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**Worst slump in 6 months: Sensex falls 1,100 points as concerns rise**

**ENSE ECONOMIC BUREAU**  
MUMBAI, NEW DELHI,  
OCTOBER 28

DOMESTIC STOCK markets came under intense selling pressure Thursday amid global concerns that recovery from the Covid pandemic will slow down as elevated inflation is likely to force central banks to tighten monetary policy. While the benchmark Sensex of the BSE fell 1.9 per cent or 1,159 points to close at 59,984.70, the broader NSE Nifty Index fell 1.94 per cent or 354 points to close at 17,857.25. This was the biggest Sensex fall in a day since April 30, 2021. Market participants say the fall may get deeper over the next couple of weeks. Even the recent investment pattern of foreign portfolio investors suggests that they have been reducing their holdings. Over the last six trading sessions, FPIs have sold domestic equities worth Rs 12,866 crore. Provisional data released by stock exchanges show FPIs sold domestic equities worth a net Rs 3,818 crore Thursday.

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FPIs TOO have been reducing their holdings. But fund managers say investors have no cause for panic as the fundamentals remain strong and the markets will bounce back.

**NCB CITED CHATS, EVEN INVOKED GANDHI JAYANTI**

## Aryan and two others get bail, High Court rejects NCB's plea

**NCB says counted cumulative drugs seized; detailed order today**

**OMKAR GOKHALE**  
MUMBAI, OCTOBER 28

NEARLY FOUR weeks after they were detained by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) during an alleged drugs bust on a cruise ship, the Bombay High Court Thursday granted bail to actor Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan and two others in the case.

The court's order came on pleas by 23-year-old Aryan and co-accused Arbaaz Merchant and Mumun Dhamecha against the rejection of their bail applications by the Special Court hearing the case under the NDPS Act.

In the High Court, a single-judge bench of Justice Nitin W Sambre ruled: "All three applications allowed." The judge, who has been conducting hearings on the pleas since Tuesday, said the detailed bail order will be made available Friday.

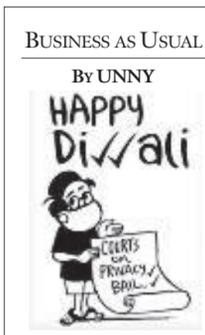
The ruling brings to an end weeks of dramatic developments in the case: the drugs raid on October 2, the detention and arrest of Aryan and 19 others, social media campaigns for and against the action, personal allegations levelled by Maharashtra Minister NAWAB MALIK against NCB officer Sameer Wankhede — and allegations of extortion against Wankhede by a key witness.

Wankhede, who led the drugs bust, has denied all

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Shah Rukh Khan with (to his right) Amit Desai and Satish Maneshinde and the rest of the defence team of son Aryan, in Mumbai after the court order. PTI



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## Wankhede wants CBI to probe him, gets state govt assurance on arrest

**OMKAR GOKHALE**  
MUMBAI, OCTOBER 28

THE MAHARASHTRA government Thursday told the Bombay High Court that it will not arrest NCB Mumbai Zonal Director Sameer Wankhede without giving him prior notice of three working days in connection with allegations of extortion and corruption levelled against him.

Wankhede had approached

the High Court seeking transfer of the Mumbai Police's probe into complaints of alleged extortion against NCB officers, including himself, to the CBI.

The officer has been in the eye of a political storm following allegations of extortion in the high-profile cruise drugs bust case in which actor Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan was arrested. He had led the team that conducted the alleged drugs bust.

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## Pegasus snoop affair: Israeli envoy says it is India's internal matter

**SHUBHAJIT ROY**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

A DAY after the Supreme Court ordered a "thorough inquiry" into allegations of unauthorised surveillance using the Pegasus spyware, Naor Gilon, Israel's new ambassador to India, declined to be drawn into the issue, calling it an "internal" matter of India.

He said every export of the NSO Group — it is the maker of the Pegasus spyware — needs a licence from the Israeli government and this licence is only for exports to governments, not "non-governmental actors".

He made these remarks Thursday during his first media interaction after taking charge earlier in the week as his country's envoy to New Delhi.

Asked whether the embassy or the Israeli government will cooperate with the committee tasked by the Supreme Court to conduct an inquiry, Gilon said: "NSO, very simply and I will not go into more details, is a private



**Ambassador Naor Gilon in New Delhi, Thursday. PTI**

Israeli company. Every export of NSO needs a licence from the Israeli government. We grant the export licence only for exporting to governments. This is the only and the main requirement, they cannot sell it to non-governmental actors."

"What is happening here in India is a really internal thing of India, and I would rather not go into your internal affairs," he said.

The Indian Express reached out later with more questions on

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**Vinod Rai says sorry to Nirupam on Manmohan, 2G claims**

**ANAND MOHAN J**  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

FORMER COMPTROLLER and Auditor General Vinod Rai has tendered an unconditional apology to Sanjay Nirupam for having "wrongly mentioned" that the Congress leader had asked him to drop former prime minister Manmohan Singh's name from the 2G report.

Rai tendered the apology in an affidavit submitted to Metropolitan Magistrate Manu Shree, stating that the comments he made against Nirupam are "factually incorrect". The court has disposed of the case following the apology.

Nirupam had filed a defamation case against Rai after the former CAG made the allegation in interviews ahead of the launch of his book, Not Just an Accountant: The Diary of the Nation's Conscience Keeper, published in 2014.

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## UP invokes sedition over cheering for Pak, families urge govt to forgive them

**ASAD REHMAN**  
LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 28

UTTAR PRADESH Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath announced on Thursday that the charge of sedition will be invoked against those celebrating Pakistan's victory against India at the recent T20 World Cup match. At least

five people have been arrested across UP on the allegation.

"Those celebrating Pakistan's victory will face sedition," a tweet posted on the official handle of Adityanath's office Thursday said.

The three engineering students arrested in Agra have been sent to 14-day judicial custody.

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**Video grab of the crowd that tried to hit the Agra students outside a magistrate court**

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**MARUTI SUZUKI**

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**ENTERTAINMENT**

**VICKY KAUSHAL, SHOOJIT SIRCAR ON THEIR FILM**

**The duo get candid about the success of Sardar Udham**



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**Israel envoy**

whether the Israeli government had a list of names with whom NSO had shared the Pegasus technology, and whether it had done so with the Indian government or any of its agencies. There was no response until evening.

On Wednesday, the Supreme Court, while ordering a probe into the Pegasus matter, set out the

terms of reference of the committee. These include: "Whether the Pegasus suite of spyware was used on phones or other devices of the citizens of India to access stored data, eavesdrop on conversations, intercept information and/or for any other purposes... Whether any Pegasus suite of spyware was acquired by the Respondent—Union of India, or any State Government, or any Central or

state agency for use against the citizens of India?... If any domestic entity/person has used the spyware on the citizens of this country, then is such a use authorised?".

Three editors of The Indian Express — two current and one former — were among over 40 others whose phone numbers figured in a leaked list of potential targets of surveillance by an "unidentified agency," using the Pegasus spyware, The Wire had reported.

Ambassador Gilon, responding to a question on the new grouping of India, Israel, US and the UAE, said it is focused on co-operation in areas of economy, trade, infrastructure and technology among others, and there is "no military element" to it.

On whether India's close ties with Iran will impact cooperation within the grouping, he said: "Our cooperation is to promote something positive, it is not to create something negative against someone else."

"We are very much aware that India has its own interests when it comes to Afghanistan and Iran... I think that in discussions between countries, especially between friends, each country puts forward its own concerns and each country has its own interests, and then you see over time how it circles down, how it comes out," he said.

He said while Israel has voiced its "concerns", India has shared its "interests" when it comes to Iran. At the same time, he said, the biggest threat Israel has been facing is from Iran.

**Vinod Rai**

"I had realised that, in answer to questions posed to me by the interviewers, I had inadvertently and wrongly mentioned the name of Shri Sanjay Nirupam as one of the MPs who pressurised me to keep the then Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh's name out of the CAG report on 2G spectrum allocation during meetings in the PAC or the sidelines of the JPC etc," Rai's affidavit read.

Rai submitted, "I understand the pain and agony my statements have caused to Sanjay Nirupam, his family and well wishers and thus would like to offer my unconditional apology for the hurt caused by such statements."

In his affidavit, Rai stated that he made certain comments against Nirupam in an interview to Arnab Goswami on the TimesNow news channel on September 11, 2014, which was subsequently published in *The Times of India* and *The Indian Express*, and in an interview to senior journalist Sagrika Ghose that was published in *The Times of India* on September 13, 2014.

The then CAG's presumptive loss calculation of Rs 1.76 lakh crore in the alleged 2G scam had triggered a major political row in 2011.

Rai had accused the former PM of failing to prevent the controversial 2G spectrum licence allocation despite some of the ministers expressing concern about the process and despite having been informed by the then Telecom Minister A Raja about what he planned to do.

Rai had claimed that some Congress MPs had told him to "keep the Prime Minister (Manmohan Singh) out of this (audit reports)".

Nirupam took to Twitter after the verdict and tweeted, "Finally, former CAG Vinod Rai tendered an unconditional apology to me in a defamation case filed by me... He must apologise to the nation now for all his forged reports about 2G and Coal block allocations done by the UPA Govt."

**UP sedition**

On Thursday, as the three — belonging to Kashmir and recipients of the Prime Minister's Special Scholarship Scheme (PMSSS) for J&K students — were

**Aryan Khan and two others get bail**

charges although the NCB has launched a vigilance probe into the extortion allegations levelled by one of the agency's witnesses, Prabhakar Sail.

Aryan and the two others had approached the High Court after the Special Court rejected their bail pleas last Wednesday. The NDPS court had ruled that although no drugs were found on Aryan, he was aware that his friend Merchant was carrying them, which amounted to "conscious possession".

On Thursday, responding to arguments from the defence counsel, the NCB in its affidavit said that Aryan is an "influential person" and is allegedly likely to tamper with evidence or flee justice if released on bail.

The agency said the evidence allegedly shows the role of illicit drug trafficking and that Aryan was in touch with persons on the ship who were part of an international drug network. It also claimed that material collected during investigation revealed Khan's role in illicit procurement and distribution of contraband, which he procured from Merchant.

At one point in Thursday's hearing, Additional Solicitor General Anil Singh, appearing on behalf of NCB, was asked by the judge whether the agency's argument was that the "cumulative effect" of drugs found on all accused should be considered to decide that it was of "commercial quantity".

"It was commercial quantity

in cumulative. When we say conspiracy, we calculate drugs found on all persons. It needs to be investigated," Singh said, adding that the arrest was made on October 2. "At least on Gandhi Jayanti, they should have left these things," the ASG said.

Opposing the bail plea, the ASG alleged that Aryan is a "regular" consumer of drugs for the past two years, and was found in "conscious possession" of contraband. "There is a case that a person might not have consumed the drug, but if he's in possession of it, he can be booked under the NDPS Act," he argued.

Referring to the seizure panchama, Singh said: "Aryan Khan had said in the panchama that contraband found on Arbaaz was meant for smoking during the cruise journey. They say they are going inside to have a blast. Bail is not a rule in the NDPS case. Assuming there is no recovery, the person can still be held liable for the offence."

Responding to the defence's key contentions, the ASG said the applicants were made aware of the inclusion of sections 28 and 29 (conspiracy) of the NDPS Act being invoked against them and were informed as per the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC). "The remand order" is not even challenged in the present bail application. They can't come back and say arrest is illegal," he said.

"Arbaaz is Aryan's childhood friend. He had gone to the house of Aryan. Both travelled from the

house of Aryan in the car till the international cruise terminal where they were apprehended. They were to stay in the same room had they boarded the cruise. Accused Aryan was found in conscious possession of contraband," the ASG argued.

According to the NCB, the accused's WhatsApp chats showed that the bail applicant made an attempt to deal with commercial quantities of drugs. "Even if he (Aryan) may not be found in physical possession, the accused Arbaaz was. Total eight persons out of 11 based on a secret note were apprehended. When we apprehended them, multiple drugs were found from them," the ASG said.

On Tuesday, the Special Court had granted bail to two other men in the case, Avin Sahu and Manish Rajgariya — the first from among 20 of those arrested in the case to be granted relief.

In the High Court Wednesday, Senior Advocate Amit Desai, representing co-accused and Aryan's friend Arbaaz Merchant had argued that the NCB's arrests in the case were "illegal" because the agency failed to follow procedure under section 41A of the CrPC, which mandates the investigating officer to issue notice of appearance prior to arrest.

Desai had also contended that WhatsApp chats were not admissible in court. Advocate Ali Kaashif Khan Deshmukh, representing Dhamecha, had

argued that there was no material against her and that she had no connection with the other accused.

Earlier, Senior Advocate Mukul Rohatgi and Advocate Satish Maneshinde had told the bench that the NCB had made no recovery from 23-year-old Aryan, nor conducted a medical examination to show consumption of any narcotic. They argued that WhatsApp chats between Aryan and a friend over online poker were "misinterpreted" by the NCB as about drugs.

In a rejoinder Thursday, Rohatgi submitted that the NCB failed to prove the offence of conspiracy.

"There were 1,300 people on the cruise. I did not know anybody else except Arbaaz and Aachit Kumar. Conspiracy is a meeting of minds. It cannot be based on coincidence. You (NCB) failed to prove a meeting of minds with these eight people and therefore called them independently. There is absolutely no material for the purpose of conspiracy," Rohatgi said on behalf of Aryan.

While Rohatgi was about to conclude his submissions, the judge said he had allowed the three bail applications.

On Thursday, Singh wrote to Nagre seeking Sail's appearance before the NCB. Singh said in the letter that the NCB found through the media that while the agency was searching for Sail to serve summons, he had appeared before Mumbai Police.

**Sameer Wankhede wants CBI to probe him**

Wankhede is also facing an NCB vigilance probe into allegations levelled by a witness in the cruise ship case, Prabhakar Sail, of an extortion bid of Rs 25 crore by agency officials and independent witnesses to let off Aryan.

On Thursday, a division bench of Justice Nitin M Jamdar and Justice Sarang V Kotwal said the assurance given by the state government in a statement made by the Public Prosecutor will suffice for Wankhede's petition. "Needless to state, we

have not commented on the merits of the case," the High Court said.

Wankhede's lawyers Atul Nanda and Rameeza Hakim claimed that he has realised the "design" behind the complaints against him but did not take names consciously to "keep the majesty of law".

"There is a vigilance probe ordered against me and the state is going beyond its duty despite me being a Central Government officer probing the case. I will cooperate with the NCB, but now

the state has formed an SIT. I am personally attacked by the state and my apprehension is that they will arrest me any day and therefore, interim protection is needed," Wankhede's counsel said.

Appearing on behalf of the state government, Chief Public Prosecutor Aruna Pai said Wankhede's petition is premature and that no FIR has been filed yet. "We had received four applications against private individuals, including Kiran Gosavi (an NCB witness in the

alleged drugs bust)... We are just doing a preliminary enquiry and have not registered any FIR," Pai said.

On Thursday, NCB Deputy Director General (northern region), Gyaneshwar Singh wrote to Mumbai Police Commissioner Hemant Nagre seeking Sail's appearance before the NCB. Singh said the NCB found through the media that while the agency was searching for Sail to serve summons, he had appeared before Mumbai Police.

produced before a magistrate, they were heckled by allegedly some unidentified lawyers and their assistants shouting slogans of "Bharat Mata ki Jai". Police managed to take the students away.

The sedition charge under IPC Section 124-A has now been added against the students, identified as Arsheed Yusuf, Inayat Altaf Sheikh and Showkat Ahmed Ganai, at the Jagdishpura Police Station. They earlier faced charges under IPC Sections 153-A (promoting enmity between groups), 505 (1) (B) (with intent to cause, or which is likely to cause, fear or alarm to any section of the public) and 66-F of the Information Technology Act.

Their institute, Raja Balwant Singh (RBS) Engineering Technical College, has rusticated them, while demanding action against the outsiders who had forced their way into the campus and protested against the three.

The families of the three students appealed to the UP government to drop the case against them and "forgive them for their mistake".

Yusuf's father died in a road accident in 2008, and his mother works as a daily farm wagee. The third-year student of BTech in Civil Engineering has two sisters, in Classes 10 and 12. The family is based in Budgam.

Yusuf's maternal uncle Latif Ahmad said: "Yusuf is the only hope of his mother. He had received the PMSSS scholarship on

his own, and worked hard to reach where he is. Now, everything looks bleak."

Urging the UP government to withdraw the charges, Ahmad said: "His career and future will be ruined by the case."

The family of Ganai, 20, a fourth-year BTech Civil Engineering student, said he had always had an excellent academic record and had recently landed a job with a private company. "We were so happy. Recently, the college gave him an award for his performance in the three years in the course... We got to know through social media that he had been arrested. It has broken all of us," said Ganai's elder sister Fancy Bano, who is an intern at a Bandipora hospital.

The family, which lives in Bandipora, includes Ganai's parents and his three elder siblings, including another sister and a brother. Their father Mohammad Shaban Ganai works as a labourer.

Fancy also sought the government's "forgiveness". "Showkat made a mistake, but the government should forgive him. We are waiting for him," she said.

The family of Inayat Sheikh, who is in third year of Civil Engineering, and also from Budgam, could not be reached. Jagdishpura SHO V K Singh told The Indian Express, "The three students have been sent to jail for 14 days on remand. When they apply for bail, it will be heard by the court."

About the heckling on the court premises, Singh said, "There were some lawyers and assistants who raised slogans and tried to beat up the students. We had officers posted there, who ensured their safety."

The SHO said he didn't recognise those who tried to attack the students as he had only been recently posted to the area. "The court premises are anyway filled with lawyers."

J&K Students' Association spokesperson Nasir Khuehami urged CM Adityanath to drop the sedition charge against the three Agra students and take action against those who had heckled them. Saying the parents of Kashmiri students were worried, Khuehami said: "These incidents may increase the sense of insecurity and anxiety among Kashmiri students studying outside as well as among their parents and relatives in Kashmir. We urge the Centre and state government to ensure adequate security for their safety."

Speaking to *The Indian Express* on Thursday, RBS Engineering Technical College Director (Academics) R B Khushwaha said it was wrong to say that anti-India slogans had been raised by any student on the college premises. "On Tuesday, some people came and created a ruckus, despite us taking action and the students apologising... On Sunday, after the match, some students had up-

loaded some status on social media. Subsequently, we sought a reply from the students and took action against them. They had apologised on social media as well saying their intention was not to hurt anyone's sentiments," said the Director.

While the FIR against the students, filed by a Gaurav Rajawat, claimed they raised anti-national slogans, Khushwaha said: "I don't know who these outsiders were. No anti-India slogans were raised. For that matter, no slogans were raised about anything. These outsiders came to create a ruckus and hence are making these false claims."

**Sensex falls**

If high valuations have been a growing concern among investors, market participants fear that recovery from the Covid pandemic will be slow if rising inflation in many countries force central banks to raise interest rates.

Deepak Jasani, Head of retail research, HDFC Securities, said: "Investors will look to the European Central Bank later Thursday for reassurance that surging prices are just transitory, and not about to spiral out of control. In addition to the ECB policy meeting, investors are awaiting a report later Thursday on US economic growth, which is likely to show a cooling recovery, as well as weekly jobs data."

Analysts say valuations were already stretched as an easy liq-

uidity position had pushed stock markets to new peaks. The markets have traded very strong this calendar year despite the second Covid wave and concerns over its impact on the economy. High liquidity in global markets, better earnings growth and hopes of stronger growth in the Indian economy took the markets to new highs. Since January 1, 2021, the Sensex has risen over 25 per cent and since August 1, it is up over 14 per cent.

If the continued rise in the markets across market capitalisation has now led to a situation where stocks have turned expensive on the valuation front, leading to some discomfort among investors and market participants, Thursday's fall could likely unnerve sentiments of a large number of investors who entered the markets over the last six months to a year.

In a report released October 23, Nomura Global Market Research announced to downgrade India equities from over-weight to neutral in regional allocation. "We now see an unfavourable risk-reward given valuations, as a number of positives appear to be priced in, whilst headwinds are emerging," said the report prepared by its equity strategists Chetan Seth and Amit Phillips.

"This fall in the index has derailed the recent recovery and we may see a further slide in the following sessions," Ajit Mishra, Vice President-Research, Religare Broking Ltd, said.

While the markets have fallen 3.6 per cent since the high of 62,245 it hit last week, market participants say the correction could go up to 10 per cent in the large cap index and up to 15-20 per cent in the mid and small cap indices. If FPIs continue to reduce their holdings in Indian equities, the fall will only get deeper for now.

There are also concerns over how the FPIs may react following the tapering of the bond purchase programme by the Federal Reserve, beginning next month. While global liquidity has been one of the primary drivers of markets to these levels, a withdrawal of liquidity may lead to some outflow and thereby correction in the markets.

Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services, said, "Bears continued to dominate domestic indices, tracking cues from weak Asian and European markets ahead of a policy update from the European Central Bank. Globally, investors are on the edge, awaiting the US GDP data releasing later in the day along with the outcome of the Fed meeting scheduled for next week. Domestic markets witnessed broad-based selling dragged by banking, metal and realty stocks."

The main worry of retail investors is whether they should exit from the market now. Long-term investors, an analyst said, should continue to hold their investments as market participants feel the equities will do well over the 3-5 year investment horizon.

Even Nomura, while downgrading Indian equities to neutral, said it "will look for better entry points given our still-constructive medium-term view."

The CEO of a leading mutual fund said investors should not panic and sell. "They must stick to their investments as markets will bounce back after some correction," he said.

While new investors who are underweight equities should continue with their investments, experts say investors who are overweight equities now (following the sharp rise in equities over the last one year) should move some of their investments to hybrid funds to rebalance their portfolio. They may also look to reduce their exposure in mid and small caps and move to large cap funds or companies.

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## Elopement arrests by UP Police: Won't let illegal actions happen in Delhi, says HC

SOFIAHSAN  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

THE DELHI High Court Thursday slammed the Uttar Pradesh Police over the manner in which it picked up and arrested two residents of Delhi in a case of elopement and said "such illegal action... may work in UP but not here".

The court made the observations during the hearing of a plea filed by a couple who stated that they got married on July 1, 2021, of their free will. The woman's parents were against the marriage and have since been allegedly threatening them. The man and his family are residents of Delhi while the woman is from UP's Shamli. In their petition, the couple alleged that man's father and brother were taken away by UP Police from their

residence in Delhi on the intervening night of August 6 and 7.

"Ye kaam na, yahan Dilli main nahi chalega, illegal kaam koi bhi, ki aap aaye Dilli se log utha dein aur keh dein hum ne toh Shamli main uthaya tha aur arrest dikha dein. Ye hum na yahan nai chalne denge (This will not work in Delhi, this illegal action that you come to Delhi, pick up people and then show arrest from Shamli. We won't allow this here)," Justice Mukta Gupta told the UP Police officials present in court.

The court also said UP Police had violated the law at every step in the case, adding that no illegal activity will be permitted and that police have to act in accordance with law. "We have no remedy if you shut your eyes and ears and work. Will you come to Delhi, intimate the local station and take action? You can't pick

up anyone you want, isn't this what the law says? You have violated the law at every step. We will not tolerate this in Delhi," the court said.

According to Delhi Police, UP Police informed them that the two men were arrested in a case registered under Section 366 IPC (kidnapping) on September 6 on a complaint by the woman's mother. According to UP Police, they were arrested from Kudhana bus stand in Shamli on September 8. The Delhi family, however, told the court that the two men were taken away from their residence in the city on August 6-7.

The court questioned the UP Police for not verifying the age of the woman before proceeding further in the matter. "Did you ask whether the girl is major or not? If she is major, will her will prevail or that of her parents? When you investigate, you

don't ask the complainant and start arresting the accused?" it asked.

UP Police told the court that they were not provided any document on the woman's age by her family and further claimed they were not aware if she is a major or minor.

The court expressed shock at how the police did not reach out to the woman but rushed to arrest her husband's father and brother-in-law. It also pointed out that the FIR mentions that the woman is 21 years old. "If you and your IO don't know how to read a file, I have no solutions," said the court.

Asking the police to reveal the true facts about the place of arrest, the court warned it that it will get CCTV camera recordings of the route. "You have shown that the arrest was made in Khudana. I will get all the CCTV footage pulled out and if I find that

Shamli Police had come to Delhi, I will get a departmental inquiry instituted against you," the court warned.

Directing the police to record the statement of the woman, the court said it will not allow her to be taken out of its jurisdiction. "You can't take them there and harass them. I will not allow them to leave Delhi's jurisdiction," said the court. Later, the UP Police recorded the woman's statement and told the court that her statement before a magistrate would be recorded at the Patiala House Court Friday or Saturday.

The court directed the SHO, Police Station Shamli, to file an affidavit indicating as to what efforts were made to trace the woman after registration of the FIR and if they came to Delhi, whether intimation of their arrival was ever made to the local police station before taking any further action.

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## Man attacked outside HC, 1 detained

**New Delhi:** A man was allegedly attacked with a blade by unknown persons outside the Delhi High Court Thursday afternoon. Police said the man was standing at the parking space outside gate number 7 when the assailants targeted him. Police detained one of the accused and initiated an enquiry.

The injured man had come to court to attend a bail hearing in an attempted murder case in 2011, in which he was named

as an accused. It is suspected that the other party in the case attacked him and fled from the spot.

Deepak Yadav, DCP (New Delhi), said, "The man had come to attend the matter when he was attacked. Our team went to the spot and found that he went to RML hospital for treatment. We detained a person in connection with the incident and are questioning him for further details." ENS

## 3 women farm protesters mowed down by truck at Bahadurgarh, driver held

PAVNEET SINGH CHADHA  
JHAJJAR, OCTOBER 28

THREE WOMEN farm protesters were killed while two more suffered injuries after a truck allegedly mowed them down in Bahadurgarh on Thursday morning. Police said the incident took place at 5.45 am when a group of protesters — seven women and a man — were waiting for an auto to reach Bahadurgarh railway station.

According to police, the protesters were sitting on a divider below Jhajjar flyover near Pakoda Chowk when the truck, allegedly coming at high speed from Jhajjar side, jumped on the divider and crushed them before coming to a halt after hitting a large rock. The driver left the vehicle and fled and was arrested later.

The victims have been identified as Amarjeet Kaur (51), Gurmil Kaur (65), and Sukhwinder Kaur (55). The two injured women, Gurmil Kaur (60) and Harmeet Kaur (56), were rushed to civil hospital in Bahadurgarh. Gurmil Kaur suffered a fracture in her leg and was referred to PGI Rohtak, where her condition is said to be serious, said police. Harmeet Kaur was admitted to civil hospital and her condition is stable. Two more protesters, Hamir Kaur and Jagtar Singh, sustained minor bruises.

All of them were from Khiva Dialuwala village in Punjab's Mansa district and affiliated with



The incident took place near Pakoda Chowk. Abhinav Saha

Bhartiya Kisan Union (Ekta Ugrahan). Farmers said the group had come to the Pakoda Chowk protest site 10 days ago and had been staying in tent number 170 at the bypass. They were supposed to catch a train at 7.45 am as per a change of roster of duties.

Police said the accused, identified as Mangal, a native of Alipur village in UP's Aligarh district, is a resident of Delhi's Karala. He had been driving a 2011 model truck for a Delhi-based transporter since September 18. He got Rs 6,000 a month and Rs 1,000 each for one round of transporting building material.

Superintendent of Police, Jhajjar, Waseem Akram, said, "During preliminary questioning, the driver said he spotted the victims very late and tried to hit the brakes, which did not work properly. He claimed to have been driving at a speed of 15 km/hr. He said he left Dadri at 3 am and that he

covers the same route daily. He said he did not see the divider in the dark and claimed he was continuously driving and did not stop. We are verifying the claims. Prima facie, it appears to be an accident."

The survivors, however, alleged the 'accident' was planned and part of a conspiracy to derail the protest.

Harmeet Kaur, who suffered injuries to her leg, head and left arm, told *The Indian Express* that the truck had been parked a few metres from them. "Since we were sitting on the median, we assumed it would just drive by. But it picked up pace as it drove towards us and suddenly changed direction, crushing the women. This is a deliberate attack. There was enough space on the road," she alleged.

Jagtar Singh, who was standing across the road, said, "I tried running after the driver but there was so much chaos. We rushed

everyone to the civil hospital. Two women died on the spot. A third died while she was being taken to another hospital."

On Thursday, farmer organisations and victims' families refused to get an autopsy done, demanding an enquiry into the incident. A delegation of BKU Ekta Dakaunda met SP Jhajjar on Thursday afternoon to discuss the matter. In a statement, the Samyukta Kisan Morcha also demanded "an impartial and thorough probe to rule out foul play".

Outside Sector 6 police station, Buta Singh Burjgill, Punjab president BKU Ekta Dakaunda, said, "... In recent weeks, there have been several incidents which raise certain doubts. We have asked the SP to conduct an enquiry — who is the driver and if he had any political links. If it is clear this was a simple accident, then we will allow a post-mortem tomorrow. We will decide the next course of action after a meeting."

Police said the truck owner is a resident of Kanjhawala village and has been working to supply building material to Delhi for several decades. "He has denied any links with politicians, as was being rumoured," said the SP.

Police recovered audio recordings of two calls made by the driver to the vehicle owner at 5.59 am and 6.02 am, in which he allegedly said he fled after the accident as he feared being caught. An FIR was registered against him under IPC sections 279, 304-A, 336 and 337, said police.

## 'It was their first time at the protest site'

PAVNEET SINGH CHADHA  
JHAJJAR, OCTOBER 28

FAMILIES OF the women farm protesters, who were killed and sustained injuries after a truck mowed them down in Bahadurgarh Thursday, said several of them had come to the Tikri border to protest for the first time since the agitation to repeal farm laws began last year.

The victims have been identified as Amarjeet Kaur (51), Gurmil Kaur (65), and Sukhwinder Kaur (55). Janak Singh, Amarjeet's



Jhajjar flyover where farmers have camped, a few kms from Tikri. Abhinav Saha

brother-in-law, said, "Though she had been involved in protests at

the local level in Mansa, she had gone to protest for the first time 10 days ago. She was supposed to return today. Her 27-year-old daughter's wedding is scheduled for next month... she had been making arrangements."

Gurmil Kaur's son Hardev Singh said since a lot of men from the village had been busy during the sowing season, batches of women had gone to the protest site for duties: "My mother has been associated with the union for over five years. This is the second time she had gone to the protest. I spoke to her two days ago over the phone. She was very

vocal and always stood for the rights of farmers. I didn't know this would be her last visit..."

Hardev Singh, suba sarpanch of the village, said, "Several of these women had come to the protest site for the first time. In the village too, they had volunteered for protests and had been taking active part in duties of the morcha. This incident has come as a shock to the villagers."

Mohinder Pal, deputy commissioner Mansa, said, "As per norms, each family will be given Rs 5 lakh compensation and one government job per family." (inputs from Raakhi Jaggia)

## 'Bike ambulance service stopped due to pandemic'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

THE BIKE ambulance service launched by the AAP government in February 2019 was discontinued in March 2020, due to the outbreak of the pandemic, a response to an RTI states.

According to the response to the RTI, filed by Delhi BJP spokesperson Harish Khurana, 16 such bike ambulances were bought by the government.

The reply, however, states that services were cut short as Covid started to spread in the city last year.

"The reply shows that when Delhi was facing a health crisis, services were stopped. What is the point of starting a health service, only to stop it when it is

needed the most," said Khurana.

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal had launched bike-ambulance services for East on a pilot basis in 2019, saying it would provide quick pre-hospital response in congested areas. The government had planned to extend the service further, but plans were cut short because of Covid.

"When the pandemic struck, their use was not practical as it would put the driver in close contact with the patient. Such close contact is not there in four-wheelers. There were some other logistic issues as well," said a Delhi government official who did not want to be named.

The Delhi government did not respond to queries on the issue officially.

## Sharing accused's mobile data against right to privacy: Court

**New Delhi:** A Delhi court Thursday said it would not be possible to supply phone data of a Northeast Delhi riots UAPA accused to other accused as "there is a question of right of privacy of the accused" and will have an impact on their personal lives. The

order was passed by ASJ Amitabh Rawat as the accused were produced from judicial custody.

Special Public Prosecutor Amit Prasad said personal data in the mobile phone of the accused cannot be supplied to other accused in view of privacy concerns. ENS

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		ICU BEDS	3,260	3,208	
	Cases	Recoveries	Deaths	Tests	
Oct 27	38	13	0	59,909	
Oct 28	42	45	0	63,174	
<b>Total</b>	<b>345*</b>	<b>14,14,315</b>	<b>25,091</b>	<b>2,92,52,619</b>	

\*Total active cases

## BRIEFLY

## Man held for threatening woman

**New Delhi:** A 34-year-old man was arrested from Southeast Delhi for allegedly threatening a woman at gunpoint. The woman had rejected the man's proposal after which he turned up at her house and demanded that she fasts on Karwachauth for him.

## 2019 Jamia violence: HC seeks status of cases

**New Delhi:** The Delhi High Court granted time to Delhi Police to apprise it about the latest stage of trial in cases pertaining to the violence at Jamia Millia Islamia in December 2019. It listed the case for hearing on December 23.

## Woman held for burning alive live-in partner

**Gurgaon:** Police arrested a woman for allegedly burning alive her live-in-partner in Faridabad. Sube Singh, Faridabad police spokesperson, said, "A probe found that on October 16 night, the victim's live-in partner had given him sleeping pills and taken him to a deserted area where she poured petrol on him and set him on fire." **ENS**

## EVERY DISTRICT HAS SEROPOSITIVITY OVER 93%: JAIN

## 6th sero survey: 97% in Delhi have antibodies, 90% in unvaccinated

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

DELHI HAS a seropositivity of 97% for Covid antibodies, the sixth serological survey conducted in the city has revealed, Delhi Health Minister Satyendar Jain said Thursday.

Every district has a seropositivity of above 93%, he said.

Samples for the survey were collected in the last week of September. A total of 28,000 samples were collected, 100 each from the 280 civic wards. This was the first such survey conducted after the deadly second wave hit Delhi in April and May. To check the presence of antibodies, blood is drawn from survey participants and tested for IgG antibodies against Covid. A survey planned in April had to be abandoned mid-way because of the soaring case count.

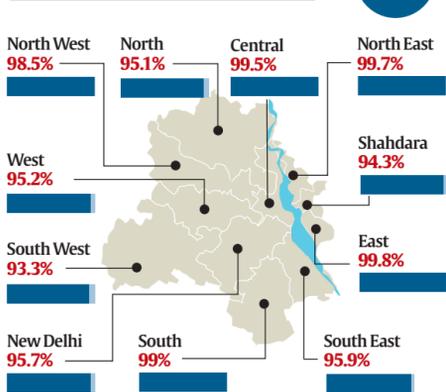
"The seropositivity in women is slightly higher than that in men. In children below the age of 18, the seroprevalence is 88%, while it is 97% to 98% in adults. The survey included vaccinated and non-vaccinated people. The non-vaccinated have a prevalence of 90% and those who have been vaccinated is above 97%," said Jain.

According to the report, while the total unweighted seroprevalence (where the results are not adjusted for age and sex demography of the districts) is 89.6%, the overall prevalence is 97% after final adjustment for these factors, along with the sensitivity of the IgG antibody test.

As per the unweighted data, which shows results of only the samples collected without adjusting for the demography of

## WHAT THE RESULTS SHOW

## DISTRICT-WISE SEROPREVALENCE (OVERALL AND ADJUSTED FOR AGE AND SEX IN THE DISTRICT)



## SETTLEMENT TYPE

Planned colony	90.1%	Resettlement colony	89.8%	Urban slum	89%	Unauthorised colony	90.2%	Village	87.9%
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## PAST HISTORY OF COVID INFECTION

Present	90.8%
Absent	88.8%

## VACCINATION STATUS

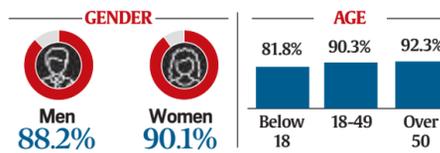
Not taken (minors)	81.8%
Not taken (adults)	82%



Samples for the survey were collected in the last week of September. *Archive*

## UNWEIGHTED SERO PREVALENCE DATA (BASED ON THE DIRECT RESULTS OBTAINED FROM SAMPLES)

OVERALL UNWEIGHTED SERO PREVALENCE 89.6%



AT LEAST 1 DOSE		94.9%
One dose		95.1%
Two doses		94.8%

the place, the seroprevalence in women is 90.1% and 88.2% in men.

The highest seropositivity (92.3%) was found in those over the age of 50, the report says.

When split into the type of settlements that the samples were picked from, the results show that the seroprevalence in samples collected from planned

colonies (90.1%) was almost the same as in those samples picked from unauthorised colonies (90.2%). The lowest prevalence was found in those living in villages — 87.9%.

The minister said that a large part of Delhi's population has been affected by Covid and the rest have been vaccinated. He declined to comment on

whether Delhi has now achieved herd immunity. "This is for scientists to decide," he said.

"The data shows clearly that seropositivity has increased slowly in Delhi. When the prevalence was 56%, we thought it was a sign that a lot of people have got antibodies. Now it has increased to 97%," he said.

Sero surveys in other cities,

conducted after the second wave and vaccination drives, also show high seroprevalence.

In the survey conducted in Mumbai in August this year, the prevalence of Covid antibodies was 86.64%.

It was 80.2% in a survey started in Chandigarh in July, and 78.3% in the survey conducted in Gurgaon in September.

## Guards 'assault' two residents of Noida society, 6 arrested

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NOIDA, OCTOBER 28

TWO MEN were allegedly assaulted by security guards with lathis outside the Amrapali Sapphire society in Noida's Sector 46 on Wednesday night. Police said the men are tenants and had a scuffle with one of the guards over a parking sticker, which led to the assault.

A case has been registered and six guards have been arrested in the case. The victims sustained minor injuries.

A video of the incident, which went viral, shows one of the guards with a lathi arguing with a man sitting inside his car. The man then steps out and gets into a fight with the guard. In the meantime, other guards thrash the man with lathis. The video shows the victim's friend trying to save him, but the guards push and hit them.

Ranvijay Singh, Additional DCP (Noida), said: "We received a call late at night on Wednesday from the society about the two men. We rushed to the spot to enquire about the matter, but the men were not there. We saw the

CCTV footage and the video shot by other residents. We are talking to the two men. Based on the video, the guards were detained and later arrested."

Singh said the accused and a few residents alleged that the men started the fight.

Another CCTV footage shows the men being stopped outside gate number 2 of the society by the guards. The driver gets into a heated argument with the guard and pushes him.

"We are looking into this but in any case, the guards should not have used lathis and should have called us. The men might have hurled abuses or started the fight but using lathis isn't right. We are taking action as per law," he added. Police said the men did not have a parking sticker and started arguing with the guard when he stopped them. Later, the guard picked up a lathi and allegedly assaulted one of them.

A month ago, a similar case was reported at Lotus Boulevard society in Noida's Sector 100 where a resident was allegedly thrashed by guards with lathis over maintenance and security issues. Two guards were detained in the case.



## FIELDS ON FIRE

Stubble stacks burning in a field on the outskirts of Delhi, near Baghpat. *Abhinav Saha*

## Delhi's sex ratio rises, infant mortality dips

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

DELHI HAS recorded an improvement in its sex ratio at birth — from 920 females per thousand males in 2019 to 933 in 2020. The infant mortality rate, meanwhile, has dipped from 24.19 to 20.37 between 2019 and 2020.

The data is part of the Annual Report on Registration of Births

and Deaths in Delhi 2020.

The increase in sex ratio is the result of social awareness and it is a matter of great pride that society is being educated and understands the importance of girls, Deputy CM Manish Sisodia said in a statement.

According to the report, the sex ratio stood at a low of 822 in 2005. It increased thereafter and stood at 1,004 in 2008 — the highest since then. However, a

dip was seen in the following years with the ratio dipping to 886 in 2012. It has improved since then.

"In Delhi, public awareness efforts have also yielded beneficial effects. The birth rate fell from 18.35 per thousand in 2019 to 14.85 per thousand in 2020. In 2020, 3,01,645 births were registered, compared to 3,65,868 in 2019," the statement said.

"The reduction in infant mor-

tality is the result of great changes in health infrastructure and better access to health facilities to all citizens," Sisodia said.

The maternal mortality rate in Delhi has also decreased marginally. It stood at 0.55 per 1,000 births in 2019 which fell to 0.54 per 1,000 births in 2020.

The death rate decreased from 7.29 per thousand in 2019 to 7.03 per thousand in 2020, the report says.

## Four domestic helps drug elderly couple, flee with valuables

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

AN ELDERLY couple were allegedly drugged by four of their domestic helps who decamped with cash and jewellery worth Rs 3 crore, police said Thursday. The incident took place in West Delhi's Punjabi Bagh last week. Two arrests have been made in the case.

The family owns a travel and tours company and lives in Punjabi Bagh. On the night of the incident, their children were not at home and the couple, Daljeet Singh and Amrinder Kaur, were with their six house helps.

According to police, the four accused allegedly sedated the couple and the two other helps by spiking their food. Then they broke the locks of the almirahs and robbed diamond and gold jewellery, watches and cash worth Rs 80 lakh. They allegedly fled with the Fortuner car that was parked inside the house.

The incident took place last week on Saturday and police received information from the family. The couple were found lying unconscious in the room

while all locks of the almirahs were broken. Two of their house helps were also lying unconscious in the kitchen. Their car was also missing.

A senior police officer said the victims were rushed to the hospital. The couple are undergoing treatment. One of them is a cancer patient and suffered an "overdose" because of the sedatives given by the accused.

The family claimed the accused fled with Rs 2.5-Rs 3 crore of jewellery and cash and took their car.

Additional DCP (West) Prashant Gautam said, "We gathered information from the couple and their family members about the four domestic helps. They have been identified and we found that two of them, Raju and Karan, were in Uttarakhand and planning to flee to Nepal. We sent our teams and also alerted police at the border there. They apprehended the two men and also recovered some of the stolen goods. We suspect there are others involved. Our team is investigating the matter."

Police found the other two accused are women who are still on the run.

## 'PARENT SAMVAAD' UNVEILED

## In govt schools, project to help parents be more hands-on with their kids

SUKRITA BARUAH  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

FOCUSING ON one-on-one interactions with parents of each child every month, a new programme called 'Parent Samvaad' in Delhi government schools aims not only to increase parents' participation in their children's education but also help them with how they can do so. According to Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia, the programme is not just a means to keep parents connected to their children's schools but a step to "transform" parenting.

Over the years, the Delhi govern-

ment has focused on activating school management committees (SMCs) — which comprise members of the school as well as parents — by holding elections for them and creating an SMC fund for autonomous expenditure of schools. There are currently around 14,000 SMC members in government schools. With the new aim of facilitating regular one-on-one interactions with parents of 18 lakh children enrolled in these schools, an additional 22,000 'school mitras' or parent volunteers have been brought on board.

In this programme, every SMC member and school mitra

will be in-charge of staying in touch with parents of 50 students who stay in their locality or a neighbouring locality. Every month, a theme on 'parenting', 'parent-child communication' and 'involvement of parents in their education' will be set, on which these members will be trained.

A toll-free calling system has been set up through which these members can contact parents, or vice-versa. Apart from talking about the child's welfare and education, they are also to discuss the month's theme with the parents.

The programme had been carried out on a pilot basis in 40



Deputy CM Sisodia said the programme is not just a means to keep parents connected to their children's schools but a step to "transform" parenting. *Amit Mehra*

schools in the East and Southeast districts.

CS Verma, principal of one of the schools in which it had pi-

lotted, said one of the challenges during this trial period was money-related problems that school mitras faced while calling and staying in touch, resulting in the setting up of the toll-free system.

According to him, teachers and heads of a few other pilot schools, some of the ways in which the SMC and school mitra network were helpful to them were to get in touch with students who had been directly admitted to their schools from feeder schools; to distribute textbooks to all students; to counsel children who were found to be in distress; to inform parents about the change

in class X and XII CBSE exam patterns, and so on.

Expanding on the programme, Sisodia said: "In a day, children learn under their teachers for 6-7 hours and in the remaining hours, they learn under the guardianship of their parents. Whether parents want that or not, whether they are able or not, this is what is happening, children are learning from them... There needs to be a meeting point between parents and teachers, a child can't be pulled in two different ways by both... It is necessary that parents and teachers come together and take the children in the same direction."

Claiming that there are two major kinds of parenting in the country — "zero parenting" and "overparenting" — and a third in which parents say they are their children's friends, he said, "Parenting is something of a middle road between all these... I hope a 7-day workshop with parents on parenting be held before children are admitted to schools. And this should happen every year. Now your child is 5 years old, how do you behave with a 5-year-old child, how do you handle them. Now your child is a teenager, now your child is of career age... today this programme will be a milestone towards this..."



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• The sustained efforts during the last year and a half by the government and industry players has resulted in an enhanced pan-India understanding of the importance of 'AYUSH- as a system of Medicine'.

• We are thankful to the Hon'ble Prime Minister for his staunch support and commitment towards the AYUSH industry especially amid the ongoing pandemic. We are also, thankful to the Ministry of AYUSH, GoI for their dedicated and unwavering efforts in propelling the sector, through policy improvements, branding, strategic dialogue and having regular interactions with the industry to propel the growth even further.

• Today, AYUSH sector has become an engine of growth for the Indian economy, with the sector market currently standing at more than 17 billion USD and is projected to see an impressive growth in the years to come. Owing to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, Ayush has become one stop solution to high global demand for 'Immunity boosters'.

• Global supply chain has been disrupted, pushing countries to focus on self-survival. India's moto being **"Vocal for Local"**, we have largely benefited, considering AYUSH industry depends majorly on medicinal plants, these are **"Made in India"** (India is the 2nd largest exporter of Ayurveda and Traditional medicines).

• We are grateful to the Ministry of Ayush, All India Institute of Ayurveda, Institutes of National Importance, Central Research Councils under Ministry of Ayush and other allied government bodies that have supported the industry towards undertaking efforts to devise evidence based research, strategic meta-research, policy projects that have established AYUSH as a 'recognised medical practice for prophylaxis, prevention as well as management' system of medicine, even for communicable diseases. Based on these researches, any treatment that is provided through AYUSH is being monitored and proper data is being maintained. This Evidence based insights have strengthened the scope of AYUSH under the current pandemic, beyond preventive healthcare.

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## 6 GOVT &amp; POLITICS

## Will discuss Covid recovery, climate change issues at G20, COP26: PM

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AHEAD OF his visit to Italy and the UK to attend the G20 and COP26 meetings, Prime Minister Narendra Modi Thursday said he will hold discussions on global economic and health recovery from the pandemic in Rome and highlight equitable distribution of carbon space in Glasgow.

In his departure statement, PM Modi said he will be visiting Rome and the Vatican City from October 29-31 at the invitation of Italian Prime Minister Mario Draghi, following which he will travel to Glasgow in the UK from November 1-2 at the invitation of UK Prime Minister Boris Johnson.

"In Rome, I will attend the 16th G20 Leaders' Summit, where I will join other G20 leaders in discussions on global economic and health recovery from the pandemic, sustainable development, and climate change," the PM said, noting that this will be the first in-person summit of the G20 since the outbreak of the pandemic.

He said the meeting will allow the G20 to take stock of the current global situation and exchange ideas on how the grouping can be an engine for strengthening economic resilience and building back inclusively and sustainably from the pandemic.

## Top court allows testing agency to declare results of NEET-UG

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THE SUPREME COURT Thursday cleared the way for declaration of the results of the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test-Under Graduate (NEET-UG) exams, 2021, as it stayed a Bombay High Court order directing re-test for two candidates and declaration of their results along with that of the others.

Hearing the appeal by National Testing Agency (NTA) challenging the October 20 HC order, a bench of Justices L. Nageswara Rao, Sanjiv Khanna and B. R. Gavai told Solicitor General Tushar Mehta who appeared for the agency: "We will issue notice and stay the HC judgment. You announce the results. There are 16 lakh students who are eagerly waiting... We will see what we can do for these two."

The two candidates who had taken the exams on September 12, 2021, approached the HC seeking a re-test as they were supplied the wrong text booklet and OMR sheets.

It asked the NTA to re-examine the two candidates before declaring the result, and to also declare the result of their re-examination along with that of the others who took the exam on September 12. The NTA told SC that because of the order, it was not able to declare the results of the September 12 examinees and that it would further delay the process of admission to undergraduate medical courses.

Justice Rao told the SC: "The students' interest also needs to be taken into account... They cannot be left in the lurch."

tainably from the pandemic.

"During my visit to Italy, I will also visit the Vatican City, to call on His Holiness Pope Francis and meet Secretary of State, His Eminence Cardinal Pietro Parolin," Modi said.

The G20 summit in Italy is expected to come out with a "very concrete outcome" in combating the pandemic and similar challenges in the future besides deliberating on a global health architecture, Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla said Thursday.

Shringla said the PM will hold a series of bilateral meetings that could include talks with Indonesian President Joko Widodo and Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman.

Following the conclusion of the G20 Summit on October 31, Modi said he will depart for Glasgow to attend the 26th Conference of Parties (COP26) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

The PM said he will highlight the need to address climate change issues, including equitable distribution of carbon space, support for mitigation and adaptation and resilience building measures, mobilization of finance, technology transfer and importance of sustainable lifestyles.

## Eye on China, PM says ASEAN unity, centrality always important for India

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WITH AN eye on China, India and ASEAN on Thursday underlined the principles in the Indo-Pacific region that embraces ASEAN centrality — "openness, transparency, inclusivity, a rules-based framework, good governance, respect for sovereignty, non-intervention, complementarity with existing cooperation frameworks, equality, mutual respect, mutual trust, mutual benefit and respect for international law".

This was part of the joint statement issued after the India-ASEAN summit, which was addressed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

The joint statement called on respect for the UN Charter, the 1982 UN Convention on the Law of the Sea and other relevant UN treaties and conventions. This is significant in the wake of China's aggressive postures in the Indo-Pacific region.

ASEAN's unity and centrality have always been an important priority for India, Modi said on



PM Modi during his virtual address at the India-ASEAN summit. PTI

Thursday and announced that 2022 will be celebrated as the "ASEAN-India Friendship Year" to mark 30 years of their partnership. Addressing the India-ASEAN Summit virtually, he said India's Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative and ASEAN's Outlook for the Indo-Pacific are the framework for their shared vision and mutual cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region.

He said, "History is witness that India and ASEAN have had

EXPLAINED  
Importance of ASEAN for New Delhi

THE 10-NATION ASEAN is considered one of the most influential groupings in the region, and India and several other countries — the US, China, Japan and Australia, among others — are its dialogue partners. Given China's aggressive posturing in the Indo-Pacific region, the ASEAN is one group New Delhi and others would bank on to negate Beijing's growing influence in the neighbourhood.

vibrant relations for thousands of years. Shades of that are visible in our shared values, traditions, languages, texts, architecture, culture, food. Therefore the unity and centrality of ASEAN have always been an important priority for India."

## New land border law won't affect existing border treaties: China

K J M VARMA  
BEIJING, OCTOBER 28

CHINA THURSDAY said its land border law will not affect the implementation of existing border treaties and urged countries to avoid "undue speculation" about a "normal legislation".

China's national legislature — the National People's Congress (NPC) — on October 23 adopted the law on the protection and exploitation of land border areas. The development drew a sharp reaction from India as it was passed amid the protracted military standoff between the two sides in eastern Ladakh region.

On Wednesday, India said it expects China to avoid taking any action under the "pretext" of the legislation that could "unilaterally" alter the situation in the border areas. External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Arindam Bagchi described China's move as a matter of "concern" as it can affect bilateral agreements.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Wang Wenbin said: "It is a normal domestic legislation that serves our realistic needs and also conforms to international practice." In an apparent response to India's concerns, Wang said: "it will not affect China's implementation of existing border treaties nor will it change existing practice in our cooperation with neighbouring countries." PTI

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## SWEEPING DIVIDENDS

UNION MINISTER Dr Jitendra Singh, who is in charge of the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, was in for a surprise this week when he took stock of the cleanliness drive across different ministries that was started on October 2, Mahatma Gandhi's birth anniversary. The month-end review threw up figures that gave Singh further motivation to push the drive for the remaining period until early next month. The review revealed that cleanliness has freed up about 6 lakh square feet of space in Central government offices by weeding out nearly 10 lakh files. Besides, disposal of the scrap has earned about Rs 20 crore to the exchequer. The drive may also have brought some cheers to MPs, as it found nearly 650 references of Parliamentarians that have been unanswered across different ministries. They all have been responded to as part of the current drive.

## RIGHT STEP

EVEN AS BJP leaders admit that the party's prospects in Punjab are not so bright, it does not want to leave any stone unturned to ensure it gets its cadres active to reap maximum electoral benefit. On a day a BJP team — it included Union ministers Hardip Puri, Gajendra Shekhawat and Meenakshi Lekhi, party general secretary Tarun Chugh, and MP Vinod Chavda, the party's Punjab in-charge — visited the state to discuss campaigning strategies with state leaders, they started with recitation of Sukhmani Sahib and kirtan. Sukhmani Sahib is a holy text from the Guru Granth Sahib, and it is believed that its recitation helps any work.

## EXIT THE EXIT PLAN

IN SEPTEMBER, Sharmistha Mukherjee, daughter of former President Pranab Mukherjee, had announced on Twitter that she was quitting active politics. She had said that she would continue to remain a primary member of the Congress. Her public announcement notwithstanding, Mukherjee was among the 71 special invitees to Delhi Pradesh Congress Committee's executive committee announced by the AICC on Thursday.

## SUCH A LONG JOURNEY

MORE THAN a year after applications from interested candidates were invited, the process to pick the next vice-chancellor of JNU appears to have reached the last leg. The Ministry of Education has lined up interactions of the shortlisted candidates on November 5-6. The three-member search-and-selection committee, which will hold the interactions, comprise National Board of Accreditation chairperson Prof K K Aggarwal and Prof Ashok Gajanan Modak, who was appointed a national research professor by the Centre in 2015. The incumbent V-C, M Jagadeesh Kumar, is in contention to become the next director of IIT-Delhi.

## HC seeks EC response on plea for internal party poll norms

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THE DELHI High Court on Thursday asked the Election Commission of India (ECI) to respond to a petition seeking framing of norms for internal elections of political parties, and a direction to incorporate them into the parties' constitutions.

The petition, filed this week by Delhi-based advocate C Rajashekar, argued that internal elections of most parties "are often an eyeshaw for established political families" for them "to continue to retain power as the top leadership".

The petitioner said he is ag-

grieved by the "demonstrably feudal and oligarchic nature of functioning" of most political parties in India and the lack of regulatory oversight on their internal elections.

"The lack of internal democracy in political parties, as opposed to other private organisations/ institutions, has a significant bearing on the nation's governance, as the lack of transparency and internal democracy in political parties are often reflected in similar non-democratic governance models..." the petitioner said. The division bench of Chief Justice D N Patel and Justice Jyoti Singh issued a notice to the ECI and listed the case for December 23.

Justice Rao told the SC: "The students' interest also needs to be taken into account... They cannot be left in the lurch."



West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee arrives in Panaji, Goa, on Thursday. PTI

## Mamata set to kick off Goa poll campaign, BJP-TMC in poster fight

MAYURA JANWALKAR  
PANAJI, OCTOBER 28

WEST BENGAL Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee arrived in Goa for a three-day visit on Thursday — her first visit to the coastal state since the TMC announced last month that it will contest the Assembly polls slated for February-March 2022.

Banerjee's visit is expected to kickstart her party's election campaign in the state. The party is expected to see new inductions on Friday.

Ahead of her arrival, hoardings bearing "Jai Shree Ram" were put up in many places in Goa, next to hoardings of Banerjee with the Goa TMC's catch phrase "Goenchi Navi Sakal" (Goa's new dawn). BJP leader Amit Malviya tweeted pictures of the hoardings and wrote,

"Mamata Banerjee's reputation of being anti-Hindu in Bengal has tailed her to Goa, where she is being welcomed with giant size posters of Jai Shree Ram."

The Goa TMC filed a complaint at the Panaji police station saying "goons" had defaced, damaged and vandalised the party's posters and hoardings across the state. The complaint said the "goons" had been making "lewd, derogatory, false and fabricated" comments about Banerjee's life. It named six persons who had shared pictures of the damaged hoardings on social media.

The complaint said that a vehicle carrying Banerjee's posters and banners was targeted by an "unruly mob" of eight to ten persons, who damaged and burned the posters, on Thursday.

"This is not our culture. This is not Goa's culture. Goans have a

culture of our own, we are definitely chivalrous to women, what I find here is a culture of hatred, intolerance, vengeance and vendetta which does not suit Goa and Goans," said TMC's national vice-president Luizinho Faleiro.

On Wednesday, Goa BJP president Sadanand Tanavade said: "The people tearing the posters are not from the BJP. In Goa, there are many people who have great affection for Modiji, Amit Shahji and Chief Minister Pramod Sawant... This is just a glimpse. In Kolkata, they have created an environment of violence and fear, and they are trying to bring that here... We don't need to tear their posters."

Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant said on Thursday, "I condemn politics of such a low level... Nobody should stoop to this level..."

## Kishor says BJP not going anywhere, takes dig at Rahul

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PANAJI, OCTOBER 28

PRASHANT KISHOR, the TMC's poll strategist for the Goa Assembly elections, has said the BJP will remain at "the centre of Indian polity" and will not go anywhere for the "next many decades", irrespective of whether it wins or loses. He also took a swipe at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi for "thinking" that people will "throw" the BJP away.

A video clip of Kishor saying this at a closed-door event with civil society members in Goa is being circulated on social media.

"BJP is going to be the centre of Indian polity, whether they win, whether they lose. Like it was for the first 40 years of Congress, BJP is going nowhere. Once you secure 30 per cent vote at India level, you are not going away in a hurry," he says in the 40-second clip.

"Do not ever get into this trap that people are getting angry and they will throw away Modi."

I-PAC members said the video was not shot by them but shared by one of the attendees.

Goa Congress chief Girish Chodankar said Kishor's remarks "clearly expose the TMC's agenda... that the party has come here with the intention to divide votes". "Congress is the main opposition in the state and has resolved to wipe out the BJP and all the other parties," he said.

## Govt to states: stock available, increase use of fortified rice

SOURAV ROY BARMAN  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

THE CENTRE has flagged the low utilisation of fortified rice in mid-day meals for children despite adequate stocks and asked states to expedite its use.

The Union Ministry of Education wrote to states on the issue on October 20. The missive was prompted by repeated reminders from the Department of Food and Public Distribution that the lifting of fortified rice from Food Corporation of India (FCI) godowns — especially under the mid-day meal scheme — "is not encouraging".

In the letter, Department of School Education and Literacy Joint Secretary RC Meena asked the state education secretaries to expedite the lifting of the fortified rice stock "keeping in view the target set by Hon'ble Prime Minister".

The mid-day meal scheme was renamed PM Poshan in September. In his Independence Day speech this year, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had announced that by 2024, only fortified rice will be distributed in ration shops, and under mid-day meal and the Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS)

that covers children and lactating mothers in anganwadis.

"Malnutrition and lack of essential nutrients in poor women and children poses major obstacles in their development..." the PM had said.

According to government records, 1.05 and 6.36 LMT (lakh metric tonnes) of fortified rice have been allocated under PM Poshan and ICDS schemes, respectively. But only 0.57 LMT and 2.09 LMT, respectively, have been lifted by the states so far. The total allocation of rice under PM Poshan is 13.9 LMT for the October-March period.

The FCI has told the Centre that "though sufficient quantity of fortified rice is available", states are not lifting their share, citing lack of directions from the Education Ministry.

While PM Modi has set 2024 as the deadline for complete coverage with fortified rice, the ministry is trying to meet the target as soon as possible, a senior official said.

"The states have been directed to offtake fortified rice being allotted to them by the FCI. The target (to distribute only fortified rice) is 100 per cent even for the ongoing year," a senior Union government official said, requesting anonymity.

## 1 month, 59 meetings: Chouhan dives into bypoll battle

IRAM SIDDIQUE  
BHOPAL, OCTOBER 28

"ZYADA PARESHANE toh nahi hui mere aane se? Shehron mein aisi roti nahi milti (Hope you did not have too many difficulties by my visit. You don't get such rotis in cities)." Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan told Chhota Kole, a tribal resident of Chilora village in poll-bound Raigon constituency on Wednesday.

Chouhan was visiting Kole's house for dinner after an extensive day-long campaign at Raigaon in Satna district, one of three Assembly seats, along with a Lok Sabha constituency set for bypolls on October 30. Interacting with the media, the CM praised the food, which Kole had cooked on a chulha (clay stove) instead of a gas stove and said, "There is another purpose to my visit — to see



Madhya Pradesh CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan at a recent rally.

the poverty in which my brothers and sisters are living."

After dinner, when asked if this was his way to connect with the people, Chouhan said, "Yahi hai loktantra mein sahi cheez janne kaa tareeka hai (This is the right way to know everything in a democracy)."

Between September 29 and October 28, Chouhan addressed 39 public gatherings, 20 rallies and stayed with villagers five times — once each in the poll-bound Assembly constituencies of Raigaon, Jobat in Alirajpur district, Prithvipur in Niwari district and the Lok Sabha constituency of

## MADHYA PRADESH

RAIGAON, Satna district

PRITHVIPUR, Niwari district

JOBAT, Alirajpur district

KHANDWA, Lok Sabha seat, Khandwa district

Bhopal

Khandwa

Jobat

Prithvipur

Raigaon

Chouhan

officials for their "lackadaisical attitude" in implementing government schemes and taking tribals on a helicopter ride.

This comes at a time when there is a buzz of a change of guard in Madhya Pradesh, with the ruling BJP changing its chief ministers in neighbouring Gujarat, Uttarakhand and Karnataka.

While Jobat and Prithvipur were held by the Congress, Raigaon was with the BJP. Interestingly, in Jobat and Prithvipur, the BJP has chosen to field two defectors from the Opposition rather than someone from its rank and file — two-time MLA Sulochna Rawat defected from the Congress and has been fielded from Jobat, while Sishupal Yadav, formerly of the SP, has been given a ticket from Prithvipur.

The BJP, with 126 MLAs in the 230-seat House, has a comfort-

able majority but the party has used its massive organisational strength and deployed 40 MLAs and 12 ministers for poll duty in these four constituencies.

Party spokesperson Neha Bagga said, "Be it a bypoll on one seat or four seats, BJP always had all its leaders come to the ground and hold meetings, be it with workers, intellectuals or an interaction with the public... The BJP has contested election with CM Chouhan heading them and will continue to do so."

Meanwhile, the Congress, which has 94 MLAs, has campaigned on issues ranging from rising fuel costs, shortage of fertilisers for farmers, unemployment and increasing crime against women. Leader of Opposition Kamal Nath has conducted nine public gatherings in recent days, with other Congress leaders like Digvijaya Singh and Arun Yadav also holding rallies.



Amit Shah

Home Ministry 'assessing' challenges to coastal security, says Amit Shah

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

THE GOVERNMENT is "seriously assessing" the challenges to India's coastal security, and will take appropriate measures to make it "impenetrable", Union Home Minister Amit Shah said on Thursday at a meeting where the possibility of creating a separate cadre for coastal police was discussed.

Shah was chairing a meeting with the Home Ministry's Consultative Committee on coastal security. It was attended by junior ministers (MoS) Nityanand Rai and Ajay Mishra, Union Home Secretary Ajay Bhalla, Department of Fisheries Secretary Jatindra Nath Swain, and Indian Coast Guard officials.

According to a statement, Shah said that "as per" the "guidelines" of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, "the Department of Border Management, Ministry of Home Affairs has been working" in the "direction of further strengthening of coastal security".

Shah said his ministry "is seriously assessing the challenges being faced in coastal security" and "appropriate and adequate steps would be taken to make coastal security impenetrable along with the states".

The statement said several issues were discussed, such as the need to strengthen coastal security at par with land border security among others. "Members present in the meeting also suggested the formation of separate Coastal Police Cadre in all the states and monitoring of islands and coastal areas with the help of technology," the statement said.

ATTACKS ON HINDUS Ploy to create anarchy: Bangladesh minister

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KOLKATA, OCTOBER 28

HOLDING OPPOSITION Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) and the Jamaat, among others, responsible for fomenting communal tension in the country, Bangladesh's Information and Broadcasting Minister M Hasan Mahmud on Thursday said recent attacks on people from minority Hindu community there was a ploy by fundamentalists to destabilise the country and create anarchy.

Addressing the media at Kolkata Press Club, Mahmud said the Sheikh Hasina government has taken "tough action" against perpetrators of these attacks and asserted that his government aims to root out communalism and fundamentalism.

He said: "(In 1971), some people close to Pakistan had opposed our liberation war. Their descendants are still there... Some parties such as BNP and Jamaat cash in on communalism; they believe in communalism..."

Asked about violence against people from Hindu community,



Bangladesh minister Hasan Mahmud (third from left) during an event in Kolkata on Thursday. Partha Paul

Mahmud said: "We believe no one — neither a Hindu nor a Muslim person — will put a Quran in puja mandap, or a Gita in mosque. This was a ploy by fundamentalists to destabilise the country and create anarchy. One person put a Quran in a (Durga) puja mandap; some people videographed that and put it up on social media."

Subsequently, he said, "some atrocities took place in different parts of Bangladesh — our government has taken tough action against all culprits."

Mahmud said 129 cases have been filed and 1,204 have been arrested so far for these incidents. "All houses demolished, especially in Rangpur, have been rebuilt... measures have been taken to repair the temples (that were attacked)," he said.

Mahmud claimed nearly 32,000 Durga Pujas were held across Bangladesh this year and only a few were attacked. He held former Bangladesh President Gen Ershad responsible for bringing religion into the country's Constitution.

ED searches residence of Ajit Pawar's cousin

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE MUMBAI, OCTOBER 28

THE ENFORCEMENT Directorate (ED) on Thursday searched several places in Mumbai and Pune, including the Pune residence of Jagdish Kadam, cousin of Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Ajit Pawar, in connection with its probe into the alleged Rs 25,000-crore fraud at Maharashtra State Co-operative (MSC) Bank.

Kadam is a director at Daund Sugar Private Limited, a com-

pany that has come under the scanner of ED in the case.

The ED case pertaining to the alleged fraud at MSC Bank originates from a criminal PIL filed on January 28, 2019 before the Bombay High Court. The PIL has alleged that then top executives — chairman, MDs, directors, CEOs and managerial staff — of MSC Bank as well as office-bearers and directors of Sakhar Karkhanas, Soot Giris and other processing units, were given loans in a fraudulent manner by the bank.

In September 2019, a month

before the Maharashtra Assembly polls, the ED had registered a money laundering case against NCP chief Sharad Pawar and his nephew Ajit Pawar in connection with the alleged scam.

On October 7, the income tax (I-T) department had searched the directors of four sugar mills in the state, including Daund Sugar, for alleged evasion of taxes. Subsequently, on October 16, the department, in a statement, without naming Pawar or his kin had said that it has unearthed unaccounted income of

Rs 184 crore from its October 7 searches.

In July, the ED had provisionally attached land, machinery and buildings of Jarandeshwar Sakhari Sugar Karkhana (Jarandeshwar SSK) at Satara, worth Rs 65.75 crore, under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act in connection to the case. According to the probe, MSC Bank sold Jarandeshwar SSK in 2010 through an auction at a lower price than fair value, without following any rules. At that time, Ajit Pawar was on the board of the bank.

RSS to pass resolution on attacks on Hindus in Bangladesh

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE BENGALURU, OCTOBER 28

THE ALL India Executive Committee of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) began a three-day brainstorming meeting in Dharwad on Thursday. More than 350 people from across the country, including RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat and RSS general secretary Dattatreya Hosabale, are attending the event.

Ahead of the meeting, RSS Sah Prachar Pramukh Narendra Thakur said a resolution on the attacks on Hindus in Bangladesh will be passed at the meeting. "We will deliberate on the current status of the RSS work, our future plans and also the attacks on Hindus in Bangladesh and a resolution would also be passed on the attacks," he said.

The RSS will also discuss its centenary celebrations in 2025. RSS Akhil Bharatiya Prachar Pramukh Sunil Ambekar said. "The Sangh has made a three-year action plan for its expansion starting from 2021 to 2024. Sangh executive committee would discuss its plans to deal with the possible third wave of Covid-19 and train its volunteers," he said. The agenda of the meeting also includes planning the platinum jubilee of Indian independence 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'.

Tripura Police say situation in state normal, deny vandalism

DEBRAJ DEB AGARTALA, OCTOBER 28

POLICE ON Wednesday denied that a mosque was vandalised in North Tripura district's Panisagar during a rally by Vishwa Hindu Parishad supporters earlier this week, and said the law and order situation in the state was normal.

Police said that some people were spreading rumours and "fake news" of vandalism.

"Certain persons by using fake social media IDs are spreading fake news/rumours on Tripura. It is informed that law & order situation in the State is ab-

solutely normal", Tripura Police wrote on Twitter.

"During yesterday's protest rally in Panisagar, North Tripura, no masjid (mosque) was burnt and the pictures being shared of burning or damaged masjid or collection of sticks, etc, are all fake and are not from Tripura. They may be of some countries", the police said.

According to reports, a mosque and some shops were vandalised in Panisagar, some 155km north of Agartala, allegedly by a section of VHP activists who took out a 3500-strong rally on Tuesday to protest against the anti-Hindu violence in Bangladesh.

Police said some with "vested interests" were trying to disturb communal harmony. "Some vested interests are trying to disturb the peaceful communal situation of Tripura. Tripura Police requests every citizen of Tripura to help in maintaining law and order and peace in Tripura," it said.

Although some Hindu religious bodies denied any involvement in the alleged vandalism, the local administration on Wednesday moved to impose prohibitory orders at Panisagar and nearby areas. They also stepped up security in sensitive pockets and organised peace meetings in North Tripura.



Vice-President M Venkaiah Naidu attends the inauguration of a new campus of a government college in North Goa's Pernem on Thursday. Express

We should Indianise education: Venkaiah

MAYURA JANWALKAR VIRNODA (GOA), OCTOBER 28

VICE-PRESIDENT M Venkaiah Naidu on Thursday said India must emerge from a colonial mindset and Indianise the education system in order to restore its status as "vishwaguru" (world leader).

Naidu made the statement while inaugurating the new building complex of the Sant Sohirobanath Ambiyee Government College of Arts and Commerce in Goa's Pernem.

He said, "I always feel that we should Indianise education. The process is on. We cannot continue with that colonial history, colonial mindset. Whatever good there is in the world, we recognise it, we welcome it. But at the same time, we must know the greatness, the values of our civilisation, the ethics that were taught by our forefathers. Rishis, Maharshis, Munis, sages and all other great people.

The syllabus has to change to include national and national heroes of the local region," Naidu said on Thursday.

Advocating a change in the education system, he said, "Unfortunately, because of colonial rule, our education system was such that we are not taught about the true history of our civilisation... Our children... they must be taught about the Goa Liberation Movement. The sacrifice made by great people... I am happy that the new education policy brings (it) in."

He added, "India was known as Vishwaguru once upon a time... It is now again time to see that we excel in every field." Naidu said the National Education Policy's focus on promoting education in the mother tongue would help children. "I am not against learning other languages. But first you must promote, protect and feel proud of your own mother tongue," he said.

Nepal Army chief to visit India in Nov to boost ties

Kathmandu: Nepal Army chief General Prabhuram Sharma will make a four-day visit to India next month during which he will meet with his Indian counterpart General M M Naravane and other service chiefs to boost bilateral defence ties, the Nepal government announced on Thursday.

Sharma is scheduled to leave for New Delhi on November 9, government spokesperson Gyanendra Bahadur Karki said in Kathmandu.

During the visit, General Sharma will be conferred with the honorary rank of General of the Indian Army by President Ram Nath Kovind. PTI

Table with financial results for Tata Power Company Limited. Includes columns for Sr. No., Consolidated, Quarter ended (30-Sep-21, 30-Jun-21, 30-Sep-20), Half-Year ended (30-Sep-21, 30-Sep-20), and Year ended (31-Mar-21, 31-Mar-20). Rows include Total Income from Operations, Profit/Loss, and various ratios.

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## Wankhede writes to SC panel over his 'harassment'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
MUMBAI, OCTOBER 28

NCB MUMBAI Zonal Director Sameer Wankhede wrote to the National Commission for Scheduled Castes Thursday alleging harassment in connection with the recent allegations made against him by Maharashtra minister Nawab Malik.

The NCP leader has accused Wankhede, who is in charge of the case against Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan, of taking the benefit of reservation for Scheduled Castes to clear the Civil Services exam, despite being a Muslim. Malik has over the past few days released a purported birth certificate and nikahnama of Wankhede as "proof".

The nikahnama released by Malik, of Wankhede's marriage with his first wife, dated December 7, 2006, shows his name as Sameer Dawood Wankhede.

Dr Zaeed Qureshi, the father of Wankhede's first wife, told reporters Thursday that the Wankhede family were practising Muslims in 2006 when the marriage took place. Qureshi claimed he had known the family for four-five years before the wedding.

Wankhede's wife Kranti Redkar wrote a public post to Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray, seeking help



NCB Mumbai Zonal Director Sameer Wankhede

and claiming that her family was being targeted. Along with her in-laws, Redkar also met BJP leader Kirit Somaiya, who condemned the "slanderous" campaign against the family.

In her post addressed to Chief Minister Thackeray, Redkar said: "In the kingdom of Shivaji, the dignity of a woman has been played with and she is being mocked."

On Thursday, Malik also claimed that the organiser of the alleged rave party aboard the cruise ship Cordelia, in connection with which Aryan was arrested, was a friend of Wankhede and asked why no action had been taken against him.

The NCB team conducting a vigilance inquiry against Wankhede, on allegations that he had tried to extort money from Shah Rukh Khan over the Aryan case, has recorded statements of a few more witnesses. An official said that Prabhakar Sail, a witness in the alleged Cordelia drug bust case, who made the allegation against Wankhede, had not appeared before them to record his statement.



NCB witness Kiran Gosavi after his arrest in Pune on Thursday. Pavan Khengre

## NCB witness Gosavi held in cheating case

CHANDAN HAYGUDE  
PUNE, OCTOBER 28

PUNE CITY Police on Thursday arrested Kiran Gosavi (37), the self-styled detective cited as an "independent witness" by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) in the drugs-on-cruise case which had led to the arrest of Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan. Gosavi is a wanted accused in a 2018 cheating case lodged in Farakhana police station in the city.

Earlier in October, even as Pune Police said they had launched a search for him after his selfie with Aryan went viral, Gosavi had interacted with media persons at different locations, saying he would surrender. But police claimed that he did not surrender and was instead nabbed from a lodge in Katraj

area at 3.30 am on Thursday by the Anti-Extortion Cell of the Crime Branch. He was arrested after the completion of legal formalities.

"Gosavi was absconding in a cheating case and he was chargesheeted in 2019. Recently, his photograph went viral on social media. We had dispatched several teams to look for him and he was nabbed by our team from one of the lodges in Katraj area of Pune. We are arresting him now and we will complete the procedure," Pune Police Commissioner Amitabh Gupta said at a press conference on Thursday.

Hours later, in submissions made before a city court, Pune Police said Gosavi was a "notorious job racketeer" who may have cheated several unemployed young men on false assurances of providing them jobs in foreign countries. The court remanded Gosavi to police cus-

tody till November 5.

On May 29, 2018, Chinmay Deshmukh (24), a resident of Kasba Peth in Pune, had lodged the first information report against Gosavi in the cheating case at Farakhana police station.

According to the FIR, Gosavi posted an advertisement about hotel management jobs on social media platforms, over which Deshmukh got in touch with him. Gosavi allegedly assured him about providing a job at a Malaysia hotel and then asked him to transfer Rs 3.09 lakh to a bank account, citing various reasons, between November 2017 and March 2018.

However, he neither offered a job to Deshmukh nor returned the money. Based on Deshmukh's complaint, police had booked Gosavi in this case under sections 419 and 420 (pertaining to cheating) of the IPC and sections of the IT Act.

## NBW against Param Bir Singh in extortion case

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
MUMBAI, OCTOBER 28

A NON-BAILABLE warrant was issued against former Mumbai Police Commissioner Param Bir Singh by a Thane court on Tuesday in connection with the extortion case registered at the Thane Nagar police station.

This comes a day after the Mumbai Police Crime Branch approached a local court seeking a non-bailable warrant against Singh in connection with the extortion case. Earlier, the state home department had issued orders to put Singh's salary on hold. Singh had last come to office on May 4, after which he availed medical leave.

The Thane order was issued by Chief Judicial Magistrate RJ Tamble on Tuesday. The order became available on Thursday.

The order, directed to Thane Nagar senior police inspector, stated, "Accused Param Bir Singh, R/at: House No: 133, Sector-27 Chandigarh stands charged with the offence u/s 384, 386, 387, 389, 392, 324, 323, 506, 506(2), 166, 109, 120 b of the IPC and u/s 3, 25 of Arms Act, you are hereby directed to arrest the said accused and produce him before me."

The case was registered in



Param Bir Singh

July against Singh and 28 others, including six police officers, for allegedly extorting money from a builder. Other accused include retired officer Pradeep Sharma, Deputy Commissioner of Police Deepak Devraj, Assistant Commissioner of Police N T Kadam and Inspector Rajkumar Kothmire.

The FIR was registered on the basis of a complaint filed by Ketan Tanna, alleging that when Singh was the Thane Police Commissioner between January 2018 and February 2019, the accused had extorted Rs 1.25 crore from him by summoning him to the office of the Anti-Extortion Cell and threatening to frame him in criminal cases.

Apart from this, Singh faces four other cases, two open inquiries by the Anti Corruption Bureau, a departmental inquiry and a probe by the Chandivali commission. Singh was moved out from the post of Mumbai Police commissioner in March, following the Ambani terror scare case.

## Attempt to demoralise state cops: Govt to HC

Mumbai: The Maharashtra government informed the Bombay High Court on Thursday that there seems to be an attempt to "demoralise the police force of the state", as some officials have been summoned by the Central Bureau of Investigation in connection with its probe against former state home minister Anil Deshmukh, despite the pendency of the case before the court.

"They have continued to issue summons to various police persons. This is a clear attempt to demoralise the police force. We are seeking protection, there should be no coercive action taken," senior counsel Darius Khambatta, representing the state government told HC.

A division bench of Justice Nitin M Jamdar and Justice Sarang V Kotwal was hearing a petition filed by the Maharashtra government against summons issued to state Chief Secretary Sitaram Kunte and Director General of Police Sanjay Pandey by the CBI in connection with its probe.

The bench said it was not getting into the merits of the case at the present stage. **ENS**

## Rewari rape: 3 held guilty, 5 acquitted

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28

THREE YEARS after an 18-year-old was gangraped at a village in Haryana's Rewari district, a special court in Narnaul Thursday held three men guilty of the crime while acquitting five others. The quantum of sentence will be pronounced on Friday.

The incident took place on September 12, 2018, when the girl, who earlier that year had cleared the Class 12 exams, was on her way to a coaching centre in neighbouring Mahendragarh district. An FIR was registered against eight persons on different charges and the chargesheet filed against them in August 2020.

Three of them, Pankaj Fauji, Nishu Phogat and Manish were named as main accused and booked under Sections 328 (forcibly administering intoxicating substances), 365 (kidnapping) and 376 (rape) of the Indian Penal Code. The other five — Deen Dayal, Naveen, Dr Sanjeev, Manjit and Abhishek — were booked under Sections

202, 118 and 216 of the IPC. Additional District and Sessions Judge Mona Singh convicted Pankaj, Nishu and Manish while acquitting the five others who had been out on bail since January this year.

The crime took place in Mahendragarh district's jurisdiction. The girl, now a final year graduation student, had then told the police that Pankaj, whom she already knew, and Manish, both residents of her village, met her near Kosli bus stand while she was on way to a coaching class for competitive exams.

In her statement to the police, the survivor said "Pankaj and Manish offered her water, after drinking which she fell unconscious". She added the accused took her in a car to the fields, and after she gained consciousness, they gave her another sedative-laced drink. She alleged that the accused took turns to rape her. She told police the accused subsequently informed her parents about her location. Later, a zero FIR was registered in Rewari and handed over to Kanina police station.

## J&K hospital technician fired for cheering Pak T20 win

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
JAMMU, OCTOBER 28

THE JAMMU and Kashmir administration on Thursday terminated the services of an operation theatre (OT) technician in Rajouri after she allegedly changed her WhatsApp status to celebrate the Pakistan cricket team's victory over India in last week's T20 World Cup match in Dubai.

Describing her action as "disloyalty towards the nation", the termination order issued by Dr Brij Mohan, principal of Government Medical College, Rajouri, referred to a viral video on different media platforms and also from DySP (HQ) Rajouri, in which she allegedly changed her WhatsApp status in "celebration of defeat of Indian cricket team against Pakistan in T-20 World Cup, 2021".

"Whereas no employee of this institution shall be allowed to be disloyal to the nation and whereas, as reported by the Head of Department of Gynaec & Obst., she had proceeded on five days leave with effect from October 21 and she failed to join duty after the expiry of leave period," the order said.

## PRESIDENT IN GUJARAT ON THREE-DAY VISIT

Ahmedabad: President Ram Nath Kovind Thursday met the judges of the Gujarat High Court at the Raj Bhavan in Gandhinagar on the first day of his three-day visit to the state. Gujarat High Court Chief Justice Aravind Kumar led the delegation of the judges.

Gujarat Governor Acharya Devvrat, Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel and Union Minister of Law and Justice Kiren Rijiju were also present at the meeting. **ENS**

**EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY**  
**TENDER NOTICE**  
e-Tender No. C741-Lease-VP-03307-03308 dated: 23.10.2021  
E-Tenders is invited for execution of the following work by Divisional Railway Manager (Commercial), E.C. Railway, Dhanbad  
SI.No. 1. Name of work : Leasing of 24 tonnes LVPH parcel space on round trip basis in Tr. No. 03307/03308 Ex Dhanbad to Firozpur and back. 2. Reserve Price Ex. Dhanbad to Firozpur and back (Rs.); For first-three years - Rs. 218322/- per round trip basis. For fourth year-Rs. 240155/- per round trip basis. For fifth year -Rs. 264171/- per round trip basis. 3. Cost of Tender form (In Rs.) non refundable: Rs. 2000/- 4. Earnest money : Rs. 4,00,000/-5. Period of contract: Five (05) Years. 6. Date & Time for closing and opening of e-Tender: Date of closing of e-tender at 15:00 hours on 22.11.2021. Date of opening of e-tender after 15:30 hrs. on 22.11.2021. 7. Website particulars : <http://www.ireps.gov.in> No manual tender will be accepted against e-tendering. Tenderer have to pay levy of 2% development charge + GST (as applicable) in addition to offered rate by him. Railway reserves the right to change the train numbers, stoppages, timings, etc when regular service resumes. The Railway Administration reserves the right to cancel all or any tender without assigning any reason.  
Div. Railway Manager (Comm),  
East Central Railway Dhanbad  
PR/01060/DHN/COM/LT/21-22/44

**EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY**  
**OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE NO. 07 SEE 21-22**  
The DRM (Engg./SEE for and on behalf of the President of India invites Open E-Tenders for the following works. The last date of online E-tendering is 16.11.2021 up to 13:00 hrs. All information and tender documents related to E-tender is available on website - [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in). Name of works: 1. Dismantling and vacation of site of abandoned staff quarter & structure under jurisdiction of SSE/W/Line/MFP & SSE/W/MFP. (List to be dismantle is attached.) Approx Cost (In Rs.): 10,94,265.00 2. Improvement of girders surface by systematic painting from span no. 20 to 31 (1 shore span + 11 main span) of bridge no. 17 (Ganga Bridge Munger span 2 x 34 + 29 x 125 m) at Km. - 9/8 -13/02 between stations Munger-Sabalpur Junction under SSE/B/R/MGR in Sonpur Division under Dy. CE/BRL/HJP. Approx Cost (In Rs.): 1,40,73,242.53 3. Supply of 10,600 cum of machine crushed stone track ballast 50mm size conforming RDSO's specification of track ballast (June -2016 edition with up to date correction slip) and loading the same into any type of Railway Wagon from Bakudih/Pakur/ Barharwa for junction arrangement work at Dinkar Gram Simaria Station of Sonpur Division. Approx Cost (In Rs.): 1,04,86,898.00 4. Sonpur - Chhapra Kachhary Section: - Provision of Covering, drain, and Sump to improve drainage of LHS at LC No. 27C & 10D "Sp" between SEE-CI section. Approx Cost (In Rs.): 59,33,444.83 5. Barauni-Kilhar Section: Provision of covering, drain, and Sump to improve drainage at LC No. 5C, 4E, 5 and 5F newly constructed LHS. Approx Cost (In Rs.): 98,72,007.50 6. Left over work for the Construction for Embankment for track and Road in connection with Junction arrangement work within the Railway boundary at Dinkar Gram Simaria Station for the proposed extension of Barauni Thermal Power Station on deposit basis. Approx Cost (In Rs.): 6,05,98,178.80 The above tender notice is available on website [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in). RIGHT OF RAILWAY TO DEAL WITH TENDER: Railway Administration reserves the right to postpone/modify or to cancel any one or all the tenders without assigning any reasons.  
Divisional Railway Manager/Engg.Sonpur  
PR/001059/SEE/ENG/T/21-22/68

**NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, PRAYAGRAJ**  
L/No. C/370/Parking stand/GWALIOR/MS-II Date:25.10.2021  
**OPEN TENDER NOTIFICATION**  
On behalf of The President of India, Divisional Railway Manager (Commercial) North Central Railway/ Jhansi invites open tender for allotment of Cycle/ Scooter/ Motorcycle/ Car Parking Stand at GWALIOR (West Side) Railway station for a period of 05 years for facility of parking of private and public motor vehicles of the passengers to be provided in premises of Gwalior ( West side) Railway station over Jhansi division only under Single - Stage Two packet system as per following details.  

Tender No.	Station	Nature of License	Area of Stand to be allotted (In sq. meter)	Period of Contract	Minimum Reserve Price of contract for First Year Without GST (In Rs.)
205-GWL -W-P- 2021	Gwalior (West Side) NSG-2	Cycle/Scooter /Motor-cycle /Car Parking	2575.663 Sq meter	05 Years	₹ 10,87,912/-

  
Earnest Money (In Rs.) - ₹25,000/-, Cost of Tender Form (In Rs.) - ₹ 5900/- with GST. On line tenders will only be accepted. Manual/Postal/ e-mail, FAX by hand tenders will not be accepted. Bidders are advised to obtain class III digital signature certificate with company name & register the same with [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) Tender document cost & Earnest money can be paid only through online e-payment gateway as provided in [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) For further details please visit the website [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in). Last Date & Time for submission of tender is 25.11.2021 at 15:00 hrs.  
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Tender Notice No. & Name of the work	1) Est. Cost (Rs. in lacs)	2) Tender Fee (in Rs.)	3) EMD (in Rs. lacs)	4) Class	5) Time Limit	(a) Pre-bid Meeting	(b) Last date for online downloading/submission of tender documents	(c) Last Date for physical submission of tender	(d) Online verification of documents	(e) Opening of Technical bid	(f) Opening of Price bid
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<b>Work under the Chief Engineer (E&amp;M), SSNNL, Vadodra</b>											
Tender Notice No-23 of 2021-22 ID No. 488761 Design, engineering, construction, manufacture, supply, transportation to site, storage, erection, testing, commissioning of all the equipments including all mechanical, civil, electrical, instrumentation and power evacuation works switchyard works for 2 x 4.5 MW hydro generation units at Garudeshwar near small hydro project including comprehensive operation & maintenance of the project for five years	1) 10697.00 2) 35,400/- 3) 106.97 4) AA 5) 18 Months					(a) 02/11/2021 at 12.30 hrs (b) 22/11/2021 up to 18.00 hrs (c) 23/11/2021 to 29/11/2021 18.00 hrs (d) 30/11/2021 at 11.00 hrs. onwards (if possible) (e) 30/11/2021 at 12.00 hrs onwards (if possible) (f) 01/12/2021 at 12.00 hrs (if possible)					

  
Note : The details regarding contact place for physical submission and opening of tender, please visit website [www.ssnnl.nprocure.com](http://www.ssnnl.nprocure.com) INF/1386/21-22

## Kerala CPM leader's son gets bail in money laundering case

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
KOCHI, OCTOBER 28

THE KARNATAKA High Court on Thursday granted bail with conditions to Bineesh Kodiyeri, son of CPI(M) politbuo member and Kerala leader Kodiyeri Balakrishnan, in a money laundering case filed by the Enforcement Directorate.

The bail petition was allowed by the single bench of Justice M G Uma exactly a year after

Bineesh was arrested by the ED for transferring over Rs 50 lakh to an alleged drug racket operator who had been arrested by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB).

Since his arrest on October 29, 2020, Bineesh has been charged under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) and spent time in custody at the Parappana Agrahara prison in Bengaluru.

The ED had alleged that the drug peddler, Mohammed Anoop, was a "benaamidar" of

Bineesh and that he had admitted to engaging in sale of narcotic substances and held close links with the CPI(M) leader's son.

Bineesh's counsel argued that he was not found to be involved in any kind of illegal drug trade. The transactions between Anoop and Bineesh were to start a hospitality venture in Bengaluru, the counsel contended.

Bineesh has argued that the charges against him were fabricated and that he was being attacked for political reasons.

## 11 killed as mini-bus falls into gorge in Doda

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
JAMMU, OCTOBER 28

AT LEAST 11 passengers were killed and over a dozen injured when a mini-bus skidded off the road and rolled down a gorge in Jammu and Kashmir's hilly Doda district on Thursday.

The cause of accident isn't clear but officials said the driver, who is among the victims, appears to have lost control over steering.

The mini-bus, carrying 25 people, was on its way from Thathri to Doda town in the district when it rolled downhill on



The wreckage of the minibus. PTI

to the banks of Chenab river.

Local residents rushed to rescue survivors, and were as-

sisted by police, Army and State Disaster Response Force.

Those injured were rushed

to the GMC Hospital in Doda. Superintendent Associate of the hospital, Dr Yudhvir Singh, said 25 people were brought to the hospital, of whom nine were declared dead and two succumbed to the injuries shortly after.

Jammu authorities Thursday roped in the Air Force to airlift six survivors, in a critical condition, to the GMC Hospital.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said he was "saddened" by the accident and expressed his condolences. He also announced ex-gratia compensation of Rs 2 lakh each to the families of the deceased, and Rs 50,000/each to those injured.

## Snap NGO ties: Catholic church to TN clergy

ARUN JANARDHANAN  
CHENNAI, OCTOBER 28

THE APOSTOLIC Nunciature in India — the Vatican's envoy to New Delhi — has issued a strongly-worded message to the Tamil Nadu clergy, asking it to stay away from holding positions in independent trusts and NGOs, saying that they become "financial and political power bases for the priests involved".

The directive to the Tamil Nadu Bishops' Council (TNBC) has called for corrective and regulatory measures from bishops to ensure that the clergy is not associated with standalone trusts or societies without the consent of the diocesan ordinary. The Apostolic Nunciature's intervention, issued on October 8,

gains significance as the Church, especially in South India, has been facing challenges from within — top priests are facing sexual harassment charges, while some are accused of corruption or collusion with political powers during polls.

The Apostolic Nunciature's message quoted Canon Law 286, which says that "clerics are prohibited from conducting business or trade personally or through others, for their own advantage or that of others, except with the permission of legitimate ecclesiastical authority".

Following the directive, several Tamil Nadu bishops have already asked the clergy to close or detach themselves from independent trusts and similar entities. A top source in TNBC said Pope Francis had been receiving several complaints from Tamil Nadu and

Kerala about corruption and other serious aberrations in the lives of clergy. "In Tamil Nadu, there happened to be some priests who aspired to control the church, lobby for bishop posts and even use their political and money power to bully serving bishops for vested interests," the source said.

There are mainly two types of clergy in the Catholic church — religious and diocesan. The Apostolic Nunciature's directive has been aimed at the diocesan clergy, whose vows are only for the obedience to the local bishop, unlike the religious clergy — Jesuits, Capuchins or Missionaries of Charity, who take vows of obedience, chastity and poverty.

"The diocesan, unlike religious clergy, are allowed to have private bank accounts or even own property. This is being misused by a

few individual priests by running trusts and NGOs. There are such individual priests who even intimidate and bully local bishops by using their money power from such independent trusts," said the TNBC source.

One of the cases that allegedly irked the Vatican was at the Diocese of Kotar, in southern Tamil Nadu, where a former bishop faced allegations over a trust he floated to start a medical college by raising funds. Later, when the new bishop came to take charge, he claimed it was his private trust. The medical college project, however, never took off. Another case involves a priest in Tirunelveli who emerged as a political leader of a Tamil nationalist party and addressed political gatherings wearing the cassock. Yet another priest had been arrested for hate speech.

# Keep Mullaperiyar water level at 139.5 ft till November 11, directs SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

THE SUPREME COURT Thursday directed that the water level in the Mullaperiyar dam be maintained at 139.5 feet — as recommended by the dam supervisory committee — till November 11, when it will again hear a plea filed by some residents of Kerala raising safety concerns on account of torrential rains.

The court was hearing a plea by one Joe Joseph and office-bearers of the Kothamangalam block panchayat in Kerala expressing apprehensions about the height of the water column, given the heavy rain lashing the state.

During the hearing, Kerala also submitted a note to the court saying the 126-year-old dam is vulnerable and must be decommissioned to make way for a new one.

"We will go by supervisory committee and it is 139.5 (feet) and that can continue till next day (of hearing)," said a bench headed by Justice AM Khanwilkar, giving Kerala time to submit the rule curve, which indicates the level of water to be maintained on different dates, as well as its objections to the committee's report.

Appearing for Kerala, Senior Advocate Jaideep Gupta con-

tended that it is not safe to have the water level at the height proposed by Tamil Nadu (142 feet, as allowed by the Supreme Court in its past judgments). He urged that the water level be maintained at 139 feet till the next date of hearing.

Gupta said that though the south-east monsoon has withdrawn, Kerala and Tamil Nadu have started to receive rain from the north-east monsoon, which will continue till the end of November. He said if the level of the water column is 142 feet already, the reservoir will not be able to hold any more water and the gates will have to be opened. "It will flow downstream... downstream is Kerala and upstream is Tamil Nadu," he said.

Appearing for Tamil Nadu, Senior Advocate Shekhar Naphade said the state would be able to maintain a level of 139.5 feet only till November 10. He said Kerala attempts to bring the water level below 142 feet every year through applications.

The court said that it will not enter into technical issues pertaining to the supervisory committee and will go by its advice of 139.50 feet till November 11, which both parties agreed to. The court clarified that it will be open to the committee reviewing its decision.

# SC says ban on firecrackers 'not against a particular community'

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THE SUPREME COURT said on Thursday that its ban on firecrackers was "not against a particular community" but was "for the protection of fundamental rights of citizens".

"We want full implementation of our orders. We are not against a particular community. We want to send a strong message that we are here for the protection of fundamental rights of citizens," said a bench of Justices M R Shah and A S Bopanna.

"When the earlier order on banning firecrackers was passed, it was passed after giv-

ing reasons. All crackers were not banned... It was in larger public interest. It should not be projected that it was banned for a particular purpose. Last time, we said that we weren't coming in way of enjoyment, but we cannot come in way of fundamental rights," said the bench.

Senior Advocate Dushyant Dave, appearing for the firecrackers manufacturers association from Tamil Nadu, said nobody was seeking a review of the court's order banning non-green crackers.

"Can we say that enjoyment can be done at the cost of other's lives? Today also we can see that crackers are being sold in the market. We had said last time also that there should be some

accountability on behalf of those who had to implement the order... we are not against any particular festival, we are not against celebration, but we cannot permit to play with the right to life of others in the guise of celebration," said Justice Shah.

"Nobody should believe this order or that order is against a particular so-and-so, and we have not put any 100 per cent ban on firecrackers," he said. "Under the guise of enjoyment, you cannot play with the lives of citizens," the court said.

The court was hearing an application seeking contempt proceedings against some manufacturers for allegedly violating the SC's October 23, 2018 order, banning use of salts in making

of firecrackers. Senior Advocate Gopal Sankaranarayanan, appearing for the petitioner Arjun Gopal, submitted that there cannot be exceptions for big manufacturers.

The court said it will consider asking CBI to investigate those who are selling fake green crackers. "Nobody can be allowed to use fake green crackers and show us that they are complying with our orders," the bench said.

The court also said that while the issue of pollution due to firecrackers is only for the time being, there is the main matter related to stubble burning. "After Diwali vacation, we will hear that issue. It's very urgent," the bench said.

# CCTV footage shows man killing 2 sleeping on pavement as people walk past, suspect held

SAGAR RAJPUT  
MUMBAI, OCTOBER 28

ON SATURDAY, within a gap of 15 minutes, a senior police officer in Mumbai received two calls — the first from Byculla police station and then from JJ Marg police station — about two similar murders. In both the cases, the assailant had smashed the sleeping victims' heads with stone blocks.

Police have recovered CCTV footage of the incident at JJ Marg, which occurred at 8.05 pm. In the footage, a man is seen walking down a busy pavement. He walks past a sleeping man before he stops and walks back. He picks up a heavy stone, returns to the spot where the man is sleeping and proceeds to smash his head with the stone four times. There are pedestrians walking past even as the attack happens. Nobody stops the as-



Accused Suresh Shankar Gauda outside court. Sagar Rajput

sailant as he walks away. When the senior police officer received the call from JJ Marg police station, he was quick to link it to the earlier call from Byculla police station, informing him that a man had died after his head was smashed with a stone

block, on a pavement outside the Byculla fruit market, about 1.5 km away, at 7.50 pm.

The CCTV footage was used to identify the suspect, Suresh Shankar Gauda, 40, who was arrested on Sunday morning. He was found to be hiding near the JJ Marg police station.

In the CCTV footage of the Byculla fruit market incident, Gauda is seen getting off a Badlapur-CST local train at the Byculla railway station. He is seen walking in the direction of Dongri, when he spots a man sleeping on the footpath outside the fruit market. He picks up a stone block and smashes his head several times. This too is a crowded area, but Gauda walks away without being stopped.

Police said they are yet to ascertain the identity of the two men who were killed. According to sources, Gauda told the police that he did not know either of the victims. Police said Gauda

readily admitted to the murders, and also told police that he had been arrested for allegedly killing a pavement dweller in Kurla in 2015. He was later acquitted due to insufficient evidence.

Calling him a "psycho killer", a senior IPS officer, who did not want to be named, said, "He likes to see people suffer, that is what we have gathered."

"He just saw them sleeping on the road, picked up a stone and smashed it on their heads multiple times. He is then seen walking away from both spots," said a police officer.

Gauda told the police that his parents live in Hassan in Karnataka. "We suspect that he has attacked more people between 2016 and now. We are trying to check with all the police stations whether anyone in the city or the neighbouring districts was killed in the similar style," said an investigator.

# Feedback invited: draft amendments to JJ rules empowers DMs

ESHA ROY  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

EXPLAINED  
To speed up adoption process

THE MINISTRY of Women and Child Development has issued the notification for draft amendments to Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Model Rules, 2016, and invited feedback.

Juvenile justice amendment Bill, 2021, which seeks to amend the 2015 law, was passed in both Houses of Parliament earlier this year.

The mainstay of the Bill, and now the Rules published by the ministry, is transfer of authority to district magistrates (DM) and additional district magistrates (ADM) in several cases — such as for adoption and overseeing child-care institutions and welfare of children in need of care, including children in conflict with law.

According to the new rules, DMs and ADMs will oversee actions taken with respect to child marriage cases in their respective districts and facilitate action for education and awareness regarding impact of child marriage on children. They are also to ensure supervision and support to girls and boys saved from child marriage.

The amendments include authorising DMs and ADMs to issue adoption orders under Section 61 of JJ Act, to ensure speedy disposal of cases and enhance accountability.

According to the proposed rules, the Child Welfare Committee (CWC) will now furnish data relating to children declared legally free for adoption and cases pending for decision to DMs and online, in formats provided in adoption regulations, and also to the respective state adoption resource agencies with the assistance of district child protection units. Functions of the court, including procedure for obtaining adoption order, have been transferred to DMs, and courts will no longer be involved in the process, under the

THE NEW draft rules for JJ Act gives overarching powers to DMs and additional DMs. The amended Act, and now the Rules, transfers powers of the process of adoption from courts to DMs. Courts were earlier responsible for processing adoption applications, but given high pendency of cases in district courts, this process used to take years. With the responsibility now with DMs, the WCD Ministry aims to cut down the time for adoptions.

draft amendments. Where the child has remained with a foster family for a minimum five years, other than in pre-adoption foster care, the foster family may now apply for adoption and will be given preference to adopt the child after she/he is declared legally free for adoption, and after registering in the Child Adoption Resource Information and Guidance System under procedures laid down in adoption regulations. "In such cases, if any relaxation in procedure to declare the child legally free for adoption is required, the CWC shall obtain the permission of the State Agency," the rules say.

Childcare institutions or specialised adoption agencies housing children who have been declared legally free for adoption are to submit reports to the DM concerned every month about the number of children declared legally free for adoption, as also their status. In cases where a specialised adoption agency falls within jurisdiction of two districts, it is required to submit its monthly report to DMs of both districts.

## TRACKING THE SECOND SURGE

606 DAYS SINCE PANDEMIC BEGAN  
NEW CASES: 13,869  
ACTIVE CASES: 1,62,111  
VACCINATIONS: 1,04,04,99,873

DAILY DEATHS: 805 | TOTAL DEATHS: 4,57,191 | WEEKLY CFR: 3.40% | OVERALL CFR: 1.34%



TESTS TODAY: 13,99,833 | TOTAL TESTS: 60,58,98,238  
WEEKLY POSITIVITY: 1.16% | OVERALL POSITIVITY: 5.65%

### STATES REPORTING MOST CASES

STATE	NEW CASES	ACTIVE CASES	WEEKLY POSITIVITY	TOTAL VACCINATION
■ Kerala	7,738	78,728	10.62%	38,492,170
■ Maharashtra	1,418	18,748	1.18%	96,745,342
■ Tamil Nadu	1,061	12,051	0.90%	56,996,318
■ West Bengal	990	8,109	2.26%	74,030,517
■ Mizoram	547	6,891	9.10%	1,214,875

### STATES REPORTING MOST DEATHS

STATE	TODAY'S DEATHS	TOTAL DEATHS	WEEKLY CFR	OVERALL CFR
■ Kerala	708	30,685	5.14%	0.64%
■ Maharashtra	38	143,752	1.39%	2.18%
■ Karnataka	17	38,054	2.67%	1.28%
■ Tamil Nadu	12	36,072	1.13%	1.34%
■ West Bengal	9	19,105	1.68%	1.21%

Note: Data as on Oct 28; vaccination numbers as of Oct 27. Deaths include those from previous days. Kerala added nearly 650 previously uncounted deaths as part of a data cleaning exercise.

# ED probing wealth of Bengaluru hacker

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THE ENFORCEMENT Directorate is investigating illegal wealth amassed by a 25-year-old hacker involved in multiple cyber crimes in Bengaluru, including the siphoning of Rs 11.5 crore from the e-procurement cell of the Karnataka e-governance centre last year.

Srikrishna Ramesh alias Sriki has been questioned by the ED over the last few days in connection with a case registered by the agency into the alleged hacking of accounts of Bitcoin holders between 2018 to 2020 and the encashment of the digital currency via hawala route after sale to third parties.

The ED has taken up the investigation of alleged money laundering by Sriki and four of his associates on the basis of cases registered last year by the Bengaluru cyber crime police and the city's Central Crime Branch police into the alleged hacking of Bitcoin accounts and websites.

In August, the ED had reported the attachment of Rs 1.44 crore parked in the account of Uttar Pradesh-based firm Nimmi Enterprises — a portion of the money stolen from the Karnataka e-procurement cell.

Sriki is accused of multiple crimes in Bengaluru, ranging from the purchase of drugs via the darknet using Bitcoins, the theft of Bitcoins, hacking dozens of poker gaming sites, cheating people by promising cryptocurrency profits, and a 2018 case of assault.

Earlier this year, the ED told a local court that Sriki and his associates have since 2018 extorted funds from companies and individuals by threatening to destroy crucial data accessed by hacking, and have amassed "wealth by selling Bitcoins illegally and hacking reputed websites".

The agency is now probing how Sriki and associates used the money obtained after they hacked Bitcoin accounts and "national and international websites by creating fake documents and stealing information", sources said.

An ED official said investigations were in progress, and that Sriki has been questioned by the agency over the last few days.

Sriki's hacking skills have allegedly been used by affluent gangs in Bengaluru — including some close associates and kin of political leaders in the state — to carry out online crimes since around 2015, police sources said.

"Much of the hacking was being done at the behest of people using his skills for their own profit. He is a highly skilled operator and was considered an asset by his controllers," police sources said.

On Wednesday, former Karnataka chief minister Siddaramaiah claimed on social media that there is an alleged attempt to close cases in the "drugs & Bitcoin scam".

"There is information about the involvement of influential politicians of Karnataka in the drugs & Bitcoin scam. It is concerning that the investigating officers are trying to close the case to help those politicians," he tweeted.

## MORE FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS-2021

In order to clear extra rush of passengers during forthcoming festival season, Railways have decided to run the following additional Festival Special Trains as per details given below:-

01907/01908 Prayagraj - Anand Vihar (T) - Prayagraj Superfast Festival Special Train 04 Trips					
Train No. 01907	STATIONS		Train No. 01908		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	21:00	Prayagraj	18:45	--	
07:00	--	Anand Vihar (T)	--	09:00	

Days of Run: 01907 Ex Prayagraj on 06.11.2021 (Saturday) & 07.11.2021 (Sunday) and 01908 Ex Anand Vihar (T) on 07.11.2021 (Sunday) & 08.11.2021 (Monday).  
Accommodation: AC 2 Tier and AC 3 Tier.  
Stoppages: Fatehpur, Kanpur Central and Aligarh stations.

01696/01695 Anand Vihar (T) - Saharsa Jn. - Anand Vihar (T) Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 01696	STATIONS		Train No. 01695		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	14:00	Anand Vihar (T)	18:15	--	
14:30	--	Saharsa Jn.	--	18:30	

Days of Run: 01696 Ex Anand Vihar (T) on 30.10.2021 (Saturday) and 01695 Ex Saharsa Jn. on 31.10.2021 (Sunday).  
Accommodation: AC 3 Tier, Sleeper, Second Seating Reserved and AC Chair Car.  
Stoppages: Moradabad, Bareilly, Sitapur Jn., Gorakhpur Jn., Chhapra, Hajipur Jn., Muzaffarpur Jn., Samastipur Jn., Barauni Jn., Begu Sarai, Khagaria Jn. and S Bhaktiyarpur stations.

01698/01697 Delhi Jn. - Bhagalpur Jn. - Delhi Jn. Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 01698	STATIONS		Train No. 01697		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	18:00	Delhi Jn.	21:30	--	
18:40	--	Bhagalpur Jn.	--	22:00	

Days of Run: 01698 Ex Delhi Jn. on 30.10.2021 (Saturday) and 01697 Ex Bhagalpur Jn. on 31.10.2021 (Sunday).  
Accommodation: AC 3 Tier, Sleeper & Second Seating Reserved.  
Stoppages: Moradabad Jn., Bareilly Jn., Lucknow, Rae Bareilly Jn., Varanasi Jn., Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Jn., Buxar, Ara Jn., Patna Jn., Kiul Jn., Jamalpur Jn. and Sultanganj stations.

01700/01699 New Delhi - Barauni Jn. - New Delhi Superfast Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 01700	STATIONS		Train No. 01699		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	08:10	New Delhi	21:00	--	
10:05	--	Barauni Jn.	--	03:10	

Days of Run: 01700 Ex New Delhi on 30.10.2021 (Saturday) and 01699 Ex Barauni Jn. on 31.10.2021 (Sunday).  
Accommodation: Second Seating Reserved & AC Chair Car.  
Stoppages: Aligarh Jn., Tundla Jn., Etawah, Kanpur Central, Prayagraj Jn., Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Jn., Buxar, Ara, Danapur, and Patliputra stations.

09634/09633 Delhi Jn. - Katihar Jn. - Delhi Jn. Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 09634	STATIONS		Train No. 09633		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	15:05	Delhi Jn.	02:45	--	
19:30	--	Katihar Jn.	--	22:30	

Days of Run: 09634 Ex Delhi Jn. on 01.11.2021 (Monday) and 09633 Ex Katihar Jn. on 02.11.2021 (Tuesday).  
Accommodation: Second Seating Reserved.

Stoppages: Moradabad, Bareilly, Shahjehanpur, Lucknow, Rudauli, Faizabad Jn., Shahganj Jn., Azamgarh, Mau Jn., Ballia, Chhapra, Hajipur Jn., Barauni Jn. and Naugachia Stations.

09642/09641 Anand Vihar (T) - Darbhanga - Anand Vihar (T) Superfast Festival Special Express Train 04 Trips					
Train No. 09642	STATIONS		Train No. 09641		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	00:30	Anand Vihar (T)	21:40	--	
21:05	--	Darbhanga	--	23:00	

Days of Run: 09642 Ex Anand Vihar (T) on 30.10.2021 (Saturday) & 02.11.2021 (Tuesday) and 09641 Ex Darbhanga on 30.10.2021 (Saturday) & 02.11.2021 (Tuesday).  
Accommodation: AC 3 Tier, Sleeper & Second Seating Reserved.  
Stoppages: Moradabad, Bareilly, Lucknow, Gorakhpur Jn., Narkatiaganj, Raxaul and Sitamarhi stations.

09644/09643 Anand Vihar (T) - Katihar Jn. - Anand Vihar (T) Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 09644	STATIONS		Train No. 09643		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	17:10	Anand Vihar (T)	00:45	--	
20:00	--	Katihar Jn.	--	23:30	

Days of Run: 09644 Ex Anand Vihar (T) on 31.10.2021 (Sun) and 09643 Ex Katihar on 01.11.2021 (Mon).  
Accommodation: Second Seating Reserved.  
Stoppages: Moradabad, Bareilly, Shahjehanpur, Lucknow, Rudauli, Faizabad Jn., Shahganj Jn., Azamgarh, Mau Jn., Ballia, Chhapra, Hajipur Jn., Barauni Jn. and Naugachia stations.

09646/09645 Anand Vihar (T) - Barauni Jn. - Anand Vihar (T) Superfast Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 09646	STATIONS		Train No. 09645		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	14:00	Anand Vihar (T)	03:50	--	
06:55	--	Barauni Jn.	--	10:00	

Days of Run: 09646 Ex Anand Vihar (T) on 31.10.2021 (Sunday), and 09645 Ex Barauni Jn. on 01.11.2021 (Monday).  
Accommodation: AC 3 Tier, Sleeper & Second Seating Reserved.  
Stoppages: Aligarh Jn., Tundla Jn., Etawah, Kanpur Central, Prayagraj Jn., Dd Upadhyaya Jn., Buxar, Ara, Danapur and Patliputra stations.

09648/09647 Anand Vihar (T) - Darbhanga - Anand Vihar (T) Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 09648	STATIONS		Train No. 09647		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	00:30	Anand Vihar (T)	21:40	--	
21:05	--	Darbhanga	--	23:00	

Days of Run: 09648 Ex Anand Vihar (T) on 31.10.2021 (Sun) and 09647 Ex Darbhanga on 31.10.2021 (Sunday).  
Accommodation: AC 3 Tier, Sleeper & Second Seating Reserved.  
Stoppages: Moradabad, Bareilly, Lucknow, Gorakhpur Jn., Narkatiaganj, Raxaul and Sitamarhi stations.

09636/09635 Delhi Jn. - Katihar Jn. - Delhi Jn. Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 09636	STATIONS		Train No. 09635		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	15:05	Delhi Jn.	02:45	--	
19:30	--	Katihar Jn.	--	22:30	

Days of Run: 09636 Ex Delhi Jn. on 02.11.2021 (Tuesday) and 09635 Ex Katihar Jn. on 03.11.2021 (Wednesday).  
Accommodation: AC 3 Tier, Sleeper, Second Seating Reserved and AC Chair Car.  
Stoppages: Moradabad, Bareilly, Shahjehanpur, Lucknow, Rudauli, Faizabad Jn., Shahganj Jn., Azamgarh, Mau Jn., Ballia, Chhapra, Hajipur Jn., Barauni Jn., and Naugachia stations.

09632/09631 Anand Vihar (T) - Jogbani - Anand Vihar (T) Festival Special Express Train 02 Trips					
Train No. 09632	STATIONS		Train No. 09631		
Arr.	Dep.		Arr.	Dep.	
--	17:10	Anand Vihar (T)	00:45	--	
20:00	--	Jogbani	--	23:30	

Days of Run: 09632 Ex Anand Vihar (T) on

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## BRIEFLY



A temporary table placed near the statue. Nirmal Harindran

## GUJARAT

### Dr Sarabhai's idol vandalised, items looted

Ahmedabad: A table, book and pen attached with the iconic bronze statue of Indian physicist Dr Vikram Sarabhai were stolen by unknown persons from the popular tourist site at Sabarmati Riverfront in Ahmedabad. An FIR has been lodged in the case. The statue, sculpted by Ahmedabad-based artist Dhruv Shilpi, was unveiled by PM Modi on January 17, 2019. "We are checking CCTV footage for further leads, and entry and exit of vehicles... The entire value of table, pen and book made of bronze material is around Rs 3 lakh, as per a bill shown by the Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation," a senior police official told *The Indian Express*. **ENS**

## TAMIL NADU

### Rajinikanth in hospital for health check-up

Chennai: Superstar Rajinikanth is undergoing routine medical examination at a hospital here, sources close to the top star said on Thursday. "It is a health check-up done routinely on a periodical basis. He is now in a private hospital for the check-up," the actor's publicist Riaz K Ahmed told PTI. The 70-year-old actor was in Delhi few days back to receive the prestigious Dadasaheb Phalke Award and he had also visited President Ram Nath Kovind and Prime Minister Narendra Modi. **PTI**

## MAHARASHTRA

### Two Maoists arrested in Gadchiroli

Nagpur: The Gadchiroli Police have arrested two alleged Maoists, who, the police claimed, were going to participate in ongoing protests against iron ore mining at Surjagad in Etapalli tahsil. "Muda Masa Zohi, a member of an armed Naxal dalam, and Mainu Dorpeti, a militia member, were arrested on October 26," read a press note issued by Gadchiroli Police. The police mentioned specific instances of Naxal violence in which the two had participated. The two carried a reward of Rs 2 lakh each on their head, the note added. "The two were on way to participate in the rally," SP Ankit Goyal told *The Indian Express*. **ENS**

## KERALA YOUTH HELD UNDER UAPA FOR 'MAOIST LINKS'

# SC grants bail, says 'mere support' to terror outfit 'not sufficient' proof

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GRANTING BAIL to a Kerala youth arrested under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967, in November 2019, for alleged Maoist links, and affirming a trial court's order granting bail to his co-accused, the Supreme Court said on Wednesday that "mere association with" or "mere support" to "a terrorist organisation is not sufficient" to prove the offence under the Act. "The association and support have to be with intention of furthering the activities of a terrorist organisation," it said.

Thwaha Fasal and Allan Suhaib, both students, were arrested by the Kerala police in November 2019. The case was later handed over to the NIA. In September 2020, the NIA court had granted them bail, saying the agency had failed to establish a prima facie case against them.

A bench of Justices Ajay Rastogi and A S Oka allowed Fasal's appeal against the Kerala High Court's order which set aside the bail granted by the NIA

court. It also rejected the NIA's appeal against the HC order upholding the bail granted to Suhaib.

"Taking the chargesheet as correct, at the highest, it can be said that the material prima facie establishes association of the accused with a terrorist organisation CPI(Maoist), and their support to the organisation. Now the question is whether on the basis of the materials forming part of the chargesheet, there are reasonable grounds for believing that accusation of commission of offences under Sections 38 and 39 against the accused 1 and 2 is true. As held earlier, mere association with a terrorist organisation is not sufficient to attract Section 38 and mere support given to a terrorist organisation is not sufficient to attract Section 39. The association and the support have to be with intention of furthering the activities of a terrorist organisation," said the court.

"In a given case, such intention can be inferred from the overt acts or acts of active participation of the accused in the activities of a terrorist organisation which are borne out from the

materials forming a part of chargesheet," it said.

"At a formative young age, the accused... might have been fascinated by what is propagated by CPI(Maoist). Therefore, they may be in possession of various documents/books concerning CPI(Maoist), in soft or hard form. Apart from the allegation that certain photographs show that the accused participated in a protest/gathering organised by an organisation allegedly linked with CPI(Maoist), prima facie there is no material in the chargesheet to project active participation of the accused... in the activities of CPI(Maoist) from which even an inference can be drawn that there was an intention on their part of furthering the activities or terrorist acts of the terrorist organisation," said Justice Oka, writing for the bench.

"Apart from the fact that overt acts on their part for showing the presence of the required intention or state of mind are not borne out from the chargesheet, prima facie, their constant association or support of the organisation for a long period of time is not borne out from the chargesheet," said the court.

The SC said the NIA court had noted that there was no prima facie material to show intention on the part of both the accused to further the activities of the terrorist organisation.

"The High Court observed that the learned Special Judge has oversimplified the matter. However, the High Court did not notice that by taking the material collected during the investigation which forms a part of the chargesheet as it is, the Special Court had recorded a prima facie finding regarding the absence of any material to show intention on the part of the accused to further the activities of CPI(Maoist). The High Court has not recorded prima facie finding on this aspect," it said.

The court also relied on a previous judgment which said bail could be granted in such cases where there is a possibility of the trial not getting over in a reasonable time. It said there are 92 witnesses in the case and "even assuming that some of the witnesses may be dropped at the time of trial, there is no possibility of the trial being concluded in a reasonable time as even charges have not been framed".

## SC gives 'last chance' to Oza, restores senior status for 2 yrs

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THE SUPREME COURT Thursday handed a "last chance" to Advocate Yatin Oza, restoring for two years his senior designation which the Gujarat High Court had taken away while holding him guilty of contempt.

Oza, the president of the Gujarat High Court Advocates Associations, has landed in trouble multiple times for his comments against judges. His most recent allegations came last year against a senior High Court judge as well as the court registry in a letter to the Chief Justice of India. A bench of Justices S K Kaul and R Subhash Reddy invoked the Supreme Court's power under Article 142 of the Constitution to give Oza the relief. Any extension of the two-year relief period, the top court said, would be for the High Court to decide.

"We respect the views of the High Court but still endeavour to give one more and last chance to the petitioner. In a way this can really be done by recourse to Article 142 of the Constitution of India as there is merit in the contention of the learned counsel for the High Court that there is no real infringement of the fundamental rights of the petitioner," said the bench.

It added: "We are of the view that the ends of justice would be served by seeking to temporarily restore the designation of the petitioner for a period of two years from 1.1.2022... Needless to say that if there is any infraction in the conduct of the petitioner within this period of two years, the High Court would be well within its rights to withdraw the indulgence which we have given for two years..."

The top court noted that this was not Oza's "first run-in with the High Court, or, for that matter, the Supreme Court".

"The problem appears to be that the petitioner does not seem to keep a balance between his role as a senior counsel and as president of the Bar Association and, thus, crosses the Lakshman Rekha



Gujarat High Court had taken away Yatin Oza's senior advocate designation, held him guilty of contempt

repeatedly," the bench said.

Citing a Gujarat High Court note, it said that Oza made utterances against two judges in 2006, "casting aspersions on their faith and their allegiance to the Constitution of India and the laws..." On March 21 last year, Oza wrote to the Chief Justice of India making serious allegations against a senior High Court judge in his capacity as president of the Bar Association, the order pointed out.

"The petitioner then transgressed all limits by circulating the letter in the Bar Association's WhatsApp group on 8.6.2020, three days after calling the High Court a 'Gamblers Den'. The WhatsApp messages were circulated by holding a Press Conference 05.06.2020, thereby making allegations of impropriety against the Institution of the High Court itself," the SC said.

Following this, the HC initiated contempt proceedings against Oza and issued a notice to him, asking why the privilege of the gown should not be withdrawn. Oza said he submitted an apology to the high court but a full bench "unanimously found that his apology was not genuine", the top court said.

It was tendered after 41 days "as a last resort" the HC had concluded, saying that Oza in the meantime had made every attempt to justify his actions.

Oza approached the top court against the decision. He said he had learnt his lesson and promised never to repeat his actions, pleading for an opportunity for redemption.



■ Konkan Shakti 21, the maiden bilateral tri-service exercise between the armed forces of India and the UK, in a photo made available on Thursday.

■ The four-day exercise, which culminated in the Arabian Sea on Wednesday, saw the two defence forces work in cohesion through a series of complex multi-service combat drills in all domains of maritime operations — air, surface and sub-surface.

■ The culmination of the exercise was marked by the traditional steam past between ships of the two navies. **PTI**

## INDIA-UK TRI-SERVICE EXERCISE ENDS

# Experts discuss affordable housing for migrants at IE Thinc session

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"We need to create one-room accommodations with shared toilets, which have a rent of like Rs 500, and a worker earns Rs 20,000. I am sure they (migrant workers) won't mind paying that amount for that one room accommodation, as they don't have children and families accompanying them," Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation commissioner Iqbal Singh Chahal said on Wednesday evening.

Chahal was the keynote speaker at the sixth edition of Thinc Migration, an eight-part webinar series helmed by *The Indian Express*. This edition of Thinc focussed on the crisis of inadequate housing that millions of migrant workers face as they work in our cities and towns. The session was moderated by Udit Misra, Deputy Associate Editor, *The Indian Express*.



35 in Mumbai, it has brought in a gender policy which has a range of amenities for women and it addresses multipurpose housing. In every ward in Mumbai, there are lands reserved under DCPR where land is reserved for this policy. This for me, works," she shared.

While Bhide and Chahal gave examples from India, Shrayana Bhattacharya (Senior Social Protection Economist, World Bank) argued for a policy aimed at decentralisation pointing towards Latin America and China.

"We have to look at decentralisation and empower local governments, not just at the state. Look at Mexican, Brazilian, even Chinese examples — the way a lot of these problems are addressed is not by having a one-size-fits-all programme. They created regulation which allowed for a lot more dynamism at the local level. In the context of Mumbai, one can set up partnerships with different private sector entities," said

Bhattacharya. Manikandan KP (Institution Builder, Indian Housing Federation) echoed the need for regulating the informal sector — the rental space, which is the biggest supplier of housing in the country.

"We need to get these houses built, but it's not just about getting the house built, but there's a need for other mechanisms, like the informal market (the rental market), it is the biggest supplier of housing and we need to improve the situation on that front," Manikandan said.

"We have got to remember that when we were growing up, it was always roti, kapra and makaan. Around the question of social protection, the makaan has fallen off. It's basic income, it's insurance, self insurance, but never house. Housing has been turned into a commodity in a financialised housing market," said Gautam Bhan (Associate Dean, Indian Institute for Human Settlements).

## GUJARAT HC ADJOURNS HEARING

# Dispute between hotel owners, neighbours turns communal

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THE GUJARAT High Court on Thursday adjourned to November 17 the hearing in a dispute between owners of a new hotel in Anand and their neighbour, a prominent oncologist, over alleged illegal construction after the urban development authority sought time to submit its report as an affidavit.

The case, pertaining to Hotel Blue Ivy — co-owned by Hindu and Muslim partners — took a communal turn on Sunday when residents of the neighbourhood joined a protest, chanting Jai Shri Ram, allegedly making abusive comments against the minority community, and washing the road facing the hotel to "purify" it.

The owners of the hotel, which was scheduled for inauguration on October 24, have been accused of violating construction restrictions. Oncologist Dr Shailesh Shah, who has been leading the protests, has also alleged that the clearance of the property sale by the Revenue Department is in vi-

olation of The Gujarat Prohibition of Transfer of Immovable Property and Provisions of Tenants from Eviction from Premises in Disturbed Areas Act, popularly known as the "Disturbed Areas Act". Shah moved a petition in January, seeking that the court directs the authorities to "remove the illegal construction being put up" by Blueivy Hospitality Pvt Ltd.

On Thursday, the urban development authority submitted before court that a physical inspection of the premises was made and a report was prepared, which will be submitted to the court as an affidavit by the next date of a hearing scheduled for November 17.

In an earlier hearing, the HC had issued notices to the state, the Anand district collector, Anand Vallabh Vidhyanager — Karamsad Urban Development Authority (UDA), and Blueivy Hospitality. The UDA, on October 25, had sought time from the court "to indicate about to what extent unauthorised construction, if any, is made by... (Blueivy Hospitality) ...after proper measurement of the premises".

## No precipitating action on online gaming under new gambling law: Karnataka to HC

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BENGALURU, OCTOBER 28

WITH ONLINE gaming firms filing a series of petitions in Karnataka High Court against a recent ban imposed on online gambling in the state through amendments to Karnataka Police Act, 1963, the state government on Thursday told the court that it would not take any "precipitating action" under the new law against the firms until the cases are decided.

All India Gaming Federation and nine gaming companies have moved the HC opposing clauses in Karnataka Police (Amendment) Bill, 2021, which aims to "curb menace of gaming through the Internet, mobile apps".

On Thursday, lawyers representing the petitioners argued for an interim stay on clauses related to games of skill in the amended law. A single-judge bench referred to an assurance provided by the state advocate general that "no precipitating action will be taken" until the court takes a decision on the new amendments.

Advocates representing the companies have argued that Supreme Court judgments and recent orders of Madras and Kerala HCs have established that games of skill will not come under the purview of gambling laws, as opposed to games of chance.

Appearing for Gameskraft Technologies Pvt Ltd, senior advocate Abhishek Singhvi said "populism and paternalism" were behind the legislative move to bring games of skill within ambit of gambling. The gaming federation has argued in its petition that curbs on online gaming will affect a growing gaming industry in the country. It cited the online gaming industry as having seen investment of Rs 3,000 crore.

The HC posted the matter for further hearing on November 11.

An FIR has been filed against promoters of Dream 11 in Bengaluru. A separate bench of the High Court on Thursday asked the state police to not take coercive action against promoters of the online gaming company.

# Bihar college that offered 'cows as fee' option shut over non-repayment of loan

SANTOSH SINGH  
PATNA, OCTOBER 28

A PRIVATE engineering college in Buxar district of Bihar that was popular for the unique fee model it offered — five cows for a four-year BTech course — has been sealed for non-repayment of a bank loan.

Set up in 2010 at Arioan village in Buxar, Vidyadaan Institute of Technology and Management (VITM) was promoted by a bunch of retired and serving professionals including former DRDO scientists S K Singh and Arun Kumar Verma; Bangalore-based doctor Mayuri

Srivastva; social activist Lal Deo Singh; and chartered account Pradeep Garg.

When it opened, the institute, affiliated to Patna's Aryabhata Gyan University, created a stir in Arioan and nearby villages for its 'cows as fee' option — two cows in the first year and one each in the three subsequent years of the B.Tech course — for those who couldn't afford the annual fee of Rs 72,000 a year.

But now, the future of its over 300 students, most of them from villages nearby, is uncertain with the bank sealing the institute over a loan recovery amount of Rs 5.9 crore.

VITM promoter S K Singh

told *The Indian Express*: "Some of us, including former DRDO scientists, doctors and chartered accounts, came up with the idea of opening this institute in my village. It is the only engineering college between Buxar and Varanasi. Our cow concept worked very well."

According to S K Singh, who heads the Vidyadaan Society that runs the college, Bank of India's Patna corporate branch gave the college an initial loan of Rs 4.65 crore in 2010 for infrastructure development. It subsequently sanctioned another loan of Rs 10 crore in 2011 but never disbursed the amount, said Singh. "We have duly deposited



The college took five cows for a 4-year BTech course. *Express*

collateral security, which would be worth Rs 15 crore," added Singh, alleging that the college is a "victim of under financing".

"The top-up loan of Rs 10 crore was never disbursed to us, and our project ran into losses. Yet, we paid the EMI (on the initial loan amount of Rs 4.65 crore) till 2012 and some additional amount in 2013. Rather than looking into under-financing, the bank has started loan recovery and sealed the college. This has put a question mark on the career of hundreds of students who are enrolled with VITM," said Singh.

Bank of India's Deputy Zonal Manager in Patna, Rajendra

Singh, told *The Indian Express*: "We deal with recovery of loan. We put VITM under lock as part of loan recovery."

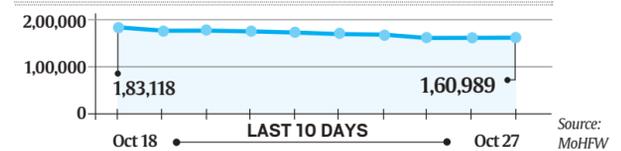
Ravindra Prasad, who was Sowan (Buxar) village branch manager until recently, said: "It cannot be called a case of under-financing. When we saw the project was not coming along on expected lines, the additional loan was not disbursed. The college could have approached another bank if they were not satisfied with the loan amount we agreed to disburse."

So far, over 200 students have graduated from VITM. Around 20 of them are those whose parents paid cows as fees. At pres-

ent, 29 students are yet to write their final papers.

Many of the college's former students work with companies in India and abroad.

Vijendra Mishra's is one such success story. A VITM graduate, Mishra is now the Lead Safety Officer at the IOCL refinery in Panipat. "I come from a family of farmers. I never thought I could be an engineer but when we heard that cows could be paid as fees, it gave me hope. Several talented students from villages nearby, who otherwise wouldn't have been able to afford the fees of private colleges, have realised their dream of becoming engineers."



## SIMPLY PUT

## India's ICBM candidate, China's hypersonic missile

What is the importance of the launch of the Agni 5 missile on Wednesday? What is a hypersonic glide vehicle, and how does it differ from an ICBM?

**KRISHN KAUSHIK & SUSHANT KULKARNI**

NEW DELHI, PUNE, OCTOBER 28

AGNI 5, India's most potent ballistic missile, was tested for the first time on Wednesday by the user agency, the Strategic Forces Command, a joint tri-services command that is responsible for the country's nuclear weapons.

The nuclear capable Agni 5 has a range of at least 5,000 km, and is India's Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) contender.

The successful trial of Agni 5 came at a time of persistently high tensions between India and China — and after China tested a hypersonic glide vehicle in August, and announced over the weekend a law to protect its "sacred and inviolable" territorial integrity.

### Types of missiles

ICBMs, which have a range of around 5,000 km, have existed since the time of World War II. These missiles can carry several warheads, including nuclear payloads.

An ICBM follows a parabolic trajectory, going to heights up to 2,000 km and re-enter-

ing the atmosphere in a high arc — like when you throw a ball in the air, only going much higher, farther, and faster.

A hypersonic glide vehicle (HGV) is lifted by a rocket to the upper atmosphere — an altitude lower than an ICBM's — from where it glides to its target. The vehicle is manoeuvrable, can change direction, target, or speed mid-trajectory, and is tougher to track and defend against.

In a 2017 report, Rand Corporation, the global policy think tank specialising in defence, said hypersonic missiles can travel at 5,000-25,000 km/hr (6-25 times faster than modern commercial aircraft) at heights between several tens and a 100 km. They have strong offensive and defensive advantages, and are, Rand said, "challenging to the best missile defences now envisioned and, until the last minutes of flight, unpredictable as to their targets".

In a Twitter thread this week, Joshua Pollack, editor of *The Nonproliferation Review*, however, said ICBMs would remain the preferred choice, simply because they are "the most efficient way to get the job done".

HGVs and Fractional Orbital Bombardment Systems (FOBS), which go

higher than HGVs, entering low earth orbit, are "relatively exotic" ways to deliver payloads, Pollack said.

### India's Agni 5

The surface-to-surface ballistic missile can hit a target with precision from 5,000 km away, which puts nearly all of China within its range.

Some reports have suggested that the missile could reach up to 8,000 km — in any case, even though the official range falls short of the ICBM classification threshold of 5,500 km, Agni 5 can reach parts of Africa and Europe and is, therefore, India's closest contender for an ICBM. (Agni 6, currently under development, is expected to have a range of 8,000 km.)

The nuclear capable Agni 5 has a launch weight of 50,000 kg, and can carry a warhead of around 1,500 kg.

India tested the first of the Agni series of missiles in 1989, the 1,000-km-range Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile (IRBM), Agni 1. Only the United States, the erstwhile Soviet Union, China, France, and Israel had IRBM technology at the time.

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) labs have since worked

on the missile, lifting the latest version to its present capability. In addition to the IRBM-capable nations, only the United Kingdom and North Korea have ICBM technology at the moment.

Agni 5 is a "canisterised" missile, which means it can be launched from road and rail platforms, making it easier for it to be deployed and launched quickly. Canisterisation — which means the missile is stored and launched from an encapsulated system — protects it from harsh climatic conditions and gives it a longer shelf life.

### Chinese HGV

Earlier this month, the *Financial Times* reported that in August, China had tested a hypersonic nuclear capable missile that had circled the earth before bearing down on the target, which, however, it had missed by a couple dozen miles.

China sought to clarify that it had tested a "spacecraft" and not a missile; the demonstration of its capability in HGV technology has, however, raised strategic concerns in both neighbours like India and rivals like the US. The *FT* report said the Chinese test had caught US intelligence by surprise.

### Hypersonic technology

Besides China, the US and Russia are working on hypersonic technology. Pollack said the Chinese weapon appeared to be a combination of an FOBS and an HGV — this, however, was not an entirely new idea; "the US military often flies an unarmed orbiter-glider, the X-37B "space plane"."

India too is working towards developing hypersonic missile technology; it is, however, behind the United States, Russia, and China in the race. According to the Rand Corporation's 2017 report, France and India "are the most committed" about gaining the capability, and "both draw to some extent on cooperation with Russia". Australia and Japan too, were working towards it, the Rand Corporation report said.

Chief of Defence Staff Gen Bipin Rawat had said in September that India was looking at "creating a rocket force" — top sources in the defence establishment, however, said the idea was still only under consideration.

The Rand report said that while hypersonic technology can be used for non-military purposes like space launches and spacecraft retrieval, "once a nation acquires hypersonic technology, its intentions can change".

### Concerns about China

Bloomberg quoted Gen Mark Milley, Chairman of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff, as saying about the Chinese test that he did not know "if it's quite a Sputnik moment, but I think it's very close to that" — a reference to the erstwhile USSR beating the US to space with the launch of the first artificial earth satellite Sputnik 1 in 1957.

Some commentators have said that advanced hypersonic missile capability could potentially hand China weapons to overwhelm America's aerial defence systems. China already has ICBMs that can reach the United States, but the unpredictability of HGVs would be a great advantage. (Pollack, though, argued that the US has "exceptional detection capabilities", and even hypersonic vehicles "will be detected at launch and tracked in flight".)

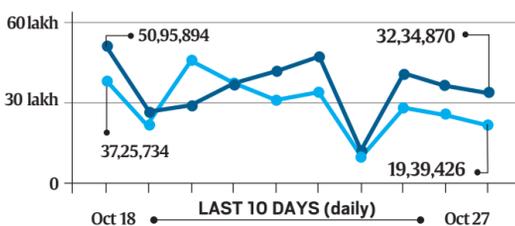
Globally, the main concern is that once the technology is successfully established by one country — say, China — it would lead to a wider race for the capability, and eventual proliferation. The Rand report cautioned that "the more that hypersonic missiles proliferate into the hands of additional nations, the more paths develop for crises".

### CORONAVIRUS DASHBOARD

**TOTAL VACCINATED IN INDIA** (at least one dose)

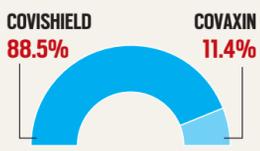
**72,34,97,151**

■ First dose ■ Second dose



**TOTAL DOSES**  
**104,04,99,873**

(Sputnik V's 10.69 lakh doses not represented in pie)



**DOSES ON OCT 27 51,74,296**

**OCT 26: 59,24,458** (1st dose: 23,71,650; 2nd: 35,52,808)

**6,64,803**

Number of doses administered in Karnataka on Oct 27, the highest for any state.

**5,19,084**

Andhra Pradesh

**3,60,062**

Madhya Pradesh

**4,62,234**

Maharashtra

**2,44,355**

Gujarat

Note: The October 27 figures in these graphs are based on the government updates on October 28  
Source: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, updated at 11 pm on October 28

## Mullaperiyar dam: old dispute between TN & Kerala, revived after recent rains

**SHAJU PHILIP**

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, OCTOBER 28

ON THURSDAY, the Supreme Court directed that the maximum water level in Mullaperiyar dam should be 139.50 ft until November 10. The dam is at the centre of a decades-old dispute: for Kerala, where it is situated, the dam presents a threat to lakhs living downstream; and for Tamil Nadu, which controls the dam, the water it provides is the lifeline of people in five districts.

The dam is located in the upper reaches of the river Periyar, which flows into Kerala after originating in Tamil Nadu. The reservoir is within the Periyar Tiger Reserve. The water diverted from the reservoir is first used for power generation in lower Periyar (by Tamil Nadu) before flowing into the Suruliyar, a tributary of Vaigai river, and then for irrigating nearly 2.08 lakh hectares in Theni and four other districts farther away.

### The current dispute

The Supreme Court order on Thursday came after a court-appointed supervisory committee had suggested 139.50 ft as the permissible level. The court has directed both states to go by the committee's recommendation. Tamil Nadu had wanted the level increased to 142 ft as fixed by the Supreme Court in 2014, while Kerala wanted it within 139 ft as per a rule curve fixed until the end of the month.

What has revived the dispute is the unusual rains in the last couple of weeks, which have led to the water level inching towards its permissible level of 142 ft. On Thursday, it reached 138.15 ft. Kerala had wanted the level fixed at 136 ft, but the Supreme Court in 2014 allowed Tamil Nadu to raise it to 142 ft.

This time, while seeking a limit of 139 ft, Kerala pointed to a Supreme Court directive in August 2018 following the devastating floods in the state. One of the factors contributing to the floods was sudden discharge from the Mullaperiyar dam, after its water level went beyond 142 ft and all spillway shutters of the dam suddenly lifted. The excess water from Mullaperiyar had then



Mullaperiyar dam: Located in Kerala, controlled by Tamil Nadu. Express



flooded to downstream Idukki reservoir, which was also at maximum storage level. The unexpected flow forced Kerala to increase the discharge, leading to flooding of several parts of central Kerala.

The situation in 2021 is not different, claims the Kerala government. The Idukki reservoir, which is in the same district as the Mullaperiyar dam, was at 94% of its live storage capacity on Thursday, despite the shutters being kept opened for two weeks before they were shut on Wednesday. The overflow from Mullaperiyar would find its way to the Idukki reservoir, the government has argued.

### What next

As part of regulating the water level, Tamil Nadu has agreed to release water through spillway shutters from Friday morning. Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan recently wrote to Tamil Nadu CM M K Stalin to draw maximum water and release downstream water gradually to the Kerala side. Anticipating lifting of the shutters, Kerala has started evacuating families living on both banks downstream up to the Idukki reservoir, which is 35 km away.

Kerala has been demanding a new dam replacing the existing one, and located 366 ft downstream. While Kerala Governor Arif Mohammed Khan recently expressed his support to the idea, such a project would

need the consent of Tamil Nadu. Construction of a new dam would also give rise to a demand for a new water-sharing treaty; at present, only Tamil Nadu has rights over the dam water.

### How it began

In 1886, the then Maharaja of Travancore signed the 'Periyar Lease Deed' with the British government, which considered the Periyar waters useless to Travancore. It wanted to divert the water into arid regions of Tamil Nadu. The Maharaja signed the agreement after 20 years of resistance. In 1895, the dam was constructed. The Madras government started hydel power generation in 1959. Later, the capacity was increased to 140 MW.

Safety concerns around the dam date back to the early 1960s, when media reported it was unsafe. Kerala brought up the issue before the Central Water Commission in 1961. After a joint inspection by Kerala and Tamil Nadu in 1964, the water level was reduced for the first time, from 155 ft to 152 ft.

In the years that followed, Tamil Nadu witnessed public agitations demanding that the level be increased; Kerala opposed the demand.

### Battle in courts

Over the years, petitions have been filed

in the high courts of both states. These were subsequently transferred to the Supreme Court. In 2000, the Centre appointed an expert committee to look into safety and suggest storage levels.

In 2006, the Supreme Court allowed Tamil Nadu to raise the water level to 142 ft. It said after completing strengthening work, the level could be restored to 152 ft if an expert committee examined and recommended it. In March 2006, the Kerala Assembly amended the Kerala Irrigation and Water Conservation Act, 2003, bringing Mullaperiyar in the schedule of 'Endangered Dams' and restricting its storage at 136 ft. Since then, the issue has shifted to the safety of the dam.

In 2007, the Kerala Cabinet permitted preliminary work on a new dam. Tamil Nadu approached the Supreme Court against the move. In 2010, the Supreme Court formed an empowered committee to look into the dam's safety. In 2008, a flood routing study by IIT Delhi found the dam was unsafe; in 2009, IIT Roorkee reported the dam was in an earthquake-prone area and would not survive a major quake. In November 2011, Kerala sought the Centre's intervention to bring down water levels to 120 ft after the area witnessed minor tremors. In 2014 came the Supreme Court order allowing Tamil Nadu to fix the water level at 142 ft.

### EXPLAINED YOUR MONEY

## Paytm IPO soon: company's targets, and what investors should know



**KARUNJIT SINGH**

ONE97 Communications, which operates Paytm, is set to come out with the country's largest Initial Public Offer on November 8, valuing the company at \$19.3–19.9 billion. Paytm is currently India's leading digital ecosystem for consumers and merchants, with over 337 million registered consumers and over 21.8 million registered merchants as of June 30, according to a report by Redseer management consulting company.

### What is the size of the issue?

The Rs-18,300-crore IPO of One97 Communications will be available for sub-

scription between November 8 and 10. The company has fixed the price band for the IPO at Rs 2,080-2,150 per share, with a lot size of six shares. In the Paytm issue, 75 per cent will be reserved for Qualified Institutional Buyers (QIBs), 15 per cent for non-institutional investors (NIIs) and the remaining 10 per cent for retail investors.

The company has increased its IPO size by Rs 1,700 crore from the earlier Rs 16,600 crore, with the rise coming entirely from the sale of more stake by existing shareholders.

### How much will existing investors get?

The IPO comprises issuance of fresh equity shares worth Rs 8,300 crore and Offer for Sale (OFS) by existing shareholders to the tune of Rs 10,000 crore. Antfin Netherlands holding BV is set to receive up to Rs 4,704.30 crore in the IPO; Softbank's SVF Panther (Cayman) Ltd and SAIF III Mauritius Company Ltd, Rs 1,689 and Rs 1,327.60 crore respectively; and Paytm founder Vijay Shekhar Sharma, up to Rs 402.70 crore.

### What will the offer be used for?

In the Draft Red Herring Prospectus (DRHP), One97 has said the company intends to use the funds raised to strengthen the Paytm ecosystem by acquiring and retaining consumers and merchants. The company noted that it has acquired consumers and merchants through marketing, cashback and promotions, and also offers merchants access to technology through its consumer and business app, payment platforms and payment instruments.

The company also intends to use the funds to invest in new business initiatives, acquisitions and strategic partnerships. Paytm recently acquired digital lending platform Urja Money Pvt Ltd, which provides a loan management system through its proprietary solution — CreditMate.

### What are the risks investors should look out for?

Paytm has consistently posted losses due to its high marketing and promotion expenses. "We expect to continue to incur net

losses for the foreseeable future," the company said in its DRHP, noting that it was going to continue to seek to increase its market share by bringing more consumers and merchants to its platform. Paytm earns revenue through transaction fees charged to merchants based on the percentage of GMV. It also charges customers convenience fees for certain transactions, including booking tickets for travel and entertainment.

The key to long-term profitability for Paytm is continuous growth in Gross Merchandise Value (GMV) of transactions on Paytm, addition of new merchants, and the retention of existing merchants on the platform. The company's GMV has increased from Rs 2.29 lakh crore in FY 19 to Rs 3.03 lakh crore in FY20, and to Rs 4.03 lakh crore in FY 2021.

Another key risk for Paytm could be an increase in the payment processing charges to financial institutions and card networks, particularly if the company is not able to pass on these higher costs to customers or merchants. The company has, however,

been able to actually reduce the payment processing cost as a percentage of Gross Merchandise Value (GMV) transacted on its platform from 1 per cent in FY19 to 0.5 per cent in FY21. This has been primarily driven by improvements in transaction rates from banks due to its scale, improved transaction routing due to technology and product interventions, and an increase in the share of low-cost payment instruments.

An inability to retain merchants on the platform due to transfer of merchant accounts to competitors, or merchants seeking to renegotiate transaction fees at the time of contract renewal, could also put downward pressure on Paytm's revenues. Merchants could gradually shift to other payment providers if they offer better terms.

### What are Paytm's targets going forward?

"Market share, market share, market share," said Paytm founder Vijay Shekhar Sharma in response to a question on whether the company would prefer to

lower marketing and promotion cost to improve profitability, or go for aggressive business growth, on an analyst call on Thursday. Sharma noted that while the cost of customer and merchant acquisitions and retention for the company were falling, the company was planning on spending more to achieve a customer base of 500 million.

The company is also targeting an increase in contribution profit, the difference between the revenue and variable cost. The company has emphasised efficiency, bringing down marketing and promotion expenses in FY21 by 84.4 per cent compared to FY19, which has helped raise contribution profit to Rs 362.50 crore in FY21 from a loss of Rs 1,998 crore in FY19.

Paytm's contribution profit continues to show an upward trend in this fiscal at Rs 244.5 crore for Q1. In this quarter, the company's payments and financial services revenue stood at Rs 689.40 crore, contributing to 77 per cent of its total revenue, with the company incurring a net loss of Rs 376.60 crore.



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Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged / hypothecated/ Pledged / charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive / physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Canara Bank will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 29.11.2021. Details are as under :

Sl. No.	Name / Address Contact No. of the Branch	Name and Address of the Borrower(s)/Guarantor (s)	Outstanding in Rs.	Details of Property	Reserve Price / EMD/Bid Multiplier Amt./A/c No./IFSC
1	Patna Main now Patna South Gandhi Maidan Branch Mob. 7766900498	(i) M/s Jai Maa Bhawani Construction Pvt. Ltd. Sri. Lalit Kumar Singh (Director) S/o Sri Bhishm Narayan Singh C/o Sri Budh Prakash Dhawan, B-53, Ashoka Place Exhibition Road, Patna - 800001 Bihar, (ii) Indu Devi (Director) W/o Lalit Kumar Singh (iii) Shambhu Sharan Singh, (Guarantor) S/o Sri Bhishm Narayan Singh (iv) Awadh Kishore Singh (Guarantor) S/o Sri Bhishm Narayan Singh (v) Manju Devi (Guarantor) W/o Late Parshuram Singh All are R/o Vill Deodha, Post - Dipnagar, Biharsharif, Nalanda, Near - Pawapuri Station, Bihar - 803101 (vi) Lalit Kumar Singh S/o Sri Bhishm Narayan Singh C/o Sri Budh Prakash Dhawan, B-53, Ashoka Place Exhibition Road, Patna Bihar - 800001, (vii) Indu Devi W/o Lalit Kumar Singh, Vill Deodha, Post - Dipnagar, Biharsharif, Nalanda, Near - Pawapuri Station, Bihar - 803101.	Rs. 2,57,75,000 as on 09.07.2020 + interest & Other Cost thereon	1. Details of Property No. - 1 is as follows : EMT of three properties are in the name of as follows : (A) Sri Shambhu Sharan Singh, (B) Sri Prashuram Singh (C) Sri Awadh Kishore Singh (All name mentioned A.B.C are sons of Late Bhishm Narayan Singh) (D) Smt. Indu Devi W/o Sri Lalit Kumar Singh, All Three land are situated at Mauza - Kamarpur Paharpur, Thana - Dipnagar, Thana No. - 97, Tauzi No. - 17507, 11091 and 11013, Khata No. - 548, 522, 510, Khesra (Plot) No. - 2365, 2366, 2367, Total area of Land 34 and 3/4 decimal (A) Boundary - North - Rajendra Yadav and Ram Prवेश Yadav, South - Alang Nathun Sao, East - Gita Devi, West - Dayamanti Devi, (Vendor No. - 2 Herself). (B) Boundary - North - Nawal Yadav, South - Alang Bandhu Nathun Sao, East - Awadhesh Prasad Verma (Vendor No. - 1 himself) West - Shakuntala Devi (Vendor No. 3 herself). (C) Boundary - North - Nawal Yadav, South - Alang Bandhu Nathun Sao, East - Dayamanti Devi (Vendor No. - 2 Herself), West - Demarcation Line (Sivan) of Village Dewdha. i) Property No. - 2 All that part and parcel of the land situated at Mauza - Manarpur Devdha, Tauzi No. - 11703, Thana - Dipnagar, Thana No. - 318, Khata No. - 390 Khesra No. - 520, Area of land 11 decimal (5/2 + 5/2) Decimal. District & Sub-Registry - Nalanda. (Biharsharif) owned Lalit Kumar Singh, Boundary - North - Railway Quarter, South - Kailash Singh, East - Plot No. 520, Pratap Narayan Singh, West - Railway Hunder. Property No. -3. The land Situated at Mauza - Kamarpur Paharpur Thana - Dipnagar, Thana No. - 97, Tauzi No. - 17507, Khata No. - 574 and 581, Khesra No. - 2378, 2379, 2380, Area of land 14/2 Dec. (2/4 + 2+2/4+4+3) Distt. and Sub Registry Office, Nalanda (Biharsharif) Owned by Lalit Kumar Singh, Boundary - N. - Paen, S. - Mangroo Yadav, E. - Ranchi Road NH 31, W. - Plot 2379	PROPERTY - 01 A, B, & C Rs. 3,86,66,000/- Rs. 38,67,000/- PROPERTY - 02 Rs. 23,76,000/- Rs. 2,38,000/- PROPERTY - 03 Rs. 37,80,000/- Rs. 3,79,000/- Total Cumulative R.P. for all 3 Prop. Rs. 4,48,22,000/- Rs. 44,84,000/- 10,000/- A/c - 8361295000001 IFSC Code - CNRB0008361
2	Patna S K Nagar, Branch Mob. 8210998447	M/s Chandra Computer, 1. Prop Sri Rajesh Kumar S/o Sri Ram Babu Ram, Shanti Bhawan S.P.Verma Road, Patna-800001 2. Smt. Madhu Devi W/o Sri Rajesh Kumar Shanti Bhawan S.P.Verma Road, Patna-800001	Rs. 14,44,412.23 as on 31.12.2019 + interest & Other Cost thereon	All that part and parcel of the Property (land) consisting of Sale Deed No 4048 dt 30/05/2014, Mauza-Devkali, Thana-Dhanaura, Thana No-77, Tauzi No. 6200, Khata No-251, khasra No-1130 (part) Area-01 katha 03 dhur, Out of PMC Area, Mortgagor Name Smt Madhu Devi W/o Sri Rajesh Kumar, Boundary - North - Mr. Siya Sharan Singh, South - Mr. Deepak Kumar, East - Mr. Sitaram Singh, West - 4 ft land left rasta by the purchaser	Rs. 4,64,760/- EMD - 46,476/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8361295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0008361
3	Patna Boring Road II Branch Mob. 8102916030	1. Mr. Manoj Kumar Yadav Alias Manoj Kumar S/o Ravi Rai, House No. 37, Mahavir Asthan, Patna, Bihar 800001. 2. Mrs. Usha Devi W/o Late Surendra Prasad, 37 Mahavir Asthan, Purvi Mainpura, Patna, Bihar 800001. 3. Mrs. Minakshi Devi W/o Manoj Kumar Yadav (Mannu) Alias Manoj Kumar, House No. 37 Mahavir Sthan, Purvi Mainpura, Patna, Bihar 800001	Rs. 17.22 Lakh as on 30.04.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	All part & parcel of land & Building in the name of mortgagor Mr. Manoj Kr. Yadav (Mannu) alias Manoj Kumar S/o Late Ravi Rai, Situated at Mauza-Mainpura, Mohalla-Nehru Nagar, Near Vishal Bajrangbali/Smart Convent school P.S-Patliputra, Town & District-Patna, Tauzi No-5236, Thana No. 02, khata No. 461 Survey Plot No. 1703 (part), Ward No-22, Land Area-816.60 Sqft.=1.87 Decimal. Boundary - North - Chaitu Gope, South - Kesho Choudhary, East -06ft. Wide Gali, West - Smart Convent school.	Rs. 41,64,300/- EMD - 4,16,430/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8361295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0008361
4	Fatwah Branch Mob. 8210998315	(i) M/S Anjali Enterprises, Prop. Sri Mukesh Kumar S/o Sri Baleshwar Prasad, Village-Aahiyatpur, P.O-Bhojpur, P.S.-Nagarnausa, District-Nalanda, Pin-801305, Bihar (ii) Sri Mukesh Kumar S/o Sri Baleshwar Prasad, Village-Khirodpur, Fatwah, Pin-803202, Patna Bihar	Rs. 7,59,064.34 as on 30.11.2020 + interest & Other Cost thereon	All part & parcel of land in the name of mortgagor Smt. Ritu Kumari W/o Sri Mukesh Kumar Bearing deed no 12494 dt. 08/04/2013, K.S. Plot No 1509 (Part) Thana No-30, Khata No-226, Tauzi No-Bihar Sarkar, P.S.-Fatwah, Circle-Fatwah, Sub-Registry-Patna City, District Registry-Patna Sadar, Patna, Measuring-15 Dhur. Location :- Mauza-Sonarua Boundary - North - 06 feet wide Rasta, South - Sri Ashok Yadav, East -05 feet wide Rasta, West -Hal Kharidar Sri Mukesh Kumar	Rs. 4,88,700/- EMD - 48,870/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8361295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0008361
5	Patna ARM Branch # 9162640626	M/s Jai Maa Durga Automobiles Sri Raj Kumar Yadav @ Raiesh Kumar Yadav and Sri Raj Kamal Yadav S/O - Sri Bhagawan Das Yadav, Moh -Chilkra Pt, Opposite Kisancollege Sohsarai, PO +PS-sohsarai, District-Nalanda	Rs. 1,33,98,465.70 as on 29.11.2021 + interest & other Cost etc.	EMT of Land & Building in the name of Sri Raj Kumar Yadav @ Raiesh Kumar Yadav. 1. Sale Deed No-10753 Dt- 23.12.1997, Khata No- 81, Khesra No-1199, Tauzi No-101119, Thana No-133, Mauza- Salempur, Dist- Nalanda. Extent Of Land - 12.5 Decimals. Boundaries: North-Bhattu Mahto, South- Purchaser Raj Kamal Yadav, East- Bridge & River, West- Chamari Mahto 2. Sale Deed No-10492 Dt- 07.08.1989, Khata No- 26, Khesra No-626, Tauzi No-10119, Thana No- 133, Mauza- Salempur, Dist- Nalanda. Extent Of Land - 14.5 Decimals. Boundaries: North- Kameshwar Mahto, South-Shivcharan Mahto, East- Birju Mahto, West-	Property 1. Rs. 47,50,000/- EMD - 4,75,000/- 10,000/- Property 2. Rs. 41,32,500/- EMD - 4,13,250/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8361295000001 IFSC Code: CNRB0008361
6	Patna ARM Branch # 9162640626	i. M/s Maruti Nandan Near Singh Petrol Pump beside Bihar Dalit Vikas Samiti Food Products Pvt.Ltd, Runkunpura Bailey Road Patna Bihar 800014. ii) Bimla Devi W/o Sri Arjun Singh Runkunpura Bailey Road, near Singh Petrol Pump Beside Bihar Dalit vikas Samiti Patna Bihar 800014. iii) Arjun Singh Runkunpura Bailey Road, near Singh Petrol Pump Beside Bihar Dalit Vikas Samiti Patna Bihar 800014. iv) Abhimanyu Kumar Singh Runkunpura Bailey Road, near Singh Petrol Pump Beside Bihar Dalit Vikas Samiti Patna Bihar 800014. v) Abhijeet Kumar Singh Runkunpura Bailey Road, near Singh Petrol Pump Beside Bihar Dalit Vikas Samiti Patna Bihar 800014.	Rs. 48,08,14,933.75 as on 30.09.2020 + interest & other Cost thereon	Property 1.- Land & Building (Residential) in the name of mortgagor Arjun Singh Situated at Mauza- Rukanpura, P.S- Danapur, District-Patna, Thana No-18, Tauzi No.-5281, Khata No-101 & 95 S, Plot No.-367 & 368, area measuring 4 katha Bearing deed no.4656 dated 01/08/1987 Boundary: North- 16ft. Wide Rasta, South-Ramashish Singh & Others, East- Lalbabu Singh & Others, West- Bhanu Kala Devi. Property 2.- SMT of 2.67 katha of Commercial land with Building at Plot No. 121, 122, Sheet No. 19-20, Circle No. 6, Ward No.2, Part of holding No. 207 & 208(O), 265 & 266(N), Jamal Road, Patna in the name of Smt Bimla Devi W/o Arjun Singh.	1. Rs. 2,74,50,000/- EMD - 27,45,000/- 10,000/- 2. Rs. 3,87,18,900/- EMD - 3,87,20,000/- 10,000/- 3. Rs. 1,20,58,200/- EMD - 12,05,820/- 10,000/- 4. Rs. 5,99,85,000/- EMD - 59,98,500/- 10,000/- 5. Rs. 1,60,55,100/- EMD - 16,05,510/- 10,000/- 6. Rs. 47,62,800/- EMD - 4,76,280/- 10,000/- 7. Rs. 54,51,300/- EMD - 5,45,130/- 10,000/- 8. Rs. 3,96,00,000/- EMD - 39,60,000/- 10,000/- 9. Rs. 1,12,50,000/- EMD - 11,25,000/- 10,000/- 10. Rs. 19,00,800/- EMD - 1,90,008/- 10,000/- 11. Rs. 28,08,000/- EMD - 2,80,800/- 10,000/- 12. Rs. 16,20,000/- EMD - 1,62,000/- 10,000/- 13. Rs. 46,87,200/- EMD - 4,68,720/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8361295000001 IFSC Code: CNRB0008361
7	Patna ARM Branch # 9162640626	1. M/s Prachi Coke & Minerals Pvt. Ltd. Administrative Office at Chhati Bazar, Gola Road, Ramgarh Cant. Jharkhand - 829122.	Rs. 1,13,12,123.02 as on 30.09.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	2. Director - (a) Bharat Kapoor R/o BagichaTolaMurubanda, P.O.-Barkipona, P.S.-Ramgarh825101 (b) Sapan Kumar R/o Village Telidih,, P.O.-Narayanpur, P.S.- Chas Bokaro, Steel City Bokaro827013 3. Guarantors - (a) Yogendra Prasad S/o Sri Vishwanath Mahto, R/o BagichaTola, Murubanda, P.O.-Barkipona, P.S.-Ramgarh825101 (b) Manoj Kumar Agarwal S/o Mahabir Prasad Agarwal, R/o Chhati Bazar, Gola Road, P.O / P.S.-Ramgarh829122 (c) Chitragupt Mahto S/o Sri Vishwanath Mahto, R/o BagichaTola, Murubanda, P.O.-Barkipona, P.S.-Ramgarh825101	Property 1.- EMT of Land. Sale deed no 1553 dated 09.05.2005 Thana No 121, Borobing Khata No.-56, Khesara No.- 528. Owned by Chitragupt Mahto & Manoj Kumar Agarwal, Extent Of Land - 40 Decimal Boundary: North- Vendee, South-Vendee, East-Vendee, West-Pratikadim
8	Patna ARM Branch # 9162640626	M/s Shubham Shivam Coke Pvt. Ltd. Murubanda, P.O - Barkipona, P.S.- Ramgarh, Dist- Hazaribagh, State - Jharkhand - 825101 Mr. Chitragupt Mahto, S/o Mr. Vishwanath Mahto, Residing At Village Murubanda, P.S - Ramgarh, Dist.-Hazaribagh, State - Jharkhand -825101 M. Pankaj Kumar, S/o Bhuneshwar Prasad Mehta, Garihiya Balawan, P.S - K Nagar, Purnia, State - Bihar -854301	Rs. 9,97,58,500.82 as on 30.09.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	Property 1.- Sale Deed No. - 526, 527 & 528 dated 20.02.2006, Khata No. 56 & 2 Mauja Borobing, Pargana, Chaingada Tauji No. - 28, Thana No-121, Ramgarh, Khawat No.-1, Sub Regn. Office, Gola Sadar Regn. Office Hazaribagh, Now Ramgarh, Owned by Chitragupt Mahto. Extent Of Land - 72 2/3+72 2/3+ 72 2/3 = 218 Decimal, Boundary : North - Shiv Dayal Mahato & others, South - Vendee, East- Rasta, West- Nepal Mahto & Shivanu Choudhary. Property 2.- Sale deed No.-154 dated 17.01.2007, Plot No. -527, 528 & 529 Khata No. 56 & 2 Mauja Borobing, Pargana Chaingada Tauji No.-28 Thana No.-121, Ramgarh, Khawat No.-1, Sub Regd. Office, Gola, Sadar Regd. Office, Hazaribagh, Now Ramgarh, District Hazaribagh, Owned by Chitragupt Mahto. Extent Of Land - 192 Decimals. Boundary : North - Plot No. 527, 528 & 529; Vendee, South - Plot No. 527, Chhotu Choudhary, Plot No. 528; Vendee, East - Plot No. 527, 528 & 529 ; Vendee, West - Plot No. 527; Shivnath Choudhary, Plot No. 528 & 529 ; Seller Niz	Rs. 65,38,500/- EMD - 6,53,850/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8361295000001 IFSC Code: CNRB0008361
9	Juran Chapra Branch, Main Road, Mahesh Babu Chowk, Muzaffarpur-842003 # 8210998501	Borrower: Smt. Chulia Devi W/o Sri Jamun Sah Vill.-Chagan Neura, P.O.-Jamalbad, PS-Minapur, District-Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842004 Guarantor:-1. Sri Ashok Sah, S/o Sri Jamun Sah, Vill-Chagan Neura, P.O.-Jamalbad, PS-Minapur, District-Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842004 2. Sri Ramesh Sah, S/o Sri Jamun Sah, Vill-Chagan Neura, P.O.-Jamalbad, PS-Minapur, District-Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842004	Rs. 7,00,289 as on 30.09.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	All that part & parcel of the Property consisting in the name of Smt. Chulia Devi, W/o Sri Jamun Sah, khata No. 47, Plot No. 1152, 1153, Area-1888 sqft. Boundary - North - Smt. Veena Devi, South - Nij Manmohir, East - kedar Sah, West - Road Location : Thana No. 513, Mohalla chagan Neura, Mauza- Chagan Neura, PO-Jamalbad, PS-Minapur, Dist.-Muzaffarpur, Bihar	Rs. 18,64,000 EMD - 1,86,400 10,000/- A/c No. : 8360295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0008360
10	Juran Chapra Branch, Juran Chapra Branch, Main Road, Mahesh Babu Chowk, Muzaffarpur-842003 # 8210998501	Borrower: Smt. M/s Sona Agro Enterprises, Partners: Sri Rajesh Kumar & Sri Santosh Kumar Srivastava, Sunitha Complex, Opposite Krishna Cinema, Akaharghat Road, Dist-Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842001 Guarantor-Smt. Anumeha Kumari, W/o Sri Santosh Kumar Srivastava, Alokpuri, Bahalkhana Road, PS-Ramna, District-Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842002	Rs. 27,46,845.10 + interest & other Cost thereon	All that part & parcel of the Property consisting in the name of Smt. Anumeha Kumari, W/o Sri Santosh Kumar Srivastava Khata No. 297, khesra No. 50 'part', Area 0-02.45 decimals (12 1/4 dhur) Boundary - North - Nij Gail K M P Sinha, South - Road, East - Road, West - Shashi Kumar Location : Mohalla-Alokpuri, Bahalkhana Road, P.S.-Mithanpura, Anchal-Mushahari, Thana No. 344, Dist-Muzaffarpur, Bihar	Rs. 44,24,000/- EMD - 4,42,400/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8360295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0008360
11	Juran Chapra Branch, Juran Chapra Branch, Main Road, Mahesh Babu Chowk, Muzaffarpur-842003 # 8210998501	Borrower- Sri Munna Prasad, S/o Sri Mauje Lal Bhagat, Vill-khemaipatti, PO-Mustafaganj, P S - Minapur, District - Muzaffarpur, Bihar-843128 Guarantor- Sri Bhup Narayan Prasad, S/o Sri Nand Lal Singh, Vill-All Neura, PO-Daud chapra, P S - Minapur, District - Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842004	Rs. 18,85,000.25 + interest & other Cost thereon	All that part & parcel of the Property consisting in the name of Sri Munna Prasad, S/o Sri Mauje Lal Bhagat khata No. 150, Plot No. 1627 Part Area-19 1/2 Decimal Boundary - North - Road, South - M. Prasad, East - Shekhar Prasad, West - Dashrath Prasad Location : Thana No. 528, Vill/Mauza-Khemaipatti, PO-Mustafaganj, PS-Minapur, District-Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842002.	Rs. 28,25,000/- EMD - 2,82,500/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8360295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0008360
12	Saraiyaganj, Muzaffarpur Branch-842003 # 8210998503	Borrower- Smt. Chanda Devi, S/o Sri kaushal Kumar, 107, chaurap Bhagat, Bochaha, District-Muzaffarpur, Bihar-843103 Guarantor: Sri Kaushal Kumar, S/o Sri Dinkar Prasad, H.No. 57, chaurap Bhagat, PO-Sanathi Bochaha, District-Muzaffarpur, Bihar-842002	Rs. 17,52,900.46 as on 30.09.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	All that part & parcel of the Property consisting in the name of Smt. chanda Devi, W/o Sri Kaushal Kumar. Property 1 - Khata No. 14, Khesra No. 657 & 659, Mauza-chaupar Bharat, Thana No.-633, Anchal & P.S.-Bochahan, Dist.-Muzaffarpur in the name of Smt. Chanda Devi Area-11.9 Decimals (khesra No. 657) - 02 Decimal (khesra No. 659) = 13 Decimals. Boundary of khesra No. 657 - North - Lt. Bishwanath Pd, South - Road, East - Mahesh Pd, Verma, West - Shyam Nandan Pd. & Mangleshwar Pd. Boundary -khesra No. 659 North - Bishwanath Pd & others, South -Nij Manmohir, East -Jagdish Narain Verma & others, West -Nij Manmohir Property 2.- Khata No. 92, khesra No. 33,34, Mauza-karanpur, Thana No.-642, Anchal & P.S.-Bochahan, Dist.-Muzaffarpur in the name of Smt. chanda Devi Area-5.25 Decimals Boundary of khesra No. 33,34-North -Nij Manmohir, South -Lalbabu Thakur, East -Mahesh Pd, West -Mangleshwar Pd.	Rs. 16,79,000/- EMD - 1,67,900/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 8360295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0008360
13	Telpa Chapra Branch Mob. 8210998476	M/s Ambika Auto Agency, Prop.-Aditya Kumar Gupta, Gandhi chowk Chapra-841301.	Rs. 46.05 Lakh as on 07.05.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	Details of Security assets - Khata No-492, Survey No-998, Thana No-288, Tauji No-1829, 4310, 4311, 4312, 4313 and 4533, Area-1 Katha 3 Dhur 5 Dhurki, Village/Mahalla Paschimari Telpa (Chota Telpa), Thana Chapra Town, Dist.-Saran Name of Title Holder-Mrs Meena Gupta W/o Mr Aditya Kumar Gupta. Boundary - N. - Nij Hal Baidar Nirmala Devi, S. - Nij Hal Baidar Harishchandra Chaudhary, E. -Road 15ft, W.-Raj Kumar Gupta	Rs. 64.58 lakh EMD 6.46 Lakh 10,000/- A/c No. : 6959295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0006959
14	Chapra Lah Bazar, Pin -841301. # 8235416424	M/s Mamta Enterprises Prop.-Sanjay Kumar Ravi, Moh. Mauna Mohan Nagar PO- Chapra Saran 841301.	Rs. 31,03,000/- as on 05.08.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	Title Holder : Sanjay Kumar Ravi S/O - Dharamnath Prasad, At Mauja Kamalpur, 500 mtr, West of Garkha Chhapra Main Road HP Petrol Pump, PO + PS Chhapra Thana No 327, Tauzi No. 549, Khata No. 55 Plot No. 1511, Total Area 6 Katha Boundary:- North- Raghunandan Lal & Others South - Harendra Mahto & Others, East - Bibi Anjurn Bano, West - 8 Ff. wide Bandh Road	Rs. 34,33,000/- EMD - 3,44,000/- 10,000/- A/c No. : 6959295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0006959
15	Daulatpur Branch Mob. 7004089424	M/s Vaishali Dairy Product, Prop.-Sri Manoj Kumar S/O Late Mahendra Prasad VIII+Post-Ghatara, Vaishali-844119	Rs. 17.53 Lakh as on 11.05.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	Details of Security assets-Mauza Ghatara Chaturbhuj, PS-Kartahan, Vaishali, Khata No-927, 2681, 2678, 2674 khesra No. 2168, 3452, 3430, 3429 Thana No. 300, Area:-37.67 Dec.Name of Title Holder-Sri Manoj Kumar S/O Late Mahendra Prasad Boundary: N.-Manoj Kumar, S.-Anutha Devi, East-Balram Prasad, West-Thakurbadi	Rs. 33.27 lakh EMD 3.32 Lakh 10,000/- A/c No. : 6959295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0006959
16	Kuwari Buzurg Branch, Vaishali Mob. 8210998410	Sri Raj Singh, Prop.-M/S Mahadev Traders S/O Sunil Kumar Singh Ward No-13, Pashwan Chowk, Chanakya Colony, Dighi, Dighikala, Hajipur, Vaishali, Bihar-844101.	Rs. 18,17,738.09 as on 31.03.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	All those pieces & parcels of the properties of Mauza-Dighi khurd, khata No-98 & 99, khesra No.-745, 746 & 747, Rev. Thana No-156, Halka No-08, Anchal-Hajipur, Sub Division Office-Hajipur, Dist Sub Registry-Hajipur, Dist.-Vaishali, Bihar-Area-1201 sqft. Name of Title Holder- Sunil Kumar Singh S/O Late Vijay Bahadur Singh Boundary:-North-Harendra Kumar Verma, South-Smt Radhika Devi, East-Property of Plot No-36 & 37, West-Rasta	Rs. 51.00 lakh EMD 5.1 Lakh 10,000/- A/c No. : 6959295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0006959
17	Nadaon, Near Golambar, PO-Buxar, -802101 Branch # 8210998418	M/s Sri Chauhan Rice Mill Prop - Bameshwar Nath Chauhan S/O Sri Ram Darash Chauhan, Vill+Post-Nadaon, Thana No-337, Dist.-Buxar, Bihar-802101	Rs. 42.67 Lakh as on 20.07.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	All the part and parcel of land measuring 15 decimal covered under the khata No 312, Plot No 1382, Thana No 339, Village Nadaon and Post Nadaon, PS-Buxar, District-Buxar (Bihar) in the name of Shri Bameshwar Nath Chauhan S/O Ramdarash Chauhan. Boundary - North - Subashal & Others, South - Road, East - Sharer Lalita Singh, West-Ram Dares Chauhan.	Rs. 38.83/- Lakh EMD - 3.88 Lakh 10,000/- A/c No. : 6959295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0006959
18	Jamaon Branch, Piro-Bhojpur # 8210998320	M/s Shivam Shivam Prop.-Shiv Kumar Prasad Sasaram Road, Jwala Market, Piro-Bhojpur-802207	Rs. 34.02 Lakh as on 05.05.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	Details of Security assets- At Mauja-Piro, Plot No-2946 (N), 1768 (O) C.S khata No.-659(N) 67 (O), Thana No-88, Ward No-09, PO+PS-Piro, Dist-Bhojpur, Area-3.36 dec. Name of Title Holder-Shiv Kumar Prasad S/O Vishwas Prasad Boundary - North - Nardeshwari Rai, South - Brajmoohan Sahay, East -Hridayand Chaudhary & Others, West -Bihar Govt Rasta	Rs. 48.80/- Lakh EMD - 4.88 Lakh 10,000/- A/c No. : 6959295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0006959
19	Arrah Branch # 8210998301	Kamlesh Kumar Pandey, S/o Late Mundrika Pandey, Mohalla-Ramgarhia, P.S.-Arrah Town Bhojpur 802301.	Rs. 31.21 Lakh as on 05.08.2021 + interest & other Cost etc.	All the part and parcel of property in the name of Kamlesh Kumar Pandey S/o Late Mundrika Pandey consisting of Mauza-Kasbe Arrah, Mohalla-Ramgarhia Thana arrah Town Thana No-237, Khata No-1873, Khasra No.-8254 Arrah, District-Bhojpur-802301. Total Area-1 Katha five dhur. Boundary - North - Dhupa Devi, South - Drainage channel, East -Road, West -Shri Nandlal Mahto.	Rs. 17.55/- Lakh EMD - 1.75 Lakh 10,000/- A/c No. : 6959295000001 IFSC Code CNRB0006959
20	Sasaram Branch, 1st Floor, Raj Lakhn Complex, Sasaram, Rohtas, GT Road- 821115 8698667128	M/s Shiv Mini Rice Mill, Prop. Vinod Kumar, S/O Mr. Shiv Ram Singh, Moh. - Gamharia, Sasaram, Rohtas-821115. Guarantor - 1. Mr. Sheojee Singh, S/O-Late Kuldeep Singh, Guarantor - 2. Mr. Dinesh Singh, both are R/O Vill - Gamharia, PO - Mokar, PS - Agrer, Sasaram, Rohtas-821115.	Rs. 1,23,99,029 as on 30.09.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	EMT of land and building in the name of Sri Shiv Jee Singh S/o Late Kuldeep Singh, Khata No. - 05, Plot No. - 140, Thana No. - 163, Mauza - Gamharia, PO - Mokar, Sasaram, Dist. - Rohtas - 821115, Total Area - 80 Decimal Boundary : North - Nij (Vacant Land), South - Road, East - Ramjee Singh (Vacant Land), West - Sita Ram Singh (Vacant Land).	Rs. 65,00,000 Rs. 6,50,000 10,000/- A/c - 8359296000001 IFSC Code - CNRB0008359

## Mumbai court acquits Chhota Rajan in 1983 case

Mumbai: Special court Thursday acquitted Chhota Rajan in a case dating back 38 years, when the gangster was booked for a murder bid on two policemen.

In 1983, Rajan was arrested by the Mumbai Police during an alleged bootlegging operation. During patrolling, the police saw a taxi in which Rajan and his ac-

complice were traveling. When the police tried to stop the taxi, the two men attempted to escape. A tussle ensued and Rajan flashed a knife at the two policemen.

This is one of the oldest cases registered against Rajan. The CBI, through its special public prosecutor Pradip Gharat, had filed a closure report in this case earlier but it was rejected by the court, which directed the central agency to continue its probe.

Rajan is currently serving life imprisonment in Tihar jail for the murder of journalist Dey in 2011.

## US returns 248 antiques valued at \$15 mn to India

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA  
NEW YORK, OCTOBER 28

The US on Thursday returned 248 antiques, including a 12th century bronze Nataraja, valued at an estimated \$15 million to India, the "largest" such transfer of antiques to the country.

"This extraordinary assemblage of artifacts, recovered from

five different criminal investigations over the past decade, embodies the timeless cultural and cosmic bridge between ancient and modern-day India," Manhattan District Attorney Cy Vance, Jr said in a statement.

The US returned the antiques during a repatriation ceremony attended by India Consul General Randhir Jaiswal and US Homeland Security Investigations

(HSI) Deputy Special Agent in Charge Erik Rosenblatt.

Jaiswal expressed gratitude to the Manhattan DA's office for its support and cooperation in the return of antiques to India. "We look forward to our continued engagement to strengthen cultural ties between India and the United States," he said.

Vance said the event also serves as a potent reminder that

individuals who "maraud sacred temples" in pursuit of individual profit are committing crimes not only against a country's heritage but also its present and future. Among the items returned, 235 were seized pursuant to the investigation of jailed art dealer Subhash Kapoor.

As of Thursday, the DA's office has returned 516 antiques to 12 nations since August 2020

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**PhD Admissions (January 2022 session)**  
Applications are invited from prospective candidates for admission to the PhD Program at IISER Mohali in the areas of Biological Sciences, Chemical Sciences, Physical Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Earth & Environmental Sciences and Humanities & Social Sciences, for the session beginning in January 2022. Candidates interested in pursuing research in interdisciplinary areas are also encouraged to apply.  
**Eligibility Criteria, Other details and Application procedure:** The details of eligibility criteria, online application form and application procedure are available at <https://www.iiser Mohali.ac.in/admissions/phd-program-jan-2022>  
Last date: The online application facility will be open till 12.00 noon, November 10, 2021 (Wednesday).

**NOTICE FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**  
RFP No. MPSEDC/2021/2611 Bhopal, Dated : 28.10.2021  
"RFP FOR EMPANELMENT OF AGENCIES FOR PROVIDING TECHNICAL RESOURCES TO MPSEDC"  
MPSEDC invites proposals from suitable agencies for empanelment for providing Sr. Technical resources as per the requirement of MPSEDC. For detailed scope and other terms and condition, please refer the RFP document available at <https://mptenders.gov.in> Interested Agencies who qualify as per the criteria mentioned in the RFP document, may submit their proposals online through the <https://mptenders.gov.in> only latest by **26 Nov. 2021 till 3.00 PM.**  
Any updated, corrigendum, addendum etc. shall be made available only at MP Tenders portal.  
M.P. Madhyam/102455/2021 PROJECT DIRECTOR

**SBI** SARB, 2nd Floor, Patna Main Branch Building, West Gandhi Maidan, Patna - 1  
**PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT (CORRIGENDUM)**  
In reference to E-Auction Sale Notice published in The Indian Express (Bihar) on 14.10.2021 (under SARFAESI Act-2002). It is brought to knowledge to all concern that due to typographical error published Symbolic Possession in place of Physical Possession. So, please read Physical Possession in place of Symbolic Possession. Rest All other contents shall remain the same.  
Authorised Officer  
SBI, SARB, Patna

**CANCELLATION OF TRAIN SERVICES**  
Due to land slide at various location of Darjeeling Himalayan Railway the following train services are cancelled as under:  
(1) 52541 New Jalpaiguri-Darjeeling NG passenger cancelled between New Jalpaiguri-Darjeeling from 29-10-2021 to 08-11-2021. (2) 52540 Darjeeling-New Jalpaiguri NG passenger cancelled between Darjeeling & New Jalpaiguri from 29-10-2021 to 08-11-2021.  
Inconvenience caused to the passengers is deeply regretted.  
General Manager (Operations)  
**NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY**

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Sl. No.	Name / Address Contact No. of the Branch	Name and Address of the Borrower(s)/Guarantor (s)	Outstanding in Rs.	Reserve Price / EMD/Bid Multiplier Amt./A/c No./IFSC	Details of Property
21	Dibhiya Branch, Vill + PO - Dibhiya, PS - Kargahar, Dist - Rohtas Bihar-821107 # 8210998539	<b>Borrower - Sri Arvind Kumar Singh,</b> S/o Late Sheo Shankar Singh Vill-Shivan, PO-Dhanej, PS-Kargahar, Rohtas, Bihar-821107. <b>Guarantor-1.</b> Widow Sulakshana Kuer W/o Late Sheo Shankar Singh, Vill-Shivan, PO-Dhanej, PS-Kargahar, Rohtas, Bihar-821107. <b>and 2.</b> Sri Jit Narayan Singh S/o Late Sheo Shankar Singh Vill-Shivan, PO-Dhanej, PS-Kargahar, Rohtas, Bihar-821107	<b>Rs. 9,31,220/-</b> as on 18.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 4,05,000/-</b> as on 18.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon <b>Rs. 41,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Sri Arvind Kr. Singh,</b> S/o Late sheo Shankar Singh, and Sulakshana Kuer D/o Late Sheo Shankar Singh, Plot no-2069/2289, Thana no-78, Ward no-11A, Mauza-Shivan, PS-Kargahar, Dist-Rohtas-821107 Total Area-2.66 Decimal, [As per 13(2) and 13 (4)] Location : Vill-Shivan, PO-Dhanej, PS-Kargahar, Dist.-Rohtas, Bihar-821107 <b>Boundary (As per Possession Notice): North - Tej Narayan Singh, West - Jagdish Singh, East - Chandradhan, West - Gali &amp; Suresh</b>
22	Dibhiya Branch, Vill + PO - Dibhiya, PS - Kargahar, Dist - Rohtas, Bihar - 821107 # 8210998539	<b>Borrower - M/s Bhawani Enterprises,</b> Prop. - Sri Santosh Mishra S/o Late Karuna Shankar Mishra, Vill + PO - Barahari, PS - Kargahar, Dist. - Rohtas, Bihar - 821107. <b>Guarantor -</b> Sri Tej Narayan Rai, S/o Late Bishwanath Rai, Vill - Sawan Bahar, PO - Barki Akhori, PS - Kargahar, Dist. - Rohtas, Bihar - 821107.	<b>Rs. 9,70,615/-</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 9,05,000/-</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon <b>Rs. 91,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Shri Santosh Mishra,</b> S/o Late Karuna Shankar Mishra, Khata No. - 43, 80, 69, Plot No. - 617, 363, 531, 618 of Vill - Sawan Bahar, Thana No. - 329, Area - 1.13. 1/4 Acres, and Khata No. - 93, Plot No. - 952 of Vill - Akhori, Thana No. - 130, Area - 0.58 Decimal. Total Area - 1.71. 1/4 Acres (As per 13 (2) and 13 (4)) <b>Location - Vill - Sawan Bahar, PO - Barki Akhori, PS - Kargahar, Dist. - Rohtas, Bihar - 821107</b> <b>Boundary (As per Possession Notice): North - Nagendra Mishra, South - Paras Nath Mishra, East - Gali, West - Dwarika Pathak.</b>
23	Aurangabad Branch, In front of ANSM College Old G T Road, Aurangabad-824101, District- Aurangabad, Bihar # 8210998526	<b>Smt. Babita Devi,</b> W/o Mr Gupta Saw, Vill-Pandey khap, PO-Unthu, Aurangabad-824101 and Mr Gupta Saw, S/o Mr Chandep saw, Vill-Pandey khap, PO-Unthu, Aurangabad-824101	<b>Rs. 9,14,174.50/-</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 14,70,000/-</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon <b>Rs. 1,47,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Smt. Babita Devi,</b> W/o Mr Gupta Saw and Mr Gupta Saw S/o Mr Chandep Saw <b>Property No-1.</b> Khata No-72, Plot no-1682, Thana no-553, Thana-phesar, Aurangabad-824101, Total Area :12.5 Decimal, <b>Boundary (As per Deed No-14094 dt. 08/10/2013): North - Sanjay Gupta, South - Niz Mokir, East -Nadi, West - Gupta Saw (Property in the name of Smt. Babita Devi).</b> <b>Property No-2.</b> Khata No-7, Plot no-1684, Thana no-553, Tazui no 8634, Mauza-Kusi, Thana- Phesar, Aurangabad-824101. Tota Area 3.00 Decimal. <b>Boundary (As per Deed No-5987 dt. 24/04/2013): North - Plot no 1681, South - Ram pravesh Ram, East -Ram Pravesh Ram, West - Chart/Road (Property in the name of Mr Gupta Saw)</b>
24	Bhabhua Branch, Ground Floor, Bhabhua Mohaniya Main Road - 821101, Kaimur (Bhabua) # 8210998532	<b>M/s Mahima Gramodhyog</b> Prop Mr Ashok Singh S/o Sri Jhingan Singh, Village-Bhairpur, PO-Bhabhua, Dist.-Kaimur	<b>Rs. 11,95,042/-</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 6,30,600/-</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon <b>Rs. 63,060/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Mr. Ashok Singh,</b> S/o Sri Jhingan Singh, Vill-Bhairpur, PO-Bhabhua, Dist-Kaimur, Bihar khata No-130, Plot No-551, Thana no-442, Vill-Bhairpur, Dist-Kaimur (Bhabhua) area; 3593 Sqft <b>Boundary : North-Daya Singh Yadav, South - Vijay Kant Dubey, East-Chhawar, West - Road</b>
25	Biharsharif-2 Branch, Building No-149, Ward No-19 Daira, Aziz Ghat-803101 8102915089	<b>Borrower(s) - Smt. Ranju Devi</b> W/o Subodh Prasad, Vill-Diripar, PO + Mauza - Barhara, PS - Noorsarai, Dist. - Nalanda, Bihar - 803111 <b>Guarantor(s) -</b> Sri Suresh Prasad S/o - Late Ramji Prasad, Vill - Diripar, PO + Mauza - Barhara, PS - Noorsarai, Dist. - Nalanda, Bihar - 803111	<b>Rs. 8,14,194.89</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 13,21,322/-</b> EMD - <b>1,33,000/-</b> A/c No. : <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building Khata No. - 320, Khasra No. - 1942, Thana No. - 73, Mauza - Barhara, Halka No. - 05, Tazui No. - Bihar Gop. Area - 06 Decimal (2613 sqft. approx) Anchal + PS - Noorsarai, DSRO, Biharsharif, Nalanda - 803111. As per Deed No. - 635 Dt. 20.01.2018. <b>Boundary - North - Niz / Vender, South - Kachi Rasta, East - Concrete Rasta, West - Vijendra Gop &amp; Dayanand Gop.</b>
26	Biharsharif-2 Branch, Building No-149, Ward No-19 Daira, Aziz Ghat-803101 8102915089	<b>Borrower - Md. Yusuf</b> S/o Md. Bablu, Moh. - Imadpur, Biharsharif, Nalanda - 803101. Dist. - Biharsharif <b>Guarantor -</b> Bablu, Emdapur, Bari Kuan, Biharsharif, Nalanda - 803101	<b>Rs. 7,63,275.55</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & other thereon	<b>Rs. 20,03,520/-</b> EMD - <b>2,00,400/-</b> A/c No. : <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Md. Bablu,</b> Sale Deed No. - 1027, Dated - 02.02.2001, Book No. - 1, Volume No. - 58, Page No. - 247 to 254, Mauza- Imadpur, Thana No. - 148, Ward No. - 22/11, H. No. - 62F, Khata No. - 472, Khasra NO. - 2185, Area - 10 Dhur. <b>Boundary - North - Md. Ghali, South - Md Salam, East - Gulam Bari, West - Md. Haider and lane.</b>
27	Biharsharif-2 Branch, Building No-149, Ward No-19 Daira, Aziz Ghat-803101 8102915089	<b>Borrower - M/s Khushbu Furniture,</b> Prop. - Mr. Vijay Kumar S/o Naurangji, Mistry Kalyanpur, Gaurav Nagar, Parwalpur, Dist.-Nalanda. <b>Guarantor -</b> Mr. Dharmendra Kumar S/o Raj Kumar Sharma, Jalalpur, Barapur, Nalanda.	<b>Rs. 7,63,275.55</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 7,63,275.55</b> EMD - <b>76,400/-</b> A/c No. : <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building Thana No. - 375, Khata No. - 04, Khasra No. - 54, Tazui No. - 11868, Mauza - Arwana PS - Ben, Dist. - Nalanda, Total Area - 3.90 Decimals, <b>Boundary (As per Sale Deed No. - 10414, Dated - 07.09.2011) - North - Pyne then Road, South - Rajendra Gop, East - Saroja Devi, West - Ramashish Gope.</b>
28	Biharsharif 2 Branch, Building No-149, Ward No-19, Daira, Aziz Ghat 803101 # 8102915089	<b>Borrower-Mr. Nirbhay Kumar</b> Alias Satyanand Prasad Singh S/o Sri Kishun Singh, Mauza+ Post-Sonchari, PS-Parwalpur, Dist.-Nalanda <b>Guarantor- Smt. Sanju Kumari</b> W/o Sri Nirbhay Kumar R/o Diamond Tea Company Kushwaha, Ramchandrapur Biharsharif.	<b>Rs. 19,77,113.82</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 72,01,250/-</b> EMD - <b>7,20,125/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Mr Nirbhay Kumar</b> Alias Satyanand Prasad Singh S/o Sri Kishun Singh, Mauza + Post-Sonchari, PS-Parwalpur, Dist.-Nalanda Thana No-60, Khata No-126, Khasra No-2544, Sub Registry Office-Hilsa, Dist.-Nalanda, Total Area- 1.33 Acre (01 Acr 33 Decimals) <b>Boundary : North-Ball Singh, South - Vidya Singh, East -Rajeshwar Singh, West - Triveni Singh.</b>
29	Nawada Branch, Building No-149, Ward No-19, Daira, Aziz Ghat 803101 8210998558	<b>1.M/S Rahul Auto</b> prop: Mr. Rahul Ranjan, Vill-Uprawan, PO-Biranwan, Kashichak, Nawada-805130 <b>Guarantor -</b> Mr. Dharmendra Prasad S/o Late Sri Ramrup Prasad, Vill-Uprawan, PO-Biranwan, Kashichak, Nawada-805130	<b>Rs. 81,32,282.56</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 13,50,000/-</b> EMD - <b>1,35,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Mr Dharmendra Prasad</b> S/o Late Mr Ramrup Prasad, Khata No-50, Plot no-629, Thana-361 Total Area - 1.50 Decimal (As per deed no 13681) <b>Boundary : North-Basu Mahto, South - Tuntun Kumar, East -Seller, West - Kedar Prasad after Road</b>
30	Nawada Branch, First floor Madhuri complex, Bank Road, Nawada-805110 # 8210998558	<b>Borrower (Prop.) Smt. Priyanka Kumari,</b> W/o Sri Rahul Ranjan, Vill-Uprawan, PO-Biranwan, Kashichak, Dist.-Nawada, Bihar-805130 <b>Guarantor -</b> Sri Rahul Ranjan, S/o Sri Dharmendra Prasad, Vill-Uprawan, PO-Biranwan, Kashichak, Dist.-Nawada, Bihar-805130	<b>Rs. 50,45,886.00</b> as on 18.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 23,30,000/-</b> EMD - <b>2,33,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Smt. Priyanka Kumari,</b> W/o Sri Rahul Ranjan, khata No-222, khasra No-148, Thana No-556, Mauza-Bahera, Dist.-Nawada, Bihar-805130. Total Area- 3.75 Decimal (As per 13(2) and 13 (4)) <b>Location : Vill-Uprawan, PO-Biranwan, Kashichak, Dist.-Nawada, Bihar-805130. Boundary (As per Possession Notice) : North -Nij Seller, South - Aandhi Chaudhary, East -Aandhi Chaudhary, West -Saler Niz</b>
31	Hilsa Branch, Hilsa Patna Main Road, Bihar-801302 # 8210998546	<b>Borrower-1. Sri Shailendra Kumar Verma,</b> S/o Sri Devnandan Singh, Vill + PO-Mirzapur, PS-Chiksaura, Sub district-Hilsa, Dist.-Nalanda-802207 <b>Borrower-2. Late Smt. Mala Verma,</b> W/o Sri Shailendra Verma, Vill + PO-Mirzapur, PS-Chiksaura, Sub district-Hilsa, Dist.-Nalanda-802207	<b>Rs. 31,42,440/-</b> as on 18.10.2021 + interest & other cost thereon	<b>Property 1. Rs. 17,59,000/-</b> EMD - <b>1,75,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b> <b>Property 2. Rs. 7,52,000/-</b> EMD - <b>75,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Property-1. Sri Shailendra Verma</b> S/o Devnandan Singh, khasra No. 121, Plot No-232, Sub district-Hilsa, Dist.-Nalanda, Tota Area-2.5 Decimal As per Possession Notice dated 12/10/2017 <b>Boundary : N. - Gali and House of Nirajan Singh and Suresh Singh, S. -Rasta, E. -Rasta and H/o Chandrasekhar Singh, West - H/o Suresh Singh. Property 2.-Late Smt. Mala Verma,</b> W/o Sri Shailendra Verma, Plot No-221, Khesra No 350, Mirzapur, Chiksaura, Sub District-Hilsa, District-Nalanda, Total Area/extent of land 12.50 Decimal as per Possession Notice dated 12/10/2017 <b>Boundary: -N.-Khanta (Deep Gorge), S.-Arvind Singh in same plot, E.-Khanta (Deep Gorge), W.-Mukesh Kumar in same plot.</b>

Sl. No.	Name / Address Contact No. of the Branch	Name and Address of the Borrower(s)/Guarantor (s)	Outstanding in Rs.	Reserve Price / EMD/Bid Multiplier Amt./A/c No./IFSC	Details of Property
32	Faridpur Branch, Vill - Audhey, Faridpur, PO + PS - Sheikhpura, Bihar - 811105 # 8210998541	<b>Borrower - Shri Yadunandan Yadav,</b> S/o Shri Kuldeep Yadav, Mouza - Bihta, P.O. - Mandana, PS - & Dist. - Sheikhpura Anchal - Sheikhpura - Ghat Kusumbha, Bihar - 811105. <b>Co -Borrower -</b> Sri Pintu Kumar, S/o Yadunandan Yadav, Vill-Bihta, P.O. - Mandana, PS - & Dist. - Sheikhpura.	<b>Rs. 5,73,788.86</b> (4,55,450.86 for Account No. 5469619000001) + <b>Rs. 1,18,338 for</b> Account No. 5469841000007) as on 18.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 32,86,000/-</b> EMD - <b>3,28,600/10,000/-</b> A/c No. : <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Shri Yadunandan Yadav,</b> S/o Sri Kuldeep Yadav, Khata No. - 15, Khesara No. - 664, Thana - 154, Tazui No. - 228, Mauza - Bihta, PO - Mandana, Dist. - Sheikhpura, Total Area : 9 Decimal (As per Deed No. - 332) <b>Boundary - North - Purchaser Self, South - Ramotar Chaudhary, East - Guleswar Chaudhary, West - Lakho Yadav.</b>
33	Pachna Branch, Girihinda Chowk, Sheikhpura, Bihar-811107 # 8210998560	<b>1. Mr Anmol Saw,</b> S/o Mr Rameshwar Saw Vill + PO-Kaihawan, Sheikhpura.2. Co-Obligant-Smt. Fekini Devi W/o Mr. Rameshwar Saw, Vill+PO-Kaihawan, Sheikhpura.	<b>Rs. 9,23,769.08</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 8,30,000/-</b> EMD - <b>83,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Smt. Fekini Devi,</b> W/o Mr. Rameshwar Saw, khata No-81 & 82, Plot No-1293 & 1294, Thana No-224, Tazui No-2940, Moh-Khathawan, Mauza-Khathawan, Sheikhpura-811105. Total Area-5 Decimal. <b>Boundary : North - Nij Khesara Haja, South -Mahendra Chaudhary, East -Rasta, West -Nij Seller</b>
34	Pachna Branch, Girihinda Chowk, Sheikhpura, Bihar-811107 # 8210998560	<b>Mr. Bisheshwar Yadav</b> S/o Mr Ramjee Yadav at Moh-Hanumanganj, PO-Aefani, PS-Pharpar, Sheikhpura-811105	<b>Rs. 7,85,066</b> as on 01.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 16,07,000/-</b> EMD - <b>1,60,700/10,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8359296000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008359</b>	EMT of land and building in the name of <b>Mr Bisheshwar Yadav,</b> Area-12.7/8 decimal. khata no-128,94,104, Plot no-4238, 4239,4044, Tazui no-4299, Thana no 274, Moh.-Hanumanganj, PO-Aefani, PS-Ariari, Sheikhpura-811105 <b>Boundary Plot No-4238:</b> North-Nageshwar Yadav, South-Suraj Manjhi, East-Bharat Yadav, West-kapildeo Yadav <b>Boundary Plot No-4239:</b> North-Ramji Yadav, South-Rameshwar Yadav, East-Tarani Yadav, West-Kapildeo Yadav, <b>Boundary Plot No-4044:</b> North-Umesh Yadav, South-Nageshwar Yadav, East-Rasta, West-Kharidar
35	Buxar Branch Mob. 8210998309	<b>M/S Madhu Kumari,</b> Prop.-Madhu Kumari, W/o-Sri Zeemi Chandra, Charitarwan, Buxar-802101	<b>Rs. 15.82 Lakh</b> as on 18.05.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 62.55 lakh</b> EMD - <b>6.26 Lakh 10,000/-</b> A/c No. : <b>6959295000001</b> IFSC Code <b>CNRB0006959</b>	<b>Details of Security assets-Situated at Vill-Hukaha,</b> PS No-281, PS-Buxar-muffasil, Anchal-Buxar, Khata No-90, plot no-41, Area - 5 katha(6805 sqft) Title Holder-Smt. Madhu Kumari W/o Sri Zeemi chandra <b>Boundary - North - Nahar chat, South-Niz, East-Vijay Kumar, West-Niz</b>
36	Prithvi Market, Munger-II Bazar Korha, PO-Munger-II, Bihar 854108 # 8102915981	<b>Borrower-1. Anil Kumar Malakar</b> S/o Late Hari Prasad @ Chhote Lal, Basudepur, Mali Tola, Near Durga Mandir, Munger-811201. <b>Borrower-2. Mrs Kunti Devi</b> W/o Anil Kumar Malakar, Basudepur, Mali Tola, Near Durga Mandir, Munger-811201. <b>Guarantor -</b> Md. Ejaz Ahmad S/o Md. Niser, Maszid Gali, Gulzar Pokar, Munger-811201	<b>Rs. 14,08,482.91</b> as on 20.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 25,00,000.00</b> EMD - <b>2,50,000.00/10,000/-</b> A/c No. : <b>8362295000001</b> IFSC Code <b>CNRB0008362</b>	All that part and parcel of landed Property situated At-Mauza-Basudepur, Thana-Kotwali, sub Registrar & District-Munger, Tazui No-1338, Ward No-03 (Old) 04 (New), Municipal Khesra No-504, Holding No-4F95/560, Jamabandi No-16, Total Area-25 Dhur 15 Dhurki, Owner-Sri Anil Kumar Malakar
37	1st Floor Ashok Astambh Chowk, Sarwam Bazar, Munger Bihar-811201 # 8102915981	<b>1. Malti Devi W/o Prakash Poddar,</b> Maksuspur, Dhobi Tola, Near Mahabir Asthan, Munger Pin-811201 <b>2. Prakash Poddar</b> S/o Late Ayodhya Poddar, Dhobi Tola, Maksuspur, Munger-811201 <b>3. Mukesh Kumar</b> S/o Sri Nath Sah, Shadipur, In front of Nathuni dealer, behind bari Durga Asthan, Munger-811201	<b>Rs. 24,97,304.92</b> as on 20.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 16,00,000.00</b> EMD - <b>1,60,000.00/10,000/-</b> A/c No. : <b>8362295000001</b> IFSC Code <b>CNRB0008362</b>	All that part and parcel of landed Property Situated at Mauza-Maksuspur, Thana-Kasim Bazar, Munger, Sale Deed No-1627, Dat 22.05.2007, Tazui No-414, Jamabandi No-295/298, Khesra No-258 Sheet No-2, Holding No-496 (Old) 534 (New), Area-1.65 Decimal in the name of Malti Devi Area-1.65 Decimals <b>Boundary - North-Aradhana Sinha, South - Shashikala Devi, East -Govt. Toilet, West -10' Municipal Path</b>
38	1st Floor, Raja Shivmandan Palace, Bari Bazar, Munger, Bihar-811201 Branch	<b>M/s Om Centring and Building Materials (Borrower) Prop.-</b> Rabindra Paswan, Kataria, Danyapur, Munger, Bihar-811201 <b>Rabindra Paswan (Borrower) S/o</b> Harilal Paswan, At-Kataria, Danyapur, Munger, Bihar-811201 <b>Guarantor-Binay Kumar Paswan</b> s/o Rabindra Paswan, at-Kataria, DariMunger, Bihar-811201	<b>Rs. 13,03,909.27</b> as on 20.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 11,87,000.00</b> EMD - <b>1,18,700.00/10,000/-</b> A/c No. : <b>8362295000001</b> IFSC Code <b>CNRB0008362</b>	All that part and parcel of land Measuring 1 Kattha 12 Dhur = 5.03 Decimal, Covered Under Khata No-94, Khesra No-264, situated at Mohalla/Village-Kataria, Mauja-Maisikandarpur, Pargana-Munger, Thana-Muffasil, P.O-Danyapur, Dist.-Munger, Thana No-145, Tazui No-4827 in the name of Rabindra Paswan S/o Late Hari Lal Paswan <b>Boundary - North -Mala Devi, South - Dayanand Paswan and Kanta Devi, East -Heirs of Hemraj Singh, West -Rahunandan Singh</b>
39	1st Floor Ashok Astambh Chowk, Sarwam Bazar, Munger, Bihar-811201 8102915981	<b>Borrower-Ranveer Kumar,</b> S/o Harbans Prasad, Nirmal Kuti, Dalhatta Bazar, Munger-811201. <b>Guarantor-1.</b> Malti Devi (Co Borrower) W/o Harbans Prasad, Nirmal Kuti, Dalhatta Bazar, Munger-811201 <b>Guarantor-2.</b> Niti Kumar (Co Borrower) W/o Ranveer Kumar, Nirmal Kuti, Dalhatta Bazar, Munger-811201	<b>Rs. 29,49,407.86</b> as on 20.10.2021 + interest & Other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 27,34,000.00/-</b> EMD - <b>Rs.2,73,400/10,000/-</b> A/c - <b>8362295000001</b> IFSC Code - <b>CNRB0008362</b>	All that part and parcel of the properties consisting of - Sale Deed No. 3156 dated 02.11.1973, Tazui No. 1338, Khata No. 260 Minjumal, Jamabandi No. 2/181 (Old) 2/300 (New), Holding No. 30/618, 29 Old 562 New, Mauza Basudepur Munger, Area-1360 Sqft. <b>Boundary : North-House of Guro Prasad, South - Gali Bad House Hari Sah, East -Land of Tulsi Bhagat Hal Municipal Gali Bad Hriday Babu, West - Road</b>
40	Anand Bazar Main Rd, Jalalgarh, Bihar-854327 Branch # 8210998599	<b>M/S Praveen Khad Beej Bhandar (Borrower)</b> Proprietor-Pankaj Kumar, S/o Ganesh Chaudhary, at Gauri Chowk, Sarsoni, Jalalgarh, Dist.-Purnea, Pin-854327, Bihar	<b>Rs. 39,13,223.04</b> as on 20.10.2021 + interest & other Cost thereon	<b>Rs. 34,00,000.00</b> EMD - <b>3,40,000.00/10,000/-</b> A/c No. : <b>8362295000001</b> IFSC Code <b>CNRB0008362</b>	All that part and parcel of land Measuring 8 Decimal 4 Kari=4 Kattha Covered Under Khata No-88, survey No 1090, Situated at Mohalla/Village-Jalalgarh Mauja+Thana-Jalalgarh, Thana No-189, Tazui No-8/5, Jamabandi No.-2670, Pargana-Havelli Nabaiyat Kayami Anchal-Jalalgarh, Dist.-Purnea in the name of Pankaj Kumar S/o Ganesh Choudhary. <b>Boundary -North -Smt Champa Devi, South -Nij Seller, East -Nij</b>



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BECAUSE THE TRUTH INVOLVES US ALL

# The new economic scrabble



MANISH SABHARWAL AND RAJEEV MANTRI

Three acts of private, nonprofit, policy intervention converged to accelerate our startup ecosystem

## OVATION & SEDITION

Booking citizens for 'cheering for Pakistan' shows disregard for the law, Constitution. Courts must step in to stem this over-reach

**A** CRICKET MATCH was fought and lost. Team India brushed off the disappointment and the defeat — as well as the inflammable mix of emotions that can overwhelm India-Pakistan cricket matches. Virat Kohli and his men walked up to the Pakistan players and congratulated them. In doing so, they refused to be turned into gladiators fighting a proxy battle of jingoism. To millions of young people watching them, they sent out important messages. That players are united on the common ground of sport, that when you have lost and are feeling lousy about it, you still congratulate the winner. That's not just sportsmanship, that's decency. But that's thrown out of the window in these polarised times when the IPC is weaponised by the state at the drop of a dissenting line. So, days after Union Home Minister Amit Shah said he was reaching out to the young, the Jammu and Kashmir Police registered a case under the draconian anti-terror law, UAPA, against unknown students in two Srinagar medical colleges for "cheering for Pakistan" in the T20 match. There's no evidence that their cheering was part of any incitement to violence. In Congress-ruled Rajasthan, the police arrested a schoolteacher for a social media post, again, ostensibly in support of the Pakistan cricket team. In Agra, the UP police arrested three Kashmiri students in Agra, and slapped cases against four other people. Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has come down even harder on this fictional crime — he has promised sedition charges.

In each of these cases, the police is guilty of blatant violation of Constitutional norms and guarantees. This disturbing, absurd script has played out before. Be it in a case of sedition against a school in Karnataka for staging a play, or a 22-year-old for raising slogans, or another young woman for climate change activism. What would the men in uniform, who now appear to be in service of a thin-skinned nationalism rather than the Constitution, have made of the thriller of a Test match in Chennai in 1999, when the entire Chepauk stadium stood up to applaud the Pakistan side after it defeated India? How many cases could they have filed then? Does the faith of the audience matter? Is Pakistan the problem? Or, will applauding New Zealand be seditious too? This absurdity needs to be checked.

The judiciary has time and again laid down guidelines for the application of the colonial-era sedition law (only to see them routinely flouted) and asked the government to examine its remit. It must not turn a blind eye to this latest round of excessive and unlawful action. It needs to throw out these cases and tell the police, in no uncertain terms, why their action violates the Constitution. Locking up a citizen for cheering a rival nation during a game is a self-goal in a democracy.

## MISSING THE SHOT

Evidence of people not completing vaccine regimen is worrying. Governments must step up awareness, nudge people

**I** N ITS FINAL phase, India's Covid vaccination project is wrestling with a new challenge. About 10.4 crore people, more than a tenth of those who have taken the first shot, have skipped their appointment with the second dose. Experts believe that vaccine hesitancy, misplaced fears of side effects or complacency fostered by the incorrect belief that a single dose provides a strong shield against the virus could be the reasons for this omission — a serious one given that it's now well-established that the vaccines offer optimum immunity only after the second jab is administered and a growing body of scholarly literature testifies to the indispensability of complete inoculation for herd immunity. Governments at every level must, therefore, make renewed efforts to convince people to complete the regimen.

The first dose of the vaccine prepares the immune system to fight the virus and the second dose cements the protection. Several countries have had to carry extensive information campaigns to get this Covid-vaccination precept through to the general public. States in the US, for example, have run TV, radio and digital ads and officials have used social media to convey the importance of the second dose. Indian officials, healthcare professionals and frontline workers, who have so far done a commendable job in combating vaccine hesitancy, must now scale up their public awareness endeavours to tackle the new challenge. However, going by the experience from other parts of the world, such drives may not be enough. Countries, where a substantial section of the population has received at least one jab, are now resorting to disincentives for those opting out of inoculation. Canada, for instance, has asked federal government employees to declare their full vaccination by Friday. Passengers above 12 in the country must show their vaccination status on trains, domestic airlines and marine transport. A swab test is mandatory for people who are not fully inoculated for interstate travel in several parts of India as well. But these norms are not always implemented with the stringency required to have the desired effect.

Last week, the day after India reached the milestone of 100-crore shots, Prime Minister Narendra Modi concluded his congratulatory speech on a note of caution. The virus continues to be amongst us, he said. It's a measure of the PM's social capital that such cautionary messages have struck a chord with the people at critical times during the pandemic. If need be, he shouldn't desist from using this goodwill to impress on the people the importance of the second dose — for their own protection and that of their acquaintances and country people.

## BREAD OR BLOOD

Rising price of baguettes is fuelling public unrest in France. As history shows, government can't just ask people to eat cake

**I** N THE CURRENT public unrest in France over the rising price of the baguette are echoes of what happened 232 years ago. Back then, the fact that a staple had been priced out of the reach of the masses led to the French Revolution and the dramatic, bloody collapse of the *ancien régime*. The situation isn't quite so dire right now — the president of the French Confederation of Bakeries and Pastry Shops has said that unlike then, bread is still available, even if it's more expensive.

Around the world, the unaffordability or non-availability of food has, from time to time, led to mass unrest, and even the collapse of governments. Bread riots had preceded the fall of the Bastille in 1789, which was stormed in part because the starving *sans culottes* were looking for grain. Similarly, in 1918 a precipitous rise in the price of rice caused riots in Japan, which led to the resignation of Prime Minister Terauchi Masatake and his cabinet. And consider how frequently that Indian pantry staple — the onion — has caused electoral convulsions: From fuelling public anger against Indira Gandhi's government in the pre-Emergency months to powering her resurgence in the 1980 general elections. Onion price rise was also one of the factors in the ousting of the BJP in the 1998 Delhi Assembly elections.

France's current surge in the price of the baguette is due to bad harvests in Russia, which have led to a global rise in the price of wheat. Greater energy prices have also made ovens more expensive to operate and the heat is being felt by the nation's famous boulangeries, as well as the average consumer of the long, baton-shaped bread which is seen as an icon of French culinary heritage. As history teaches us, when people complain about basic foodstuff being unaffordable, governments can't just ask them to eat cake.

INDIA'S STARTUP ECOSYSTEM is radically breaking from its past in company valuations, unicorn numbers, funding round sizes, foreign interest, and growth. What's going on? Historians suggest caution with origin stories — every theory just points to an earlier beginning. But we believe three acts of entrepreneurship from five years ago — Jio, UPI, and GST — have converged to accelerate our startup ecosystem. We also make the case that this triad of private, nonprofit, and government courage demonstrates the economic upsides of a better balance between the three sectors.

The Harvard economist Ricardo Hausmann suggests economic development is like a game of scrabble. Goods and services are made by stringing together productive capabilities — inputs, technologies, and tasks — just as words are made by putting letters together. Countries with a greater variety of capabilities can make more diverse and complex goods, just as a scrabble player who has more letters can generate more and longer words. If a country lacks a letter, it cannot make the words that use it. Moreover, the more letters a country has, the greater the number of uses it can find for any additional letter acquired. In Hausmann's framing, the government provides the vowels and the private sector provides the consonants. The 1955 Avadi resolution poisoned India's economic scrabble by restricting constants and shrinking the state's resources to provide vowels. Our triad provides new letters and vowels that enable entrepreneurs to create newer and longer words. Let's look at each in more detail:

**JIO:** India's per GB internet data costs are just 3 per cent of those in the US. A bold and risky \$35 billion bet made by a private company transformed Indians from being data deprived to data-rich; consumption has jumped 15 times because costs fell by over 90 per cent. The addition of millions of consumers and smartphones since Jio's delightful five-year disruption of the market has exploded the most important universal metric in startup valuation — addressable market. Most Indians toil in low productivity and self-exploitation. Affordable digital connectivity is transforming 75 crore of them into consumers, entrepreneurs, employees, and suppliers.

**UPI:** Google's letter to the US Federal

India now has the highest ratio of unlisted to listed companies with a \$1 billion valuation, suggests Neelkanth Mishra of Credit Suisse (a unicorn was born every 10 days this year). Initial public offering documents filed by early startups like Nykaa, Paytm, Zomato and PolicyBazaar roughly average a 10x valuation rise since the triad went live. Estimates suggest India's startup ecosystem valuation will explode from \$315 billion today to \$1 trillion by 2025. An unintended delightful upside of Rs 2 lakh crore startup fundraising in 2021 is the mass diversion of high-quality young human capital from wage employment to job creation.

Reserve suggesting America learn from India's Universal Payments Interface (UPI) run by the remarkable nonprofit — National Payment Corporation of India — acknowledged that our real-time, low-cost, open-architecture payment plumbing is a public good. UPI's mobile-first architecture is a key pillar of the paperless, presenceless, and cashless framework of the Aadhaar-seeded India Stack. UPI's current four billion transactions a month — it will soon reach a billion a day — greatly reduces friction and costs for entrepreneurs and consumers in low-value payments. Remember the inefficiency and low reliability of cash-on-delivery?

**GST:** India's economic tragedy began with the second five-year plan in 1956, leading entrepreneurs to conclude that the benefits of formality were lower than the costs. This informality bred corruption; transmission losses between how the law was written, interpreted, practiced, and enforced. More painfully, informality bred low-productivity enterprises with low-paying jobs, whose business model of regulatory arbitrage and tax evasion made formal enterprises uncompetitive. GST attacked complexity and incentivised law-abiding supply and distribution chains. It was long in the making but going live needed the risk-taking of starting with a second-best architecture, accepting some unjustifiable rates, and state revenue guarantees. The doubling of indirect tax registered enterprises since GST creates a virtuous economic cycle of higher total factor productivity for enterprises and employees.

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Humanity will never resolve the debate whether history is a social science or litera-

ture. The social science camp of Karl Marx believes circumstances are paramount and history makes people. But the literature camp of Carlyle believes people make history. As entrepreneurs, we would go crazy if we didn't believe in the ability of individuals to give the push that history sometimes needs. Of course, the triad's success needed talented civil servants, central bankers, foreign partners, committees, technology, and managers. But we believe the triad wouldn't have happened in time for India@75 if Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Mukesh Ambani, and Nandan Nilekani hadn't provided conviction, persistence, and strategy.

English's 26 letters — 21 consonants and five vowels — enable creating roughly two lakh dictionary words and 10 lakh usage words. Framing development as scrabble has much to teach the post-1947 economic policy: our 63 crore enterprises only translate to 23,000 companies with a paid-up capital of more than Rs 10 crore because consonants were restricted and vowels were misclassified or missing. The wonderful recent *ghar wapas* of Air India is just the start of righting the historical wrong of misclassifying many private consonants as government vowels. A government does more when it does less.

In the third decade of the third millennium, one of India's opportunities is China's ongoing corrosion of Deng Xiaoping's economic miracle built on a healthy balance between the state, entrepreneurs, and foreigners. Our mass prosperity after Independence was sabotaged by an imbalance between private, nonprofit, and government players because economic magic needs an engine firing on all three cylinders. The triad reinforces each element to drive inclusion and prosperity by enabling billions of people and millions of enterprises to do billions of satchet size transactions with low or no cost. Gandhiji's notion of democracy — where the weakest have the same opportunity as the strongest — needs an economic meritocracy only possible when entrepreneurs have all the consonants and vowels. India's better scrabble has begun.

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## SONS, FATHERS AND A PLOT

The vilification of Bollywood has become a way to manufacture enemies



ANUBHA YADAV

**J**UST AROUND GANDHI Jayanti, two powerful fathers and their sons were in the news, a few hours from each other, the events almost overlapping, one happening in Mumbai and the other in the state of Uttar Pradesh.

One son is the prime accused in the brutal mauling of four farmers and a journalist to death (three others were killed in the subsequent violence) in Lakhimpur Kheri. The other is accused of involvement in consumption, sale and purchase under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985. In the former, after six days of no action, the Supreme Court had to intervene for the Uttar Pradesh state machinery to find the absconding son and put him in judicial custody. In the latter, the son was taken into judicial custody in a few hours and was later shifted to Arthur jail — he got bail on Thursday, after 25 days in jail.

If you are not living under a rock, you know who is who in this story. The former is Ashish Mishra, the son of the Minister of State for Home Affairs, Ajay Mishra, and the latter is Aryan Khan, the son of actor Shah Rukh Khan. This is almost routine-India, where individual rights seem subject to religious identity. Public discourse has been replaced by performance, and a constant spectacle of emotionally charged populism is projected as the "voice of the people".

Majoritarianism keeps inventing new enemies to sustain itself. They are chosen with diligent attention. This "enemy" is often con-

structed through a chain of events akin to a very gripping plot, a popular thriller. This time, the plot has a narcotics officer, Sameer Wankhede, who is being hailed by some for his zealous honesty — a real life "hero" fighting against the reel "hero". Wankhede has said he is performing a "cleansing of the city". Some news reports say that, on the first day of custody, Aryan Khan promised Wankhede that he will be a "good boy" after his release.

The plot keeps thickening. The frustrated middle class, which has lost more than they can bear to remember in the pandemic, is hooked. Walter Benjamin gave us the concept of "aestheticisation of politics" and noted how spectacles allow the masses to "express themselves" without seeing their "rights recognised". For Bollywood, the problem is peculiar as it has itself often chosen to be a sedating spectacle. The ones who consumed one spectacle are now, with the same devotion, consuming the other, with little distinction between the two.

I am told WhatsApp groups are rife with imagined acts of moral depravity in Bollywood. Their secret double lives. Words have become psychotropics: "Drugs", "Rave", "Cruise", "Party". History knows there is no end to the depravity of an imagination.

A few days ago, a liberal middle class friend noted that Aryan Khan might learn some precious lessons for life from this "adversity". I asked him if he would appreciate his teenage

son getting a similar lesson? He felt cornered and accused me of misunderstanding him.

A year ago, we saw a prequel of the same plot when actor Sushant Singh Rajput committed suicide. The enemy is the same: Bollywood. The plot is a spiral. If the leviathan can get Shah Rukh Khan's son, who can escape? The message is clear. Your identity itself is a crime.

India is famous for its father-son stories. The father who sent his eldest son to 14 years of *navas* — that mythical narrative lives in various Hindi films. One of them was the 1980s blockbuster *Shakti*, in which honest-to-a-fault father Ashwin Kumar (Dilip Kumar), the commissioner of police, refuses to cut a deal for his kidnapped son with a dreaded gangster. The son remembers the betrayal. The father regrets his choice. There is redemption.

As to the story of these two fathers, Shah Rukh Khan's son, Aryan Khan is trending on Twitter every day. He is guilty until proven innocent. There is a thundering silence on the Twitter handle of Shah Rukh Khan. One of his last tweets, greeting his fans on Ganesh Chaturthi, mocks us. Ajay Mishra's son is absent on most days from public memory or media. He is innocent until proven guilty. The honourable minister is still the honourable minister at the Centre.

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## OCTOBER 29, 1981, FORTY YEARS AGO

### JUDGE ON ANTULAY

**J**USTICE V D Tulzapurkar, a senior judge of the Supreme Court, on Wednesday condemned as "disgraceful and ill-timed" the show made by the Maharashtra chief minister, A R Antulay, last week while offering land to judges for building their houses. He also criticised those judges who went to the chief minister's house and allowed themselves to be televised. "They should have protested against being photographed; the cameras and lights were there. It was not a case of bugging," Justice Tulzapurkar told *The Indian Express* when asked for his reaction to the controversial behaviour of the

Chief Minister.

### ZIA'S SOVIET OUTREACH

**P**RESIDENT ZIA-UL-HAQ of Pakistan has said that his country would have to find an "accommodation" with the Soviet Union on the Afghanistan issue while not compromising on principles. Pakistan recognises the necessity of Afghanistan being a state friendly to the Soviet Union. "We have asked them, now that the Soviet Union has 90,000 troops in Afghanistan, what can Pakistan expect? And they have told us in very clear terms that the Soviet Union will not violate Pakistan's national borders." Gen. Zia at the same time

charged India and the Soviet Union with collusion to undermine his country. "We have had a taste of this collusion in 1971 and we are very much concerned whether this collusion could be harmful again to Pakistan."

### POLISH STRIKE

**M**ILLIONS OF POLISH workers defied Communist authorities on Wednesday, with a one-hour national strike as Solidarity staged its biggest protest in seven months. The union, angered by the government refusal to join an economic council to manage the economy and facing a mounting wave of local protests, launched the one-hour protest at noon.

# Sharing the green burden

A net-zero carbon commitment from India could make all the difference in humankind's challenge to avoid climate catastrophe



AJAY SHANKAR

INDIA PROVIDED LEADERSHIP to developing countries in getting the principle of "common but differentiated responsibility" accepted at the UNFCCC (United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change) in 1992. Equity and climate justice imply equal human rights to development, energy consumption, and carbon emissions. The advanced countries were to reduce their carbon emissions substantially. Innovative technologies would emerge in the process. The expectation was that these would be shared with the developing countries who would also be given financial assistance to enable them to increase their mitigation efforts.

The large affluent countries, especially the United States, were unfortunately irresponsible. Most of them — Germany being a notable exception — could not evolve the national consensus needed for bearing the costs for reducing carbon emissions. The US could not even ratify the Kyoto Protocol. Many fell short in achieving what they promised. Then, under President Barack Obama, the US led the effort in getting the landmark Paris Agreement of December 2015, which aims at restricting global warming to 2 degrees through voluntary national commitments (NDCs). Yet, the US walked out of the agreement under Donald Trump and has only now come back under President Joe Biden.

Technology transfer to developing countries was never really on the table in the developed countries as technologies were developed by firms who had the intellectual property rights. Financial transfers, though promised, never got any traction within the rich countries. In the run-up to the UNFCCC's COP-26, slated to begin in Glasgow next week, one can only hope that there is a qualitative transformation in this regard. Conceptually, part of the collections from a carbon tax in the wealthy countries could provide the viability gap grant funding needed to support, say electricity storage projects, through emerging global green climate funds.

The IPCC (International Panel on Climate Change) has been coming out with reports over the years with the scientific consensus becoming sharper on the imperative of restricting global warming to 1.5 degrees, on the unmitigated disaster that awaits humanity if this did not happen, and on how time is running out. Extreme weather events occurring with increasing frequency in recent years have been turning public opinion decisively in favour of strong and immediate action. The UK and France enacted legislation in June 2019 to become net carbon zero by 2050. Action on climate change was one of the key pillars of the Biden election campaign. The US has now led by example in getting commitments of more substantive carbon reduction targets from the advanced economies by 2030. Action in the coming decade is critical. Biden wants a fossil fuel-free electricity system by



CR Sasikumar

2035 in the US. Net-zero by 2050 is imperative. It is a goal that has now been adopted by around 125 countries. Major global corporations are in a competitive mode in announcing their own net-zero targets.

Technological innovation has been working wonders. When the sun shines or the wind blows, they generate the cheapest electricity. India has seen the price of solar power fall from over Rs 16 a unit to less than Rs 3 in around 10 years. The price of battery storage has fallen by an eighth in 10 years. Within this decade, grid storage is expected to become cost-effective vis-a-vis fossil fuels for electricity needs during the day when renewable generation is inadequate. Electric vehicles have become commercially competitive earlier than expected. Volkswagen has announced that by 2035 they would stop making internal combustion engine cars. An electricity system free of fossil fuels and electric mobility could make around 70 per cent of the economy net-zero without significant additional costs, or even none. For the rest, as of now, there are technological challenges and costs in getting to net zero. Green hydrogen promises to offer solutions across a wide range of hard to abate sectors.

India's traditional principled position has been that we would pursue a low-carbon growth path and as the developed countries brought down their per capita emissions, we would ensure that our per capita emissions never crossed theirs, and we would then bring these down along with them. The establishment view in the West never accepted this and sought to limit the growth of emissions from developing countries. Trump's argument for getting out of the Paris Agreement was that there was no point in the US reducing emissions if China and India were to increase theirs. But the situation becomes qualitatively different if everyone moves to net-zero rapidly. Logically, India's per capita emissions could rise till they reach the levels of the developed countries which are on a sharp declining curve, then decline and reach zero along with theirs. This implies that India should reach net-zero along with

India's prime ministers have, fortunately, been forward-looking in assuming responsibility on climate change. Prime Minister Manmohan Singh launched the National Solar Mission in 2010 with a target of 20,000 MW of solar capacity by 2020-22. At that time, it appeared unaffordable and unattainable. Such apprehensions turned out to be mistaken. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been raising India's ambitions — the country's renewable energy capacity has already crossed 100,000 MW. A target of 450,000 MW of RE capacity by 2030 has been set.

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In the recent Quad Summit, India joined the US, Japan and Australia in the joint statement calling for restricting global warming to 1.5 degrees and the achievement of net-zero preferably by 2050 considering national circumstances. In achieving net zero, India has the late mover's advantage as its energy consumption must grow manifold and by going the renewable energy way it can avoid the costs of winding down the large fossil fuel-based energy systems that the advanced countries have today.

Instead of being hesitant, we should aim at becoming net-zero by 2050, or even earlier by 2047, the centenary year of our Independence. This may turn out to be both achievable and affordable. Given India's size, it would make all the difference between success and failure in humankind's struggle to save itself from the catastrophe of climate change. It would also make India competitive in the emerging new green and sustainable global economy.

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# Let sleeping kings lie

Political shift, demands of social media and outdated views on role of the discipline lie at the heart of recent calls to rewrite history textbooks



ARUN KUMAR

IN THE past few weeks, the public life of history has been unprecedented. Discussions about the economic hardships of people have been replaced by ones about the nature of Indian history. It has been alleged that Indian historiography and textbooks focus too much on the "bigoted dynasties" of Delhi and belittle the history of the Cholas, Vijayanagar Empire, Ahoms, Rashtrakutas. Although the call for democratisation is always welcome, the polarised language of the call and regressive understanding of historiography need to be called out.

Two important changes seem to form the context for this development. The first is that political power has moved from the Congress party to the BJP. Historically, nation-states and political parties have always sought their legitimacy through a specific past, conducive to their ideologies. The very rise of history as a discipline in the 19th century was tied to the rise of nation-states. Imperial powers like England, France and the US used the past to legitimise their exploitative claims over colonies, and anti-colonial nationalists wrote histories that mobilised nationalistic feelings. After Independence, academic history in India was predominantly framed within the nation-building exercise, but from the 1970s onwards, history writing shifted from the crude political history of elite personalities to include the histories of ordinary people, women, workers, and Dalits. We saw the rise of subaltern studies, gender history, environmental history and caste studies. We not only learned how the Gandhi-led Congress built a nationalist movement but also how ordinary peasants, tribals, and workers shaped Gandhi as the Mahatma. More recently, we are seeing the rise of "global history" — history that goes beyond the nation-state boundaries — around the world.

Second, social media has opened a new space for history in formats that are easily consumable. As much as it opens up the discipline to a larger audience, it also carries the potential danger of putting forward simple, divisive, and one-sided narratives. It is not surprising that we are seeing an epidemic of twisted, cherry-picked, and often politically-charged popular history. It is becoming difficult to separate verified claims from false claims. TV journalism played a role in this by giving little space to trained historians.

Dynasty-centred history is an old form of history writing. In the last two decades, very rarely has an academic work focussed on a single Mughal or Delhi Sultanate dy-

nast. Pitching the allegedly "glorious" history of the Mughals against the "glorious history of the Cholas" does not offer anything new, intellectually, other than dry political history, as there is no dearth of scholarship on non-Islamic dynasties. We cannot ignore the works of Burton Stein and Nilakanta Sastri on the Cholas, Vijayanagar, the Pandyas. It could be said that Indian history and its teaching is north-India centred, but it is not Delhi-centred. Moreover, in the last decade or so, greater attention has been paid to non-north India-centred history such as the history of Maratha state power (Prachi Deshpande), the Mysore state (Janaki Nair), early medieval south India (Kesavan Veluthat) and Ahom identity formation (Yasmin Saikia). New histories take time to translate into textbooks.

The allegation that NCERT's medieval history textbooks focus too much on the Delhi sultans and the Mughal empire is not entirely accurate. The NCERT textbooks since 2005 seem to have moved away from crude political history. I looked at the NCERT textbook for class VII, in which three out of 10 chapters are on political kingdoms (the Chola kingdom, Delhi Sultanate and Mughal empire) and others refer to various dynasties. Histories of kings are not presented as reductionist histories of heroes and villains of the past, but are embedded in society, economy, and culture. I also looked at Uttar Pradesh's Basic Education History and Civics textbook for class VII, where the accusation about Delhi dynasty-centred history applies with greater force and requires historians' attention. Out of 14 history chapters, 12 are devoted to the Delhi Sultanate and the Mughal empire (often personality-centred). So why are just NCERT's textbooks at the centre of controversy? The logic of the present call is skewed. In the Class VI NCERT textbook, there is a whole chapter on Ashoka and a chapter on the Gupta, Pallava, and Chalukya dynasties. Why is the logic which is used for textbooks on medieval period history not automatically extended to textbooks on the ancient period?

Besides, there is no point in going back to a trend of history-writing that is outdated in terms of global scholarship and produces textbooks that are too lengthy for children. By returning to the history of dynasties and kings, we are turning history into lore and legend, which sounds pleasing to the ears of a few. Let sleeping kings and queens lie. Histories of heroes/villains, good/evil dynasties require that historians become "social therapists" and write history as "therapy reading sessions". We do need to democratise history but, sadly, this will not happen by giving a polarised overtone to existing historiography or by revisiting the history of dynasties. We need research grants and permanent academic posts for universities that have been running without permanent faculties. We need alternative histories, not "alternatives to history".

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MIHIR SHAH

# A new paradigm for water

New national policy calls for a multi-stakeholder approach to water management

IN NOVEMBER 2019, the Ministry of Jal Shakti had set up a committee to draft the new National Water Policy (NWP). This was the first time that the government asked a committee of independent experts to draft the policy. Over a period of one year, the committee received 124 submissions by state and central governments, academics and practitioners. The NWP is based on the striking consensus that emerged through these wide-ranging deliberations.

The policy recognises limits to endlessly increasing water supply and proposes a shift towards demand management. Irrigation consumes 80-90 per cent of India's water, most of which is used by rice, wheat and sugarcane. Without a radical change in this pattern of water demand, the basic water needs of millions of people cannot be met. Thus, crop diversification is the single most important step in resolving India's water crisis. The policy suggests diversifying public procurement operations to include nutri-cereals, pulses and oilseeds. This would incentivise farmers to diversify their cropping patterns, resulting in huge savings of water. The largest outlets for these procured crops are the Integrated Child Development Services, the mid-day meal scheme and the public distribution system. Creating this link would also help address the crisis of malnutrition and diabetes, given the superior nutritional profile of these crops. Reduce-Recycle-Reuse has been proposed as the basic mantra of integrated urban water supply and wastewater management, with treatment of sewage and eco-restoration of urban river stretches, as far as possible through decentralised waste-

water management. All non-potable use, such as flushing, fire protection, vehicle washing must mandatorily shift to treated wastewater.

Within supply-side options, the NWP points to trillions of litres stored in big dams, which are still not reaching farmers and explains how irrigated area could be greatly expanded at very low cost by deploying pressurised closed conveyance pipelines, combined with Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) systems and pressurised micro-irrigation. The NWP places major emphasis on supply of water through "nature-based solutions" such as the rejuvenation of catchment areas, to be incentivised through compensation for eco-system services. Specially curated "blue-green infrastructure" such as rain gardens and bio-swales, restored rivers with wet meadows, wetlands constructed for bio-remediation, urban parks, permeable pavements, green roofs etc are proposed for urban areas.

The NWP gives the highest priority to sustainable and equitable management of groundwater. Participatory groundwater management is the key. Information on aquifer boundaries, water storage capacities and flows provided in a user-friendly manner to stakeholders, designated as custodians of their aquifers, would enable them to develop protocols for effective management of groundwater.

From time immemorial, the people of India have had a reverential relationship with rivers. But water policy has seen rivers primarily as a resource to serve economic purposes. This overwhelmingly instrumentalist view of rivers

has led to their terrible degradation. While acknowledging their economic role, the NWP accords river protection and revitalisation prior and primary importance. Steps to restore river flows include: Re-vegetation of catchments, regulation of groundwater extraction, riverbed pumping and mining of sand and boulders. The NWP outlines a process to draft a Rights of Rivers Act, including their right to flow, to meander and to meet the sea.

The new NWP considers water quality as the most serious un-addressed issue in India today. It proposes that every water ministry, at the Centre and states, include a water quality department. The policy advocates adoption of state-of-the-art, low-cost, low-energy, eco-sensitive technologies for sewage treatment. Widespread use of reverse osmosis has led to huge water wastage and adverse impact on water quality. The policy wants RO units to be discouraged if the total dissolved solids count in water is less than 500mg/L. It suggests a task force on emerging water contaminants to better understand and tackle the threats they are likely to pose.

The policy makes radical suggestions for reforming governance of water, which suffers from three kinds of "hydro-schizophrenia": That between irrigation and drinking water, surface and groundwater, as also water and wastewater. Government departments, working in silos, have generally dealt with just one side of these binaries. Rivers are drying up because of over-extraction of groundwater, which reduces the base-flows needed for rivers to have water after the monsoon. Dealing with drinking water and irrigation in silos has meant

that aquifers providing assured sources of drinking water dry up because the same aquifers are used for irrigation, which consumes much more water. And when water and wastewater are separated in planning, the result is a fall in water quality.

The NWP also suggests the creation of a unified multi-disciplinary, multi-stakeholder National Water Commission (NWC), which would become an exemplar for states to follow. Government water departments include professionals predominantly from civil engineering, hydrology and hydrogeology. Without experts in water management, social mobilisation, agronomy, soil science, hydrometeorology, public health, river ecology and ecological economics, solutions to India's complex water problems will remain elusive. Since systems such as water are greater than the sum of their constituent parts, solving water problems requires understanding whole systems, deploying multi-disciplinary teams and a trans-disciplinary approach. Since wisdom on water is not the exclusive preserve of any one section of society, governments should build enduring partnerships with primary stakeholders of water, who must become an integral part of the NWC and its counterparts in the states. The indigenous knowledge of our people, with a long history of water management, is an invaluable intellectual resource that must be fully leveraged.

The writer chaired the committee to draft the new National Water Policy set up by the Ministry of Jal Shakti in 2019

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### COURT FOR CITIZENS

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Supreme custodian' (IE, October 28). The Supreme Court order instituting an independent probe into the possible use of Israeli spyware Pegasus is an effective intervention to protect citizens from unlawful surveillance, as well as a stern rebuff to the central government's attempt to cover up the issue by using the bogey of "national security". The truth, no matter how unpalatable and scary Orwellian, must come out.

SS Paul, Noida

### START AT TOP

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Passing the buck' (IE, October 28). In her defence, at least Congress interim President Sonia Gandhi has acknowledged the many issues with her party and spoken of what needs to be done to return it to its glory days. But sadly, she conveniently forgot that it is her and her children who are actively participating in decision making at the highest echelons. This is because all Congress leaders look to them for guidance. She needs to lead from the front and accept that the Nehru-Gandhi family itself has faltered.

Bal Govind, Noida

### TRICKY TERRAIN

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'The failed pursuit of Kim Davy' (IE, October 28). The chain of events that followed after the infamous Purulia arms drop case is a national embarrassment. The central

government of India and a socio-spiritual organisation have been accused of conspiring to ouster a popularly elected government. The non-cooperation of Danish authorities the criminal denial by Dhaka in acknowledging the source of the arms from their own cantonment despite clear evidence, the out of turn presidential pardon to a British double agent after supposed pressure from London, etc — all these issues, if strongly pursued diplomatically, risk damaging India's relations with half a dozen countries. The high-level exchanges between India and Denmark and the newly-unveiled bilateral Green Strategic Partnership have the potential to lead to a better understanding of each other, mutual respect of state laws and institutions further strengthen the partnership.

Sudip Kumar Dey, Barasat

### JUSTICE FIRST

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Before they cross the line' (IE, October 28). It is a travesty that the government while identifying radicalism as a major threat to national security does little to prevent its spread. Indeed, by the increasing number of incidents of religion-based hatred, it would appear that whatever action is taken so far has had little effect on curbing radicalism. The surest way of stemming radicalism is to bring the guilty to account swiftly. Unless this is done, even well-designed policies to counter radicalism will be ineffective. As is said, there can be no peace without justice.

Hemant Contractor, Noida



MEANWHILE

## S KOREA: KIM LOST 20 KG, BUT IS HEALTHY

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, 37, has recently lost about 20 kg, but remains healthy and is trying to boost public loyalty to him in the face of worsening economic problems, South Korea's spy agency told lawmakers Thursday. Kim's health has been a focus of keen outside attention in recent months because he has appeared noticeably thinner in state media photos and videos.

## TOP OF THE WORLD



A British trawler is moored in the port of Le Havre, France, on Thursday. Reuters

## EUROPE

## France seizes UK fishing boat in deepening row

BRITAIN ON Thursday condemned France's "disproportionate" seizure of a British fishing boat in French waters, marking a sharp deterioration in a row over post-Brexit fishing rights that is in danger of spinning out of control. French Seas Minister Annick Girardin said the vessel was detained during routing checks off the northern port of Le Havre overnight as it was not allowed to fish in French territorial waters. A second British boat was given a verbal warning. The action signalled France's determination not to back down in the dispute after setting out potential sanctions against Britain if there is no progress in talks. REUTERS

## VIETNAM

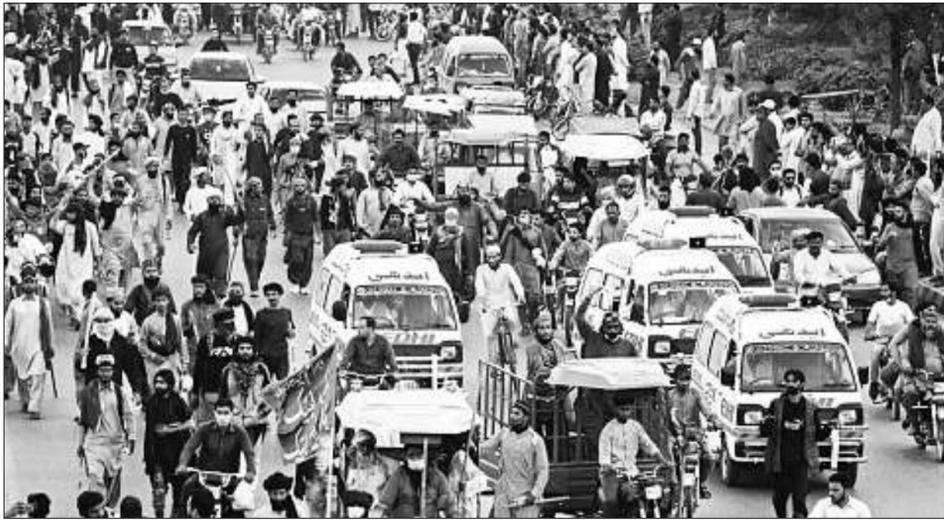
## Journalists jailed over 'anti-state' Facebook posts

A VIETNAMESE court sentenced five journalists to prison terms and banned them from working for three years, state media reported on Thursday, after they were convicted of spreading anti-state content on a Facebook-based news outlet. They were found guilty of "abusing democratic rights and freedoms to infringe upon the interests of the state" at a two-day trial in the city of Can Tho, state-run Vietnam News Agency said. The journalists set up a news outlet called Bao Sach on Facebook, which, according to the indictment, carried content that distorted information and defamed the government. REUTERS

## BRITAIN

## Assange lawyers: US assurances not enough

THE US government's assurances to Britain about how Julian Assange would be treated if extradited to the US do not avert the risk of suicide, the WikiLeaks founder's lawyers told a London court Thursday. The Australian is wanted in the US to face trial on 18 charges including breaking an espionage law, after WikiLeaks published thousands of secret US files and diplomatic cables. The US is appealing against a ruling by a UK judge that Assange should not be extradited because his mental health. REUTERS



Supporters of Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan gather in Gujranwala, as they prepare to march on towards Islamabad, Thursday. Reuters

## Thousands of protesters marching to Islamabad

Supporters of banned party press for leader's release, expulsion of French envoy

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LAHORE, OCTOBER 28

TENS OF thousands of supporters of a banned radical Islamist party in Pakistan took out a march towards Islamabad on Thursday to press the government of Prime Minister Imran Khan to release their party chief Saad Rizvi and

expel the French ambassador.

The rally by members of the Tehreek-e-Labbaik Pakistan (TLP), which started after the government announced that it cannot meet its demand for the expulsion of the French ambassador, has reached Gujranwala, some 80 km from here. Gujranwala is approximately 220 km from Islamabad. Life in the areas surrounding

its route continues to remain disrupted as cellphone and internet services also remain suspended. Lahore's link to Rawalpindi and Islamabad has also been cut off from the GT Road.

For the time being, the government has changed its strategy in the wake of Wednesday's bloody clashes in which four policemen and as many TLP activi-

ties were killed and over 400 injured, authorities said.

TLP leader Rizvi was detained by the Punjab government in April last year following the party's protests against the "blasphemous" caricatures published in France and its demand that the French ambassador be sent back and the import of goods from France be banned. PTI

## 'Historic economic framework': Biden pushes new \$1.75-trillion plan

TREVOR HUNNICUTT & RICHARD COWAN  
WASHINGTON, OCTOBER 28

US PRESIDENT Joe Biden said on Thursday he had secured a new \$1.75 trillion framework for economic and climate change spending that could pass the Senate, and expressed confidence it would win the backing of all wings of the Democratic Party.

"Today I'm pleased to announce after months of tough and thoughtful negotiations, I think we have, I know we have a historic economic framework," that will create millions of jobs and allow the US to compete with China and other countries, Biden said after a last-minute trip to Congress to get reluctant progressives to support his spending plan. In a meeting with Democrats in the House of Representatives, Biden pleaded for their support, according to a person familiar with the matter. "I need you to help me; I need

## Hurdles remain for key legislation

BIDEN HOPES the new framework will end the weeks of deadlock regarding the climate change and social safety net Bill, and initial reactions from both centrist and progressive Democrats seem positive. However, this Bill represents the progressives' key agenda, and they have said that there would be no promises of voting for the

measure before they see the final text of the Bill, which has not yet been made available. "Details matter," said progressive lawmaker Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and any potential disagreements could mean that Biden arrives at the climate conference without the strong climate change measures he hoped to have locked in.

your votes." Biden told them. "I don't think it's hyperbole to say that the House and Senate (Democratic) majorities and my presidency will be determined by what happens in the next week."

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi hopes to hold a vote on Thursday on a related, bipartisan \$1 trillion infrastructure bill. She told lawmakers she wants the vote fin-

ished by the time Biden lands in Rome tonight, where he will attend a meeting of G20 leaders.

The spending plan framework would be fully paid for by repealing some tax rebates passed under former President Donald Trump, imposing a surcharge on corporate stock buybacks, and adding a surcharge on earnings of the wealthy, the White House said. REUTERS

## ASEAN upgrades strategic ties with China, says Myanmar key member

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BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, OCTOBER 28

THE ASSOCIATION of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) said on Thursday it has agreed with China to upgrade their relationship to a comprehensive strategic partnership, a day after reaching a similar deal with Australia.

Australia's clinching of the elevated partnership was a symbolic win for Canberra in getting ahead of China in securing the first such deal with the Southeast Asia region, which has become a strategic battleground between Beijing and Washington.



The announcement was made by Brunei Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah. Reuters

The announcement was made by Brunei Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah during a news conference at which he was asked about Myanmar's future attendance of ASEAN events, after its junta chief Min Aung Hlaing, who led a coup

in February, was excluded from a series of Asian summits this week.

"Myanmar is an integral part of the ASEAN family and their membership has not been questioned," he said when asked if Myanmar could even be expelled from the bloc. "ASEAN will always be there for Myanmar and we have continued to offer help through the implementation of the five-point consensus."

Min Aung Hlaing was sidelined over his failure to implement that "consensus", which he agreed with ASEAN in April, committing to ending hostilities, start dialogue and facilitate humanitarian aid and mediation efforts by a special ASEAN envoy. REUTERS

## Indian who lived at Chicago airport undetected for 3 months acquitted by US judge

New York: A 37-year-old Indian man who was arrested in Chicago in January after he spent three months undetected at a secure area at one of the world's busiest airports, and drew comparisons to the 2004 Tom Hanks movie *The Terminal*, has been acquitted on a felony trespassing charge, according to a media report.

Aditya Singh who was too scared to fly due to the coronavirus pandemic and lived undetected for nearly three months at one of the world's busiest airports, O'Hare International Airport, was arrested on January 16.

A Cook County judge found Singh not guilty on Tuesday of felony criminal trespass to a restricted area of an airport, *The Chicago Tribune* reported.

Judge Adrienne Davis made the ruling in a directed verdict without the defence having to put on a case. Singh still faces a separate charge related to an alleged violation of electronic monitoring while he was free on bond earlier this year. That case is due in court Friday, the report said. PTI

## Sudanese army faces widening opp to coup

REUTERS  
KHARTOUM, OCTOBER 28

THE SUDANESE army faces widening opposition to this week's coup with the UN Security Council on Thursday urging the restoration of the civilian-led transitional government and activists in Sudan mobilising for protests this weekend.

The takeover, led by General Abdel Fattah al-Burhan on Monday against a civilian government, has brought thousands of people on to the streets to re-

## STRICTEST CURBS IN OVER A YEAR

## Moscow locks down as Russia Covid-19 deaths surge to new highs again

Over 40,000 Covid cases and 1,159 deaths reported in a day

TOM BALMFORTH & ANDREW OSBORN  
MOSCOW, OCTOBER 28

THE RUSSIAN capital brought in its strictest Covid-19 related lockdown measures in more than a year on Thursday as nationwide one-day pandemic deaths and infections hit new highs amid slow vaccination take-up across the world's biggest country.

Moscow's partial lockdown, in which only essential shops like pharmacies and supermarkets are allowed to remain open and schools and state kindergartens are shut, comes ahead of a week-long nationwide workplace shutdown from October 30.

Like Moscow, some regions decided to kick off their partial lockdowns on Thursday or even earlier in an effort to cut infection numbers ahead of the nationwide initiative.

Moscow's residents are allowed to leave their homes unlike a sweeping lockdown in summer 2020, but the new measures point to rising concern among officials over record numbers of deaths that the Kremlin has blamed on vaccine hesitancy.

Officials on Thursday reported an all-time high of 1,159 Covid-19 nationwide deaths in the past 24 hours, while the number of daily infections broke through the 40,000 barrier for the first time.

At the State Duma lower house of parliament, Vyacheslav Volodin, the speaker, proposed requiring all lawmakers to get vaccinated and suggested that stragglers should



At a vaccination centre in Moscow. Reuters

## World faces shortage of syringes

Nairobi: African health officials and the United Nations are warning of a looming shortage of more than 2 billion syringes for mainly low- and middle-income countries around the world as the supply of Covid-19 doses rises, and routine vaccinations could be affected, too. The UN children's agency said the shortfall would affect up to 2.2 billion auto-disposable syringes

that lock automatically to prevent them from being used again. "We are not anticipating a significant supply shortage of the more standard syringes used in high-income countries," the agency said in a statement. It blamed "significantly higher demand", supply chain disruptions, national bans on syringe exports and an unpredictable supply of vaccines. AP

have to work remotely.

"Imagine the consequences for the country if parliament stops working," Volodin told the lower house. "Every day we're seeing how our... colleagues are ending up in hospital beds," he said.

His proposal was met by angry shouts from the parliament's chamber with someone calling out: "What kind of PR is this?"

Many Russians have said they are reluctant to get vaccinated and

have spurned the four vaccines Russia has registered, including the flagship Sputnik V vaccine.

Some people say they are hesitant due to mistrust of the authorities, while others cite concerns about the safety of vaccines.

As of Oct. 22, official data showed that 49.1 million Russians were fully vaccinated. The total population, excluding annexed Crimea, is officially estimated at around 144 million. REUTERS

## Germany sees major leap in Covid caseload; fears over new curbs

REUTERS  
BERLIN, OCTOBER 28

GERMANY'S CORONAVIRUS caseload took its biggest jump in two weeks on Thursday, with over 28,000 new infections, the Robert Koch Institute said, adding heft to worries about restrictions this winter.

The number of new infections per 100,000 people over seven days — one of the metrics used to determine policy measures — stands at 130.2, up 12.2 points from 118.0 the previous day. New infections have been steadily



Germany reported 28,000 new Covid cases Thursday

creeping up since mid-October. The number of Covid-19 patients in intensive care units (ICUs) has risen 15% within a week, the head of the German Hospital Federation (DKG), Gerald Gass,

told the Redaktionsnetzwerk Deutschland media group.

If the trend continues, he said, there could be 3,000 cases in the ICU in two weeks.

"Even if the hospitals could handle it, it would not be possible without constraints on normal operations," Gass said.

SPD health expert Karl Lauterbach told the Rheinische Post newspaper that lockdowns or school closures were not on the cards, but the decision on whether to lift safety measures such as mask mandates would depend on the situation in spring.

## How it happened: Inside movie set where Alec Baldwin's gun fired

MORGAN LEE, SUSAN MONTOYA BRYAN & GENE JOHNSON  
SANTA FE, OCTOBER 28

LIGHT FROM a high afternoon sun slanted through the tall windows of the weathered wooden church, catching on the plank floorboards and illuminating the stained glass. Outside, the arid ground of the northern New Mexico foothills stretched for miles — a picturesque setting for an Old West gun battle.

The actor Alec Baldwin, haggard in a white beard and period garb as he played a wounded character named Harlan Rust, sat in a pew, working out how he would draw a long-barreled Colt .45 revolver across his body and aim it

toward the movie camera. A crew readied the shot after adjusting the camera angle to account for the shadows. The camera wasn't rolling yet, but director Joel Souza peered over the shoulder of cinematographer Halyna Hutchins to see what it saw.

Souza heard what sounded like a whip followed by a loud pop, he would later tell investigators.

Suddenly Hutchins was complaining about her stomach, grabbing her midsection and stumbling backward, saying she couldn't feel her legs. Souza saw that she was bloodied, and that he was bleeding too: The lead from Baldwin's gun had pierced Hutchins and embedded in his shoulder.

A medic began trying to save Hutchins as people streamed out of the building and called 911.

Lighting specialist Serge Svetnoy said he held her as she was dying, her blood on his hands. Responders flew Hutchins in a helicopter to a hospital, to no avail.

A week after the Oct 21 shooting on the set of the movie *Rust*, accounts and images released in court documents, interviews and social media postings have portrayed much of what happened during the tragedy, but they have yet to answer the key question: how live ammunition wound up in a real gun being used as a movie prop, despite precautions that should have prevented it.

During a news conference Wednesday, Santa Fe County Sheriff Adan Mendoza said there was "some complacency" in how weapons were handled on the set. Investigators found 500



The Bonanza Creek Ranch in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where the movie *Rust* was being filmed. AP

rounds of ammunition — a mix of blanks, dummy rounds and what appeared to be live rounds, even though the set's firearms specialist, armourer Hannah Gutierrez Reed, said there should never have been real ammo present. The shooting occurred on

Bonanza Creek Ranch, a sprawling property that bills itself as "where the Old West comes alive".

Workplace disputes beset the production of *Rust* from its start in early October. In the hours before the shooting, several camera crew members walked off the set

amid discord over working conditions, including safety procedures. A new crew was hired that morning, but filming was slow because they were down to one camera. Souza told detectives.

At 24, Gutierrez Reed had little experience working as an armorer. She told detectives that on the morning of the shooting, she checked the dummy bullets to ensure none were "hot," according to a search warrant affidavit made public Wednesday.

When the crew broke for lunch, the guns used for filming were locked in a safe inside a large white truck where props were kept, Gutierrez Reed said. The ammunition, however, was left unsecured on a cart. There was additional ammo inside the prop truck. After lunch, the film's prop

master, Sarah Zachry, removed the guns from the safe and handed them to Gutierrez Reed, Gutierrez Reed told investigators.

According to a search warrant affidavit released last Friday, Gutierrez Reed set three guns on a cart outside the church, and assistant director Dave Halls took one from the cart and handed it to Baldwin. The document released Wednesday said the armourer sometimes handed the gun to Baldwin, and sometimes to Halls.

However Halls obtained the weapon before giving it to Baldwin, he failed to fully check it. Normally, he told detectives, he would examine the barrel for obstructions and have Gutierrez Reed open the hatch and spin the drum where the bullets go, confirming none of the rounds is live.

This time, he reported, he could only remember seeing three of the rounds, and he didn't remember if the armourer had spun the drum. Nevertheless, he yelled out "cold gun" to indicate it was safe to use. "He advised he should have checked all of them, but didn't," a Santa Fe County sheriff's detective wrote in the affidavit released Wednesday.

It's unclear whether Baldwin deliberately pulled the trigger or if the gun went off inadvertently. In the commotion after the shooting, Halls found the weapon. He brought it to Gutierrez Reed and told her to open it so he could see what was inside. There were at least four dummy bullet casings, he told detectives. But there was one empty casing, and that wasn't for a dummy bullet. AP

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PERMANENT 0400589679-8 I,Vijay Kumar Kanauija, S/O Late shri.Hira Lal,Residing of, H.N. 119,Jhareda Village,Delhi Cantt.,South west,Delhi-110010, Have changed my Name from VIJAY KUMAR KANAUIJA TO VIJAY KUMAR,Vide-affidavit dated-28/0ct/2021.

0400589682-2 I Gaurav Kant Shrotriya S/O V.K Shrotriya R/O G1250 Gaur Atulyam Omicron 1 Greater Noida has correct father name as V.K Shrotriya for all purpose,affidavit no (IN-UP15066359675968T) sworn before notary (Neeraj Kumar) dated (27/10/21) 0050185902-1

0400589674-2 I,Shivani D/o-Vinod Kumar R/O-E-159/125,Rajinder Prasad Colony,Dilshad Garden,Delhi-110095,Inform that in my 10th&12th documents,my mother's name Manorma Devi wrongly-written instead of correct name Manorma.Pls changed for all, future purposes. 0400589679-11

0400589674-8 I,Sadanand S/O Ramasree, R/O,H.No.B-552/7, Jaitpur-Extn. Part-2,Badarpur, New Delhi-110044, have changed my minor son's Name, From Viname Rajan to Adarsh Rajan, for future purpose. 0400589682-4

0400589679-2 I,Sachin Kumar S/O Kripal Singh, R/O Plot No.64 OPP,Prince Apartment, Patparganj, (I.P. Extn),Delhi-110092,Have Changed My Name To Sachin.

0400589679-1 I,Roop Lal Virender Nath,S/O Bireshwar Nath R/O-1105, T-B6, Jaypee-Greens Wish Town-Classic, Sector-134, Noida G.B.Nagar, have changed my name to Roop Lal Virendra Nath. 0400589686-2

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0400589674-10 I,Rishabh Agarwal S/O Mukesh Aggarwal, R/O WZ-56, Shardapuri, Ramesh Nagar, N.Delhi-15, have changed my name to Rishabh Agarwal.

0400589674-10 I,Rekhha Dagar W/O Anil Kumar Dagar, R/O Flat No-E014, Centrum Park, Sector-103, Daulatabad(53), Gurugram, Haryana-122006, have changed my name to Rekha Dagar(Aadhar.No.88741987122 4)to Rekha Rani for all intents and purposes. 0400589674-7

0400589674-6 I,Raj Kumar S/O-Bal Kishan Gupta R/O,B-2,1st-Floor Tagore-Road Adarsh-Nagar Delhi-110033, have changed my name to Raj Kumar Gupta. 0400589679-3

0400589674-6 I,RUBINA SHROTRIYA, W/O VIKAS SHROTRIYA, residing at H-25/3 SHANKAR-VIHAR, NEW DELHI-110010, have changed my name from RUBINA SHROTRIYA to RUBINA SACHDEVA SHROTRIYA, vide-affidavit dated-28.Oct-21. 0400589682-3

0400589674-3 I, Poonam Sharma Shera D/o Tarloki Nath Sharma R/O-H.No.546, Sector-28, Noida, Gautam-Budh Nagar, UP-201301, have changed my name to POONAM SHARMA, for all purposes. 0400589679-4

0400589674-3 I, Parveen Madaan, S/O Sh.Nand Lal, R/O C-1/7, Sanjay Enclave, Uttam-Nagar, Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Parveen Madaan, for all purposes. 0400589674-3

0400589674-1 I, Narendar Kumar, S/O-Amarnath Singh, R/O-30/43, Street.No.9, Vishwas Nagar, Ghaziabad, Delhi-110032, has changed name of my minor son from Nirvan Sahai to Nirvaan Kumar, for future purpose. 0400589680-1

0400589682-3 I, NARESH MADAN S/O BASANT LAL MADAN R/O A-3/32, THIRD-FLOOR, JANAKPURI, DELHI-110058, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO NARESH KUMAR MADAN. 0400589682-1

0400589614-1 I, Mahagundappa R/O-H.No.LIG-294, Ashram Road, Adarsh Nagar, Vijaypur-586103, have changed my name to Mahagundappa Kadapatti, for all, future purpose. 0400589679-10

0400589679-10 I, MONIKA MADAN LOONA W/O LATE, VISHISHT LOONA R/O-X-68, WEST, PATEL NAGAR, DELHI, HAVE CHANGED MY MINOR DAUGHTER'S Name, FROM YAHVI LOONA TO PASHVI LOONA, (DOB-23.08.2007) PERMANENTLY. 0400589679-9

0400589679-9 I, Gurvinder Kaur D/o-Late Kundan Lal Makker R/O-J-52/A2, First Floor, Beri Wala Bagh, Hari Nagar, New Delhi-64 Have Changed My Name to Gurvinder Kaur Arora 0070759109-1

0400589679-5 I, Esha Sherra D/o Parvez Sulaiman Shera, R/O-H.No.546, Sector-28, Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar, UP-201301, have change my name to ESHA NIGAAR SHERA, for all purposes. 0400589679-5

0400589679-5 I, Kulwant Kaur D/o Rulita Ram W/o Gurdev Singh R/O 1412F/13, Govindpur, ND-19-reclare that my name has been wrongly written as Parkash Kaur in my Central Bank of India A/c no.1041204624. my actual name is Kulwant Kaur which should be amended accordingly. 0010130000-1

I,inform to general public that Preksh Sogani and Preksha Sogani are same and will use Preksha Sogani W/O Dheeraj Sogani for all future purposes. Address L1604, Plot GH-01/B, Grand Ajnara Heritage, Sec 74, Noida, UP 201301 0040589587-1

I Manju Rani alias Manju Malhotra D/O Late Sh. Amrit Lal Khanna R/O Late Sh. Vipin Kumar Malhotra R/O S-493, Greater Kailash Part-1, Greater Kailash, South Delhi, Delhi-110048 have changed my name to Manju Malhotra for all purposes. 0400589560-5

I, hitherto known as Chander alias Chander Jugal Barolia, S/O Late Sh. K.Barolia, R/O-102, Vinayak Tower shiv Nagar, N Dutt Marg, D.N-Nagar, Andheri West-Mumbai-400053, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Chander Jugal K Barola. 0040589679-7

0400589679-7 LOST & FOUND I, Om Prakash, S/O Banarsi, R/O B-135, Sangam Park, Rana Pratap Bagh, Delhi-110007, would like to inform the General Public that I have misplaced the Original Documents of my Property bearing No. S-5A, (Khasra No. 3/21, Saroop Nagar (Swaroop Nagar) Part-II, Gali No. 8, Delhi-110042, including Agreement to Sell Executed by Kishan Lal in favour of Nand Lal S/O Badliaram; Power Of Attorney Executed by Kishan Lal in favour of Nand Lal S/O Badliaram; Payment Receipt No. 5,000/- and a registered Will dated 28.11.1990 on 19.07.2021. FIR has been lodged in Police Station Crime Branch, New Delhi bearing LR No. 5269902021, dated 30.07.2021.

0400589582-1 T is notified for the information that I Usha Kaul W/o. Shiban Kaul R/O-B-29, Roopali Enclave, Village Karala, Delhi-110081 Have Lost previous chain of property documents Vide No. IV-2186, 1160, 2016 of above property address. If Found Pls Contact: 9810149909

0400589582-1 My original documents of property no.G-19, Mansarovar Garden, New Delhi-110015 has been lost. Finder contact: Shakuntla Kumar D/o Inder Mohan Kumar, Mobile- No.8287764160. 0400589674-11

0400589674-11 NAME CHANGE I.M.D. Shahid S/O MD. Bahadur R/O E-212 PKT 4 JI Colony, Binda Pur Uttam Nagar Delhi-110059 declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as Shahid in my minor daughter Sonam aged 11 years, in her school records that name of mine has been wrongly written as Sahid Khan in my minor daughter's Sahiba aged 16 years and Shayn aged 16 years in their school records, that name of my wife has been wrongly written as Saviza in my minor daughter Sana aged 14 years in her school records. The actual name of mine and my wife are MD. Shahid and Sitara.

0400589674-11 PUBLIC NOTICE It is to inform to the general public that my client S. Bal Kishan Parashar S/O late S. Ram Chander R/O H.No.114, Ward No.3, Near Brahmin Darwaja, VPO Kharkhoda, Distt. Sonapat (Haryana) Pin 131402 has severed all Property relations with his son namely Saurav as my client has no control over his said son, hence my client shall not be responsible and liable for any kind of liability arising out of his acts. He is disowned and shall have no claim against and over the property of my client either movable or immovable.

0400589674-11 PUBLIC NOTICE It is to be notified that my client Smt Prem Raj S/O Late Srs. Har Bhagwan Das and Smt. Smt. Arora W/o Sh. Prem Raj, Both R/O RGB, Raghubar Nagar, Janta Flats, Near Cement Godown New Delhi - 110027 have disinherited, disowned & debared their son shri Bababhai Arora, who is a higher-in-law Smt. Ritika from inheriting their movable and immovable properties due to their constant disobedient attitude and misbehaviour as my clients have no control over them. Henceforth my aforesaid clients have severed their all relations with them and will not be responsible for the acts and omissions of the said persons with anybody in respect of anything whatsoever.

0400589674-11 PUBLIC NOTICE This is to inform to The General Public At Large that My Clients SMT. BURPESH D/O LATE SH. RAM SINGH AND Her Husband LATE SH. SINGH KUMAR BOTH R/O C-81, BLOCK-C J J COLONY CAMP No-2, WEST DELHI-110041, Have Disowned and Debared their son VIKAS SAGAR AND His Wife HEENA From All Their Movable Properties And Immovable Properties And Severed All Their Relations With Them From To Their Birth, Disobedience, Disgraceful, Disrespectful, And Violent Character / Attitude. My Clients Shall Not Be Responsible For Any Acts / Deeds Done By Them In Future.

0400589674-11 PUBLIC NOTICE I, K K VISWANATHA DAS S/O G.K. PILLA Lal born on 19.11.1955 residing at 1831 Sector 37 NOIDA 201303 has changed my name to K K VISWANATHAN vide affidavit dated 10.9.2021 at DELHI 005108583-1

0400589674-5 I, Teena D/o Rajesh Arora R/O-WZ-188A, Gali-No.-10, Krishna Puri, Tilak Nagar, Delhi-110018 have changed my name to Teena Arora for all Purposes. 0070759107-1

0400589679-3 I, Simarjit Kaur W/O Nirmal Singh R/O 678/6, Sri Nagar, Shakur Basti, Delhi Changed Name To Simar Jeet Kaur. 0400589679-3

0400589679-3 I, Suman Bala Jain, r/o 20 Bougainvillea Marg, Dlf phase 2 Gurugram Haryana 122002 have changed my name to Suman Jain for all purposes. 0070759070-1

0400589679-1 I, Ritika d/o Badri Singh r/O H.no-8, Block-B, Gali no-6, Bihariapur extension, Karawal Nagar Delhi-110094 have changed my name to Ritika Rawat 0070759067-1

0400589674-1 I, Rekha alias Mala D/o Vishnu, W/O Raju R/O C-20/Vinod Puri/Vijay-Enclave, New Delhi-110045, have changed my name to Mala after marriage, for all future purposes. 0400589614-2

0400589674-1 I, Parveen Kumar S/o Sh. Nand Lal, R/O C-1/7, Sanjay Enclave, Uttam-Nagar, Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Parveen Madaan. 0400589674-3

0400589674-1 I, Nimmi, W/O Abhish Anubhav, R/O Plot No. 400, Second Floor Shakti Khand 3, Indirapuram Ghaziabad, U. P - 201014 have changed my name to Nimmi Anubhav. 007075909-1

0400589674-1 I, Mahender Kumar Arora, S/O-Shri.Goverdhan Dass R/O-N-56, Srinivas Puri, New Delhi-110065, Have Changed My Name To Mahender Kumar, for All Future Purposes 0400589614-1

0400589674-1 I, ELIZABETH MASSEY, W/O.AUSTIN BROWN, ADD-713/13,ST STEPHENS CHURCH COMPOUND FATEHPURI NORTH DELHI-110006.CHANGED MY name to ELIZABETH BROWN, permanently. 0400589674-4

0400589679-9 I, Abhishek Kumar Mishra S/O-Pawan Kumar Mishra R/O - B-827 Tower -6, Ashiana Upvan, Ahinsha Khand-2, Indrapuram, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh-201014 Have Changed My Minor Daughter Name From Shambhavi Mishra To Aavya Mishra, For All Purposes. 0050185935-1

0400589679-5 I, SARGAM DHAWAN, W/O ANKRISH BHAYANA, R/O- B-75, Sector-51, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh-201301, inform that SARGAM DHAWAN and SARGAM DHAWAN BHAYANA both are same and one person. 0070759103-1

0400589679-5 I, Prerana W/O Puneet Gautam R/O Flat 602 Tite Unitech Harmony Nirvana Country Sector 50 Haryana-122018 have changed my name to Prerana Garg 0070759084-1

0400589679-5 I, Harish Kumar S/o Jai Dev Dawar R/O BK-2/14, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi-110088, have changed my name to Harish Kumar Dawar for all purposes 0070759101-1

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PUBLIC NOTICE It is to inform to the public at large that Mr. Subhash Chander Rakheja and Mr. Ilin Rakheja acquired Shop No. 01, measuring 9'6" X 24', Property No. 1635-A, Gali No. 14, Govindpur, Kirti, Delhi, vide Sale Deed dt. 21-11-2011 executed by Mr. Amarjeet Singh seel and G.P.A. of Mr. Gurbanath Singh and Mr. Harbanath Singh in respect of the said property. Now Mr. Subhash Chander Rakheja and Mr. Ilin Rakheja is the undisputed owner of above said property. Any person / firm / institution / company having any claim or right in respect of the said Property by way of inheritance, share, sale, agreement, lease, license, gift, possession, joint heirs, partners or encumbrance houseowner or otherwise is hereby required to intimate in writing to the undersigned within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice of his/her/his share or claim, if any, with all supporting documents as 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. Aiy Kumar Grl, Advocate H.No. 26/161, Basement, Vikram Vihar, Lajpat Nagar 4, New Delhi 110024

PUBLIC NOTICE It is to inform to the public at large that M/s Shree Radhe Krishna Associates through its Mr. Hari Om Jindal acquired Second Floor built on Southern Western Portion of Plt. No. 202 built on Property no G-88, admeasuring 250 sq. yds with roof rights, khasra no 0/3 and 0/2, Jain Park, Kirti Garden, Uttam Nagar Block-G village Matiala, New Delhi, vide Sale Deed dt. 18.11.2020 executed by Mr. Anup Kumar Nayyar, Regd. as doc. No. 17292 and M/s Shree Radhe Krishna Associates through its Mr. Hari Om Jindal is the undisputed owner of above said property. Any person / firm / institution / company having 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 encumbrance houseowner or otherwise is hereby required to intimate in writing to the undersigned within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice of his/her/his share or claim, if any, with all supporting documents as 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. Aiy Kumar Grl, Advocate H.No. 26/161, Basement, Vikram Vihar, Lajpat Nagar 4, New Delhi 110024

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**JHARKHAND URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY (JUIDCO) Ltd.**  
(A Government of Jharkhand Undertaking)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Pragati Sadan, Kutchery Chowk, Ranchi - 834001  
Ph. No - 0651-2225878, E-Mail Id. - juidco@juiltd.com  
CIN:U45200JH2013SGC001752

**Quotation Cancellation Notice**  
QIT No.: JUIDCO Ltd./JD/Argora Chowk/2658/2020-408, Dated: 28.09.2021  
PR No.: 254141  
Subject: - Request for Quotation of market rate items for Junction Improvement of Argora Chowk at Ranchi. (2<sup>nd</sup> call)  
The subject Quotation bearing Quotation Ref. No. - "JUIDCO Ltd./JD/Argora Chowk/2658/2020-408, dated: 28.09.2021" is hereby cancelled as none of the submitted proposals were found technically responsive.  
Sd/-  
Project Director (Technical)  
JUIDCO Limited, Ranchi.

PR255861 (Urban Development)21-22\*D

**Office of the Executive Engineer  
Drinking Water & Sanitation Division No-2, Dumka.  
e-Procurement Notice**  
E-Tender reference no. - DWSD/ DUMKA-2/20/2021-22 Date- 28.10.2021

1	Name of the Work	Implementation of Cluster wise Single Village Water Supply Schemes under Jal Jeevan Mission for Cluster: -01(A) under D.W. & S. Division No. 02, Dumka "On Turn Key Basis" for the year 2021-22.
2	Estimated Cost	633.52 Lakh
3	Earnest Money	6.34 Lakh
4	Cost of BOQ	10,000.00
5	Time of Completion	09 (Nine) Months
6	Date of publication of Tender on Web site	03.11.2021 / 02:00PM
7	Date & Place of pre bid meeting	09/11/2021/ 11:30 AM held on Office of the EIC, Drinking Water and Sanitation Department, Jharkhand, Ranchi
8	Last date /Time for receipt of Bid	22/11/2021 / 5:00 PM
9	Last date of submission of Earnest Money (Bank Guarantee/T.D. Pass Book/N.S.C) and cost of B.O.Q.	23/11/2021 / 02:00 PM
10	Date of opening of Tender	23/11/2021 / 05:00 PM
11	Name & address of office inviting tender	Executive Engineer, Drinking Water & Sanitation Division No-2 Dumka, Jharkhand
12	Name & address of Opening officer	Executive Engineer, Drinking Water & Sanitation Division No-2 Dumka, Jharkhand
13	Contact no of Procurement office	7739802331
14	Helpline no of e-procurement cell	7739802331

Note :- As per BOQ Estimated Cost may decrease or increase  
Further details can be seen on website <http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in>  
255834 Drinking Water and Sanitation(21-22)D (Anuj Kumar Mishra) Executive Engineer D.W. & S. Division No. 02, Dumka

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Drinking Water & Sanitation Division No-2, Dumka  
e-Procurement Notice**  
E-Tender reference no. - DWSD/ DUMKA-2/22/2021-22 Date- 28.10.2021

1	Name of the Work	Implementation of Cluster wise Single Village Water Supply Schemes under Jal Jeevan Mission for Cluster: -01(C) under D.W. & S. Division No. 02, Dumka "On Turn Key Basis" for the year 2021-22.
2	Estimated Cost	867.31 Lakh
3	Earnest Money	8.68 Lakh
4	Cost of BOQ	10,000.00
5	Time of Completion	09 (Nine) Months
6	Date of publication of Tender on Web site	03.11.2021 / 02:00PM
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**SECTION-A  
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR  
ARUNACHAL PRADESH ENERGY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
TEZU DIVISION, NEAR ZONAL GENERAL HOSPITAL, TEZU  
DISTRICT - LOHIT, ARUNACHAL PRADESH  
PIN - 792 001  
Phone: 9612617629 Email: ddapedatezu@gmail.com**

NO. APEDA/TEZU-DIV/H-MAST-195/2021-22 / 584-89 Dated: 28th October 2021

**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

Sealed tenders are invited in two parts, Part-I (Technical Bid) and Part-II (Price Bid) from reputed manufacturers of SPV Cells / Modules / LiFePO4 Battery / Solar Inverters/ Solar Street Lights for the work "Designing, manufacturing, supply, installation, testing and commissioning of 6x40W LED Solar High Mast with LiFePO4 battery at different places in Arunachal Pradesh on turnkey basis including Annual Maintenance Contract for 5 years." The detailed tender documents can be obtained from the office of the Deputy Director, APEDA, Tezu Division by submitting Application in its letter head with credentials along with a Demand Draft / Cash of Rs. 2500/- (Rupees Two thousand five hundred) only in favour of Deputy Director, APEDA, Tezu Division in any working days w.e.f. 29/10/2021 upto 1500 hours of 11/11/2021. Tender documents will not be issued to party without credentials for which the bid is sought.  
The Deputy Director, APEDA, Tezu Division reserves the right to accept or reject any or all the offers without assigning any reason thereof.

Sd/  
Dy. Director (APEDA)  
Tezu Division  
DIPR/ARN/1897-99

**punjab national bank** Branch Office: Bhiwani Stand (003210), Rohtak  
Mob. No. 8950400693, Email: bu003210@pnb.co.in

**Demand Notice U/s 13(2) of SARFAESI ACT 2002 Public notice in R/o Undelivered Demand Notice Dated 06.10.2021 issued U/s 13(2) of the SARFAESI ACT 2002**

Due to default in payment of installment/interest/principal loan, the account has been classified as non-performing asset on 31.03.2021 as per RBI guidelines. Under these circumstances, we cannot allow the continuation of the loan facility granted.

We hereby give notice U/s 13(2) of SARFAESI Act to Borrower, Mortgagee and Guarantor and call upon to pay the full amount within 60 days (sixty days) from the date of publication of this notice. In the event of default, the Bank intends to exercise any or all of the powers conferred under section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act 2002, in addition to exercising other rights of the Bank available under the law. The details of the secured assets intended to be enforced by the Bank, in the event of non-payment of secured debt by you are as under:

Borrower's and Mortgagee's Name	Account Number and Outstanding Amount	Mortgage Property Details
M/s Varun Textiles Through its Proprietor - Smt. Sharda Aggarwal 1st Floor, Pratap Talkies, Railway Road, Rohtak-124001.	0795401000272 and 0032720100890 Rs. 1,81,27,894.32 plus interest and charges with w.e.f. 01.10.2021.	1. Hypothecation of stocks of finished goods, packaging materials, cloth and other current assets of borrower and realisable. 2. A shop no. 3, measuring 22.5 sq. yards (only ground floor without roof) situated at Shyam Plaza Barid Ghar, Railway Road, Rohtak min Juma, Property No. 1514, 1515, 1516, 1518, 1519, 1520 ward no. 5, within MC Limits, Rohtak in the name of Smt. Sharda Aggarwal W/o Sh. Rakesh Aggarwal 124001. 3. A house having new MC no. 696/18 old MC no. 655/17 measuring 121.5 sq. yards situated at Bhasitapura Rohtak (now called Shastri Nagar) back side of Adarsh School (3) House No. 479/19, Keshav Park, Shakti Nagar, Green Road, Rohtak-124001. Smt. Kusum Mittal W/o Sh. Radha Krishan Mittal - (Mortgagor/Guarantor) House No. 096/18, Shastri Nagar, (Arya Nagar) Rohtak-124001

Your attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.  
Please take notice that in terms of section 13(13) of the said Act, you may not, after receipt/publication of this notice, transfer the above secured property by sale, lease or otherwise, without prior written consent of the Bank. You are also put on notice that any contravention of this statutory injunction / restraint, as provided under the said Act, is an offence. If for any reason, the secured assets are sold or leased out in the ordinary course of business, the sale proceeds or income realized shall be deposited/delivered with/to the Bank. You will be liable to render proper account of such realization/income. Please comply with this demand under this notice and avoid all unpleasantness. In case of non-compliance, further needful action will be resorted to, holding you liable for all costs and consequences. This notice is issued without prejudice to the bank taking legal action before DRT/Court, as the case may be.

Dated: 28.10.2021 Place: Rohtak Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank

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Government of Union Territory Jammu & Kashmir  
**OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MECHANICAL HOSPITAL AND CENTRAL HEATING DIVISION SRINAGAR**  
-----Telefax:- 0194-2496089, Email ID:- xenmhchd@yahoo.in-----  
Gist of e-tender (Short-term)  
NIT No: MHCHD/TS/2021-22/167/e-tendering  
Dated:-27.10.2021

On the behalf of Lt. Governor of J&K Union Territory, e-tenders are invited from original equipment manufacturers or their authorized dealers/ representatives or reputed and experienced firms for the below mentioned works:

Name of Work	Est. Cost (Rs. in Lacs)	Cost of T.Doc. (In rupees)	Time of completion (in days)	AA Accorded Vide No:	TS No	Position of Funds
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SITC of 200 LPM PSA based Oxygen Generation Plant along with allied MGPS Works at SDH Dangiawachi, Baramulla .	97.00	2000	45	HU-II/Sgr/ 225-27 Dt:- 12.06.21	MED/K/TS 61 Dt:- 19.06.21	Under Languishing

1. **Downloading of Bids:** The NIT Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen from the departmental website [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) from 27.10.2021 (18.00 hrs) and can be downloaded from 27.10.2021 (18.00 hrs).  
2. **Uploading:** The bidders shall deposit their bids in electronic format on the above web site 28.10.2021 (10.00 hrs) to 03.11.2021 (14.00hrs) in two (02) covers.  
3. **Opening of Bids:** The bids received upto due date and time shall be opened on 03.11.2021 at 16.00 hrs or any date convenient to the department in the office of Executive Engineer, MHCHD, Srinagar

Sd/-  
Executive Engineer,  
MHCHD, Srinagar

MHCHD/TS/5921-24 Dt:-27.10.2021  
DIPK-11443

**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTORATE OF FORENSIC SCIENCE,  
ASSAM, KAHILIPARA, GUWAHATI-781019**  
Web site: [www.forensic.assam.gov.in](http://www.forensic.assam.gov.in),  
email: [directorofassam@yahoo.com](mailto:directorofassam@yahoo.com),  
No. DFS.2084/2021-22/ 13 Dated Guwahati, the 28th October, 2021

**INVITATION FOR E-BID  
(IFB) NATIONAL  
COMPETITIVE BIDDING**

E-Tenders are invited online through e-procurement system i.e. through website [www.assamtenders.gov.in](http://www.assamtenders.gov.in) from the intending manufacturer/Accredited Dealers for Supply and installation of Equipment related to GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY -MASS SPECTROMETER SYSTEM to Regional Forensic Science Laboratory, Silchar, Assam.  
The E- Tender is Two-Bid System, only are invited from manufacturer/authorized dealer, agent for supply of GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY -MASS SPECTROMETER SYSTEM for the financial year 2021-2022. The terms and Conditions and details of items to be supplied is described in the Tender Document.

**Important dates of the e- Tender**

Sl. No.	Scheduled	Date	Time
1.	Tender Publishing	28.10.2021	3.00 PM
2.	Tender download	28.10.2021	4.30 PM
3.	Bid Submission Start date	18.11.2021	09.00 AM
4.	Bid Submission End date	26.11.2021	12.00 PM
5.	Technical Bid opening	26.11.2021	4.00 PM

Sd/-  
Director  
Directorate of Forensic Science, Assam  
Kahilipara, Guwahati - 781019  
Janasanyog No.C/7256/21

**Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee, Jamshedpur  
New Kalimati Road, Sakchi-831001  
E-mail ID-[jnacsjr@gmail.com](mailto:jnacsjr@gmail.com)**

**SHORT TENDER NOTICE**  
Tender notice No- 19/2021-22 Date:-28/10/2021

Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee (JNAC) invites proposals to provide the following services:  
(A) 3D city mapping for identification of sources of pollution change detection and encroachment on government land parcels for Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee, Jamshedpur  
(B) Master System Integrator for Supply, Installation and commissioning of Command and Control Centre with Portable CAAQMS devices and digital LED display board for Jamshedpur with hand holding and support for 36 months from the date of Go-Live.  
(C) Empanelment of agencies for rate contract for design, engineering, supply, installation, testing and commissioning of Grid connected & Off Grid connected SPV power plant including five years comprehensive maintenance contract on turnkey basis for solarization of Various Government institution under JNAC Municipal Area.

**SCHEDULE OF BIDDING PROCESS**

S.No.	Particulars	Date & Time
1.	Date of publication of Tender on Website	29.10.2021
2.	Last date for receiving queries	08.11.2021
3.	Date of Pre-Bid meeting	08.11.2021 at 11 AM
4.	Date/Time for receipts of bids	25.11.2021 Till 3 PM
5.	Date of Technical Bid opening	25.11.2021 At 5 PM
6.	Date and Time of presentation	To be announced later
7.	Date of Financial bid opening	To be announced later

**EMD and Tender Document Fee**

Gp.No	Particulars	Tender Fee (INR)	EMD (INR)
A.	3D city mapping for identification of sources of pollution change detection and encroachment on government land parcels for Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee, Jamshedpur	10,000.00	2,00,000.00
B.	Master System Integrator for Supply, Installation and commissioning of Command and Control Centre with Portable CAAQMS devices and digital LED display board for Jamshedpur with hand holding and support for 36 months from the date of Go-Live.	10,000.00	656000.00
C.	Empanelment of agencies for rate contract for design, engineering, supply, installation, testing and commissioning of Grid connected & Off Grid connected SPV power plant including five years comprehensive maintenance contract on turnkey basis for solarization of Various Government institution under JNAC Municipal Area.	10,000.00	2,00,000.00

DD to be made in favour of "Special Officer- Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee" payable Jamshedpur.  
Note: Tender document can be collected by the interested parties on paying the tender document fee in the form of DD by hand from the office of Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee.  
Address for submission of hard copy of tender documents:  
Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee, Jamshedpur, New Kalimati Road, Sakchi-831001

Special Officer  
Jamshedpur Notified Area Committee  
Jamshedpur  
PR 255811 Urban Development(21-22).D

**MANDYA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, MANDYA-571 401  
(Autonomous Medical Institution, Government of Karnataka)  
Fax & Phone : 08232-231003, 222086, E-mail: [mimsmandyaooffice@gmail.com](mailto:mimsmandyaooffice@gmail.com) Website: [www.mimsmandyao.org](http://www.mimsmandyao.org)  
No: MIMS/O.S/Cleaning, Group-C & D and Security /Re-e-tender/01/02/03/2021-22 Date:25.10.2021**

**RE E-TENDER NOTIFICATION  
(Through e-procurement only)**

e-Tenders are invited from the eligible Manpower supply Agencies for providing the services of Human Resources (Group C & D Staff, Cleaning Staff & Security Staff) Staff through out-Sourcing to the Teaching Hospital of MIMS & MIMS Institution in Two Cover System as per the KTPP Act 1999 and Rules 2000

Sl. No.	Tender Particulars	Notification No.	Total Approximate Cost (Rs in Lakhs)	EMD (Rs in Lakhs)
1	Tender for Providing Cleaning Staff and scavengers, supply of chemicals and cleaning materials, Providing Vehicle Service for waste transportation on for MIMS, Mandya	MIMS/OS/Cleaning Services/e-Tender/01/2021-22 Date:25.10.2021	Rs.238.00	Rs.2.38
2	Tender for Providing Security staff to Mandya Institute of Medical Sciences, Mandya	MIMS/OS/Security Services/e-Tender/02/2021-22 Date:25.10.2021	Rs.212.00	Rs.2.12
3	Tender for Providing Group- C & D staff to Mandya Institute of Medical Science, Mandya	MIMS/OS/Group -C & D/e-Tender/03/2021-22 Date:25.10.2021	Rs.294.00	Rs.2.94

Submission of e-Tender by paying non refundable fees is from 27.10.2021 and the last date for filing of Tenders is Date: 25.11.2021 upto 4.30 P.M. Further details can be obtained from website: [www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in](http://www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in) Tenderers are required to obtain clarifications needed before submitting their tenders. More details may be obtained from the MIMS office during working hours. (Except General Holiday/s)

DIPR/ADMD/MCA/415/2021-22 Sd/- Director, Mandya Institute of Medical Sciences, Mandya

**The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply & Transport Undertaking  
(Of The Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation)**

**TENDER NOTICE**  
E-tenders are invited for the supply of following items.  
(1) 72145 - Biennial Rate Contract for painting of Street Lighting Poles with providing & painting of Cement Concrete Aprons, (2) Establishment & Operation of EV Charging Station at 55 Locations (Approx.) in Mumbai on PPP Basis,  
**RE-INVITED E-TENDERS**  
(3) 71931, (4) 70983 (Corrigendum),  
Note : For more details, log on to website <https://mahatenders.gov.in>.  
PRO/AAM(M)/79/2021 GENERAL MANAGER

**SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED**

General Public is hereby informed that one girl namely: **Phool Jahaan, D/o: Mohd. Yasin, R/o: H.No. K-21, T Camp, Khichripur, Delhi** has been missing/kidnapped since 06.10.2021 at 8:00 am from the area of P.S. Kalyan Puri, Delhi. In this regard a case vide FIR No. 554/2021 U/s 363 IPC dated 07.10.2021 has been registered at P. S. Kalyan Puri, Delhi. The description of the missing girl are as under: **Age:** 15 years, **Sex:** Female, **Height:** 5', **Face:** Round, **Complexion:** Fair, **Built:** Medium, **Wearing:** Yellow colour frock and red colour salwar. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing girl but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this missing girl kindly inform to the following.  
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in> SHO  
E-mail Id - [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) P.S. Kalyan Puri, Delhi  
Ph. No.: 011-24368638, 24368641  
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**SEARCH FOR MISSING**

General public is here by informed that this boy (depicted in the photo) namely: **Md. Sabir S/o Md. Navijan R/o R.H. SRS-191, KH. No.-487, 4th Floor, Peera Garhi Village, Delhi**, has been missing/kidnapped since 06.09.2021 from the area of PS Paschim Vihar West, Delhi. In this regard DD No. 54-A dated 09.09.2021 has been registered at PS. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the boy but no clue has come to light so far.  
His physical description is as under:-  
**Sex:** Male, **Age:** 18 years, 5 months, **Height:** 5'5" ft., **Complexion:** Shallow, **Face:** Oval, **Wearing:** Red T-Shirt-Black Pant and Hawaii Chapple in feet.  
Any person is having information or clue about this missing/kidnapped boy may kindly inform to the following:-  
SHO  
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in> P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi  
E-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) Ph. No.: 011-25268394, 25280980  
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**SEARCH FOR MISSING FEMALE**

General public is hereby informed that this female namely **Rani Kumari W/o Mithilesh Kumar R/o Gali No. 08, Gautam Colony, Narela, Delhi Age : 20 years Height : 5', Face : Round, Build: Thin, Complexion : Shallow, wearing green colour suit-salwar and hawai chappal in feet, has been missing since 08.10.2021. In this regard DD No. 64-A dated 09.10.2021 has been lodged at P.S. Narela, Delhi.**

Any person having any information or clue about this missing female may kindly inform to the following.  
E-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) SHO: P.S. Narela, Delhi  
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in> Ph. : 011-27280435, 27282350  
Fax: 24368639, Tel.: 24368638/24368641

**PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSONS  
(See Section 82 Cr.PC)**

Whereas complaint has been made before me that (1) **Gulshan Kumar (2) Parkasho (3) Radha (4) Anju (5) Pamma (6) Rinku Ali R/o Village and Tehsil Jundla, Distt. Karnal, Haryana** have committed (or are suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. 108/06 U/S 498-A/406/34 IPC, P.S. Paschim Vihar East, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused (1) Gulshan Kumar (2) Parkasho (3) Radha (4) Anju (5) Pamma (6) Rinku cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused (1) Gulshan Kumar (2) Parkasho (3) Radha (4) Anju (5) Pamma (6) Rinku have absconded (or are concealing themselves to avoid the service of the said warrant).  
Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused (1) Gulshan Kumar (2) Parkasho (3) Radha (4) Anju (5) Pamma (6) Rinku of FIR No. 108/06 U/S 498-A/406/34 IPC, P.S. Paschim Vihar East, Delhi are required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 02.12.2021.  
By Order,  
Ms. Aakanksha  
Metropolitan Magistrate, Mahila Court-05(West)  
Room No. 353, 3rd Floor, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi  
DP/1267/OD/2021

**NORTH WESTERN RAILWAY**  
ई-निविदा सूचना 218-221/2021/  
वाणिज्य/बीकानेर दिनांक: 27.10.2021  
मण्डल रेल प्रबंधक (वाणिज्य), उत्तर परिसर  
रेलवे, बीकानेर भारत के राष्ट्रपति की ओर से  
अनुमोदी विभाग में जैसियों से बीकानेर मण्डल  
के 09 रेलवे स्टेशनों पर स्टेशन एरिया में रेलवे  
द्वारा स्वीकृत आकार एवं स्थानों पर स्लोसाईन  
बोर्ड एवं साईन बोर्ड के लिए वाणिज्य प्रचार  
प्राधिकार में ठेके पर देने की तिथि से तीन वर्ष  
की अवधि हेतु ई-निविदा आमंत्रित की  
जाती है। इस सम्बन्ध में विस्तृत जानकारी  
IREPS की वेबसाइट [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in)  
पर उपलब्ध है। 1. कार्य का नाम एवं  
स्थान : बीकानेर मण्डल के 09 रेलवे स्टेशनों  
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एवं स्थानों पर स्लोसाईन बोर्ड एवं साईन बोर्ड  
लगायें। 2. कार्य की अनुमानित  
लागत : IREPS की वेबसाइट पर दर्शाये गये  
विस्तृत विवरण के अनुसार। 3. बयाना राशि :  
IREPS की वेबसाइट पर दर्शाये गये विस्तृत  
विवरण के अनुसार। 4. ई-टेंडर खोलने  
की तिथि एवं समय : ई-टेंडर दिनांक  
23.11.2021 को 15:30 बजे खोला  
जायेगा। 5. IREPS की वेबसाइट :  
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Note: Gold, silver rates at Delhi spot market, gold per 10g, silver per 1 kg; Crude oil (Indian basket) as of October 27

SENSEX: 59,984.70 ▼ 1,158.63 (-1.89%) NIFTY: 17,857.25 ▼ 353.70 (-1.94%) NIKKEI: 28,820.09 ▼ 278.15 HANG SENG: 25,555.73 ▼ 73.01 FTSE: 7,230.87 ▼ 22.40 DAX: 15,665.93 ▼ 39.88

International market data till 1900 IST

MARKETS WATCH  
EQUITY SELLOFF

## Valuation concerns trigger slump in Sensex: What next?

SANDEEP SINGH  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

HAVING WITNESSED sustained weakness over the last 7 trading sessions, markets fell sharply on Thursday. While the Sensex fell 1.89 per cent, or 1,158 points, to close at 59,984 on Thursday, the Nifty50 fell 1.94 per cent, or 353 points, to 17,857. While this is the biggest Sensex fall in a day since April 30, market participants say that fall could get deeper over next couple of weeks and investors should avoid panic selling and seek professional advice.

## Why the markets turned weak?

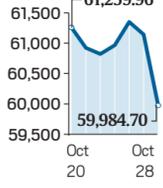
The markets have traded very strong this calendar year despite the second Covid wave and concerns over its impact on the economy. High liquidity in global markets, better earnings growth and hopes of stronger growth in the economy took the markets to new highs. Since January 1, the Sensex has risen around 25 per cent, and since August 1, it is up over 14 per cent.

Even the recent investment pattern of foreign portfolio investors suggest that they are reducing their holdings. Over the last six trading sessions, FPIs sold domestic equities worth Rs 12,866 crore.

## Will the correction be deeper?

While the markets have fallen 3.6 per cent since the high of 62,245 seen last week, market participants say the correction could go up to 10

SENSEX (since Oct 20)



per cent in the large-cap index and could be up to 15-20 per cent in the mid- and small-cap indices. If FPIs continue to reduce their holdings in Indian equities, the fall will only get deeper for now. There are concerns over how the FPIs may react, following the tapering of bond purchase programme by the US Federal Reserve, beginning next month.

## EXPLAINED

**Should you sell?** Long-term investors should continue to hold their investments as market participants feel that the long-term fundamentals remain strong and equities will do well over a 3-5 year investment horizon.

Even Nomura, while downgrading Indian equities to neutral, said it "will look for better entry points, given our still-constructive medium term view." The CEO of a leading MF said investors should not look to panic and sell. "They must stick to their investments as markets will bounce back after some correction," he said. He added domestic traders and participants look to books some profit ahead of Diwali and that adds to the fall. Full report on [www.indianexpress.com](http://www.indianexpress.com)

TOTAL AMOUNT RELEASED TO STATES AT ₹1.59L CR THIS FISCAL  
GST shortfall: Centre releases ₹44K cr as back-to-back loanENSECONOMICBUREAU  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

THE CENTRE on Thursday released the balance Rs 44,000 crore to states as loan to compensate for shortfall in Goods and Services Tax (GST) collections, taking the total amount to Rs 1.59 lakh crore this fiscal. These funds are in addition to normal GST compensation being released every two months out of cess collection.

"It is expected that this release will help the states/UTs in planning their public expenditure among other things, for improving health infrastructure and taking up infrastructure projects," the Finance Ministry said on Thursday.

The 43rd GST Council meeting on May 28, 2021, had decided that the Centre would borrow Rs 1.59 lakh crore in 2021-22 and release it to states and UTs with legislature

## STATES STRAPPED FOR CASH

■ The funding support comes at a time when many states are strapped for cash. While the Central government's tax collections have become buoyant due to sharp spike in direct tax mop up, many states are on a weak revenue position.

on a back-to-back basis to meet the resource gap due to the shortfall in compensation, on account of inadequate amount collected in the GST compensation fund. This amount is as per the principles adopted for a similar facility in 2020-21, where Rs 1.10 lakh crore was released.

The funding support comes at a time when many of the states are strapped for cash. While the Central government's tax collections have become buoyant due to sharp spike in direct tax mop up, many states are on a weak revenue position. "Covid has impacted states disproportionately and many of them are now hard pressed for funds. Funding is essential at state levels to step up capital expenditure and infrastructure creation," a senior official said.

The move is expected to cool off yields in upcoming bonds auctions by states. "The early release of the balance amount of the back-to-back GST compensation loan to the states will help them to plan their expenditure in H2 FY2022, avoiding a bunching up at the end of the year. Moreover, it should help to compress the size of the SDL (state development loan) auctions in the immediate term, mod-

estly cooling yields," said Aditi Nayar, chief economist, Ibra.

On July 15 and October 7, the Centre had released Rs 75,000 crore and Rs 40,000 crore, respectively, to the states. With the release of funds on Thursday, the total amount has reached as back-to-back loan in lieu of GST compensation is Rs 1.59 lakh crore. The Rs 44,000 crore being re-released now is funded from the Government of India securities issued in the current financial year. These securities have a tenure of 5 years and are issued at a weighted average yield of 5.69 per cent. No additional market borrowing by the Central government is envisaged on account of this release.

Highest amount of Rs 5,010.90 crore has been issued to Karnataka, followed by Rs 3,814 crore to Maharashtra, Rs 3,608.53 crore to Gujarat, and Rs 3,357.48 crore to Punjab, among others.

## 'Most sectors on way to reach pre-Covid levels, surpass them'

Think-tank National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER) said that most sectors of the economy are on their way to reach pre-pandemic levels and surpass them

**Agriculture sector**, which remained mostly undented by Covid-19 pandemic, has continued to grow at its long-term average

**Manufacturing sector** seemed to be on target to recoup most of the loss that it had suffered during the pandemic

**Service sector**, being the most contact-intensive, was the hardest hit by the pandemic, and is understandably the slowest to recover



With economy expected to grow at 9.5% (as per RBI) this year, most sectors seem to be on their way to reach the pre-pandemic level

Source: NCAER/PTI

## First project under last-mile real estate fund wrapped up

Govt-backed SWAMIH Fund exits CCI Rivali Park Wintergreen project

ENSECONOMICBUREAU  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

THE GOVERNMENT-BACKED SWAMIH Fund has announced its successful exit from the CCI Rivali Park Wintergreen project in Mumbai, which was the first beneficiary of the initiative to provide last-mile funding to affordable housing projects that were stalled due to lack of funds.

The exit comes five months after homeowners got possession of completed flats under the Mumbai project. The Special Window for Affordable & Mid-Income Housing, or SWAMIH, Fund was set up in November

## SET UP IN NOV 2019

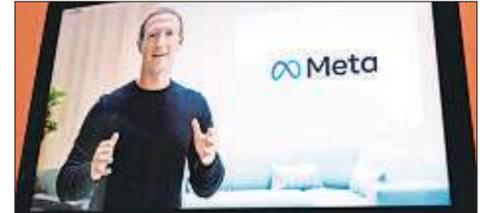
■ The Special Window for Affordable & Mid-Income Housing Fund was set up in November 2019 with a size of about ₹25,000 cr

2019 with an estimated size of Rs 25,000 crore.

Experts said the exit would embolden the Fund and other private investors to take exposure to projects stuck due to lack of last-mile funding. The money realised through this investment can be used to support other projects,

## Facebook updates firm name to Meta

Change to bring together different apps, technologies under 1 new brand



Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg on Thursday. AP

REUTERS  
NEW YORK, OCTOBER 28

FACEBOOK INC said on Thursday it would rebrand as Meta, a name change that comes as the company battles critics from lawmakers and regulators over its market power, its algorithmic decisions and the policing of abuses on its platforms.

The tech giant said the change

would bring together its different apps and technologies under one new brand. It said it would not change its corporate structure.

CEO Mark Zuckerberg said the name reflected its focus on building the metaverse. The metaverse, first coined in a dystopian novel 3 decades ago and now attracting buzz in Silicon Valley, refers to the idea of a shared virtual environment which can be accessed by people using different devices.

## Invesco moves Bombay HC division Bench

Mumbai: Invesco Developing Markets Fund has approached a division Bench of the Bombay High Court, challenging the injunction order passed by a single-judge Bench in a petition filed by Zee Entertainment Enterprises Ltd (ZEEL) against the investor.

The HC had earlier granted relief to ZEEL, restraining Invesco from going ahead with the requisition of an extraordinary general meeting (EGM) seeking removal of the ZEEL MD and CEO Punit Goenka.

Invesco which holds 17.88 per cent stake in the company had requested ZEEL to convene an EGM on September 11 seeking the removal of Goenka and appointment of six new independent directors. ENS

## BRIEFLY

## ECB policy

Frankfurt: The European Central Bank kept policy unchanged before a crucial December decision on whether to end emergency stimulus and return policy to a more normal setting.

## USQ3 GDP

Washington: The US GDP grew at 2% annualised rate last quarter. REUTERS

## Bharti Airtel

New Delhi: The Supreme Court set aside a Delhi HC order, which allowed Bharti Airtel's plea for rectification and refund of Rs 923 crore in excess GST paid by it from July to September 2017, saying rectification of errors and omissions is permissible only at the initial stages. Airtel said the matter pertains to 2017, when GST was introduced, and the company paid excess cash towards GST worth Rs 923 crore instead of utilising Input Tax Credit, as there was no automated reconciliation available at that time. PTI

## Cognizant hiring

New Delhi: Cognizant has said it expects to make offers to 45,000 new graduates in India in the fourth quarter.

## Ambani on board

New Delhi: Isha Ambani was named to the Board of Trustees of Smithsonian's National Museum of Asian Art. PTI

## GNFC Q2

New Delhi: Gujarat Narmada Valley Fertilisers & Chemicals posted its highest ever Q2 revenue of Rs 2,096 crore for the September quarter.

## AUSFBQ2 PAT

New Delhi: AU Small Finance Bank posted a 42% rise in profit after tax (PAT) for Q2 of FY22 at Rs 279 crore. ENS

## Tata Motors expects to soon launch electric CVs

ENSECONOMICBUREAU  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

TATA MOTORS expects to launch the electric version of its small commercial vehicles 'soon' to tap the opportunity of electrification of the last-mile transportation segment. Tata Motors executive director Girish Wagh said on Thursday.

Moreover, stricter emission regulations have pushed up the cost of diesel SCVs, and at the same time with the lowering of the cost of batteries, the price gap between the diesel SCV and the electric counterpart is gradually coming down, he added.

When asked about the timeline for the launch of the electric SCVs, he said "soon" without specifying details.

On Thursday, the company unveiled 21 new commercial vehicles, including trucks and buses. WITH PTI

## Former CMD of Coal India at Explained.Live today

ENSECONOMICBUREAU  
NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 28

COAL STOCKS at the country's thermal plants are improving after a difficult month, in which a number of states had to resort to load shedding as plants ran out of the fuel.

While the coal stock position is improving, the shortage at plants has only emphasised the importance of the fuel in the power sector, even as the country is moving towards boosting the share of renewables in its power mix.

As the economy recovers from the pandemic, power demand has risen sharply to well above pre-pandemic levels, forcing coal-fired plants to raise production and meet growing demand. Supply-side factors, including a long monsoon and high global coal prices, put further pressure on these plants. While the government has said stocks at Coal India Ltd (CIL), the near monopoly supplier of coal, are sufficient to meet demand, CIL's annual output has stagnated over the past few years, from 606 million tonnes (mt)



Partha Sarathi Bhattacharyya, former Chairman &amp; MD, Coal India. Credit: Dept of Public Enterprises



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in FY19 to 602 mt in FY20 and 596 mt in FY21.

CIL has moved to diversify its business into renewables and other areas, including fertilisers,

while relooking at plans to reach 1 billion tonnes of coal output by FY24, citing low offtake issues.

How can we avoid a repeat of the coal shortage? Could the government's increasing emphasis on renewables put financial strain on thermal power generation companies? What role will coal play in India's power mix going forward?

The Indian Express has invited Partha Sarathi Bhattacharyya, former Chairman and Managing Director of Coal India, to answer some of these critical questions. As CMD, he oversaw the landmark IPO of Coal India in 2010 — still the largest-ever IPO of an Indian company. CIL's performance improved during his tenure, with profits rising from Rs 1,711.7 crore in FY06 to Rs 3,779.9 crore in FY11. He also led a turnaround at CIL subsidiary Bharat Coking Coal Ltd, leading it to profit for the first time in FY06.

Explained.Live is a unique series of explanatory conversations that The Indian Express hosts. On Friday, Bhattacharyya will be in conversation with Karunjit Singh, senior correspondent, The Indian Express.

## Gold demand rebounds as sentiment turns positive

ENSECONOMICBUREAU  
MUMBAI, OCTOBER 28

WITH THE economy looking to recover, demand for gold is rising again after the Covid pandemic hit demand for the yellow metal in the country.

Demand for gold in India during the quarter ended September 30, 2021 shot up 47 per cent to 139.1 tonnes, compared to 94.6 tonnes in the year-ago period.

The value of the yellow metal was Rs 59,330 crore, up 37 per cent, compared to Rs 43,160 crore a year ago, according to the World Gold Council (WGC).

The WGC said total jewellery demand in the country for the September period increased by 58 per cent to 96.2 tonnes, compared to 60.8 tonnes a year ago. The value of jewellery demand was Rs 41,030 crore, up by 48 per cent from Rs 27,750 crore last year.

## 'Azim Premji retains top giver rank in FY21'

ENSECONOMICBUREAU  
NEW DELHI/MUMBAI, OCT 28

INDUSTRIALIST AZIM Premji donated Rs 9,713 crore, or Rs 27 crore a day, to retain his top rank among Indian philanthropists in FY21 showed a report on Thursday.

According to the Edelgive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2021, the founder chairman of software major Wipro increased his donation by nearly a fourth during the pandemic year. The list ranked HCL's Shiv Nadar at second, with contributions of Rs 1,263 crore towards upliftment causes.

Reliance Industries chairman Mukesh Ambani, the nation's richest man, was third on the list with a Rs 577 crore contribution.



Wipro founder chairman Azim Premji donated ₹9,713 crore in FY21, the Edelgive Hurun India report said. File

He was succeeded by Kumar Mangalam Birla with Rs 377 crore. The second richest Indian, and Adani group chairman, Gautam Adani is eighth on the givers' list with a donation of Rs 130 crore towards disaster relief. WITH PTI

## Revised terms of reference of National Committee on Transmission

New Delhi: The power ministry has revised the terms of reference of National Committee on Transmission (NCT) to fast-track planning and approval of power transmission projects.

"As one more step in the series of major reforms being carried out in the power sector under the direction of the Union Power Minister RK Singh, the Ministry of Power has revised the terms of reference of National Committee on Transmission (NCT) to fast-track Inter State Transmission System (ISTS) planning and approval process," a power ministry statement stated. ENS, WITH PTI

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**Corrigendum - 3** Date: 27.10.2021

NIT No. & Date	Description of Work
E01 no. RSMML/CO/GMM(Cont.)E01-O&M	Expression of Interest (EOI) For Comprehensive Operation & Maintenance of Industrial Beneficiation Plant on "As is where is Basis" for Net Minimum Guaranteed Production of Normative Quality and Grade of Beneficiated Rock Phosphate on "Per Ton Fees For LGO Processing (Input Basis) Last Date Submission and opening of EOI 16.11.2021 up to 3.30 pm.

Other terms & conditions have been given in detailed tender for which please visit us at our website [www.rsmml.com](http://www.rsmml.com) or [www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in](http://www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in) or [sproc.rajasthan.gov.in](http://sproc.rajasthan.gov.in) or contact GGM (Contract) on above address.  
Raj.Samwad/02/17815 DGM (Admin.)

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**NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER**

IFB (Tender Enquiry) No.: HSSC/PUR/SIC/ Medical Equipment/2021/01 dt. 29.10.2021 for Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning & Handing Over of various Indian Manufactured Medical Equipment.

On-line bids are invited by HSSC (India) Ltd on behalf of Director, Sports Injury Centre (SIC), Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi from eligible bidders who fulfil Qualification Criteria as stipulated in the above referred Tender Document.

Tenders Document is available on-line from 02.11.2021 with Last Date of submission of Bids: 23.11.2021 (14:00 Hrs). The detailed NIT & Tender Document will be available on websites [www.tenderwizard.com/HSSC](http://www.tenderwizard.com/HSSC), [www.hssccltd.co.in](http://www.hssccltd.co.in), [www.eprocure.gov.in](http://www.eprocure.gov.in). Corrigendum/Amendments to this publication, if any, will appear only on the said website and not be published or intimated individually. CGM (Proc), HSSC (I) Ltd

**Bureau of Investment Promotion**  
BIP/CGM (F&A)/9329 Date: 26.10.2021

**Notice Inviting Bid**

Bids for Procurement of hiring services of an agency for providing Human resources on Job work basis Library, CM Gift Cell, Office Vehicle and Office Utility in Bureau of Investment Promotion, Jaipur are invited from Interested bidders upto 2.00 PM of 09.11.2021. Other particulars of the bid may be visited on the procurement portal (<http://sppp.raj.nic.in>) of the state.  
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E- Tenderers are invited from experienced and financially sound contractor/agency for the following works

NIT No.	Name of Work	Estimated cost	Earnest Money	Period of completion	Last Date of Submission
NIT No. NIT-E/ Estate/ 2021- 22/08	ARC for operation and maintenance of i) 500KVA, 2.00 K V A . 160 K V A. generators, ii) Sub-Station 33KV & 11KV (iii) Feeder pillar boxes, iv) indoor panels v) Street & security lamps, vi) Water pumps/ wheel valves/ gate valves at various locations, at NIT Silchar, (vii) L.T. distribution lines including service connections etc., Top up of transformer oil, round the clock throughout the year, during the contract period at NIT Silchar	Rs. 1,27,08,748/-	Bid Security Declaration form as per Annexure -1	12 month	04.00 P.M on 06/11/2021

The detailed tender notice may be seen at Institute website <http://www.nits.ac.in>, [www.tenderwizard.com/NITS](http://www.tenderwizard.com/NITS) & Institute notice board.  
Sd/- Registrar

General public is hereby informed that one unidentified dead body of male  
**Namely: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: About 70 years, Complexion: Shallow, Height: 5'6", Face: Long, Other ID: A cut mark on his forehead on left side and a tattoo mark on his left hand wrist and long white beard, Wearing: Black colour shirt and black lower and barefoot, who was found dead in Emergency Park Guru Govind Singh Hospital, Raghuraj Nagar, Delhi.**  
In this regard a case **DD No. 38A dt. 26.10.2021 has been lodged at P.S. Khyala, New Delhi.**  
Any person having any information or clue about the above deceased may kindly inform the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.



**Sd/- SHO  
P. S: Khyala, New Delhi  
DP/610/WD/2021 Tel. No. 011-96258947, 8750871132**

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**SHORT TERM E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE**  
E-Procurement Short Term Tender is invited for purchase of PG Clamp For ACSR Weasel Conductor (TN-1745)(UBN JVV2122GSOB00241), BPL Connection Kit/Switch Board (TN 1746) (UBN JVV2122GLOB00243) & NFC Type Insulation Piercing Connector Type-B (TN 1747) (UBN JVV2122GLOB00242). Details regarding Quantity, Tender cost, Earnest Money, Schedule date of tender opening for aforesaid tenders are available on our website at [www.jdvvn.com](http://www.jdvvn.com) and also at <http://sppp.rajasthan.gov.in>

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**DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I, DELHI**  
4<sup>th</sup> FLOOR, JEEVAN TARA BUILDING, PARLIAMENT STREET, NEW DELHI-110001

O.A. No.365/2019  
CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA ..... Applicant  
Versus  
MANOJ SINGH BHANDARI ..... Defendants

To,  
1. MR. MANOJ SINGH BHANDARI  
House No. A-18, Anupam Enclave A/pt. PH-2, Saidulajab Extn. Delhi-30  
2. SHUBHKAMNABUILDTECH PVT. LTD.  
Reg. Off.-197-E, Pocket-IV, Mayur Vihar, Phase-I, New Delhi-110091.

Whereas the above named applicant has instituted a case for recovery of Rs.45,51,676/- (Rupees Forty Five Lakh Fifty One Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Six Only) against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance before **Ld. Registrar on 07.12.2021 at 10:30 A.M.** (for further details kindly visit DRT website: [www.etribunal.gov.in](http://www.etribunal.gov.in) Phone Number 011-23748473).

Take notice that in case of your failure to appear on the above mentioned day before this Tribunal, the case will be heard and decided in your absence.  
**Due to ongoing Pandemic Situation, all the matters will be taken up through Video Conferencing and for that purpose:-**  
(i) All the Advocates/Litigants shall download the "Cisco Webex" Application/ Software.  
(ii) "Meeting ID" and "Password" for the next date of hearing qua cases to be taken by Registrar / Recovery Officer-I/and Recovery Officer-II shall be available one day prior to the next date at DRT Official Portal i.e. "drt.gov.in" under the Public Notice Head.  
(iii) In any exigency qua that, the Advocates / Litigants can contact the concerned official at Ph. No.011-23748473.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this **18<sup>th</sup> October of 2021**. Respondent may appear under mention Phone number for further enquiry. Mr. Amit K. Dar, Ld. Registrar, DRT-I, New Delhi. Phone No.: 011-23748473, E-mail: [drt1delhi-dfs@nic.in](mailto:drt1delhi-dfs@nic.in)

By Order of this Tribunal,  
For Registrar

**Collectorate, Godda (Zila Vikas Shakha)**

**Request of Quotation for Design and Development of Website/Web Based Portal**

**Quotation Invitation Notice No:- 1096 Date:-27/10/2021**  
For the effective monitoring and evaluation of MPLADS and MLALADS, the district administration Godda is planning to launch a website portal which would consist of the scheme details undertaken under these funds. This website/web portal should be accessible to all the citizens of India irrespective of technology, platform, devices or disability of any kind.

Zila Vikas Sakha, Godda invites quotations for development of this website/web portal. The web portal designed should monitor the real time progress of projects undertaken, fund allocated/utilised, agency selected, etc.

- The core components of the website portal should be:
1. Basic Overview of the district/constituency
  2. MIS Reports consisting of scheme details
  3. Dashboards
  4. Thematic map of the district-Block wise/ Constituency wise
  5. Graphical/spatial reporting
  6. Provision for uploading Geotagged pictures

- The key features of this system should be:
1. Public portal for transparency and awareness
  2. Graphical representation of data
  3. User Friendly User Interface
  4. Drilled down MIS for every segments
  5. Map based drill down report
  6. Colour coded and Map based User Interface
  7. Provision for Excel Data Entry and Bulk Upload Facility
  8. Provision for downloading the Excel Report

Technical Specifications: The website should use Web 3.0 based tools and any open-source software like LAMP architecture, Javascript/JQuery, HTML5, CSS3, OpenLDAP etc. Following are the advised open-source technologies to be used

- Server Side Scripting: PHP/Java etc.
- Con.Mgmt. System: Wordpress/Joomla/Drupal etc.
- Server Side Database: MySQL/PostgreSQL etc.
- O.S Platform for hosting: Linux/Windows
- Any Other Add-On Feature: Only open-source tools will be preferred

The following terms and conditions for this procurement are listed below:

1. The firm submitting the quotation should have GST registration and should have been filing returns every financial year.
2. The firm can submit the quotation via post/in-person at Zila Vikas Sakha, Godda, Jharkhand, 814133/ mail at [vikassakhagodda@gmail.com](mailto:vikassakhagodda@gmail.com).
3. The final quoted price should be inclusive of all taxes and other charges.
4. Support & maintenance should be non chargeable for a period of one year.
5. The project shall be completed within 30 days from the date of issue of work order by Zila Vikas Sakha, Godda
6. The payment shall be made within 4 days of launching of the portal, if found in working condition.
7. Zila Vikas Sakha, Godda reserves the right to modify/cancel this request for quotation.
8. The deadline of submission is on **12 PM, 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2021**.
9. The tentative date of declaration of the successful vendor will be on **03:00 PM on 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2021**. The results will be uploaded on [www.godda.nic.in](http://www.godda.nic.in)
10. The bidder may submit the following documents related to their firm - Certificate of Incorporation, GST registration, Copy of GST Return for the financial year 2019-20, Self attested copy of PAN Card, etc.

**Deputy Development Commissioner, Godda.**  
PR 255817 (District)21-22\*D

**TAMIL NADU GENERATION AND DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION LTD**  
Notice Inviting Tenders (E-Tendering Process)

Sl.No	Tender Inviting Authority	Specification No	Total
1	CE / Ch / North	E - 139, E - 140, E - 142	3
2	CE / Ch / South	E - 818 To E - 822	5

For details of works / Procurement / Due date of submission / opening, viewing and downloading of e-tenders, please visit website, [www.tangedco.gov.in](http://www.tangedco.gov.in), [www.tenders.tn.gov.in](http://www.tenders.tn.gov.in), [www.tntenders.gov.in/nicgepp/app](http://www.tntenders.gov.in/nicgepp/app)  
DIPR/3166/Tender/2021

**INVITATION FOR APPLICATION FOR ALLOTMENT OF REGIMENTAL SHOPS**  
(BEAUTY PARLOUR, MILK SHOP & TEA STALL): CAMERO

1. Air Officer Commanding, Air Force Central Accounts Office, Subroto Park, New Delhi-10 invites applications from War Widows/Widows of defense personnel killed while on duty. Disabled soldiers/ EX. Servicemen and spouses (Widows of Ex servicemen etc. and other general public for allotment of SI Regimental Shop at Subroto Park Complex, New Delhi. Details of shops are appended below:  
(a) Beauty Parlour at Sangam Shopping Complex  
(b) Milk Shop at Peter Complex  
(c) Tea Stall at CAMERO Airmen Billet
2. The applicable terms and conditions are mentioned in application form.
3. The application form is available from 01 Nov 21 at Service Institute, AFCAO, Subroto Park, New Delhi-10 between 0800 hrs to 1400 hrs on every day except Saturday, Sunday and holidays (Tele No. 9205709144). The application form for tendering may be collected on payment of Rs. 500/- per application. The last date of deposit/ receipt of completed application is 15 Nov 21 by 1400 hrs along with EMD (Earnest Money Deposit) of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only). The EMD should be in the form of Demand Draft drawn in favour of OIC SI Found, Payable at New Delhi. Shop will be allotted on auction basis.

**SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED**

General public is hereby informed that one boy **Namely Jatinder Batra S/o Vinay Batra R/o H.No. 2/48 Geeta Colony, Delhi**, has been missing/kidnapped from the area of PS Geeta Colony, Delhi since 10.09.2021. In this regard, a case **DD No. 109-A, dated. 15.09.2021 has been registered at P.S. Geeta Colony, Delhi**. The description of the missing boy are as under.



**Age: 21 Years, Height: 5'7", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Oval, Wearing: Green & White Colour T-Shirt & Blue Colour Pajama and hawai chappal in feet.** Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out him but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone has any information about the missing boy then please inform P.S. Geeta Colony, Delhi at following Tel No./e-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) and Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>  
Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641  
Fax No. 011-24368639

**Sd/- SHO  
Geeta Colony Delhi  
PH.011-22506665**  
DP/612/SHD/2021

**छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल**  
पर्यावरण भवन, नार्थ ब्लॉक, सेक्टर-19, नवा रायपुर, अटल नगर, जिला-रायपुर (छ.ग.) 492002

**//सर्व संबंधितों को सूचना//**

भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली को अधिसूचना दिनांक 14.09.2006 (यथा संशोधित) के तहत सर्व संबंधितों को सूचित किया जाता है कि Development of four laning Pathalgaon-Kunkur-CG/JH Border Greenfield Highway starting from Village Tarun Ana near Pathalgaon and terminates near Village Sai Tanger Toik at CG/JH border in the state of Chhattisgarh under Bharatmala Pariyojana (Lot-5/Package-7) (Length-104 KM) by M/s National Highways Authority of India की स्थाना के लिए पर्यावरणीय स्वीकृति हेतु लोक सुनवाई का कार्य प्रारंभ किया गया है। उक्त परियोजना के संबंध में आपूर्ति, सुसाव, विचार/टीका-टिप्पणी, इस सूचना के जारी होने के दिनांक से 30 दिवस के अंदर क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी, छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल, टी.बी. टॉवर रोड, रायपुर के कार्यालय में मौजूक अथवा लिखित रूप से कार्यालयीन समय में प्रस्तुत की जा सकती है। इस परियोजना के लिए लोक सुनवाई दिनांक 04.12.2021, विन-शनिवार, समय प्रायः 11:00 बजे, स्थान - मिनि स्टैडियम, सिलाहटोली, कुन्कुरी, तहसील-कुन्कुरी, जिला-जशपुर (छ.ग.) निम्न की गई है। यह भी सूचित हो कि लोक सुनवाई के दौरान भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली के ऑफिस मेमोरान्डम F.No.22-25/2020-4A. III दिनांक 14.09.2020 तथा कोयला विभाग के निदेश एवं रोकथाम हेतु शासन द्वारा जारी समस्त विज्ञापन-निर्देशों का अंशः-पाठन कराया जाना अनिवार्य होगा।

ई.आई.ए. अधिसूचना दिनांक 14 सितंबर 2006 (यथा संशोधित) के अनुसार, संबंधित व्यक्ति/व्यक्तियों के अवलोकन/पठन हेतु ड्राफ्ट ई.आई.ए. रिपोर्ट अंग्रेजी भाषा में एवं इसकी संधिवा सार रिपोर्ट हिन्दी एवं अंग्रेजी तथा सी.डी. (सॉफ्ट कॉपी) कार्यालय कलेक्टर जशपुर, कार्यालय मुख्य कार्यपालन अधिकारी, कार्यालय, जिला-जशपुर, कार्यालय महाराजगंज, जिला खारार एवं उद्योग एवं परिवहन, कार्यालय अनुविभागीय अधिकारी (राजस्व) कुन्कुरी, जिला-जशपुर, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल टी.बी. टॉवर रोड रायपुर, कार्यालय मुख्य कार्यपालन अधिकारी जनपद पंचायत, कुन्कुरी, जिला-जशपुर, सरपंच/सचिव कार्यालय ग्राम पंचायत-कच्छर, बलदेवी, पुराय, रेम्डे, कण्डोय, पतरादोली, लोखडी, सई टंगरेदोली, बहरील-पथलगांव/कासायल/कुन्कुरी/दुलदुला एवं जशपुर, जिला-जशपुर, कार्यपालक पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, ईस्टी पर्यावरण भवन, जोर बाग रोड, नई दिल्ली, एकीकृत क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, पर्यावरण वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय अरण्य भवन, नार्थ ब्लॉक, सेक्टर-19, नवा रायपुर एवं मुख्यालय, छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल, पर्यावरण भवन, नार्थ ब्लॉक, सेक्टर-19, नवा रायपुर (छ.ग.) में रखी हुई है।

सदर्य सचिव  
छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मण्डल,  
नवा रायपुर, अटल नगर, जिला-रायपुर

**Moradabad Municipal Corporation**  
Pili Kothi, Jalk Compound, Moradabad - 244001 (U.P.)

**E-Procurement Tender Notice**

Ref. No. 109/Ex. Eng./Env. Eng/NNM/2021-22 Date: 27.10.2021  
"ENGINEERING SUPPLY, CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION COMMISSIONING AND OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF WASTE DISPOSAL PLANT OF 100 TON PER DAY CAPACITY AT SPECIFIED SITE OF MORADABAD MUNICIPAL CORPORATION USING PLASMA LOAD STONE INDUCED HEAT BASED PROCESS FOR TREATMENT AND DISPOSAL OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE WITH 3 YEAR (EXTENDABLE TO 2 YEAR) WITH OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE OF THE PLANT ON TURNKEY BASIS"

Tender reference	73/Ex. Eng./Env. Eng/NNM/2021-22	Date: 27.10.2021
Date of publishing of tender	02/11/2021 at 10:00 AM	
Last date for receipt of tender	16/11/2021 at 04:00 PM	
Time and date for opening of technical bid	16/11/2021 at 04:30 PM	
Place of opening of tender	Municipal Commissioner Pili kothi, civil Lanes, Moradabad-244001	
Address for communication	Municipal Commissioner Pili kothi, civil Lanes, Moradabad-244001	

MMC: Moradabad Municipal Corporation  
Address: Nagar Nigam Jalk Compound, Pili Kothi, Moradabad-244001 (U.P.)  
Mobile: 9105900529 Email: [moradabadnagarnigam@gmail.com](mailto:moradabadnagarnigam@gmail.com), [cennm22@gmail.com](mailto:cennm22@gmail.com)

**Sd/- (Rajeev Kumar Rathi)  
Ex. Eng/Environment Engineer  
Nagar Nigam Moradabad**

**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT OF PERMISSION FOR SETTING UP OF GUEST HOUSE WITHIN AVAILABLE NET PLANNED AREA OUT OF 1.25 ACRES PER RESIDENTIAL SECTOR IN THE LICENCED COLONIES/SECTORS DEVELOPED BY HSVP IN VARIOUS DEVELOPMENT PLANS OF THE STATE UNDER POLICY DATED 08.04.2021 READ WITH POLICY DATED 10.11.2017.**

1. The Department of Town & Country Planning, Haryana has notified a policy dated 10.11.2017 for grant for permissions for which there is a cap on the Net Planned Area (NPA). This policy is available on the website of the department at [https://tcp.haryana.gov.in/Policy/PF-64-Pawan%20Bhatia%20Notification.docx%2010\\_11\\_2017\\_4\\_20.pdf](https://tcp.haryana.gov.in/Policy/PF-64-Pawan%20Bhatia%20Notification.docx%2010_11_2017_4_20.pdf). The policy gives guidelines with respect to grant of permission under the provisions of the Haryana Development and Regulation of Urban Areas Act, 1975 and Rules framed there-under (Act 8 of 1975) for those categories of colonies which are allowed on limited area.
2. The Department has further framed a policy dated 08.04.2021 for grant of permissions for setting up of Guest houses in residential sector. This policy allows grant of permission for setting up of Guest houses upto 1.25 acres in any residential sector.
3. In view of provisions of the policies mentioned above, the applications are invited for grant of permission for setting up of Guest houses (within 1.25 acres limit of residential sectors) in the licensed colonies/Sectors developed by HSVP. The applications are to be submitted in the office of Director, Town & Country Planning, Haryana. No applications received after expiry of **two months** period will be entertained.
4. The exact available area (out of maximum permissible limit of 1.25 acres) will be subject to decision on the applications pending with the department. The application received under this window shall be examined for the balance available area in respective sector and decided as per Act/Rules and Policies.
5. The window of **two months** from the date of publication of this notice is given to the persons/companies/firms/trusts etc. who are interested in seeking permissions for the Guest House in the residential sectors in the licensed colonies/Sectors developed by HSVP under policy dated 08.04.2021 read with policy dated 10.11.2017.
6. For any queries regarding this public notice, the Senior Town Planner Gurugram (0124-2305872), Hisar (01662-231106), Rohtak (01262-266655), Panchkula (0172- 2560217) and Faridabad (0129-2220692) or Senior Town Planner (HQ) (0172- 2547477) may be contacted during working hours.

**-Sd-  
(K. Makrand Pandurang)  
Director,  
Town and Country Planning  
Haryana, Chandigarh.**  
Dated: 27.10.2021  
Place: Chandigarh 5391/HRY

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**DELHI JAL BOARD: GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI**  
**OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (SDW) VIII**  
SEC. 16-D, PAPPANKALAN; N. DELHI-110075  
PRESS N.I.T. No. 08/EE(SDW)/VIII/ (2021-22)

S. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost in Rs.	Est./M/In.	Tender fee in Rs.	Date of release of tender in e-procurement solution	Last date/time of receipt of tender through e-procurement solution
1	SITC of Floating aerators at Lake No 1 at Pappan Kalan STP including 5 years Operation & Maintenance	42854775/-	860000/-	1500	Tender ID 2021_DJB_210373_1 Date: 28.10.2021	07.12.2021 at 03:00 P.M.

Further details in this regard can be seen at (<https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>)  
"STOP CORONA: Wear Mask, Follow Physical Distancing, Maintain Hand Hygiene"

ISSUED BY P.R.O. (WATER) Sd/- (T.P. Singh)  
Advt. No. J.S.V. 533 (2021-22) EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (SDW) VIII

**DELHI JAL BOARD; GOVT. OF N.C.T. OF DELHI**  
**OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (E&M) HP-I**  
HAIDERPUR WATER WORKS, DELHI-110085  
STOP CORONA: WEAR MASK, MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MAINTAIN HAND HYGIENE  
Short Press N.I.T. NO.12 (2021-22)

S. No.	Name of Work	Approximate value based on schedule of rates/ item rate/ lump sum (Rs in lacs)	Earnest Money (Refundable) in Rs.	Tender fee	Date of release of tender in e-procurement solution	Last date/time of receipt of tender through e-procurement solution.
1.	Removal of floating material manually by labour at different bar screens at RWP/PH-II at Haiderpur WTP.	Item rate	84500/-	500/-	27.10.2021	08.11.2021
2.	Removal of floating material manually by labour at different bar screens installed at twin main point under HPWW-I.	Item rate	60500/-	500/-	27.10.2021	08.11.2021

Further details in this regard can be seen at <https://delhi.govtprocurement.com>.  
ISSUED BY P.R.O. (WATER) Sd/- (SUNIL KUMAR)  
Advt. No. J.S.V. 532 (2021-22) EE (E&M) HP-I

**OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER**  
**7<sup>th</sup> CIRCLE, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT GOPESHWAR**  
S.N. 6289/77 Yatayat-7/2021 Dated:- 27.10.2021

**Short-Term-E-Tendering**

Superintending Engineer, 7<sup>th</sup> Circle, Public Works Department, Gopeshwar on behalf of "Governor of Uttarakhand" invites tender by E-tendering, for the following work. Information regarding bid will be available from 08-11-2021 on <http://www.uktenders.gov.in>.

S. N.	Name of Work	Mode of E-Tendering	Amount of Bid Security (Rs. Lakhs)	Validity of Tender	Cost of Tender Document	Completion Period (in months)	Contractor's Category of Registration
1.	Under RCS UDAN-2 Civil work of Building for Development of Heliport at Gauchar.	Two Bid System	3.40	120 Days	5000+ G.S.T. 18%	05 Month	Registered in P.W.D. Uttarakhand Category "B" and above for Building Work

Bid will be submitted online at website [www.uktenders.gov.in](http://www.uktenders.gov.in). Before opening of bid upto 3.00 PM following documents to be submitted physically to this office of **Executive Engineer, C.D.P.W.D. Gauchar** along with online submission-

- 1- FDR of earnest money pledged in the Designation of Superintending Engineer, 7<sup>th</sup> Circle, P.W.D., Gopeshwar.
- 2- DD of tender cost to Executive Engineer, C.D. PWD, Gauchar.
- 3- Rs. 100.00 non-judicial stamp with Rs. 1.00 signed Revenue ticket for bid validity.
- 4- Technical Bid Hard Copy
- 5- Required category Registration-copy

**Note-**  
(1) Earnest Money of Year 2021-22 will be considered valid only.  
(2) Disposal of tender will be done as per the provisions of Uttarakhand G.O. No. 47/XXVII(7) 32/2017 Dt. 02-04-2018

**-Sd-  
(Er. Mukesh Parmar)  
Superintending Engineer  
7<sup>th</sup> Circle, P. W.D. Gopeshwar**

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES**  
Office of the Additional Chief Engineer, Drainage Circle, Balasore.

**"e" PROCUREMENT NOTICE NO.- ACEDCBLS - 06/2021-22**

Procurement Officer/ Name & address of the officer inviting Bids.	Name of work	Bid Identification Number	Estimated cost of individual work (In Lakhs)	Bid security/ EMD (In Rupees)	Cost of bid documents (In Rupees)	Class of Contractor	Period of Completion	Bid document available on-line for bidding	Date of opening of the Technical Bid (Cover-1)
Additional Chief Engineer Drainage Circle, Balasore.	Construction of Additional Sluice cum VRB at RD 430 m. of Gochhida- Rasapur river embankment under Bhogoli Block in Balasore District, DOAB No. IX under D.I.P.	ACEDCBLS/DD BLS- 06/2021-22 (SI-1)	69742732/-	10,000/-	10,000/-	"Sp" & "Super"	11 (Eleven) Calendar months	30.10.21 to 15.11.21	16.11.21
	Improvement to Kassiplota Nalla system including structures in Soro Block of Balasore District under D.I.P. DOAB No.X.	ACEDCBLS/DD BLS- 06/2021-22 (SI-2)	18893892/-	10,000/-	10,000/-	"B" & "A"	11 (Eleven) Calendar months	30.10.21 to 15.11.21	16.11.21
	Improvement to Dhudua Nalla, Kantapada Nalla and Dolta Nalla system of Khara Block in Balasore District, DOAB No.X. under D.I.P.	ACEDCBLS/DD BLS- 06/2021-22 (SI-3)	31755601/-	10,000/-	10,000/-	"A" & "Sp"	11 (Eleven) Calendar months	30.10.21 to 15.11.21	16.11.21

Further details can be seen from the Govt. Web site [www.tendersorissa.gov.in](http://www.tendersorissa.gov.in)

**Sd/- Additional Chief Engineer  
Drainage Circle, Balasore.  
OIPR - 32190/11/0004/2122**

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA,**  
**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER,**  
**RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, SAMBALPUR**  
O-875 Bid Identification No. Road Tender Online - RWCSBP-24/2021-22 No. 2742 Dated:11.10.2021

The Chief Construction Engineer Rural Works Circle, Sambalpur on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites online percentage rate Bid from experienced & eligible bidders for 01 (One) no of Road work for 2021-22.

Sl No	Name of work	Approximate estimated cost put to tender excluding of GST in lakhs (Figure appearing in DTEN is final)	Concerned E.E. with Headquarters	EMD required (in Rs.) to be submitted online	Cost of Bid Document (Rs.) (On-line)	Class of bidder	Period of Completion (including rainy, summer & festival)
1	Improvement of RD road from Tikilpada to Sodo in the district of Deogarh for the year 2021-22.	123.76	Executive Engineer, Rural Works Division Deogarh	No. EMD is required But, Bid Security declaration should be furnished by the Bidders as mentioned in the DTEN.	10,000/- (On-line)	A & B	4(Four) Calendar months

Mode of submission of tender: Tender should be submitted only online in website [www.tendersorissa.gov.in](http://www.tendersorissa.gov.in) (<https://tendersodisha.gov.in>)

\*Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal [www.tendersorissa.gov.in](http://www.tendersorissa.gov.in). (<https://tendersodisha.gov.in>)

Summary of key dates are provided below:

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No.	Availability of Tender on-line for bidding	Last Date & Time for seeking clarification	Date & Time of opening of tender
Chief Construction Engineer, Rural Works, Circle, Sambalpur	Road Tender Online - RWCSBP-24/2021-22	From 25.10.2021 at 11.00 A.M.	To 09.11.2021 up to 5.00 P.M.	03.11.2021 up to 10.11.2021 at 11.00 A.M. will be initiated later

\* Subsequent modification/ corrigendum/Addendum if required shall appear in website only.  
\* The amount put to bid is exclusive of GST.  
\* Bidder should inspect the road before bidding and quote his rate accordingly.

**Sd/-  
Chief Construction Engineer,  
Rural Works Circle, Sambalpur  
OIPR-2509/11/0031/2122**

**UJVN LIMITED**  
H.O.: 'UJWAL', Maharani Bagh, GMS Road, Dehradun - 248006  
Tel.: 0135-2763808 Fax: 0135-2763508  
CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866 Website: www.ujvn.com

Ref. No.: 798  
**TENDER NOTICE** Dated: 28.10.2021

The office of Executive Engineer (Maintenance), Maneri Bhali Stage-II, Chinyalisaur (Uttarkashi) invites sealed tenders from interested parties. Brief summary of tenders is given below:  
**Tender No:** 1) NIT-51/EE(M)/MB-II/21-22  
2) NIT-52/EE(M)/MB-II/21-22

**Name of work/Supply/Services:** 1) Repairing and overhauling of centralized Greasing and Lubrication System of Turbine at Dharasu Power. (2) Annual General Electrical Maintenance of colony, L.T and H.T lines at Shaktipuram Colony, Chinyalisaur and Dharasu for the year 2021-22

**Estimated cost:** Rs. 683000/-, Rs. 1069584/- Only Respectively (Taxes extra)

Date of availability of bid document on website: - 29.10.2021  
Last date for submission of tender: - 20.11.2021 up to 11:00 Hrs.  
For fuller & further details, kindly visit our website. The tender documents can be downloaded from the Nigam's website "www.ujvn.com"

**Executive Engineer (Maintenance)**  
"Avoid Wasteful Use of Electricity"

**Jharkhand Communication Network Limited**  
(A SPV under DoIT & e-Gov., Govt. of Jharkhand)  
Office: 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Room No. 1, Above Cafeteria, Project Building, HEC Dhurwa, Ranchi-834004  
CIN : U74999JH2017SGC009474  
Contact : 0651-2245621/2446147

**NOTICE**  
(Tender Ref: JCNL-03/2021)

It is to inform that the tender (Tender Ref: JCNL-03/2021) for "Last Mile Connectivity under BharatNet Phase-II", for tender ref. no. JCNL-03/2021 has been cancelled due to unavoidable circumstances, and the same has also been published on Govt. official site at [jharkhandtenders.gov.in](http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in)

The advertisement PR No. is. 255085.

Sd/-  
CEO  
Jharkhand Communication Network Ltd.  
Ranchi, Jharkhand  
PR 255852 (Information Technology) 21-22 (D)

**NATIONAL BOOK TRUST, INDIA**  
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Phone : 011-26707781 Email : [office.nbt@nic.in](mailto:office.nbt@nic.in)  
Website: [www.nbtindia.gov.in](http://www.nbtindia.gov.in)

The New Delhi World Book Fair (NDWBF) - the largest book fair in the Afro-Asian region (from 8 to 16 January 2022) - is celebrating its 50 years of journey, and will be held in a larger and more inclusive format.

The NDWBF is organized annually by National Book Trust, India, which is looking for hiring of an experienced professional/ agency in the field of generating/ raising sponsorship funds from relevant companies/ organizations for the mega event, on short-term three-months contract basis.

Interested Professionals / Agencies may visit NBT-India website [www.nbtindia.gov.in](http://www.nbtindia.gov.in) for more details, or may write to [office.nbt@nic.in](mailto:office.nbt@nic.in)

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**झारखण्ड सरकार**  
**उद्योग निदेशालय**  
**सूचना**

भारतीय अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय व्यापार मेला-2021 (14-27 नवम्बर 2021) प्रगति मैदान, नई दिल्ली के झारखण्ड मंडप हेतु 10 Boys/Girls Guide की आवश्यकता है। झारखण्ड राज्य के निवासी इच्छुक छात्र/ छात्राएँ जो नई दिल्ली में रहकर पढ़ाई कर रहे एवं अण्डर ग्रेजुएट हों। वे उक्त अवधि में झारखण्ड मण्डप में आने वाले दर्शकों/ विशिष्ट अतिथियों को झारखण्ड के विषय में जानकारी दे सकें एवं झारखण्ड के संस्कृति के अनुरूप उनका स्वागत करें। इस हेतु वे अपने अपने कॉलेज का परिचय पत्र, फोटो स्कैन कर निम्नलिखित ईमेल पर अपना बायोडाटा दिनांक 08.11.2021 तक भेज सकते हैं। चयनित Boys/Girls Guide को विभाग द्वारा निर्धारित मानदेय राशि मेला अवधि में कार्य दिवस के आधार पर देय होगा। साक्षात्कार दिनांक 12.11.2021 को पूर्वाह्न 11.00 बजे प्रधान स्थानिक आयुक्त, झारखण्ड भवन, कुसुम पहाड़ी, बसंत बिहार, नई दिल्ली स्थित कार्यालय में होगा।  
e-mail- [jhr-doi@nic.in](mailto:jhr-doi@nic.in) एवं [rajendrap.103@gmail.com](mailto:rajendrap.103@gmail.com)  
बायोडाटा प्रपत्र:-

- आवेदक/ आवेदिका का नाम एवं पूर्ण पता (दिल्ली/ एन0सी0 आर0 अवस्थित)।
- पिता/ स्थानीय अभिभावक का नाम एवं पता।
- दूरभाष संख्या एवं ईमेल पता।
- झारखण्ड राज्य स्थित पत्राचार का (आवासीय) पता एवं मोबाईल नं०।
- महाविद्यालय/ संस्था का नाम जहाँ अध्ययनरत हो।
- शिक्षण संबंधित प्रमाण पत्र।
- अपने विषय में यदि अतिरिक्त जानकारी देना चाहते हैं, तो उल्लेख करें।

निदेशक उद्योग  
झारखण्ड, रॉकी  
PR 255787 Industries(21-22)#D

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

This is notified for the information of all concerned that railways have decided to revise the timings of the following special trains on below mentioned stations as under :-

**Revised Timings of Train No. 03005 Howrah - Amritsar Special (Daily)**

Station	EXISTING TIMINGS		REVISED TIMINGS		W.E.F. J.C.O.
	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	
JASIDIH	23:29	23:34	23:29	23:33	with immediate effect

**Revised Timings of Train No. 02466 Anand Vihar T. - Madhupur SF Special (Weekly)**

Station	EXISTING TIMINGS		REVISED TIMINGS		W.E.F. J.C.O.
	Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.	
JASIDIH	04:59	05:01	04:42	04:44	with immediate effect

For any kind of information such as detailed Time-Table of stations enroute and composition etc., passengers are requested to contact RailMadad Helpline No. 139 or visit Indian Railways website <https://enquiry.indianrail.gov.in> or NTES App.

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**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA**  
**CIVIL ORIGINAL JURISDICTION**  
**TRANSFER PETITION (CIVIL) No(s) 812-824 OF 2020**  
**WITH**  
**I.A. No. 50334/2020- APPLICATION FOR EX-PARTE STAY**

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION ...Petitioner(s)  
BSES RAJDHANI POWER LIMITED AND OTHERS ...Respondent(s)

1	AMIT KUMAR SHARMA, 13/397, KALYAN PURI, DISTRICT- NEW DELHI, DELHI - 110092	PID: 96500/2021 FOR R[8] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 814/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
2	SON LDR. (RETD.) D.V.C YADAV, FLAT NO. 505, PLOT NO. 39-B, SANTOSH APARTMENTS, SECTOR 6, DWARKA, DISTRICT- NEW DELHI, DELHI - 110075	PID: 96501/2021 FOR R[9] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 814/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
3	RAMESH N. GANDHI, B.K. NO. 661-B-1/12, NEAR KHEMANI SCHOOL, ULHASNAGAR II, DISTRICT - MAHARASHTRA	PID: 96502/2021 FOR R[11] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 815/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
4	NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONSUMER FEDERATION OF INDIA LTD., THR. ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR O/AT DEEPAI BUILDING, NEHRU PLACE,, DISTRICT- NEW DELHI, DELH	PID: 96503/2021 FOR R[12] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 816/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
5	RAJ MANGAL PRASAD, ROOM NO. 25, SHAKKARPUR PS COMPLEX, RAMESH PARK, DISTRICT- NEW DELHI, DELHI -110092	PID: 96504/2021 FOR R[13] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 816/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
6	RAJINDER SINGLA, H.NO. 5311/2, MODERN HOUSING COMPLES, MANI MAJRA, DISTRICT- CHANDIGARH, CHANDIGARH	PID: 96505/2021 FOR R[15] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 817/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
7	ARCHEOLOGICAL DEPARTMENT, THR. ITS COMMISSIONER NEW DELHI, DISTRICT- NEW DELHI, DELHI	PID: 96506/2021 FOR R[24] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 820/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
8	NISAR AHMED SHAIKH, A/104, PINNACLE APARTMENTS, GHASWALA COMPLEX, KAUSA MUMBRA, DISTRICT- THANE, MAHARASHTRA - 400612	PID: 96507/2021 FOR R[30] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
9	AVINASH SHARMA, ADVOCATE O/AT 553, LAWYERS CHAMBER COMPLEX, JUDICIAL COURTS COMPLEX, DISTRICT- LUDHIANA, PUNJAB -400612	PID: 96508/2021 FOR R[31] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
10	M. ANTHONY RAJ, 93/39, FIRST FLOOR, ADAM SAHIB STREET, ROYAPURAM, DISTRICT- CHENNAI, TAMIL NADU -600013	PID: 96509/2021 FOR R[32] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
11	CHERIAN K. SIMON, B-1, VISRANTHI APARTMENT, 66, BURKIT ROAD, T.NAGAR, DISTRICT- CHENNAI, TAMIL NADU -600017	PID: 96510/2021 FOR R[33] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
12	P.C. SNAIGHI, CHIEF ENGINEER (RETD.) H.NO. 2145, SECTOR 21C, DISTRICT- CHANDIGARH, CHANDIGARH-600017	PID: 96511/2021 FOR R[34] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
13	PRADEEP KUMAR AGARWAL, ADVOCATE 235, MOHALLA MEHTAN, NEAR OLD PNB, JWALAPUR, DISTRICT- HARDWAR, UTTARAKHAND	PID: 96512/2021 FOR R[35] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
14	S.M. SHARMA, E-108, SURAJ AVENUE, NEAR PATANG WALI KATHI, FATEHGARH, CHURIAN, DISTRICT- AMRITSAR, PUNJAB	PID: 96513/2021 FOR R[36] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
15	JAS PREET SINGH, H.NO. 79/15, MOHALLA SHIEKHAM, DISTRICT, HARYANA - 140001	PID: 96514/2021 FOR R[37] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
16	K.N. VENKATAGIRI RAO, C/O BRASAM BUILDING, NEHRU FIELD, SAGAR, DISTRICT- SHIMOGA, KARNATAKA-577401	PID: 96515/2021 FOR R[38] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
17	DR. JALAJA T.K., O/AT CENTRE FOR WATER RESOURCE AND DEVELOPMENT, KOTTAMPARAMBA, KUNNAMANGALAM, KERALA - 653571	PID: 96516/2021 FOR R[39] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
18	RAJINDER PAUL SINGH, H.NO. E-7/766, NO. 24 PATTI ROAD, BACBRIDE SANI MANDIR NEAR BUS STAND, DISTRICT- BARNALA, PUNJAB	PID: 96517/2021 FOR R[40] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 822/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
19	SUSHOBHAN SARKAR, DIRECTOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER LIC MUTUAL FUND ASSET MANAGEMENT COMPANY LIMITED, INDUSTRIAL ASSURANCE BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR, OPP. CHURCH GATE STATION, DISTRICT- MUMBAI, MAHARASHTRA - 400020	PID: 96518/2021 FOR R[42] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 823/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
20	MR. PRADEEP KUMAR, S/O. S.R. SHARMA, 652, SECTOR-2, AGGAR NAGAR, LUDHIANA	PID: 96532/2021 FOR R[44] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 823/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)
21	SHYAMSUNDAR, 85, NEW CANTONMENT ROAD, FARIDKOT, DISTRICT- NEW DELHI, DELHI	PID: 96520/2021 FOR R[48] IN IN T.P.(C) NO. 824/2020.T.P.(C) NO.812-824/2020 (SEC XVI-A)

WHEREAS the Petition under Section 25 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, abovementioned, along with an application for CONDONATION OF DELAY IN REPLYING / CURING THE DEFECTS, EX-PARTE STAY, APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION, ADDITION/ DELETION/ MODIFICATION PARTIES seeking transfer of (i) Writ Petition No. 543 of 2006 titled as "BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. Vs. Central Information Commission and Ors." (ii) Writ Petition No. 542 of 2007 titled as "North Delhi Power Ltd. Vs. Central Information Commission & Ors." (iii) Writ Petition No. 6759 of 2007 titled as "Indraprastha Gas Limited Vs. Central Information Commission & Ors." (iv) Writ Petition (C) No. 12510 of 2009 titled as "Air Force Educational and Cultural Society Through its Director Vs. Central Information Commission & Anr." (v) Letter Patent Appeal (LPA) No. 439 of 2010 titled as "National Cooperative Consumer Federation of India Ltd. Vs. Central Information Commission & Anr." all are pending before High Court of Delhi at New Delhi (vi) C.W.P. No. 33 of 2017-D titled as "The Lawrence School, Sanwar Vs. Central Information Commission & Ors. pending before the High Court of Himachal Pradesh at Shimla (vii) Writ Petition (C) No. 2237 of 2019 titled as " The Lawrence School, Lovedale Vs. Union of India & Ors." pending before the High Court of Judicature at Madras (viii) Writ Petition (C) No. 4152 of 2010 titled as " M/S/ Apollo Hospital Enterprise Limited Vs. Central Information Commission & Anr. " pending before the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature at Andhra Pradesh at Hyderabad (ix) Writ Petition (c) 34893 of 2018 titled as " Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Vs. Union of India & Ors." pending before the High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad for the State of Telangana and the State of Andhra Pradesh (x) Writ Petition (c) 9676 of 2009 titled as " GIC Housing Finance Ltd. Vs. Union of India & Ors." (xi) Writ Petition (C) No. 2327 of 2009 titled as " LIC Housing Finance Ltd. Vs. Central Information Commission & Ors. (xii) Writ Petition (c) No. 10010 of 2009 titled as " LIC Mutual Fund Asset Management Company Ltd. & Anr. Vs. Central Information Commission (CIC) & Ors." pending before the High Court of Judicature at Bombay. (xiii) Writ Petition (C) No. 2057 of 2016 titled as "NKP Salve Institute of Medical Sciences Vs. Central Information Commission" pending before the High Court of Judicature at Bombay, Nagpur Branch filed by Mr. M. A. CHINNASAMY, Advocate for the petitioner was listed for preliminary hearing before this Court on 04th August, 2020, and the Court passed the following order:-

"Issue notice returnable in two weeks. Dasti service, in addition, is permitted"

AND WHEREAS, the matter above-mentioned was listed before the Ld. Registrar Court on 6th October, 2021, when the following order was passed:

"Respondent No. 1 has filed counter affidavit Application for modification of order dated 25.8.2021 to publish notice in other newspaper in respect of the unserved respondents is allowed. Proof of publication be filed within four weeks time.

Ld. Counsels appearing for the respondents for the first time are granted four weeks time for filing counter affidavit.

Ld. counsels appearing for the respondents for the second time and to whom one opportunity to file counter affidavit has already been granted are granted four weeks time as last opportunity for filing counter affidavit.

Ld. Counsels appearing for the respondents to whom last opportunity to file counter affidavit has already been granted, their further opportunity to file counter affidavit stands declined.

List again on 1.12.2021."

NOW, THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE that the above petition along with application for Stay will be taken up by this Court in due course and you may enter appearance before this Court either in person or through an Advocate-on-Record of this Court duly appointed by you in that behalf within thirty days from the date of service of notice. You may thereafter show cause to the Court on the day that may subsequently be specified as to why the prayer made in the transfer petition and application for stay may not be allowed/granted to the petitioner above named.

You may file your affidavit in opposition to the petition as provided under Rule 3 Order XLI, S.C.R. 2013, not later than one week before the date appointed for hearing of the petition.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that if you fail to enter appearance, as aforesaid, no further notice shall be given to you and the matter above mentioned shall be disposed of in your absence.

Dated this 8th October, 2021

New Delhi, Delhi

Sd/- ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

**Important Notice**  
**LEGAL AID**

(1) Legal Services of an advocate is provided by the Supreme Court Legal Services Committee and the Supreme Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society to eligible litigants.

For further information, please contact the Secretary, Supreme Court Legal Services Committee or the Member Secretary, Supreme Court Middle Income Group Legal Aid Society, 107-108, Lawyers' Chambers, R.K. Jain Block - Near Post Office3e, Supreme Court Compound, Tilak Marg, New Delhi-110001 (Tel Nos.011-23388316, 23388597)

**MEDIATION**

(2) The facility of amicable settlement of disputes by trained mediators in cases pending in the Supreme Court is now available in the Supreme Court.

For further information, please contact the Coordinator, Supreme Court Mediation Centre, 109, Lawyers' Chambers, R.K. Jain Block- Near Post Office, Supreme Court Compound, Tilak Marg, New Delhi -110001 (Tel No. 011-23071432)

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**GOVERNMENT OF JHARKHAND ENERGY DEPARTMENT**  
Office of Secretary (Energy)  
**PROJECT BHAWAN, DHURWA, RANCHI-834004**

Advertisement No.- 2012 **NOTICE** Dated- 28.10.2021

Application is invited for the post of Member (Law) of Jharkhand State Electricity Regulatory Commission (JSERC), Ranchi, as per details given below:-

- No. of vacancies - 01 Member (Law)**
- Qualification for appointment of Member (Law) of State Commission:-
  - The Member (Law) shall be a person who has been holding a judicial office or is a person possessing professional qualifications with substantial experience in the practice of law, who has the requisite qualifications to have been appointed as a judge of the High court or a district judge.
  - The Member (Law) of the State Commission shall not hold any other office.
  - The Member (Law) of the State Commission shall not be eligible for re-appointment in the same capacity as the Member (Law) in that Commission in which he had earlier held office as such.
  - The member shall hold the post for a term of 5 (five) years from the date he/she joins the office or till he/she attains the age of 65 years, whichever is earlier.
- The salary, allowances and other terms and conditions of service of the Member (Law) shall be such as may be prescribed by the Government.
- If the applicant is working in organization then the Candidate will have to furnish the following information through their organization in which they are serving along with NOC together with the following documents/information:-
  - Up-to-date and complete A.C.R.
  - Vigilance Clearance certificate.
  - Whether any penalty has been imposed on the applicant in the past.
  - If so, give details.
  - Indicate if any penalty is in operation against the applicant as on date.
- The Candidate can apply through speed post or courier services. The original application must reach the undersigned on or before **30-11-2021**
- The crucial date for determination of eligibility of applicants for the post of Member (Law) will be **01-10-2021**
- The interested, eligible candidates should send their applications along with self attested copies of relevant documents in the prescribed application format which is also available on website [www.jharkhand.gov.in/energy](http://www.jharkhand.gov.in/energy) (Jharkhand Government Portal, in Advertisements Section) so as to reach Joint Secretary (Energy) on the address mentioned below on or before stipulated time as mentioned above. Application received after the due date will not be considered.
- The application should be covered in a sealed envelope written with 'For the post of Member (Law), JSERC.

Address :- Department of Energy, Government of Jharkhand, Near MDI Building, Project Bhawan Campus, Dhurwa, Ranchi-834004, Phone No.-0651-2446647.

Sd/-  
PR 255864 Energy(21-22)D  
(Sangita Tirkey) Joint Secretary

**Special drive to clear pending cases of appointment on Compassionate grounds**

**15 November 2021**  
**SPECIAL ADALAT**  
(In compliance with COVID-PROTOCOL)

Special Adalat to be held on 15.11.2021 at 11:00 hrs in DRM office premises of Delhi Division State Entry Road, New Delhi

Submit your grievances regarding appointment on compassionate grounds with relevant papers in two copies through single window to Sr. Divisional Personnel officer, DRM office, New Delhi latest by 09.11.2021 and kindly bring original documents along with one copy on 15.11.2021 in special adalat.

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**EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2021**

	(Rs. in Lakhs)		
	3 months ended 30.09.2021 UNAUDITED	6 months ended 30.09.2021 UNAUDITED	3 months ended 30.09.2020 UNAUDITED
1 Total Income from operations	4,584.13	5,901.16	1,420.58
2 Net Profit / (Loss) before tax (before Exceptional Items)	280.67	(1,408.77)	(1,509.58)
3 Net Profit / (Loss) before tax (after Exceptional Items)	280.67	(1,408.77)	(1,509.58)
4 Net Profit / (Loss) after tax (after Exceptional Items)	(6.05)	(984.10)	(1,073.53)
5 Total Comprehensive Income / (Loss) for the period	38.93	(932.42)	(1,061.95)
6 Paid-up Equity Share Capital (Face Value - Rs. 10 each)	3,046.81	3,046.81	3,046.81
7 Other Equity in the audited Balance Sheet as at 31st March, 2021			28,827.66
8 Earnings per Equity Share on net profit after tax (fully paid up equity share of Rs. 10) :			
(a) Basic	(0.02)	(3.23)	(3.52)
(b) Diluted	(0.02)	(3.23)	(3.52)

Notes :

- The above is an extract of the detailed format of the Statements of Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Statements of Financial Results are available on the Company's website ([www.eihassociatedhotels.in](http://www.eihassociatedhotels.in)) and on the websites of the National Stock Exchanges of India Limited ([www.nseindia.com](http://www.nseindia.com)), BSE Limited ([www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com)).
- The above financial results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at the meetings held on October 28, 2021. The statutory auditors have carried out a limited review of these financial results.

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## Saqain wants India-Pakistan final

Dubai: Saqlain Mushtaq, interim head coach, wants an India-Pakistan final at the T20 World Cup. He talks about 'insaniyat' (humanity) and 'mohabbat' (love). Pakistan's interim head coach had a big takeaway from the India game, apart from his side's resounding win. To him, the moment to savour came post-match, when Mohammad Rizwan hugged Virat Kohli and MS Dhoni had a chat with other Pakistan players. "Whatever happened in the last match, be it Virat Kohli, Dhoni hugging our players, it was great for world cricket. Keeping aside the India versus Pakistan clash, the best thing, for me, from the match was that it was a win for *insaniyat* and *mohabbat*," Saqlain said at the pre-match press conference, with Pakistan playing their third match of the group against Afghanistan on Friday. "It's a game and winning and losing is part of it. Hats off to Babar, Rizwan, Dani, Virat, Dhoni because they have sent a strong message for the entire world and for both the countries. I always say, *mohabbat ki jeet ho, aur nafrat ki haar ho* (love should trump hate)," he added. Looking at the bigger picture, the Pakistan head coach wants an India-Pakistan final. "And if India and Pakistan qualify for the final together then the ICC, and the entire world cricket will have some fun." **ENS**



## 'Being called a racist because of a misunderstanding hurts'

GERALD IMRAY  
CAPE TOWN, OCTOBER 28

SOUTH AFRICAN cricket player Quinton de Kock will take a knee after all.

De Kock apologized on Thursday to teammates and supporters for refusing to play in a T20 World Cup game, but said he felt his rights were "taken away" when players were told they must take a knee in support of the Black Lives Matter movement.

Compelling someone to take a knee also "takes away the meaning," he said.

But de Kock said he was now "more than happy" to take a knee ahead of future games "if me taking a knee helps to educate others, and make the lives of others better."

The wicketkeeper-batsman, a former captain and one of South Africa's star players, made himself unavailable for Tuesday's game against the West Indies after a directive from the country's cricket board that

morning ordered all its players to take a knee before games.

In a statement, de Kock said he did not mean to offend anyone but was "shocked" at the directive. "I felt like my rights were taken away when I was told what we had to do in the way that we were told," he said, adding he thinks other players were also uncomfortable with the order.

Cricket South Africa issued the order a few hours before the crucial game in Dubai after previously saying players could choose their own way to show support for the anti-racism movement.

"I did not, in any way, mean to disrespect anyone by not playing against West Indies, especially the West Indian team themselves," de Kock said. "Maybe some people don't understand that we were just hit with this on Tuesday morning, on the way to a game. I am deeply sorry for all the hurt, confusion and anger that I have caused."

De Kock's refusal to play because of the



Wicketkeeper-batter Quinton de Kock pulled out of South Africa's match against the West Indies on Tuesday.

Black Lives Matter gesture sparked fierce reaction at home in South Africa, where issues of race and racism are constantly in the headlines because of the country's history of forced segregation under the apartheid regime, which ended in 1994.

South Africa's multiracial cricket team

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SOUTH AFRICA WICKETKEEPER

had previously taken a disparate approach to taking a knee: Some kneeled with their fists raised, some stood with their fists raised, while some white players, including de Kock, have previously stood with their hands by their side or behind their backs for the moment. Those players' actions provoked accusations that they did not support the anti-racism movement. De Kock has previously been asked why he doesn't simply take a knee if he's against racism and has replied it's for personal reasons, but said he now felt

he had to clarify his position.

De Kock denied accusations in the aftermath of Tuesday's controversy that he was racist, explaining "for those who don't know" that he comes from a mixed-race family. His step mother is Black and his half-sisters are mixed-race.

"For me, Black lives have mattered since I was born. Not just because there was an international movement," de Kock said. "I didn't understand why I had to prove it with a gesture, when I live and learn and love people from all walks of life every day. When you are told what to do, with no discussion, I felt like it takes away the meaning. If I was racist, I could easily have taken the knee and lied, which is wrong and doesn't build a better society," de Kock added.

"I've been called a lot of things as a cricketer... Stupid. Selfish. Immature. But those didn't hurt. Being called a racist because of a misunderstanding hurts me deeply. It hurts my family. It hurts my pregnant wife." **AP**

## Just like the good old days

Seasoned pros fire as David Warner finds form, while Finch and Smith also contribute in 7-wicket win over Lanka

EXPRESS AT  
T20 WORLD CUPSHAMIK CHAKRABARTY  
DUBAI, OCTOBER 28

SOME SRI LANKAN flags made the Dubai International Stadium colourful. Their team flattered to deceive.

From the tournament's perspective though, the biggest takeaway from this game was David Warner. Big tournaments need big players to shine. A big knock from the Australian opener was long overdue. When it came, it won the game for Australia, much to Sri Lanka's chagrin.

Sunrisers Hyderabad had frozen him out halfway into the IPL. Warner probably needed a team atmosphere where he wasn't left out. His half-century was timely and his stroke-play gorgeous.

Going through an elongated lean patch, Warner needed some luck. It duly arrived when he was on 18, wicketkeeper Kusal Perera gracing a dolly off Dushmantha Chameera. The bowler stared at the stumper in disbelief. The batsman heaved a sigh of relief.

Of late Warner had been dealing in single-digit scores. With every passing day, he was looking damned. At his peak, Warner's batting oozes the sparkle of a diamond. Midway into his 42-ball 65, the southpaw regained his sparkle. A carry-forward of this would be excellent news for Australia and a major headache for their opponents.

Also finally, breaking the pain barrier, Warner could afford to smile, first when he made room and drove a Chameera delivery to the wide long-off boundary. The sweet sound of crisp timing penetrated the glass front of a cosy press box. His happiness was even greater after his side secured a seven-wicket win, with three overs remaining. His batting was the reason why Australia raced to a victory target of 155 without breaking much sweat.

Adam Zampa's bowling set up the victory and deservedly earned him the Man of the Match award. But we would come to the leggie later.

By his own admission, the 35-year-old Warner wasn't given the reason by the Sunrisers management for his captaincy snub. Such a distinguished cricket career probably didn't deserve that. For millions of his fans, this was a fitting response. He was playing for pride other than turning up for his country.

Warner's captain Aaron Finch led from the



David Warner hit 10 fours en route to 65 off 42 balls in the Group 1 game against Sri Lanka. Reuters

AP

## Opportunity to bounce back: Pooran

Sharjah: Champions West Indies believe they can bounce back from their two consecutive Super 12 defeats when they clash against Bangladesh in their must-win Twenty20 World Cup match in Sharjah, batsman Nicholas Pooran said on Thursday. The two-time champions, who won the trophy in the shortest format of the game in 2012 and in 2016 when the last edition of the tournament was held, suffered heavy defeats by England and South Africa in their first two matches in Group One. West Indies' opponents on Friday are also in the same situation with Bangladesh going down to Sri Lanka and England in their Super 12 matches so far. "I definitely think it's a good opportunity for us to bounce back," Pooran told reporters. "It's just another game of cricket. Anyone can win. But... it's a do-or-die game for us. And we believe that we're going to be successful tomorrow." Sharjah's shorter boundaries could be a welcome relief for them on Friday. **PTI**

## Rashid asks fans to stay calm at game

Dubai: With a match against Pakistan looming Afghanistan legspinner Rashid Khan is hoping to give the people back home something to remember. He stepped down shortly after the squad for the T20 World Cup squad was announced, saying he was not consulted by the selectors while finalizing the team. "As a team we are here to play good cricket and give them a kind of performance and kind of win that they could celebrate there," Rashid said. Rashid pleaded with fans to avoid repeating the ugly scenes from two years ago when the teams faced each other during the Cricket World Cup in England. Fans from both nations scuffled at Headingley. "This game should remain as a game and it's a request to all the fans to stay calm and just enjoy the game," Rashid said. **AP**

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front during a 70-run opening wicket partnership in just 6.5 overs. When his partner needed time to get into the groove, Finch's cameo provided that. His aggression upfront allowed Australia to grab the chase by the lapels. Fourth over was the turning point.

Lahiru Kumara bowled good length, Finch shimmied down the track and elegantly drove the delivery past mid-off for a four. A short ball followed and a six ensued. Warner joined the party with back-to-back boundaries and a 20-run over took the pressure off. Finch took Chameera to the cleaners in the next over with a four and a six. A fine start gave Warner the leeway to steadily grow into the game.

## Zampa's brilliance

Charith Asalanka could well have been the showstopper on the night. His start was electric, through a couple of contemptuous fours against Pat Cummins. Glenn Maxwell was strong-armed to another six and a four, forcing the bowler to bowl five wides under pressure. The pitch was playing well and riding on a 63-run second wicket partnership, Sri Lanka were taking the game to Australia. Then, Zampa intervened.

The leg-spinner was courageous enough to try some variations in flight. He was getting some loop as well. But Asalanka was actually done in by length, the way Zampa held it back. A mistimed sweep went to Steve Smith at deep backward square leg.

Avishka Fernando fell prey to a fastish leg-break, with the batsman attempting a slog-sweep against the turn. Zampa's dot balls created enough pressure for Sri Lanka to choke in the middle overs. In a phase of five overs, they scored just 22 runs and lost four wickets.

Maybe, Zampa's bowling also highlighted India's selection mistake against Pakistan, their decision to go without a wrist-spinner. First Shadab Khan in that game followed by

Zampa today showed that leg-spinners are better placed to take wickets at this venue with the help of a larger outfield.

Bhanuka Rajapaksa laid into Marcus Stoinis at the death to give Sri Lanka's total, 154/6, a competitive edge. But after posting 78/2 in the 10th over, they had the chance to make the total imposing.

At the end of the match, Zampa spoke more about Warner. "David played really well. It's really nice for those guys to get time in the middle. They have had a bit of pressure from the media but Finch played really well. Steve played really well and so did Davey," he said at the post-match presentation.

On a night when the entire Bollywood descended on Dubai for a glitzy show, vast swathes of empty seats in the stands captured the T20 World Cup's failure to woo the fans. Warner's show was a saving grace.

**BRIEF SCORES:** Sri Lanka 154/6 in 20 overs (Kusal Perera 35, Charith Asalanka 35; Adam Zampa 2/12, Mitchell Starc 2/27) lost to Australia 155/3 in 17 overs (David Warner 65; Wanindu Hasaranga 2/22). Australia won by 7 wickets.

## If Pandya can't bowl he may make way for Thakur

SHAMIK CHAKRABARTY  
DUBAI, OCTOBER 28

HARDIK PANDYA is unlikely to play purely as a batsman in this T20 World Cup. The Indian Express understands that the team management has taken the call after the loss to Pakistan in the opening game.

Pandya, who started bowling at the nets on Wednesday, will be monitored during practice sessions in the lead-up to India's next game against New Zealand on Sunday. If the team management is convinced about his bowling fitness, only then will he be included in the team. At the same time, Shardul Thakur, too, will be watched closely at the nets, as he is tipped to be Pandya's replacement if the latter fails to make the cut.

After a long gap, Pandya, eventually bowled at the nets during India's training session yesterday. Bowling in high-intensity matches, however, is a different ball game and the team management needs to be convinced about his match readiness.

Yesterday's net session was essentially about focusing on the allrounder's strength



Hardik Pandya did not bowl in the Super 12 game against Pakistan.

and conditioning, with an eye to gradually develop his peak bowling fitness.

The 28-year-old has bowled just 19 overs in seven T20s this year, and 23 overs in six One-Day Internationals. He didn't bowl at all in this year's Indian Premier League season.

And yet, while picking the squad for the ICC event, national selector Chetan Sharma had backed him to bowl his overs at the T20 World Cup.

"Hardik is fit and will bowl the full quota of his overs," Sharma had said at the squad announcement.

But as the tournament approached, uncertain about Pandya, the selection committee started to fret over the inclusion of an additional fast bowler and accordingly Thakur was drafted into the squad at the expense of Axar Patel, whose World Cup hopes crashed abruptly. Bereft of a sixth bowling option, Virat Kohli put up a brave front ahead of India's tournament opener, saying that No. 6 being a specialist's place, the team had absolutely no problem to play Pandya solely as a batsman, gaining from his death-overs hitting skills. The India captain rubbished the suggestion that Pandya would be left out if he didn't bowl.

"These things (uncertainty over Pandya's selection) from a talking or discussion point of view, feel very interesting that if he doesn't bowl, will he be left out. But we understand the value he brings to the team as a No.

6 batter and in world cricket, if you look around, there are specialists who do that job," Kohli had said.

Following a 10-wicket hammering against Pakistan, where on a dew-soaked Dubai pitch, India badly missed a sixth bowler, the team management, it is learnt, is searching for a Plan B. And Thakur could fit into that plan.

Thakur is a very decent lower-order batsman, good enough to change the course of a match in Test cricket, as he did against Australia at the Gabba earlier this year and more recently against England at the Oval. Of course, Pandya boasts a strike-rate north of 145 in T20s and he is a match-winner solely with his batting on his day. But his recent batting form has not been up to standard, as a tally of 127 runs in 12 matches at the IPL would attest.

At the moment though, after a rude awakening, the Indian think-tank seems to be more concerned about the team's bowling imbalance and Thakur, who had 21 scalps from 16 games during Chennai Super Kings' title-winning campaign this year, could provide a solution.

## Have quit from ATK Mohun Bagan board, says Ganguly

SHAMIK CHAKRABARTY  
DUBAI, OCTOBER 28Sourav Ganguly has quit the ATK Mohun Bagan board after he faced questions of conflict of interest as a co-owner of the Indian Super League team, along with Sanjiv Goenka. This came a day after *The Indian Express* reported about the BCCI president's potential conflict of interest, as Goenka's RPSG Ventures Ltd won the bid for Rs 7,090 crore to own the new Lucknow franchise at the Indian Premier League. Ganguly's position as the BCCI chief, along with his presence in the ATK Mohun Bagan board, was seen as potential conflict of interest even by some BCCI members.Asked if he has quit the ATK Mohun Bagan board, Ganguly responded to *The Indian Express* with a one-liner: "Yes I have". At least until Thursday morning, however, the club website still showed Ganguly as a member of the board and Goenka as its chair.

"The team was owned by Kolkata Games and Sports Pvt. Ltd. consisting of former Indian cricket captain Sourav Ganguly, alongside businessmen Harshvardhan Neotia, Sanjiv Goenka, and Utsav Parekh," the website stated. A message to Goenka wasn't responded to yet. A couple of days back, though, the Lucknow IPL franchise owner told CNBC

TV18: "Well, I think he (Ganguly) is going to step down from Mohun Bagan completely."

Earlier, talking to this paper, a senior BCCI member had said: "Ganguly is the president, he needs to understand. This is not the first time that he has been in this situation."

Ganguly had faced conflict of interest questions before, when he joined Delhi Capitals in an advisory role while being the Cricket Association of Bengal president. The former India captain had rubbished the allegation, saying he took up the role after consulting the Committee of Administrators, in charge of the BCCI then.



# Eye of the tigress

Meena Rani won her first national title in 2008; two childbirths later, the 32-year-old is back as national champion with her sixth triumph, and won't rule out taking a shot for qualification in Paris 2024

NITIN SHARMA  
CHANDIGARH, OCTOBER 28

BEFORE THE gold medal, boxer Meena Rani's children - Shanvi, 7, and Atharv, 5, were bound to notice their mother's swollen eye. But when the 32-year-old reached her home at Hisar's Police Lines on Wednesday, she found herself lost in memories of her first senior National boxing title in 2008, which had brought her immense exhilaration. Her sixth 60 kg title in the Fifth Elite Women National Boxing Championship with a split 3:2 verdict over Jaimine of Haryana, of Indian Railways had come after the eye injury in the quarters.

"All my senior national titles had come prior to my marriage and to return home with my sixth in the same category, which I dominated once, feels like a rebirth for me. My children are happy to see another medal going in the trophy cabinet, which they proudly show to their friends. That's my biggest motivation," shares Rani, while speaking with *The Indian Express*.

The swollen eye takes some shrugging. "Boxing mein agar maarte ho toh maar khate bhi ho (In boxing, if one punches then gets punched too). And like any mother, I don't want my kids to see me getting hit," she avers.

A native of Palwal near Faridabad, the young Rani's love for boxing began after national coach Anup Kumar spotted her at the school nationals, winning by RSC, and urging her to enroll at the SAI Centre at Hisar. Missing home back in 2006, Rani thought about quitting the sport. Two years later, as Vijender brought India its first Olympic medal, Rani would win first of her five national titles in 60 kg at Agra, continuing the streak till 2012.

Rani, who got married in 2011, would also reach the quarter-finals in the 64 kg at the world championships in China before losing to Mikhaela Mayer of USA. "It was a time when women's boxing was not in Olympics and it was only post my marriage that three Olympic weights were finalised for 2012 Games. I missed the medal in 64 Kg in 2012 world championships narrowly and with the Federation too getting banned, I took a break from boxing," remembers Rani.

In 2014, Rani would give birth to her daughter and it was not till 2016 that Rani made a return to boxing. Weighing 80 kg, she would train and win bronze at the next nationals in 75kg, losing to Kavita Goyat. A silver at the Seven Nations Cup in Serbia before a first round loss in World Championships in Kazakhstan, would be followed by birth of



Meena Rani with her coach Sagar Mal Dhyal after winning her sixth national title. (Pic on right) Rani with her husband and two children Shanvi and Atharv. *Express*

her son a year later - and another two-year break.

"When I got married, I did have thoughts of qualifying for London Olympics but then that's life. Whatever happens in life happens for good. Post the birth of my daughter, I had gained a lot of weight. When I told my husband Manoj Kumar about making my return to boxing, he shifted to Hisar to take care of my daughter while I started training under coach Amit focusing on weight loss first. There were times, when I would take my daughter along or my husband would stay at home while I trained," says Kumari.

Returning in 2019 with a nationals silver in 69 kg, she would finish third behind Lovlina

Borghain and Lalita in the 69 kg trials for Tokyo Olympics qualifiers. "As women, we also understand our responsibilities but then I could not have made this comeback without the support of my husband and his parents. When I won the silver medal in 2019 nationals, Mary Kom didi came to meet me and said, "Arey, tum wapis aa gaya boxing main. Bahut acha hai." At 32 years of age, I know there is a pressure to prove myself constantly at this point of my career and there is no better inspiration for me than Mary didi. Whenever I feel low, I see her biopic or the recent Bollywood movie *Panga*, which almost resembles my comeback," says Rani. Rani will now be heading to the AIBA



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Women World Championship to be held in Turkey in December. Indian Railways boxing team's head coach Sagar Mal Dhyal, who has seen Rani as a boxer since 2007 says her biggest strength has been her will power and a fighting attitude. "We had a 57-day training camp in Guwahati and she made sure that she did not skip her training even during her periods. The lightweight category needs strength and speed and she can even qualify for Paris 2024. Her right straight and left hook combination are as lethal as they were in 2008 and she still has many years of boxing left in her," says Dhyal.

Rani embodies the message of persistence for other women. "If we can achieve this, then many more women can achieve the same and prove to the society that they need to support every single women in achieving their dreams."

# Marooned in ninth place, Barca fire coach Koeman

ASSOCIATED PRESS  
MADRID, OCTOBER 28

WITH ITS coffers depleted and a critical Champions League match right around the corner, Barcelona was looking for a new coach on Thursday after it named a caretaker coach following the firing of Ronald Koeman. The Spanish club said that reserve team coach Sergi Barjuan will temporarily lead the squad until it finds a permanent replacement for Koeman. Barjuan is a former Barcelona defender. The club said that he will be in the dugout for Saturday's Spanish league match against Alaves.

Former midfielder Xavi Hernandez, who for years has been linked to a return to the club he helped lift to its greatest heights as a player, appears to be the leading candidate to take over on a full-time basis. First, however, the 41-year-old Xavi would have to free himself from his job coaching Qatari club Al-Sadd.

Xavi turned down the chance to coach Barcelona in January 2020 when former president Josep Bartomeu, who resigned amid scandals one year ago, offered him the post after firing Ernesto Valverde in the middle of the season.

"When they offered me (the job), I had barely been coaching for three months," Xavi said last week. "But now it is different. I have more experience, and I am learning a lot here (with Al-Sadd)."

Next week, Barcelona faces a trip to Ukraine to play Dynamo Kyiv in a match it will need to win to boost its chances of continuing its two-decade long run of reaching the Champions League knockout rounds.

Koeman had justified defeats to Bayern Munich, Benfica, Atletico Madrid and Real Madrid this season by arguing that his team was simply no longer among Europe's elite after its financial troubles forced it to shed the wages of Lionel Messi and other top talents. He also insisted that injuries among his attacking players had limited its effectiveness. Less than a month ago, club president Joan Laporta had publicly backed Koeman, asking fans to be patient as the team undergoes a rebuilding project.

But Koeman's credit ran out after Wednesday's 1-0 defeat at Rayo Vallecano, a modest rival that had not beaten Barcelona since 2002. Barcelona, the dominant Spanish league team over the past two decades, is in ninth place in the standings.

Koeman, a former defender, took over Barcelona when its economic crisis was just being felt following a devastating 8-2 loss to Bayern at the end of the 2019-20 season that cost predecessor Quique Setien his job. The Dutchman was remembered as a fan favorite



Koeman has been under constant pressure after Barcelona's poor start in the club's first season without Messi in nearly two decades. *Reuters*

for his winning goal in the 1992 European Cup final.

The 58-year-old Koeman led Barcelona to last season's Copa del Rey title, but it exited the Champions League in the round-of-16 and finished the Spanish league in third place.

Koeman did, however, set the foundation of a rejuvenated Barcelona by bringing youngsters Pedri Gonzalez, Gavi Paez, Ronald Araujo and Oscar Mingueza into his starting lineup and making Ansu Fati one of the team's leaders along with veterans Sergio Busquets, Gerard Pique and Jordi Alba.

But its trouble scoring - one goal in three Champions League matches - and its inability to respond to adversity once behind showed that Koeman's team was not performing up to its potential.

"We showed that we had talent, but it wasn't enough," Koeman said hours before he was let go.

The 49-year-old Barjuan played for Barcelona as a left back from 1993-2002 before finishing his playing career with Atletico. He was appointed the Barcelona's reserve team coach in July.

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