I think the Congress party is losing a golden opportunity to show the people of India that they have been in power in this country for several decades and today being in the Opposition they will give that advantage to the Parliamentary system. The public will feel confident that there is this responsible party which knows how to govern the country, and therefore when it is sitting in Opposition, we are sure the government will every now and then be watched, pulled up and made to answer. It is not doing that.

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AHEAD OF VERDICT

VETERAN BJP leader Uma Bharti, who could not find a place in the party's newly constituted team of office-bearers, has written an emotional letter to BJP president JP Nadda. Writing about the upcoming judgment in the Babri Masjid demolition case, which will be pronounced by the CBI court on September 30, Bharti said she would be present in court that day. "I don't know what the judgment will be, but I will not seek bail on Avodhya matter." she wrote, asking Nadda if he would like to retain her in his team in this situation. Bharti also said that she fought for the Ram temple and Ram Rajya.

New Role

DIPLOMAT VIKAS Swarup's book Q&A, based on the Kaun Banega Crorepati show, was adapted into an Oscar-winning movie, Slumdog Millionaire. Now, as KBC, hosted by actor Amitabh Bachchan, begins a new season, Swarup — who has been MEA spokesperson and the Indian ambassador to Canada and is now posted as Secretary (west) in the Ministry of External Affairs — will appear on the TV show as an "expert".

AT THE HELM

THE DEFENCE Ministry has announced a new policy for defence procurement, establishing the procedures the government has to follow in buying weapons, military equipment or platforms. The team to amend the last Defence Procurement Policy 2016 was led by 1988-batch IAS officer Apurva Chandra, who is the Special Secretary and Director General (Acquisition) in the Defence Ministry. It took Chandra and the review committee over a year to finalise the new policy, which got the Defence Acquisition Council's nod on Monday, just in time before Chandra moves out. This is his last week in the Defence Ministry. He is scheduled to take over as Labour Secretary as the incumbent, Heera Lal Samariya, retires on September 30.

FULL STEAM AHEAD

WHEN IT comes to countering a protest or campaigning for their stand, the ruling BJP does not leave any stone unturned. Last two weeks saw intense efforts by the BJP to sell the farmrelated laws as government initiatives to help farmers. Now the party has roped in former public servants to assert that the laws "mark a watershed in the liberation of India's farming community from the shackles of exploitative practices that slow-pedalled their progress". Thirty-two former civil servants, former finance secretary S Narayan, former banking secretary D K Mittal, former defence secretary G Mohan Kumar, former NMML director Shakti Sinha and a group of former state chief secretaries have signed the two-page statement supporting the "well-meaning efforts of the government to bring succour to the farming community".

AIADMK may name CM face for 2021 polls on Oct 7

ARUNJANARDHANAN CHENNAI, SEPTEMBER 28

AMID REPORTS of issues within the AIADMK leadership on a complaint that Deputy Chief Minister O Panneerselvam and his associates were being sidelined by top leaders, a party executive council meeting on Monday decided to announce the CM candidate on October 7 for the Assembly elections expected to be held in May next year.

After a five-hour meeting of the council, the party's deputy coordinator KPMunusamy said the AIADMK has decided to "stay united and fight the election" next

While sources close to Panneerselvam had earlier hinted that there will be heated arguments in the meeting challenging Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami to protest against his approach towards Panneerselvam faction, multiple sources said that they discussed issues but there were no heated arguments.

"Naturally, it was unlikely to witness heated arguments as Panneerselvam has lost his support base in the past four years. If he had 11 MLAs when he merged the faction with the ruling faction. he is left with the support of hardly five MLAs now. Those who received posts in the Cabinet and Rajya Sabha have shifted their loyalty to the Palaniswami camp. But a small section is still asserting for more space for Panneerselvam," said a senior AIADMK minister who attended the high-level meeting at the AIADMK head-





Edappadi K Palaniswami, O Panneerselvam

quarters in the city.

Meanwhile, there was no discussion on the likely release of ousted party chief V K Sasikala from jail even as informal negotiations were held for a possible

The council passed 15 resolutions on Monday, including the government's political stand against the Centre's three-language policy. A resolution reiterated that former CM C N Annadurai's two-language policy will continue in the state.

Another resolution demanded that the Centre release the statutory dues under GST totalling Rs 4,073 crore, dues under various schemes amounting Rs to 16,505.32 crore and subsidies of Rs 3,185.04 crore.

The meeting also congratulated the AIADMK government and its machinery for setting an example for the country in Covid-19 management and maintenance of law and order.

A resolution urged the Centre to give up NEET considering the state government's arguments.

The meeting sought the support of the Union government, banking authorities, industries and all sections to revive the

Nominations to begin, alliances undecided

LJP yet to take call on staying in NDA; Cong says hiccups in seat talks

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JUST TWO days before the filing of nomination for the first phase of polling begins, there is no clarity on the shape of the NDA and

Grand Alliance camps. While the LJP is likely to take a call on whether to stay in the NDA by Wednesday, the RJD on Monday offered 58 seats to the Congress against its demand of 80 seats.

The LJP has reportedly been offered 22-25 seats by the BJP, but the party's state unit has finalised 143 probable candidates in case it contests alone.

Seat-sharing decisions in the NDA are on hold because the LIP is still undecided about quitting the alliance. A BJP source said: "LJP could get maximum 22-25 seats. It has to take a final call as our top leaders have almost had final talks on seat-sharing with ID(U). But there is no word on whether the BJP will contest equal number of seats as JD(U), or whether the latter will continue as senior partner in Bihar."

LJP principal general secretary Abdul Khaliq told *The Indian* Express: "The party has authorised its national president Chirag Paswan to take a final decision in a day or two. We will all stand by the decision he takes."

Asked about four of six LJP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

JAILED FORMER MP Anand

Mohan's wife Lovely Anand, a for-

mer MP herself, and son Chetan

Anand joined the RJD on Monday.

from the upper caste Raiput com-

munity, had created a buzz in the early-1990s by challenging then

chief minister Lalu Prasad. He has

been serving life sentence for

abetment to murder in Gopalganj

district magistrate G Krishnaiah's

Lovely Anand, who had repre-

sented Vaishali in Lok Sabha be-

tween 1994 and 1996, joined RJD

in the presence of Leader of

Opposition Tejashwi Prasad Yadav

and accused Chief Minister and

JD(U) chief Nitish Kumar of be-

while attending an event on the

occasion of Maharana Pratap's

birth anniversary this January, had

hinted at "helping" Anand Mohan

by taking legal advice. Nitish had

also referred to Anand Mohan as

an old associate – Mohan had

been with Nitish in the Samata

She pointed out that Nitish,

mob lynching in 1995.

Anand Mohan, who comes

PATNA, SEPTEMBER 28

RJD looks at revival, Cong keeps up pressure

THE RID has been quite clear on contesting a major chunk of seats in a bid to revive the party.. It believes that its alliance partners are often not able to transfer votes, so Tejashwi Yadav wants to contest maximum number of seats, preferably 140-150. The Congress, which has 27 seats, knows the RJD game but has kept the heat on the senior partner to extract 70-75 seats, which is seen as a respectable number.

MPs reportedly being keen on staying in the NDA, Khaliq said: "These are canards. All legislators have authorised Chirag to take a decision.' Meanwhile, postur-

ing in the RID-led Grand Alliance has given rise to the possibility of an RJD-Congress-Left-IMM alliance. RID spokesperson Mrityunjay Tewari told The Indian Express: "We have made it clear to the Congress that the RJD can offer it 58 seats. We are also offering them Valmiki Nagar Lok Sabha seat. We are waiting for their re-

While the Congress has not reacted officially, a senior Congress leader said: "If Vikassheel Insaan Party (VIP) is not in Grand Alliance, we will get at least 75 seats. We are in final

Jailed Rajput leader Anand

Mohan's wife, son join RJD

Chetan Anand, in Patna, PTI

Mohan subsequently joined

After joining RJD, Lovely

JD(U) after Nitish became chief

Anand said, "Nitish Kumar's ac-

tions and words do not match. He

has betrayed us..... I have joined

RJD with an open mind and will

work with full devotion to the

reaction of fellow Rajputs, she

said, "I work for all castes."

Asked about possible adverse

party."

minister in November 2005.

Party in the mid-1990s

sponse.'

Sources said that while they



expect the RJD and Congress to come to an understanding quickly, there is a sticking point of 10-15 A senior Congress

leader told The Indian Express that while there were some difficulties in "negotiations", these were normal before elections. "Even the NDA alliance is not set, with the LIP undecided. So it is not worrying. We have a list of 75

seats that the Congress wants to

contest," the Congress leader

This number of 75 seats, however, leaves 168 seats in a 243-member Assembly for the RJD and other alliance partners, including Left parties. "The RJD has been saying it does not want to contest less than 140 seats. That leaves too little to keep the alliance members happy," the

Lovely Anand had unsuccess-

fully contested from Sheohar

Assembly constituency as a

Hindustani Awam Morcha (S)

nominee in 2015 Assembly elec-

tions and is said to be eyeing the

same seat in the upcoming elec-

big crowds, of mainly people from

upper caste communities, when

he took on then chief minister Lalu

Prasad's Mandal politics in the

Anand Mohan had attracted

Three Left parties – CPI(ML), CPI and CPM – are likely to get 23 seats and JMM two seats, said RJD sources. "CPI(ML) could get 12-15 seats because of wider presence and three sitting MLAs," said an RID source.

In three previous elections, CPI(ML) had a higher vote percentage than the other two Left CPI(ML) leaders told The

Indian Express that chances of an alliance looked bleak at this point. A senior leader said, "Our seat-sharing talks with the RJD remain infructuous. Nominations will begin soon, and we are preparing to file them from all our major seats without waiting for any possible progress, which seems rather bleak."

The leader added, "There are three possibilities. One is a full alliance. The second is a part alliance, which can see some friendly fights. And the third is we fight alone, which we have been doing all along. The problem is they (RJD) do not want to give up most seats where we have our base. Moreover, for the first phase they offered only 4 to 5 seats. That is unacceptable."

Meanwhile, Rashtriya Lok Samata Party (RLSP) suffered a setback with its state president Bhudeo Choudhary joining the RID. RLSP chief Upendra Kushwaha has reportedly been trying to negotiate with the NDA.

VBA president Ambedkar to join anti-NDA front

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 28

VANCHIT BAHUJAN Aghadi (VBA) president Prakash Ambedkar on Monday declared he would join hands with likeminded secular parties to fight against the NDA in the Assembly elections in Bihar.



"The Vanchit Bahujan Aghadi has decided to fight against the

Therefore, we

have decided to

Ambedkar formally join the _anti-NDA front in Bihar. The objective is to defeat the NDA,'

Ambedkar said. 'The Vanchit Bahujan Aghadi

will work to make inroads among the socially and economically oppressed backwards, Muslims and Adivasis in Bihar," The grandson of B R

Ambedkar, the Vanchit Bahuian Aghadi chief said a detailed strategy was being worked out.

RLSP, BSP, AIMIM: hint of a third front

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NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

AMID RUMBLINGS in the ruling NDA and the RJD-led Opposition alliance in Bihar, with one month left for the Assembly elections, there are signs of a possible third front taking shape with a group of smaller parties trying to stitch together an electoral tie-up.

The move is being steered by Upendra Kushwaha's Rashtriya Lok Samta Party (RLSP). Days after Kushwaha made clear that he would not accept the leadership of Tejashwi Yadav in the RJD-led alliance, he is learnt to have met leaders of the BSP in Patna Monday.

Sources said Kushwaha has also held talks with Pappu Yadav, who heads the Jan Adhikar Party, and is in touch with Mukesh Sahni's Vikas-sheel Insaan Party, Asaduddin Owaisi's AIMIM and Om Prakash Rajbhar's Suheldev Bharatiya Samaj Party.

"Talks with the smaller parties are at an advanced stage," said RLSP sources. Kushwaha has already signalled his exit from the RJD-led alliance, with his party leaders claiming that there are offers from the NDA, too.

The tie-up move comes at a time when the Ram Vilas Paswanled LJP's muscle-flexing is causing tensions in the BJP-JD(U) alliance. All is not well in the RJD-led Opposition alliance, either, as the parties are nowhere near announcing a seat-sharing pact.

However, sources in the

Congress, which is part of the main Opposition alliance, said many of the moves by the smaller parties can be posturing to secure more seats to contest.

All of these smaller parties have a limited electoral presence in the state.

The BSP, for instance, managed to get only 2.07 per cent votes in the last Assembly elections but has some presence in areas like Sasaram, Buxar and Aurangabad. The party had finished a close second in one seat but managed to poll between 10,000 to 20,000

votes in as many as 12 seats. The RLSP is banking on the calculation that the Kushwaha (Koeri) population has a sizeable presence in many of the reserved seats. Koeris are estimated to constitute about 8 percent of the state's population.

Mukesh Sahni, meanwhile, is learnt to be "negotiating hard" with the RID. He is said to be seeking an assurance that he would be made Deputy Chief Minister if the RJD-Congress alliance comes to power. Sahni belongs to the Nishad community, which has a sizeable presence across the state.

Yadav's JAP, too, had cornered around 1.35 per cent votes.

The AIMIM contested only six seats in the last Assembly elections. But it managed to open its account last year winning the Kishanganj bypoll. The party has already announced that it would contest in alliance with Devendra Prasad Yadav's Samajwadi Janata Dal (Democratic).



ANOTHER ALLIANCE: Jan Adhikar Party chief Pappu Yadav with Azad Samaj Party chief Chandrashekhar Azad after the launch of the Progressive Democratic Alliance (PDA), consisting of two other parties, in Patna. PTI

BJP accuses Jharkhand govt of 'state guest' status to Lalu Ranchi: The BJP has alleged that

the number of people unauthorisedly meeting jailed RJD president Lalu Prasad at RIMS has increased after announcement of election in Bihar and charged the Hemant Soren government with according status of "state guest" to Prasad instead of treating him like a prisoner. Jharkhand BJP unit spokesman

Pratul Sahdeo dismissed the assertion of IG (Prisons) that RIMS Director's bungalow can't be considered as a prison.

IG (Prisons) Virendra Bhusan said that Prasad is in the Director's bungalow with the permission of the district administration, which takes decisions on visitors and other issues.

YSR Cong govt launches free borewell scheme

FULFILLING AN election promise part of the YSR Congress Party's poll manifesto, Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy on Monday launched a scheme to drill nearly 2 lakh borewells in non-irrigated farm lands to help 3 lakh farmers across the state.

The YSR Jala Kala will cover 5

tion will benefit from the scheme as the government will drill the bores for free. "During his padayatra, several farmers had told the CM that their fields were parched due to lack of any water source as their farms are upland or were

Any farmer or a group of farmers with land between 2.5

Will create national front of regional parties on farmers' issues, says SAD

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KHATKAR KALAN (PUNJAB), SEPTEMBER 28

THE SHIROMANI Akali Dal on Monday announced its plans to bring different regional parties on a single platform against the Centre, particularly to raise farmers' issues.

Senior SAD leader and former Lok Sabha MP Prof Prem Singh Chandumajra Monday said that SAD is going to form a 'national front of regional parties' to sustain a nationwide agitation on the issue of the three agri Acts and other problems related to the

"In the coming week, we are going to organise a national front of regional parties in which parties from all across the country will be invited so that a big movement can be launched," he said.

He added that several leaders of regional parties had congratulated the SAD on its firm stand on the farmers' issue

"Dr Farooq Abdullah of the J&K National Conference, West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee,



RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav with Lovely Anand and her son

A protest against the farm Bills in Devidaspur village along the Amritsar-Delhi rail link. Rana Simranjit Singh

Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik and NCP's Sharad Pawar have congratulated us and hailed our stand on the farmers' issues," he

"Instead of mudslinging against each other, we should create one stage for farmers struggle," he said.

Chandumajra was in Khatkar Kalan on Monday to pay tributes to Shaheed Bhagat Singh.

Leader of Opposition Harpal Singh Cheema and his supporters also paid tribute to the freedom fighter at Khatkar Kalan. Some ruckus was witnessed first when AAP leaders were not allowed to enter the premises on the pretext of security, but were allowed later after brief sloganeering. Cheema said that no one can be stopped from paying tribute to Shaheed Bhagat Singh.

state, convince farmers about new laws: BSY **EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE**

Will travel around

BENGALURU, SEPTEMBER 28

KARNATAKA CHIEF Minister B S Yediyurappa on Monday said he would travel around the state to convince farmers that amendments to laws governing marketing of agricultural produce and land holding brought about by the BJP governments in the state and the Centre were beneficial for farmers.

Yediyurappa made his statement even as farmers backed by the Opposition Congress and JDS staged protests as part of a Karnataka bandh against the government's allegedly anti-farmer policies. The bandh affected normal life around the state.

The bandh was called by farmer groups after talks with the government on Friday failed to bring about conciliation, with farmer groups like Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha demanding withdrawal of laws to change the APMC Act and farm land holding

The state government passed the Karnataka Agricultural Produce Marketing (Regulation and Development)(Amendment) Bill, 2020 and the Karnataka Land

New Delhi



Karnataka CMBS Yediyurappa

Reforms (Amendment) Bill, 2020 in the Assembly on Saturday, but the Bills were not cleared in the Council

"The amendments to the APMC act will not create any problems for farmers. As the son of a farmer, my aim is to protect their interests,"Yediyurappa said. "Iwill travel around the state and convince farmers about the new laws. I am sure that 95 pc of the farmers will be convinced." he said.

Yediyurappa said that farmers should see the changes brought about by the modified APMC Act in the market system and then decide whether the law should remain.

"What moral authority do you have to implement land and APMC reforms when there was no mention in your manifesto? If you believe in these amendments, dissolve the Assembly and fight for elections with these promises in your manifesto," former CM and Congress leader Siddaramaiah said.

for farmers with arid land **SREENIVAS JANYALA**

HYDERABAD, SEPTEMBER 28

lakh acres of arid land. The CM said that the government will spend Rs 2,340 crore in the next four years to drill borewells in areas which do not have any water source. Agriculture Minister K Kannababu said that small and medium farmers without any open source of water for irriga-

arid for want of water. Farmers are pushed into debt..." he said.

and 5 acres can apply for benefits under the scheme.

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Syeda Anwara Taimur

ASSAM

Assam's first and only woman CM dies at 84

Guwahati: Syeda Anwara Taimur, the only woman to have become the Chief Minister of Assam, died in Australia on Monday. She was 84. "Condolences to the family and well-wishers of former Assam CM, Syeda Anwara Taimur Ji. Her contributions towards Assam's development will be remembered. May her soul rest in peace," PM Narendra Modi tweeted. Taimur, a four-time MLA, was a Congress leader before she became the CM from December 1980 to June

KERALA Man sentenced to life term for joining ISIS

Kochi: A special NIA court here on Monday awarded life imprisonment to a man who was convicted for intentionally and knowingly joining the Islamic State (IS) and later proceeding to Iraq to further the activities of the terror group. The court also imposed a fine of Rs 2.10 lakh on Subahani Haja Moideen, who was arrested by NIA in 2016 following a crackdown in Tamil Nadu with the help of central security agencies and other state police. The court on Friday found Moideen guilty under various IPC and UAPA

MAHARASHTRA Out on bail due to Covid, man held for murder

Pune: An undertrial who was released on temporary bail four months earlier from Yerwada jail due to the Covid-19 outbreak has been arrested by Pune City Police for allegedly murdering a man in Swargate bus depot area earlier this month. Police have identified the accused as Rushikesh Jivaji Kamthe (34), and the victim as Nagesh Dagadu Gund (37). After killing him, Kamthe allegedly also took Gund's cell phone and Rs 2,000. He also committed a robbery in the Yerwada area about 15 days ago," read a press release issued by DCP (crime) Sambhaji Kadam.

TRIPURA'S COVID FIGHT

From unused ventilators to lack of death audit: Central team flags issues

SOURAV ROY BARMAN

NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

UNUTILISED VENTILATORS, dysfunctional X-ray and CT scan machines, no audit of deaths and non-existent waste management are among observations made by a three-member central team assessing the Covid-19 situation in Tripura after a visit to the lone designated Covid hospital in the state.

With 24,918 cases and 270 deaths till September 27, the state currently has the highest Covid mortality rate in the Northeast.

National Centre of Disease Control's consultant epidemiologist Dr Daisy Panna, Lady Hardinge Medical College's associate professor (respiratory medicine) Dr Pushpendra Verma and Union Health ministry's senior regional director (Kolkata) Dr Satyajit Sen were members of the team that visited Govind Ballabh Pant Hospital, toured all the districts and reviewed the home isolation strategy between September 10 and 18.

At GBP Hospital, the team found 289 patients against 240 beds set aside for Covid patients, including three patients on ventilator and 50 on oxygen support. "10 BiPAP NIV (non-invasive ventilators) and 19 ventilators were unutilized and not installed," the



restaurants from

SANDEEP ASHAR MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 28

Oct first week

RESTAURANTS, CAFES and bars across Maharashtra will open their doors to customers from the first week of October after Uddhav Thackeray government on Monday allowed indoor dining with safety restrictions, including reopening with 50 per cent occupancy.

Chief Minister Uddhav ing a meeting with hoteliers on

When contacted, state Tourism Secretary Valsa Nair-Singh said: "The chief minister has allowed restaurants, bars and cafes to reopen from the first week of October. These establishments have been asked to get ready and undertake refurbishments to reopen.

"The hoteliers have agreed to function as per the standard operating procedure (SOP) that will be finalised within a day or two," she added.

Grappling with severe losses due to the lockdown and steep financial declines, the hospitality industry has been lobbying aggressively for the reopening of indoor dining at restaurants, cafes and bars. These establishments have been shut since March, when the country first went into lockdown. Shut for six months now, restaurants have been surviving on home deliveries and takeaways



Govind Ballabh Pant Hospital in Agartala

Out of the 240 beds, 25 were equipped with oxygen supply and nine were ICU beds fitted with ventilators.

The committee's report said X-ray and CT scan (chest) machines were not functioning at the time of its visit to GBP. "Death register was being maintained but records were incomplete, especially the columns on date of admission, comorbidity, diagnosis... There was no death audit/review committee," the report said. Following the committee's submission, a death audit committee has been formed.

The report also suggests the state continues to lack facilities such as a strong ambulance fleet. "A robust transport (dedicated ambulance with oxygen support with bag and mask with trained

SHAJU PHILIP

SEPTEMBER 28

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM,

TWO INCIDENTS of apparent

medical apathy at different hos-

pitals in Kerala over the week-

end has triggered uproar in a

state that has been hailed for its

health system, with Health

Minister K K Shailaja on Monday

ordering a probe into each inci-

dent and calling for strict action

mission has also ordered probe

pregnant woman from

Malappuram district lost her

twins – they were stillborn – af-

ter the 22-year-old was forced to

shuttle between hospitals in

Malappuram and Kozhikode dis-

tricts for 14 hours while in labour

pain, Shahala Thasni was denied

admission in any hospitals she

approached since she did not pos-

sess an RT-PCR test report for

Covid-negative, even though she

had a negative report done on an

antigen test, according to her hus-

band, NC Muhammed Shareef.

on August 22 with injuries from a

fall, and who seemingly got Covid-

19 infection while at the medical

college hospital in Thiruvanan-

thapuram, was discharged with

maggots all over his body. Anil

Kumar's daughter, Anjana, said,

"We saw worms all over his

body...it was riddled with bedsore.

His skinny ribcage showed he was

On Sunday, a person admitted

On Saturday, a nine-month

against the errant staff.

into both incidents.

staff) and a sound referral system needs to be formulated as only one dedicated hospital is catering to the whole state...," it said.

The report also flagged "no

designated donning and doffing area for PPE" at the emergency Covid care ward; "major issues' involving biomedical waste management and lack of communication between the hospital and patients' relatives. The team has directed the state government to strengthen

the oxygen supply systems at remote district hospitals as critically-ill patients have to spend hours travelling to Agartala. Additional Chief Secretary

(health) S K Rakesh told The Indian Express, "What the central team pointed out on unused ventilators and other equipment

not given proper food.'

Thasni, who had tested posi-

tive for Covid-19 earlier this

month, was tested negative in an

antigen test done at Manjeri

Medical College Hospital in

Malappuram and returned home

on September 15, Shareef said. As

her due date was approaching

she had checked with a local pri-

vate hospital last Thursday but

found the hospital reluctant to ad-

mit a pregnant woman who had

been a Covid-19 patient, he said.

felt labour pains, Shareef took

her to Manjeri hospital, where

the staff allegedly refused to at-

tend to her. They allegedly told

her that since it is a dedicated coronavirus hospital, only Covid-

Shareef said, "We were told to

go to the government women

and children's hospital in

Kozhikode. As the hospital did not

19 patients will be admitted.

Early Saturday, after Thasni

Pregnant woman turned away from

hospital loses twins; probe ordered

4,538 new Covid-19 cases, taking active cases to 57,882. AP

match of sockets of the devices. The person who could install it had to come from Guwahati and there was a delay. Most issues we are facing are due to remoteness of the state. We are getting the ventilators installed."

On X-ray and CT scan machines, Rakesh said, "For non-Covid patients, we made arrangements at the adjoining cancer hospital. However, Covid patients could not be taken out. Again, getting repair staff was a problem as they had to come from Delhi or Kolkata."

The senior official said August saw a spike in cases and deaths, but the situation was stabilizing now. He said, "There were rumours that the state government would declare even negative cases positive as it was getting Rs 1.5 lakh per patient as funds. That made people hesitant to get tested. Many reached the hospital very late. Also, there were around 3,000 marriages and political activities too."

The state government is looking to add another 250 beds at GBP by October 15, he said.

Facing criticism for the Covid situation, Chief Minister Biplab Deb recently said he "won't forgive" sections of "overexcited media" for "misleading people". Since then, at least four journalists have been assaulted, allegedly by workers of the ruling

have a gynaecologist at the time,

the staff there asked us to visit

Kozhikode Medical College

Hospital – they also told advised

us that it would be better to seek

admission in a private hospital, as

the medical college would be

crowded with Covid-19 patients.

Santhi Private Hospital, 30 km

from Kozhikode. "But the hospi-

tal said a negative RT-PCR certifi-

cate was required for admission."

KMCT private medical college

hospital, which admitted her af-

ter conducting antigen test. But

with her condition serious, doc-

tors there referred Thasni to

Kozhikode medical college,

Shareef said. By the time Thasni

got there, it had been over 14

hours since she left home look-

ing for a labour room. A

Caesarean was conducted, but

the twins were stillborn

The couple then went to

Shareef said he called up

HC seeks state affidavit on steps taken on Central team report

DEBRAJ DEB AGARTALA, SEPTEMBER 28

THE HIGH Court of Tripura Monday ordered the state government to furnish details of steps taken to implement recommendations of a central team that surveyed the government's measures to tackle the pandemic.

A report submitted by the team to the state government on its findings was recently furnished to the court for perusal. A division bench comprising Chief Justice A K Kureshi and Justice Subhashish Talapatra has now ordered the government to furnish an affidavit on the steps taken to implement the recommendations.

Advocate General Arun Kanti Bhowmik said the government will submit the affidavit in the next hearing on October 5.

The court also asked the government to form a team of doctors and administrators who would periodically visit the lone designated Covid hospital in the state, inspect facilities and make recommendations to the government, and ensure those violating regulations for wearing masks are identified and penalised.

IN KERALA, HOME CARE

FOR EVEN THOSE WITH

Thiruvananthapuram: The

Kerala government on

Monday decided to allow

home care for symptomatic

patients, too. So far, the state

allowed home isolation, un-

der the Health Department's

guidance, for only asympto-

Vijayan said the spread of the

virus has assumed serious

proportions. He said home

care would be recom-

mended for asymptomatic

patients as well as patients

with minor symptoms.

"Guidelines have been pre-

pared as per WHO norms.

Home care would be for asymptomatic patients,

those with minor symptoms,

and patients whose symp-

toms have subsided..." he

Sabarimala festival, sched-

uled to begin on November

15, would be conducted by

restricting the number of

pilgrims as per Covid-19

Shailaja said, "This should not

have happened, the government

has directed the Health Secretary

to look into it. Action will be

taken based on the report.'

norms.

He also said the annual

matic patients.

MINOR SYMPTOMS

TRACKING INDIA'S COVID CURVE

CASES:

RECOVERED: 50,16,520 **60,74,702** | DEATHS: 95,542

TESTS: 71,967,230 DOUBLING RATE: 49.22**



*Compounded Daily Growth Rate over last 7 days **Calculated over 7-day growth

5,791

4.250

3,292

5,80,808

3,87,085

2,71,114

CASE FATALITY RATIO 7 DAYS EARLIER: 1.60 1.57 Deaths as a ratio of

■ Tamil Nadu

■Delhi

■ Uttar Pradesh

positive cases (in %); indicator of progress in averting deaths

number tested (in %); indicator of

DAILY IN, DAILY OUT POSITIVITY RATE 8.52 82,170 RECOVERED TODAY: 8.44 74,893 Becoming sick vs Positives against

0.99%

1.27%

1.36%

72.51

56.54

53.07

the spread of disease may signal the peal

BILATERAL SUMMIT WITH DANISH PM

Covid showed risk of dependence of global supply chain on single source: PM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

INDIA AND Denmark on Monday discussed the extradition of Purulia arms drop accused Kim Davy and global supply chain diversification and agreed to cooperate on technology to deal with stubble-burning among other issues, in a virtual meeting Prime Minister Narendra Modi held with his Danish counterpart Mette Frederiksen.

At the beginning of the meeting, Prime Minister Modi said, "Covid-19 has shown that it is risky for global supply chains to be highly dependent on any single source. We are working together with Japan and Australia for supply-chain diversification and resilience. Other likeminded countries can also join this effort "His comp at a time when more and more countries are moving away from their dependence on China.

After the meeting, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs, in charge of Central Europe, Neeta Bhushan said the two leaders also discussed the issue of Kim Davy's extradition. She also said Danish

deal with the issue of stubble burning and are willing to share them with Indian partners. Stubble-burning at this time of the year leads to air pollution, especially in northern India.

companies have technologies to

The two sides also elevated the partnership to "Green Strategic Partnership," according to a joint statement.

'The Green Strategic Partnership is a mutually beneficial arrangement to advance political cooperation, expand economic relations and green growth, create jobs and strengthen cooperation on addressing global challenges and opportunities: with a focus on an ambitious implementation of the Paris Agreement and the UN $\,$ Sustainable Development Goals," the statement said.

Both sides expressed their wards an ambitious, fair, and mutually beneficial trade and investment agreement between EU and India to further strengthen and deepen ties, it

They also agreed to strengthen existing city-to-city cooperation between Udaipur and Aarhus and Tumakuru and Aalborg.





PM Modi with his Danish counterpart Mette Frederiksen during the virtual summit. DD News/PTI

Indian Police Foundation data: Police, CAPF are 2% of nation's Covid caseload

SUSHANT KULKARNI PUNE, SEPTEMBER 28

THE INDIAN Police Foundation (IPF) has said that 1.21 lakh personnel from state police forces and Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) have positive for the coronavirus - around 2 per cent of India's total casload for the virus - with 664 personnel succumb-

The IPF has now written to state police across India, pressing for an annual health check-

According to the data collated by IPF, 1,21,903 police and CAPF personnel have contracted Covid-19 to date. In terms of total number of positive cases. Maharashtra Police(21,988), CRPF(10,267), BSF Force (8,934), West Bengal Police (7,963), and CISF (7,612) have the

Speaking to The Indian

ing to the disease.

up of the entire forces.

highest number of cases.

Express, retired IPS officer N Ramachandran, president and founder of IPF, said, "We have been observing the growth of Covid-19 cases in the state police and CAPF in the last three months. Over a period now, the number has remained around 2 per cent of the total number of cases in India. While this number is now steady, it is a high number for a group of specific professions among a country's population....

"While CAPF does have a system of annual health check-up, many state police forces still do not have that. In the context of the pandemic and deaths due to co-morbidities, we have written to individual state police forces to conduct regular annual health check-ups. Even an advisory in this regard from the Home Ministry may act as a directive for state police forces to focus more on improving the general health of the force," he said.

ADMINISTRATION IN JHARKHAND DISTRICT FOCUSES ON AREAS WITH LOW MOBILE CONNECTIVITY

In Dumka's remote areas, mohalla schools for students

ABHISHEK ANGAD NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

EVERY MORNING, Shailen Tudu (12) sits by his house near a painted blackboard and solves the maths problems he is given using a chalk. His principal Sapan Kumar stands at a little distance to oversee his work, and issues instructions using a hand-held

loudspeaker. According to Kumar, 295 students from his upgraded middle school at Dumarthar village in Iharkhand's Dumka district are being taught in this manner due to the pandemic. The school was forced to take this step as more than 80 per cent of its tribal students come from areas which have

Like Dumarthar, the district administration has focused on social distancing, masks, loudspeakers, blackboards, and a few volunteers, teachers in various their students' studies do not suffer using these 'mohalla classes'.

In Mahua village, Munna Bhandari helps with daily chores and assists other teachers. Bhandari, a B-Tech graduate from Jamshedpur, was forced to return to his village due to the lockdown. He said, "This pandemic gave me an opportunity to give back to the children of my village. It feels good to empower

little to no mobile connectivity.

450 shadow zones - areas with low mobile connectivity - and is teaching 12,900 students. With Dumka villages have ensured that



Sapan Kumar with his students in Dumarthar village. Express

them." Tapan Kumar Das, the principal of the local school, says that from Classes 3 to 8, teachers and volunteers teach them. "One

group is divided into various sub-groups who are handled by these volunteers. They are of great help.'

Dumka DC Rajeshwari B said, "Walls of houses turn into blackboard in Dumarthar, Jarmundi as teachers take education to the doorstep of the children. Parents and teachers have come together to ensure that education remains accessible even during corona times..." Dumka Superintendent of

Education Masudi Tudi said that the idea came from a teacher, Shyam Kishore Singh Gandhi, who started teaching his students via loudspeaker in April. "During the pandemic, schools were shut down. Gandhi formed a team and started teaching his students in Bankathi block via loudspeakers. It got a good response. After I joined in August, we held a meeting with all stakewanted to emulate the Gandhi model in the entire district." Tudi said that although the

holders and the administration

state government had started online class initiative called 'DICI-SAATH'. where the content is sent to the children through various WhatsApp group, the percolation was very low. "In Dumka, we have 2,27,000

children enrolled in government schools. Of these, only 45,000 have access to online content daily and therefore there is a huge gap. With mohalla classes, we aim to reach students physically as much as we can. Various teachers have used their innovations to reach students. For the next one week, we plan to reach at least 10 mohallas per block..," said Tudu.

New Delhi

on ruling in land acquisition matter: SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

CHIEF JUSTICE of India S A Bobde on Monday said there was need for more clarity on the Constitution bench ruling in the case regarding interpretation of the land acquisition Act.

"There are some questions... I will discuss with my brother judges... Where there is a property which the government has not taken possession nor paid compensation, then acquisition will lapse. But if the Government has taken possession but not paid compensation, the finding (in the judgment) is acquisition does not lapse and will continue... But how long... Forever?" the CJI asked.

The bench, also comprising Justices A S Bopanna and V Ramasubramanian, was hearing some individual petitions that involve interpretation of Section 24(2) of the Act.

These individual petitions are to be decided on the basis of the ruling delivered by a Constitution bench headed by Justice (retired) Arun Mishra in March this year.

Responding to the bench's query, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta said "there were several pending cases with a different factual situation and the Constitution bench judgment will operate differently depending upon the facts of each... like the date of taking possession, nature of possession, date of award etc".

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

A DELHI court on Monday de-

clared four directors of a

Gujarat-based pharma firm,

Sterling Biotech Ltd (SBL), "fugi-

tive economic offenders" in a

Rs 8,100-crore bank fraud case.

Dharmender Rana passed the

order on a plea filed by the

Enforcement Directorate (ED).

Additional Sessions Judge

"I have no hesitation in ob-

serving that this court is satisfied

that the Petitioner has success-

fully pleaded and proved that the

Respondents herein are fugitive

economic offenders...It is hereby

declared that accused Nitin

Iavantilal Sandesara, Chetan

Jayantilal Sandesara, Dipti Chetan

Jayantilal Sandesra and

Hiteshkumar Narendrabhai Patel

are fugitive economic offenders,"

the accused had fled the country

and were evading the process of

law to face criminal prosecution.

S V Raju, appearing for the ED,

The ED had told the court that

Additional Solicitor General

NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

RS 8,100-CR BANK FRAUD CASE

economic offenders'

Four directors of Sterling

Biotech declared 'fugitive

The court said it will consider the matter after two weeks.

The Constitution bench judgment had held that proceedings under the land acquisition Act. 1984 will not lapse if the compensation payable to the land owner is tendered by depositing in the treasury even if the land owner refuses to accept the same.

It said the deemed lapse of land acquisition proceedings under the section will take place only "where due to inaction of authorities for five years or more prior to commencement of the said Act, the possession of land has not been taken nor compensation has

"In other words, in case possession has been taken, compensation has not been paid then there is no lapse. Similarly, if compensation has been paid, possession has not been taken then there is no lapse," the March ruling said.

Section 24(2) of the Act said that an acquisition would lapse if the physical possession of the land has not been taken "or" the compensation has not been paid.

But the Constitution Bench said the word "or" must be read as "and", meaning thereby that the acquisition will lapse only if the physical possession has not been taken "and" compensation not paid.

Conflicting decisions by two benches in the matter had snowballed into a row in early 2018, forcing the apex court to refer it to a five-judge Constitution bench.

spondents who "have fled from

the country and are evading the

process of law to face criminal

prosecution". He also argued

that the respondents have "cho-

sen deliberately not to return

back to the country and to face

clutches of law"

Need for more clarity INS Viraat reaches final port, set for dismantling

AVINASH NAIR

ALANG (BHAVNAGAR), SEPTEMBER 28

AROUND 2.30 pm on Monday, seven boats carrying iron ropes set sail some 3,000 feet from the Alang shore to secure the 22.600tonne INS Viraat. The Guinness record holder for being the longest serving warship in the world was received at the Alang shipbreaking yard, where it will settle in a space between an ageing oil rig and a container, to be dismantled.

Union Shipping Minister Mansukh Mandaviya, who was present at the shipyard for the ceremony titled "Thank You Viraat", said the central government had been prepared to spend Rs 500odd crore for turning the naval vessel into a museum, but the vessel's hull had aged and could not survive beyond 10-15 years. "It was our aim to convert it into a museum. (Prime Minister Narendra) Modiji had asked me to study the vessel. We had long discussions with my ministry and the Navy and a committee was formed to see if it could be converted into a museum," he said.

He noted that INS Virgat had completed 30 years in the Navy and had earlier served the British navy as HMS Hermes in 1959-84. "When the report of the expert committee came, it stated that materials used inside the ship will not last long. It cannot survive beyond 10-15 years... After the expert opinion, we were compelled and we had to come here to say



Officials said that once the vessel reaches the shore sometime next month, the breaking will begin. Nirmal Harindran

thank you to Viraat," said Mandaviya at the ceremony.

"INS Viraat, which served the country for several years and was retired in 2017, has reached its final destination," said the minister about the aircraft carrier, which was brought from mid-sea and beached 3,000 feet from the coast during high tide.

Rear Admiral Puruvir Das, Flag Officer Commanding, Gujarat Naval Area was also present at the event, at the plot belonging to Shree Ram Group of Industries the firm that bought the vessel for Rs 38.54 crore at an auction.

On arrival teams from the customs department, Atomic Energy Regulatory Board and Gujarat Pollution Control Board (GPCB) boarded and inspected the vessel.

"There will be another round of inspection by Gujarat Maritime Board and GPCB before the breaking can begin," an official from Shree Ram Group said.

Over the next one month, the ship will be slowly brought closer to the beach using diesel-powered winches during high tides. Officials said that once the vessel reaches the shore sometime next month, the breaking will begin.

In July 2019, the Centre had informed Parliament of the decision to scrap INS Viraat. The decision was taken after the vessel could not be handed over to any state government because of lack of "selfsustaining financially complete' proposal to preserve the vessel.

Rear Admiral Das said, "It is a very momentous day for all of us in the white uniform, because there are thousands of sailors who have served on INS Viraat. We have got a lot of expertise and experience which we are currently implementing on INS Vikramaditya and we will be ready for the next aircraft carrier INS Vikrant which is being built

NCB case against Rhea in HC: She bought drugs for Rajput, hid his habit

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

SEEKING that her bail plea be reiected, the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) told the Bombay High Court on Monday that Rhea Chakraborty had bought drugs for and "concealed" Sushant Singh Raiput's drug habit, and hence Section 27A of the Narcotics Drugs Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act providing punishment for financing drug trafficking and harbouring offenders was applicable against her.

In two affidavits submitted to the court, the NCB called Chakraborty and her brother Showik "active members of (a) drug syndicate connected with high society personalities and drug suppliers". The court had on September 24 asked the NCB to respond to their bail pleas. The two were arrested based on WhatsApp chats purportedly recovered from Chakraborty's

The NCB affidavits, submitted by NCB Zonal Director Sameer Wankhede, state that the drugs allegedly linked to Chakraborty were "not meant for personal consumption", adding, "Electronic evidence such as WhatsApp chats, records were retrieved from the mobile, laptop and hard-disk and it indicated payment made for the drugs. Thus, there is ample evidence to show that the present applicant Rhea has not only regularly dealt (with) but has also financed illicit trafficking of

affidavits Chakraborty to Anuj Keshwani, from whom the NCB claims to have recovered "commercial quantity of contraband LSD".

The NCB said that despite being aware of the fact that Rajput consumed drugs, Chakraborty "harboured" him and "concealed" the fact. "It is further submitted that if overall scenario is seen, then the present applicant (Rhea) being aware of the fact that Sushant Singh Rajput being



Rhea Chakraborty. File

someone who is engaged in consumption has harboured him and concealed him whilst he was engaged in consuming the drugs. This would amount to harbouring. The present applicant also allowed her residence for drug storage and consumption for Sushant Singh Rajput."

The affidavits add, "It is clear from the statement and electronic evidence gathered by (the) NCB (that the) applicant is an active member of the drug syndicate connected with high society personalities and drug suppliers. There is sufficient evidence gathered that she is involved in drug trafficking. The applicant used to facilitate drug deliveries and payment through credit cards/ cash/ payment gateways for the contraband."

The NCB made similar submissions against Showik, saying he was also a part of the 'syndicate".

The affidavits say, "It is clear that she had actively aided, abetted and financed other accused persons from drug transactions in pursuance of criminal conspiracy. It is clear that the drugs which were financed were not meant for personal consumption but for supplying the same to another person... Therefore, Section 27A of the NDPS Act is clearly applicable in the case."

The agency said that as the investigation was at a crucial stage, bail to the applicants would hamper the probe.

The High Court will hear the bail pleas of Chakraborty and Showik, along with three others, starting Tuesday.

'Deepika was questioned about some words in chats'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 28

NCB OFFICIALS said they confronted actor Deepika Padukone with some words in WhatsApp chats dating back to 2017 retrieved from her phone and would need to check her phone further to see if her explanations were satisfactory.

The chats were found by NCB after they retrieved data from the mobile phone of Jaya Saha, manager of Sushant Singh Rajput, as part of its probe into the first FIR registered by it. No one has been arrested in the first FIR yet.

NCB has taken the phones of Deepika, Sara Ali Khan and Shraddha Kapoor among others to verify the statements they gave to the agency when they were called in for questioning on Saturday.

NCB officials said they were "not completely satisfied" by the explanations of the superstar. "We will be checking content on Deepika's phone to find out if she used these words in the same context," an NCB official said.

Meanwhile, days after Rajput's family lawyer expressed concern that the probe into the possible cause of their son's death by CBI was overshadowed by the NCB drug probe, CBI issued a statement that the investigation was ongoing. CBI in a statement said, 'CBI is conducting a professional investigation related to the death of Rajput in which all aspects are being looked at and no aspect has been ruled out as of date. Investigation is continuing.'

Vikas Singh, lawyer of Rajput's family, had earlier said all attention was being diverted towards the drugs case and they were helpless as they don't know in which direction the case was going.

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IPS officer relieved of duties after video of him beating wife goes viral

IRAM SIDDIQUE BHOPAL, SEPTEMBER 28

submitted that open ended non-A 1986-BATCH IPS officer in Madhva Pradesh, Purushottam Sharbailable warrants have been issued by the court against the re-

ma, was relieved of his charge as Director General, Prosecution, after a video of him beating up his wife went viral. Citing the video. an order from the state home department has called Sharma's behaviour unethical and indulgent in inflicting domestic violence.

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be inoperative". In a video that went viral The ED, on the contrary, ar-Monday morning, Sharma can be seen beating up his wife after a gued that "an interim order directing 'no coercive steps' canheated argument. At one point, he is seen pinning her down to the not be construed to mean floor. In another video, recorded cancellation of NBWs".



by his wife, Sharma is sitting in a room with a woman and his wife is asking him why he is there.

When contacted, Sharma tolo The Indian Express, "This is a family dispute and Lam at the receiving end. My wife made the first complaint against me in 2008, but if I had such a violent nature, why

tigating agency when asked, but not to the media.' After the two videos came to the fore, a police team was sent to meet Sharma's wife Priya. According to a senior officer, she refused to file an official complaint.

did she stay back with me all these

years and went on foreign trips

and got all the property trans-

ferred in her name?" Asked about

the allegations made by his wife.

he said. "I will answer to an inves-

Director General of Police Vivek Johri said, "We have not received any official complaint vet.' The chief commissioner of the

state women's commission, Shobha Oza, said the commission is in the process of issuing a showcause notice. "We want him to be not only suspended but his service to be terminated. An FIR should be registered under relevant sections invoking domestic violence.'



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ASSAM: RECRUITMENT FOR SUB-INSPECTORS

19 held for paper leak; cops say accused ex-DIG, BJP leader on the run

ABHISHEK SAHA

GUWAHATI, SEPTEMBER 28

NINETEEN PEOPLE have so far been arrested in connection with the leak of question paper of an examination to recruit sub-inspectors, even as two key accused a former top cop and a BJP leader — remain absconding, Assam Police said on Monday. DGP Bhakariyoti Mahanta

told the media: "We have announced an award for information on both prime accused who are absconding." Later in the evening, the police announced the reward amount of Rs 1 lakh each. The exam for 597 posts of sub-

inspectors — for which over 66,000 candidates were to appear on September 20 – was cancelled following preliminary reports that the question paper was leaked and circulated on WhatsApp.

Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal subsequently directed the State-Level Police Recruitment Board (SLPRB) to re-conduct the examination within a month.

According to initial investigation, the police have identified PK Dutta, a former Assam Police DIG, as the prime accused. The other accused, Diban Deka, had unsuccessfully contested the 2011 Assembly elections on a BJP ticket

from Barkhetry constituency. The party has said that any BIP leader

found guilty should be arrested. Additional DGP (Law and Order) GPSingh said, "We are investigating how Diban Deka got the (question)paper(that was leaked), and his connection with Dutta."

Deka was not named in the initial FIR but his name came up during preliminary probe, and he was interrogated at the CID headquarters last week. He was not arrested at the time and subsequently went into hiding.

On the prime accused, and modus operandi of the crime, IGP (CID) Surendra Kumar told reporters Monday that police had last week raided two hotels, allegedly owned by Dutta, in Guwahati and found evidence allegedly connecting him to the case. These include evidence that allegedly link to a "training" service that the police believe Dutta ran for the candidates who were willing to pay money: a burnt flex banner used in the temporary 'office' while enrolling these candidates for training, money allegedly receipts from candidates, 445 blank admission forms, and copies of advertisements. Kumar said candidates allegedly paid Rs 10,000 as

"fee" for this purported training. FULL REPORT ON www.indianexpress.com

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END OF A PACT

SAD-BJP partnership wasn't driven by numbers alone. Both lose from their disagreement on a crucial farm reform

HE POLITICAL PARTING of ways wasn't foretold. The Shiromani Akali Dal (B) in Punjab has long prided itself on being a core member of the BJP-led National Democratic Alliance at the Centre and the alliance itself seemed shored up by a meeting of political interests and reciprocity. During the Lok Sabha elections last year, at rally after rally, SAD patriarch and five-time Punjab chief minister Parkash Singh Badal sought votes for his party in the name of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who, in turn, had likened him to Nelson Mandela. On the three farm bills that have become the breaking point now, the murmurs of protest began in Punjab long before they were tabled in Parliament. But the groundswell of anger that became visible once it became certain that they would be passed without any amendments assuring the sale of produce at the minimum support price presented a challenge to the SAD-BJP. What the Modi government flaunts as the biggest farm reform in agriculture is being seen by many farmers as an impending invasion by corporates in the agrarian state. Organisations of both traders and middlemen that the bills seek to free the peasantry from, and of farmers, have come together to oppose the legislation.

The walkout by the SAD from the NDA brings to an end an alliance that has won four elections in the state — the Akalis had joined hands with the Jan Sangh in the 1960s — but it wasn't a partnership driven by numbers alone. Though the BJP provided the Akalis a crucial opening in the urban areas dominated by traders, its vote share in the poll alliance averaged only around 7 per cent. More importantly, the partnership, in its best version, became a symbol of the syncretic culture of the state, an assertion of Punjabiyat, after a decade lost under the shadow of the guns. It helped the Akalis project themselves as more than a panthic party, and gave the BJP a foothold it couldn't have on its own in a key northern state. At the Centre, alliance with the Akalis helped the BJP to address itself more credibly to victims of the 1984 anti-Sikh violence. More generally, successful partnership with a "Sikh" party was helpful for the BJP in responding to the charge that it was inhospitable to, or intolerant of, the minorities.

The agitation against the farm legislation comes at a time when the SAD is on a weak footing in the state, having logged its worst ever performance in the 2017 assembly polls. Now, as the party prepares for a return to the kind of pro-peasant and anti-Centre plank that held up its politics in an earlier time, however, it will confront a changed politics — and a changing agriculture. The agriculture sector in the state of the Green Revolution is ripe for another big push. For a party which claims to speak for the farmers, finding the way forward will also mean stepping up to the necessity of reform that the farm legislation promises to deliver.

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Sri Lanka's unresolved Tamil question continues to stand in the way of more meaningful Delhi-Colombo ties

HE FIRST MEETING between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Sri Lankan premier Mahinda Rajapaksa after the latter's landslide victory in last month's parliamentary election showed up starkly the differences between the two neighbours on a key issue that has dogged the bilateral relationship. It also showed how little India can do to change this. Since 1988, India has wanted Sri Lanka to implement the 13th Amendment of its Constitution to devolve political power to the Tamil dominated areas in the north and east. The amendment came out of the 1987 India-Sri Lanka Accord and remains the only constitutional measure that gives the Tamil minority a smidgeon of autonomy within a unitary constitution. But the paradox is that while the second tier of devolved provincial councils came up across the island-nation, the minorities-dominated north and east (earlier North-East), from where the demand for asymmetric devolution first arose, did not get these elected councils until some years ago, and then too, with curtailed powers. Now there is talk in Colombo of abolishing the amendment altogether.

The meeting of the premiers ended predictably. As noted in the joint statement, Prime Minister Modi called on the Sri Lankan government "to address the aspirations of the Tamil people for equality, justice, peace and respect within a united Sri Lanka", and urged it to take forward "the process of reconciliation with the implementation of the 13th Amendment". Rajapaksa noncommittally "expressed the confidence that Sri Lanka will work towards realising the expectations of all ethnic groups, including Tamils, by achieving reconciliation nurtured as per the mandate of the people of Sri Lanka and implementation of the constitutional provisions". The Sri Lankan leader went on to issue a separate statement in Colombo that made no mention of the Tamil issue.

It is as if both sides now know they must pay lip service to Sri Lanka's yet unresolved Tamil question, while being aware that it is a charade that isn't going anywhere. Colombo knows its proximity to Beijing rattles Delhi. The Modi government has not been able to get any of the infrastructure projects agreed upon in July 2017 moving. Joint statement mentions offer no guarantee that the situation on the ground in Sri Lanka will change, either for Tamils or for the projects. The Rajapaksas, who speak the language of militaristic Sinhalese nationalism, are here to stay for the foreseeable future. Despite strong cultural links, the challenges in the relationship with Sri Lanka are a test case for Delhi's "Neighbourhood First" policy.

SINGER FOR THE AGES

SP Balasubrahmanyam represented the timeless spirit of music and art

IS WAS THE voice that three generations of Tamils, Telugus, Malayalis and Kannadigas hummed their dreams, sorrows, romance, and devotion in. Sripathi Panditaradhyula Balasubrahmanyam, SPB to admirers and Balu to friends, who succumbed to post-COVID complications on Friday, was a singer for the ages. His career, spread over five decades, makes for staggering statistics — over 40,000 songs in 16 languages with six national awards. But no statistic can capture the impact SPB had on South Indian cinemas — Bollywood was also fortunate to work with him.

SPB, born in Nellore in Andhra Pradesh in 1946, trained to be an engineer but music was in his genes, with his father being a Harikatha artist. Though without formal training in music, he had a sense of music and a voice that was the envy of singers. Sankarabharanam, a 1980 super-hit that celebrated and popularised Carnatic music, owed its success as much to the songs with a classical base that SPB rendered. He was equally at ease crooning foot-tapping numbers, romantic hits and devotionals. He sang for all the big heroes and music directors in South Indian cinemas and with the finest among his peers. His stage shows were an act in improvisation, inspiring co-singers and the orchestra to keep pace with him. In the midst of his busy singing schedule, he also found time to act and dub. He lent his voice to Kamal Haasan in over 150 Telugu films and to Ben Kingsley in the Telugu version of Gandhi.

SPB's art exudes the joy of a person who was in love with life and his vocation. The opening lines of a Tamil hit, perhaps, sum up his music: *llayanila pozhigirathey/Idayam varai nanai-girathey* (A tender moon showering light/ My heart drenched in the moonlight).

The assault on Bollywood



It is a national asset. Destroying its credibility for partisan-political purposes harms national interest

Sanjaya Baru

MANY INDIANS TRAVELLING overseas would have had my experience of the 1980s with a taxi driver in Dakar, Senegal, who offered to drive me around for free if I would part with a music cassette of Amitabh Bachchan's latest movie. From Raj Kapoor in Moscow in the 1950s to Aamir Khan in Beijing more recently, Bollywood actors have been India's cultural ambassadors. In Tokyo's Diet Prime Minister Manmohan Singh received resounding applause when he informed his audience that he was aware of the popularity of "Odori Maharajah" (Dancing Maharajah), as Tamil actor Rajinikanth was popularly known in Japan.

Among the earliest strategic policy analysts to draw attention to the diplomatic benefits of Indian cinema's overseas popularity was none other than the guru of strategic affairs, K Subrahmanyam. I had fascinating conversations with him a quarter century ago on the "foreign policy" of Hollywood. It was in 1990 that American political scientist Joseph Nye coined the phrase "soft power" exploring the US's global cultural influence that added to its economic, technological and military power. "When one country gets other countries to want what it wants" summed up Nye, that would be its "co-optive or soft power", as opposed to its "hard or command power of ordering others to do what it wants". If cinema or music can make a country popular in another that would be its soft power.

Subrahmanyam drew my attention to various examples of soft power. Worried about rising communist influence in Italy, and competing with the Soviet Union for the affection of Italians, agencies of the US government encouraged Hollywood to make films that reminded Italians of the 1960s about the sacrifice of US soldiers during World War II. Readers from my generation would be familiar with Gina Lollobrigida's Buona Sera, Mrs Campbell and Stanley Kramer's film version of Robert Crichton's The Secret of Santa Vittoria, films that aimed to project American popularity in Italy.

While some in Washington DC understood the many external diplomatic uses of Hollywood's soft power, there have been others who have sought to malign the film industry in pursuit of their own domestic political

Attacking Bollywood as an institution in pursuit of a political party's partisan and ideological agenda, as is now happening, does not serve the national purpose. It is now becoming increasingly obvious that Hindu extremists within the socalled Sangh Parivar have targeted Bollywood for a variety of reasons. There is the view that Bollywood had come to be dominated by Muslims and Urdu. A campaign is afoot to 'Hinduise' and 'Hindi-ise' it. There is also the view that the lifestyle of cinema celebrities has encouraged young people to mimic an alien culture — from dress to drugs — forgetting that semi-nakedness and smoking weed are very desi

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agenda. The most infamous of them all was Senator Joseph McCarthy who took it upon himself to purge Hollywood of alleged communist influence. A recent film, *Trumbo*, brings out poignantly the hounding of Hollywood script writer Dalton Trumbo by the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) for being a member of the communist party.

While both the Pentagon and CIA have had internal offices devoted to liaising with and funding Hollywood, the power elites of Washington DC and Hollywood have had a testy love-hate relationship that has endured over the years. Hollywood has had its favourite and detested politicians, while Washington DC's power elite have had their favourite and black-listed Hollywood producers, directors and actors. Few US Presidents have divided Hollywood more than Donald Trump. Oscarwinning stars like Meryl Streep and Robert De Niro criticised Trump for his politics and his crude rudeness and, in turn, Trump has attacked them.

Bollywood, too, has lived with its love-hate relationship with New Delhi. From Indira Gandhi's ban on the airing of Kishore Kumar songs during the Emergency to the politically motivated and orchestrated boycott of several actors and directors today, there have been many examples of political bossism stifling freedom of expression in cinema. On the other hand, many film actors from Sunil Dutt and Rajesh Khanna to Anupam Kher and Akshay Kumar have happily courted the Delhi Darbar. Quite apart from such individual relation-

cline apart from such rithdrain relationships, there has developed over time a certain institutional relationship between New Delhi and Bollywood, though it is not yet as well-oiled, subtle and effective as the relationship between Washington DC and Hollywood. If indeed popular cinema is an aspect of a nation's soft power, then it is incumbent on the institutions of the state to deal with the former in a responsible and not overly partisan manner.

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targeted Bollywood for a variety of reasons. There is the view that Bollywood had come to be dominated by Muslims and Urdu. A campaign is afoot to "Hindu-ise" and "Hindi-ise" it. There is also the view that the lifestyle of cinema celebrities has encouraged young people to mimic an alien culture — from dress to drugs — forgetting that semi-nakedness and

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On top of this middle-class communal and cultural critique some have begun to impose a caste perspective. Language, ethnicity, caste, class and even colour of skin are all inherent to cultural attitudes in India and Bollywood is no exception. To seek to purge Bollywood of one set of biases in favour of another is a political project but not one that would serve the larger cause of promoting diversity of talent and perspectives in Indian cinema.

While cleaning Bollywood of black money and bad influence is a worthy endeavour, the pursuit of political agendas that stifle free expression in the name of nationalism and puritanism, can rob popular culture of its soft power. Social media has been full of brazen campaigns against highly regarded Muslim actors like Shah Rukh Khan and Aamir Khan and writers like Javed Akhtar, as well as the icons of alternative cinema like Shyam Benegal. The media frenzy being whipped up about the personal life of actors harms not just the individuals involved but the institutions they function in. Cultural policing by the state and majoritarian politics can rob Indian cinema of its soft power with popular culture increasingly viewed as propaganda.

Indian cinema is a national institution and a national asset. It is an aspect of Indian soft power. In destroying its credibility by hurting the standing and credibility of the individuals who make these institutions tick, we harm the national interest. By muting the voice of Kishore Kumar on All India Radio, Indira Gandhi's government harmed the credibility of state broadcasting, not Kishore's popularity. Narendra Modi's government should not walk down that slippery slope.

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SHE BROKE THROUGH

Isher Judge Ahluwalia was inspired by issues of urbanisation and governance

Rajat Kathuria

WHEN THE PHONE rang to inform me of the passing away of Isher Judge Ahluwalia, former chairperson of ICRIER and my former boss, the world stopped, if only for an instant, as if someone had pressed a pause button. The poignancy of the moment was accompanied by a flashback of memories of a smiling Isher with perfectly groomed salt and pepper hair, announcing with grace, dignity, poise, charm and brilliance, the start of another conference at ICRIER. Her public persona was larger than life. Behind the exterior, there was also an Isher who was compassionate, supportive, loyal and who possessed almost a childlike desire to learn about issues that drew her interest.

My close association with Isher began fittingly with a conference in April 2012. I was to take over as director and chief executive of ICRIER later that year. She decided to "induct" me at an ICRIER event in Vigyan Bhavan where the then Prime Minister Manmohan Singh was the chief guest. An updated edition of the festschrift, India's Economic Reforms and Development: Essays for Manmohan Singh, coedited by Isher was to be presented to him. She told me Dr Singh (she always called him that) had agreed to come to only listen but secretly hoped he would say a few words. She felt strongly that India's growth model needed new direction and that Singh could provide leadership as he had in 1991.

Over the years, I have shared platforms with stalwarts from government, academia and the private sector. When I questioned whether I belonged there, I sher insisted I did, and went on to supply the motivation and inspiration. What was abundantly clear to me was that I CRIER's

She once told me that allowing women to work flexibly from home (much before COVID struck) would double their productivity for they will need to prove themselves through their work rather than visibility in the office. Often in public platforms Isher would proudly declare that ICRIER owes much of its success to its favourable gender balance. ICRIER has had around 70 per cent women for much of its

recent history.

linked with Isher. On occasions, ICRIER was (embarrassingly for her) referred to as her institute. Her name opened doors and funding opportunities, and after having worked closely with her, I can say with complete conviction that ICRIER was in her DNA. She was constantly thinking about ways to enhance the quality of research, attract new talent and raise more funds and was successful in all three.

vast reputation and standing was inextricably

For a scholar of her stature and with all the exceptional achievements to boot, she could well have rested on her laurels. There was nothing left to prove. But that was not Isher. Thank God for that. Not only did she inspire but was herself inspired by issues of urbanisation and governance. That, she often proudly declared, was her second calling as an economist. She made the area her own and would delight in speaking on urban issues, an area in which, in less than a decade, she acquired complete command. We often spoke about these issues in her office and home. In one such interaction she told me with almost childlike pleasure she had attended a talk by the visiting Deputy Prime Minister of Singapore, Tharman Shanmughanathan and asked him the definition of a smart city. His response was the use of technology to provide efficient and affordable pubic services to citizens. Can Indian cities be smart without the basics of water, solid waste management, sanitation and public transport she asked rhetorically.

Her remarkable memoir, *Breaking Through*, was heroically completed during the time she was suffering from acute ill health and despite that she produced the most touching, readable

and stirring memoir of an extraordinary life. She dedicated the book to her two daughters-in-law, reinforcing what she had done through her professional life — support women and women economists. She once told me that allowing women to work flexibly from home (much before COVID struck) would double their productivity for they will need to prove themselves through their work rather than visibility in the office. Often in public platforms lsher would proudly declare that ICRIER owes much of its success to its favourable gender balance. ICRIER has had around 70 per cent women for much of its recent history.

Her last public appearance on ICRIER's platform was in February this year at the launch of Montek Singh Ahluwalia's memoir, Backstage. She worked tirelessly "backstage" to help him complete it, proof read drafts, check data sources and at the launch she basked in the adulation that he received. She broke down several times that evening, knowing what was in store. but was happy at another result. Singh who was the chief guest, spoke expansively and spontaneously on what was wrong with India's growth model. Her secret wish had been granted. She remained loyal to him throughout. It was destined perhaps that she breathed her last on Singh's 88th birthday. Some things are best accepted as god's will. At ICRIER, we will continue to celebrate her life. Iqbal's couplet sums her life rather well: "Khudi ko kar buland itna ki har tagdeer se pahle/khuda bande se khud puchhe bata teri raza kya hai."

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SEPTEMBER 29, 1980, FORTY YEARS AGO

CLAIMS ON OIL HUB IRAQ SAID ITS forces punched 80 km inside Iran and were battling for control of three major cities in Iran's oil heartland. Iran denied these claims and said its forces were fighting back strongly. Iraq claimed the capture of Ahwaz, capital of Iran's oil province, and Iraqi forces were reported inside Khorramshahr and had besieged Abadan and Dezful. Baghdad said its forces had crushed the Karheh river defence line of Dezful, 110 km north of Ahwaz. Iran called claims that the announcement that Ahwaz had fallen is a "great lie". Iraq accused Iran from broadcasting from another transmitter to "make the Iranian people believe that Ahwaz is still resisting".

UP'S POLICE REVAMP
UPCHIEF MINISTER Vishwanath Pratap Singh
has said that the provincial armed constabulary might be screened to weed out communal elements. He, however, ruled out the possibility of the PAC being disbanded as is being
demanded by several leaders. Singh said that
the force had been overworked during the
Janata Party and Lok Dal governments because of several riots. PAC deployment was 80

OPPOSITION MEET
THE TWO-DAY NATIONAL conference of six

per cent to 90 per cent, as a result of which the

force did not have a single day of training, a

parties — CPM, CPI, Lok Dal, Forward Block, RSP and Congress — in Delhi adopted a draft resolution on price rise, communalism and civil liberties. The draft was not read out at the session because members had not been given a copy. Among the few points which did not find a place was the demand to cancel the Asian Games in Delhi.

RAJIV GOES TRAINING RAJIV GANDHI ARRIVED in Hyderabad for a course at the Central Training Institute of the Indian Airlines. He was irked when he saw a few Congress I members at the airport and said, "Kya tamasha hai".

New Delhi

necessary routine, he claimed.

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THE IDEAS PAGE

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"Unanimity is a rare commodity in the tribal world of newspapers, but there has, rightly, been no dissent from the view that Evans was the most inspiring editor of his generation, and perhaps of any." - THE OBSERVER

Our place at the

global high table

Prime Minister underlined India's rightful claim to Security Council and by calling out the UN on Covid, emerged as the voice of many nations too

Jagat Prakash Nadda

PRIME MINISTER NARENDRA Modi's his-

toric address in the United Nations General

Assembly, last week, was remarkable in

many ways, particularly for the assertive

manner in which he laid out India's claim to

be a permanent member of the Security

Council. PM Modi also did what no other

head of state managed to - highlight the

failure and incompetence of the UN in deal-

ing with the pandemic. Thus, besides being

the voice of 130 crore Indians, PM Modi

emerged as the voice of many nations, par-

gorically questioned for how long will India

which has been contributing immensely

towards the growth and strengthening of

the UN — be kept out of the global body's

has changed since the formation of the UN

75 years ago, when the world was trying to emerge out of the ravages of World War II.

The entire world was badly shaken by the

atom bomb explosions in Japan, India was

waging a decisive battle for its Independence and colonialism was in its

last throes. He highlighted how, in the last

seven decades, the global scenario has

completely changed. The world has seen

far-reaching changes in this period — the

Cold War era, the disintegration of the USSR

and the unification of Germany. We have

also seen many countries attaining free-

dom, while many nations have been racked

by civil wars. There were also many small

and big wars, and many nations disinte-

aloof from reforms and restructuring — that

he, emphasised, is the need of the hour.

When the UN came into being in 1945, its

charter was signed by 50 nations. Today, it

has 193 member states. But the structure of

such an important global organisation re-

mains unchanged. We still have five perma-

nent members in the Security Council. The

PM said the UN's 75th anniversary should

not just be a symbolic affair, it should go

down in history as a landmark occasion by

The PM made clear his disappoints

at the UN's response to the COVID pan-

demic. He said that the global body has

acted indifferently in these unprecedented

times when lakhs of people have suc-

cumbed to the deadly virus. It has been

pointed out how the WHO failed to rise to

the occasion by not providing succour and

lieved and practised universal brotherhood

and cooperation. India has also been com-

mitted to global peace, prosperity and secu-

rity. India has always stood by the UN in deal-

ing with forces which are against humanity

The PM told the world how India has be-

hope to the poor and weaker nations.

making the body more inclusive.

PM Modi said that the UN has kept itself

grated to become smaller entities.

PM Modi highlighted how the situation

decision-making process.

Without mincing words, the PM cate-

ticularly the smaller and weaker ones.

Tending to the neighbourhood

The anxiety that India is losing clout in the Subcontinent is not new. India's relations with its neighbours will always be about carefully managing the inevitable difficulties that arise



BY C RAJA MOHAN

THE IDEA THAT India is losing clout in the neighbourhood has recently become a special cause for anxiety among Delhi's commentariat. Is this concern really new? A longer look at India's regional diplomacy suggests that Delhi has been losing some and winning some at any time in the region.

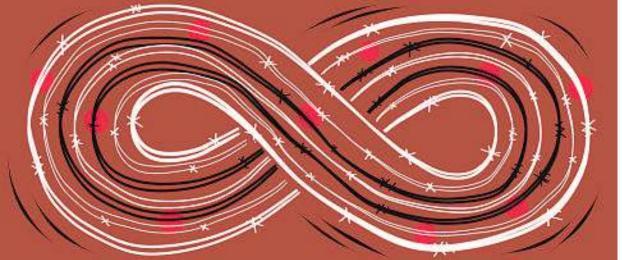
The current chatter on India's regional diplomatic failures takes me back to the early 1980s, when I began to track India's neighbourhood diplomacy at the Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, I was drafted as a rapporteur for a major conference on "India and its neighbours", organised by India International Centre. The conference brought together the leading lights of India's foreign policy establishment — including current and former officials, newspaper editors and academics. The luminaries argued with each other on the sources of the problem and the remedies for it.

The divisions in the foreign policy elite only mirrored the fracture already evident in the political class. During the campaign for the 1977 general elections, the opposition Janata Party criticised Prime Minister Indira Gandhi for her costly pursuit of regional hegemony in South Asia and promised to build good neighbourly relations. Prime Minister Morarji Desai and his foreign minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee did bring about some important correctives. But it did not take long for them to face the same criticism as Indira Gandhi. No government since then has escaped the charge of mishandling the neighbours.

Was there a "golden age" in India's neighbourhood policy? Yes and no. If there ever was an extended period of India's regional primacy, it was before Independence. As the regional expression of the then sole superpower, Britain, the Raj exercised much sway not just over the neighbourhood but across the Indo-Pacific, if you will, during the 19th and early 20th centuries.

The Indian Ocean littoral was dominated by the Royal Navy and the Indian Army. Indian capital and labour moved across the Indo-Pacific. On the continental side, the Raj surrounded itself with a series of buffer states and protectorates and often projected military power beyond them. The Raj contributed to British efforts in developing new port cities (from Aden to Hong Kong) and constructing trans-regional connectivity through roads and railways. (You might call it the British Belt and Road Initiative!)

Even for the Rai, one of the mightiest powers in history, it was an unceasing struggle to sustain its primacy. It had to constantly fend off its European rivals from encroaching into the periphery of the Raj. The Great Game was about keeping the Dutch, French, Germans, Russians and Japanese at arm's length. Then there were the pesky local rulers who had to be continually disciplined, deposed or bought. Rebellions across the littoral - whether the Boers of Southern Africa or the Faqir of Ipi in Waziristan - had to be crushed. Keeping the Subcontinent safe resulted in frequent military and political disasters – from Afghanistan to Burma and



Xinjiang to Singapore.

The notion of regional primacy certainly persisted in the Nehru era - recall the three security treaties that the first prime minister signed with Bhutan, Sikkim and Nepal during 1949-50. The newly-formed Ministry of External Affairs, the legatee of the Foreign and Political Department of the Raj, certainly retained some of the viceregal style of political agents in the neighbourhood. But beyond the region, Nehru had put India on a different diplomatic track that emphasised sovereign

Forget for a moment the schizophrenia this mats; primacy was hard to sustain after Independence even within the immediate neighbourhood. Five reasons stand out.

One is the Partition of the Subcontinent. The problems generated by the great division of the Subcontinent on religious lines continue to animate the region. No amount of virtuesignalling in the name of good neighbourly policy can help fix the challenges of settling boundaries, sharing river-waters, protecting the rights of minorities, and easing the flow of goods and people. The burden of the

Tibetan frontier during 1950-51. The unification of China amidst the Partition of India had profoundly transformed the geopolitical condition of India. Beyond the bilateral territorial dispute in the Himalayas, the emergence of a large and purposeful state on India's frontiers was going to be a problem given the ease with which it could constrain Delhi within the Subcontinent. If it was the Raj that advanced northwards across the Himalayas before 1950, it would be China's turn now for a relentless

Third was independent India's conscious choice in favour of de-globalisation, which led to a steady dissipation of commercial connectivity with the neighbours. For Delhi's new quest for autarky was not just from the global economy but also the regional one. India's economic reorientation since the 1990s and the rediscovery of regionalism did open possibilities for reconnecting with its neighbours. Delhi today is acutely aware of

There is much progress in recent years note, for example, the recent launch of a ferry service to the Maldives or the reopening of inland waterways with Bangladesh.

But India has a long way to go. Consider the recent fiasco of onion ex-

see the neighbourhood as an integrated geopolitical space. But for the commerce ministry, there is no difference between Bangladesh, Bolivia, and Brunei. Integrating India's regional economic and foreign policy remains a major challenge.

Fourth is the persistent fallacy in Delhi that the neighbourhood is India's to will. It ignores the rise of political agency among neighbourhood elites and mass politics that they need to manage. Their imperatives don't always coincide with those of Delhi. On top of this, divisions within an elite easily intersect with their engagement with major powers, including India, China and the US. It is unlikely that Delhi can completely insure itself against the intraelite conflicts in the neighbourhood.

That insurance is tied to a fifth factor — the role of domestic politics in India's regional policy. Here is an important question that Delhi's foreign policy debate avoids. Can India persistently champion Tamil minority rights in Sri Lanka without incurring any costs with the Sinhala majority? But asking that question takes us to India's own domestic politics. Can Delhi ignore sentiments in India's Tamil Nadu in making its Sri Lanka policy? Manmohan Singh, for example, did not attend the Colombo Commonwealth Summit in 2013 because Congress leaders from Tamil Nadu opposed the visit by citing the impending elections. Mamata Banerjee pulled the plug at the very last minute on the Teesta Waters agreement that PM Singh was to sign in Dhaka in 2011.

There are no easy answers to the regional difficulties that trouble all governments in Delhi. The source of the problem lies in the deeply interconnected nature of South Asian societies administered by multiple sovereigns. Contrary to the prevailing belief, India's domestic politics always had an impact on our regional policy. The same is true of our neighbours, whose domestic politics impact their engagement with India.

There is no happy end-state in India's relations with its neighbours. It will always be about carefully managing the inevitable difficulties that arise. Timely responses to emerging problems, preventing small issues from becoming big, and aligning Delhi's regional economic policy with India's natural geographic advantages are some important elements of any successful management of India's perennial neighbourhood challenges.

The writer is director, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore and contributing editor on international affairs for The Indian Express and global peace. The PM reiterated that as a founding member of the UN, it is India's obligation and responsibility to fight and stand for its core values. A testimony to India's commitment is its unwavering contribution to peace missions and the supreme sacrifices made by the country's soldiers.

It is due to the PM's sustained efforts that, besides creating a unique space for itself in the world in the last six years, India has also managed to make the lives of its citizens better through various social and economic schemes. PM Modi gave a glimpse of this during his address. He told the world how the policy of "reform, perform and transform" has led to massive changes in the Indian society, which used to be perceived as impossible or unimaginable.

In the last five years, the Modi government has added 40 crore people to the banking system. It has also brought 60 crore people out of the curse of open defecation. PM Modi has now taken the pledge to provide safe drinking water to 15 crore households and connect six lakh villages with highspeed broadband. PM Modi has made a visible impact on the health infrastructure through his unique initiatives and made available to the masses affordable healthcare through the Ayushman Card scheme and Jan Aushadhi stores.

The PM has also turned the pandemic into an opportunity by giving the nation a golden chance to become "atmanirbhar" (self-reliant). PM Modi's philosophy is being widely appreciated in the world. It is also giving inspiration to other nations.

PM Modi's address to the UN has forced the world to take note of the fact that India is no longer a pushover. It has become a nation that dares to stand up for its rights. He also underlined India's rightful claim – permanent membership of the Security Council.

In 2021, India will become the non-permanent member of the Security Council, for the eighth time. India has made valuable contributions to the growth and success of the UN, and it is for this reason that India is more emphatically demanding its rightful position. The world is looking up to India. A glimpse of this was seen when 187 out of 190 nations voted overwhelmingly in favour of India to become a non-permanent member of the Security Council.

India, a nuclear superpower, has remained committed towards nuclear nonproliferation. It is the world's largest democracy, inhabited by 18 per cent of the global population. India has been an important member of all major global economic forums and has been contributing to the world's economic progress.

PM Modi categorically stated how the representation of Africa and South America has been disproportionately low in the UN, which is dominated by five nations. The time has come to rectify this anomaly, a demand that has been repeatedly raised by various global bodies including the G-4. The PM's address has brought a majority of the nations to a common platform; these nations strongly feel that UN reform is the need of the hour and India deserves its rightful position at the global body.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

HONOUR PROCEDURE THIS REFERS TO the article, 'How Vajpayee took on Nehru govt over 1962

Chinese aggression' (IE, September 28). After reading the article, one thing jumps out at the reader and must be appreciated. Despite a majority in the House and a meagre Opposition, Jawaharlal Nehru as prime minister used to honour parliamentary procedure and principle. He would answer the questions raised by opposition leaders. Contrast this with the treatment meted out by the present government to the Opposition. It has not even held a discussion on major bills before passing them, ignoring a constitu-

tional requirement. R M Deshpande, Navi Mumbai

GO-TO MAN

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'The navigator' (IE, September 28). With his suave manner dignified demeanor, skills Jaswant Singh proved to be the then prime minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee's go-to man. Whether it was managing temperamental coalition partner Jayalalithaa or dealing with the high jackers of flight IC-184 or calming down the estranged international community after India became a nuclear power – he is the man the Prime Minister would depend on. This and his image as a liberal face of the RSS-controlled party helped to keep the secular parties together with BJP. Y G Chouksey, Pune

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THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Fooling all the people all the time' (IE, September 27). India's agricultural sector has been historically a prisoner of the APMCs, Essential Commodities Act and middlemen. The third tranche of the economic packages had tried to address reforms on these aspects. But the moot point remains how it was planned to be done and when. No timelines were given, and only issuing statements does not work. The Modi government should post-haste crystallise action plans, and give a push to private investments in farm infrastructure, as also grant MSP, a legal right of the farmers.

Ravi Bhoolchand Jain, Zirakpur

No victors, no survivors

Aday before verdict in Babri Masjid demolition case, a message from the epics

Nalini Singh

THE BIP'S VETERAN leaders LK Advani, Murli Manohar Joshi, Kalyan Singh, Uma Bharati and 28 others, including Sangh Parivar worthies, have been asked to be present in Lucknow on Wednesday, as Special CBI Judge S K Yadav delivers the judgment on the criminal conspiracies in the demolition of the "disputed structure" of the Babri Masjid in Ayodhya, on December 6, 1992. Will the verdict be guilty or innocent? It is difficult to fathom what some of these notable accused are thinking today about the destruction of the mosque, since few have spoken publicly. Uma Bharati is one of the few who has claimed that it does not matter to her what the judgment will be: "If I am sent to the gallows, I will be blessed."

Some of the prominent accused have denied all charges of conspiracy. Yet today, 24 hours before the verdict, do some of the accused wish silently that the mosque had not been flattened, or are they steadfast in their belief that the bruised Hindu faith was avenged only when the domes of the 500-year old Babri Masjid crumbled at their feet 28 years ago?

The Supreme Court has already recognised that the "polestar of faith and belief" among the Hindus is that the disputed mosque was built on the very temple which was made sacred by Lord Ram's birth. Of course, since Ram was yuvraj, son of King Dashrath, he was doubtless born in the king's palace, not in a temple (which would have been built later to consecrate the sacred place).

Based on astronomical information on the constellation of stars and eclipses corresponding to events in the Ramayan, scholars have conjectured that the events described in the Ramayan took place 7,000 years ago, and that this sweeping epic was first composed and recited in Sanskrit by sage Valmiki, and written manuscripts of his compositions have been traced to BCE 200 — that is, to 2,200 years ago.

Tomorrow's judgment on the criminal conspiracy to demolish the 500-year old masjid in Ayodhya, refers to a relatively recent event in the 7,000-year old belief in Ram's birthplace being at the exact spot where the mosque was located. Thousands of years prior to this demolition, the chronicler of Ram's life, sage Valmiki had pointed to two astonishing and complex truths manifested by Ram and Sita after their return to Ayodhya.

After their victorious reception in Ayodhya, Sita, who was pregnant, was again faced with a clamour for proof of her marital fidelity and innocence. Rather than submit to this ominous demand, Sita took shelter in Valmiki's ashram where Ram's twin sons, Luv and Kush were born, Later, after Ram acknowledged the twins as his progeny, Sita asked the goddess Earth "to open wide for me" (Sarga 88, verse 11) whereupon "from the surface of the earth there arose an unsurpassed heavenly throne (verse 12) and Dharini, who was on the throne, took Maithili (Sita) in her arms..." and they descended below the earth's surface as Sita re-entombed herself. Ram ruled Ayodhya benignly for 10,000 years (the cosmic equivalent of the blinking of an eye) during which Luv and Kush learnt statecraft. But the Valmiki Ramayan notes in the Uttar Kand (Sarga 99-100), that one day Ram set forth from the palace on foot to the river Sarayu, with his brothers Bharat and Shatrughan (Lakshman had died), and when they reached the river, Ram "bodily entered the sacred water of the Sarayu" and immersed himself fully, as did his brothers, amid "a blazing energy proper to Vishnu". Victorious Ram immersed himself in the river.

Victory did not tether Ram and Sita to the indulgence of perpetual triumph, and in their disappearance from the apron of life, they affirmed, one, that there are no victors in life and, two, that there are no survivors. And this is the sparkling tissue with which the great Hindu faith is woven. But does the other Hindu epic, the more recent 5,000-year old Mahabharata affirm this interpretation of victory and extinction, or does it valorise eternal triumph? Guru Ved Vyas' epic describes an 18-day war between two sets of cousins, the Pandavas (five in number) and the Kauravas (numbering 100). The Pandavas swept up a conclusive victory under the sharp guidance of Lord Krishna through his dialogue with Arjun, the third Pandava. This dialogue nestles as the invaluable Gita in the heart of the Mahabharata.

Various narratives suggest that after vanquishing and killing the Kauravas, the Pandavas ruled for 36 years over Hastinapur and Indraprastha. But this land had been laid waste, with most young men killed in the war. The victorious Pandavas were exhausted, and despite winning all they desired, they were unhappy with conflicts in the concept of life and living. Eventually, bestowing the kingdom upon

Parikshit (Arjun's grandson), the Pandava brothers and wife Draupadi walked away from the land they had conquered and set off for the Himalayas. But each of the Pandavas, and Draupadi, died on the way. Only Yudhishtir reached heaven's portal with Yama, the god of Death, in the form of a dog, and vet even he could not enter until he had performed a long penance for his sins. In essence, the Mahabharata confirms the boundless truths of the Valmiki Ramayan about triumph and survival.

So, before the CBI court's verdict tomorrow, are the 32 accused of the conspiracy of the demolition of Babri Masjid asking themselves if they are victors because the domes were pulverised, or is the "Muslim side" asking itself if a guilty verdict will be their victory?

For answers, look back in awe at the great Hindu epic-savants who held that in life there are no victors and no survivors.

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New Delhi

Vandalism of temples isolated

incidents, says

Andhra Police

SREENIVAS JANYALA

HYDERABAD. SEPTEMBER 28

A SPREE of vandalism at Andhra

Pradesh's temples has sparked a

political row in the state, with

the BJP and TDP attacking the

ruling YSRCP over the issue.

However, the police maintain

that the attacks are isolated in-

DGPD Goutam Sawang said,

'In one incident (of vandalism)

in Kurnool, the accused revealed

that he desecrated the idol and

stole the private parts of the de-

ity because he was made to be-

lieve that this could lead to his

wife conceiving a child. Various

other attacks were executed by

gangs who were hunting for

treasure supposedly hidden un-

der the idols. Therefore, all these

incidents have different motives

and are completely unrelated. All

these are standalone incidents

but an effort was made to give it

a spin as if temples were under

Bangla 'hitmen' held for plot to kill TMC leader: Police

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KOLKATA, SEPTEMBER 28

SIX PEOPLE were arrested in Birbhum district on Sunday night for allegedly plotting the murder of a TMC leader, sources in the police said on Monday. Four of the accused are

Bangladeshis, the police said, describing them as "supari killers [contract killers]". Following a tip-off, they were arrested from a house in Taltore village in the interior part of Santiniketan. The other two are local people who allegedly aided and abetted them. The accused were produced in a local court

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on Monday, and remanded to police custody for 14 days.

"Six have been arrested, four of them are Bangladeshis and two are locals. We have recovered firearms from their possession," Birbhum SP Shyam Singh told The Indian Express. The police did not reveal the names of the accused or their target.

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DAC nod to buy 73,000 US SiG Sauer rifles for Rs 780 crore

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NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

BESIDES APPROVING the new Defence Acquisition Procedure to replace the Defence Procurement Policy of 2016, the Defence Acquisition Council (DAC) on Monday also approved buying another cache of nearly 73,000 American SiG Sauer assault rifles for Rs 780 crore.

The total procurement approved by the DAC on Monday is worth Rs 2,290 crore.

This is the second time in as many years that the government has bought almost as many SiG Sauer 716 assault rifles to plug the shortfall of such weapons in the Army. In February last year, India had bought 72,400 SiG Sauer 7.62x51 mm calibre guns for Rs 647 crore.

> Buying almost 1.5 lakh of The government men-

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, CDS Gen Bipin Rawat and

Dated: 28.09.2020

tioned that the rifles have been bought "to equip the Frontline Troops of the Army". It comes at a time when India and China are involved in a military standoff in eastern Ladakh for nearly five months now.

these guns over two years comes

even as a Make in India project to manufacture more than 6.5 lakh AK-203 rifles at the Korwa ordnance factory in Amethi, Uttar Pradesh, has failed to take off. The project is a joint venture with Russian Roson-boronexport (ROE) and Kalashnikov.

The deal has been stuck over

price negotia-

tions. The DAC

also approved capital acquisition under the Buy India (Indigenously Designed, Developed and Manufactured) category to procure Static HF Trans-receiver sets and Smart Anti-

Airfield Wea-

pon (SAAW).

attack." The political attacks on the state government began on September 6, when the wooden chariot at the Antarvedi temple in East Godavari district was gutted in a fire.

Officials said that in the 19 incidents of vandalism reported since, arrests have been made in 12 cases. Investigation revealed that in a temple in Srikakulam. the arm of an idol fell off after it was exposed to heavy rains. "It

was not desecrated as was claimed earlier.' an official said.

"We are confident we will be able crack all the cases in due course including the Antarvedi temple chariot fire. All these are standalone incidents, each one has a different motive,"

the chiefs of the Army, Air Force and Navy on Monday. ANI

UJVN Limited

"e" Procurement tender Notice Office of the Executive Engineer (E&M-I), Vaysi Project, Dakpathar UJVN Ltd. Invites online bids from interested parties. Brief summary of

Tender No. 10/EE(E&M-I)/VP/2020-21

ender is given below:

Estimated Cost: Rs 646775.00 (GST Extra).

"Avoid wasteful use of Electricity

Name of Supply: Supply of Stationery Items Date of availability of bid document on website: 30-09-2020 10:00 Hrs

Last Date for submission of bids on website: 21-10-2020 up to 17:00Hrs For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal http://uktenders.gov.ln Executive Engineer (E&M-I)

कार्यालय अधिशासी अभियन्ता, जल निगम यांत्रिक खण्ड, उ.प्र. जल निगम 220, शिविल लाइना-गेरत

अल्पकालीन निविदा सूचना

पत्रांक : 1072 / निविदा / 116

दिनांक : 25.09.2020

g.प्र. वाल निगम की ओर से फर्मों से **जनप**र मेरठ में नगर निगम, मेरठ के नलक्यों पर अधिष्ठापित सर्वौ स्टेबिलाइजरों के रखरबाव हेतु निविदायें आगन्तित की जाती है। निविदा की विकी दिनांक 01.10.2020 से 05.10.2020 तक कार्यालय समय में इस कार्यालय से की जावेगी। मुहरबन्द निविदायें दिनांक 08.10.2020 को साय 17:00 बजे एक इस कार्यालय में डाली जायेगी। प्राप्त विनांक 12.10.2020 को अधिशासी अभियन्ता, मान्त्रिक खण्ड, उ.प्र पाल निगम, मेरठ कार्यालय में निविदा मिति द्वारा उपस्थित ठेकेदारों के सन्ध 15:00 बजे खोली जायेगी। निविदा प्रपत ਜ਼ ਸੂਰਕ ਚਰ 1000 (+18%) GST ਵੈ नेविदा के कार्यों का दिस्तृत विवरण जत निगन की वेपसाईट jn.upsdc.gov.in पर अथवा सम्बन्धित कार्यालय से प्राप्त किया जा सकता है।

(A GUVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU UND L.L.A. Building, II Floor, 735, Anna Salai, Cl Short e-TENDER NOTICE e-Tender Ref No.20/2020-21, Transportation of Dry Fly Asl through Bulk Tankers from North Chennai Thermal Powe Station (NCTPS), Chennai to Ariyalur Cement Works, Ariyalu Dist. Value Rs.7.14 Crore. EMD Rs.7,00,000/-Submission of tender: Up to 3.00 PM, on 14.10.2020. Important Note: A pre-bid meeting will be held on 05.10.2020 at 3.00 pm at TANCEM, Corporate Office, No.735, L.L.F.

Building, II Floor, Anna Salai, Chennai – 600 002. pear only on the above said website. PR/3646/TENDER/2020 General Manager (Marketing)

TAMILNADU CEMENTS CORPORATION LIMITED

he details are available in www.tntenders.gov.ii orrigendum /Addendum to this publication, if any would

DGP Sawang said. कार्यालय प्रधानाचार्य, स्वशासी राज्य चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय, फिरोजाबाद

<u>अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सुचना</u> स्वशासी राज्य चिकित्सा महाविद्यालय एंव चिकित्सालय, फिरोजाबाद में

Humidifier के क्रय हेतु पुन: ई-निविदायें आमंत्रित की जाती है। ई-निविदा दिनांक: 29.09.2020 अपरान्ह 03:00 बजे से दिनांक: 06.10.2020 अपरान्ह 03:00 बजे तक डाउनलोड एवं अपलोड की जा सकती है एवं दिनांक: 07.10 2020 को अपरान्ह 03:00 बजे तकनीकी बिड खोली जायेंगी। इस सम्बन्ध में विस्तृत विवरण संस्थान की वेबसाइट gmcfirozabad.in एवं ई—टेण्डर की अधिकृत वेबसाइट पर प्रदर्शित किया जायेगा।

Uttar Pradesh New and Renewable Energy Development Agency, (UPNEDA) (Deptt. of Additional Sources of Energy, Govt. of U.P.) Vibhuti Khand, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow U.P. Mobile. 9415609078, 9415609017. Tele Fax: 0522-2720779, 2720829 Website: http://www.upneda.org.in E-Mail: compneda@redii Corrigendum Notice

In reference to e-lender notice published in this news paper during 27-28 August 2020 for various below mentioned works based on pre-bid meeting and suggestions received from firms through emailfetters the corrigendum of each tender has been published on e-tenderup, nic, in web portal and the bid submission date has been extended as mentioned in the below chart.

No.	Items	e-tender No.	of on linebid	technical bid
1	Solar Street Lighting System (W-LED based) with LHFe-PO4 pattery in various sites of various districts of Uttar Pradesh.	01/UPNEDA/SPV/OG/ SL/2020-21	13.10,2020 IH 6.30PM	14.10.2020 at 12.30 PM
2	Solar PV Power Plants (grid hybrid) of 65 KW with Lithium (Lifepod) battery backup in Hatcheries situated at Ayodhya, Prayagraj, Sultanpur, Meerut, Basti, Jalaun Gorakhpur and Sahjahanpur Districts of Ultar Pradesh	82/UPNEDA/SPWOG/ SPPM/2020-21	till 6.30PM	08.10.2020 at 12.30 PM
	Solar fencing of 8 feet height with 6 wire at Hardol and Lucknow			08.10.2020 at 12.30 PM
г.	Solar water heater of 500 LPD and 1000 LPD capacity of flat plate type with thermosyphon in various district of Utter Pradesh	04/UPNEDA/ST/SWH/ Gen/2020-21	97.10.2020 bit 6.30PM	08.10.2020 at 12.30 PM

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1	Draughtsman Mechanical	Level4	10th Pass	300 hrs.	20
2	GNG Operator - Turning	Level 3	10th Pass	300 hrs.	20
3	CNC Operator - VMC	Level3	10th Pass	300 hrs	20

Financial Assistance: Stipend @ Rs.1000/- per month shall be paid as per norms. Annual family income for OBC: Below Rs. 3.00 Lakh Registration / Course Fees: Nil

Annual family income for EBC: Below Rs. 1.00 Lakh Registration Starts from :25.09.2020

:10.10.2020 :15.10.2020 Documents Required: Copy of following documents

New Delhi

2. Aadhar Card

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la north eastern railway 🔘 **CORRIGENDUM**

Dy.CME/Works for Chie Workshop Manager, N.E.Railway. Mechanical Workshop, Gorakhpur for ınd on behalf of President of India has peen modified Scope of work pertaining to E-Open Tender No. - 05-MWS-GKP-2020-21

n reference to the above subject Scope of work has been modified vhich may please be read as under -S.No. 1, E-Tender Notice No & Name of the work: 05-MWS-GKP-2020-21 "Supply, Installation and raining of Siemens NX Software with orkstation with other System. Existing: Nil, Modified: The firm will provide original software rocured from OEM or his authorized lealer. Firm has to provide supporting ocument in this regard.

All other terms and conditions o above tenders will be remain inchanged except above and details of enders are also available on Indian Railway website **www.ireps.gov.in** Chief Workshop Manager Mechanical Workshop N.E. Railway, Gorakhpu About any passenger amenity complain SMS on Mobile No. 09794845955

NISHTHA PARISAR, BIJLINAGAR, GOVINDPURA, BHOPAL - 462023 Phone: 0755-2588291, E-mail: seworksbpl@gmail.com NIT No.: CGM/BR/Works/Deposit/TS-03/4575

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER (OPEN TENDER) E-tenders are invited from eligible bidders for following works: **EMD** Date of Opening of Tender (Rs.) **Bids Online** Document (Rs. 14.10.2020 Shifting of 11 KV, DTR, Conversion of O/H LT to U/G Rs. 1.57 18880/ 1.00 15:30 PM cable, Shifting of service lines and Repl. of detoriated including GST Lakh service cable at E-1 Arera colony for smart city Dev.

Other details are available on company website portal.mpcz.co.in & www.mptenders.gov.in. M.P. Madhyam/98614/2020

is 28-10-2020.

Date: 29-09-2020

पावर ट्रांसमिशन

CHIEF GENERAL MANAGER (BR)

TAMIL NADU ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (A Government of Tamil Nadu Undertaking) **Chennai Peripheral Ring Road Project** e-Tender Notice

Corp. Ltd. under City Circle Bhopal.

Tender Notice No. 9 / IOCT / CPRR Section-2 / EPC-1 / 2020 Dated 28.09.2020 1) The Executive Director, TNRIDC for and on behalf of Governor of State of Tamil Nadu invites tender in online on IOCT Method, for the "Formation of New Six lane road from Thatchur (Design chainage: CH 21+700) to Punnapakkam (Design chainage: CH 35+000) with paved shoulders and two lane service

road on both sides in Section-2 of Chennai Peripheral Ring Road Project under Package-I on Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) Mode including maintenance for 7 years". 2) The tender document will be available online in the e-procurement portal (website), www.tntenders.gov.in from 29.09.2020, 16.00 Hours (IST)

3) Pre-tender meeting will be held on 14.10.2020 at 11.00 Hours (IST). Kindly refer the invitation for tender uploaded in www.tntenders.gov.in for further details.

4) A non-refundable Tender fee of Rs.30,000/- (Rupees Thirty Thousand only) (INR) (inclusive of tax) is required to be paid towards Cost of document. 5) Deadline for online submission of tender: on or before 11.00 hours (IST) on

31.10.2020. 6) Online Technical tender opening is scheduled at 11.30 hours (IST) on 31.10.2020

7) All tender must be accompanied by a tender security for an amount of Rs. 160,000,000/- (Indian Rupees One Hundred and Sixty million). B) Further Addendum, if any, in this regard will be available only in the

e-procurement portal www.tntenders.gov.in, **Executive Director** Tamil Nadu Road Infrastructure Development Corporation 4th floor, LLA Building.No.735, Anna Salai, Chennai-600 002 Tamil Nadu, India, Telephone No: +91 44 2852 0000 Email: ridc2005@yahoo.co.in

DIPR/3647/TENDER/2020

उ.प्र. पावर ट्रांसमिशन कारपोरेशन लि. ई-निविदा स्चना निम्नलिखित कार्य/ आपूर्ति हेतु ई-निविदायें दो भागों में जी.एस.टी. में पंजीकृत, प्रतिष्ठित एवं अनुभवी ठेकेदारों/ फर्मीं से ऑन लाईन ई-निविदा पोर्टल वेबसाईट 'http://etender.up.nic.in' पर आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। निविदा मूल्य जी.एस.टी. सहित तथा धरोहर राशि आर.टी.जी.एस./ एन.एफ.आई.टी./बैंक गारण्टी के माध्यम से अधिशासी अभियन्ता, विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, अमरोहा के भारतीय स्टेट बैंक, शाखा-जोया (जिला-अमरोहा) में संचालित चालू खाता सं. (Current Account)- 30723557626, IFSC Code-SBIN 0007413, MICR No. 244002026 में टेण्डर ख़ुलने की दिनांक से एक दिन पूर्व तक जमा करें। अन्य नियम व शर्त विभाग के निर्धारित नियम व शर्त उ.प्र. पावर कारपोरेशन के फार्म ए/बी के अनुसार होगी जिन्हें किसी भी कार्यदिवस में अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता के कार्यालय में देखा जा सकता है। विस्तृत विवरण ई-निविदा लि. पोर्टल वेबसाईट पर निविदा खुलने की अन्तिम तिथि एवं समय तक उपलब्ध रहेगा। निविदा में किसी भी संशोधन या तिथि विस्तार ई-निविदा पोर्टल पर अवश्य देख लिया जाए। ई-निविदा खुलने की दिनांक- 27.10.2020 1. ई-निविदा संख्या-133/ ई.टी.सी.द्वि./ एम./ 2020 विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, धामपुर के

नगीना लाईन की वार्षिक पेट्रोलिंग तथा अनरक्षण का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु.3000/-निविदा प्रपत्र का जी.एस.टी. सहित मुल्य रु.590/- 2. ई-निविदा ई.टी.सी.द्वि./ एम./ 2020 विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड, बिजनौर के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र चांदपुर (AIS Based) का वार्षिक अनुरक्षण का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु.9000/-निविदा प्रपत्र का जी.एस.टी. सहित मुल्य रु.1180/- 3. ई-निविदा संख्या-135/ ई.टी.सी.द्वि./ एम./ 2020 विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड अमरोहा के अन्तर्गत 220 के.वी. एवं 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र अमरोहा पर 33 के.वी. सीजीएल मेक वीसीबी की मरम्मत का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 2000/- निविदा प्रपत्र का जी.एस.टी. सहित मूल्य रु. 590/- 4. ई-निविदा संख्या-136/ ई.टी.सी.द्वि./ एम./ 2020 विद्युत पारेषण खण्ड अमरोहा के अन्तर्गत २२० के.वी. उपकेन्द्र अमरोहा पर ०२ नग 220 के.वी. AIS Based लाईन 'बे' का निर्माण तथा 01 नं. 220 के.वी. बस कप्लर 'बे' के डिशमेंटलिंग का कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 12000/- निविदा प्रपत्र का जी.एस.टी. सहित मुल्य रु. 1770/- "राष्ट्र हित में बिजली बचायें'' हस्ता./- अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, विद्युत पारेषण मंडल द्वितीय, उ.प्र. पावर ट्रान्स कार्पो लि. मुरादाबाद, 2237 /वि.पा.मं.द्वि.मु. /ई-पत्रांक-

लिमिटेड ई-निविदा सूचना निम्नलिखित कार्य हेतु कार्य/आपूर्ति हेतु निविदायें/सामान्य निविदायें दो भागों में (जी.एस.टी.) में पंजीकृत, प्रतिष्ठित एवं अनुभवी ठेकेदारों/ फर्मों से ऑनलाईन ई-वेबसाईट 'http://etender. up.nic.in' पर ऑमंत्रित की जाती है। निविदा मूल्य जीएसटी आर.टी.जी.एस./एन.एफ.आई.टी./बैंक गारन्टी के माध्यम से अधीक्षण अभियन्ता, विद्युत पारेषण मण्डल, मुरादाबाद के भारतीय स्टेट बैंक, मुख्य शाखा मुरादाबाद में खाता 10896364702, IFSC Code-SBIN 0000682 (MICR No. 110024101) में निर्धारित समय तक जमा करें। अन्य नियम व शर्तें विभाग के निर्धारित

नियम एवं शर्तें उ.प्र.पावर कारपोरेशन लि. के फार्म ए/बी के अनसार होंगी जिन्हें किसी भी कार्यदिवस में अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता के कार्यालय में देखा जा सकता है। विस्तृत विवरण ई-निविदा पोर्टल वेबसाइट पर निविदा खुलने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय तक उपलब्ध रहेगा। निविदा में किसी भी संशोधन या तिथि विस्तार ई-निविदा पोर्टल पर अवश्य देख लिया जाए। **ई-निविदा** खुलने का दिनांक- 28.10.2020 1- ई-निविदा संख्या-80/ई.टी.सी.एम./2020-21 विद्यत पारेषण खंड-सम्भल के अन्तर्गत 132 के.वी. उपकेन्द्र बबराला पर 01 नग 132 के.वी. टी.एस.एस. धनारी बे के निर्माण से सम्बन्धित कार्य। धरोहर राशि रु. 8500/– निविदा प्रपत्र का जीएसटी सहित मल्य रु. 1180/- सामान्य निविदा खलने का

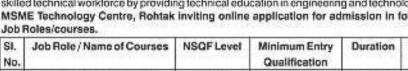
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i i	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DIVISION SOHNA	ONET FOR THE WORK PROVIDING FUNCTIONAL HOUSEHOLD TAPS CONNECTIONS (PHITC) IN VILLAGE GAWLIOR BLOCK, TEHSIL PATAUDI DISTRICT GURUGRAM, (ULDGE JAL JEEVAN MISSION) (RS. JR. JALAN), ").	22.09.2020 30.09.2020	6.73 LAKH	http://otenders.hvy.nic.in	9467743913 eesohna@phedfanyana.gov.in
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6	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING PALWAL	PROVIDE PURCHICANAL HOUSEHOLD TAP CONNECTION (FHIC) TO VILLAGE HANSAPUR DISTT, PALWAL (UNDER JAL JEEVAN MISSION) ESTIMATED COST RS. 55.20 (LAWH (CATEGORY-II), LAYING OF 100 MM UP D.1 PIPE LINE, PROVIDING HOUSEHOLD TAP CONNECTION WITH 15 MM GL MPE CLASS BAND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO, + 4 OTHER WORKS	CLOSONS DATE 13.10.2020	SS 30 LACS	http://doindons.hry.nic.in Tonder id- 2020_HRY_ 145693 + 40THER	Executive Engineer
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0	ADDITIONAL DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, BHIWANI	SUPPLY, INSTALLATION/CORS. & COMMESSIONING OF GOBARDHAW PROJECT IN GRAM PANCHAYAT ORANI MAPAL, SLOCK TOSHAM, DISTRICT BHIDWAY AS PER DMIT	28.09.2020 06.10.2020	49.46 LACS	http://ebenders.hea.etc.in	01664-254070 ,242093 bwnhisbri (ligmail.com
6	PANCHAYATI RAI, AMBALA	CONST. OF VILLAGE KNOWLEDGE CENTRE AT VILLAGE DULIAND BLOCK BARARA DISTT AMBALA(RE-CALL) + 3 OTHER WORKS	28.09.2020 05.10.2020	69.87 LACS	Monocutoration has nicin	0171-2551368/ preveens amb@hry.nic.in
3	FANCHAYATI RAUBLOCK LEVEL E-TENDERLING COMMITTEE, BLOCK FATEHABAD	SUPPY OF RAW AND BUILDING MATERIAL 3 NOS TENDER IN VARIOUS VILLAGES OF BLOCK FATEHABAD IN DISTRICT FATEHABAD	29.09.2020 13.10.2020		http://etenders.his.csc.in	Vivoy Partap Singh Karwal RDPC Fatchabod
6	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT HARYANA GOHANA	CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGE AT RD 18285D OF DIVERSION DRAIN NO. 8 + 1 OTHER WORK	25.09.2020 12.10.2020	280 LACS	http://www.hry.nic.in	Executive Engineer.
0.880	INNIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT HARYANA NARIWANA	REMAINING OF DAMAGED LINING WITH DESIGN MIX CEMENT CONCRETE H-15 AND CLEARANCE OF SILTYSLUSH OF BHI. BARWALA LINK CHANNEL FROM RD 5502 TO 37000. + 1	CLOSING DATE 05.10.2020	2.85 CRORE	http://etenders.hry.nic.in	non-more and pound

The other terms and conditions, specifications etc. shall be remaining unchanged.

ADMISSION NOTICE Free



Age: 18 Years & above Important Dates:

 Last date of Registration Course Commencement

 Qualification certificate (10th Pass onward) 4. Cast Certificate (Issued by competent Authority only)

Unrest in MP village after man's death in police station

IRAM SIDDIQUE BHOPAL, SEPTEMBER 28

A 40-YEAR-OLD man, identified as Rajpati Khushwaha, was shot at close range inside Singhpur police station of Satna district on Sunday in an alleged case of custodial death after he was called in for questioning in a theft case, it emerged on Monday.

Khushwaha was allegedly shot around 10 pm Sunday. He was declared dead on arrival at Rewa Medical College Hospital.

Kushwaha's family, residents of his native village Narayanpur along with Satna MLA Siddharth Kushwaha, have sought the arrest of the policemen present when the incident occurred. Protesting villagers on Monday gheraoed Singhpur police station and pelted stones demanding action in the matter. Khushwaha's family has refused to accept the body unless the guilty are arrested.

Rewa IGPUmesh Jogi said that according to records, Khushwaha and two others were brought in for questioning after 1 pm on Sunday, Khushwaha, he said, was picked up on the basis of a complaint by Lallu Garg, the former sarpanch of Narayanpur who

Gangster being escorted by cops dies as vehicle overturns in UP

Guna, Lucknow: A gangster, who was being brought to Lucknow from Mumbai, died when the vehicle they were travelling in overturned after being hit by a 'nilgai' in Madhya Pradesh's Guna district, police said on

A Lucknow police team had gone to Mumbai on Friday and nabbed Feroz Khan-booked under the Gangsters Act — from Nallasopara area Maharashtra's Palghar district, an officer said. They were returning with Khan when the acci-

dent occurred on Sunday morning on the Gwalior-Betul National Highway, around 150 km north of Bhopal, Guna SP Rajesh Kumar said.

Khan suffered serious injuries and was rushed to hospital, where doctors declared him dead, said Lucknow Police Commissioner Sujit Pandey. Four others, including two police personnel, were also injured and admitted to a hospital. They were discharged Monday. PTI

named Kushwaha and three others, as a suspect in a theft from his home about two months ago. Khushwaha was being questioned by Sub Inspector Vikram Pathak in presence of Constable

Aashish Singh, police said. According to Satna's then SP Igbal Riyaz — he was transferred out of Satna after the matter came to light - Pathak did not usually attach his service revolver to his uniform and had kept it on a table nearby. In his statement, Pathak said that while he had gone out to the washroom during the questioning, Khushwaha allegedly grabbed the firearm. In the process of getting it back, it fired and the bullet hit him, Riyaz said.

MLA Khushwaha said, "Two nephews had taken dinner for Rajpati but were made to wait outside the police station. They heard a gunshot, Lights at the police station were then turned off, a man was put in a police vehicle and rushed out."

I-G Jogi said, "We have registered an FIR... No arrest has been made as yet since an independent magisterial probe has also been ordered." Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has announced an ex-gratia of Rs 10 lakh for the family of the deceased.

FORM NO. INC-26 [Pursuant to rule 30 the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014 and Companies ncorporation) Second Amendment Rules, 2017]

Before the Central Government (Regional Director), Northern Region, Delhi In the matter of sub-section (4) of Section 13 ub-rule (5) of rule 30 of the Companie ncorporation) Rules, 2014

In the matter of Fero Estates Private Limited, having its registered office at 33/23E, Kishan Nagar, Balkeshwar, Agra, UP-282006

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the company proposes to make application to the Central Government under Section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 seeking confirmation of alteration of the Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of the special resolution passed at the Extra-ordinary General Meeting neld on **Monday, September 20, 2020** to enable the company to change its Registered Office from "State of Uttar Pradesh within the Jurisdiction of Registrar of Companies, Kanpur" National Capital Territory of Delhi"

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing investor mplaint form or cause to be delivered or send by registered post of his/her objections upported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and grounds of opposition to the Central Government acting through the Regional Director, Northern Region, Delhi at the address B-2 WING, 2nd FLOOR, Paryavara Bhawan, CGO Complex New Delhi - 110003 within fourteen days of the date of publication of his notice with a copy to the applicant company at its registered office address mentioned below Fero Estates Private Limited

Add.: 33/23E, Kishan Nagar, Balkeshwar, Agra For and on behalf of

Pankaj Agarwa DIN: 08560081

HARYANA NURSES AND NURSE-MIDWIVES **COUNCIL, PANCHKULA** RECRUITMENT NOTICE

Council Intends to fill up the two posts of Consultants under out sourcing part-1 policy of the Haryana Govt. through present service provider. Interested Candidates fulfilling all the criteria may apply to the President, Harvana Nurses & Nurse-Midwives Council, S.C.O.No.-4, Sector-16, Panchkula latest by 10th October, 2020. For details may visit website of this Council- haryananursescouncil.com

Sd/- President



प्लाट नं. आई.पी.-2, सैक्टर-3, नजदीक माजरी चौक, पंचकूला औद्योगिक प्रशिक्षण संस्थानों में सत्र 2020-21 के

दाखिला हेतु नोटिस (आवेदन करने की अंतिम तिथि 04.10.2020 तक बढ़ी)

हरियाणा राज्य में स्थित सभी राजकीय एवं निजी आई.टी.आईज में चलाए जा रहे इंजीनियरिंग एवं गैर इंजीनियरिंग व्यवसायों में सत्र 2020-21 के दाखिले हेतु ऑनलाईन पंजीकरण विभागीय वैबसाईट www.itiharyana.gov.in पर दिनांक 07.09.2020 तक बढ़ा दी गई है। सत्र 2020-21 के दाखिले की विवरण-पत्रिका में वर्णित अन्य नियम व शर्तें यथावत लागू रहेंगी। विभिन्न दाखिला चरणों हेतु मैरिट एवं सीट अलॉटमेंट जारी होने के संशोधित पूर्ण कार्यक्रम बारे सूचना विभागीय वैबसाईट पर उपलब्ध करवा दी जाएगी। प्रार्थियों से अनुरोध है कि वह दाखिला वैबसाईट का नियमित अवलोकन करते रहें।

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED (See section 82 Cr.P.C.)

WHEREAS complaint has been made before me that Ability@Felix A Chinedu R/o C-32, Upper Ground Floor, Chanakya Palace, Part-1, Uttam Nagar, New **Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence case no. VIII/24/DZU/2019, u/s 8C/22 NDPS Act, 1985 of Narcotics Control Bureau, Delhi Zonal Unit and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said Ability@Felix A Chinedu R/o C-32, Upper Ground Floor, Chanakya Palace, Part-1, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi cannot be found, and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Ability@Felix A Chinedu R/o C-32, Upper Ground Floor, Chanakya Palace, Part-1, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that said Ability@Felix A Chinedu R/o C-32, Upper Ground Floor, Chanakya Palace, Part-1, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi, is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on the day of **05.11.2020** By order

Date: 03.09.2020

Sh. AJAY KUMAR JAIN Spl. Judge, NDPS Act Room No. P-1, P Building, Patiala House Court, New Delhi

2 LeT militants killed in encounter at Awantipora: Police

Srinagar: J&K Police on Monday said that an operational commander of Lashkar-e-Toiba was among two militants killed in an encounter at Awantipora in South Kashmir.

Active since 2016, Aijaz Ahmad Reshi was involved in "recruiting youth into terror folds, besides, was also providing shelter and logistic support to the active terrorists operating in the area and transportation of terrorists to carry out terrorist attacks", the police said. DGP Dilbag Singh said that during a search operation, as the presence of terrorists was ascertained, "they were given op-

portunity to surrender, however they fired indiscriminately upon the joint search party, which was retaliated leading to an encounter". The deceased were identified as Aijaz Ahmad Reshi and Sajad Ahmad Sofi, "both residents of Awantipora affiliated with LeT", police said.



Defence Food Research Laboratory (DFRL) Defence Research & Development Organization (DRDO) Ministry of Defence / Government of India, Siddhartha Nagar / Mysore - 570011

Fax: 0821-2473568 E-mail: head.hrd@dfrl.drdo. in

Advt. No. DFRL/Admin.

WALK IN INTERVIEW FOR ENGAGEMENT OF GRADUATE & **TECHNICIAN (DIPLOMA) APPRENTICES**

(Under The Apprentices Act 1961 as amended in 1961, 1973 & 2014)

Defence Food Research Laboratory (DFRL), Mysore, a premier institute under the aegis of Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO), is in process of engagement of Graduate & Technician (Diploma) Apprentices. Apprentices for one- year training in the following disciplines:

Apprenticeship	Essential Qualification	Total	Stipend
Category		vacancies	(Per Month)
Graduate	BE / B.Tech in Mechanical Engineering	02	Rs. 9000/-
Apprentice	BSc in Food Science / B.Tech in Food Tech / Food processing.	01	
Technician	Diploma in Electrical Engineering	01	Rs. 8000/-
(Diploma)	Diploma in Mechanical Engineering	01	
Apprentice	Diploma in Hotel Management / Catering Technology	04	
	Diploma in Refrigeration	01	
	Diploma in Plastic Technology /Plastic Mould Technolog	01	
	Diploma in Food & Nutrition	01	
	Diploma in Instrumentation	01	
	Diploma in Baking Technology	01	
	Diploma in Food Processing	01	

Selection will be made on the basis of Walk-in-interview to be held at DFRL on 13th November, 2020.

Application Procedure:-

Application form can be downloaded from the website www.drdo.gov.in and eligible candidates may send their duly completed applications in pdf in single file attachment as per format through e-mail before the walk-in interview date to head.hrdrddfrl.drdo.in. Application filled by hand wil be summarily rejected. Last date for receipt of applications forms by e-mail is 14th October 2020. A copy of the duly filled form should also be brought along with complete bio-data on the date of interview.

All correspondence with candidates shall be done through e-mail only. Responsibility o downloading and printing of letter shall be that of the candidates. DFRL will not be responsible for any loss e-mail sent due to invalid / wrong e-mail ID provided by the candidate or delivery of emai to SPAM/BULK mail folder etc.

under the act

DFRL Compound, Siddhartha Nagar, Mysore - 570011.

Reporting time is 0900 - 0930 hrs on the date of interview, at DFRL, Siddhartha Nagar Mysore. Latecomer will not be allowed inside at any cost.

Electronics items like Mobile / Smart phone / Pen Drives / Laptops / Electronics Devices / Camera CD-ROM etc. strictly will not be allowed inside DFRL Campus.

Admission shall not be claimed by any candidates as a matter of right. The admission shall be entirely at the discretion of the selection committee of the institution which may refuse to admit any candidates without any reason thereof.

Terms & Condition for selection of Apprentices:-Candidates must have registered their names at www.mhrdnats.gov.in & non-registered candidates are likely to be rejected.

The fresh pass-out candidates (passing their B. E / B. Tech / Diploma courses in 2017, 2018 2019) only can apply; candidates who have passed the qualifying examination earlier than 2017 are not eligible. Candidate with post-graduation are not eligible to apply. Those candidates who have completed the qualifying examination as regular candidates are only

eligible to apply. Graduate degree holders who had training or job experience for a period of one year or more after attaining the essential qualifications shall NOT eligible for being engaged as an apprentice

The period of training will be 12 months commencing from execution of the contract of Reservation will be applied as per the provisions of the Apprentices Act, 1961 and Apprenticeship Rules 1992 as amended from time to time. Applications belonging to SC (Schedule Caste) / ST (Schedule Tribe) / OBC (Others Backward Classes) - Non creamy layer shall produce their caste

certificates in prescribed format issued by the competent Authority. Selected candidates have to submit the "Medical Fitness Certificate" at the time of joining.

Verification of credentials shall be done prior to conduct of Personal Interview only and in case of any deviation from non-conformity with the desired qualification; candidature of the candidate

shall be summarily rejected.

9. No TA/DA will be paid to the applicants called for any stage of the selection process. 10. The selected candidates must execute a Contract for a period of one year of training as per provision of the Apprentices Act, 1961 and rules framed there under.

11. Before applying, the candidates should ensure that he/she fulfills the eligibility criteria and other norms mentioned in the advertisement.

12. It shall not be obligatory on the part of the Defence Food Research Laboratory, where training is imparted, to offer any employment to any apprentice after completion of period of his/her apprenticeship training.

13. Suppression of facts will lead to disqualification at any stage of the selection process.

DFRL reserve the right to increase/decrease the number of seats for apprenticeship training. 15. Any canvassing or personal follow up with an intention of inducting the process of selection of apprentice by and on behalf of any candidates shall lead to immediate cancellation of

16. DFRL reserves the right to withdraw/cancel the advertisement/selection process if circumstance so warrant without assigning any reason thereof.

17. In case of any dispute, the legal jurisdiction shall be that of the Hon'ble High court of Karnataka 18. Candidates are not allowed to bring Mobile / Pen Drives / Laptops / Electronics Devices

19.The apprentices will not be provided any quarters / hostel accommodations / transport by this establishment at the time of interview and also during the training period.

APPLICATION FORM FOR GRADUATE & TECHNICIAN

Head (HRD) For Director, DFRL

Defence Food Research Laboratory (DFRL), Mysore -570 011 (Defence Research & Development Organization)

(DIPLOMA) APPRENTICE Affix : DFRL/Admin/ Recent 1. Name Passport 2. Father's Name Size Nationality Photograph 4. Date of Birth 5. Age as on 30-09-2020 Month Days (UR/SC/ST/OBC/PH) 6. Category 7. E-mail address Phone No. / Mob No. 9. Correspondence 10. Address 11. Permanent Address 12. Educational Qualification : (In Chronological order) Marks /GPA SI. Examination/Degree Board/University Subjects Year of Class/ Passing Division

13. If you are related to any DRDO employee, please give details thereof:								
SI. No.	Name of the employee	Designation		Estt in which vorking		tion with the ployee		

14. Enrolment Date and Number for NATS/BOAT/RDAT:

Understand that the post applies for, by is purely a temporary one and hereby declare that the statement made and information furnished in the application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge & belief. (Signature of candidate)

List of Enclosure

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भारत सरकार / Government of India रक्षा मंत्रालय / Ministry of Defence भारतीय आयुध निर्माणियां / Indian Ordnance **Factories**



आयुध निर्माणी / Ordnance Factory कालपी रोड/ Kalpi Road

कानपुर- 208009 (उ.प्र.)/Kanpur - 208 009 (UP)

ENLISTMENT OF CONTRACTOR AT ORDNANCE FACTORY KANPUR

The General Manager, Ordnance Factory Kanpur invites application for enlistment of contractors from Kanpur & other places for maintenance/modification/new construction of Factory Buildings, Residential Quarters, Water Supply Works, Periodical Services Work, Road Repair Works and miscellaneous Civil/Electrical works etc. in Ordnance Factory Kanpur & in the Armapur Estate (township) in the following class /category.

SI. No.	Class	Upper financial limit
1.	Α	Up to 100.00 Lakhs either Civil, Electrical works or both
2.	В	Up to 50.00 Lakhs either Civil, Electrical works or both
3.	С	Up to 25.00 Lakhs either Civil, Electrical works or both
4.	D	Up to 15.00 Lakhs either Civil, Electrical works or both
5.	Е	Up to 10.00 Lakhs either Civil, Electrical works or both

Firm/contractor, fulfilling the following criteria may submit their application along with the copies of certificates & testimonials within 14 days from the date of publication of this advertisement.

Experience: Firms/contractors should have executed works of minimum value as specified below during last Seven years (calculated from last date of application as mentioned in the letter) in Ordnance Fys/Any Govt.

Upper Financial Limit	Experience of work executed in last 07 years
Up to 100 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work	01 Work of 80% of upper financial limit or Civil & Electrical work 02 Works of 50% of upper financial limit or 03 Works of 40% of upper financial limit
Up to 50 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work	-do-
Up to 25 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work	-do-
Up to 15 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work	-do-
Up to 10 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work	-do-
	Up to 100 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work Up to 50 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work Up to 25 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work Up to 15 Lakhs both for Civil & Electrical work Up to 10 Lakhs both for Civil

Experience certificate issued by competent authority must contain the minimum information as Name of Work, Contract agreement Number, Actual completion cost, actual completion date and address of client/department where the work was executed to be submitted along with the application. Work experience to be considered based on the satisfactory completion certificate on the last date of application & not the placement of work order.

ii) Financial Resources: The contractor should have sound financial position. Details of immovable property & financial status against various categories should be minimum as under:

(1) For Class 'A':

Solvent upto Rs.40.00 Lakhs or financial sound for engagement upto Rs 100.00Lakhs

Working capital not less than Rs. 10.00Lakhs (2) For Class 'B':

Solvent upto Rs.20.00 Lakhs or financial sound for engagement upto Rs.50.00Lakhs

Working capital not less than Rs.7.50 Lakhs (3) For Class 'C': Solvent upto Rs. 10.00 Lakhs or financial sound for engagement upto

Rs.25.00Lakhs Working capital not less than Rs.5.00Lakhs

(4) For Class 'D':

Solvent upto Rs.6.00 Lakhs or financial sound for engagement upto Rs 15.00Lakhs

Working capital not less than Rs.4.00Lakhs

(5) For Class 'E':

Solvent upto Rs.4.00 Lakhs or financial sound for engagement upto Rs. 10.00Lakhs

Working capital not less than Rs.3.00Lakhs ii)

The above certificate with active validity period should be issued in specific format by a Nationalized/PSU Bank.

iii) Immovable property: Affidavit for immovable property indicating present marked value and containing endorsement that property is free of mortgages, hypothecation or any dispute and clearly belongs to the contractor. Valuation report should be submitted from Registrar (with any Govt. body) valuer or alternatively the contract may submit certificate for the Deputy Commissioner/Collector/First Class Magistrate or assessment of wealth tax

Annual Turnover: Annual turnover of last 03 years duly certified by the Chartered Accountant. The average annual turnover of last 03 years shall be at least 30% of the class/financial limit for which the firm is applied for.

Technical Resources: The details of technical person employed by the contractor including their qualification & work experience are required to be submitted for different categories shall be as under:

(1) For Class A: One graduate Engineer from a Govt. recognized institution with minimum experience of 02 years & one Diploma engineer from a Govt. recognized institution with minimum experience of 04 years.

(2) For Class B: One graduate Engineer from a Govt. recognized institution with minimum experience of 02 years & one Diploma engineer from a Govt. recognized institution with minimum experience of 04 years.

(3) For Class C: One graduate Engineer from a Govt. recognized institution or one Diploma engineer from a Govt. recognized institution with minimum experience of 02 years.

(4) For Class D: One Diploma engineer from a Govt. recognized institution with minimum experience of 02 years.

(5) For Class E: One Diploma engineer from a Govt. recognized institution with minimum experience of 02 years.

The Firm shall furnish above details in an Affidavit form. PAN CARD: Contractor should submit copy of PAN card in the name of

individual for proprietary firm & in the name of firm in case of partnership **GSTIN:** Firm should submit copy of GSTIN in the name of firm. Electrical Contractor License: The contractor who are interested to

enlist themselves for electrical works should additionally submit the valid Electrical Contractor License issued by State Govt. Authority under rule 1956 as amended from to time. The contractor should indicate the class & type of work of registration as

Civil, Electrical or both in which they want to enlistment as a Class A, B, C, D or E category. A demand draft of Rs. 500.00 (non refundable) from any nationalized

bank issued in favor of General Manager, Ordnance Factory Kanpur to be submitted along with the application. Standing Security deposit (as per class/category) will be asked from the

qualified contractors at the time of registration. THE GENERAL MANAGER/ORDNANCE FACTORY KANPUR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY APPLICATION WITHOUT ASSIGNING

> (Praveen Shukla) **Works Manager** For General Manager

New Delhi

ANY REASON THEREOF.

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Paying \$750 a year, how Trump avoided, evaded taxes

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

THE NEW York Times has obtained US President Donald Trump's tax information extending over more than two decades, "revealing struggling properties, vast write-offs, an audit battle and hundreds of millions in debt coming due".

The NYT report says Trump paid as little as \$750 a year as federal income tax in the first two years of his presidency (2016 and 2017). That is just over Rs 50,000 a year. It has also revealed that he managed to evade paying any income tax in 10 of the previous 15 years.

Trump's tax payments were a hot-button issue when he contested for the presidency in 2016. However, he has successfully avoided revealing his tax details — the first for any US President — even after becoming President.

Ahead of the election on November 3 — Trump is seeking re-election — his tax records had become possibly the most sought after documents in recent times.

What is the scale of tax evasion?

According to the NYT calculations, over the past two decades, Trump has paid about \$400 million less in combined federal income taxes than a very wealthy person who paid the average for the highest-earning 0.001% of tax filers in the US. While the tax rates applicable for the richest Americans have declined over the decades, with the wealthy exploiting several

"loopholes" to bring down their liabilities, The

The NYT has found that Trump, despite en-

He seems to have used various ways to either reduce his tax liability or get a refund on tax paid. Towards reducing his liability, he reportedly did the following things:

Classifying personal expenses as the cost of business: Doing so brings down the taxable income. Trump has categorised everything from his residence to his golf course to his aircraft as business expenses. Even his hairstyling expenses - \$70,000 (roughly 50 lakh) - as well as those of his daughter Ivanka Trump — \$100,000 (roughly Rs 70 lakh) — have been shown as business expense, The NYT said.

The NYT said the treatment of Seven Springs, Trump's estate in New York, "typifies his aggressive definition of business expenses". The over 200-acre estate, bought in 1996, is openly called "a retreat for the Trump family", yet for tax purposes, it is an "investment property" and not a personal residence. As a result, Trump "has been able to write off \$2.2 million

found that across nearly all of his projects, Trump's companies set aside about 20% of income for unexplained "consulting fees". For instance, when he collected \$5 million on a hotel deal in Azerbaijan, he reported paying \$1.1 million in consulting fees — bringing down the

Also, the report said, this fee is collected by Ivanka or an organisation that he heads.

Showing businesses make heavy losses: Some of Trump's most high-profile business ventures make heavy losses on paper. For instance, his golf courses, the centre of his business empire, have lost more than \$315 million (over Rs 2,000 crore) in the last two decades.

The Trump Organization — a collection of more than 500 entities, virtually all of them wholly owned by Mr Trump — has used the losses to offset the rich profits from the licensing of the Trump brand and other profitable pieces of its business," The NYT wrote.

What about refunds?

Trump sought massive refunds. As a result, while he paid almost \$95 million in taxes over the 18 years, he managed to "recoup most of that money, with interest, by applying for and receiving a \$72.9 million tax refund, starting in 2010". This refund is the subject of a long-running battle with the tax authorities.

CORONAVIRUS DASHBOARD

Softer, yet more audible: Why birds sang better in lockdown





for more than a decade,

and David Luther of

noise and birdsong

Area in April-June 2016.

For the comparison in

the new study, Jennifer

Mason

recorded

and 2020. The average number of vehicles crossing the bridge per day in March-May 2020 (red dots) returned to levels not seen since the 1950s. (Right): A white-crested sparrow.

INTHE reduced noise pollution during the lockdown, birds sang more effortlessly and more effectively than earlier, a study published in the journal Science has found.

Songbirds sing to at-

tract mates and defend

their territories. In noisy

surroundings, they need to sing louder to be heard by one another. The lockdown reduced vehicle traffic and noise,

potentially reducing the auditory pressures on songbirds, the authors said. The study compared soundscapes

and songs of the white-crowned sparrow in San Francisco Bay Area, California, before and during the lockdown. Toll records from Golden Gate Bridge showed traffic had returned to the levels of 1954, for the first time. In response, white-crowned sparrows produced songs at lower amplitudes, but were still able to maximise communication distance.

Biologist Elizabeth Derryberry of the University of Tennessee, who has could hear more of them. been recording birds in San Francisco

across San Francisco Bay

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University

recordings from the

Science magazine wrote in an article. This also meant that people could hear effectively four times more birds than usual, the researchers explained. Birds sounded louder because people

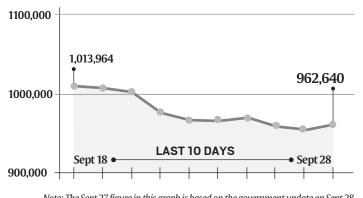
EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

Phillips of California Polytechnic NEW RESEARCH University captured

> same area in April and May 2020. "... The sparrows were singing 30% softer, on average, than before the lockdown. What's more, they were singing songs with bandwidths typical of birds recorded in the 1970s. The combination of less background noise and the better signal from wider bandwidth meant the males could likely hear each other from twice as far away as before,"

INDIA ACTIVE CASES

962,640



INDIA TOTAL CASES 6.074.702

Source: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, updated at 11 pm on Sept 28 **WORLD TOTAL CASES** 33,173,176

Source: Johns Hopkins University updated at 11 pm on Sept 28

NYT notes that "most affluent people still pay a lot of federal income tax".

joying the lifestyle of a billionaire, paid no federal income taxes in 11 of 18 years the newspaper examined. Trump is the wealthiest US President in history but his income tax payment is lower than some of his most recent predecessors such as George W Bush (200-09) and Barack Obama (2009-17), who routinely paid federal income taxes in excess of \$100,000 a year - roughly 140 times what Trump paid.

How did Trump manage to do it?

in property taxes since 2014," The NYT wrote.

Paying high consultation fees: The NYT final profit before being subjected to taxation.

EXPLAINED LAW & JUSTICE

Farm Acts and federalism

As Opposition and regional parties protest the contentious farm laws, now challenged in Supreme Court, engaging with the key question: Does the enactment of the laws violate the federal principle?



Faizan Mustafa From The Indian Express panel

of specialists, exclusive insight

ON SUNDAY, the President gave assent to the controversial farm Bills passed by Parliament last week. Amid protests by farmers' organisations across the country, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra, and Punjab have said they might not implement the new laws, Kerala and Punjab have declared their intention to challenge them in the Supreme Court, and a a Congress MP from Kerala, Prathapan TN, has already done so.

What are the broad arguments for and against the laws?

The government claims these Acts will transform Indian agriculture and attract private investment. The Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Act, 2020, provides for contract farming, under which farmers will produce crops as per contracts with corporate investors for a mutually agreed remuneration.

The protesting farmers fear that powerful investors would bind them to unfavourable contracts drafted by big corporate law firms, with liability clauses that would be beyond the understanding of poor farmers in most cases.

According to the government, The Farmers' Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Act, 2020 liberates farmers by giving them the freedom to sell anywhere.

The Opposition says this would lead to corporatisation of agriculture, with the market, along with the monsoon, becoming an unpredictable determinant of the destiny of farmers. They argue that farmers can sell outside the APMC even now, and most in fact do, albeit after paying the required fees or cess.

In Punjab and Haryana, the epicentre of the protests, the market fee, rural development fee, and arhatiya's commission are 3%, 3%, and 2.5%; and 2%, 2%, and 2.5% respectively. These are big sources of state revenue — with states not permitted to levy market fee/cess outside APMC areas under the new laws, Punjab and Haryana could lose an estimated Rs 3,500 crore and Rs 1,600 crore each year respectively.

What is the question over the constitutionality of these laws?

As per Union of India v H.S.Dhillon (1972). constitutionality of parliamentary laws can be challenged only on two grounds — that the subject is in the State List, or that it violates fundamental rights. Is invoking parliamentary powers on agriculture consistent with the scheme of federalism and spirit of the Constitution? Does Parliament have the power to enact laws on agricultural markets and lands? Should the Constitution have been amended before enacting these laws?

These are some of the questions that will be raised in the petitions challenging the con-



Dalmia v Justice S R Tendolkar (1958) and other judgments, the Supreme Court will begin hearings after presuming the constitutionality of these laws; therefore, the burden on states and individuals who challenge these Acts will be guite heavy. Generally, the Supreme Court does not stay the implementation of parliamentary laws. CAA and UAPA were not stayed.

The Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Act, 2020, and The Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Act, 2020 do not mention, in the Statement of Objects & Reasons, the constitutional provisions under which Parliament has the power to legislate on the subjects covered.

And where does the question of federalism come in?

Federalism essentially means both the Centre and states have the freedom to operate in their allotted spheres of power, in coordination with each other. The Seventh Schedule of the Constitution contains three lists that distribute power between the Centre and states. There are 97 subjects in the Union List, on which Parliament has exclusive power to legislate (Article 246); the State List has 66 items on which states alone can legislate; the Concurrent List has 47 subjects on which both the Centre and states can legislate, but in case of a conflict, the law made by Parliament prevails (Article 254). Parliament can legislate on an item in the State List under certain specific circum-

stances laid down in the Constitution. In State of West Bengal v Union of India (1962), the Supreme Court held that the Indian Constitution is not federal. But in SR Bommai v Union of India (1994), a nine-judge Bench held federalism was part of the basic structure of the Constitution. "Neither the relative importance of the legislative entries in Schedule VII, Lists I and II of the Constitution, nor the fiscal control by the Union per se are decisive to conclude the Constitution is unitary. The respective to 254... The State qua the Constitution is federal in structure and independent in its exercise of legislative and executive power," it said. Federalism, like constitutionalism and sep-

aration of powers, is not mentioned in the Constitution. But it is the very essence of our constitutional scheme.

Where is agriculture in the scheme of legislative powers? Terms relating to agriculture occur at 15

places in the Seventh Schedule.

Entries 82, 86, 87, and 88 in the Union List ention taxes and duties on income and assets, specifically excluding those in respect of agriculture.

In the State List, eight entries contain terms relating to agriculture: Entry 14 (agricultural education and research, pests, plant diseases); 18 (rights in or over land, land tenures, rents, transfer agricultural land, agricultural loans, etc.); 28 (markets and fairs); 30 (agricultural indebtedness); 45 (land revenue, land records, etc.); 46 (taxes on agricultural income); 47 (succession of agricultural land); and 48 (estate duty in respect of agricultural land). In the Concurrent List, Entry 6 mentions

transfer of property other than agricultural land; 7 is about various contracts not relating to agricultural land; and 41 deals with evacuee property, including agricultural land.

It is clear that the Union List and Concurrent List put matters relating to agriculture outside Parliament's jurisdiction, and give state legislatures exclusive power. No entry in respect of agriculture in the State List is subject to any entry in the Union or Concurrent Lists.

What about Entry 27 of the State List that is subject to Entry 33 of List III (Concurrent)?

Entry 33 of the Concurrent List mentions trade and commerce, production, supply and distribution of domestic and imported products of an industry over which Parliament has control in the public interest; foodstuffs, including oilseeds and oils; cattle fodder; raw cotton and jute. The Centre could, therefore, argue that it is within its powers to pass laws on contract farming and intra- and inter-state trade, and prohibit states from imposing fees/cesses outside APMC areas. However, like education, farming is an oc-

cupation, not trade or commerce. If foodstuffs are considered synonymous with agriculture, then all the powers of states in respect of agriculture, listed so elaborately in the Constitution, shall become redundant.

So what happens in case of legislation that covers entries in two Lists?

In cases such as State of Rajasthan v G Chawla (1959), courts have used the doctrine of "pith and substance" to determine the character of legislation that overlaps between entries. The constitutionality of legislation is upheld if it is largely covered by one list and touches upon the other list only incidentally. But the two new farm Acts o beyond that they impinge on entries in the State List.

The Farmers' Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Act, 2020 flies in the face of Entry 28 of the State List (markets and fairs), and The Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Act, 2020 impinges on Entries 14, 18, and 46 of the State List, and Entry 7 of the Concurrent List (above). In interpreting the lists, the Supreme Court in State of Bihar v Kameshwar Singh (1952) invoked the doctrine of colourable legislation, which means you cannot do indirectly what you cannot do directly.
In ITC Ltd v APMC (2002), the Supreme

Court upheld the validity of several state laws relating to agricultural produce marketing, and struck down the central Tobacco Board Act, 1975. It interpreted Entry 28 of the State List (markets and fairs) in favour of states, and rejected the Centre's argument based on Entry 52 of the Union List read with Entry 33 of Concurrent List that tobacco is an industry declared as being under the control of Parliament in public interest. It said raw materials or activity that does not involve manufacture or production cannot be covered under 'industry'.

What is the government's stated view on agricultural markets? The committees headed by Ashok Dalwai

and Ramesh Chand recommended that 'agricultural market' be entered in the Concurrent List. It is implicit in the recommendations that "foodstuffs" under Entry 33 of the Concurrent List do not empower Parliament to enact laws on agricultural markets. On May 5, 2015, the government told Lok

Sabha that the National Commission of Farmers (Swaminathan Commission) had recommended 'agricultural market' be added to the Concurrent List. On March 27, 2018, the government yet again told Lok Sabha that it has no intention of inserting 'agricultural market' in the Concurrent List.

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What are ESG funds — big abroad, now finding interest in India too

SANDEEP SINGH NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

ALTHOUGH BIG in global investments, ESG funds — which imbibe environment, social responsibility and corporate governance in their investing process—are witnessing growing interest in the Indian mutual fund industry too. There are currently three ESG schemes managing close to Rs 4,500 crore (two of these launched in the last 15 months), while at least five more fund houses have lined up new schemes. ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund, which launched its ESG fund on September 21, has already raised over Rs 500 crore in its ongoing NFO. It is learnt that Kotak Mahindra AMC is set to come out with its ESG fund NFO soon and more will follow.

What is ESG?

ESG investing is used synonymously with sustainable investing or socially responsible investing. While selecting a stock for investment, the ESG fund shortlists companies that score high on environment, social responsibility and corporate governance, and then looks into financial factors. So, the schemes focuses on companies with environmentfriendly practices, ethical business practices and an employee-friendly record.

Why so much focus on ESG now?

Fund houses say modern investors are reevaluating traditional approaches, and look at the impact their investment has on the

planet. As a result othis paradigm change, asset managers have started incorporating ESG factors into investment practices.

Nimesh Shah, MD & CEO, ICICI Prudential AMC, said, "In the coming years, ESG way of investing will be the new normal in India as most of the millennial and young population in India are more conscious while making an investment decision. A majority of studies highlights that companies with good ESG scores tick most of the checkboxes for investing, tends to mitigate environmental and social risks and tends to have stronger cash flows, lower borrowing costs and durable returns."

How big is ESG?

There are over 3,300 ESG funds globally and the number has tripled over the last

decade. The value of assets applying ESG to investment decisions today is \$40.5 trillion.

In India, as of now there are three schemes SBI Magnum Equity ESG (Rs 2,772 crore), Axis ESG(Rs 1,755 crore) and Quantum India ESG Equity (Rs 18 cr) — following the ESG investment strategy. While ICICI Prudential's scheme launched its NFO last week, Kotak Mahindra AMC is expected to launch its NFO soon and more are expected to follow.

What change can it bring?

As ESG funds gain momentum in India, fund managers say companies will be forced to follow better governance, ethical practices, environment-friendly measures and social responsibility. Globally there has been a big shift as many pension funds, sovereign wealth

funds etc don't invest in companies that are seen as polluting, don't follow social responsibility or are tobacco companies.

'No one is saying that companies should exit chemicals business or refining business or thermal power business etc, but it is just that they need to do it responsibly, utilise the technology available, effluent treatment, should not discharge untreated waste in soil, water or air, and should also take care of their minority shareholders and society," said Mrinal Singh, Deputy CIO-Equity, ICICI Prudential AMC. He added that in coming years, companies that do not follow sustainable business models will find it tough to raise both equity and debt.

Which sectors/companies will lose out?

New Delhi

Industry insiders say tobacco companies and companies in the coal business may find it tough to make the cut; so will companies that generate hazardous waste and do not manage them properly. Besides, sectors that use a lot of water and do not follow best practices on its reuse, or companies that discharge untreated waste in soil, water or air will find it tough to get funds parked in them.

Experts in the industry say there are conflicts at various levels and many investors worldwide who are looking at sustainable wealth creation do not wish to be associated with such conflicts. For example, while the global tobacco industry profits per year come to \$35 billion, it is also a cause of nearly 6 million annual deaths and investors are growing sensitive to these realities.

VILLAGE RE-ELECTS DEAD MAYOR

After handing Ion Aliman victory in the election for their local mayor, residents of a small village in Romania went to his grave to light candles. Aliman was re-elected in a landslide for a record third term as mayor of Deveselu despite having died from Covid-19 just 10 days prior to the elections. His death came too late to remove his name from Sunday's ballot.



He was cleared of child abuse allegations in Australia 5 months ago

AUSTRALIA Cardinal Pell returning to Vatican in crisis

CARDINAL GEORGE Pell. Pope Francis' former finance minister, will soon return to the Vatican during an extraordinary economic scandal for the first time since he was cleared of child abuse allegations in Australia five months ago. Pell will fly back to Rome Tuesday, CathNews said, citing "sources close to" Pell. Pell's return follows Francis last week firing one of the cardinal's most powerful opponents, Cardinal Angelo Becciu, over a financial scandal. Pell was the third highest-ranking Vatican official and was attempting to wrestle the Holy See's opaque finances into order when he returned to his native Australia in 2017 to clear himself of decades-old allegations of child sex abuse. AP

PAKISTAN

Top court stays release of Daniel Pearl killers

PAKISTAN'S SUPREME Court barred the Sindh government from releasing British-born al-Qaeda leader Ahmed Omar Saeed Sheikh and his three aides — the main accused in the abduction and murder of US journalist Daniel Pearl in 2002. In April, the Sindh High Court commuted the death sentence of Sheikh to seven years. It also acquitted his three aides. The Sindh government then invoked the Maintenance of Public Order to keep the four in jail. Their detention period is set to expire on Sept 30. PTI

KHASHOGGI MURDER

Turkey prepares 2nd indictment on 6 suspects

TURKISH PROSECUTORS have prepared a second indictment against six Saudi officials in connection with the 2018 murder of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi in Istanbul, broadcaster NTV and other media said on Monday. The reports did not say whether the six suspects were among those already being tried in absentia in an Istanbul court for Khashoggi's killing. Anadolu news agency said two of the suspects were facing charges carrying aggravated life iail sentences. REUTERS

NEW YORK TIMES OBTAINS U.S. PRESIDENT'S TAX INFORMATION

Long-concealed records show Trump's chronic losses and yrs of tax avoidance

Paid just \$750 income tax in 2016 & 2017, no income tax paid in 10 of previous 15 years; Trump says he paid millions

RUSS BUETTNER, **SUSANNE CRAIG** & MIKE MCINTIRE

SEPTEMBER 28

DONALD TRUMP paid \$750 in federal income taxes the year he won the presidency. In his first year in the White House, he paid another \$750.

He had paid no income taxes at all in 10 of the previous 15 years -largely because he reported losing more money than he made.

As the President wages a reelection campaign that polls say he is in danger of losing, his finances are under stress, beset by losses and hundreds of millions of dollars in debt coming due that he has personally guaranteed. Also hanging over him is a decadelong audit battle with the Internal Revenue Service over the legitimacy of a \$72.9 million tax refund that he claimed, and received, after declaring huge losses. An adverse ruling could cost him more than \$100 million. The tax returns that Trump has

fought to keep private tell a story fundamentally different from the one he has sold to the American public. His reports to the IRS portray a businessman who takes in hundreds of millions of dollars a year yet racks up chronic losses that he aggressively employs to avoid paying taxes. Now, with his financial challenges mounting, the records show he depends increasingly on making money from businesses that put him in potential and direct conflict of interest with his job as president.

Trump took to Twitter to play down the findings. "I paid many millions of dollars in taxes but was



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KEY FINDINGS FROM TRUMP TAX RETURNS

■ Donald Trump paid no federal income taxes in 11 of 18 years that the *New York* Times examined. In 2017. after he became president, his tax bill was only \$750.

■ The financial pressure on him is increasing as hundreds of millions of dollars in loans he personally guaranteed are soon coming due.

entitled, like everyone else, to de-

preciation & tax credits," he wrote.

"I am extremely under leveraged

—I have very little debt compared

tained tax-return data extending

over more than two decades for

Trump and the hundreds of com-

panies that make up his business

organisation, including detailed

The New York Times has ob-

to the value of assets.

■ He has reduced his tax bill with questionable measures, including a \$72.9 million tax refund that is the subject of an audit by the IRS.

■ Many of his signature businesses, including his golf courses, report losing large amounts of money – losses that have helped him to lower his taxes.

information from his first two

years in office. It does not include

personal returns for 2018 or 2019.

marising the findings, Alan Garten,

a lawyer for Trump Organisation,

said "most, if not all, of the facts ap-

President Trump has paid tens of

millions of dollars in personal taxes

"Over the past decade,

pear to be inaccurate".

In response to a letter sum-

■Even while declaring

losses, he managed to enjoy a lavish lifestyle by taking tax deductions on what most people would consider personal expenses, including residences, aircraft and \$70,000 in hairstyling for TV. ■ As president, he has

received more money from foreign sources and US interest groups than previously known. Source: NYT

to the federal government, including paying millions in personal taxes since announcing his candidacy in 2015," Garten said. With the term "personal taxes," however, Garten appears to be conflating income taxes with other federal taxes Trump has paid — Social Security, Medicare and taxes for his household employees.

The tax records reveal the

RACE FOR THE WHITE **HOUSE**

hollowness behind the selfmade-billionaire image - honed through his star turn on The *Apprentice* — that helped propel him to the White House. Ultimately, Trump has been

more successful playing a business mogul than being one in real life.

The Apprentice, along with the licensing deals that flowed from his expanding celebrity, brought Trumpatotal of \$427.4 million, the Times' analysis of the records found. He invested much of that in a collection of businesses, mostly golf courses, that in the years since have steadily devoured cash much as the money he secretly received from his father financed a spree of overspending that led to his collapse in the 1990s.

His financial condition when he announced his White House run in 2015 lends some credence to the notion that his campaign was at least in part a gambit to re-

vive the marketability of his name. Tax records do not have the specificity to evaluate the legitimacy of every business expense Trump claims to reduce his taxable income. He has previously bragged that his ability to get by without paying taxes "makes me smart," as he said in 2016. But the returns, by his own account, unmen, showing that he is simply pouring more money into many businesses than he is taking out.

Most of Trump's core enterprises — from his golf courses to his conservative-magnet hotel in Washington - report losing millions, if not tens of millions, of dollars year after year. And the tax audit looms.

Within the next four years, more than \$300 million in loans obligations for which he is personally responsible - will come due. Against that backdrop, the records go further toward revealing the otential conflicts of interest created by Trump's refusal to divest himself of his business interests while President, His properties have become bazaars for collecting money from lobbyists, foreign officials and others seeking face time, access or favour; the records for the first time put precise dollar figures on those transactions

\$145,400 in taxes paid to India The Times was also able to take

the fullest measure to date of Trump's income from overseas, where he holds ultimate sway over US diplomacy. In his first two years as President, his revenue from abroad totaled \$73 million. While much of that money was $from \, his \, golf \, properties \, in \, Scotland \,$ and Ireland, some came from licensing deals in other countries – for example, \$3 million from the Philippines, \$2.3 million from India and \$1 million from Turkey. In 2017, the President's \$750 contribution to the US government was dwarfed by the \$15,598 he or his companies paid in Panama, the \$145,400 in India and the \$156,824 in the Philippines. **NYT**

Trump's TikTok ban postponed by federal judge

ASSOCIATED PRESS

A FEDERAL judge on Sunday postponed a Trump administration order that would have banned the popular video sharing app TikTok from US smartphone app stores around midnight.

A more comprehensive ban remains scheduled for November, about a week after the presidential election. The judge, Carl Nichols of the US District Court for the District of Columbia, did not agree to postpone the later ban.

The ruling followed an emergency hearing Sunday morning in which lawyers for TikTok argued that the administration's app-store ban would infringe on First Amendment rights and do irreparable harm to the business.

Trump had declared that TikTok, owned by a Chinese company, was a security threat and that it must either sell its US operations to American companies or be barred from the country.

US President's ex-campaign chief hospitalised amid threat to harm self

Washington: Bradley Parscale, the former campaign manager for US President Donald Trump's re-election campaign, was hospitalised Sunday after his wife told police he was threatening to harm himself, ABC News reported.

The Fort Lauderdale, Florida, police department confirmed in a statement that a manidentified as Parscale was detained after they received a report from his wife.

Parscale's wife told police her husband "was armed, had access to multiple firearms inside the residence and was threatening to harm himself," police said. Parscale was demoted from

leading Trump's re-election bid in July, after the President was lagging behind in the polls. REUTERS

WHO: Poorer countries to get 120 mn \$5 Covid tests

GENEVA, LONDON, SEPT 28

SOME 120 million rapid diagnosmade available to low- and middle-income countries at a maximum of \$5 each, the World Health Organisation said on Monday.

The wider availability of quick, reliable and inexpensive testing will help 133 countries to track infections and contain the spread, closing the gap with

period of six months".

Beijing unveils protections

REUTERS

said it would offer rewards to health workers who disclose vital

said the manufacturers Abbott and SD Biosensor had agreed with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to "make 120 million of these new, highly portable and easy-to-use rapid Covid-19 diagnostic tests available over a

CHINA'S CAPITAL Beijing will protect whistleblowers who disclose information about public health emergencies, it said on Sunday, part of the country's efforts to fix some of the systemic faults that hindered its initial response to the Covid-19 outbreak.

The Beijing city government

WHO Director General

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus

He said the tests were currently priced at a maximum of \$5 each but were expected to be-

for health whistleblowers

SHANGHAI, SEPTEMBER 28

information about any health emergency, and will also ensure their legal rights are protected. Workers could in urgent situations skip the chain of command and report health risks directly to the government, it said, and as long as the intent is not "malicious", they

formation turned out to be false. Beijing also said it would strengthen monitoring, set up specialist hospitals and establish "sentries" at the community level to keep watch for symptoms.

would not face punishment if in-

DAYS BEFORE PLANNED OPPOSITION PROTESTS IN PAKISTAN

Shahbaz Sharif arrested, Zardari indicted over 'money laundering'

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LAHORE ISLAMABAD SEPT 28

PAKISTAN'S LEADER of the Opposition and PML-N chief Shahbaz Sharif was arrested in Lahore while an anti-corruption court in Islamabad indicted former president Asif Ali Zardari in a money laundering case on Monday, days before joint Opposition's planned protests to demand the resignation of Prime Minister Imran Khan.

Shahbaz, the younger brother of three-time former PM Nawaz Sharif, was taken into custody from the Lahore High Court's premises, where a large number of the Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) workers gathered ahead of the hearing in the Rs 700 crores (\$41.9 million) money laundering case.

A two-member LHC bench headed by judge Sardar Ahmed Naeem rejected Shahbaz's bail plea after hearing the arguments from the National Accountability Bureau (NAB) team and his lawyer.

The NAB arrested Shahbaz and took him to its Lahore deten-



Shahbaz Sharif at Lahore High Court on Monday. AP

tion centre. It will produce him to the accountability court for his physical remand.

The Imran Khan government last week filed the money laundering case against 69-year-old Shahbaz, who served as chief minister of Punjab province from 2008 to 2018, and his family.

Before his arrest, Shahbaz told the media that Prime Minister Khan wanted to have him arrested. "It is the unholy alliance of Imran Khan and NAB that wanted to put me behind bars." Shahbaz said.

In Islamabad, accountability court Judge Muhammad Azam Khan indicted Zardari and his sister Faryal Talpur in a case about the alleged use of fake accounts by the former president and other accused to park and launder allegedly ill-gotten wealth.

The 63-year-old and his 62year-old sister were present in the court, which also indicted Omni Group Chairman Anwar Majeed and his son, Abdul Ghani Majeed.

Reacting to the development, Pakistan People's Party Chairman Bilawal Bhutto-Zardari said "political victimisa $tion\,of\,the\,opposition\,continues$ during a global pandemic". PTI

Armenian forces escalate, dozens killed

Clashes between Azeri,

REUTERS & AP

IN A sharp escalation, Armenian and Azerbaijani forces fought over the separatist region of Nagorno-Karabakh for a second day Monday, with both sides blaming each other for resuming the attacks that reportedly killed and wounded dozens as the decades-

old conflict has reignited. The Azerbaijani Defence Ministry claimed Armenian forces shelled the town of Tartar. while Armenian officials said the fighting continued overnight and Baku resumed "offensive operations" in the morning.

According to officials in the predominantly Armenian enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh, 58 servicemen on their side have been killed so far. On Sunday, the ministry also reported two civilian deaths a woman and her grandchild.

Azerbaijani authorities said six civilians were killed and 26 wounded on their side. Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev said Sunday there were losses among Baku's forces, but didn't elaborate. The heavy fighting broke out ä ■ all-out war AFTER THE Nagorno-Karabakh War ended in 1994, fighting between the two sides has never been worse than it is now. If the ongoing

clashes escalate to all-out war. it could involve major powers such as Russia and Turkey. Russia has a defence alliance with Armenia and Turkev has close ties to Azerbaijan. Experts say deadly clashes and the use of rockets and artillery increase the risk of more casualties and limit the chances of a diplomatic solution.

Sunday in the region that lies within Azerbaijan but has been under the control of ethnic Armenian forces backed by the Yerevan government since 1994 at the end of a separatist war. Azerbaijan said it destroyed two Armenian tanks, and Armenian forces said Baku "lost 10 armoured vehicles in a tank battle".

WOMEN FIND THEIR PLACE IN THE WORK FORCE MORE AT RISK

Covid-19 pandemic could 'take women 10 years back' in the workplace

AMANDA TAUB SEPTEMBER 28

AS IF working mothers did not have enough to worry about, experts are now sounding the alarm that progress toward gender equality may be the latest in a long list of casualties of the

coronavirus pandemic Substantial research has shown that most professional gender gaps are in fact motherhood gaps; women without children are much closer to parity with men when it comes to salaries and promotions, but mothers pay a large career penalty.

Women tend to take on more

dren and the family. To go to work, they need someone to help with that care. But fathers have been slow to change their behaviour. And without subsidies, private

of the burdens of caring for chil-

penalise women who choose to work fewer hours or need more flexibility, and that, too, is proving to be exacerbated in the pandemic. "The bottom line is that,

know that there was one institution that was effective at limiting gender inequality and encouraging women's participation in the workplace, and it was early childhood education," said Claudia

Now the pandemic

based on decades of research, we

child care can be too expensive. Workplaces already tend to

too, piling pressure on working

Olivetti, an economist at

Dartmouth College.

hobbling of schools and child care providers — is taking that away, mothers. Around the world, working women are facing brutally hard choices about whether to stay home if they haven't already been laid off. And the effect may be particularly severe in countries like the US, where the pandemic is compounding inequalities that women already faced as a result of the lack of guaranteed paid maternity leave and affordable child care. "The question," said Olivetti,

"is, how far back do we go?" Israel is both an example of



offers to single mothers who have nowhere to bring their children while schools were closed in Lima, Peru. NYT

subsidised child care's power to narrow gender gaps at work and a cautionary tale about how eas-

ily the pandemic can shatter that fragile progress. The Israeli government pro-

day care for many babies and younger toddlers. As a consequence, before the pandemic, women's overall labour force participation had reached 74%, significantly higher than the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development average of 66%, according to a recent report from the Taub Centre for Social Policy Studies, an Israeli think tank. The gender wage gap, though persistent, was narrowing. Then came Covid-19. Schools

vides free early childhood educa-

and day care centres closed in mid-March, and the child care that had allowed so many mothers to work was gone.

New Delhi

tion from age 3 and means-tested precarious positions in the workforce - working fewer hours, for less money, with shorter tenures and in lower-ranking jobs than men. The loss of child care limited many working mothers' hours and availability even further, meaning they were often the first to be selected for lavoffs and unpaid leave. the report concluded. And it noted that many families appear to be deciding that if they need one parent to give up a job and prioritise child care, it should be the lowerpaid parent — usually the mother.

Women already held more

Sveta Skibinsky Raskin, a mother of five who lives in Jerusalem, worked as a writer while her children were in school she said Zinthiya Ganeshpanchan, who

n't do it," she said.

runs a charity serving disadvantaged women in Leicester,

and day care. But when the

schools closed, she had to stop. "I

tried for a week, and I just could-

in lockdown to combat a second

wave and schools closed once

again, "a lot of women are hav-

ing to make difficult choices,"

Now, with the country back

England, said the loss of school and day care "is going to take our women 10 years back because the only way for women to improve their public participation is by reducing the extra burden of caring responsibilities they have. NYT

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SECTOR WATCH TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Trai opposes DoT on mandatory registration of data-based other service providers

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

THE TELECOM Regulatory Authority of India (Trai) has reiterated its earlier stance on registration of data-based other service providers (OSP) and said pushing them to mandatorily register would hurt attempts for improving ease of doing business for such companies. The reiteration of its earlier stance by Trai is in a response to a September 26 letter by the Department of Telecommunications(DoT)in which the latter had asked the telecom regulator to reconsider eight issues.

One of the prime issues in this category was the registration process to be followed for voice-based and data-based OSPs. The DoT said since the present scenario was such that both voice and data are transported as data packets over internet protocol networks, the categorisation of OSPs on the basis of voice and data/internet may not be relevant.

"It may lead to misuse by OSPs based on data/internet for transiting voice calls. Hence, DoT is of the view that categorisation of OSPs on the basis of voice and data is not required and both type of OSPs should be required to take registration," the DoT said.

Trai has said that not forcing data-based OSPs to register would "give a boost to and encourage faster roll out of data based OSPs, resulting in ease of

However, Trai maintained data-based OSPs to register would "give a boost to and encourage faster roll out of data based OSPs, resulting in ease of doing such businesses".

doing such businesses"

The Trai and DoT have also expressed contrasting opinions on the issue of bank guarantees for OSPs. Trai, maintaining its earlier stand, said bank guarantees are perceived as a 'barrier" and it was desirable to keep entry barriers low for the OSP and business process outsourcing(BPO) industry.

"Many other countries are coming up to grab a larger share of this market. It is essentially desirable to keep the entry level barriers low to attract the BPO business in the country," Trai said. The DoT, on the other hand, believes that seeking bank guarantees from OSPs would act as a deterrent for them from indulging in any

INDEX CLOSES AT 37,981

Rebound in global markets, stimulus hopes push Sensex up by 593 points

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 28

STOCK MARKETS on Monday made strong gains amid hopes of fresh stimulus measures and strong global cues. The benchmark Sensex soared 593 points to 37,981.63 and the NSE Nifty Index gained 177 points to 11,227.55 on all-round buying support.

The broader markets outperformed and ended with decent gains of 2.6-2.7 per cent. The rebound in global indices, combined with the hopes of possible stimulus, aided the market rally. Further, reports that unlocking 5.0 will bring relaxation in the tourism, education, hotels and leisure seg-

COVID-19 IMPACT

36,826 Housing units sold

during July-September

2019 across the

seven cities

'Housing sales in top seven

cities down 61% in Jul-Sept'

Hit by lower demand due to the pandemic, housing sales are

estimated to have fallen 6% year-on-year in July-September

to 14,415 units across seven major cities, JLL India said

The BSE in Mumbai. File

ments including cinema halls and improved demand as well as the investor sentiment.

Vinod Nair, Head of Research, Geojit Financial Services, said, "Benchmark indices gained strength throughout the day helped by gains in banking and financial stocks. Global cues were also positive following positive in-

34% Rise in housing sales in the seven

cities on a sequential basis,

from 10.753 units in

April-June quarter

Why this is important: In the subsequent quarters, the translation of demand

turn depends upon the continued implementation of progressive government

into sales will primarily hinge on enhanced consumer confidence, which in

policies amidst the aradual revival of the Indian economy at large

dustrial profits data from China. setting aside concerns about the increasing virus infections and related impact." Indian markets were also banking on further stimulus and other measures by the government to boost the economy. "Traders limit overnight positions and keep booking profits while investors follow an accumulation strategy," he said.

Markets started the week on a positive note, tracking supportive global cues. "In continuation of Friday's rebound, the benchmark made a gap-up opening and gradually inched higher the day progress. The recovery was broadbased as a noticeable rebound was seen in auto, banking and financial stocks after investors' hopes in-

Housing units sold in

each of the seven cities

during July-September:

Delhi-NCR: 3,112

1,570

Source: JLL

India/PTI

390

Hyderabad:

Bengaluru:

Chennai:

Kolkata:

creased on the likely announcement of an additional stimulus package by the government," said Ajit Mishra, VP-Research, Religare Broking Ltd. Asian stocks rose Monday,

as bargain-buyers moved in following a recent sell-off and news that profits at China's biggest industrial firms grew for a fourth straight month, indicating the world's number two economy is getting back on track.

tracking a healthy lead from the US

European stocks partially recovered from last week's hefty losses on Monday, helped by bargain shopping by foreigners, upbeat industrial profits data from China and as banking stocks bounced off record lows.

Enhanced borrowing limit for banks under MSF extended

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 28

THE RESERVE Bank has decided to extend by six months the enhanced borrowing facility provided to banks to meet liquidity shortage till March 31, 2021.

The RBI had increased the borrowing limit for scheduled banks under the marginal standing facility (MSF) scheme from 2 per cent to 3 per cent of their Net Demand and Time Liabilities, with effect from March 27. The facility, initially available up to June 30, was later extended up to September 30.

PRANAV MUKUL

NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

AS THE number of domestic and

international flights in the national

capital scale up, Delhi International

Airport Ltd has decided to resume

operations from its Terminal 2

starting October 1 after six months

of shutdown. So far, all

Delhi have been oper-

ating from airport's the

ne flights to and from

Dubai aviation authority asks AI Express to reject flyers with Covid test reports from 4 labs

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IN WHAT raises concerns over standards of Covid testing in India, the Dubai Civil Aviation Authority (DCAA) has asked Air India Express to reject passengers with Covid test reports from four laboratories reporting to the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR).

The laboratories are Suryam Lab in Jaipur, Microhealth Lab in the cities of Kerala, Dr P Bhasin Pathlabs (Private) Limited and Noble Diagnostic Centre in Delhi, the airline said on Twitter.

The move has come 10 days after the Dubai administration suspended Air India Express from flying to the emirate for two weeks for carrying two passengers with Covid-positive test reports on separate occasions. The ban was overturned 24 hours after it was announced after the airline "profusely apologised".

According to the rules in the United Arab Emirates (UAE), with which India has an air bubble arrangement, passengers must have an RT-PCR test report certifying them negative for Covid-19 to be accepted for any inbound flight. The test should have been conducted within 96 hours prior to the journey.

In a tweet, Air India Express said: "Regulatory authorities in Dubai have recommended Air India Express to reject the RT-PCR test reports from the following laboratories for passengers travelling to Dubai...it has further been recommended that passengers to Dubai may be advised to obtain pre-travel The laboratories are Survam Lab in Jaipur, Microhealth Lab in the cities of Kerala, **Dr P Bhasin Pathlabs** (Private) Limited and **Noble Diagnostic** Centre in Delhi

RT-PCR reports from Pure Health-approved laboratories". Pure Health is a UAE-based laboratory consulting and medical supply company.

Scheduled international flights have been suspended in India since March 23 due to Covid-19.

However, special international passenger flights have been operating in the country under the Vande Bharat Mission since May and under bilateral air bubble arrangements formed with other countries since July.

The UAE is one of the 10 countries with which India has established bilateral air bubble pacts. Under such a pact, the airlines of both countries can operate international passenger flights with certain restric-

Flag carrier Air India is also currently undergoing a suspension for flights to Hong Kong for carrying several Covid-positive passengers on its Vande Bharat flights to the city.

This was Air India's second such ban after the authorities suspended its flights on an earlier occasion in August for the same reason, wherein they also raised questions over testing

BRIEFLY —

Economy to shrink 11%: Icra

New Delhi: Rating firm Icra revised further down its GDP estimate for India on Monday and now expects the Indian economy to contract by 11 per cent in FY21.

RBI clears panel to manage LVB

New Delhi: The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved appointment of threemember Committee of Directors to run the daily affairs of debt-ridden Lakshmi Vilas Bank (LVB).

Coalmining tenderpapersale

New Delhi: The government said Monday 278 tender documents have been purchased by prospective bidders with regard to the coal blocks put up for auction under commercial mining. The government had put on auction 38 coal mines for commercial mining. It said the nominated authority will receive the bids till 2 pm on September 29 and bid opening will be done at 10 am on September 30.

Bids invited for CILplant

New Delhi: Coal India Ltd (CIL) on Monday said that it has invited global bids for setting up a coal to methanol plant. Dankuni Coal Complex (DCC) in West Bengal, currently run by its subsidiary South Eastern Coalfields Ltd, is identified as the project site for the proposed plant.

Exploration starts at KGF

Bengaluru: The Mineral **Exploration Corporation** Limited (MECL) started exploration of the Kolar Gold Fields (KGF) on Monday, said Union Minister for Coal and Mines Pralhad Joshi. "Happy to convey that exploratory drilling at Betrayaswamy block of Kolar Gold Fields commenced today," the minister tweeted. PTI

Vaghela to succeed Sharma Delhi airport's T2 to resume Which flights will be operating from T2 as chairperson of Trai

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

THE APPOINTMENTS Committee of the Cabinet on Monday approved the appointment of P D Vaghela, a 1986-Gujarat cadre Indian Administrative Officer (IAS), as the next chairperson of the Telecom Regulatory

Vaghela, who succeeds incumbent chairperson R S Sharma, has been appointed for a period of three years, or until he attains the age of 65, according to an official notification. Vaghela is currently serving as

the secretary of the Department of Pharmaceuticals under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilisers, where he took charge on August 1 last year. The Gujaratcadre IAS officer had also been instrumental in the roll-out of Goods and Services Tax (GST) in 2017 and has served as the commissioner of commercial tax in his home state. Vaghela, a bachelor of com-

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU

THE SUPREME Court on Monday

gave one more week to the gov-

ernment to come up with a plan

on waiver of interest charged on

deferred loan EMIs during the

moratorium period to ease the fi-

Bhushan adjourned the matter till

Monday after Solicitor General

Tushar Mehta said that the issues

were under "active consideration"

of the government and a decision

A Bench led by Justice Ashok

nancial burden on borrowers.

NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

DURING MORATORIUM PERIOD



P D Vaghela

administration (finance) in development studies degree holder has also served as the chairman of Kandla Port Trust for a period of five years beginning 2008.

The tenure of Sharma, Vaghela's predecessor in Trai, was marred by controversies and allegations that the decisions taken by the regulatory authority had helped Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Jio find its feet in the highly competitive domestic telecom market. Sharma led Trai for five years and was given a rare two-year exten-

SC gives govt one week to come up with plan on

waiver of interest charged on deferred loan EMIs

is likely to be taken within 2-3

days. "Some things are beyond my

time till Thursday, to the govern-

ment noted that "the SG states

that he shall endeavour to circu-

late affidavit by Thursday so that

decision taken by the government

may be intimated to the counsel

and can be heard on Monday.

extended its interim order that

asked banks not to declare any

loans as non-performing assets

(NPAs) till further orders. It had

The SC had, on September 10,

Interim orders to continue."

The Bench, while granting

control," Mehta told the Bench.

operations from October 1





months, IGI's Terminal 2 is restart operations from October 1. The terminal will reopen in phases and the number of flights will increase gradually, said an official of Delhi International Airport

The number of air traffic movements will be limited to 96 - 48 arrivals and departures each per day. The number will increase to 180 by the end of October.

An IndiGo flight to Srinagar will take-off at 6:25 am on October 1. A DIAL official said, "Passengers are required to make use of e-boarding facilities so that the process is contactless." 162 housekeeping personnel are deployed to ensure the premises are being sanitised round the clock.

Videh Kumar Jaipuriar, CEO-DIAL, said, "Delhi Airport is all set to reopen for domestic flight op-

given a "last chance" to the Centre

and the Reserve Bank of India

(RBI) to come up with a concrete

plan on the waiver of interest is-

sue. It had also asked the Centre to

take a decision after considering

the interests of all classes of cred-

itors and all sectors of the econ-

omy. On September 3, the court

had directed banks against declar-

ing loan accounts that were not

NPAs prior to August 31. The SC is

hearing a batch of petitions seek-

ing a waiver of interest on de-

ferred EMIs during the extended

moratorium period amid the na-

tionwide lockdown. FE



IGI airport's Terminal 2. File

erations at T2 after a six-month shutdown. We would like to assure passengers that at Delhi airport, they would be in a safe and healthy environment. We have implemented several measures at the airport to ensure passenger safety without compromising their comfort and experience. Our teams have worked round the clock to sanitize the vast terminal. DIAL will continue its awareness drive by educating and encouraging passengers to maintain social distance while at the airport."

deadlines for

several schemes

Privatisation could 'unlock MCA extends

till end of year New Delhi: The Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) has extended the duration of several schemes till the end of the year, to provide relief to businesses amid the pandemic and improve ease of doing business. On Monday, the office of Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced on Twitter the extension of the Companies Fresh Start Scheme, LLP Settlement Scheme and compliance relaxations including permitting companies to hold extraordinary general meetings via video conference. ENS

operating from Terminal 2? Starting October 1, all the do-

mestic flights of low-cost carrier GoAir and a part of IndiGo's flights will operate from Terminal 2. IndiGo, which is currently operating more than 105 domestic flights from Terminal 3, will move its flights with numbers ranging between 6E2000 and 6E2999 to Terminal 2. These will cater to 20 destinations from terminal, in-

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NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

BHARAT PETROLEUM Corpora-

tion Ltd (BPCL) expects a signifi-

cant improvement in gross refin-

ing margin (GRM) in the second

quarter of FY20, after the state-

owned oil marketing company

(OMC) posted a GRM of \$0.39 per

barrel in the quarter ending June

2020, compared to \$2.81 per bar-

The company had posted a

profit of Rs 2,076 crore despite

GRM being low on the back of in-

ventory gains from a revival in the

rel in the year-ago period.

Bhubaneswar, Bhopal, Bengaluru, Cochin, Guwahati, Indore, Jammu, Lucknow, Chennai, Patna, Srinagar, Trivandrum, and Visakhapatnam among others. In the next phase, October 8 onwards, 12 more destinations, including Mumbai, Kolkata, Coimbatore, Dehradun, Goa,

and till what extent have ops scaled up?

cluding Ahmedabad, Amritsar,

EXPLAINE Which flights will be

tremendous value': BPCL CMD

Hyderabad, Madurai. Jainur and Nagpu will start operating

Why are these flights being shifted to Terminal 2?

The imminent rise in the number of flights being operated by airlines both on domestic and international routes has resulted in Delhi airport moving a part of the operations to Terminal 2 in order to accommodate the growing capacity and at the same time ensuring safety measures such as social distancing. Wolfgang Prock-Schauer, president and chief operating officer, IndiGo

price of crude oil from lows of

petrol sales had reached pre-

Covid levels and diesel sales are

expected to reach near pre-Covid

Padmakar said the impending privatisation of the company would

likely lead to the unlocking of

greater value. He said the privati-

sation was expected to "unlock

tremendous value through the

sharpening of professionalism,

improvement in efficiencies, in-

creased investments, access to ad-

the country. Foxconn said that as a

vanced technologies."

Meanwhile, BPCL Chairman K

evels in two-three months.

BPCL executives noted that

around \$20 per barrel in April.

said, "We are working very closely with the Delhi International Airport Limited to shift nearly half of our domestic operations from Terminal 3 to Terminal 2 at IGI Airport, As capacities grow, operations from T2 will also allow adequate space to maintain social distancing guidelines while providing a safe and hassle-free travel experience". To what extent have domestic

operations scaled up?

Earlier this month, the government allowed airlines to operate up to 60 per cent of the pre-Covid capacity compared with 45 per cent earlier. In August, domestic air passenger traffic in the country recoded a slight recovery, with 28.32 lakh passengers taking flights, up from 21.07 lakh in July. However, the August numbers were still lower than the same period last year when 1.18 crore passengers took to the sky. The government estimates the domestic passenger traffic to reach 50 per cent of the

Uber granted 18-month licence to ply in London after legal battle

pre-Covid numbers by Diwali.

REUTERS LONDON, SEPTEMBER 28

UBER HAS won a legal bid to restore its London operating licence which was taken away over safety concerns, after a judge ruled on Monday that the company was a fit and proper operator despite "historical failings"

Transport for London (TfL) refused to grant the Silicon Valleybased company a new licence in 2019 due to what it called a "pattern of failures", including thousands of trips conducted where drivers other than those advertised picked up passengers. Uber argued it has since assuaged concerns by improving insurance document verification systems and rolling out real-time identification.

The US company was also denied a licence by TfL in 2017, in a major blow in one of its most important markets, before it was reored on a probationary basis.

"I am satisfied that they are doing what a reasonable business in their sector could be expected to do, perhaps even more," Judge Tan Ikram said on Monday.

SBI MD post: 16 names in fray

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAL SEPTEMBER 28

AS MANY as 16 candidates are in the race for a single post of managing director (MD) of the country's largest lender State Bank of India (SBI). The Bank Board Bureau (BBB) has already recommended the name of Dinesh Khara, who is one of the four serving MDs of the bank, as the next Chairman.

The post of new MD will become vacant once Khara takes Festive offer

Mumbai: SBI has unveiled a slew of special offers for its retail customers ahead of the forthcoming festival season. It has announced a 100 per cent waiver in the processing fee for all customers applying for car, gold, and personal

over as the SBI chairman.

loan via YONO app. **ENS**

GOVT'S SMARTPHONE INCENTIVE PLAN Three top Apple suppliers to commit \$900 mn'

REUTERS NEW DELHI, SEPTEMBER 28

manufacturers plan to invest a total of almost \$900 million in India in the next five years to tap into a new production-linked incentive plan, according to two sources familiar with the matter. Foxconn. Wistron and Pegatron all plan to

make investments under the

THREE OF Apple Inc's top contract

scheme, said the sources, who asked not to be named as the discussions are private. India's new \$6.65 billion pro-

duction-linked incentive (PLI) scheme offers companies cash incentives on any increase in sales of locally-made smartphones over the next five years, compared with 2019-20 levels. The scheme aims to help transform India into an export manufacturing hub. Foxconn has applied to invest

while Wistron and Pegatron have committed to invest close to Rs 13 billion and Rs 12 billion, respectively, under the PLI plan, the sources said.

investment will be targeted at boosting manufacturing of Apple devices in India, but the sources and industry insiders said the vast majority would be focused on expanding iPhone manufacturing in

about Rs 40 billion (\$542 million), matter of policy it did not comment on specific operations or work for any customer. Apple, Wistron, Pegatron and India's technology ministry, which formulated It is unclear whether all of the the PLI scheme, didn't respond to emails seeking comment.

> While Foxconn, Pegatron and assembles only iPhones New Delhi

Wistron make devices for companies other than Apple globally, Wistron's arm in India currently

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR SHER-I-KASHMIR INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES Department of Materials Management (Imports Section) SOURA, SRINAGAR, Jammu & Kashmir-190011 E-mail: <u>ammoimports@skims.ac.in</u>, Fax No: 0194-2403404

e-NIT No.: SIMS-324-NIT 11 (IMPORTS) OF 2020 **DATED: 24.09.2020**

Subject: Abbreviated Notice inviting Tenders for supply, Installation, testing & commissioning of various Bio-Medical equipments for the department of Surgical Oncology sKIMS, Under State Cancer Institute.

On behalf of the Lt. Governor of Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir, through Director, Sher--Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences, Soura, Srinagar, e-tenders are invited from the original manufacturers/their Indian subsidiaries/Indian Agents on the authorization of principal manufacturers/Indian Subsidiary if 100% subsidiary of foreign principals (for Imported equipment) and manufacturers/their authorized dealers for the J&K (for indigenous equipment) for supply Installation, testing & commissioning of following Bio-Medical equipments:

Group	Name of the item	Qty	Tender fee	EMD
A	Gamma Cordless Probe	01	1000	30,000
В	Surgical Loupe 2.5x	02	500	2000
С	Rexible Nasopharyngolarynghoscope with chip on tip	01	1000	50,000
D	Video Assisted Distending Mediastinoscopy	01	1000	30,000
E	Ultrasonic Bone Scalpet System for Oesteosurgery	01	1000	50,000
F	Micro vascular Doppler Probe	01	500	1000
G	Operating Microscope	01	5000	3,00,000
Н	Automatic Tourniquet System for Limb surgeries	01	1000	1,00,000
I	Micro Drill with Attachments (Air Pen Drive)	01	500	10,000

The detailed tender document is available on www.jktenders.gov.in & on SKIMS website www.skims.ac.in. The NIT schedule is as per following:

Last Date fo	r Submission of Online Bids	28.10.2020 upto 4.00 P.M.
Opening of	Technical Bids	31.10.2020 at 12.30 P.M.

Complete bidding process will be done online on e-tendering portal www.jktenders.gov.in & the tenders should be submitted strictly in accordane with the provisions of the detailed NIT

No. SIMS-324-NIT 11 (Imports) 2020-3011-19-5338-41

Asstt. Materials Management Officer (Imports) For & on behalf of Chief of **Materials Management**

HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT e-Procurement Notice

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) 1. The Executive Engineer, Mandi Division No. I, HPPWD, Mandi, Disti Mandi (H.P.) on behalf of Governor of HP invites the online bids on item rate, in electronic tendering system, in 2 Cover System for the under

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Cost (in Rs.)	(in Rs.)	Tender (in Rs.)	Time at completion	Class of Contractor
110	Construction of Goxt, Senior Secondary School building at Sahal Tehat Pacher Distl. Mand: (H.P.) (SH:- Construction of building portion including water supply and sanitary installation, construction of suptic tank with soak pit. tain water harvesting tank and site development).		1,45,300\	5000/-	One Year	1A&B*
2	Construction of Surala to Badwahan Panelahi Sasti Devolhar mad Kin 0.0 to 0.500 in GP, Urls(Under SCSP) (Sub Head: Formation cutting 5/7 metre wide from Kin 0/0 to 4/240)	September 17	50,400%	1500/-	Six months	.D&C.

Availability of Bid Document and mode of submission: The Bid document is available online and bid should be submitted in online mode on website https://hptenders.gov.in. Bidder would be required to register in the web-site which is free of cost. For submission of bids, the bidder is required to have Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) from one of the authorized Certifying Authorities (CA). "Aspring bidders who have not obtained the user ID and password for participating in e-tendering in HPPWD may obtain the same from the website: <a href="https://https:/ possessing the digital signature issued from authorized CAs can use the same in this tender

ney	Dates:	
1.	Date of Online Publication	09.10.2020 1000 HRS
2	Document Download Start and End Date	09:10:2020 1000 HRS upto 21:10:2020 1700 HRS
3/	Bid Submission Start and End Date	09:18:2020 1000 HRS upto 21:10:2020 1700 HRS
4	Physical Submission of EMD and Cost of Tender Document	22.10.2020upto 1100 HRS
5.	Date of Technical Bid opening, Evaluation of Technical Bid followed by Opening of Financial Bid.	22.10-2020 1130 HRS

e Tender Documents shall be uploaded online in 2 Cover (i) Cover 1: shall contain scanned copies of all "Technical Documents/ Eligibility Information", ii) Cover 2: shall contain "BOQ/Financial Bid", where contractor will quote his offer for each item.

SUBMISSION OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS: The bidders are required to submit (a) original demand draft towards the cost of bid document and (b) original bid security/Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and other Technical Documents in Q/O Executive Engineer, Mandi Division No. 1, HPPWD Mandi, Disti Mandi (H.P) a payable at Mandi as specified in Key dates Sr. No. 4 on Tender Opening Date, failing which the bids will be declared non-

BID OPENING DETAILS: The bids shall be opened on 22.10.2020at11.30 HRS in the office of Executive Engineer, Mandi Division No. I, HPPWD Mandi, Distr Mandi H.P by the authorised officer. In their interest the renderers are advised to be present along with original documents at the time of opening of tenders. If the office happens to be closed on the date of opening of the bids as specified, the bids will be opened on the next working

day at the same time and venue.

The bids for the work shall remain valid for acceptance for a period not less than 120 days after the deadline date for bid submission.

Other details can be seen in the bidding documents. The officer inviting lender shall not be held liable for any delays due to system failure beyond its control. Even though the system will attempt to notify the bidders of any bid updates, the Employer shall not be liable for any information not received by the bidder. It is the bidders responsibility to verify the website for the latest information related to the tender.

Executive Engineer, Mandi Division No. I, H.P.P.W.D., Mandi Distt, Mandi (H.P.) On behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh.

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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (JSD) PHEDIVISION, PULWAMA email: xenphepulwama@gmail.com

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NOTICE INVITING TENDERS E-NIT S. No. 40/PHEP/Fresh of 2020-21 For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor of UT of J&K e-tenders (Two cover System) are invited on Turn Key basis including DLP of six months and maintenance for a period of Three Years after completion of DLPfrom reputed and resourceful contractors /Firms/companies/joint venture of repute in PWD or Equivalent in CPWD/Railways and other state Governments for the following works, which should be uploaded on the Procurement web in PWD or Equivalent in CPWD/Railways and other state Governments for the following works, which should be uploaded on the Procurement web portal http://klenders.gov.infor the subjected work(s) referred below to be received by the Executive Engineer PHE Division Pulwama/Superintending Engineer, Hydl. Circle, Shopianand as per the details mentioned in this e-tender notification and to whom all the terms and conditions of detailed e-NIT /Tender Documents/ PWD Form No: 25 double are accepted. The detailed tender document and Specifications etc. can be downloaded on the e-procurement portal http://klenders.gov.in. The cost of tender documents (Non-refundable/Non-Transferable) should bein the shape of e-Challan or Treasury Challan/Receipt in favour Executive Engineer PHE Division Pulwama.

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Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	Cost of Tender Document	Earnest Money Deposit	Time of Comple- tion	Tender Opening Authority	Class of Contract
1	Design, construction, testing and successful commissioning of 0.50 lac aglanc sapacity RGC Over Head Tank (Shell type) in single compartment with 21 mtrs staging height including providing, laying and fixing of supply main, ising main, washout connecting with supply system with 12mm thick flanged joints cost of pipes, nuts, bolts, washers, M/S lid with frame and cover including construction of hand railing around the stair, sluice valves, covels, heavy duty of WAGE make or Kirloskar make, boulder filling inside the tank upto ground level. Levelling of ground including disposal of excavated material from premise upto 5 Kms lead. Angle iron door with frame including construction of sluice chamber as required at site with M/S Lid and ladder, including Providing, laying å titting of pipes for mains, sub-mains, distribution system including carriage all leads, lifts complete on Turnkey basis. Adopt bearing capacity of soil 6.55 M.Ton/ Sym (report enclosed). Architectural aesthetics shall be kept in consideration to make the structures appealing for WSS Nilorar Pachlipora under Languishing Programme JKIDFC Ltd) LUP 2400	₹ 131.51 lacs	₹ 5000/- (Favoring Executive Engineer PHE Division Pulwama under MH 0215)	₹ 263020/- (Pledged to the Executive Engineer PHE Division Pulwama.	10 months	Executive Engineer JSD (PHE) Division Pulwama	"A" Class - Reputed and resourceful contractors/ Firms/Compa nies/Joint Venture of repute in PWD or Equivalent in CPWD/ Railways and other state Governments.
2	Design, construction, testing and successful commissioning of 0.50 lac aglancs capacity RGC Over Head Tank (shelf type) in single compartment with 21 mtrs staging height including providing, laying and fixing of supply main, ising main, overflow connecting with supply system with 12mm thick flanged joints cost of pipes, nuts, bolts, washers, M/S lid with frame and cover including construction of hard railing around the stair, sluice valves, covels, heavy duty of VAIG make or Kirloskar make, boulder filling inside the tank upto ground level. Levelling of ground including disposal of excavated material from premises upto 5 Kms lead. Angle iron door with frame including construction of sluice chamber as required at site with M/S Lid and ladder. Including Providing, laying & fitting of pipes for mains, sub-mains, distribution system including carriage all leads, lifts complete on Turnkey basis Adopt bearing capacity of soil a.55 M Ton/Simg (report enclosed). Architectural aesthetics shall be kept in consideration to make the structures appealing or WSS Bhatnoor under Languishing Programme JKIDFC Ltd) LUP 2398.	₹134.80I acs	₹5000/- (Favoring Executive Engineer PHE Division Pulwama under MH 0215)	₹ 269600/- (Pledged to the Executive Engineer PHE Division Pulwama.	10 months	Executive Engineer JSD (PHE) Division Pulwama	"A" Class - Reputed and resourceful contractors/ Firms/Compa nies/Joint Venture of repute in PWD or Equivalent in CPWD/ Railways and other state Governments.
3	Design, construction, testing and successful commissioning of 0.70 lac gallons capacity RCC Over Head Tank (shell type) in single compariment with 21 mrts staging helgit including providing, laying and fixing of supply main, rising main, washout connecting with supply system with 12mm thick flanged joints cost of pipes, nuts, bolts, washers, M/S lid with frame and cover including construction of hand railing around the stair, sluice valves, covels, heavy duty of VAGE make or Kirloskar make, boulder filling inside the tank upto ground level. Levelling of ground including disposal of excavated material from premises upto 5 Kms lead. Angle ion door with frame including construction of sluice chamber with M/S Lid and ladder and construction of pump operator quarter including providing, laying & fitting of pipes for mains, submission system including carriage all leads, lifts complete including construction of electrical and mechanical works as required. The advertised ost includes the maintenance cost of the scheme for three years. Adopt bearing capacity of soil 7.80M.Ton /Sqm (report enclosed). Architectural aesthetics shall be kept in consideration to make the structures appealing for WSS Killine Qundf Mussa under	₹ 190.32 lacs	₹5000/- (Favoring Executive Engineer PHE Division Pulwama under MH 0215)	₹ 380640/- (Pledged to the Superinten ding Engineer, Hydl. Circle, Shopian/Pu Iwama HQ: Shopian.	10 months	Superinte nding Engineer, Hydl. Circle, Shopian/ Pulwama HQ: Shopian	"A" Class - Reputed and resourceful contractors/ Firms/Compa nies/Joint Venture of repute in PWD or Equivalent in CPWD/ Railways and other state Governments.

on of Funds: Available; Major Head of Account: JKIDFC

Languishing Programme JKIDFC Ltd) LUP 2405

The Bidding documents consisting of eligibility criteria, specification, drawings, bill of quantities (B.O.Q) set of terms & conditions of contract and oth

S. No.	Description		Date			
		DD	MM	YYYY	Time	
1	Publishing date of NIT	26	09	2020	1400 Hrs	
2	Download start date	26	09	2020	1400 Hrs	
3	Bid submission start date	26	09	2020	1400 Hrs	
4	Bid submission end date	19	10	2020	1600 Hrs.	
5	Bid opening date (Technical Cover)	20	10	2020	1000 Hrs.	

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor UT of Jammu & Kashmi Sd/- Executive Engineer, JSD (PHE) Div, Pulwa



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (E01)

EOI is solicited from the leading vendors for the construction of a shelter for the school pathway. Measurement area 165 ft x 16 ft x 10 ft. approx Specifications for the above and EOI form are available at the school counter against cash/draft of ₹ 500/- each. Forms duly filled to be submitted by 15 Oct 2020 Chairman



CENTRAL WAREHOUSING CORPORATION (A Govt. of India Undertaking)

Scope Minar, Core-3, 1stFloor Laxmi Nagar Distt. Center, DELHI-110092, Ph: 011-2244334, 22041294 e-mail: rmdli@cewacor.nic.in No.CWC/RO-DLI/H&T/ICD-PPG/2020-21/

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

cwceprocure.com, latest by 1500 hrs. on 20.10.2020.

he central warehousing corporation invites e-tender for appointment of regular H&T Contractor fandling & transportation of containers/ cargo and allied services at Inland Container Depot(ICI atparganj, Delhi ebsite www.cwceprocure.com or www.cewacor.nic.in or www.tenderwizard.com/CEWACOR he CPP Portal www.eprocure.gov.in all respects be submitted by uploading on the porta

KONKAN RAILWAY CORPORATION LTD. (A Government of India Undertaking)

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Chief Engineer, Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd., invites Open Tender in Two bid system

through E-Tendering on IREPS portal from eligible contractors for the following work. Tender Notice No.: KR-W-1-58-2020-06, Name of Work: Complete Track Renewal (P) between Km 693/000 to 739 / 800 Udupi (UD) - Thokur (TOK) in AEN / Udupi Section in Karwar Region of Konkan Railway in Karnataka State. Estimated Cost: ₹ 1364 Lakhs Excluding GST. Closing Date/Time: 20/10/2020 up to 15:00 hrs. for submission of online Offers/Bids. Completion Period: Twelve Months including Monsoon. Manual offers shall not be accepted. Please visit https://www.ireps.gov.in website for details / participation. Corrigendum / addendum will be hosted in this website only.

Suggestions are invited

Draft BACK TO BASIC (DAY TOUR OF FARM) SCHEME

Details are available on www.haryanatourism.gov.in. Suggestion can be emailed on feedbackhrytourism @gmail.com before 05.00 P.M on 11.10.2020

> Director General Tourism Department, Haryana, Chandigarh

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Office of Director Hosp. Admn. (M&TB)
18" Floor, Dr. SPM Civic Center, Dr. JLN Marg, New Delhi 110002; Tel 23226807, 23226824 Addl. DHA (M&TB)/ 2020/77/

Tender No. Addl. DHA (M&TB)/ 2020-21/03 Date 28.09.2020 Notice Inviting Request for Proposal/Tender

Director, Hospital Administration, South Delhi Municipal Corporation invites online 'Request for Proposal' from competent and reputed organizations in the business of Running Dialysis Centers etc. to execute the project of establishing & Running Dialysis Centers' at PSMS ospital and Tilak Nagar Colony hospital under South Delhi Municipal Corporation in the lanner as provided in the detailed notice. Last date of submission is 14/10/2020 till 15.00 Hrs. A pre-id meeting will be convened on 01/10/2020 at 11.30 A.M. Details are available in the website of SDMC <u>www.mcdonline.nic.in</u>. Tender documents can be down loaded from Tender website o SDMC; http://tenderwizard.com/SOUTHDMCTENDER from 29.09.2020

TAMILNADU NEWSPRINT AND PAPERS LIMITED Kagithapuram - 639 136, Karur Dist. Tamil Nadu Ph: 04324-277 001 (10 Lines), Extn: 4402/4568 NOTICE INVITING BIDS (NIB)

SI. No	Description	Due Date
	Supply of Titanium, SMO and Duplex Pipes &	
1	Fittings for Hardwood Fibreline area for TNPL	09.10.2020
	Unit-II MEP	
2	Supply of FRP Pipes and Fittings for Hardwood Fibreline area for TNPL Unit-II MEP	09.10.2020
	For Design, Supply, Fabrication, Erection and	
3	Commissioning of a roof for Concrete (Chip) Silo	14.10.2020
	for Hardwood Fibreline area of TNPL Unit-II MEP	

Sl No: 1 & 2 - pmd2@tnpl.co.in; Sl No: 3 - pmd5@tnpl.co.in Bidders may request the tender document at the above address by post/mail. Detailed NIB may be viewed in websites: www.tnpl.com www.tenders.tn.gov.in

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भारतीय कंटेनर निगम लिमिटेड Container Corporation of India Ltd.

PUBLIC AUCTION/TENDER NOTICE DISPOSAL OF UNCLEARED/UNCLAIMED IMPORTED/DOMESTIC DAMAGE CONTAINER/ CARGOTHROUGHE- AUCTION

Container Corporation of India Ltd. shall be auctioning scrap items, domestic empty damage containers and unclaimed/uncleared imported cargo landed at the terminals of Area-I(North), those containers arrived on or before 31.07.2020 through e-auctionon 09.10.2020, 20.10.2020 & 31.10.2020 on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS". All details along with Terms Conditions of auction sale & cargo details will be available on www.concorindia.co.in & www.mstcecommerce.com w.e.f. 29.09.2020, 10.10.2020, & 20.10.2020. All importers including Government Undertakings / Departments whose containers/goods are lying unclaimed/uncleared and falling in the said list uploaded in website at respective terminals unicial leave unicial act and failing in the said his uploaded in website at respective eniminal because of any dispute, stay by Court / Tribunal / others or any such reason may accordingly inform the concerned Executive Director, Area-I (North) CONCOR, as well as Commissione of Customs of the concerned Commissionerate, and file their objections/claims regarding disposal of such goods within **7 (Seven Days)** of this notice failing which the goods will be auctioned on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" without any further notice. For full details please log on to www.concorindia.co.in & www.mstcecommerce.com Executive Director

Jammu and Kashmir Office of the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti PHE (QC&PD) Division, HMT, Srinagar

Phone: - 0194- 2496307.E-Mail:- xenmandp@gmail.com Corrigendum-01

Subject: - Supply of Alumina Ferric Grade-IV conforming to

IS 299: 2012 with upto date Amendments. Ref: This office NIT No: PHE/M&P/11 of 2020-21/e-Tender Dated: 19-09-2020 issued under endorsement vide No:

PHE/M&P/2018-67 dated: 19-09-2020. It is to inform all the intending bidders for the subject e-NIT that due to typographical error the quantity of Alumina Ferric Grade-

IV in the Gist of e-NIT has been erroneously stipulated as:-Supply of 200 Metric Tons, Alumina Ferric Grade- IV con-

forming to IS 299: 2012 (with upto date Amendments). So the same is corrected and shall be read as:-

Supply of 2000 Metric Tons, Alumina Ferric Grade- IV conforming to IS 299: 2012 (with upto date Amendments). Rest all the terms and conditions, dates etc shall remain

Executive Engineer QC&PD Jal Shakti No: PHE/M&P/2072-75 Dated: 21.09.2020 **HMT Srinagar** DIPK-6462

RIICO

E-TENDER NOTICE RIICO invites tenders/bids costing more than **Rs. 200 lacs** through **eproc.rajasthan.gov.in** from registered, reputed and experienced contractors for under mentioned works. As such, this is to inform all the prospective bidders/contractors registered in appropriate class in any department or public undertaking of any state in India/GOI, that they may download & submit online tenders/bids for following works:

aow	mioad & submit online tenders/bids for following works:	
Sr.	Name of Work	Estimated
No.		Cost (Rs.
		in Lacs)
1	Sr. Regional Manager, Dausa	
1.1	Construction of stone masonry drain with disposal drain and	773.49
	Improvement of ROW by P & F of interlocking tiles at ind.	
	Area Lalsot (Distt. Dausa) RDC2021WLOB00793	
2	Sr. Regional Manager, Boranada	
2.1	Up gradation of infrastructure families at Ind Area Boranada	575.22
	Ph-IV RDC2021WLOB00832	
3	Sr. Regional Manager, Kota	
3.1	Strengthening of BT Road and Construction of CC Road at	331.21
	Industrial area Indraprasth (IPIA) Kota	
	RDC2021WSOB00838	
4	Sr. Regional Manager, Abu Road	
4.1	Development works (survey & Demarcation and Road &	321.37
	C.D Works and Boundary wall) at Industrial area badgaon.	
	Tehsil sheoganj. District sirohi. RDC2021WSOB00840	

Udyog Bhawan, Tilak Marg, Jaipur- 302 005, Phone : 0141-2227751, 4593201 Fax : 0141-4593210

Andhra Pradesh State Co-operative Marketing Federation Ltd.,

#55-17-2 to 4.5° Floor, Stalin Corporate Building, Near CGO Complex, Industrial Estate, Auto Nagar, Vijayawa e-TENDER NOTICE

e-Tenders are invited from reputed and financially sound organizations for supply of new & once used sound gunnies of 50 Kg (B-twill) and 70 Kg Capacity, 3 ply new suthili (jute twine), providing transportation and warehousing services, e-Tender followed by reverse auction. The RFP with all details can be downloaded from t**ender.apeprocurement.gov.in** from **dt. 29.09.2020 at 2.30 PM.** onwards Sd/- MANAGING DIRECTOR



Scheme Component of Pooled Assigned Revenue - 2019-20 E1/440/2019 Dated :24.09.2020

 For details, visit www.tntenders.gov.in
 e-Bids are invited by the Project Director, DRDA of Tiruchirappalli District for the Construction of Integrated Office Complex for RD & PR Department

Notice Inviting Tender

under two cover system.

3. Bid document can be downloaded free of cost from www.tutenders.gov.in rom 28.09.2020 to 27.10.2020.

. Date and time for downloading Bid documents, submission and opening (i) Last Date and Time for downloading : **27.10.2020** Up to **3.00** PM.

and Submission of Bid Documents (ii) Date and Time of online opening : 27.10.2020 - 4.00 PM onwards. of Bid Documents

DIPR. 3642/TENDER/2020

Joint Director / Project Director DRDA, Tiruchirappalli.

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE **APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON**

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person Naresh Thakur @ Bhagu, S/o: Lt. Hari Ram, R/o: H. No. E-41, Vishnu Garden, Tilak Nagar, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to has committed) the offence in case FIR No. 175/2019 dated 05.04.2019 U/s 420/120B/506/34 IPC has been registered at P.S. Tilak Nagar, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said Naresh Thakur @ Bhagu cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Naresh Thakur @ Bhagu hase absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said Naresh Thakur @ Bhagu accused of FIR No. 175/2019 dated 05.04.2019 U/s 420/120B/506/34 IPC has been registered at P.S. Tilak Nagar, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 12.11.2020

By Order

Sh. Punit Nagpal, Ld. Metropolitan Magistrate, Room No. 239, DP/218/WD/2020 lind Floor, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED General Public is hereby informed that



Dr. Alka Gupta

Ajay Sharma

Shalimar Park, Shahdra, Delhi , Age: 40 years, Height: 5'11", Face: Long, Built: Thin, Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Unknown colour shirt-pant and shoes in feet, has been missing/ kidnapped since dated 11.09.2020 at 10:00 pm. from the area of P.S. Farsh Bazar, Delhi. In this regard a case vide

one male Namely: Ajay Sharma, S/o: Lt.

Anil Sharma, R/o: H.No. 469/1A/3,

DD No. 17A dated 20.09.2020 has been lodged at P.S. Farsh Bazar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the male but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this male please inform undersigned.

Website: http://cbi.nic.in E-mail Id - cic@cbi.gov.in Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641 P.S. Farsh Bazar, Delhi Fax No. 011-24368639 DP/215/SHD/2020 Ph.: 011-21210828-833, 7065036028

STRIPPING, TRANSPORTING ANI RE-FITMENT OF TL EQUIPMENTS For and behalf of The President of India Chief Workshop Manager Bhavnaga Para, Carriage, Repair Workshop Bhavnagar Para, invites E-tender as pe the details given below: 1. Name of work the details given below: 1. Name of work
E-Tender Notice No. BVPW-2020-21 E-tender Notice No. BYWW-2020-21-TL-02, Stripping, Transporting and Re-fitment of TL Equipments in Non-AC Coaches. 2. Approx. cost of work: ₹ 47,72,358.02/-, 3. EMD: ₹ 95,500/-4. Date and Time of Submission of bid

WESTERN RAILWAY-BHAVNAGAR DIVISI

and opening of bid: Submission 19.10.2020 up to 15.00 Hrs., Opening 19.10.2020 after 15.30 Hrs., **5. Website** particulars and address of the office www.ireps.gov.in CWM-BVP's Office Carriage Repair Workshop, Bhavnagar Para, 364003. (E-Tender No. BVPW-02. Date: - 25.09.2020 Like us on: f facebook.com/WesternRly

Office of the Executive Engineer T.C.D. U.P. Jal Nigam, Sambhal

Letter No. 888 /Nivida/Karya-8/90 Dated: 25.09.2020 Short Term E-Tender Notice

Online percentage rate short term e-tenders in two bid system for Retrofitting work of Various Village Water Supply Scheme Under Jal Jeeva Mission (JJM) in District Sambha U.P are hereby invited on behal of Chairman U.P Jal Nigam from the reputed contractors having requisite work experience & financial capabilities Tender documents shall be available at e-procurement website http://etender.up.nic.in latest by 29.09.2020 Interested contractor may view and download Tender Document (i.e. Technical & Financial capacity evaluation cum technical hid and financial bid) and upload there tender duly filled online latest by 06.10.2020 up to 17:00 Hrs. Technical & financia capacity evaluation cum technical bio shall be opened on **07.10.2020** at **12:30** Hrs. at this Office. The non refundable cost of e-tender document fee Rs. 5000.00 + 12% G.S.T. or as per latest G.S.T. Rules & Regulation. Details of e-tender will be available on U.P. Jal Nigam website www.jn.upsdc.gov.in.

WESTERN RAILWAY-AHMEDABAD DESIGN, MANUFACTURE,

SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING AND COMMISSIONING IN HOT STAND BY ELECTRONIC

INTERLOCKING (EI) SYSTEM Dy. Chief Signal &Telecom Enginee Construction, Western Railway, 1s Floor, Station Building, PO Railwaypura, Ahmedabad-380002 acting for and on behalf of the President of India invites e-Tender for the following vork. 1. Tender No.: DY.CSTE/C/DFC/AD 2020-21/61 (SUNR-RJT), 2. Name o work: Design, Manufacture, Supply Installation, Testing and Commissioning in Hot Stand By Electronic Interlocking (E System conforming to attached Signal System containing to attached signaling Plan and RDSO specifications for Electronic Interlocking No. RDSO SPN/203/2011 with latest amendments a Rajkot station in connection with doublin work between Surendranagar-Rajko section on Rajkot division of Westerr Railway. 3. Approximate cost of work ₹ 9,86,54,965/- (₹ Nine Crore Eighty Six Lakh Fifty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Five only), 4. EMD: ₹ 6,43,300- (₹ Six Lakhs Forty Three Thousand Three Hundred only), 5. Date & time of submission and Opening of tender Submission of E-tender: 19.10.2020 Up to \$4.000 by the condition of the condition 15.00 hrs. and opening at 15.30 Hrs. o 19.10.2020, **6. Website particular and** Notice Board where details of tende can be seen & address of the office Website: www.ireps.gov.in, Office of the Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom Enginee Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom Enginee (Const.), Western Railway, Ahmedabad (Gujarat- 380002) 7. Completion period of work: Twelve (12) Month from date of issue of letter of Acceptance. No.DY/SG/W/118/61 (SUNR-RJT) Like us on: facebook.com/WesternRly

Sd/-

(D.C. Srivastava)

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DLEHI JAL BOARD: GOVT. OF N.C.T. OF DELHI OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEEER (CENTRAL)-I NEAR UGR & BPS RAMLILA GROUND JLN MARG, NEW DELHI- 110002. SHORT PRESS NIT NO. 18 (2020-21)

	SHORT PRESS NIT NO. 16 (2020-21)							
SI.	Name of work	Estimated	Date of release of	Last date/ Time for				
No.		Cost in	tender on e-	receipt of tender through				
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01	Hiring of Rickshaw Pullers for supplying	Item Rate	25.09.2020 06.00 PM	05.10.2020 upto 03:00 PM				
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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM PUBLIC WORKS ROADS DEPARTMENT OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER (EAP)

ARR&TI COMPLEX FATASIL AMBARI GUWAHATI-25 ASSAMEmail: cea.apwd@nic.in

E-PROCUREMENT NOTICE

RFB No.: CE/APART/67/2020/6

Dated: 28.09.2020 **REQUEST FOR BIDS (RFB)**

(Two-Envelope Bidding Process with e-Procurement) The Government of Assam through Government of India has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the APART Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds to the

eligible payment under the contract. Bids are invited online from the eligible bidders from India for the following works as detailed in the table below. **TABLE**

SL. No.	Package no.	Name of the work	Approx. value of work (Rupees in Lakh)	Bid security (INR)	Cost of Bid Documents (INR)	Completion Period (month)
1	APART/NOCP/ WAREHOUS- ES /GLT-01	Renovation & Upgradation of Warehousing Facilities under the scheme of APART in exist- ing Warehouse Complex at Sarupathar in Golaghat District	373.47	7,46,940	5,000	12
2	APART/NOCP/ WAREHOUS- ES /GLT-02	Renovation & Upgradation of Warehousing Facilities under the scheme of APART in exist- ing Warehouse Complex at Golaghat in Golaghat District	394.08	7,88,160	5,000	12
3	APART/NOCP/ WAREHOUS- ES /K-01	Renovation & Upgradation of Warehousing Facilities under the scheme of APART in exist- ing Warehouse Complex at PaschimBoragaon in Kamrup(M) District	193.71	3,87,420	5,000	9
4	APART/NOCP/ WAREHOUS- ES /DNG-01	Renovation & Upgradation of Warehousing Facilities under the scheme of APART in exist- ing Warehouse Complex at Kharupetia in Darrang District	205.03	4,10,060	5,000	9

The bidding documents are available online on http://www.assamtenders.gov.in from 03/10/2020 to 03/11/2020. Bidders will be required to register on the website which is free of cost. For submission of the bids, the bidder is required to have Digital Signature Certificate (DSC). Bids must be submitted online on http://www.assamtenders.gov.in on or before 14:00 Hours on 03/11/2020. Other details can be seen in the bidding document.

Chief Engineer, PWRD (EAP) Assam, Fatasil Ambari, Guwahati-25

Janasanyog/CF/1963/20

New Delhi

18 Classifieds & Tenders

Classifieds

PERSONAL

It's for general information that I,SHATRUGHAN PRASAD JAISAWAL R/o 170-D1, BASANT LANE RAILWAY COLONY, NEW DELHI declare the name of mine is wrongly written as SHATRUGHAN JAISAWAL in school records of my son PRIYANSHU JAISWAL, MV actual name is SHATRUGHAN PRASAD JAISWAL, which may be amended accordingly.

0040549849-1

I,USHA RANI MEHTA W/O HARISH ARORA,R/O 22/277.NFHRU PARK, BAHADURGARH, JHAJJAR , HARYANA-124507,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO USHA ARORA,FOR ALL FUTURE 0040549873-5 PURPOSES.

I,Tanish Kumar Bhuwania S/o Ajay kumar bhuwania R/o-kp-350.Pitampura, new delhi-110034, have changed my name to TANISH BHUWANIA

0040549865-2

I,Siddharth S/o Jai Parkash Rana R/o 36-G, Hans Vihar Apt,Sector-13,Rohini,Delhi-110085, have changed my name to Siddharth Rana, for all 0040549873-6

I,Shakuntala,W/o Sh.Mukesh Kumar R/o.H.No.A-102, 2nd-Floor, Weavers-Colony, Ashok-Vihar Phase-4,Delhi-110052 declare that name of my mine has been wrongly-written as Shakuntla in the schoolrecord of my minor daughter Yashvi aged 13 years.The actual-name of mine is Shakuntala, which may be amended accordingly.

0040549871-8

I,Sanjay Kumar Bhasin,s/o Joginder Nath Bhasin,R/o-C-204, Block-C,Vivek-Vihar, Phase-1, Delhi-110095, have changed my name to Sanjay Bhasin permanently.

0040549875-8 I,SUDHA,W/o-BINDESHWAR,R/o-WZ-148,Bihari-Colony, Todapur, New-Delhi-11

0012,have changed the name of my minor daughter SAKSHI,aged-14-years,and she shall hereafter be known as RIDHIKA.

0040549871-6

I,SANGEETHA KUMARI D/O RAM SHARAN MAHTO, R/o A-4/152 NEW KONDLI, DELHI-110096 have changed my name to **SANGEETA MAHTO**

0070715456-1 I,Ruchi,D/O Shri Anil Kumar R/O

H.NO-141,Block E-4,Sultan Puri.Delhi-110086,have changed my name to Ruchi

I, YUGAL TIWARI, S/O RAVINDRA PADMADATT,H.NO.FLAT.NO-1010,MAHAGUN MAPLE SOCIETY SECTOR-50, NOIDA, GAUTAMBUDDH-NAGAR U.P-201301. Changed my name to YUGAL RAVINDRA TIWARI.

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I. YUGAL TIWARI.S/O RAVINDRA PADMADATT.H.NO.FLAT.NO-1010,MAHAGUN MAPLE SOCIETY SECTOR-50 NOIDA GAUTAMBUDDH-NAGAR U.P-201301.Changed my name to YUGAL RAVINDRA TIWARI.

0040549873-3

I,Mohd Usman,S/o Mohd Hassain,R/o-E-13/6A,Hauz Rani,Malviya Nagar,Delhi-110017, inform that in my PAN-Card and Bank-Account my name was written as Usman, whereas my correctname is Mohd Usman.

I,LATA DEVI w/o JC-235034W Late Ex Ris Anand Singh R/o-77,H-Block, Ashok-Vihar Phase-3 Extn,Gurugram, Haryana-122001,inform that my name in PPO No S/044193/2010(ARMY)and service-documents of my late husband has been erroneously mentioned as LATA. However, my Correctname is LATA DEVI, for all the

0040549871-9

I,Hare Ram,S/O Hakru,R/O-RZ-3, Syndiket-Enclave, South/West, Delhi-110045,Inform That my Name Hari Ram Mahto and Hare Ram One and Same Person.LIC-Policy.No-33448375 On Name of Shyam Kishor Mehto & I am Nominee.

0040549865-4

I,HITHERTO known as Chandra Shekhar.Son of.Late Sh.Amar Singh Kanodia,R/o-A-589, Sector-19,Noida-201301,U.P. Employed as Sr. Assistant in School of Open Learning,University of Delhi, Delhi-110007, have changed my name and shall Chandra Shekhar Kanodia. 0040549865-5

I,HARISH KUMAR,S/O THAKUR DASS R/O-22/277, NEHRU PARK.

BAHADURGARH, JHAJJAR, HARYANA-124507,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO HARISH ARORA, FOR ALL FUTURE PURPOSES.

I.CHHAVI SANDHU.W/O JASPAL SINGH SANDHU, H.NO-397, ASHOKA ENCLAVE-III,SEC-35, FARIDABAD, HARYANA-121003, have changed my name to CHHAVI PRATAP SANDHU.

0040549871-4

I.Bhupinder Singh.S/o-Hanwant Singh Bagga, R/o-8066, Mohalla Kharia, Roshnara Road, Delhi-110007, have changed my name to

Bhupinder Singh Bagga for all

purposes.

l. Vanshika D/o Sh. Harish Kumar R/o B-215 Gali No.-6 Indra nagar, Near Adarsh Nagar Metro Station, Delhi-110033 have changed my name to Vanshika Kaamra for all future purposes.

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0040549875-2

I, Simrat Kaur D/o Mohinder Singh R/o 110 Sant nagar, East of Kailash, Delhi-65 have changed my minor son's name from Prabhgun Singh Kalra to Prabhgun Kalra

0040549844-I, Shweta Sharma, D/o-Late. Bacha Lal Sharma R/o-RZ-24, G-Block,West Sagarpur,New Delhi-46, Have Changed My,Name to Harjit Kaur for all Purposes. 0040549857-1

. Satbir Kaur W/o Paramjit Singh R/o 130, Dashmesh Colony, Zirakpur, Dera Bassi SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab-140603, have changed my name to Simranjit Kaur.

0070715464-1

, Sanjay S/o-Late.Munshi Ram R/o-House.No-G-IInd/110. Madangir, New Delhi-110062, have changed my son's name from Arnay Pachori to Arnav Pachouri for all, future 0040549875purpose.

I, Roshan Lal s/o Topan Dass Kharbanda r/o C2B/79-A. Janakpuri, Delhi-110058 have changed my name to ROSHAN LAL KHARBANDA.

0040549796-, Rohan S/o Sh. Harish Kumar R/o B-215 Gali No.-6 Indra nagar, Near Adarsh Nagar Metro Station, Delhi-110033 have changed my name to Rohan Kaamra for all future purposes.

I, Ravinder Moria, S/o Chain Sukh Moria R/o BG-3/10C. Paschim Vihar, New Delhi-110063 have changed my name to Ravinder permanently.

0040549873-8

I, Rakesh Kumar S/o-Sh.Ram Igbal Bhagat, R/o-34/480, DMS Colony, Hari Nagar, New Delhi-110064,have changed my daughter's name from Shivani Saini to Khushi Saini for all,future purposes.

0040549861-3

Singh R/o-472 Gali.No.1.I-Block Swaroop-Nagar Delhi 110042, changed my minor son's name Sameer Rawat to I, Raghuvir Singh,S/o Bhagat

I, Raghuvir Singh,S/o Bhagat

Singh R/o-472 Gali.No.1,I-Block Swaroop-Nagar Delhi-110042,changed my minor $son \hbox{'s name Sameer Rawat to} \\$ Surya Rawat. 0040549873-1

I, Puneet Kumar,S/o R C Kumar R/o-F-61, Mansarovar Garden, N Delhi-110015 ha my minor daughter's name Jahnavi to Jahnvi permanently.

0040549873-9 Parween Kumar S/o Lekh Rai

Singh R/o Village/PO-Chipiyana Buzurg, Tehsil-Dadri, Gautam Budh Nagar, UP, inform that my wife name and D.O.B. wrongly written in my army record as Mithlesh and 10.08.1977 instead of Mithlesh Kumari and 08.08.1978 respectively.

, Nitin Bahri, r/o B-1/10, Model Town-2, New Delhi-110009; have changed the name of my minor son aged 5 years from Armaan Bahri to Viraaj Bahri.

0070715449-1

I**,** Kanika D/o-Pankaj Gupta R/O-S-164B School Block, Shakarpur Delhi-110092, Have Changed My Name To Kanika Gupta For All 0040549861-2

, JASPAL SANDHU,S/O **JASWANT SINGH** SANDHU,H.NO-397, ASHOKA-ENCLAVE-III.SEC-35.

FARIDABAD, HARYANA-121003,have changed my name to JASPAL SINGH SANDHU. l**,** Isha Talwar,W/o Sunder Singh

Talwar R/o-A-73, Chander Nagar, Ghaziabad, U.P.-201011 have changed my name to Kulbir Kaur permanently.

0040549873-7 , Gurinder S/O Sh. Jaswant Singh R/O RZ-53, H-Block, Street No 8, Raghu Nagar, New Delhi-110045 have changed my name to Gurinder Singh for all future purposes

I, Dikshu D/o Kuber Singh, R/o-107,First-Floor,Ganga-8, Sector-D,Pocket-6, Vasant Kuni, Delhi-110070, have changed my name to Diksha

0040549875-9

Devender Verma.S/o L.R. Verma R/o-E-3, Greater Kailash-Enclave-II, New Delhi-110048, have changed my name to Dev Verma for all

0040549875-3

I, DOLLY SHARMA W/o.SH.MAYUR ARORA R/o.H.No.13/76, UGF, Geeta Colony, Delhi-110031 have changed my name to BHAVYA ARORA after marriage.

0040549871-1

I, Avdesh Kumar Upadhyay S/o Shri Kant Dwivedi r/o 667/11,2nd floor,gali no.2, Railway Colony, Mandawali, Delhi-110092 have changed my name to Awadhesh Dwivedi

0040549830-1

I, Ashok Rawal, W/o IC 29282 Lt Col AK Rawal R/o 1435 Sect 7 Extension, Gurgaon have changed my name to Ashok Kumari Rawal and my date of birth is 11th August 1949.

0070715457-1

I. Ashok Kumar Chaudhary S/o Sh. Sohanvir Singh R/o 106. Green Height A 2 Z Colony, Roorkee Road, Siwaya-Jamalullapur, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh-250110, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Arjun Singh Chaudhary.

0070715474-1

I, Ramanjeet Singh S/o Gurcharan Singh R/o Gurdwara Sahibzada Ajeet Singh, Phase-2, SAS Nagar, Mohali, Puniab-160055, have changed my name to Manjeet 0070715467-1

I, AMITA W/O RAMESH KUMAR R/o-289 SECTOR-5, PUSHP VIHAR DELHI-110017 have changed my name to REKHA.

0040549871-2

| Sunil Bhardwai S/o Sh.Bhagwan Dass Permanent R/o C-4/39, Sudama Puri, Gamri Ext Delhi-110053 have changed the name of my minor daughter from Maitrei to Maitrei Bhardwaj for all 0040549836-2 purposes.

Sh.Shyam Sunder Bidawatka R/o 65/31, 2nd Floor, New Rohtak Road, New Delhi-110005 have changed my name to Suumit Bidawatka for 0040549836-5 all purposes.

I Richa Ranga D/o-Devender Kumar R/o-C-1/122, Rohini Sector-24, Delhi-110085 have changed my name to Richa for

0040549802-1 I Rakesh Kumar Yadav S/o Late Sh. Shiv Bahal Singh R/o Flat No.1403, 2nd Floor, Type-II, Delhi Administarion Flats, Gulabi Bagh, Delhi-110007 have changed the name of my minor son from Tapesh to Tapesh Yadav for all purposes.

0040549836-3 I Preeti Joshi D/o Sh. Narayan Dutt Joshi R/o House No.B2B/89, Second Floor, Janak Puri, B1, New Delhi-110058 have changed the name of my minor son from Aditya Kumar alias Aditya Kumar Choubey to Aditya

Joshi for all purposes. 0040549836-1

I Pardosh Pal Singh S/O, Shish Pal Singh R/o A 7 Ram Nagar Sahibabad Ghaziabad Un 201005 have changed my name to Pradosh Pal Singh 0040549794-1

I Pardeep Kumar S/O, Ariun Dev Dawra R/o F-91, 1st Floor, Mangal Bazar Road, Vishnu Garden, New Delhi have changed my name to Pradeep

0040549797-1 I Mobin Ahmed Khan R/o K-5/23, Type-3, Udyan Marg, DIZ Area, Gole Market, New Delhi-110001 have changed my minor son's name from Md. Sarfaraz Ali Khan to

Mohammad Sarfaraz Ali for all 0040549847-1 purposes. ILaxami Singh and Laxmi Singh

W/o Shravan kumar Singh r/o F-512A, East Avenue Society, Sector-73, Noida are one and the same person & henceforth i shall be known as Laxami Singh for all purposes.

0040549813-1 I Jatinder Kumar S/o Girdhari Lal R/o A-2B/119A, Ekta Apartment, Paschim Vihar, New-Delhi-63, changed my name to Jatinder Kumar Chawla. 0040549871-5

Gurpreet Kaur D/O Jaspal Singh R/O WZ-70, 3RD-Floor Meenakshi Garden New-Delhi-110018,have changed my name to Sukhmanie Kaur.

I Farhat Jahan D/o Mohd.Ishaq

W/o Afzal Meer R/o House No.2787, Gali Garhaiva, Kucha Chelan, Darya Ganj, New Delhi-110002 have changed my name after marriage to Farhat Meer for all purposes. 0040549836-4

l Ankit Kumar Gola s/o Vijay Pal Singh R/O E-87, Mansa Ram Park, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059, have changed my

0040549798-1

0040549861-5

I Anil Kumar S/o Nand Ram employed as ASI in Delhi police R/o A-46 Gali No.5 Badli Extension, Delhi, Have changed my name from Anil to Anil Kumar for all future

name to Ankit Kumar.

purposes.

I, Angori Devi W/o Madan Lal R/o Ward No.6 Bhola Colony, Gharaunda, Distt. Karnal-132114, have changed my name to Anguri Devi.

I, Yogesh Kaushik S/o Chandgi Ram Kaushik, H.No-3, Sharda Niketan, Pitampura, Delhi-110034,have changed my name to Yogesh Kumar

I.Zaheeruddin S/O-Mohammed Mustaqeem,R/O-2803,Gali-Tehsildar Pahari.Bhoila Turkman Gate.Delhi-110006, Have Changed My, Minor Son's Name Mohammad Anas To Mohammad Anas Ansari For All, Future Purposes.

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I.Rohit S/o.Sh.Anil Kumar Bansal,R/o-18/166, Gali. No. 2, Barahi-Road, Bahadurgarh, Dist, Ihajiar (Har yana)-124507,is also known as Rohit Bansal.Both names are one of and the same person.

I, Sushma, D/o Sube Singh, R/o EWS Flat.No.0801,Time Residency CRPF-Road, Sector-62/63,Ulhawas(83),Gurgaon(H aryana), have changed my name to Sushma Rani.

0040549861-6 I, Subham Prashar S/O Sh. Kishore Sharma R/O D-25, East Jvoti Nagar, Shahdara, Delhi -110093 changed my name as

LOST & FOUND

I, K.GAUTAMI, D/o Korbilli Appal raju,R/o-B4/2 concor houssing-colony behind Tuglakhabad Rly colony, Delhi-44, have lost my originalcertificate class-12th year-2015 Rollno-9191052 0040549865-9

I, Gautam Kanojia s/o. Anoop Kanoiia R/o.b-43 new motibagh club lost my Orginal-10th marksheet(2017)roll no.8733012 CBSE-Delhi.

0040549865-10

I, kuldeep Kumar S/o Narender Kumar R/o c -149b Himalaya lok jvts garden, chattarpur 110074 have lost my original certificate class -12th year-2009 Rollno-2612898 CBSE 040549871-10 PANCHKULA.

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Those who have applied against advertisement published in two daily newspaper (Jansatta Hindi Dt.31.8.2020) & Indian Express English Dt. 1.9.2020 Vishwas College of Education

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE It is to inform to the public at large that Mrs. Roshni acquired the property Property earing no. 67-4, 50 sq. vrds. Khasra No. 199/696, East Nathu Colony, Shahdara, belhi vide red, IGPA dated 88.11.2008 sxecuted by Mr. Subhash Mittal and she urther intended to sale the said property to Mr. Neeraj and the said General Power of Attorney dated 08.11.2008 not revoked yet. DR Any person / firm / institution / company raving any claim or right in respect of the said Property by way of inheritance, share, sale, agreement, lease, license, gift, possession, legal heirs, partners or ancumbrance howsoever or otherwise is rereby required to intimate in writing to the undersigned within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice of hisher/their share or claim, if any, with all supporting documents at below mentioned address. After expiration of notice period, the claims, if any, of such person shall be treated null and void and also treated as waived and not binding on our client.

PUBLIC NOTICE nis Notice is hereby given to generablic that Mrs. Jyoti and Mr. Deepa ublic that Mrs. Jyoti and Mr. Deepa umar who claimed to be owne nd in possession of Propert earing No. 292, admeasuring 20 yards,. Block no. B-3, Situate schim Vihar, New Delhi, by virtu Paschini Vinar, New Deini, by Virtuo of Relinquishment Deed dated 09/01/2019, Doc No.95, duly Rego SRO- IIA, Delhi. And now Mrs. Jyol and Mr. Deepak Kumar have approached to IDFC First Bank Ltd for Inancial assistance and therefore for financial assistance and therefor, shall be mortgaged with the sais Bank. All person's having any clain regarding in respect of the said propertyfillor or any part, are hereby requested to notify the same in writin to undersigned with supporting documentary evidence at the addressment on the same the same the date of publication of this notice failing which claim, if any, of such persons will be consider to have been waived and/or, abandoned and ouclient shall proceed with the disbursement of loan against the said property and subsequent creation of Mortgage in respect thereof.

Sunil Parsad (Advoca For Juris NextGen Law Offic E-56, Greater Kailash Enclave Par New Delhi-1100

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public at large is hereby informed that Freehold DDA Built up Flat No. A.17-C Second Floor, Raghubir Nagar Nea H.C. School, New Delhi is offered as security with State Bank of India and my client My. Assessment of the State State William of the State State William State State State State William State St PUBLIC NOTICE

NIRMAL KUMAR (Advocate)

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ee hold in the DDA Application No.217735 le No.J/206(225)89/HV/NP Dated

above address/phone no. 9818685885 within IS days from the date of publication of this notice. The person(s) claiming any right, interest, objection in respect thereof can bersonally inform or write to Dy. Director AB(H) or Director(H)-1, D-Block, 3rd Floor, Mikas Sadan, INA, New Delhi. J.C. Trikha Advocate) M-4, C.W., Tis Hazari Court, Delhi Advocate) M-4, C.W., Tis Hazari Court, Delhi

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients Bissu S/o. Sh. Khilli an Smt. Kamalesh, W/o. Bissu R/o. R-4

W.C, Sarojini Nagar, NDMC, Soutl West, Delhi, New Delhi-110023, have

debarred and disowned their son Raj from all their movable and immovable properties and have severed a

relations from him as he is not unde

their control. My clients and his other

amily members shall not be liable for

any omission or commission of the aforesaid son and if any one deals wit

him, he/she/they shall be doing so o

Manish Chaudhary (Advocate) Ch.No. 153, Saket Courts, New Delhi-17

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his is to inform you that my clients Mrs yoti Wadhera W/o Late Shri Bal Bhusha Wadhera R/o WZ-6, Plot no 51, Sham Naga xtension, New Delhi 110018 and Mrs andana Khurana W/O Mr. Atul Khuran

Vandana Khurana W/O Mr. Atul Anutration R/o Falt No. 33, Charak Sadan Apartment Vikas Puri, New Delhi 110018 have severed all relations with her son and brothe respectively, namely Akash Wadhera and his wife Parul both R/o WZ-6, Plot no 51 Sham Nagar Extension, New Delhi 110018

Sham Nagar Extension, New Delhi 110 and have disowned them from all move and immovable properties due to their r behavior and Parul's threat to implicate false and frivolous cases and have seve

their own risks and consequences.

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Mr. Rambir and his wife Mrs. Neelam, R/o 1466-D. Gali No.13. Govind Puri Kalka Ji Extension, New Delhi, have debarred and disowned their son Amit Kumar alias Amit aged 24 years from their life movable/ immovable assets and not responsible for his any act and liabilities henceforth. **Kamal Kant Gupta**

(Advocate)

Mobile: 9711183164

PUBLIC NOTICE Tils is binform to the public at large that Mrs. Usha Bhatia acquired the Rear Side portion of First Floor without roof rights area 55 sq. yds. Municipal No. WZ-289, built on Eastern Half Portion of Plot No. A-105, out of Khasra No. 2050, Village Tihar A-Block. Hari Nagar. New Delhi vide Sale Deed dated 02-11-2011 executed by Mr. Surinder Bhatia and Mrs. Usha Bhatia is the undisputed owner of said property yet. OR Any person / firm / institution / company having any claim or right in respect of the said Property by way of inherlance, share, sale, agreement, lease, license, gift, possession, legal heirs, partners or encumbrance howsoever or otherwise is hereby required to intimate in writing to the undersigned within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice of hisher/their share or claim, if any, with all supporting documents at below mentioned address. After expiration of notice period, the claims, if any, of such person shall be treated null and void and also treated as waived and not binding on our client.

GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

WATER MANAGEMENT DIVISION NO.1, RAIPUR (C.G.) **CORRIGENDUM NO.2**

In System Tender No. 67266 N.I.T. No. 03/SAC/2020-21 Raipur, Dated 28.08.2020 whose G-Number is 83366 dated 29.08.2020. System Tender No. 67267 N.I.T. No. 04/SAC/2020-21 Raipur, Dated 28.08.2020 whose G-Number is 83367 dated 29.08.2020 following amendments are made:-

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

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	Online Tenders are invited for the following works up to 05.10.2020 at 17.30 Hour							

Bid Open Start Date and time: 06.10.2020, 11.30 Hours Note:- All other terms and conditions will remain be unchanged. Sd/-

Executive Engineer

Water Management Division No.1, Raipur For, Chief Engineer, Mahanadi Project, 83928 Raipur. (C.G.)

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER, MUNICIPAL **CORPORATION, GWALIOR (M.P.)**

Narayankrishn Sejwalkar Bhawan Near Taran Pushkar, City Center, Gwalior Tel No. : 0751-2438300, 4080352, Fax No. : 0751-2434249

On behalf of Gwalior Municipal Corporation, M.P., online Lump-sum rate bids

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3146-9558-9512 and his wife SMT. CHAY (ALIAS KIRAN) and their children, and revoke all relationship from them due to their bad behavior and intensions. My clients have debarred them from all their rights, claims in any manner from their movable and immovable properties and in near future their will have no concern with my clients in any manner immediate effect.

Any Persons dealing with them shall be doing so at their own risks and responsibilities.

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My client Sh. Bhavya Jain s/o Sh.
Sanjay Jain r/o C-9/83, Sector 8,
Rohini, Delhi-85, is the registered
owner of Unit no. 368, Third Floor,
Vardhmaan Grand Plaza, Manglam
Place, Sector 3, Rohini, Delhi-85,
Manoj Gupta s/o Mahendra Gupta
remained a tenant of my client, in this
premises, from May 2017 for about
one year. My client has filed a criminal
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My client has now learnt that Manoj
Gupta and his associates, are
involved in operating fake firms from
aforesaid premises. GST Officials of
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Notice is hereby given to all concern hat my client Sh. Raj Kumar S/O S Pyare Lal R/o E-7/425, Sultanpuri, Del Pyare Lal R/o E-7/425, Sultanpuri, Delhi 86, has disowned/debarred/discarded his real son Mr. Roop Kishor and he daughter in law Smt. Kumarl Pooja, do to their misbehavior, disobedience, illega activities/assets, also ceased all her relations with his/her shall do at his/her thei

Sd/-Vimal Tripathi ADVOCATE (D/3355-A/09) Office: 373, Ground Floor, Pocket-4, Sector-22, Rohini, Delhi-110086 Mobil: - 9891423178, 9958255448

(World Bank Aided Project)

Request for Bids (National Competitive Bidding) Tender Notice No.03/2020-21, Dated: 22.09.2020.
The Executive Engineer, Irrigation Division, Chittoor, Pin Code: 517001

Andhra Pradesh invites Bids from the intending Bidders for various works of 1) Rehabilitation of Pedda Cheruvu (Independent) in Gudibanda village in Kalakada mandal in Chittoor District under APIIATP (World Bank Phase-II) Rs.28.40 lakhs. 2) Rehabilitation of Papireddy cheruyu (Independent) in Nagiripalli village in Chittoor mandal in Chittoor District under APIJATE (World Bank Phase-II) - Rs.34.00 lakhs, 3) Rehabilitation of Avathota cheruvu cascade no.08 in Mogalarallapalle village in Gudipala mandal ir Chittoor District under APIIATP (World Bank Phase-II) - Rs.34.00 lakhs under "Andhra Pradesh Integrated Irrigation and Agriculture Transformation Project (APHATP)" from Dt:28.09.2020 to Dt: 10.11.2020 upto 03.00 PM For complete details visit us at : www.apeprocurement.gov.in. For queries

Sd/- Executive Engineer, W.R.Dept., Irrigation Division, Chittoor DIPR No.346PP/CL/ADVT/1/1/2020-21, Dt: 28/09/2020

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No. 31-Med-Amb. Hiring-TKD-2020-23, Dated 28.09.2020 **SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE**

KARNATAKA STATE DRUG LOGISTICS No.1, Dr. Siddaiah Puranik Road, KHB Colony, Magadi Road, Bangalore – 560079 Phone: +91-80-23283218 Fax: +91-80-23281477, Email: ad.kdlws@gmail.com

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Ref:1)Quotation Notification No:KDL/AD/Covid/Remdesivir/Quotation/59/2020-2 Dated: 28.09.2020. 2) Quotation Notification No: KDL/AD/Covid/Heparin/Quotation 60/2020-21 Dated: 28.09.2020.3) Quotation Notification No: KDL/AD/Covid/Methy Quotation/61/2020-21 Dated: 28.09.2020. 4) Quotation Notification No KDL/AD/Covid/ Ivermectin /Quotation/ 62/2020-21 Dated: 28.09.2020. 5) Quotation Notification No: KDL/AD/Covid/Zinc&Vit-C/Quotation/63/2020-21 Dated 28.09.2020. Nationwide Quotation is invited through **KSDLWS website** under KTP Act 1999 and Rules 2000 under 4(a) exemption for the following quotation 1) Quotation for supply of Injection Remdesivir. 2) Quotation for supply of njection Low Molecular Weight Heparin. 3) Quotation for supply of Inje Methylprednisolone. 4) Quotation for supply of Capsule Ivermectin 12mc 5) Quotation for supply of Vitamin C Chewable (Ascorbic Acid) Tablet 500m nd Zinc sulphate Dispersible Tablet 20mg. Details regarding specification Terms and Conditions and other information are available in the websi www.kdlws.kar.nic.in from 28.09.2020 to 01.10.2020, 03.10.2020 and 08.10.2020 the eligible firms shall Mail the KSDLWS quotations in passwor

28.09.2020 to 01.10.2020, 03.10.2020 and 08.10.2020 before 5:00 pm. Furthe nformation if any may be obtained from this office during working hours.

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Suman Sharma W/o Sh. Sanjeev Sharma
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Super Over settles super contest after an improbable run chase

Saini's brilliant over in tie-breaker swings it for RCB; Kishan & Pollard's knocks in vain

Synopsis

Kishan returns a tragic hero. AB shines brightest for RCB

SHAMIK CHAKRABARTY SEPTEMBER 28

THIRTY-FOUR years ago, Javed Miandad hit a lastball six off Chetan Sharma to pull off a heist in Sharjah, On Monday in Dubai, Kieron Pollard hammered a last-ball four against Isuru Udana to take $the \, match \, to \, a Super \, Over, as \, Mumbai \, In dians \, and \,$ Royal Challengers Bangalore contested the most exciting match of the 2020 IPLyet.

Navdeep Saini's brilliance restricted Mumbai to just seven runs in the Super Over. Royal Challengers Bangalore knocked it off on the final delivery of the match.

Kishan, the tragic hero

In the first two matches, Kishan wasn't the first choice for Mumbai. The 22-year-old Jharkhand boy played this game because his statemate Saurabh Tiwary was injured. The 'super-sub', assisted by Pollard, played an innings of such aplomb that he could now be one of the first names on the team sheet going ahead in this IPL Chasing 202 for victory, Mumbai Indians lost wickets at regular intervals until Kishan and Pollard added 119 runs for the fifth wicket in just 51 balls. They almost snatched an improbable win from the jaws of defeat. The team management must have reasons for not sending the youngster to bat in the Super Over. But Kishan's 58-ball 99, with two fours and nine sixes, was the innings of the night. The way he set up his innings and then upped the ante spoke volumes for the talent on offer in Indian cricket, In the end, however, Kishan returned a tragic hero.

The required run rate had reached 20. Mumbai needed 80 runs to win in the last four overs. Pollard drove the first ball of the 17th over past Adam Zampa's face for a four. The big man mistimed the next delivery, but substitute Pawan Negi, who had been catching everything until then, dropped the skier at deep cover and conceded a six. Two more sixes were hit in the next three balls, including a miscued pull over deep mid-wicket. Another dropped catch off the final delivery of the over made matters worse for Bangalore.

The required run rate came down to a little over 17 runs per over. Virat Kohli duly brought in Yuzvendra Chahal, his most trusted wickettaker in crunch situations. Bangalore needed to break the partnership. Pollard, though, welcomed the leggie with a six over long-on. The excellent Kishan clobbered Chahal over the deep mid-wicket boundary. Pollard then flat-



Ishan Kishan led Mumbai's fightback with a valiant knock of 99. BCCI/IPL

batted another maximum to reach a 20-ball half-century. With two overs to go, Mumbai's required rate had come down to less than 16. A fantastic penultimate over from Saini put the pressure back on the four-time champions but Kishana and Pollard managed to level the score in the final over bowled by Udana.

AB shines brightest

AB de Villiers' last match before this IPL was nine months ago, when he turned up for Brisbane Heat against Melbourne Renegades in last season's Big Bash League. Such a lull for a 36year-old, retired from international cricket, would be too big a gap to bridge. Very little outdoor training in the lead-up to the IPL has made even Kohli a tad rusty. But AB is defying age and the Covidinduced preparation void. To paraphrase Neville Cardus, his genius honours cricket.

AB's 55 not out off 24 balls was the gamechanger for Bangalore. When Kohli got out in the 13th over, playing away from his body to a Rahul Chahar delivery and chipping a simple catch to Rohit Sharma at extra cover, Bangalore were 92/2. Despite a good opening partnership, Mumbai had managed to pull the run rate back to below eight runs per over. Given the dew factor towards the latter half of the game and Mumbai's batting strength, anything less than 190 would have put Bangalore under serious pressure. AB's batting explosion, aided by an 81-run opening partnership between Aaron Finch and Devdutt Padikkal – both struck half centuries - and Shivam Dube's late charge, helped Bangalore get past 200.

BRIEF SCORES: RCB 201/3 in 20 overs (AB de Villiers 55*, D Padikkal 54; T Boult 2/34) bt MI 201/5 in 20 overs (I Kishan 99, K Pollard 60*; I Udana 2/45) via Super Over

THE SUPER OVER

Mumbai Indians: 7/1

- 0.1: Saini bowls a yorker outside off, Pollard squeezes it for a single.
- 0.2: Low full toss, Hardik Pandya can't get under it. Another single.
- 0.3: Pollard can't connect with a wide delivery outside off. Dot ball.
- **0.4**: Drives past the bowler, beats long-off for a four.
- 0.5: Pollard caught in the deep by Gurkeerat Mann.
- 0.6: Pandya swings but can't

connect; batsmen sneak a bye.

- 0.1: Bumrah bowls a low full toss, De Villiers can manage just one run.
- 0.2: Kohli pulls one towards deep square leg, single.
- 0.3: Umpire gives De Villiers out caught behind, decision reversed
- after DRS shows no nick. 0.4: De Villiers' top-edges a
- bouncer to fine-leg boundary. 0.5: Yorker at stump, single.
- 0.6: Kohli hits the winning runs by whipping a four to square leg.

RESULT: RCB win via Super Over.

Playing tonight: DC vs SRH 7.30pm, Live on Star Sports Network

Haryana village basks in Tewatia's glory: 'Pandavas, Surdas & now Rahul'

DEVENDRA PANDEY MUMBAI, SEPTEMBER 28

nephew's life.

"YOU GUYS couldn't wait for 18 balls, we waited for 18 years to see this day. We knew he wouldn't throw his wicket away. He had to succeed. Else, he would have to sit out the next 12 games. I knew he won't quit," Rahul Tewatia's uncle Dharambir turns philosophical in the morning after the night of his

Not just the former cricketers on air and fans, but even his on-field partner Sanju Samson had turned down a single. Euthanasia through hit wicket or a wild charge was recommended. A smell of embarrassment swirled in the air but in a Sharjah minute, everything changed for Tewatia. Rather, he enforced it by slamming

sixty seconds. Quite a ridiculous night, really. "Pandavas, Surdas, and now Rahul; that's what our village Sihi is known for," Rahul's father Krishna Pal says. Sihi is a small village in Faridabad district in Haryana, where metro trains reach these days at the station named

Sheldon Cottrell for five sixes in an over. A re-

demption story that only sport can offer in

Sant Surdas Sihi. His father wasn't exaggerating much. Surdas, the blind poet who was one of the most influential figures of the Bhakti Movement, came from this village in the 16th century. In the epic Mahabharata, Pandavas had asked for five villages from Kauravas to avoid war. Four of them are mentioned and the fifth is left to the choice of Kauravas. In Krishna Pal's telling the fifth was Sihi. It's no surprise then that in the land that revels in its myths, his son Rahul has chosen to build his own myth. "Rahul ka naam bhi jhud gaya (Rahul's name has been added to Sihi's history today). The whole village came to greet us. Those TV channel guys are also coming," an elated Pal says.

Not the first choice

Cricket was never the first choice of Tewatias. Rahul's grandfather was a farmer and a pehalwan, wrestler. His uncle had represented Haryana in hockey nationals. Krishna Pal says that hockey was the main sport in his village, and boasts quite a few players for the state.

However, Rahul was more enthusiastic about cricket. When he was nine he was picked by Haryana government for 'Haryana Nursery' scheme that provides a two-year scholarship and develops sportspersons.

When he was 12, his father took him to former India wicket-keeper Vijay Yadav's academy in Faridabad. "He was a small boy, and more than him, his family was excited and wanted Rahul to prosper in the game. His father said, it's not only his name but that of the whole village was at stake," recalls Yadav.

Rahul soon broke into Haryana under-14



Enduring an embarrassing evening, Rahul Tewatia turned things around for himself and Rajasthan Royals by slamming five sixes in an over to beat KXIP. BCCI/IPL

Surdas, the blind poet who was one of the most influential figures of the Bhakti Movement, came from this village in the 16th century. In the epic Mahabharata, Pandavas had asked for five villages from Kauravas to avoid war

team and later, went represented the under-16, 19 and 22 sides. He was also picked for National Cricket Academy camps and life was good until the harsh reality hit.

With two world-class spinners in the Haryana state team, Rahul had to wait for the opportunity. It proved a long restless wait. Uncle Dharambir recalls the tough times. "Mann dabao mey aa jaata hai (The heart too feels the pressure in the bad times). Rahul was ready to give up cricket but the family felt he has it in him and that he should continue. Luckily, he got an IPL contract," his uncle, a sports teacher at a government school, says.

He gets back to last night's drama. He says he was sure when the commentators were going after his nephew that the tide will change, that Rahul will hit back with his bat. "Newtons' law says every action has an equal and opposite reaction. Pratikriya toh hogi hi, na. I knew Rahul's reaction would

"All his life he has done this, gone and scored runs in the last five overs. The situation is not new to him, he has been successful most of the time. This time, too, he had to return to the pavilion only after he succeeded. Else, he would have to sit out on the bench for

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the next 12 games. Rahul is not the type who will succumb to pressure," Dharambir says.

Confident coach

Yadav, the coach and former India player, had other reasons to be confident. Before the Sharjah night, the world might have seen Tewatia as a bowling allrounder but the coach knew it was batting that made him a player to watch out for.

"I told him a long time ago that it's his batting that will take him to places," Yadav says. 'His bat speed and back-lift are as smooth as Brian Lara's I would say. That bat-speed helps him to send the ball faster than most."

Not just the batting, Yadav is also a fan of Rahul's mental tenacity. "He can handle pressure much better than others. I remember a game he played for Income Tax team despite a fractured leg. He hit a hundred in 60-odd balls. More than the tally of runs, it was his temperament that stood out for me. He kept aside his pain and played," he recalls.

At 27, the Tewatias knew that time was running out for Rahul. He needed a special performance to make his name. Yaday too was banking on IPL. Dharambir recalls his conversation with Rahul on August 17, the day he landed in Mumbai to fly to Dubai. "It's your peak hour, the day you get a chance you will have to do it. Iska aage koi gunjayish nahi hai (there is no real chance after this). Luckily, he did well in two games," he says.

The uncle also puts Rahul's change in fortunes in perspective. "My son was saying that till yesterday Rahul had 22,000 followers on Instagram. Now, it's jumped to 75,000. Until vesterday, everyone was asking who is Rahul Tewatia, kaun hai yeh? And now the whole world knows him. That's what has changed.' And changed in an over.

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)

BY PETER VIDAL

Sixty percent of your major planetary patterns

are featuring fundamental issues, aligned

with the foundations of your

chart and rooting you to the spot. Don't feel frustrated by

other people's demands, but do appreciate the fact that you

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)

talents? Perhaps it's because

signals in the past. Now is the

time to clarify your thoughts

and issue clear proclamations

for the future. Others need to

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22)

ought to be on firm ground

when discussing long-term

investments. You'll have a

choices next week, but you

may have to relinquish some of

chance to make family

the limelight.

Your solar chart is

looking so utterly

businesslike at the

moment, that you

know what you think.

you've sent out the wrong

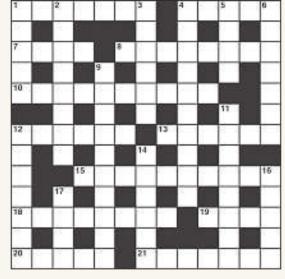
Why do other people imagine that

vour time and

they have a claim on

are wanted.

CROSSWORD 4236



ACROSS

- 1 Hint reveals both experience and age (7)
- 4 Two provide support 7 One effect of gravity on a monkey is to yawn
- 8 Taking note (8) 10 Another chess victory for a ship's officer
- 12 Seat is put out for a snooze after lunch (6)
- 13 Science that puts healthy $colour \, in \, a \, lad \, (6)$ 15 An expression of one who
- suffers (6,4) 18 A cooked meal (8)
- 19 People in a sporting contest
- 20 Senior member gives a party with foreign money (5)
- 21 Passed on a message concerning new delay

DOWN 1 Makes war pay (5)

- 2 Where to keep the money when you've made a profit?
- Puzzle set in game (6) 4 Yet they may be used when
- you speak sharply
- 5 A side entrance of mine
- 6 For example, rising in the morning with enthusiasm
- 9 In some clubs it's an admission of formality (10)
- 11 A greedy animal in many a wood(8)
- 12 Trampled in an endless rush
- 14 Orange has to be cut up for the ass (6) 16 Work to make some dough
- 17 Combat wear (4)

Solutions Crossword 4235: Across: 1 Strong taste, 9 Horatio, 10 React, 11 Wash, 12 Parsifal, 14 Fasten, 16 Touche, 18 Academic, 19 Ache, 22 Drive, 23 Asphalt, 24 Past masters. Down: 2 Tarts, 3 Oath, 4 Global, 5 Abrasion, 6 Traffic, 7 Show of hands, 8 At all events, 13 Reverent, 15 Stamina, 17 Cicada, 20 Chair, 21 Spat.

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis







CALVIN & HOBBES by Bill Watterson











-AGGRENS

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21) You may have swallowed a tall story, but I don't think anyone should laugh at you for being gullible. The fact is that fiction can have more meaning and pertinence than fact. People who refuse to recognise this condemn themselves to a grev. CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

major burden.

You can stand your ground and continue to play for time. You see, only when you are absolutely convinced that a major alteration in the pattern of your personal life is to your

advantage should you agree to discuss a peace treaty. And then you can meet a partner halfway. LEO (July 24 - Aug 23) This is not really a

time for self-reflection, but I'd still say that if you are prepared to reassess your personal values, you will do yourself a great deal of good. Watch out for emotional outbursts from people who just can't see how good life really is.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23) You will have to work hard to keep your emotions in

question is - why shouldn't other people see how you feel? One key to happiness at the moment is spontaneity: I think that children and younger relations can teach you a lot about pleasure.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20) Stunning planetary aspects may relate to your personal life, or they could refer to your professional activities.

What is crucially important though is the exciting way they encourage you to exceed your personal best. I don't think anvthing can hold you

AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19) You ought to be enjoying some kind

of recognition for all your hard work, but

for some reason everyone's good intentions seem to be fog-bound. Other people's statements may be entirely different from what they mean, and you may have to figure out a strange emotional puzzle.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20) You are extremely fortunate in that



capacity to slide away from trouble. Some people would call you slippery, but how wrong they are: I'd describe you as eminently sensible. Right now, you're mulling over the past, getting ready to make a major choice next week.

MARVIN by Tom Armstrong





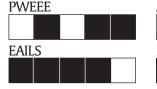
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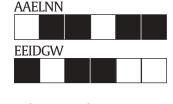


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JUMBLED WORDS

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 quip. __? Two steps backward. Look for the 'ah-ha'. - Ernst Haas (4-5,3)





Answer: Best **wide-angle lens**? Two steps backward. Look for the 'ah-ha'. - Ernst Haas SOLUTION: PEWEE, AISLE, ANNEAL, WEDGIE

Instructions SUDOKU

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

Difficulty Level 5s

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

SOLUTION SUDOKU 4245 9 5 8 6 7 1 3 4 2 1 2 6 3 8 4 9 5 7 9 5 6 8 3 2 4 8 5 8 9 7 1 3 6 4 7 3 8 1 5 2 9 6 6 8 9 4 2 3 7 1 5 5 1 2 7 6 9 4 3 8

20 Sport

Sensational Fati shows there is life after Messi at Barcelona

LIONEL MESSI might have grabbed the headlines this summer for all the wrong reasons as he attempted to leave Barcelona, but on Monday morning they finally belonged to someone else.

Despite being just 17, a lot is expected of Ansu Fati and he did not disappoint, putting in a magical display as Barca thrashed Villarreal 4-0 on Sunday.

Many have pondered what life is going to be like at the Nou Camp once Messi finally leaves, and with the Argentine apparently seeing out the final year of his deal before moving on next year, Fati gave a glimpse of what that might be like.

Lining up on the left-hand side of the front three, the Spain international was unplayable. He netted twice in the first 20 minutes before earning his side a penalty. Messi, however, would not give his team mate the chance for a first-half hat-trick as he stepped up and scored himself. Team mate Sergio Busquets was effusive in his praise post-match: "We need to keep calm, but we know what kind of facets he's got. They're tremendous. We need to let him play his football."

What will be most encouraging for Barcelona fans is that their reliance on Messi-Messidependencia as it is known in Spain-under new coach Ronald Koeman appears to be

EPL has a month to decide on any handball law change request

ANY MOVE from the Premier League to change the handball law for next season would need to be submitted to international law-making body IFAB next month in order to be considered. IFAB holds its annual meeting, the forum where laws are passed and changed, in March but according to IFAB's protocol football associations need to put in proposals by Nov. 1 in order to allow time for consultations across the game. A series of controversial handball decisions in the opening weeks of the Premier League has led to calls from some in the English game for the law to be changed. While the laws of the game are applied on an international scale, British football has a uniquely prominent role in the creation of the laws. The decisionmaking General Assembly of IFAB is made up of the four British football associations (England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland) and four representatives of FIFA. All decisions require a three-quarters majority, which in practice means FIFA's representatives would need to agree to any British proposal. The decision on what items are placed on the agenda is made at a November annual business meeting. REUTERS



Ansu Fati netted twice in the first 20 minutes before earning his side a penalty in the 4-0 win over Villarreal. AP

far less than under previous managers. Messi was barely a figure in the opening 20 minutes, touching the ball just six times as Fati ran riot down the left-hand side. His electric pace, quick feet and directness caused the visiting defence no end of problems.

NBA finals are set: LeBron, Lakers will meet Heat

LEBRON JAMES vs. the Heat, Pat Riley vs. the Lakers. Get ready for the NBA Finals — a title series like none other, to end a season like none other. The matchup is set, with the Miami Heat and the Los Angeles Lakers emerging as the last two teams standing in the chase to be crowned champions of the most tumultuous season in NBA history. The Heat won the Eastern Conference title Sunday night, finishing off Boston a day after the Lakers won the Western Conference crown. So, for the first time – well, excluding the league's inaugural season – two franchises that missed the playoffs the previous season will meet in the NBA Finals. Game 1 of Heat-Lakers is Wednesday night. "We know why I came here," said Lakers All-Star forward Anthony Davis, whose first finals trip comes in his first L.A. season. "We want to win a championship." James is bidding for a fourth NBA championship, as well as a title with a third different franchise — and he's about to become the first player to win a Finals MVP award with one team and then face that same team in a future championship series. His first two titles were with Miami in 2012 and 2013, the highlights of a four-year stint with the Heat that ended in 2014.

Thiem at home in chilly Paris

Austrian 'loves' conditions at Roland Garros during win over Cilic; Nadal, Serena advance

REUTERS/AP SEPTEMBER 28

DOMINICTHIEM felt right at home in the cold of the French Open on Monday.

While most players have complained about the chilly weather conditions at Roland Garros, the third-seeded Thiem had no such concerns as he advanced to the second round by beating Marin Cilic 6-4. 6-3. 6-3.

Meanwhile, Rafael Nadal began his quest for a 13th Roland Garros title, beating Egor Gerasimov 6-4, 6-4, 6-2 to reach the second

The temperature on Court Philippe Chatrier dropped as low as 13 degrees Celsius (55 degrees Fahrenheit).

"I love the conditions because I'm from Austria, because I know how it is in these cold conditions," Thiem said on court. "Ten, 15 degrees, I love it."

Two weeks ago, Thiem won his first major tournament at the U.S. Open in New York.

For his switch to the clay courts of Roland Garros, where he has lost the past two finals to Rafael Nadal, he faced a big-serving Cilic, the 2014 U.S. Open champion. But Cilic dropped his serve six times against Thiem. Even when Cilic broke for a 2-0 lead in the third set, Thiem broke straight back as Cilic sliced a volley at the net wide. A forehand down the line gave Thiem his first match point, and he clinched it when Cilic returned a timid second serve into the net. Adapting to clay so soon after hard courts was a unique sensation for Thiem.

"Very short, never happened before that two major tournaments are two weeks (apart)," he said. "I was facing another great champion today so the transition to the clay and the cold conditions went really well. I really love this tournament."

Thiem will next face American qualifier Jack Sock, who beat Reilly Opelka 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.

Williams advances

Sixth seed Serena Williams battled sluggish conditions to defeat fellow American Kristie Ahn 7-6(2) 6-0 to begin her French Open campaign on Monday.

Playing an opponent she beat in straight sets at the same stage at the U.S. Open less than a month ago, Williams found herself struggling to win points on Court Philippe-Chatrier where the roof was opened just before the match.

Williams started with three aces to win her opening game but the 102nd-ranked Ahn started moving better and chased down her opponent's heavy groundstrokes, which on



US Open champion Dominic Thiem advanced to the second round of the French Open by beating former US Open champion Marin Cilic 6-4, 6-3, 6-3. Reuters

most surfaces would have ended up as winners. Ahn, who was making her main-draw debut at Roland Garros, went up 3-1 and served for the set at 5-4 but the 39-year-old Williams rallied each time to force a tiebreaker.

Williams, who has won three of her 23 Grand Slam singles titles at Roland Garros, raised her level in the tiebreaker and did not look back from there, handing the hapless Ahn a bagel in the second set.

"The biggest difference was just confidence," Williams told reporters. "I just need to play with more confidence, like I'm Serena. So that was it. "I just started playing like that, opening the court and moving and sliding. Ido think her level dropped a little bit in the beginning of the second set and I took advantage of that." The American, bidding to match Margaret Court's record 24 Grand Slam titles, hit her 11th ace on her fifth matchpoint to seal

the victory in an hour and 41 minutes.

Williams had 28 of her 36 unforced errors in the opening set while she hit 26 winners in all. Next up for the American will be a second-round meeting against fellow mother Tsvetana Pironkova, who earlier beat Andrea Petkovic 6-3 6-3. "She's playing well but I am too. I'm ready to play her. She'll be ready to play me," Williams said of her next opponent. "It will be a long match, she will get a lot of balls back but so will I. I'll be ready."

Williams and Pironkova met in the quarter-finals of the U.S. Open this month, when the Bulgarian went down in three sets.

"It's always exciting to face her, especially after our last match," said Pironkova. "We played three sets, it was very exciting match, so we'll see. I'm definitely very excited."

LIVE: French Open 2:30 pm IST on Star Sports

TRAMLINES

Kyrgios sends volley at Wilander over Murray comments

Paris: Seven-time Grand Slam champion Mats Wilander came under fire from Nick Kyrgios on Monday after the Swede suggested Andy Murray should consider whether he has the right to accept wild cards into majors at the expense of emerging young players. Swede Wilander's comments came after three-time Grand Slam champion Murray's first-round defeat by Stan Wawrinka at the French Open on Sunday in which he won only six games. "I keep getting a little disappointed, is it his right to be out there doing that? I did it and I shouldn't have, it was the biggest mistake I did in my career," Wilander told Eurosport. "Ithink Murray needs to stop thinking of himself and start thinking about who he was. Does he have a right to be out there taking wild cards from the young players?"

Australian Kyrgios, who has skipped the French Open because of the coronavirus pandemic, quickly jumped to the defence of the 33-year-old British player on Twitter. "Just read what Wilander said about @andy_murray... shut up Mats, no one cares. Muzz, just know that however long you stay, we all appreciate and enjoy your tennis and banter. Also I've never watched a point of Mats Wilander."

Kvitova glad to see spectators

Paris: Two days after Victoria Azarenka questioned the presence of fans at the French Open, Czech Petra Kvitova said she was very glad she could play in front of spectators. The claycourt Grand Slam in Paris is allowing 1,000 fans each day despite rising COVID-19 infection rates in France. "I think we are very glad and very pleased, honestly, that we are here and we can play here, even with few spectators," Kvitova said after her win over Oceane Dodin." **REUTERS**

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