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INFIGHTING IN RAJASTHAN CONGRESS

Pilot a traitor, how can

'HOW DID LAW MINISTER SHORTLIST NAMES?' SC asks Govt: Goel EC file moved superfast, any tearing urgency?

ANANTHAKRISHNANG NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

NOTING THAT the file relating to the appointment of former IAS officer Arun Goel as Election Commissioner had moved "in the shortest possible time, superfast... not travelled even 24 hours", the Supreme Court asked the Centre Thursday if there was "any haste or tearing urgency". A five-judge Constitution

Bench, comprising Justices K M Ioseph, Aiav Rastogi, Aniruddha Bose, Hrishikesh Roy and C T Ravikumar, perused the file relating to Goel's appointment and inquired how the Union Law Minister had shortlisted the names of four civil servants for

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recommendation to the Prime Minister for appointment to the vacant EC post CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Justice Kariel is not in Collegium list of judge transfers recommended

Gujarat High Court Bar had opposed move to shift him, met CJI 3 days ago

APURVA VISHWANATH NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

THE SUPREME Court Collegium,

headed by Chief Justice of India DY Chandrachud, met Thursday and recommended the transfer of seven judges of High Courts. Its statement on the transfers

did not include the name of Justice Nikhil Kariel of the Gujarat High Court where the Bar had protested and struck work following reports on a move to send CONTINUED ON PAGE 2



COLLEGIUM DECISIONS are being monitored and the Law Minister has called its system on appointments "opaque" and "not accountable". Recently, there was a divide within over the format to recom-

mend names of judges.



RONALDO ON TARGET, PORTUGAL WIN Cristiano Ronaldo after scoring a penalty against Ghana. Portugal won 3-2. Reuters **PAGE 21**

Asim Munir is new chief of

Pakistan Army



SHUBHAJIT ROY NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

ENDING SPECULATION, Pakistan on Thursday appointed Lt Gen Asim Munir as its next Army chief. He will replace Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa, who retires on November 29 after two consecutive three-year terms. Munir has served as chief of

the Inter-Services Intelligence **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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The board at the Jama Masjid gate. Amit Mehra

ABHINAYA HARIGOVIND NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

DELHI'S JAMA Masjid, which had announced that it was restricting the entry of any unaccompanied girl or group of girls into its premises, rolled back the deci-

sion on Thursday Officials from Raj Niwas said Delhi Lieutenant-General Vina

Kumar Saxena had spoken to the Shahi Imam, Syed Ahmed Bukhari, and had requested him

to rescind the order. 'Shahi Imam Bukhari has agreed to revoke the order, with the request that visitors respect and maintain the sanctity of the mosque," officials said

The monument's management had put up a board at its **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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NEW DELHI, JAIPUR,

decision on the leadership issue

before the Bharat Jodo Yatra en-

ters Rajasthan next month, Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot launched

a sharp offensive on Thursday,

ON TUESDAY morning, the villagers of Mukroh, along the Assam-Meghalaya border, woke up to the sound of gunfire. At the far end of the village, six people lay in a pool of blood.

While the incident, which came days before the second round of border talks, threat-



ened to disrupt the uneasy peace between Assam and Meghalaya, the two state governments broadly agreed on the sequence of events: that the firing by the Assam Police was over an alleged timber smuggling bid.

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Home Minister Amit Shah **CBI TO INVESTIGATE** with Meghalaya CM Conrad **BORDER FIRING** PAGE 10

Sangma in New Delhi. ANI



Sachin Pilot with Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra during the Bharat Jodo Yatra in MP on Thursday. @SachinPilot

tack came on a day when Pilot joined Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on the Bharat Jodo Yatra in Madhya Pradesh.

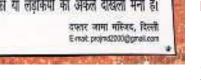
In an interview to NDTV

to a question on the party high command wanting to make Pilot the CM and indicating this to party observers, Gehlot said: Nahin, nahin, nahin, usko nahin bana sakte. Woh koi na koi **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

news channel, while responding

FIRING ON ASSAM-MEGHALAYA BORDER THAT KILLED SIX Cops chasing timber smugglers, say govts; villagers have a different story







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Amid criticism from Cong's Kerala unit, Tharoor joins protest against Left govt

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, NOVEMBER 24

CONGRESS MP Shashi Tharoor Thursday joined the ongoing party-led stir in

Thiruvananthapuram demanding the resignation of CPI(M) leader and mayor Arya Rajendran in an alleged recruitment scam. This comes amid criticism that Tharoor is not active in the Congress-led UDF alliance's agitations against the CPI(M)-led LDF government in

Kerala. Meanwhile, senior Congress legislator and former Opposition leader Ramesh Chennithala joined the controversy over Tharoor's north Kerala political outreach programme, saying that "all leaders have space to work anywhere in the state, but that should be within the party

framework". Tharoor, who returned to the state capital Wednesday evening after his four-day-long north Kerala mission, turned up at the venue of the agitation.

While attacking Tharoor for indulging in parallel political activity under the 'guise' of a north Kerala tour, senior party legislator and Opposition leader VD Satheesan had indirectly criticised Tharoor's absence in Thiruvananthapuram at a time the Congress was protesting against the mayor. The protest against the mayor's alleged bid to recruit CPI(M) cadre to the



mand on November 7. I had adopted a clear stand on this issue and I hope the party would understand it."

Chennithala, who has been away in Gujarat for the Congress campaign, Thursday joined the issue but tried to strike a balance. "All leaders have space in the party. What is important is to put up a strong fight against the LDF Government's anti-people poli-

cies. None should be instrumental for giving an impression that there is factionalism in the party." Referring to former party state chief K Muraleedharan's al-

legation that those who are eyeing the CM's post in the party were behind the Youth Congress decision to withdraw from hosting Tharoor's last Sunday talk in Kozhikode, Chennithala said: "There is enough time to tailor

the mantle of the CM." It is widely believed that Tharoor getting active in state politics would create a churning in the upper-caste Hindu Nair camp of the Congress comprising AICC general secretary KC Venugopal, Opposition leader Satheesan, former VD **Opposition** leader Ramesh Chennithala and former KPCC

core professional soldiers". Officials in Delhi, who have president K Muraleedharan. Both Chennithala and een keenly watching the selec-Muraleedharan had faced a setback in their careers in recent Jama Masjid years after Satheesan rose to the state leadership and Venugopal gate 15 days ago that read: "Jama to the national Masjid main ladki ya ladkiyon ka The stand of Chennithala and Muraleedharan towards the akele daakhla mana hai (the en-'one-man show' of Tharoor try of a girl or girls in Jama Masjid is prohibited). would be critical in the impend-Shahi Imam Bukhari told The ing realignment of equations in Indian Express: "The decision was the party. taken by the managing committee of the mosque and the board was put up 15 days ago. The board will be removed tonight." The managing committee includes Bukhari, other officials of Jama Masjid and Wakf Board chairperson Amanatullah Khan.

FROM PAGE ONE FULL REPORTS ON WWW.INDIANEXPRESS.COM Pilot a traitor, says Gehlot

communication gap hua hai. Unko kaisey bana sakte hain? Jo aadmi ke paas dus toh vidhayak nahin hain... jisne revolt kiya ho, jisko gaddari naam diya gaya hai, gaddari ki party ke saath mein... jo party ke saath gaddari kiye hue aadmi hai, usko kaisey sweekar kar sakte hain koi log? Simple baat hai."

(No, he cannot be made [the CM]. That must have been a

communication gap. How can he be made [the CM]. A person who does not have even 10 MLAs... who revolted and was labelled a traitor, he betrayed the party... a person who betrayed the party, how can anybody accept him? It is simple)."

ceived any "indication" from the party high command about a possible change in the state.

of then Prime Minister Imran

Shamshad Mirza has been ap-

pointed as Chairman of the Joint

Chiefs of Staff Committee (CJCSC).

cial told The Indian Express that

"absolute seniority" has been fol-

lowed in the appointments as

the most senior officer has been

named Chief of Army Staff

(COAS) and the second in senior-

ity has been appointed CJCSC. He

said the two senior officers were

"absolute apolitical" and "hard-

A senior Pakistan Army offi-

Meanwhile, Lt Gen Sahir

Khan in 2019.

Responding to Gehlot's remarks. Pilot told ANI: "If a senior and experienced person makes such comments, it is inappropriate and doesn't suit him. I don't think it is right that we level allegations and counter-allegations at each other. Until we work unitedly, how will we return to power in Rajasthan."

He pointed out that Gehlot had called him "nikamma (worthless)" earlier too. "No person should be so insecure ... All of us should collectively strengthen the hands of Khargeji, Rahulji and Privankaji," said Pilot, adding that it was under his leadership that the Congress had formed a government in 2018, while it lost twice under Gehlot's leadership. Meanwhile, the Congress re-

tack on Pilot. "Ashok Gehlot is a senior and experienced political leader. Whatever differences he has expressed with his younger colleague Sachin Pilot will be resolved in a manner that strengthens the Congress party," AICC general secretary in charge of communication Jairam Ramesh said in a statement. In his interview, Gehlot de-

fended the MLAs who held a parallel Congress Legislature Party (CLP) meeting in Jaipur on September 25, saying they were not "rebels" and it was a revolt against Pilot.

About 90 party MLAs had skipped the CLP meet, where they were expected to pass a one-line resolution authorising the party high command to pick the next CM, as Gehlot was

tions. Seen as Nawaz Sharif's pick,

Delhi believes Munir's appoint-

ment may hold an opening be-

For Delhi, Bajwa's stint had of-

fered a window of opportunity for

engagement after the two mili-

taries struck a deal on adhering to

the ceasefire in February last year.

The ceasefire, which has held for

the most part, had given hope for

a possible engagement between

the two countries. But the turn of

events in August last year – the

fall of Kabul to the Taliban and a

proactive Pakistan Army in Kabul

was a major setback.

tween the two sides.

Former ISI head Lt Gen Asim Munir is new Pak Army chief

(ISI) and the Military Intelligence tion process, view the new Army (MI) – his stint at the ISI was the chief as more hardline than shortest ever as he was replaced Baiwa, who was more nuanced by Lt Gen Faiz Hamid within in his approach towards India. eight months on the insistence

Unlike the last three Army chiefs - Ashfaq Pervez Kayani, Raheel Sharif and Bajwa, Munir has not graduated from senior staff courses at American and British military colleges. How he negotiates the lack of proximity to Washington will be an important factor to watch, since being schooled in military institutions in the West has been an important part of the Pakistan Army's military diplomacy as well as the institution's colonial legacy.

Munir is viewed in Delhi as being close to the Saudis, having served in Saudi Arabia.

His experience in intelligence, Munir, who entered the servhaving headed the Military ice via the Officers Training School Intelligence and ISI, can open

communication channels with graduate of the Pakistan Military Academy. But officials said he is a National Security Advisor Ajit "Sword of Honour" topper from Doval, and help in taking forward one of the Army's feeder schools. the behind-the-scenes conversa-

crore or 10 crore," he said.

touted to contest for the post of

cause word had spread that Pilot

would be made the CM. The

MLAs perhaps felt that even if

only a one-line resolution is

passed, there could be a swear-

Gehlot said Pilot cannot deny

his collusion with the BJP. "It was

their game. Rs 10 crore was dis-

tributed. I have proof, I don't

know who got how much...5

ing-in the next day," he said.

"They (MLAs) were upset be-

Congress president.

involved in that."

Lt Gen Mirza is considered by Delhi as a tactical genius, based on his experience as chief of military operations. He has served in the most important staff and command posts, including Commander of the X Corps -- the largest formation with almost 250,000 men under his command. He has also been deployed in multiple UN peacekeeping missions. Less controversial than Munir, Mirza is believed to have the support of the rank and file.

After being approved by Pakistan PM Shehbaz Sharif, Pakistan President Arif Alvi signed on the names for final ratification on Thursday evening.

How BJP is banking on Statue of Unity to get tribal voters in Gujarat?

The Statue of Unity and the Sardar Sarovar Dam seem to be at the heart of BJP's campaign in Gujarat. The ruling party is hoping to win tribal votes this time by focusing on them

• SC: Goel's file moved superfast

General R Attorney Venkataramani told the bench that the four names were culled out from the database of civil servants maintained by the Department of Training and Personnel (DoPT).

The bench asked "how did the Law Minister pick up these four names from the database?... Given the vast reservoir of senior officers you have, what is the criteria?"

Asked what the MLAs had Justice K M Joseph said, "We against Pilot, Gehlot said: are only on the process of selec-"Because of him. we had to retion, not on any individual", adding main in a hotel for 34 days (in "in fact we also fairly notice that 2020). He was trying to topple this person who is selected is a the government, and Amit Shah gold medalist in mathematics... a and Dharmendra Pradhan were rilliant academic record he has." The bench is hearing petitions

seeking a Collegium type body for appointing ECs and the CEC. The court said the file was cleared in one day and asked if

there was any haste or tearing urgency. "It was put up on November

18. We find that it moved the same day. It then goes to some officials. Then the PM recommended the name the same day... Not for any kind of confrontation, but was there any kind of haste or tearing urgency,' Justice Joseph asked, adding

that in government offices, files usually move slowly.

"This vacancy became available in May... Can you show what prevailed upon the government to initiate the process in a manner that everything is done in the shortest possible time, superfast. The same day process, the same day clearance, the same day application, the same day acceptance and the same day appointment... The file has not travelled even 24 hours. What kind of evaluation was

there?" Justice Rastogi said. Underlining that there was no haste shown, the AG said, "If Your Lordships were to go into that question, I must produce all those lists of appointments from 2015 onward because every time matter has moved within 2-3 days. Maximum 3 days time." Pointing out that there are many instances of appointment in public positions happening within 24 hours or even 12 hours, he asked, "Are we finding a fault?'

about the appointment. I didn't find any injunction or stay or something like that and said there is no reservation on that. And precisely they have quoted that there is no reservation. That is how it went ahead. It's probably about a week's time for my consultations. So the speed part of it is also after consultation with me. Therefore, I don't think Your Lordships will smell any rat in it." On queries how the Law Minister picked up the names, the AG said, "There are two steps involved here. One, a panel is prepared on the basis of the DoPT database, who would retire, at what point of time, what would be the tenure available to them... This database of all civil servants is publicly available." "Batch is one criteria. Among

ter was heard, I was asked if there

is any impediment in going

batches, who is senior. Among them, who probably has the required profile and suitability ... So among the batch people, will somebody have a longer tenure? That's another consideration. If that consideration is wrong, then I think no other consideration can help us. It is, therefore, a question of who will fill up as early as possible the requirements of law."

The bench also posed questions on the tenure of the EC and Chief Election Commissioner (CEC). It pointed out that The Chief Election Commissioner And Other Election Commissioners (Conditions Of Service) Act, 1991, states that the EC and CEC "shall hold office for six years". And that by choosing candidates who do not have six years service remaining, the government, it said, is flouting the law.

Justice Joseph said that instead of giving both the EC and CEC separate terms of six years each, what is being done now is to give a candidate a total tenure of six years as EC and CEC "It's against the law. You are violating it (the relevant provision in the Act). We are telling you openly. They are entitled to six years," he said. The AG said that what is being followed is a time-tested convention according to which the senior among the two Election Commissioners becomes CEC who will remain in office till he attains the age of 65. Going by the separate six-year term will lead to a situation where the incumbent continues in office even after 65, he pointed out.

Justices Battu Devanand and D

Ramesh of the Andhra Pradesh

High Court to the Madras and

Allahabad High Courts, respec-

Gehlot said he hasn't re-

acted cautiously to Gehlot's at-

municipal body has been going on for the last two weeks. On some days, the agitation had turned violent and scores of Congress workers were jailed.

Addressing the UDF agitation, Tharoor said: "I was first to demand the resignation of the mayor. Certain people might have forgotten that... Everybody knows that I had raised the de-

From Saudi Arabia to Malaysia, NBCC eyes expansion abroad

next two years, by 2024.

soon, officials said.

Lumpur, Malaysia.

pating in the bidding process for

construction of the building for

the Consulate General of India at

Jeddah, Saudi Arabia; and Indian

High Commission buildings at

Victoria, Seychelles, and Kuala

pany's 63rd foundation day, un-

der the Union Housing and

Urban Affairs Ministry, Union

minister Hardeep Singh Puri on

November 15 said NBCC had in-

creased its footprint abroad. He

said the company's previous in-

ternational projects, including

construction of the Supreme

Court building in Mauritius and

Indian Pavilion at Expo 2020 in

Domestically, NBCC is carry-

ing out the redevelopment of

Pragati Maidan in Delhi, which

is set to host the G20 summit in

2023, as well as completion of

unfinished flats of private

builder Amrapali in Noida.

Dubai, were delivered on time.

While marking the com-

DAMININATH NEW DELHI. NOVEMBER 24

PUBLIC SECTOR construction company NBCC (India) Limited is set to start projects worth Rs 483 crore in Mauritius soon and is currently participating in the bidding for projects worth Rs 627 crore in Saudi Arabia, Seychelles and Malaysia, as a part of the expansion of its overseas operations, according to company officials.

The company increased its footprint abroad with new projects worth Rs 968 crore in 2021-22, three times the amount in 2019-20 (Rs 322.8 crore), an official said.

Given the pandemic, no new projects were started abroad in 2020-21, the official said.

In the last five years, NBCC completed projects amounting to Rs 1,145 crore and has projects worth Rs 1,060 crore ongoing as of now, as per a written response to The Indian Express. As of now, NBCC is constructing 2,000 social housing units in Hulhumale, Maldives, at a cost of Rs 968 crore; renovating the Bank of Baroda building in Mauritius (Rs 21.43 crore); and constructing the new Civil Service College in

The three projects are ex-

Mauritius (Rs 70.41 crore).

who is also an AAP MLA. Earlier in the day, Jama

Masjid's public relations officer pected to be completed over the Sabiullah Khan said the board was put up to restrict entry of The company has also been single women who treat the awarded three projects worth Rs premises "like a park". "There is 483 crore in Mauritius: construcno restriction on the entry of tion of the Mauritius Police women. The restriction is for Academy, the Forensic Science women who come here alone, Laboratory, and the National give time to men, do wrong Archives & National Library. things, make videos. If you come Work on these is likely to start with your family, there is no ban, if you are a married couple, there The company is also partici-

is no ban. But making this a meeting point, treating it like a park, dancing, making Tik Tok videos these are not acceptable in any place of worship," he said.

On Thursday evening, several women, alone and in groups were seen inside the premises.

Shahi Imam Bukhari said: "If a woman comes alone and wants to pray or see the masjid, she can do that. But if she says that she has given time to meet her boyfriend, that will be curbed..."

Those involved in the administration of Fatehpuri Masjid at Chandni Chowk, one of Delhi's biggest mosques, said there are no restrictions there but that they, too, have had to deal with "inappropriate activities".

'We don't stop anyone but sometimes there are people who indulge in inappropriate activities in the mosque. This will not be accepted in any place of worship. We usually tell them off sternly," the official said.

programme in Mangla, is not a

Govts say cops chasing smugglers, villagers differ

According to the Assam Police, in the early hours of November 22, a truck carrying smuggled timber had refused to halt at a forest check-post on the Assam side of the border and sped into Meghalaya. This led to a hot chase by the police, who fired when they allegedly came under attack from members of an "armed mob", ending in the death of the six people - five from Meghalaya and an Assam Forest Guard.

While this account was first put out by the Assam Police immediately after the incident, Meghalaya CM Conrad Sangma, while condemning the "inhuman act" by the Assam Police, too, gave a similar account later. saying a vehicle "carrying timber was pursued by Assam Forest Guards with Assam Police, and detained by (them) at Mukroh village'

Mukroh, however, has a different version.

Dismissing the timber smuggling theory, village headman Hamboide Sumer said those killed were "simple farmers". "They were not smugglers. They were paddy farmers on their way back from the fields with sacks of rice in their vehicle," he said.

Local MLA Nujorki Sungoh, too, ruled out timber smuggling, saying the Mukroh firing is part of "a larger problem" in these parts - of farmers being forced to pay an illegal "tax" to Assam authorities.

"It all started when Assam forest officials arrested three people from Mukroh village of Meghalaya. It's strange that they can arrest someone outside their jurisdiction," Sungoh said, before narrating his version of what happened on Tuesday.

"Four villagers from Mukroh were returning from their fields when the Assam Police stopped their vehicle and arrested three of them. One managed to flee. At

this, the villagers got angry, gathered to rescue the people and, in the process, five of them were shot dead... This has nothing to do with smuggling. Whenever people carry fodder or other produce from their fields, they have to pay a tax to the Assam authorities," he said. Sungoh's party, the United Democratic Party (UDP), is a partner in Meghalaya's NPPled Meghalaya Democratic Alliance (MDA) government.

Insisting that Mukroh villagers are harassed from time to time, Sungoh said that despite raising the issue in the Assembly on several occasions, no action has followed.

The Indian Express met Budky Sumer, 23, one of the farmers from Mukroh, whose arrest, as alleged by the villagers, led to the standoff and the police firing.

According to Sumer, around 1 am on Tuesday, he and the others were on their way back from their fields, their vehicle loaded with fodder and three to four sacks of rice. "Around 3 am, as we were nearing our village, the Assam Police stopped us and pulled me and the others out of the vehicle without any explanation. The policemen tortured us and thrashed us at a police outpost, calling us smugglers," he said.

At around 7 am, a team of

Assam Police personnel in three vehicles reached Mukroh while police had said that they came with reinforcements to bring the vehicle back from the spot, villagers said they had possibly come to arrest more men. As angry villagers gheraoed the police personnel, a clash ensued, with locals alleging that the police fired without any provoca-

Barlin Langshaing, who is originally from Karimganj in Assam but settled in Mukroh in the late 1990s, said: "The three farmers who were arrested were

released only later, after pressure mounted over the firing. Those who were killed in the firing weren't even protesting, they were simply passers-by going to their fields and were unfortunately caught in the firing."

When asked about the allegation that farmers, not timber smugglers, were among those killed, Assam Police's Special DGPGPSinghsaid: "This was an operation of the Assam Forest department. You may contact them. Police only went to assist them.'

An Assam official, present at the spot on the day of the incident, told The Indian Express that acting on a tip-off about timber smugglers, they chased a truck, which allegedly tried to overrun them. They chased the vehicle and punctured one of the tyres. "The truck had crossed the forest camp at Mukroh and stopped 1.5 km away. It was around 1 am then. There were four people in the truck, we managed to get hold of three and brought them to the Mukoklong police outpost. With the help of the Assam Police, we went to the spot to retrieve the truck but it was badly damaged. There were 23 pieces of timber inside... big logs. Since the vehicle couldn't be moved, our in-charge was trying to tow it back," the official said

He said by 5 am, the villagers started gathering around the vehicle, many of them armed with sharp dao, knives and sticks, "By 6 am, there were at least 800 people. We continued to work. They gheraoed us and threatened us that we won't go back home alive. Some of them started assaulting us and then, one of our people fired in the air. But soon, others attacked us. I heard bullets being fired all around me. We somehow managed to return. One of our people was missing and we later re-

Stating that there is an element of confidentiality in the appointments process to such posts, the AG said, "There is nothing to hide. Even before the mat-

Justice Kariel

him to the Patna High Court.

On November 17, in extraordinary scenes at the Gujarat High Court, members of the Bar had gathered in the court of Chief Justice Aravind Kumar to oppose what they called Justice Kariel's proposed transfer.

The Collegium, it was learnt, had been mulling the transfer of Instice Kariel to the Patna High Court and had written to the Chief Justice of the Gujarat High Court for his opinion.

On November 21, a delegation of the Gujarat High Court Advocates' Association (GHAA) met three members of the Collegium - CJI Chandrachud, Justices Sanjay Kishan Kaul and MRShah-to discuss its concerns. In a statement after the

meeting, the GHAA said, "A detailed representation was made and the anguish and objections of the Bar against the transfer of Justice Nikhil Kariel were conveved to the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India... who assured that the issues raised would be duly examined but strongly conveyed that since such assurance has been given, the advocates should not abstain from work."

Justice Kariel, who enrolled as an advocate with the Bar Council of Gujarat, was elevated as a judge of the Gujarat High Court in October 2020.

On Thursday, the Collegium recommended the transfer of

tively. Justice Lalitha Kanneganti, currently judge of the Telangana High Court. has been recommended for a transfer to the Karnataka High Court. She was

transferred from her parent High Court of Andhra Pradesh to Telangana High Court in November last year, after being appointed in May 2020.

Iustices D Nagarjun and A Abhishek Reddy from the Telangana High Court have also been recommended for transfer to Madras and Patna High Courts, respectively.

From the Madras High Court, the Collegium recommended the transfer of Justices V M Velumani and T Raja to Calcutta and Rajasthan High Courts, respectively.

The transfer of Justice Raja, who is currently the most senior judge of the Madras High Court and its Acting Chief Justice, will also require the government to appoint either a new Acting Chief Justice or Chief Justice.

The Collegium's September 28 recommendation to transfer Justice S Muralidhar, Chief Justice of the Orissa High Court as Chief Justice of the Madras High Court, is pending with the government.

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alised he was dead," he said.

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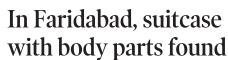
POLICE RECOVER 10-12 'SHARP OBJECTS' IN SEARCHES **Details of murder and evidence: Aaftab quizzed in polygraph test**

JIGNASA SINHA & SAGAR RAJPUT NEW DELHI, MUMBAI NOVEMBER 24

DURING HIS 6-7-hour polygraph test on Thursday, Aaftab Poonawala, who is accused of murdering his live-in partner Shraddha Walkar, was asked if and how he committed the crime, where he hid the evidence and questions about his childhood and family, among other things.

Earlier in the day, police sources said they had recovered almost 10-12 "sharp objects", including knives, blades, saws and other tools, from the couple's Chattarpur Pahadi flat and the Mehrauli forest over the past week. Continuing their search for evidence in other states, a Delhi police team in Mumbai's Vasai trawled through a creek in Bhayandar to search for Walkar's phone, which they suspect was destroyed by Poonawala.

Poonawala was taken to the Forensic Science Lab (FSL) in Delhi's Rohini for the first session of the polygraph test around noon and left with police around 8 pm. Sagarpreet Hooda, Special CP (Law and Order), confirmed



Gurgaon: A suitcase with suspected body parts inside was found in a forest area in Faridabad's Surajkund Thursday afternoon, said police.

"It appears to be a torso. It seems the limbs, head and other parts had been decapitated. The remains are decomposed... Prima facie, it appears a person was murdered elsewhere and a part of the body was dumped here to avoid identification. The remains had been wrapped in a plastic bag and a sack. Twothree clothes and a belt were recovered near the suitcase. The entire forest area within the vicinity has been cordoned off and searched. Forensic teams are collecting samples, which will be sent for identification and DNA analysis," said a police officer.

Sube Singh, spokesperson, Faridabad police, said, "No identification has been done. The remains have been sent to civil hospital for the autopsy. We are checking CCTVs in the vicinity.'

Police sources confirmed they had contacted the Delhi Police team investigating the Shraddha Walkar case. "We had contacted Delhi Police officers in Mehrauli to also look at the remains, but no association with the case in Delhi has emerged so far," said a police officer. ENS



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Police escort Aaftab out of FSL, Rohini, after the first session of his polygraph test ended on Thursday. Abhinav Saha

sought permission from a Delhi

court to extend Poonawala's cus-

tody and conduct polygraph and

narco-analysis tests on him. The

narco test will most likely be con-

ered, a police officer said: "We are

checking them for blood traces.

Poonawala had said he used two-

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ducted next week, said police.

but we take breaks so the person that the test had begun. An FSL official said: "The aim does not feel anxious or preswas to ascertain the locations of sured." said an officer. Police had earlier taken the murder weapon, body pieces and Walkar's phone. The ques-Poonawala for pre-analysis questions were mainly about the coutioning but had to delay the exerple's history, Poonawala's early life, cise after he complained of fever. Earlier this week, police had

childhood, family, relationships, if/how he killed Walkar and hid the evidence, etc. He was cooperative and gave all the answers. The results will be analysed and compiled. We'll share the observations and report with police."

Forensic experts said the test would take a few hours to complete. "We check the health of the person before starting the test. After that, the test is conducted,

bathroom. We haven't been able to find the exact weapon yet... We are verifying his claims.' A team of Delhi Police also

body into 30-35 pieces in the

went to Thane in Maharashtra to conduct searches. "As he came to Mumbai after Walkar's death. he may have dumped her belongings and other evidence in Vasai or Thane," said an officer. Delhi Police said they also recorded Poonawala's father's statement. As per Walkar's family and friends, Poonawala's family allegedly knew about the violent fights between the couple, said police. "His father said he doesn't know anything about the murder. He said Poonawala would rarely talk to them. We are trying to get details on their relationship and Poonawala's behaviour," added the officer.

On the search for Walkar's phone in Mumbai, a police source said: "Poonawala claimed he disposed of her SIM card in Delhi and threw her phone in the creek at Bhayandar. We have learnt he had come back from Delhi to help his parents shift to a new place from Vasai to Mira Road. While crossing the creek in the train, he is believed to have thrown the phone into it."

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"Act") and other applicable provisions, if any, of the Act read with Rules 20

EXCISE POLICY CASE Agencies acting in tandem, Vijay Nair tells HC

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New Delhi: The Delhi High Court Thursday sought responses from AAP communications manager Vijay Nair and Hyderabad-based businessman Abhishek Boinpally in a CBI plea challenging bail granted to them by a trial court, related to alleged irregularities in the now-scrapped excise policy case.

A single judge bench of Justice Yogesh Khanna deferred the hearing of applications for stay of the trial court order after noting that Nair and Boinpally were already in custody of Enforcement Directorate in connection with an alleged money laundering probe into the excise policy.

Appearing for the CBI, special public prosecutor Nikhil Goel submitted: "Our case is that at instance of (Nair), large sums of money came to Delhi. We have evidence to show Rs 30 crore of cash was received ... we have to investigate what happened to the cash and the person who paid, what does he gain?"

Appearing for Nair, senior advocate Rebecca John said the agency can get "as many statements of witnesses to say I (Nair) influenced the policy. But there are layers of checks and balances... soon as this bail order was passed. Iwas arrested (by ED). This is how agencies act in tandem". ENS

CHANDIGARH HOUSING BOARD 8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, CHANDIGARH, PHONE : 0172-4601826



Notice for inviting e-tenders for allotment of Built-up Dwelling Units/Commercial Units in U.T. Chandigarh

It is hereby notified for the information of general public that e-tenders are invited for the sale of Built-up Units. The Commercial Units are being sold on Leasehold and freehold basis & Residential units are being sold on Free Hold Basis. E tenders are invited individually for each of Built-up Unit.

- 1, The E-Tender process is open for all the citizens of India as well as NRIs/PIOs above 18 years of age. The persons already having any property (Residential or Commercial) can also participate in the e-Tender.
- 2. The Built-up units shall be allotted to the highest eligible bidder, guoting above the reserve price of the Unit. The GST will not be applicable on the consideration/premium of the unit.
- 3. All willing participants may visit the afficial website www.chbonline.in to understand the detailed procedure for submission of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) - and e-bids. The Terms & Conditions and the detailed List mentioning localities/sectors of the Built-up Units and reserve price can be downloaded from the official website of the Chandigarh Housing Board i.e. www.chbonline.in,
- 4. In order to submit e-bids, every prospective bidder is required to get himself/herself registered at https://etenders.chd.nic.in.
- 5. Stickers have been pasted at each of the Built-up Unit for better identification and Site Offices have been provided at different Sectors/Location to facilitate inspection by the prospective bidders.

The location of each of the unit on google map, address of the Site Offices and contact details of the officials are available on the official website www.chbonline.in. The days specified for the inspections of the units are as under:

Sr No.	Built-up Units	No of Units	Days for inspections (10:00 AM to 05: 00 PM)
I.	Residential Units on Free-Hold Basis	74	26" November, 03" 10" & 17" of December 2022 (every Saturday)
U.	Commercial Units on Lease-Hold Basis	92	30" November, 7" and 1.4" December
щ	Commercial Units on Free-Hold Basis	01	(every Wednesday)

Schedule of dates for e-Tenders of the Units:-

Se No.	Event	Date & Time
1	Starting date and time for bid submission	From 25th November, 2022 (10:00 AM)
2	Closing date and time for bid submission	Till to 20 th December 2022 Jupto 10:00 AMJ
3	Opening of e-bids	20th December 2022 (Fram 10:15 AM onwards)

Chief Accounts Officer, Chandigarh Housing Board, Chandigarh



Asset Recovery Branch: 1st Floor, Steel House, Near Police Check Post, Boring Road, Patna-800001



Notice under Sec. 13(2) read with Sec.13(13) & 13(8) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act No.2 of 2002)

Demand Notices were issued to the below mentioned borrower/guarantor in respect of loan availed by them and after the loan accoun becoming NPA giving them 60 days' time to pay the outstanding dues of the bank. Notice(s) sent but acknowledgment yet not received. We have indicated our intention of taking possession of secured assets detailed below in case of failure of borrower/guarantor in repaying the outstanding dues within the said time of 60 days. These borrower(s)/ guarantor(s) are notified hereby to repay the outstanding dues as ientioned below within 60 days from the publication of this notice to avoid further action under SARFAESI Act.. They are also advised to

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23/11/2022

Place

Date

PPD/JNPA/Parking/T-51/2022

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Jawaharlal Nehru Port Authority invites e-Tenders "ONLINE" in two Bid system (Technical and Price Bid) from 25/11/2022 to 26/12/2022 from experienced, reputed National / International consultant fulfilling the Minimum Eligibility Criteria (MEC) as stipulated in the Tender for the Work of "Consultancy Services for Preparation of Detailed Project Report and Detailed Engineering for Centralized Parking Plaza (CPP) 2 at JN Port." Detailed Notice Inviting Tender and Tender Document is available on JNPA website "<u>www.jnport.gov.in</u>" and "<u>https://eprocure.gov.in</u>" Chief Manager (PP&D)

of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules. 2014 ("Rule amended from time to time, and other applicable provisions, if any, along w General Circular no. 3/2022 dated May 5, 2022, read with Circulars nos. 14 17/2020, 20/2020, 22/2020, 33/2020, 39/2020, 02/2021, 10/2021, 19 20/2021 and 21/2021 dated April 8, 2020, April 13, 2020, May 5, 2020, Ju 2020, September 28, 2020, December 31, 2020, January 13, 2021, June 23, December 8, 2021, December 08, 2021 and December 14, 2021 respe issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India Circulars") and Regulation 44 and 17(1C) of the Securities and Exchange Bo India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations ("Listing Regulations") and other applicable laws and regulations (includi statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force) t Special Business set out in the Postal Ballot Notice are proposed to be pas the Members of Rail Vikas Nigam Limited ('the Company' or 'RVNL') process of Postal Ballot through electronic means (E-voting) only. Commun of assent or dissent of the Members would take place only through the ren voting system.

1. To approve the appointment of Shri Ram Prakash (DIN: 09746225), Add Member (RE), also looking after as Additional Member (Planning), Railway as Part-time (Official) Government Nominee Director on the Board of the Con The Company has completed the dispatch of Postal Ballot Notice along w Explanatory Statements on Thursday, November 24, 2022 to all Sharehol the Company, whose names appeared on the Register of Members/Regi Beneficial Owners maintained by the Depositories as on Friday, Noveml 2022 ("Cut-off date") through electronic mail to only those Shareholders email IDs are registered. Voting rights shall be reckoned on the paid-up v equity shares registered in the name of Shareholders as on Friday, Noveml 2022 i.e. cut-off date.

The Notice of the Postal Ballot is also available and can be downloaded Company's website at www.rvnl.org, the website of Stock Exchange www.bseindia.com and www.nseindia.com respectively and also on the w of NSDL at www.evoting.nsdl.com. A person, who is not a Member as on " Date", should treat this Notice for information purposes only

Members who have not registered their e-mail addresses are requested to re the same in respect of shares held in electronic form with the Depository th their Depository Participant(s) and in respect of shares held in physical f writing to the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent, A Assignments Limited, 208, Anarkali Complex, Jhandewalan Extension Delhi-110055 or by mail to virenders@alankit.com. Please refer to appended to Postal Ballot Notice for more details.

The Company has engaged the services of National Securities Depositroy L ('NSDL') for providing e-voting facility to the Shareholders. Shareholde requested to note that the voting through Postal Ballot / e-voting will comme Saturday, November 26, 2022 at 09:00 Hours (IST) and will end on Su December 25, 2022 at 17:00 Hours (IST) both days inclusive. Communica the consent/dissent of the members would take place only through e-votir detailed instructions for e-voting forms part of the Postal Ballot Notice.

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All grievances connected with the facility for voting by electronic means r addressed to Soni Singh. Assistant Manager. National Securities Dep Limited ('NSDL'), Trade World, A wing, 4th Floor, Kamala Mills Compound, Parel, Mumbai – 400013 or send an email to helpdesk at evoting@nsdlindi or call at toll free no.: 1800 1020 990 and 1800 22 44 30.

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Analysts laud Xi's thoughts on global future

Concepts of inclusive growth, common development receive positive reaction

By PRIME SARMIENTO, WANG XU and CHEN WEIHUA

hinese President Xi Jinping's emphasis on more inclusive growth and common development for a community with a shared future for mankind resonates with the needs of all people in the world in addressing today's global challenges, analysts say.

In a speech delivered at the first session of the 17th G20 Summit in Bali, Indonesia, Xi said that all G20 members should take responsibility to make global development more inclusive, beneficial to all and more resilient.

He underlined food and energy security as the most pressing challenges in global development, calling upon nations to resolutely oppose attempts to politicise food and energy issues or use them as tools or weapons.

Xi's speech, delivered in the same week the global population reached 8 billion people, laid out a vision for the world as a community of collective destiny, said Gal Luft, co-director of the United Statesbased Institute for the Analysis of Global Security.

"It transcended political and regional divisions and stayed above the flashpoints and crises du jour," he said. "In this, it is an evergreen speech which could be given years from now with a similar degree of relevancy as today's."

Luft noted that Xi was not in favour of those building "a small yard with high fences" to protect themselves and advocated instead a tide-lifts-all-boats approach to global development.

"Needless to say which approach resonated more with the multiple **Global South representatives** present in the room," he said.

Airlangga Hartarto, Indonesian Coordinating Minister for Economic Affairs, appreciated Xi's proposals on digital economy among others. Xi said China has proposed G20 Action on Digital Innovation and Cooperation, and called for narrowing the digital gap.

The digitalisation is in line with Indonesia's focus on digital transformation for stronger recovery, Hartarto said at a news briefing.

Irvan Tengku Harja, a researcher at the Indonesian think tank

Prakasa, and a delegate to Civil 20 Indonesia 2022 in Bali, noted that three main points promoted by Xi could be cures for the world's major problems today.

Global economic uncertainties because of conflict, among other factors, "are having an impact on the international community, especially low-income countries. If energy and food prices go higher, causing higher inflation, the poor and vulnerable citizens like women, the elderly, persons with disabilities, informal workers and so on will hurt", he said.

Carlos Martinez, a British commentator and co-editor of Friends of Socialist China, said that it's noteworthy that the G20 Summit was taking place at the same time as COP27 in Egypt, where developing countries are loudly raising their demands for climate justice.

"In his G20 speech, Xi Jinping added his voice to those demands, reiterating the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities a principle enshrined in international law," Martinez said.

He said that China is already working with a large number of Global South countries on green development projects, including Zambia, South Africa, Kenya, Argentina and Cuba.

Yosuke Tsuyuguchi, an economics professor at Teikyo University in Japan, said the Global Development Initiative proposed by Xi is in fact being realised gradually and its specific measures are worthy of high praise.

"Xi said global development would be impossible without a peaceful and stable international environment. Not only in terms of facilitating the common development and progress of all countries, but also in terms of maintaining stable and resilient supply chains, China itself is working hard towards these initiatives, it is also deserving commendation," Tsuyuguchi added.

Sisilia Nurmala Dewi, managing director for Asia at environmental group 350.org, agreed with Xi's concept that modernisation is the right of every country.

She noted that Xi made a strong pledge last year on China's phasing down coal. G20 countries should not backslide from the Paris Agreement pledge because of the current geopolitical tension, she said.

Expo spillover gives companies revenue boost

By WANG YING

From East to West, a growing number of small and medium-sized traders are tapping into China's great consumption appetite by exhibiting their products at the China International Import Expo, or CIIE, in Shanghai.

A set of aloe vera products from South Africa, which includes 4,000 bottles of aloe vera capsules for healthcare and 1,000 units of aloe vera gum for skincare were on display at the expo at the National Exhibition and Convention Centre in Shanghai, which ran from November 5 to 10.

After the exhibition, the products are available for sale at the Honggiao Import Commodity Exhibition and Trading Centre, a permanent trading platform in Shanghai for the CIIE, said Le Jiayi, general manager of the Shanghai KJ Import and Export Co Ltd.

"Thanks to the solutions offered by the Honggiao Import Commodity Exhibition and Trading Centre, we are allowed to sell our products on display rapidly."

Aloe vera products are favoured by Chinese consumers, but it usually takes a long time to make the products available for sale in traditional channels because of the goods category requirements, Le said.



Visitors participate in an environmental protection activity at sports retailer Decathlon's booth at the fifth China International Import Expo in Shanghai on November 6. TANG KE / FOR CHINA DAILY

By MA ZHENHUAN

In 2007 Dehghani Gholamhossein, 57, who is from the Iranian capital Teheran, founded a foreign trade company in Yiwu, East China's Zhejiang province.

Over the past decade, in particular, he and his company, Yiwu Hamid Import & Trade Co, which specialises in selling products such as scarves, handicrafts and Christmas ornaments, have witnessed the rapid development of Yiwu's foreign trade.

"In the very beginning when we came to Yiwu, this smallcommodity city was not as large as it is now," Gholamhossein said. "However, the city's scale and the categories of commodities are growing, and the market has become more and more international.

The city had humble beginnings as agrarian land in the late 1970s and early 1980s, and has since developed into what is widely acknowledged as the world's largest small-commodities market. Yiwu's commodities are now exported to more than 210 countries and regions. Statistics from Yiwu customs show that the city's exports of small commodities more than tripled between 2012 and 2021, rising from \$11.93 billion (Rs 973.8 billion) to \$40.78 billion and accounting for 31.2 per cent of China's total. Indeed, many people worldwide, and even in China, are probably unaware that they have intimate connections with products from Yiwu, ranging from daily life items to sports-related products. For instance, since the early 2010s, the rising volume of Christmas-related exports from Yiwu have made the city the world's largest manufacturing and distribution centre for Christmas products, including tree decorations, Yuletide clothing, greeting cards, festive lights and packaging. About 80 per cent of the world's Christmas goods come from this city, the city's commerce bureau said. More recently, manufacturers have been busy producing and delivering football-related

products before the FIFA 2022 World Cup, which kicked off in Qatar on November 20. To facilitate the delivery of the merchandise to fans across the globe, Yiwu has even set up the World Cup Special Transport Network, by which goods can travel from the ports of Ningbo and Shanghai to Hamad Port in Qatar in just 20 to 25 days.

In addition, with the approach of winter, Yiwu has experienced surging demand from Europe for heating equipment amid the looming energy crisis there. By early November exports of products such as electric blankets and electric heaters had risen 41.9 per cent year-on-year to 190 million yuan (Rs 2.2 billion), the city's customs said.

In the past few years, Yiwu has tapped into the opportunities arising from the rapid development of digital economy, and the city has vigorously developed a combination of livestreaming and e-commerce, with a particula focus on overseas customers. Many businesses in Yiwu, including Gholamhossein's, have begun to deploy overseas livestreaming in multiple languages. Foreign business owners in Yiwu have built warehouses overseas that serve as miniature markets, solving many problems related to disruptions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Gholamhossein's warehouse in Iran has been developing steadily in recent years, and "the warehouse area has also been expanding", he said. More important, perhaps, Gholamhossein said he believes that businessmen like himself have benefited enormously from the continuously improving business environment, not only in Yiwu, but all over China. "For example, the tax authorities" supporting policy of VAT(valueadded tax) exemption is very important to us, as it reduces our investment risk, lightens our burden, saves on export costs and strengthens our competitiveness in the international market, thus improving our economic efficiency," he said.

Yiwu now a go-to city for

importers worldwide

Likewise, the Scotch whisky brand Glenroy made its debut in China at the CIIE, with nine products on display at this year's expo.

The plan was to exhibit and seek business negotiations during the expo, but the brand has already prepared to ship 200,000 British pounds (Rs 19.4 million) worth of products to China next year, said Li Xiang, official partner from China with the Glasgow Chamber of Commerce.

Many companies in Scotland are seeking business opportunities overseas, and the 365-day trading platform offered by the CIIE provides handy support from beginning to end, Li said.

Li added that products from Glasgow including food, accessories, fashion, luxury items and consumer products as well as technology products are about to appear at next year's CIIE.

The Hongqiao Import Commodity Exhibition and Trading Centre will serve as the platform for expanding the spillover effect of the CIIE throughout the year, said Zhu Jing, deputy general manager of Shanghai Honggiao International

Import Commodity Exhibition and Trade Co Ltd.

'Over the past four years more than 70,000 products of more than 6,000 brands from about 90 countries and regions have been exhibited and sold via the platform."

Organisers forecast that 10 categories of products both imported and exported through the platform will generate trade valued at about 100 billion yuan (Rs 1.1 trillion) a year by 2025.

Coffee and alcoholic drinks are among the 10 categories expected to reach a business scale of 10 billion yuan in 2025 at the Hongqiao Import Commodity Exhibition and Trading Centre.

The CIIE's spillover effect for business expansion means snowballing revenue on an annual basis for Wang Zhengxiang, chairman of Horgos Abeba Trade Co Ltd, a coffee bean trading startup in the Xinjiang Uygur autonomous region.

"After exhibiting our coffee beans imported from Ethiopia at the CIIE last year we joined the 365-day trading platform. Our annual sales expanded from about 100,000 yuan a year to more than 2 million yuan this year. And as our products became available for sale at this year's CIIE, our revenue may get a further lift to about 5 million yuan in the coming year."

Carpets from India weave their magic in Shanghai

When Imran Rah attended the inaugural edition of the China International Import Expo in Shanghai in 2018 he set up a booth covering just 18 square metres to display his products.

At this year's CIIE, the fifth, the cashmere carpet dealer from India expanded his presence to three booths covering nearly 100 square metres.

Rah's participation at the CIIE for five consecutive years has resulted in a substantial number of repeat customers as he continues to broaden his product range and improve quality.

"China is a huge market with great potential for handmade cashmere and silk carpets, and cashmere shawls," Rah said. "The CIIE helps profoundly to boost brand recognition, and brings quality clients from across the country.

"It could take a whole year to develop relations with new clients we get from a single attendance at the CIIE.

In 2013 Rah established his own hand-woven carpet brand. Since



Imran Rah rolls a carpet at his booth at the fifth China International Import Expo in Shanghai on November 8. BU DUOMEN / XINHUA

entering China in 2014 the brand has expanded its presence, with shops opening in cities such as Hangzhou, Shanghai and Beijing.

Rah said he is doing business in many other countries, but that "China is the most important market".

Pointing to a carpet of about 2 or 3 square metres, Rah said it takes at least six months for two

skilled artisans to make such an exquisite carpet, and that it is a labour-intensive process requiring exceptional artistry.

The target market for handcrafted cashmere or silk carpets is highly selective because of the high costs, Rah said, adding that he has seen many artisans in his hometown leave this line of business because making a living from it is so precarious.

He has established long-term partnerships with more than 1,000 artisans in his hometown, buys their products and consequently helped boost their standard of living.

"The sale of one fine handmade silk carpet can financially support a household for six months or even a year," Rah said.

Customer expectations of product quality are high because of the CIIE's prominence and scale, and goods that meet these standards are more likely to be well received, Rah said.

"This is also good for passing on the artisanship of carpets.'

The success in the Chinese market has bolstered Rah's sense of responsibility. He has provided financial assistance to struggling artisans and their children as well as offered donations to several schools back home.

"The CIIE calls for sharing development opportunities. I hope that just like me, they are also given the opportunities to fulfil their dreams."

XINHUA

Fang Xiaoying and Qi Xiao contributed to this story.



Customers purchase football-related products at the Yiwu International Trade Market in Zhejiang province on October 31. GONG XIANMING / FOR CHINA DAILY



Barren terrain undergoes dramatic transformatio

Hard work pays off as seawater grain is produced from salt-affected soil. Zhao Ruixue reports

A harvester gathers wheat grown on salt-affected land in Lijin county, Dongying, Shandong province, in June. PROVIDED TO CHINA DAILY

large expanse of fragrant seawater rice plants was harvested on November 1 at the Yuwang Wetland in Weifang, a coastal city in Shandong province.

Such rice is salt-tolerant but is not grown in the sea. Several years ago the area around the wetland was dubbed "white land" by locals because the high salt content left a distinctive frost on the top layer of soil.

Tian Guoqing, general manager of Shandong Binyuan Agricultural Science and Technology Co, which runs the seawater rice area in the city's Hanting district, said: "The 3,866-plus hectares of crops are expected to produce more rice this year than last year.

After three years' work to manage the salt-affected soil and cultivate salt-tolerant seed, the once-barren land has been transformed into a productive area for seawater rice, demonstrating efficient use of salt-

to breeding salt-tolerant crop varieties.

Xu Xing, professor of agricultural science at Ningxia University in Ningxia Hui autonomous region, said: "We have cultivated salttolerant goji (Chinese wolfberries), corn, rice and grapes on the Hetao Plain along the upper Yellow River, adding colour to this once-white land."

In Shandong more than 386,600 hectares of salt-affected soil has been treated to grow crops and fruit.

Dongying, where the Yellow River flows into Bohai Bay in Shandong, boasts a large area of soil with high levels of salinity as a result of coastal erosion and high levels of saltwater saturation. Salt-tolerant rice

Wang Guangmei, head of the Yellow River Delta field ecosystem scientific observation and

To improve the soil structure, Wang and his colleagues planted grasses to be used as forage.

"By planting the forage grasses we can cover more areas with them, reducing the accumulation of salt on the surface soil," Wang said. "When these grasses are ripe we plough them into the soil to enrich its composition by creating more nutrients and increasing its organic matter."

Wang's team has also customised microbial fertilisers for the soil.

After four years' work the soil's organic matter in the demonstration area rose by more than 8 per cent on average, and its

salt content fell 21 per cent, according to observation and research station figures.

While improving the seeds developed by soil quality, experts **agricultural experts** are also cultivating salt-tolerant plant are key to ensuring varieties. Using

modern cultivation

techniques, 37 new

varieties of salt-

resistant plants,

rice", to improve the salt-affected soil and cultivate salt-tolerant rice varieties.

The company planted 1,673 hectares of rice on salt-affected soil at the wetland in 2020, with the average production of rice per mu (0.07 hectares) reaching 691 kilograms, double the yield in 2019. Tian, the general manager, said, "Salt-tolerant rice seeds developed

by agricultural experts are key to ensuring a bountiful harvest." These experts planted more than

30 varieties of rice on different areas of the saline-alkali soil, finally selecting six. In addition, they developed two local varieties.

"The newly developed localised varieties of rice are more salttolerant, more resistant to disease, and they have thicker stalks to withstand the wind in areas close to the coast," Tian said.

To better make use of the saltaffected soil, Tian said, two pipes were laid underground for irrigation

Ruins help unravel longstanding riddles

By WANG KAIHAO

Almost a century after archaeological excavations began at the Yinxu site in Anyang, Henan province, fruitful new findings are helping decode the early stages of Chinese civilisation.

The 3,300-year-old site is best known as the home of exquisite ceremonial bronzeware and oracle bone inscriptions, the oldestknown Chinese writing system. The evolution of the characters written on the bones is also seen as an indication of the continuous line of Chinese civilisation.

The inscriptions, mainly carved on turtle shells or ox bones for fortunetelling or recording events, show the Yinxu site to be the location of the capital of the late Shang Dynasty (c.16th century-11th century BC). The inscriptions also documented people's daily life.

In the text, people then praised their capital as Dayishang, or "the grand metropolis of Shang".

Excavation findings at the site have been matched with the inscriptions to gain a more detailed picture of the Shang

Dynasty, archaeologists working at Yinxu said at a news conference on November 10.

Xu Lianggao, a researcher with the Institute of Archaeology of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, said the information helped confirm the location of key buildings and structures.

unearthed at Yinxu. In an area where PROVIDED TO CHINA DAILY

palaces and ancestral temples were believed to be located, new unearthed findings indicate a 60,000-square-metre royal resort, including a lake with a central island, manmade waterways to the nearby Huanhe River and more architectural foundations.

"Our previous understanding of the layout of palaces in Yinxu has been refreshed," Xu said. "Images of the Shang civilisation now become more vivid and are more complete."

A15-metre-wide road north of the

and many other fields, he said. Excavation started in 1928 at Yinxu, one of the first modern archaeological projects in China run by local scholars. In the decades that followed, generations of leading Chinese archaeologists honed their skills at Yinxu.

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"The site is just an incomparable milestone," Chen Xingcan, head of the Institute of Archaeology of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences said. "Before the epochmaking finding of Yinxu, early Chinese history was widely doubted by Western scholars to have ever really existed. It (the find) then greatly enhanced Chinese people's cultural confidence."

In 2006 Yinxu was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Archaeologists have also explored surrounding areas, and some nearby sites are probably even older than Yinxu, said Kong Deming, a researcher with the Anyang Institute of Cultural Relics and Archaeology.

Since 2020 a large cluster of bronzeware workshops has been discovered at the Xindian site,

about 10 kilometres north of Yinxu's palace area. More than 40,000 pieces of pottery moulds, which were used to cast bronze, were unearthed along with many other tools.

About 2.5 km south of the palace area, three courtyard ruins have been found at the Shaojiapeng site. The discoveries include 18 houses and a graveyard with more than 20

tombs and four funeral pits in which chariots and horses are buried.

"These findings give us a much bigger picture of Yinxu and about different clans living on this land then," Kong said.

Some of the archaeological findings may indicate that Yinxu was part of a much bigger network of communication, trade and shared learning among prehistoric civilisations

Kong said unearthed bronze arrow heads and analysis of human bones in a graveyard on the Taojiaying site, 7 km north of Yinxu, indicated that nomads had been coming from northern grasslands, such as present-day Inner Mongolia.



An inscribed oracle bone

affected soil

Carlos Watson, representative of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation, or FAO, in China, said at an international conference on salt-affected soil in Weifang in September: "Soil salinisation is a significant problem worldwide."

According to the FAO last year, more than 1,100 million hectares of soil is affected by salinity and sodicity (which degrades soil properties), Watson said. Of this total, 60 per cent of the soil is saline, 26 per cent sodic, and the remaining 14 per cent saline-sodic.

China has 100 million hectares of salt-affected soil, about the size of Egypt, and one-third of this soil has the potential for agricultural activities, the Chinese Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs said.

Agricultural workers are committed to comprehensively using salt-affected soil, using methods ranging from managing the soil to make it suitable for crops

research station responsible to the Yantai Institute of Coastal Zone Research, Chinese Academy of Sciences, noticed cracks on the salt-affected land

> when he visited the delta four years ago "There were salt stains

everywhere, and plants were rarely seen," Wang said.

To develop the salt-affected soil, the State Council approved the establishment of the Agricultural High-tech Industrial Demonstration Area of the Yellow River Delta in Dongying in 2015. It is planned to turn the area into a new comprehensive model for the use of saline land, which can contribute to the modernisation of agriculture. The demonstration area covers 350 square kilometres, of which more than 80 per cent is salt-affected land, the local government said.

a bountiful harvest." **Tian Guoqing** GENERAL MANAGER OF SHANDONG BINYUAN AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE AND

including quinoa, alfalfa, oats and TECHNOLOGY CO triticale, have been grown in the area. Chen Xinguo, who oversees the

Yellow River Delta Salt-tolerant Soybean Industrial Innovation Centre, said: "We plan to cultivate three new varieties of salt-tolerant soybean crops by 2025.

Located about 20 kilometres from the Bohai Sea coastline, the Yuwang Wetland was once a large, barren area with more than 12,000 hectares of salty soil in which crops could not survive.

Since 2019 Shandong Binyuan Agricultural Science and Technology Co has worked with a team formed by the late Yuan Longping, who was China's top agricultural scientist and was known as "the father of hybrid

and to leach out salt.

Aided by data from smart sensors and cameras, the artificial intelligence agricultural system provides the correct quantity of water for the soil.

Compared with farmers traditionally irrigating their fields by using large amounts of fresh water, the new methods can save up to 30 per cent of water.

Tian believes that planting seawater rice is a promising business.

'We can make the best use of salt-affected soil by making the best use of seawater rice. Due to the special growing environment, the level of selenium in seawater rice planted in saline-alkali soil is seven times higher than in ordinary rice, making seawater rice healthier," he said.

Selenium is a trace element that works as an antioxidant in the body by preventing damage to the cells that some particles from the environment can cause.

Huanhe River and two roads south of Yinxu's palace area were also found. They were probably part of a complex road system, Xu said.

Previous research has allowed researchers to determine basic structures, districts and various functions of the Yinxu site, Xu said. Interdisciplinary studies in recent years have deepened knowledge of Shang architecture, belief systems, handicraft industries

"It is communication that makes cultures boom," Xu of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences said.

"Yinxu is our benchmark to better view other bronze civilisations of its time."



Bronzeware from the Shang Dynasty (c. 16th century - 11th century BC) unearthed from the Taojiaying site in Anyang, Henan province. PROVIDED TO CHINA DAILY

Wonderland soaked in history casts its spell

By YANG YANG and YANG JUN

Over tens of thousands of years, rainwater and heat have combined in the subtropical weather in the south of today's Guizhou province to allow fauna and flora to survive on rocky soil. But unlike many forests, much of the soil there has been washed away because rainwater erodes the rocks of the karst landscape, allowing soil to seep through. Tree roots have to work hard to carry out their function of nurturing growth with such scarce offerings.

The Maolan National Nature Reserve in the south of Guizhou contains one of the few forests at 25 degrees north latitude on Earth.

This is the Libo karst forest, often called "the emerald on the belt of the Earth".

The 21,285-hectare reserve shelters more than 2,670 vascular plants, 586 vertebrate animals and 1,589 insect species, including endangered species.

The Libo karst forest, the world's only such extant forest, is part of the South China Karst, a UNESCO World Heritage Site recognised as a representative of karst landform development in the humid tropics and subtropics, with high aesthetic value.

The forest displays the wonders of nature. On a clear day one can see giant conical peaks carpeted with



Tourists enjoy a refreshingly cool and clear stream running through the karst forest in Libo county, Guizhou province. PROVIDED TO CHINA DAILY

thick green trees standing sentinel. A ribbon of leaden cement, a trail for visitors, meanders through it.

The diverse creatures that live there are less disturbed by human activities, so the forest is preserved as a typical, primordial ecosystem of evergreen deciduous broad-leaved trees.

Indomitable as it is, life is

nonetheless fragile, especially in the ecosystem of the karst forest.

Usually in southern China, with rainwater and heat, soil is thick and fertile, but in a karst landscape the rocks are shaped by water. There are many small openings and cracks on their surface, and over the years, because of the erosion of rainwater, caves form, so that when it rains the



soil seeps through, said Yan Lingbin, a teacher from the College of Life Sciences in Guizhou University.

"Little soil can be maintained in this ecosystem, and it is rare to have forests growing in such an environment. That's why it's fragile and unique.'

A karst forest takes much longer to recover, he said. He cites a statistic that proves the point. It takes about 8,000 years to form soil of 1 centimetre in a karst space, compared with only dozens of years in other more fertile areas.

The Libo forest has been preserved due to difficult access, a comparatively small population and the great respect for nature the locals have, said Yu Dengli, head of the management bureau of the reserve.

In recent years the residents who lived in the core area of the reserve have been relocated to better protect this unique forest, he said.

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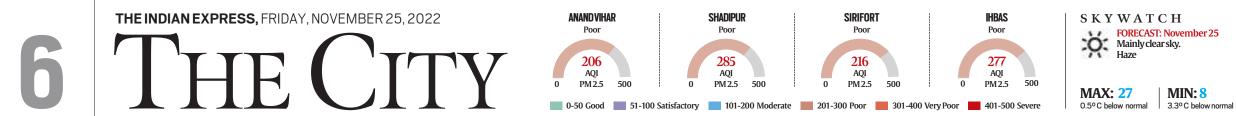
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Total candidates

No of women candidates

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ACROSS PARTIES, HIGHEST NUMBER OF CANDIDATES IN THEIR 40S MCD elections: At 140, AAP fields highest number of women, candidates in their 20s

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

THE AAM Aadmi Party has the highest number of women candidates in the fray in the Municipal Corporation of Delhi elections this time. While AAP has fielded 140 women candidates, BJP has given tickets to 137. This is followed by 134 women candidates by Congress, which is contesting only on 247 seats out of 250.

Data available on the State Election Commission's mobile application for the MCD polls, analysed by The Indian Express, also shows that AAP also has the highest number of candidates in their 20s. The party has fielded 22 candidates who are between 21 and 29 years of age. BJP has four candidates in the age bracket, while Congress has 19.

For all three parties, the highest number of candidates are in their 40s. While AAP has 92 candidates in the age bracket, BJP has 103 and Congress 87.

In municipal elections, 50% of the seats are reserved for

BRIEFLY — L&T bags Executive Enclave contract

New Delhi: The Central Public Works Department has awarded the contract for construction of the Executive Enclave as a part of the Central Vista redevelopment to Larsen and Toubro Ltd.(L&T) at Rs 1,189 crore, the department tweeted. "The CPWD awarded the contract for construction of Executive Enclave to Larsen and Toubro Ltd. at 10.44% below the estimated cost put to tender, amounting to Rs 1,189 crore on November 15, 2022. The construction firm is required to complete work within 24 months," the CPWD said.



(Clockwise from top left) Flash mob by AAP members in Lajpat Nagar; Cong candidate Deepika Deshwal campaigns in Saraswati Vihar; Union Minister Anurag Thakur during an MCD poll campaign for a BIP candidate

women candidates. The AAP has also given a ticket to a transgender person, who identifies as female. The

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ATTACKING THE BJP for al-

legedly filing "false" cases

against members of the AAP, Delhi Chief Minister Arvind

Kejriwal said Thursday that de-

spite 167 cases filed against its

leaders, no investigating agency

had been able to prove any

wrongdoing by an AAP member.

Speaking to NDTV, Kejriwal

said, "Over the last seven years,

they have filed 167 cases against

AAP leaders — not one has been

proved in court. AAP leaders

have been cleared in over 150

cases and the rest are pending...

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Give me control

of CBI, ED for one

day, half of BJP will

be in jail: Kejriwal

party said the women were selected based on the feedback received from the workers on the ground



"These women have emerged as the first choice of the public in the survey conducted by ground workers. A better con-

Gajendra Yadav

nect with people of the area and active participation on issues of public interest was a plus point for these women who got tick-

Shah hits out at AAP's Jain: 'Continuing as minister shameless'

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

UNION HOME Minister Amit Shah Thursday called the continuance of AAP's jailed leader Satyendar Jain as a minister in the Delhi government "shamelessness" and said such instances are unprecedented in public life.

Multiple videos of Jain have emerged purportedly showing him eating uncooked vegetables and fruits, getting massages and other special facilities in his Tihar prison cell.

"I had also gone to jail and resigned as a minister. Later, we fought before the court and the court said it was a political conspiracy and the case is fake. If



Home Minister Amit Shah

have to respond to why their jailed minister, even after going to jail, is not suspended, and sitting in jail, he uses such facilities. I do not have to answer (this question). Even today, he is the minister. I have never seen in such a long political life of mine that a party doesn't take resigna-



ets on unreserved seats," the AAP said in a statement.

BJP leaders said they had received thousands of applications for MCD tickets from both men and women and the distribution was done based on merit. "Half the seats in MCD are reserved for women and we have selected the strongest candidates from all seats. We have gone beyond the mandated 50% reservation mark in wards where women candidates were the strongest," said a party leader.

Å total of 1,349 candidates are in the fray for the MCD elections from across parties this time around, of which 709 are women and 640 are men. The polls are scheduled for December 4 and the results will be announced on December 7.

Ransomware attack: For second day, services at AIIMS hit

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

RAMBABU(55) from Kotla, suffering from an inflamed and swollen appendix, couldn't see his doctor at All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi, Thursday, a day after a ransomware attack affected the hospital's server.

This was the second consecutive day when e-hospital services, which runs the patient data system, and day-to-day activities, including OPD registrations and blood sample reports, were hit. The OP and inpatient digital services, including smart lab, billing, report generation, appointment system, were affected. As a result,

BJP is hatching a conspiracy to kill Kejriwal: Sisodia

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

RESPONDING TO a statement by BJP MP Manoj Tiwari, Delhi Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia Thursday alleged that the BJP was hatching a conspiracy to kill Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal.

Earlier in the day, Tiwari, the MP of North East Delhi, had tweeted, "I am concerned about the security of Arvind Kejriwal because people and AAP volunteers are angry over sustained corruption, selling of tickets (for the MCD polls), friendship with rapist and massage (by them) in iail. Their MLAs, too, have been thrashed. It should not happen with the Chief Minister of Delhi...'

AAP in a statement said that if anything happens to Kejriwal or any other party leader, BIP should be held responsible.

"Threatening to kill Arvind Kejriwal, the Chief Minister elected with a huge mandate, the man who is the national convenor of the party running governments in two states, is an insult to the people of Delhi and the country. It is clear from the BJP's threat to CM Arvind Kejriwal that it has no faith in democracy, and that BJP can go to any extent for power," the

party's statement said. In a tweet, Sisodia alleged that the conspiracy to kill Kejriwal was being hatched owing to the fear of defeat in Gujarat and MCD polls.

Delhi L-G Vinai Kumar Saxena, meanwhile, is learnt to have reached out to the Commissioner of Delhi Police asking him to make sure no untoward incident takes place. "The L-G has taken note of

tweets and statements by AAP

JNU has applied for **Institute of Eminence** status, says V-C

NEHRU

Chancellor



Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit said

Thursday, five years after the

scheme was notified by the cen-

In an Idea Exchange session

with The Indian Express in

August this year, Pandit said the

university had not applied for

eminence status till then. On

Thursday, she said it submitted

its application in the first week

of this month. "It's a huge docu-

ment, we had to get everybody

in it because I didn't want to

make it just one school. We have

included all schools," she said.

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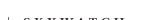
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Deputy CM Manish Sisodia

statement by BJP MP Manoj

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Manish Sisodia, and asked the

Police Commissioner to ensure

that such eventuality, orches-

trated, or otherwise, does not

happen, to the farthest possible

extent," officials in Raj Niwas said.

the CM's residence in March dur-

ing a Bharatiya Janata Yuva

Morcha protest, when a group of

people had rushed towards the

gate of the CM residence and

vandalised the area. The BJP has

given a ticket to one of the ac-

was punched and slapped, al-

legedly by party workers who

were miffed at the MCD ticket

distribution. BJP had alleged that

the workers were angry over

MCD tickets being "sold" to the

Recently, the Matiala MLA

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highest bidder.

AAP also raised the attack on

was responding to a

Tiwari on Thursdav

Doa bites woman, owner booked

Gurgaon: A23-year-old college student sustained injuries after a German Shepherd allegedly attacked her near her home in Gurgaon, said police Thursday. Police have registered an FIR against the owner of the dog.

Girl killed in a hit-and-run

Gurgaon: A six-year-old girl was killed after a motorcycle allegedly hit her in a village in Manesar on Wednesday evening, said police. The accused is yet to be arrested. The deceased has been identified as Anshika Sharma. ENS

NEXT MONTH AT IHC

800 probe agency officers are dedicated only to find wrongdoing by AAP leaders but they have found nothing. Agencies are getting pulled up in courts because they have filed false cases."

When asked about Prime Minister Narendra Modi's claim of running a completely clean government, Kejriwal said, "Give me control of the CBI, ED (Enforcement Directorate) for one day, half of BJP will be in jail."

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JAILED AAP leader Satyendar

Jain's lawyers Thursday told a

court that the State has no right

to tell anybody how to practise

their religion, while doubling

down on allegations that Tihar

jail staff withdrew his special diet

while he was on a religious fast.

pronounce his order on Jain's ap-

Special Judge Vikas Dhull will

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tion of the Excise Policy 2021-22, and the party's communication in-charge Vijay Nair is in ED custody in relation to a case in the same matter. AAP has called all these cases politically motivated.

Kejriwal also said AAP was going to win with a thumping majority in the MCD polls. "AAP will get 230-plus seats out of 250 in MCD. The BJP will get less than 20 seats. In Gujarat also, I feel AAP will win the elections." he said.

plication Friday. The court is

hearing Jain's application which

alleges he lost 28 kg because his

vocate Rahul Mehra said the State

is nobody to tell anyone how to

follow their religion. He argued if

Jain was on a fast, then it was up to

him to decide when to break the

fast and the "State cannot stop

ments that an indefinite fast was

On the jail authority's argu-

him" from doing that.

Representing Jain, senior ad-

special diet was withdrawn.

CM Arvind Kejriwal

Delhi minister Satyendar Jain

has been in jail for the past six

months in relation to an alleged

case of money laundering filed

by the ED. Deputy Chief Minister

Manish Sisodia has been named

as an accused in the CBI FIR in an

alleged scam in the implementa-

there is injustice with you, then approach law/court. You can't act such shamelessly," the home minister said at an event.

When asked about Jain receiving "special treatment" at Tihar, Shah suggested that it should be posed to the Arvind Kejriwal-led AAP to respond whether the video was genuine

"If the video is genuine, the accountability lies on AAP. They

not permitted, Mehra said the

rules don't say so. "How deeply in-

terested they are against me. It is

as if I am given some major facil-

ity... I am not even consuming ba-

sic food. You are spreading false

information. You are saying I am

enjoying my life. How biased can

ments that leaked CCTV footage

showing Jain eating food was not

in their possession, Mehra said

these were lies: "How are you

On the jail authority's argu-

your approach be?" he argued.

tion of a minister even after him going to jail," the home minister said at the Times Now Summit on 'India: A vibrant democracy, global bright spot'.

When asked about provisions allowing the Centre to remove a minister in such a scenario, he said even the Constitution makers had perhaps not seen such things coming, and hence, there was no

showing previous CCTV footage

Advocate Abhijit Shankar, ap-

pearing for jail authorities, said

Jain had not informed the prison

that he was undertaking a fast

and only informed that he was

on a diet of fruits and vegetables.

vided nuts under directions from

a medical officer and this opinion

was later changed, suggesting that

he supplement his protein intake

through other sources.

He submitted Jain was pro-

and now you don't have."

such provision.

Rambabu's information was inac-**JAWAHARLAL** cessible in the e-server. "I have University applied for Institute been told to come on Monday for the next date," he added. of Eminence status earlier this On Wednesday, the National month, Vice

Informatics Centre (NIC) said a ransomware attack affected the hospital server.

"Patients queued up the whole night to get appointments on Thursday morning which was done manually. Everything is happening manually now. The system has slowed down but OPD patients slots in each department were filled. In the morning, it was a bit chaotic," said a patient coordinator at the New RAK OPD.

AIIMS Delhi witnesses around 10.000 patients from across the country in its OPD every day.

The Delhi Police said an FIR has been registered and the case is being investigated by the cyber crime /IFSO unit. AIIMS issued a statement on Thursday evening, stating that government agencies are helping to bring back the services. According to official sources. a limited Services of E Hospital will be started in two days.

Vice Chancellor Santishree Dhulipudi Pandit

The IOE

THE UNION Cabinet had

approved UGC's 'Institutions of Eminence Deemed to Universities Regulations 2017' in August 2017. The regulations are aimed at creating an enabling architecture for 10 public and 10 private institutions to emerge as world-class institutions, since the country has little representation in international ranking of educational institutions.

the reservation policies. I am told

that earlier, we were unable to fill

up the reserved positions and

they went vacant. Then the dep-

rivation points can come in. If they don't make the category, can

we help students from deprived

sections of society like street beg-

gars or transgender people? We

have put up a committee be-

cause we can't go against the

High Court judgment. We have it

at the BA and MA levels but not

at the PhD level now. We are ask-

ing the committee how we can see that the reserved category

seats do not go vacant and if we

can use the deprivation points to

help other students come into

the university," she said.

ing which the Delhi police registered two FIRs against two students. University authorities had "We are not introducing it said the violence stemmed from now because the Delhi High a personal dispute which had Court said that it's in conflict with flared during a birthday party on the reservation policy. We are waiting for how we can adjust campus. both the deprivation points and

"We have instituted a proctorial enquiry and we removed nearly 10 students from the hostel and (declared them) out of bounds of the university till the enquiry is completed. I have said that birthday celebrations and such things should be done outside the campus. That's where it started... At the university level, the dean of students is forming a flying squad," she said.

The university has constituted a committee to look into filling reserved seats at PhD level and introducing elements of the deprivation points level. Earlier this year, Pandit had expressed interest in reintroducing the deprivation points model at the PhD level

Community Library Project returns with 4th edition

State can't tell anyone how to follow their religion: Jain

UDBHAV SETH

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

"The research is clear," said Mridula Koshy, writer and trustee of The Community Library Project (TCLP). "Literature helps build empathy, be kind to our neighbours, and if we lock up books and knowledge, we as a society are shooting ourselves in the foot."

A fierce advocate of public libraries and engaged with TCLP since 2015. Koshy believes libraries are essential to any functional society "and that's why our society has arguably become a bit dysfunctional now". "We don't have many excellent freeto-access public reading spaces in Delhi," said Koshy.

TCLP is holding the fourth edition of its book giveawaycum-fundraiser at India Habitat Centre (IHC) on December 3 and 4. The format remains the same as previous iterations held at IHC. Alliance Francaise de Delhi and, once, even online. Koshy recalled the online edition, and said, "Vidya Balan gave us a saree for the cause and we sold signed Gulzar books!"

At the event, one can donate anything upwards of Rs 50 and choose a book from thousands of titles donated by publishers and the public at large. Then,



TCLP has set up three community libraries, which have free-to-borrow books, in Khirki, South Extension Kotla, and Gurgaon. TCLP

there's a pop-up library where one can pick out a book for free, sit in the open on sofas and durries, and read with other readers.

The event also features a theatre performance by the Aaghaz theatre group and a storytelling session in collaboration with the Kutumb Foundation. The purpose of this fundraiser. Koshv said, is to involve the public in supporting free libraries, because, for centuries, reading has been a privileged activity and "has been kept away from certain communities".

TCLP aims at throwing open its doors to everyone and has set up three community libraries, which have free-to-borrow

books, in Khirki, South Extension Kotla, and Sikanderpur, Gurgaon, with an evolving catalogue of 35,000 titles.

Of the libraries' more than 7,000 members, most are children under the age of 18 but everyone, up to those in their seventies, are involved full time in making the effort a smooth operation. "We want people from all castes, genders, and classes to be able to access our libraries," said Koshy, adding that libraries aren't just places where "musty classics" are stored. They are crucial to building communities in an age of digital divide and helping people access the information they need, she said.



Assam's Pride, India's Inspiration Lachit Barphukan

The Ahom Dynasty ruled Assam and remained undefeated for nearly 600 years. The Ahoms under the able command of their legendary General Lachit Barphukan defeated the expansionist Mughals in the iconic Battle of Saraighat in 1671.

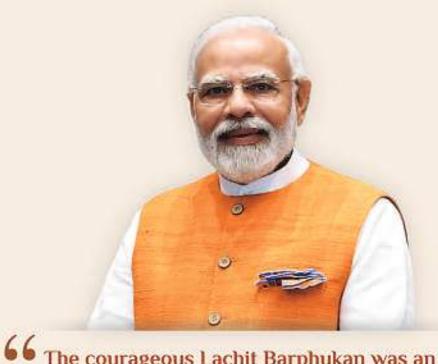
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The courageous Lachit Barphukan was an outstanding leader and strategist, who played a pivotal role in protecting the unique culture of Assam. He is an iconic symbol of valour and integrity of the country.

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Electricity a common plank at all four rallies; says Gujarat's education spend more than budget of many states

ing surplus electricity.'

"Around 20-25 years

"Gujarat's education budget was

Rs 1,600 crore. Today, it has

reached Rs 33,000 crore... The

(entire) budget of many states is-

n't as much.

versities

Bavla.

SOHINI GHOSH & PARIMAL DABHI AHMEDABAD, NOVEMBER 24

IN WHAT appeared to be a counter to the Aam Aadmi Party's campaign focus on health. education and electricity, Prime Minister Narendra Modi invoked all three issues at his public addresses throughout the day, even stating at Dahegam that over the past 20-25 years. the BIP in Guiarat has managed to fulfill and accomplish the basic necessities of roads, electricity and water in the state.

On Thursday, Modi addressed rallies across the state also exhorted BJP's development Dahegam in Gandhinagar, Bavla work on the educational front, in Ahmedabad, and the north stating that the state govern-Gujarat constituencies of ment has "transformed the ed-Modasa (Aravalli district) and ucation sector in the region". Palanpur (Banaskantha) ago,"Modi said in Dahegam,

With electricity being a consistent plank taken by Modi at all four of his public addresses on Thursday, he said at Modasa that in the past 20 years, his government had worked towards ensuring round-the-clock electric-

ity supply to farmers in villages. 'Electricity is as important as water. Without electricity, development is not possible. None of you would be sitting with mobile



Narendra Modi campaigning in Dahegam on Thursday. Nirmal Harindran

At Bavla, Modi said, "Twenty years ago, there was hopelessness when it came to education... Twenty years ago, there was only one university in Ahmedabad district. Today, there are 23 universities in the district."

Saying that historically, He added that Gandhinagar Gujarat had a prevalence of was becoming a big centre of edmalnutrition, and that his govucation in terms of higher secernment had worked in the last ondary schools, engineering and 20 years to ensure nutrition, diploma colleges, and other uni-Modi claimed at Modasa, "Due to efforts of the past 20 years,

with the 'Double Engine Sarkar', BJP has taken the initiative to defeat malnutrition. It has especially benefitted our tribal women....

Attributing the Chiranjeevi Yojana, introduced in Gujarat in 2006 to encourage institutional deliveries, as the reason behind fall in infant mortality rates in the state, Modi also hailed Ayushman Bharat for reducing out-of-pocket expenditures in his public addresses. Noting in

both Modasa and Bavla that women often suppress their health problems even when they are in extreme pain "because if they express their pain to their children, they think the family will be drowned in debt if she gets treatment", Modi cited the Ayushman Bharat scheme for easing such difficulties for women. He went on to mention Ayushman Bharat at three of his public addresses, at Palanpur, Modasa and Bavla.

Kem cho? Maja ma? A Gujarati twist to Kejriwal's campaign call

AHMEDABAD, NOVEMBER 24

THE AAM Aadmi Party (AAP) put

out a video Thursday that showed

Delhi Chief Minister and party supremo Arvind Kejriwal appeal-

ing to Congress voters in Gujarat

not to vote for the grand old party

as it was, he said, "never going to

video addressing the Congress

supporters in the poll-bound

state in Gujarati, saying:

"Namaskar! Kem cho? Maja ma?

Shu tame Congress na samrthak

cho? Humesha Congress ne mat

aapta aavyo cho? Toh maari

tamane ek vinanti che...Aa

vakhate Congress ne mat na aap-

sho. Aa vakhate Aam Aadmi Party

ne mat aapsho. (Hello! How are

you? Good? Are you the sup-

porters of Congress? Have you

always voted for Congress? I

have one request for you... This

time do not vote for Congress.

like Kejriwal and Bhagwant

Mann, who have been regularly

touring Gujarat for the past sev-

eral weeks, have so far restricted

their campaign pitch to Hindi in

their rallies, road shows and

public interactions except for

greetings like "Kem cho? Maja

ma? (How are you? Good?)"or

one-liners like "Tamne chinta

karvanu zaroorat nathi, tamar

bhai aavi gayo che (You don't

need to worry, your brother has

come).'

The AAP's star campaigners

This time vote for AAP.")

Kejriwal is shown in the

form the government".

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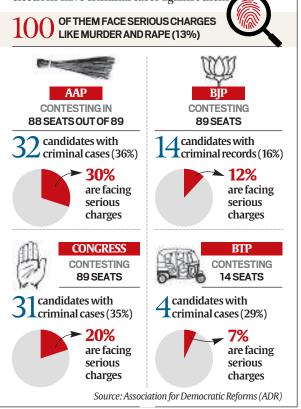
PARTIES THAT GOT LESS THAN 1 PER **CENT VOTES IN** 2017 COME BACK WITH MORE **CANDIDATES THIS ELECTION**

BACK IN THE RING

KARNI SENA GUJARAT CHIEF RAJ SHEKHAWATJOINS BJP

Crime and politics

167 out of 788 candidates or 21% of those contesting the 89 seats in the first phase of Gujarat Assembly elections have criminal cases against them





Among BJP's rebels, armed with a cause and new tickets: Ex-MLAs, dairy head

Most of the 19, who have been suspended by BJP, are contesting as Independents

PARIMAL DABHI & ADITI RAJA GANDHINAGAR, NOVEMBER 24

THE GUJARAT BJP has suspended

2012, winning on its ticket that year and in 2017. The BJP rebel who switched to the AAP is Ketan Patel, a tribal leader from the Pardi constituency in Valsad district In Padra constituency of



Nandod in Narmada district. In Lunawada of Mahisagar district, the BJP suspended SM Khant and JP Patel, both of whom nominations filed as Independents against sitting BIP

pended several party leaders including Dhavalsinh Zala, Ramsinh

Thakor, Mavji Desai and Lebaji

Thakor for filing their nominations

as Independents from Bayad (Aravalli), Kheralu (Mehsana),

Dhanera (Banaskantha) and Deesa

(Banaskantha), respectively.

New Colours

Congress's Rajkot East candidate Indranil Rajyaguru at a roadshow on Thursday. Rajyaguru, who quit the AAP after the party named Isudan Ghadvi as CM candidate, had won from the seat in 2012 as a Congress candidate. Chirag Chotaliya

19 of its rebel leaders so far for filing nominations against the party's official candidates in the upcoming state Assembly polls.

While most of such BJP rebels took the Independent route, three chose the Congress and one the AAP to contest the polls.

Of the three rebels who bagged the Congress tickets – Khatubhai Pagi (Shehra seat), Chhatrasinh Gunjariya (Dhrangadhra) and Kuldeepsinh Raulji (Savli) – Raulji's exit from the BJP in October after being "sidelined" by the party may hurt its prospects.

A director at the Baroda Dairy and a leader who started off as a milk union leader, Raulji is popular in Savli. He first won as an Independent candidate in 2009. He went on to join the BJP in

Vadodara, Dinesh Patel alias Dinu Mama, a former two-term BIP MLA from the seat. filed his nomination as an Independent Padra has long been a bastion of the BJP, which has not lost a seat there since 1985 until 2017, when the Congress's Jaspal Singh Thakor won it with a margin of 20,000 votes.

Dinesh Patel is also on the board of Baroda Dairy and serves as its chairman. He first won as an Independent in 2007 and joined the BJP in 2012. Patel's exit from the saffron party could impact the voting patterns in the Padra constituency, where he is still said to have a support base. Politician, actor and producer Madhu Shrivastav is another leader to have gone the

MLA Jignesh Sevak. The party Raulji (left) is contesting on also suspended rebels Ramesh Zala and Amarsinh Zala in Anand. a Congress ticket, Madhu Shrivastav as Independent In north Gujarat, the BJP sus-

Independent way. Shrivastav, the sitting Waghodia MLA since 1995, joined politics in 1982 by winning the civic body polls of Vadodara. Shrivastav had in the past

threatened to part ways with the party several times, but the BJP had largely been able to placate him. Following one such episode in March 2019, he was appointed as the chairperson of the Gujarat Agro Industries Corporation Ltd.

BJP's Harshad Vasava, a former two-time MLA and the president of its tribal cell, has filed his nomination papers as an Independent candidate from

Dhavalsinh Zala of the Bayad constituency has also filed his nomination as an Independent candidate. Zala is a close aide of OBC leader Alpesh Thakor. In Keshod, Rajkot Rural, Veraval and Rajula constituencies of the Saurashtra region, BJP leaders Arvind Ladani, Bharat

Chavda, Uday Shah and Karan Baraiya have been suspended.

I HEREBY Declare

On home stretch, 'mahaul' and some cheers for Italia



HARSHADPATEL, 59 BJP candidate from Sabarmat

Patel is a PhD holder and a retired teacher. He has listed income sources as pension and interest.

MOVABLE ASSETS **₹3.07** CR

(with wife) including 1.1 kg gold and a HUF account

IMMOVABLE ASSETS ₹5.53 CR (with wife) including

agricultural land parcels in Gandhinagar and three commercial shops LIABILITIES: None **CRIMINAL CASES:** None

KAMAAL SAIYED SURAT, NOVEMBER 24

IT IS well past 9 pm on Wednesday. The Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)'s Gujarat president Gopal Italia arrives at Chikoowadi in the Katargam Assembly constituency in Surat district. from where he is the party's candidate. A stage has been set up on a key commercial street there, where people have gathered. Italia, 33, inaugurates his election office and steps onto the stage.

"This is a rehearsal...we are practising,"Italia tells the gathering as people cheer. He shows them an orange mobile pouch with a lotus symbol on it. "Look at this mobile pouch carefully, the BJP is giving this toy free."

Italia then holds up a hair band with with a lotus symbol. This is for our daughters, from the BJP - free. And we are promising free education for our daughters,"he says. He also shows a lapel pin marked with a lotus. "This toy is also being distributed free by BJP among all

houses of Katargam. Now you have to decide. They give mobile covers free and we give health

and education free. They give free sarees... but why don't they provide free schooling to our daughters? And if someone has a vice then they give that vice free too,"he alleges, telling the rally: "They have free toys, we have free schools, healthcare and they ask us where will we get the money from if we give everything free.'

"Mahaul aa loko nu chhe, pan *jeetshe BJP* (The atmosphere is theirs (AAP) but BJP will win),"says Mahesh Vyas after his eyes met Italia's for a few seconds during his door-to-door campaigning. Vyas has been running a cold drink shop at a shopping complex at Hari Darshan no Khado in Singhanpore for the last 13 years. "This is what I think. Who will give votes to Hindu virodhi?"he says, referring to some viral videos of Italia where he purportedly made remarks against temples and spiritual leaders. A firebrand leader known for



Gopal Italia at Chikoowadi in Katargam on Thursday. Express

his oratorical skills, Italia is making his electoral debut in the upcoming Guiarat Assembly elections, with the Katargam seat, dominated by Patidars, all set to witness a fierce three-cornered fight involving him, Moradiya, the outgoing urban develop-

ment and urban housing minister, and the principal Opposition Congress's candidate Kalpesh Variya. While Italia and Moradiya are Patidars, Variya belongs to the Prajapati community (OBC).

Katargam has been the rul-

where Moradiya had won by about 80,000 votes in the 2017 polls despite the Patidar quota agitation.

The leaflets that the AAP workers left on Vyas's shop counter grab his attention, as Italia proceeds to another shop in the complex, then canvassing from house to house, wearing marigold garlands, folding hands, obliging fans with selfies.

The drummer boys lead the Italia team into the local Panchvati residential society as the AAP activists follow shouting slogans like "Bharat Mata ki Jai"and "Jai Jai Garvi Gujarat". Women and children shower flower petals on Italia, some put a tilak on his forehead, garland him, as his team waves flags, puts stickers on the walls and distributes leaflets among the residents. The women read the leaflets carefully.

Hansaben Lakhani stands there with a bag of flower petals. "Savarno! (broom, AAP's poll symbol),"she says cheering Italia, when asked who will she vote

ing BJP's stronghold from for. This becomes a chorus as a group of women and girls join in. Her daughter says, "Why not? We voted for them last time as well". They don't elaborate, just

> adding that "we are Patidars". Outside another local shopping complex, where Italia has just finished canvassing, a group of men sits outside a car battery shop. "The youth will all go for AAP, because they want change," says Dinesh Bhadekiya, a migrant from Bhavnagar who works in a diamond factory. When asked for reasons, he says "It's not that we don't like the BJP, but the candidate here (Moradiya) has a lot of attitude.' Italia's team accompanied by drummers move on, with their megaphone blaring: "For better

schools, healthcare, for saving yourselves from fat power bills, one chance to Kejriwal. Vote for Badlaav (change).' Italia makes sure he misses

no one, his tall frame coming to his advantage. "I am your candidate, please vote for AAP,"he says. A handshake here, a namaste there make up the rest of his voter outreach A local councillor Kishore

Ruparelia, who won the ward no 7 seat from Katargam on the AAP ticket last year, is one of the members of Italia's team, who tie AAP scarves to the gates of the societies they enter. Some gates already have lotus flags on them. As Italia's campaign team

leaves the society to head to Prabhunagar, a mixed neighbourhood of migrants, Ruparelia clears the litter from the street outside.

In last year's SMC polls, the AAP put up a remarkable show, bagging 27 of the total 120 seats. Although the BJP managed to clinch the SMC, the Congress was decimated with the AAP replacing the grand old party as the principal Opposition in the civic body. Four AAP councillors, however, defected to the saffron party since.

Italia ends up covering about 12 kms in his door-to-door campaign in Ved Road and Singhanpore areas of the Katargam constituency during the day.





Akhilesh hints at contesting next

Lok Sabha polls from Kannauj

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SAMAJWADI PARTY president

Akhilesh Yadav on Thursday

hinted at contesting the 2024 Lok

to be the Samajwadi Party's

stronghold, Akhilesh's wife and

former MP Dimple Yadav failed to

win the seat in the last Lok Sabha

elections in 2019. She lost to BJP's

Dimple is now contesting the

Speaking on the sidelines of

Subrat Pathak by 12,353 votes.

Lok Sabĥa bypoll in Mainpuri.

Though Kannauj is considered

Sabha elections from Kannauj.

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FIGHTING DESERT STORM

WITH RAJASTHAN Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot's outburst against Sachin Pilot leading to yet another crisis in the state Congress, the first meeting of the party's steering committee convened by new AICC president Mallikarjun Kharge on December 4 has become interesting and significant. The steering committee meeting was called to finalise dates for the AICC plenary session to ratify Kharge's election as Congress president. The meeting would have reviewed the progress of the Bharat Jodo Yatra and discussed the strategy for the upcoming winter session of Parliament. But with Gehlot raising the heat in Rajasthan, deliberations in the meeting would now be keenly watched. After taking over as party chief. Kharge had reconstituted the Congress Working Committee as the steering committee in accordance with the party's constitution.

MOVE BACK

RAILWAY PSU Indian Railway Finance Corporation had as good as abandoned its official premises on Lodhi Road two years ago and shifted to the plush Ashoka Hotel on rent. While it ran its corporate headquarters from the rented space, paying around Rs 1 crore each month, its own building remained vacant, redesignated as a facility for "training". Now, it is learnt that the PSU is considering a move to get back to its own building, as it has been pointed out internally that precious government resources - money and space - are being wasted. It is being said that the company is incurring losses amounting to crores, as it had moved to a rented accommodation keeping its own building at a prime location vacant.

BILL TIME

WHILE THE Supreme Court's remarks on Thursday on appointment of the election commissioner may have stunned some in the ruling dispensation, an Opposition MP had sought to move a private member's Bill a month ago to amend the Constitution and "establish a selection procedure of CEC and other ECs with proper checks and balances". The Bill, placed by CPI(M) Rajya Sabha member John Brittas, seeks to amend 324(2) of the constitution to ensure a selection committee comprising the Chief Justice of India, the Lok Sabha Speaker and the leader of the largest opposition party in Lok Sabha recommends names for CEC and ECs' appointment. The Bill, which also proposes an independent secretariat for the Election Commission, is to be moved in the upcoming winter session. It may get more attention from the government in the backdrop of the apex court's observations

Anurag Thakur: Govt working on Bill to regulate digital media

GOVERNOR'S REMARKS ON SHIVAJI HAD TRIGGERED ROW Centre must take back its 'Amazon parcel': Uddhav, Pawar slam Governor Koshyari

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

SHIV SENA (Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray) president Uddhav Thackeray and NCP chief Sharad Pawar on Thursday took aim at Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari over his controversial comments on Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

Terming Koshyari an 'Amazon parcel" sent by the Union government, Thackeray told mediapersons, "I am telling the Centre to take away the sample which you (BJP-led Centre) have sent to the state. Send him wherever you wish, send him to an old age home."

"The Union government decides who will be the Governor. Don't mind my words but people who don't get space in old age homes are now made Governors.'

Koshyari raked up a controversy last Saturday by labelling Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj as an icon of "olden days" and called and Dr BR Ambedkar and Union Minister Nitin Gadkari 'icons of modern times".

Urging on the Centre to remove Koshyari from the post of Maharashtra Governor, Thackeray said, "We don't want him here. We will not keep quiet if he is not shifted. Shiv Sena will



Shiv Sena leaders Uddhav Thackeray and Sanjay Raut at a press conference in Mumbai. xxx

do what it wants to do. The issue needs to be solved in two or three days. If this parcel is not sent back, we will do what needs to be done – be it Maharashtra bandh or hold a rally."

Speaking to mediapersons in Mumbai, Pawar also hit out at the Governor, saying "A person with no sense of responsibility has been sent to Maharashtra. The Governor seems to be on a mission to create animosity between communities. He had made objectionable statements against Mahatma Phule in the past as well, but we kept quiet respecting the constitutional position he represents. But now he has crossed all limits."

Thackerav and Pawar also criticised the BJP over Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai staking claim over 40 villages in the Maharashtra.

"Now, Karnataka is staking a claim over villages in Maharashtra. Can any leader speak without the permission of their senior party leader? If not, then did Bommai speak without the permission of his seniors?" Thackeray asked.

Pawar said, "Karnataka has a BJP CM and Maharashtra's deputy CM is also from BIP ... therefore, this party cannot get away with not taking responsibility for such statements,"

BJP MP also seeks action over Governor's remarks

MANOJ MORE PUNE, NOVEMBER 24

BJP'S RAJYA Sabha MP Chhatrapati Udayanraje Bhosale, also a direct descendant of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, on Thursday emphasised that"only secularism(sarvadharm sambhav) will keep the country united or else the country will fall apart in pieces".

Slamming Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari and BJP spokesperson Sudhanshu Trivedi for "insulting" Shivaji, Udayanraje said, "When they insult Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj, don't they feel ashamed? Have they lost their mind? They're insulting someone whose philosophy has kept the country united for nearly 400 years... People from different castes and religions have been living for years. It was Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj who laid the foundation of secularism and practised secularism during his regime. He respected people from every caste and religion. He gave pride of place to places of worship to every community. Even then, they (Koshyari and Trivedi) are making such state-



ments. It has angered me to

Bhosale wrote to Union Home Minister Amit Shah and state Home Minister Devendra Fadnavis, seeking the removal of Koshyari and Trivedi from their posts.

At a press conference in Pune, Udayanraje stressed on Shivaji's idea of secularism and said, "If we observe closely, we will realise that it was Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj who brought forth the idea of political, social, and educational thought. He espoused the cause of modern India during his regime. He placed the idea of secularism and swarajya (self-rule) before the people and reigned on these principles... He considered the entire country as his family. Today, the country has people from different castes, creeds, and religions. If we have to keep them united, we will have to take them along.

will contest from there again)." Akhilesh made his electoral debut in 2000 from Kannauj Lok Sabha seat in a bypoll. He had then defeated BSP's Akbar Ahmad Dumpy by over 58,000 votes. "However, it will be decided Otherwise, it won't take long for this country to fall apart in pieces." the bricks on them," he added.

In MP village, Rahul

Shah: BJP committed to bringing UCC after following all democratic processes

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

THE BJP committed to bring Uniform Civil Code (UCC) in the Amit Shah said on Thursday.

Speaking at the Times Now Summit on 'India: A vibrant democracy, global bright spot', Shah said the UCC has been a promise of the BJP since its Bhartiya Jan Sangh days. "Not only the BJP, the Constituent Assembly had also advised

Parliament and states that UCC

should come in the country at an

opportune time. For any secular



country but only after following all democratic processes and discussions on it. Home Minister

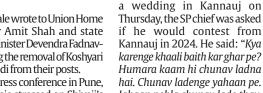
A DAY after Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan flagged off the 'Janjatiya Gaurav Abhivan' from Badoda Aheer village of Khandwa, the birthplace of tribal icon and freedom fighter Tantya Bhil, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi arrived at the village as part of his Bharat Jodo Yatra and took on the BJP for referring to people from tribal communities as "vanvasis", or forest-dwellers.

Rahul also said, "The British hanged Tantya Bhil to curb our freedom movements. And the RSS, which was against the freedom movement, helped the British to kill people (leaders from tribal communities) such as Tantya Bhil and Birsa Munda."

Rahul assured the residents that Adivasis will get all their rights when the Congress returns to power. At the village, Rahul offered tributes to Tantva Bhil and then interacted with the family of Sonibai, a fourth-generation descendant of Tantva Bhil While the villagers said they were excited to meet Rahul, they have little hope of their main problems getting resolved: houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna, water connection, and proper roads. Many residents of Badoda Aheer, a village with a population of 845, say these visits of top political leaders mean little.



Bhosale no end.'



Jahaan pehla chunav lade thay, wahaan phir se ladenge (What will I do sitting idle at home? It is my job to contest elections. I will contest from here. Where I had fought my first election, I

by the party. If Kannauj is empty, what will I do about it... Where will these expressways, and markets go? Who has built these? They (BJP) can't even fix

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THE GOVERNMENT is drafting a Bill to regulate digital media, according to Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur.

Addressing an event in Jaipur on Wednesday, the minister said that while we all turn to newspapers for verified news, it is the digital media that has enabled local issues to become national issues. "So, it (digital media) presents opportunities as well as challenges. To have a fine balance, the government will see what can be done about this. I would say that changes have to be brought into law, and we will bring that to make your work simple and easy. We are work-

The I&B Minister also confirmed that the government will soon introduce a new law to replace the 1867 Press and Registration of Books Act, so that the registration process for newspapers would be made simpler. Under the new law, the

registration process, which currently takes around four months, can be finished in a week via online mode, he said.

Thakur also said newspapers should bring the "right news before the public at the right time". He said along with the shortcomings of the government, public welfare schemes and policies of the government should also reach the common people. He urged the media to "do their work responsibly and avoid creating an atmosphere of fear and confusion".

country, laws should not be on the basis of religion. If a nation ing to introduce a Bill," he said. and states are secular, how can laws be based on religion? For every believer, there should be one law passed by Parliament or the state assemblies," he said.

He said that the commitment of the Constituent Assembly was forgotten over a period of time. "Except the BJP, no other party is in favour of the UCC. They did not even speak on it. If they don't have courage, they won't oppose it. But they won't say that, OK you implement it we are with you.

We are a part of a democracy. In a democracy, healthy debate is a necessity. There is a need for open and healthy debate on the issue," he said.

Shah said in three BJP-ruled states – Gujarat, Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh - panels under the chairmanship of retired Supreme Court judge and High

Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma at an event to mark the 400th birth anniversary of Lachit Barphukan, in New Delhi on Thursday. Anil Sharma

Modi bridged gap between Court chief justices have been formed, where all groups and N-E, 'mainstream' India: Shah people of different faiths are putting forth their views. "We will

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHL NOVEMBER 24

PRIME MINISTER Narendra Modi has bridged the gap that once existed between the Northeast and "mainstream India", Union Home Minister Amit Shah said at an Assam government event in

ernment. But yes, in Jammu and New Delhi on Thursday. Kashmir, the Modi government Shah was speaking at a session on the second day of the Assam government's three-day "It used to be said that Jammu celebration of the 400th birth and Kashmir is with India due to Article 370... Now, Article 370 is anniversary of Ahom general gone and Jammu and Kashmir is Lachit Barphukan. November 24 prosperous and it has also helped was observed as Lachit Diwas in in getting terrorism controlled in his memory.

railways, through air routes, through development. Modi ji has also connected it through the

heart. The whole of Northeast is feeling that it is a part of India...

Himanta Biswa Sarma, former

chief minister Sarbananda

session along with Shah.

Addressing a public rally in the village, Rahul said, "A few days ago. I heard a speech of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in which he used a new word 'vanvasi', for 'Adivasi'. It means Adivasis are not the first owners of the country; that they only live in forests."

The thought behind using the "disrespectful" word may be that once forests disappear under the BJP-led government, tribals will



Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra with Priyanka's husband Robert Vadra during the Bharat Jodo Yatra in Khandwa, Madhya Pradesh, on Thursday. PTI

Chief Minister Assam

Jaishankar: Covid, conflict, climate Ahead of Cong yatra in Rajasthan, festering factional saga biggest challenges to food security

HARIKISHAN SHARMA NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

HIGHLIGHTING "COVID, conflict and climate" as the three big challenges to food security, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said on Thursday that "de-risking" the global economy requires more

decentralised production. Addressing a luncheon event jointly organised by the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, and the Ministry of External Affairs for Delhi-based high commissioners and ambassadors as part of a pre-launch celebration of the International Year of Millets 2023. Jaishankar said "If there are three big challenges which we have experienced and continue to experience, they are to my mind, the three Cs – Covid,



Jaishankar at the pre-launch of the International Year of Millets 2023

Conflict and Climate. Each one of them in some way has actually impacted food security."

centrated centres of production and something happened because they got disrupted, then

the entire global economy was at risk because there were problems in one particular geography," said Jaishankar.

Discussing the impact of the Russia-Ukraine conflict on global food security, Jaishankar said one of the biggest concerns was

what would happen when pro-

tion and it can disrupt trade."

duction is disrupted in two major food producers. "Ukraine was the leading producer by far, leading exporter of wheat," he said, Twitter/@DrSJaishankar pointing out that when disrup-

tions happen in such countries, it leads to escalating food prices and shortages

'We saw during Covid, for example, that if you had very con-

HAMZA KHAN JAIPUR, NOVEMBER 24 FOLLOWING WEEKS of relentless pressure by the Sachin Pilot

camp, ahead of the entry of Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra

take any action on the basis of ad-

vice coming after this exercise. The

BJP is committed to bring UCC but

only after the conclusion of all

democratic discussions." he said.

in Jammu and Kashmir, Shah said,

"This is not a personal achieve-

ment. I am a member of the

Cabinet and the achievement is

of the Modi Cabinet and the gov-

has brought in a drastic change."

the country," he said.

On abrogation of Article 370

into Rajasthan, Ashok Gehlot has said he hasn't received any "indication" from the party High Command about a possible change at the top in the state, while

disparaging Pilot by saying he "doesn't even have 10 MLAs". The CM also termed Pilot's 2020 actions as gaddari (treachery).

EXPLAINE

In an interview to NDTV On the impact of climate aired on Thursday, Gehlot asked: change on food security, "How can a person-who doesn't even have 10 MLAs, and had Jaishankar said. "We are seeing more and more of extreme cliled a revolt, which, by the way, is mate. In fact, it is a double called gaddari-be acceptable to whammy - it can lower producthe people?'

On Pilot allegedly being hand-

2020 rebellion, Gehlot reiterated he had proof that Pilot was indeed involved, "and Rs 10 crore was distributed (to each Congress MLA willing to switch sides)". The statements follow three

in-glove with the BJP during his

weeks of relentless pressure by the Sachin Pilot camp,

beginning with Pilot himself asking the central leadership to "end the climate of indecision in Rajasthan" on November 2, when he

ing it was "interesting" that PM Narendra Modi had praised the CM (on November 1, at Mangarh Dham), and that this "must not

ences in Ihalawar, Kota and Bundi districts and demanded that the state leadership, be addressed



Pilot and Gehlot have been at loggerheads. File

through one-on-one interactions between the central leadership and Rajasthan Congress MLAs. Incidentally, the Bharat Jodo Yatra is scheduled to enter Rajasthan through this cluster of districts, locally called Hadoti.

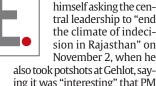
This was followed by parts of a letter, written by former state-incharge Aiav Maken to party chief Mallikarjun Kharge, becoming public. In it, Maken had expressed his unwillingness to continue in the position; he was said to have been unhappy, given that no action had been taken against state Parliamentary Affairs Minister Shanti Dhariwal, party Chief Whip Mahesh Joshi and Rajasthan Tourism Development Corporation chairman Dharmendra Rathore, despite a disciplinary committee serving showcause notices.

While the Gehlot camp remained quiet on the issue. Pilot lovalist MLA Ved Prakash Solanki heaped praise on Maken, saying his letter had "embarrassed' party workers in the state.

This was followed by Osian MLA Divya Maderna, who has claimed her only allegiance is to the High Command. She attacked the Gehlot camp over the letter, saying, "A man with self-respect will have no other choice but to quit in such circumstances. That's what Mr Maken did." Since then, Pilot-camp leaders, such as Cabinet minister Hemaram Choudhary, SC Commission Chairman and MLA Khiladi Lal Bairwa and former MLA Suchitra Arya, have all been vocally batting for Pilot. The recent back-to-back statements from the Pilot camp or their supporters created an impression that there is a growing demand to make Pilot CM, and that it cannot be delayed any longer.

It made sense when you recalled how Gehlot had dominated the headlines all of October-attacking Pilot and Maken without naming either, defending actions of his loyalists-first on October 2 and then again on October 17, saying there was no alternative to experience and that the youth need to have patience and wait for their turn.

The tide began turning only with Pilot's statements on November 2, followed quickly by those of his loyalists. It was then the turn of the Gehlot camp to go silent. Until now.



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BRIEFLY

JAMMU & KASHMIR Drone-dropped arms, Rs 5 lakh cash recovered

Jammu: In yet another seizure of a drone dropping by militants from Pakistan, the Jammu and Kashmir Police on Thursday seized a packet containing arms, ammunition and huge cash from a village near the international border in Samba district. Giving details, Samba SSP Abhishek Mahajan said the seizures include Rs 5 lakh, two Chinese pistols along with four magazines and 60 rounds, some detonators and two IEDs. The seized currency was in 10 packets of Rs 500 denomination, while the IEDs were yet to be assembled, he added. The consignment appears to have been dropped by drone sent from across the border as part of a major terror plan to strike somewhere in the UT, which has been timely foiled by the police of Samba district, SSP said. ENS

ODISHA

Two women Maoists killed in fire exchange

Bhubaneswar: Two women Maoists carrying cash awards of Rs4lakheach on their heads were gunned down in an exchange of fire with the special operation group (SOG) of Odisha Police in Gandhamardhan hills of Balangir district on Thursday. As per police sources, the exchange of took place in a forest under Khaprakhol police limit after the SOG along with the district voluntary force spotted Maoist camp during a combing operation. DGP Sunil Kumar said, "Around 10.30 am. we could see the movement of four or five Maoists and there was immediate exchange of fire. Two of them were killed." The DGP said combing operation has been intensified to capture the reamining. ENS

Sangma meets Shah, CBI to probe into border firing deaths

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

THE FIRING incident on the Assam-Meghalaya border in which six people were killed on Tuesday will be investigated by the CBI, the Ministry of Home Affairs said on Thursday. The statement came after a delegation of Meghalaya Cabinet led by Chief Minister Conrad Sangma met Union Home Minister Amit Shah and demanded an inquiry by a central agency.

"Meghalaya CM @Sangma-Conrad met Union Home & Co-op Minister @AmitShah today and requested CBI inquiry into unfortunate incident on Assam-Meghalava border. Govt of Assam has also requested CBI inquiry into the matter. HM @AmitShah has assured that GOI will conduct CBI inquiry," the MHA said in a tweet.

'We briefed Amit Shah ji regarding the unfortunate incident that took place in Mukhro village. We gave details of the circumstances that led to the incident...We have also seen that statements have come from the CM of Assam that the entire incident and the shooting that took place was unprovoked...," Sangma said after meeting Shah. "Keeping that in mind we requested Government of India to constitute

a central agency inquiry...." Six people were killed and several injured in firing by Assam Police during a clash with a mob early Tuesday over an alleged timber-smuggling attempt near a village in Meghalaya.

Sangma used the meeting to raise the pending border dispute issue. "We shared with the Home Minister that the root cause of the tension has to do with the longpending border issue between the two states. Different incidents led to the situation becoming more tense, which led to the situation where this unfortunate incident happened. It is very important that all efforts be made so that the border dispute is resolved," he said. "Now that this incident has happened. the talks... have hit a certain hurdle... Hence intervention of the Government of India will be nec-

essary." **FULL REPORT ON** www.indianexpress.com



Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma with family members of the victims of the Mukroh firing incident, in Jaintia Hills on Thursday. ANI

around," she said.

start".

peace "at any cost", she said a

Meghalaya Police border outpost

(BOP) in the area would be a "good

Tloda Sumer, 49, whose hus-

band Sik Talang, 53, was killed,

said her three daughters and two

sons work on other people's

farms. "We are scared to go to the

forest and fields, but we have no

way out. Violence here is not

new." she said and accused Assam

Tloda said she wants the com-

pensation since she has to bring

up her grandchildren but de-

Police personnel.

Mukroh firing reopens old wounds: families seek justice

DEBRAJ DEB MUKROH (MEGHALAYA), NOVEMBER 24

COMPENSATION IS not enough for families of five people from Meghalava's Mukroh village who were killed in firing by Assam Police personnel on Tuesday. Two days after their lives turned into a phrase in government records -"next of kin of the deceased" some family members refused to accept "blood money" from the "killers", while the others said they are in too desperate a situation to

turn it down. What the families – all of them lost their main breadwinner - agreed on is that only compensation is not enough. They demanded justice, bringing the guilty Assam Police personnel to book, and a more active role for Meghalaya Police in the inter-state boundary areas. Meghalaya and Assam have announced compensation of Rs 5 lakh each.

For Skhem Sten, 43, it was a repeat tragedy. In 2002, her brother Dia Sten was among Mukroh residents who were killed, purportedly by an armed insurgent. On Tuesday, her husband, Thal

Shabat, 60, was among the vicmanded justice, and an answer tims. On Tuesday, Skhem said, "Who killed my husband?"

they had left home around 7 am Nitawan Dkhar's husband to work in the paddy fields when they suddenly heard gunshots. The couple got separated in the melee. "I hid in the nearby forest. After about half-an-hour, I came out and...my husband lay dead. Other bodies were also lying With five children to feed -

the youngest, Klemi Sten, is 7 -Skhem said she has no idea how to run the family. On compensation announced by both governments, Skhem said the money will come as a little support but the crisis will continue. Rooting for

Jowai. Stating that she will accept the compensation, Dhar stressed that the guilty should be brought to book. Tal Nartiang, 42, was the fifth villager killed. The family of six remaining members had gone

went to Mukroh. Rilif Nartiang, 39, the victim's sister who had come from Jowai, said she wants to see the guilty punished as per law. She added that she doesn't want "any money as compensation from

'IT IGNORED WARNINGS ON BRIDGE CONDITION'

Why not dissolve Morbi civic body, HC asks Gujarat govt

SOHINI GHOSH AHMEDABAD, NOVEMBER 24

THE GUJARAT High Court on Thursday asked the Gujarat government why it was not considering dissolving or superseding the Morbi municipality by exercising powers under the Gujarat Municipalities Act, as being the owner, it was the responsibility of the municipality to ensure safety of the suspension bridge that collapsed on October 30, but it ignored early warnings on the critical condition of the bridge.

Pulling up the state government while hearing a suo motu public interest litigation (PIL) pertaining to the bridge collapse, a bench of Chief Justice Aravind Kumar and Justice AJ Shastri observed that the incident "prima facie cannot be brushed aside as not exhibiting the incompetency or default of the municipality".

During the proceedings on Thursday, CJ Kumar orally asked Advocate General (AG) Kamal Trivedi, "Does not this magnitude of tragedy warrant the superseding, takeover of the municipality," to which Trivedi responded,



The October 30 bridge colapse killed 135 people. File

"...we are waiting for SIT report." The CJ remarked, "Then we may have to issue appropriate directions. Either you exercise (powers in) your domain or if

you don't do it, we will do it." The CJ recorded, "Section 263 of the Gujarat Municipalites Act empowers the state government to dissolve or supersede municipality in case of incompetency, default or abuse of power. The catastrophe within the jurisdiction of Morbi municipality... prima facie cannot be brushed aside... it is for this precise reason that we had posed the question as to why the state has not exercised the power under S 263 of the Act to supersede or dissolve

the municipality. ...we do hope and trust the state would not only expedite in securing the opinion from SIT but would also act upon it in the true letter and spirit of Section 263 of the Gujarat Municiaplities Act,

1963," the CJ added. The bench also expressed its dissatisfaction that the state had only suspended the chief officer of Morbi municipality SV Zala and had not issued a chargesheet, despite there appearing to be a "prima facie dereliction of duty". It also pulled up the Morbi municipality for denying that it had not transferred possession of the bridge to M/S

Ajanta Manufacturing Pvt Ltd.

the bench, also comprising

Justices B R Gavai, A S Bopanna, V

Ramasubramanian and B V

Nagarathna. "It cannot start with

He submitted that the "deci-

Note ban decision was deeply flawed: Chidambaram in SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 25

SENIOR ADVOCATE Chidambaram on Thursday termed the decision-making process leading to the Centre's 2016 move to demonetise currency notes of Rs 500 and Rs 1,000 as "deeply flawed".

He told a five-judge Constitution bench of Supreme Court, presided by Justice S Abdul Nazeer, which is hearing a clutch of petitions challenging demonetisation, that the process could have started only from the RBI. Chidambaram referred to the Preamble of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, which said the right to regulate the issue of banknotes is entirely with RBI. It also



mendation.

the government, as it does not Chidambaram have the data to accurately assess what kind of burden such a decision would have," he said. generally operates the currency and the credit system. "That is sion-making process was deeply why anything to do with currency flawed". As he delved into what must have emanated from the

he said were hardships that peo-Reserve Bank of India," he argued. ple had to face due to the govern-He said the government could ment's "arbitrary and unreasonhave exercised the power to deable policy" decision, Justice monetise only on RBI's recom-Nagarathna pointed out that the impact of a government action However, what was seen in may not have any bearing on its 2016 demonetisation was a legality. H said the government's "reveral of process", he said. The action can be tested on the ground Centre issued a "virtual comof proportionality. "Time cannot be turned back, but an act can be mand", and this was "merely and meekly" accepted by RBI, he told declared to be unreasonable.'

Five councillors

Shirup, 39, also left home on Tuesday to work on the field. "I was later told he was shot. I don't know what transpired there but he was surely not there to protest," said Nitawan, 33. Shirup, she said,

was the family's sole earner, and now she has to fend for eight children. But, Nitawan emphasised, the family does not need any blood money from "killers". Nikhasi Dhar, 60, was among the five killed. His wife Klan Thawa, 48, was not allowed to see his body at the spot. She saw it hours later at the Civil Hospital in

to pray when The Indian Express

killers"

FULL REPORT ON www.indianexpress.com

Terror link: NIA arrests jailed gangster

Man dies during sex, woman's husband helps her dump body

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE BENGALURU, NOVEMBER 24

THE INVESTIGATION into the death of a 67-year-old man ,whose body was found in a plastic bag in Bengaluru's JP Nagar on November 17. has revealed that the body was dumped by his woman friend and her relatives after he died allegedly of an epileptic attack while having sex with her.

The police, after ascertaining the identity of the man, checked his phone call details and found that he had been to the woman's house.

The name of the victim and

the accused are being withheld as the probe is underway, a police officer said Thursday.

On interrogation, the woman said that the man came to her home and had an epileptic attack and died. She told the police that panicked and called her husband and brother. Once they arrived. they packed the businessman's body in a plastic bag and dumped it in an isolated place in IP Nagar, the woman told the po-

ice. "The businessman's family members said he had left home saying he would be visiting his daughter-in-law's house but when he did not return they filed a missing complaint. The man

had several health issues and had undergone an angiogram in August," the police officer said.

The police have registered a case under sections 176 (omission to give notice or information to public servant by person legally bound to give it), 201 (causing disappearance of evidence of offence, or giving false information to screen offender), 202 (intentional omission to give information of offence by person bound to inform) of the Indian Penal Code

"We are waiting for the postmortem report to ascertain whether the claims of the woman are true." the police officer said.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

THE NATIONAL Investigation Agency (NIA) on Thursday arrested jailed gangster Lawrence Bishnoi from a jail in Punjab in connection with a case related to a conspiracy hatched by terror groups and criminal syndicates to carry out violent acts and sensational crimes in different parts of the country.

The NIA also secured from a Delhi court 10-day custody of Bishnoi, who is a key accused in the murder of Punjabi singer Sidhu Moosewala.

Additional Sessions Judge Shailender Malik, while remanding Bishnoi in NIA custody till December 3, directed to

transfer him from Punjab's Bhatinda jail to Delhi under proper security cover.

During the hearing, the court asked the agency, "What is the locus of NIA in the Moosewala murder case?" The NIA, while seeking Bishnoi's custody for 12 days, informed the court that "the material" was coming from Pakistan and people like Moosewala are targets. "An investigation into the larger aspect is being carried out, and links are being searched," the agency said.

The NIA said Bishnoi was arrested after it was found that most of the conspiracies were hatched from inside the jail by him and were being executed by an organised network of operatives based in the country and abroad. It told the court that

Lawrence Bishnoi

Bishnoi "conspired to recruit youngsters for terror attacks in India to "strike terror in the minds of the people"

A spokesperson of the NIA said, "The gangster is involved and wanted in many cases, including the conspiracy to carry out targeted and sensational

in Darjeeling killings in Punjab, Haryana, municipality Chandigarh, Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan and Delhi since last change sides more than a decade". A resident of Fazilka in Punjab, Bishnoi has

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KOLKATA, NOVEMBER 24

FIVE COUNCILLORS of the Darjeeling Municipality's ruling Hamro Party on Thursday joined Anit Thapa-led Bharatiya Gorkha Prajatantrik Morcha (BGPM) which is likely to wrest control over the civic body with the support of the Trinamool Congress.

The BGPM claimed that it now had the "majority" in the municipality even as Hamro Party president Ajoy Edwards alleged that his rival party will not succeed in its attempt to buy his councillors with money

Gorkhaland

Earlier also, Edwards had alleged that Anit Thapa, the

Administration (GTA) chief executive, was trying to bribe his party's

councillors to topple the civic body. He took to Facebook on Thursday, "Anit Thapa carries on with hunting for our leaders. We

will continue being with the

people. You keep saying politics

should not be brought in this but

do politicking from behind. You

say you brought in peace and

democracy and then you buy our

leaders with money so that you

can be a dictator. The Hamro Party, which was

Territorial

IN 2017, A YEAR BEFORE INTRODUCTION OF SCHEME, ONLY 995 GIRLS TOOK ADMISSION IN IITS Supernumerary seats: Steady rise in number of girls joining IITs

PALLAVI SMART MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

FIVE YEARS since the introduction of supernumerary seats for women in IITs, the scheme has continued to ensure a steady increase in the number of women

taking admission in the institutes. At the end of the admissions process for the 2022-23 academic year, 3,310 girls confirmed their admissions across the 23 IITs in India. This means that around 20 per cent of the total 16,635 seats available at IITs went to girls this year. Last year was the first time IITs reached their goal of 20 per cent new confirmed admissions being girls. At the time, out of a total of 16,296 new admissions, 3,213 were girls. In 2017, a year before the introduction of the supernumerary seats scheme, only 995 girls, making up just 9 per cent of all seats, took admission in IITs. This was an improvement from the previous year, when just 847 girls – around 8 per cent of the to-

tal – took admissions. V Ramgopal Rao, former direc-

tor, IIT Delhi, said, "This is a significant increase, especially when compared to the years before the introduction of female supernumerary seats when the number of seats allotted to girls never crossed the mark of 10 per cent of the total seat allotment. The female supernumerary seats were aimed at correcting this and it has managed to do so for the fifth year in a row, with a gradual increase. The idea is to eventually do away with the female supernumerary seats and yet continue to have those many girls confirming the admission to IITs. But it is a slow and steady process, and is actually in the right direction now.' The female supernumerary

guota in admissions to IITs was introduced in 2018, following rec-

UPWARD TREND

Academic year	Total registered girls	Those who qualified JEE-Advanced	Number of girls among top 100	Seats allotted to girls	% seats going to girls
2018-19	33,811	4,179	6	1,780	14.7%
2019-20	36,669	5,356	6	2,307	17.6%
2020-21	35,121	6,707	10	3,025	18.8%
2021-22	34,525	6,452	1	3,213	19.7%
2022-23	35,124	6,516	3	3,310	19.8%

the supernumerary quota. With

ommendations by a committee headed by then IIT Mandi director Timothy Gonsalves. Popularly known as "the required slight push", this was aimed at repairing the skewed gender ratio on IIT campuses, which have had a predominantly male presence. Instead of reserving seats in the already existing pool, additional seats were created for girls under

14 per cent at the beginning of academic year 2018-19, the number of female supernumerary seats rose to 19 per cent in 2019-20. The aim was to have 20 per cent female supernumerary seats in all IITs by 2021-22.A comparative look at the Joint Entrance Examination (JEE) data from the past five years shows a steady in-

crease in the number of girls in IITs. Thanks to the gradual increase in the number of female supernumerary seats, the number of girls confirming admissions in IITs is observed to be on the rise (See chart)

"When comparing the number of girls coming to IIT, the correct way would be to check the situation before the female

supernumerary seats were introduced. Girls qualified even then. but the support of female supernumerary seats has led to an increase in the number of girls confirming admissions in IITs," said Shalabh, Dean Academic Affairs, IIT Kanpur.

While many girls qualified for IIT seats even before the supernumerary seats scheme was brought in. few actually took admission.

Rao said, "Starting from the branch of engineering to even the location of the IIT were important factors in decision-making for girls and their parents, as opposed to boys. Instead of joining the Mechanical or Civil Engineering branch in an IIT far away from home, girls and their parents would prefer to confirm admission to a nearby non-IIT engineering college for IT or Computer Science.'

Data from 2017 shows that while 7,259 girls qualified for a

seat at an IIT that year, only 995 ended up taking admission. In the year before that, 4,570 girls qualified, but only 847 took admission. IIT Kanpur Director Abhay

been in jail since 2014 after he was arrested during an en-

counter with the Rajasthan

Police. He was shifted to Delhi's Tihar jail last year but was ar-

rested by the Punjab Police on

Iune 14 in connection with the

The case against Bishnoi was

initially registered at the Delhi's

special cell police station on

August 4 under sections 120B of

the IPC and sections 17. 18 and

18B of the Unlawful Activities

(Prevention) Act. The NIA re-reg-

istered the case on August 26,

the spokesperson said.

Moosewala on May 29.

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Karandikar said. "We have come a long way. The number of girls confirming seats in IITs is definitely on the rise. With the number of girl IITians increasing each year, we will see more and more girls preparing for IEE.'

While most IITs have been able to reach the goal with the help of female supernumerary seats, the relatively new IIT Jammu managed to do so without it. With a smaller pool of seats at 240, the institute managed to have 20 per cent of its new admissions being girls within the existing number of seats.

Some IITs have taken special efforts to encourage more girls to join, including open orientation sessions for all of those qualifying IEE-Advanced.

formed in November 2021, had won the Darjeeling civic polls early this year by bagging 18 of the 32 seats. The BGPM, which was formed in September 2021, had won nine seats, followed by Bimal Gurung's Gorkha Janmukti Morcha (GJM) that won three, and Trinamool that had two seats. The number of BGPM councillors in the civic body is 14 and the TMC has already expressed its support to

Anit. If it gets the Trinamool support, the BGPM tally will be 16 against the Hamro Party's number that will come down to 13.



Brothers ran portals selling personal data of residents of SIT says it is naming Santhosh as accused 3 states, held

MOHAMED THAVER MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

THE MUMBAI Police Crime Branch, following a two-month operation, arrested two commerce graduates on Thursday for allegedly running portals that provided personal data of residents of Maharashtra, Delhi and Gujarat at a price.

The data was sold mainly to loan recovery agents at a monthly subscription of Rs 2,000, a halfyear subscription of Rs 12,000 and an annual subscription of Rs

24,000, a police officer said. The officer added that after getting access to the website, just by feeding in the person's name in the search option, the subscriber could get details like current and former cellphone numbers. Aadhaar card number. address, date of birth and phone numbers of family members, among other details.

A senior officer identified the two Mulund-based siblings as Rahul Eligati (28) and Nikhil Eligati (25). "Nikhil has in the past worked as a loan recovery agent, through which he came to know about the source from where data of loan defaulters was obtained by companies," the officer added.

Accordingly, during the first Covid-19 lockdown, when Nikhil did not have a job, he and his brother procured the data and started two websites

"Once one enters a name, all the data linked to the person that he has not even shared with others, pops up, including personal numbers, Aadhaar card data, address, date of birth and numbers of other family members." said an officer. The police said there is no clarity on how the accused managed to get access to such a sensitive database.

The police said that the brothers were careful with whom they shared the database. "Only if someone approached them through a reference, did they take money and shared the ID and password of the websites. They were operating the websites as a start-up and one could approach them only if you came through a

reference," the officer said. "We are questioning the two to find out if they had hacked some government website or if an insider at such places parted with sensitive data. Another line of investigation is whether the accused purchased this data from the dark net where sometimes personal data is sold." the officer added. The magistrate court remanded the brothers in

A Hyderabad-based com

ANANTHAKRISHNANG & SREENIVAS JANYALA NEW DEI HI HYDERABAD NOVEMBER 24

TELANGANA 'BRIBERY BID'

THE SUPREME Court has quashed the Telangana High Court division bench order which said that a probe by the state-appointed Special Investigation Team (SIT) into the alleged offer of bribes to four TRS MLAs, in a bid to make them join

the BJP, will be monitored by a judge of the High Court. In a November 21 order, uploaded Wednesday on the Supreme Court website, the bench

of Justices B R Gavai and Vikram Nath also asked the "single judge... to consider the writ petition(s) filed by" the accused seek-

SANTOSH SINGH

flood water.

PATNA, NOVEMBER 24

Gangajal" project, which will be

launched by Chief Minister

Nitish Kumar on November 27

(in Rajgir) and November 28 (in

Bihar Water Resources

Minister Sanjay Kumar Jha told

The Indian Express: "It is not

about taking the Ganga's water

to the parched Rajgir, Gaya and

Bodhgaya towns, it is more

about converting flood water

into drinking water. With Ganga

having a lot of silt, areas on its

These deposits, said the min-

ister, often delay cultivation and

damage households. "With this

project, we will be able to divert

a substantial chunk of this flood

phase is around Rs 4,000 crore.

The second phase of the project,

taking the Ganga water to

Nawada, is underway and will

likely be completed some time

The estimated cost of the first

banks see water deposits.'

water for drinking.'

next year.

Gaya and Bodhgaya).

its own merits and in accordance with law, as expeditiously as possible and preferably within four weeks from" the date of its order. On the ground, the SIT probe continues since the Supreme Court order only quashes the divi-

ing a CBI probe in the matter "on

sion bench order asking the team to report to the High Court judge. In Hyderabad, the SIT has filed a memo in the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) court with a plea to issue a warrant against BJP na-

tional general secretary B L Santhosh to appear before the SIT. On Thursday, the SIT filed another memo stating that it is

naming Santhosh as an accused in the case. The ACB court has not yet issued any direction. A day earlier, Justice B

Vijaysen Reddy of the High Court



SC quashes order for HC-monitored probe,

BJP leader B L Santhosh. File

had directed the SIT to issue fresh notice to Santhosh to appear for questioning in connection with the case. This direction came after the SIT could not serve its November 16 notice to Santhosh who, party leaders said, was campaigning in Gujarat.

Also Thursday, the ACB court rejected the SIT application seek-

ing custody of three accused -Ramachandra Bharati alias Satish Sharma, Nanda Kumar and Simhayaji Swami - for a week. The three men are in judicial custody, after their 14-day remand ran out November 12. Earlier, the High Court single

judge bench had rejected the plea for a CBI probe, against which the accused and the BJP approached the High Court division bench. In its November 15 order, the division bench declined to transfer the probe to the

CBI and asked the SIT to report to it. The three accused then approached the Supreme Court, challenging the High Court order. In its order uploaded Wednesday, the Supreme Court

noted that the "senior counsel appearing for the petitioner(s) as

well as learned counsel for the respondent-State agree that the matter needs to be reconsidered by the learned single judge on its own merits without being influenced by the observations made by the division bench".

"Even otherwise we find that some of the directions which are issued by the learned judges of the division bench are not sustainable in law," it said.

The Supreme Court also expressed its displeasure at the comments made by the High Court single judge bench in its order asking the three accused to surrender to the police.

The accused were arrested by the Cyberabad police on October 26 on the charge that they attempted to bribe and lure four TRS MLAs to switch over to the BJP.

India has raised Zakir Naik issue with Qatar: MEA

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

INDIA ON Thursday said it has raised the issue of Islamic preacher Zakir Naik being a fugitive of law with authorities in Qatar, amid reports of his presence in the emirate during the ongoing FIFA

Ministry of

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visit to Qatar to attend the inau-

gural ceremony of the FIFA

authorities in Qatar had conveyed to their Indian counter-

parts that no invitation was ex-

India since 2016 for allegedly

laundering money and inciting

extremism through hate

Naik has taken refuge in

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separately," he said.

Zakir Naik

World Cup. External Affairs (MEA)

areas — will get drinking water make every effort to make

with the Har Ghar Gangajal project, which is part of our ambitious Jal, Jeevan Hariyali

scheme," he said. The Bihar Chief Minister has in the past, flagged how the Farakka Barrage had led to silting and the resultant flooding of the Ganga. He had convened a special cabinet meeting in December 2019 to approve the Har Ghar Gangajal project.

"We are doing our bit to address the twin problems of

He said Naik is an accused in India and has been declared as floods and drinking water shortage in areas with a lower water an absconder. "We will continue table by using water lift technolwith our efforts to get him back

in on rice, sugar All-India daily average retail price of atta Rs 36.98/kg; wheat 12% dearer

106 million tonnes, lower procure-

ment (18.7 million tonnes com-

pared to 43.3 million tonnes last

year), and rising domestic prices.

banned atta export, too. However,

the domestic prices of wheat and

wheat stock in the central pool

has come down to a historic low:

as on November 1, 2022, wheat

stock in the central pool was

210.46 lakh metric tonnes, nearly

half that of 419.81 lakh metric

curement this year, the govern-

ment had revised wheat and rice

allocation under the National

Food Security Act. 2013, and the

Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan

Anna Yojana for several states.

For several states, the Centre had

provided rice in place of wheat.

Centre had extended the

PMGKAY till December 2022.

In September, this year, the

On Wednesday, Food

Secretary Sanjeev Chopra told

the media that the government

had already put in place export

regulations for wheat, flour

(wheat) and broken rice, and as

a result prices have "cooled

down." He said there has been a

10% to 15% increase in wheat

prices compared to a year ago,

but the increase is lower when

compared from the date on

which wheat export was banned.

in place in May: since then, the

increase has been about 7%. If

you factor in the MSP [minimum

support price] increase, it is just

about 3% to 4%, which I would

say is not very high. This, of

course, is a rise but not a rise

which warrants some kind of ac-

tion other than what we have al-

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ously worked with the Kashmir

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Saqib Mugloo, who worked for

news portal Kashmir Wallah, and

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Lawyer Khaksar Nadeeb

In Srinagar, police also

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In view of the depleting wheat stocks and a lower pro-

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While prices have gone up.

In August, the government

Up Rs 5.5 in a yr, atta price closes

HARIKISHAN SHARMA NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

WHEAT FLOUR (atta) prices continue to rise, with the all-India daily average retail price recorded at Rs 36.98 per kg on atta have seen a steady rise. Tuesday, up 17.51 per cent from Rs 31.47 per kg recorded a year ago, according to official data.

The figures show the price of atta has become almost equal to that of rice (Rs 37.96 per kg) and has inched closer to sugar (Rs 42.69 per kg).

Retail price of wheat, too, has increased 12.01% - from Rs 28.34 per kg a year ago to Rs 31.77 per kg on November 22 this year.

The data, supplied by the State Civil Supplies Departments and collated by the Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA), is available on DoCA's website.

Wheat and atta prices have been increasing since the beginning of this year mainly due to lower production (106 million tonnes) in the country and higher demand outside in the wake of Russia's invasion of Ukraine. While the government banned wheat export on May 13 this year, actual shipments have doubled in the first six months (April-September) of the current financial year as compared to last vear.



The ban on wheat exports in May came amid a lower output of



Wheat and atta prices have been increasing since the start of this year owing to lower production and the Ukraine war. File



Bihar to bring Ganga to parched

One of the waterlift and treatment plants. Courtesy: MEIL

FROM RIVERBANK TO TAP



Infrastructures Ltd (MEIL), has out the Ganga flood water via been engaged to implement the pumps and transfer it to three project. It will "lift, store, treat storage reservoirs through a netand supply" the water. work of pipelines An MEIL executive said an in-These three storage reservoirs

are located at Raigir (with a live ke pump house has been built

Floodwater on Ganga bank is pumped and transferred to three storage reservoirs at Rajgir, Tetar and Gaya

Patna

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towns — by tapping its flood water

metres), Tetar (18.633 M.Cu.M), and Gaya (0.938 M.Cu.M). Water will be pumped from

these reservoirs to three water treatment plants: Rajgir (capacity of 24 million litres/day). Manpur, and Gaya (186.5 MLD). The MEIL executive said: "A pipeline network with a length

of 151 km was laid with different diameters. One railway overbridge and four bridges are also

part of the project. About seven lakh households from the three tourist sites – spokesperson which have a much lower water Arindam table compared to neighbouring Bagchi said India

through taps. The Water Resources Minister said that these places would often struggle for potable water during summers, having to depend on tankers. "We can now fully take care of drinking water supply round the year

pany, Meghna Engineering & at Hathidah near Patna to draw capacity of 9.915 million cubic ogy," said the minister.

ODISHA SEX, EXTORTION SCANDAL

ED questions brother of **BJD MLA; Opp wants** Naveen's resignation

SUJIT BISOYI

BHUBANESWAR, NOVEMBER 24

WITH THE Enforcement Directorate (ED) questioning the brother of a BJD MLA in connection with the sex and extortion scandal allegedly involving Archana Nag, opposition BIP and Congress on Thursday alleged involvement of more ruling party leaders in the scandal and demanded Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik's resignation.

The ED, which has lodged a case on allegations of large amounts of money being laundered, on Thursday questioned Gangadhar Samal, a businessman and brother of Dhenkanal MLA and BJD leader Sudhir

Samal, for allegedly transferring a large amount of money to Nag's account Raising the issue on the first day of the winter session of the

Assembly on Thursday, Congress legislature party leader Narasingha Mishra alleged involvement in the scandal of several state ministers, ruling BJD legislators and businessmen who are relatives of ruling party leaders.

Senior BJP leader and Opposition chief whip Mohan Majhi said the Chief Minister has not even ordered an inquiry into the matter despite alleged involvement of many influential persons. "Odisha had never seen such scandals in the past," Congress's Mishra said. "The SIT inquiring into black money (scam) has also directed the Income Tax Department to probe the matter. The ED has arrested

one person, who was earlier freed by the state police. Despite alleged involvement of ruling party leaders, the Chief Minister remained silent, which indicates he is trying to shield the culprits."

Therefore, Mishra asserted, Patnaik has "no moral right to continue in his post".

Nag is the alleged mastermind of an extortion racket to target politicians, businessmen and officials. Arrested on October 6, she has also been charged with allegedly forcing women into prostitution and later using them to blackmail people in powerful positions. Nag's husband, Jagabandhu Chand, was arrested on October 22 for his alleged role

in the scandal. Meanwhile, after 12 hours of guestioning by the ED, Gangadhar Samal said Nag's husband had booked a car from his showroom

but later cancelled it, and thereafter returned him around Rs 35.11 lakh through cheque. Gangadhar denied his brother had any role in the transaction.

In the Assembly on Thursday, Panchayati Raj **Minister Pradip Amat** presented a supplementary budget of Rs 16,800

crore for 2022-23. The winter session is scheduled to continue until December 31. CM Patnaik, Steel and Mines Minister Prafulla Mallik. and senior BJD MLA Prafulla Samal have requested to attend the session virtually on health grounds, according to sources in the Assembly.

Nirav Modi seeks permission to appeal extradition in UK court

ADITI KHANNA LONDON, NOVEMBER 24

NIRAV MODI wanted in India to stand trial on fraud and money laundering charges, has filed an application in the High Court in London seeking permission to appeal against his extradition order in the UK Supreme Court.

The 51-year-old diamond merchant had lost an appeal on mental health grounds earlier this month, when a two-judge High Court bench ruled that his risk of suicide is not such that it would be either unjust or oppressive to extradite him to India to face charges in the estimated USD 2 billion Punjab National Bank (PNB) loan scam case.

Nirav, who remains behind bars at Wandsworth Prison in London, had two weeks to file an application seeking an appeal on the grounds of a point of law of general public importance, which according to experts is a

high threshold that is not met very often. It is unknown if and when

the extradition may take place as Nirav still has legal challenges open to him, UK Home Office

ARMY WELFARE



Service (CPS), acting on behalf of the Indian authorities, have until December 5 to respond to the latest application following which the High Court will make a decision on whether to grant permission "on the papers" – or without a full hearing. "If they refuse to certify a question and leave to ap-

peal then that is the end of the road. If they certify a question but refuse leave, then he applies to the Supreme Court directly for permission," the CPS said.

The entire process is expected to take several weeks and is unlikely to have an outcome by the end of this year.

On November 9, Lord Justice Jeremy Stuart-Smith and Justice Robert Jay who had presided over the appeal at the Royal Courts of Justice in

London ruled that they were "far from satisfied



that Mr Modi's mental condition and the risk of suicide are such that it would be either unjust or oppressive to extradite him".

Their verdict also found every reason to accept that the government of India will treat its assurances on Nirav's medical care at Barrack 12 of Arthur Road Iail in Mumbai with "appropriate seriousness"

"On the basis of the assurances that the GoI has given, we accept that there will be ... an appropriate plan in place for the management and medical care of Mr Modi, which will be provided in the knowledge that he is a suicide risk (i.e. a person who, in the absence of preventative measures, may or will attempt suicide and will or may suc-

ceed)," the judgment reads. If his attempt to have his appeal heard in the Supreme Court fails, in principle, Nirav can apply to the European Court of Human Rights to try and block his extra-

dition on the basis he will be detained in conditions breaching Article 3 of European Convention on Human Rights.

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Cops search houses of 3 more Valley journalists, others in 'threat' case Budgam was also among those

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE SRINAGAR, NOVEMBER 24

FIVE DAYS after it conducted search operations at the houses of seven journalists in the Valley, the Jammu and Kashmir Police on Thursday searched the houses of three journalists and a newspaper owner in different parts of Kashmir. Police also searched a newspaper office in Srinagar.

According to police, the searches were carried out in connection with the recent threat issued to some journalists by a militant group, and were based on "leads received from searches done a few days ago".

"Searches are going on at

multiple locations in Srinagar, Budgam and Pulwama districts in connection with 'online journalists threat' case...," the Jammu and Kashmir Police said in a post on Twitter. Police also said they recovered and seized "incriminating articles"

The searches were conducted simultaneously Thursday morning in central and south Kashmir.

At Pampore in south Kashmir's Pulwama district, police searched the house of Haji Hayat, editor and owner of Kashmir Reader, an English daily published from Srinagar. The newspaper's office in Srinagar was also searched.

The house of journalist Ishfaq Adnan's house was also Reshi in central Kashmir's searched.





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WORDLY WISE THERE IS NO GREATER DISABILITY IN SOCIETY, THAN THE INABILITY TO SEE A PERSON AS MORE. - ROBERT M. HENSEI

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GENERAL NEXT DOOR

Asim Munir, Pakistan's new army chief, will work to re-establish army's pre-eminence in public affairs

FTER MONTHS OF speculation and political contention, Pakistan's new army chief has been named. Though each handover of the baton generates some noise, this is the first time that the appointment gave rise to so much controversy, analysis and suspense. This became all the more pronounced because of the political flux in the country. Besides being the most senior in the present cohort of twostar generals, Lt. General Asim Munir is backed in his appointment by his reportedly unblemished service record. With President Arif Alvi approving the government's proposal, Munir is set to take over from COAS General Qamar Javed Bajwa on November 29.

In recent weeks, the possibility that Munir would be elevated as the chief had added much yeast to the political ferment in Pakistan. As Director-General of the powerful Inter Services Intelligence, Munir had made himself unpopular with then Prime Minister Imran Khan - apparently for informing him privately of alleged corrupt practices by the First Lady and her family. For this, Munir had to go after the shortest stint of any ISI DG in the history of the agency. Khan was then on good enough terms with Bajwa for the latter to have agreed to this course of action. But Munir's emergence as a dark horse in the COAS sweepstakes appears to have panicked Khan, who even tried pushing for a "consensus" candidate. What all this means is the appointment may not calm the rough political waters in which Pakistan finds itself right now. The next few months will likely see Munir trying to reunite an army which now has pro- and anti-Imran factions, and re-establishing its predominance as the final arbiter of the country's destiny. General Bajwa's parting words that the army no longer wanted to be involved in politics but cautioning against speaking ill of the "institution" contains mixed messages and raises more questions about the military-civilian imbalance next door.

For India, Bajwa's tenure was a mixed bag. He disapproved of Nawaz Sharif's attempts to make peace with India, and it was under his watch that the former PM was unseated through a "judicial coup". But four years later, the General extended a hand of peace and indicated that Pakistan should resume trade with India. It was under him that the Pakistan army came to an agreement with the Indian Army to maintain strictly the fraying 2003 ceasefire on the LoC. The pressures of the Financial Action Task Force led to a downscaling of cross-border militancy, but drones now drop weapons and drugs over the Line of Control and International Border in J&K. His successor may continue with this ambiguity. Munir headed the ISI when the Pulwama bombing took place, and subsequently, was the man behind the scenes in the release of fighter pilot Abhinandan Varthaman. India has no option but to continue to keep its guard up.

COLLATERAL DAMAGE

Measles outbreak in Mumbai indicates that country lowered guard against other pathogens while fighting Covid

MEASLES OUTBREAK IN Mumbai has raised concerns amongst the country's public health authorities. The city has reported more than 200 cases in the past two months and at least 13 children have lost their lives. This is a big jump from the last few years -10 cases and one death in 2021; 29 cases and no death in 2020; and 37 cases and three deaths in 2019. Other areas in Maharashtra, including Nashik and Yavatmal, have also been affected. By all accounts, the outbreak seems to have been precipitated by a backslide in the universal immunisation programme during the pandemic. According to the state government data, only 41 per cent of the eligible children have been inoculated against measles in Mumbai. Overworked public health professionals, including ASHA workers, have also had to combat vaccine hesitancy. Parents, reportedly, are showing a disinclination to continue the inoculation regime for their children after they developed fever on being administered the first jab. Such after-effects are par for the course. In the past, health departments in most parts of the country would anticipate the worries of parents and find ways to reassure them. The Mumbai outbreak indicates that the pandemic may have disrupted such efforts. In recent years, the Centre's Mission Indradhanush project has improved vaccine coverage and reduced delays between shots. But WHO and UNICEF studies have shown that immunisation programmes - especially those focusing on DPT (diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus) and measles - have taken a hit in low and mid-income countries, including India, in the past two years. Early in the pandemic, the National Health Mission's information system reported that at least 100,000 children missed their shots because of the restrictions on movement. Anecdotal reports do indicate that India's universal inoculation programme picked up during the later part of the pandemic. But measles is a highly contagious disease. Experts had cautioned that even a 5 per cent fall in the vaccination rate can disrupt herd immunity and precipitate an outbreak. The surge of the disease in Mumbai indicates that their fears are coming true. In the past week, a rise in measles cases has also been reported from Ranchi, Ahmedabad and Malappuram. The Centre has reportedly sent teams to help state health authorities frame control and containment measures. It has also rightly asked states to consider administering an extra dose of vaccines to children, aged five to nine, in vulnerable areas. But the time has also come to look beyond emergency measures and provide the country's public health services its long-overdue boost. The gains of the Universal Immunisation Programme should not be overturned by health emergencies.



New Pakistan army chief takes over at a time when the country is politically divided, army prestige is at a low

SHARAT SABHARWAL

AFTER A PERIOD of suspense and intense speculation, the Pakistan government has picked Lt General Asim Munir, currently the Quartermaster General, to succeed General Qamar Javed Bajwa as the Chief of Army Staff on his retirement on November 29. He had earlier served as Director General of Military Intelligence and ISI, as well as the Commander of Pakistan army's XXX Corps at Gujranwala.

Munir is the senior-most officer in the army after Bajwa. However, his appointment has not been without controversy.

To begin with, he was due to retire on November 27 - two days before the post of army chief falls vacant. As per Pakistani media reports, the government decided to retain his services on security considerations under the Army Act until he takes over as chief. Further, he had been shunted from the post of DG ISI within eight months in June 2019 by then PM Imran Khan, reportedly because of some disagreements and replaced by the latter's favourite, Lt General Faiz Hameed. Imran Khan looked at Munir with suspicion, which was compounded by the reports of Munir's choice as chief having been made by exiled PML(N) supremo, Nawaz Sharif.

Expecting Munir's elevation, Imran Khan had stated recently that President Arif Alvi, who belonged to his Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI), would consult the former PM before approving the appointment. The president's approval is a constitutional requirement. The president can delay it by about 30 days and send it back for reconsideration. He is, however, bound to approve it after the government recommends it again. Government representatives had said that they were prepared to deal with any delay by the president without spelling out how they would do so. According to some reports, in such a contingency, Munir could have been appointed the Vice Chief of Army Staff to hold the fort till presidential approval. However, better sense appears to prevail in the presidential and PTI camps. The president gave his approval after a meeting with Imran Khan in Lahore. Imran had also

In the course of his career, Asim Munir has served as commander of the Pakistan forces in 'Northern Areas' and Corps Commander, Gujranwala — both posts focussed on India. Because of the multiple challenges outlined above and Pakistan's precarious economic situation, he may in the immediate term espouse Bajwa's policy, seen over the last two years or so, of tactical restraint towards India.

announced he would join the long march of his supporters in Rawalpindi on November 26 and reveal his further course of action. It is possible that the presidential approval was facilitated by some assurances of an even-handed attitude by the incoming army chief to Imran Khan.

The new army chief will face many complex challenges. His foremost task will be to deal with the damage done to the army's image by Bajwa's political engineering throughout his six-year tenure. This has been compounded by reports of his immediate family having amassed considerable wealth after he became army chief. In a recent farewell speech, he admitted that the army has faced criticism from time to time because of its involvement in politics, which he described as "unconstitutional".

Bajwa claimed that in February last year, the army leadership had decided after a lot of deliberation not to interfere in any political issue. He added that the army had initiated its catharsis and hoped that political parties would also review their conduct. Given his record in office, few are impressed by this mea culpa and his assurance of political neutrality or that his successors would be bound by it. The army cannot stay neutral if it has to protect its prime position in the polity and its enormous perks and privileges. However, the new army chief will have to contend with the public anger against the institution now embodied by the increasingly popular Imran Khan. There is also reported sympathy for Imran within the army. A wise course for Munir would be not to seek revenge against Imran Khan, keep the army away from politics and at best play the role of a facilitator for dialogue between opposing political camps. He should let the politicians slug it out and look for an opportune moment to recover the

lost ground for the army. Another major challenge for Munir would be the continued terrorist activities within Pakistan by the Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) and other terror groups, notably in

Balochistan and Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa. There were reports recently of TTP activists resurfacing and consolidating their position in the Swat area, which had seen an army operation in 2009. These were initially denied by the authorities, but finally acknowledged in the face of public protests. There is no easy solution to this problem. The Taliban victory in Afghanistan has not brought the dividends that the Pakistanis might have expected. They have refused to act against TTP elements in Afghanistan, recommending instead a solution through dialogue. The Taliban does not acknowledge the Durand Line and oppose Pakistan's fencing activity along it.

Munir will also face the difficult task of sustaining and nurturing Pakistan's renewed transactional activity with the US. Bajwa was able to begin this towards the end of his tenure, resulting in the F-16 sustenance package from the US. At the same time, the new chief will also have to continue to broaden and deepen Pakistan's all-important relationship with China.

In the course of his career, Asim Munir has served as commander of the Pakistan forces in "Northern Areas" and Corps Commander, Gujranwala - both posts focussed on India. Because of the multiple challenges outlined above and Pakistan's precarious economic situation, he may in the immediate term espouse Bajwa's policy, seen over the last two years or so, of tactical restraint towards India. This may mean a continuing respect for the LoC ceasefire and not ramping up terror activity. However, we will have to watch out once his other compulsions ease a bit.

While the appointment of a new army chief to succeed the by now highly-controversial Bajwa has been expected to bring a degree of calm to Pakistan's deeply divided polity, much will depend upon how Munir conducts himself, particularly in dealing with the highly polarised political situation.

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THE FORGOTTEN ADMIRAL

Lachit Barphukan is remembered for preventing Mughal conquest of Assam

ARUP KUMAR DUTTA

THE ASSAM government is celebrating at a national level the 400th birth annivers Lachit Barphukan, the iconic hero of Assam, on November 23, 24 and 25 in New Delhi Son of the great warrior-statesman Momai Tamuli Barbarua, Lachit was born on November 24, 1622, and grew up during a turbulent period of Assam's history. Mir Jumla, the Governor of Bengal, ordered by the Mughal ruler Aurangzeb, had invaded Assam, overwhelmed the Assamese forces, and captured Garhgaon, the capital of the ruling Ahom Dynasty, on March 17, 1662. The Ahom king Jaydhwaj Singha was forced to sign on January 23, 1663, the treaty of Ghilajharighat, whereby he was required not only to cede Ahom territory in central and lower Assam, pay war indemnities as well as annual tribute, but also send his only daughter to the imperial harem at Delhi. This treaty dealt a huge blow to Assamese nationalist pride. Chafing under the ignominy of having to pay annual tribute, meant to underline the assumption that the Ahom king was a vassal of Delhi, Chakradhwaj Singha, who succeeded Jaydhwaj Singha, was determined to oust the invaders from the Ahom kingdom and retrieve the lost territory. Under the guidance of another great warrior statesman Atan Burhagohain, the king began training soldiers so that they would be ready for battle. The armament industry too was in full swing, as was boat-making. By 1667, the king was satisfied that war preparations were complete and he could make his move against the occupying Mughal forces. He chose the relatively young Lachit to command his army, investing him with the Barphukan (commander) rank. From August that year, the Ahom army

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THE RIGHT STUFF

ESA has admitted a disabled person into its space programme. Given astronauts are role models, it's about time

HE RIGHT STUFF, a 1984 film based on a non-fiction work by Tom Wolfe, went a long way in cementing the reputation of astronauts as people who have to "push the envelope". "It takes a special kind of man to volunteer for a suicide mission," says one of the characters, "especially when it's on national TV". The early days of space flight were much more dangerous, and more exclusive, than today. In 2022, the European Space Agency (ESA) has taken its own landmark step. The definition of the "right stuff" - the mental and physical fortitude required to be an astronaut or cosmonaut – has expanded.

At 41, John Mcfall – a Paralympics medallist – will be the first disabled person in the ESA's astronaut programme. He lost a leg at 19, and since then has achieved peak physical and medical condition. However, this does not guarantee that he will go to space. Like other potential candidates, he will have to undergo a feasibility programme. But it is an expansion that must be lauded - of opportunity, representation, and what it means to be in peak physical and mental condition.

What is the "right stuff"? At the dawn of the space age, the undercurrents of what it meant to be a candidate to undertake the most demanding of jobs were determined by limitations, of imagination, opportunity and resources. Now, fortunately, astronauts can be women, people of colour, and those with disabilities. This may require adjustments and interventions. But that is more than offset by the mental fortitude, the hurdles people have had to cross, just to be considered. And, given that those who push the final frontier are often role models, it's about time more people like McFall stood on that pedestal.



outposts, till it reached the principal target of Guwahati. After a two-month siege of the fort there, Lachit made a frontal attack on the night of November 4, 1667. Hundreds of Mughal soldiers were killed, and the few who managed to escape from the fort and fled on boats were chased beyond the river Manas.

Lachit was under no illusion that the Mughal emperor in Delhi would not react and send a sizable force on a punitive mission. In order to repulse the imminent Mughal attack, Lachit began strengthening the fortifications at Guwahati.

The defence preparations were ingenious, indeed! For instance, Guwahati was dotted with hillocks close to both banks of the Brahmaputra, providing the defenders with the advantage of height in launching a barrage of artillery at enemy war-boats coming up the Brahmaputra, or troops advancing by land. Lachit closed the gaps between the hills with earthen ramparts so as to erect a protective ring about twenty five miles in circumference around Guwahati.

Legend has it that, during the construction of the ramparts, Lachit beheaded his own uncle for negligence in carrying out his allotted duties, uttering the immortal phrase, "My uncle is not greater than my motherland!"

News of the Mughal defeat reached Emperor Aurangzeb in Delhi in December 1667. Sure enough, he sent a huge army of 30,000 infantry, 18,000 Turkish cavalry and 15,000 Koch archers, as also numerous warboats, under the overall command of the Rajput king Ram Singh of the famous Kuchchwa clan and son of Raja Jai Singh of Amber.

ing a direct assault on the well-fortified Ahom encampment at Guwahati, Lachit's strategy was to stall the enemy's advance by land because he wanted to lure the Mughals into a naval battle. Thus numerous sporadic, limited engagements continued through 1669 and 1670, none of the adversaries getting the upper hand.

Finally, due to the growing impatience of Aurangzeb at the protracted nature of the campaign, Ram Singh was coerced into undertaking a direct assault. The Rajput general was also encouraged by the news that Lachit was seriously ill and bed-ridden and could not lead the Ahom army.

Thus commenced the famous battle of Saraighat in March, 1671, one in which the Ahoms dealt a mortal blow to Mughal expansionist ambitions. Initially, however, the Ahom soldiers, not finding Lachit at the head. were demoralised and the danger of defeat grew real. News of this reached the gravely ill Barphukan. He barked out instructions, and his attendants carried him onto a war-boat which rowed swiftly towards the enemy. A miracle occurred. At the sight of Lachit coming to lead them, the soldiers were energised with new courage and hope. The Mughal forces were chased beyond the Manas river. It was a decisive victory for the Assamese.

The battle of Saraighat proved that Lachit Barphukan was a master strategist who can be compared with the great generals in any part of India. Aptly, the Lachit Barphukan gold medal, instituted in 1999, is given to the best cadet from the National Defence Academy.

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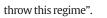
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YASUHIRO NAKASONE, A 64-year-old veteran politician, will succeed Zenko Suzuki as prime minister of Japan by virtue of his landslide victory in the ruling Liberal Democratic Party's primary election.

GHANA COUP CRUSHED

A COUP ATTEMPT in Ghana has been crushed and the country has been put under an overnight curfew, according to an official announcement. Ghanian leader Flt Lt Jerry Rawlings said that, "loyal troops have successfully defeated an attempt to over-



BREZHNEV SUCCESSOR

THE SOVIET PARLIAMENT ended its autumn session and surprisingly did not name a new President to succeed Brezhnev. The only major personnel change announced was the appointment of Geidar A Aliev, 59, as first Deputy Chairman of the Council of Ministers.

FRANCE-INDIA TALKS

THREE DAYS BEFORE President Francois Mitterrand is to arrive in New Delhi, the Indian government expressed its optimism about reaching an accord with France on the question of French supplies of nuclear fuel for the Tarapur Atomic Power plant. They, however, added that no agreement on nuclear fuel would be acceptable to India unless it was within the framework of the 1963 Indo-US nuclear agreement.

INDIA AT ASIAD

INDIAN GOLFERS PICKED up two gold medals and a silver at the Asian Games. India also won a silver in tennis men's team event and a bronze in individual trap event of shooting to boost their tally to four gold, four silver and two bronze medals.





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Cost of brevity

In the name of accessibility, proposed data protection law sacrifices legal rigour for an expansion of state power that tilts it against individual privacy



IN SEEKING TO deliver on the promises when withdrawing the Data Protection Bill (2019), the Ministry of Electronics and IT released the Digital Data Protection Bill, 2022 last week. At the time of withdrawal, on August 3, 2022, as per a note circulated in Parliament by Ashwini Vaishnaw, the Union Minister at the Ministry of Electronics and IT, said it was done to ensure "a comprehensive legal framework". This was substantiated by Rajeev Chandrashekhar, the Minister of State at the Ministry of Electronics and IT in his public statements that the new proposal must be as per "global standard laws". Have the government's objectives been achieved with the Digital Data Protection Bill, 2022? The Digital Data Protection Bill, 2022 has now shrunk previous proposals that covered over 90 clauses to 30, phrased in plain English. This is a drafting style that is also present in the Telecommunications Bill. 2022 and seems to be the current fashion of setting legal proposals that, as per the government, serve the values of brevity and comprehensibility. After all, the laws should just not be there for lawyers, but "a person with basic understanding". While there is little to quarrel with this principle, brevity and comprehensibility have been achieved at a considerable cost to established legal standards.

First, when the Supreme Court in the Justice Puttaswamy judgment reaffirmed the fundamental right to privacy, it contained specific legal standards as a threepart test. This includes words such as, "necessary", "reasonable" and, "proportional" which are terms of art and exist as legal doctrines. As per Justice D Y Chandrachud's majority opinion, the data protection law should have "due regard to what has been set out in this judgment". However, it seems the judgment and such legal standards have largely been ignored.

This can be noticed in Clause 18, which contains exemptions from the data protection rights contained within the Digital Data Protection Bill, 2022. Under it, the central government can exempt any government authority from its application by a mere notification stating it satisfies grounds matching the language of Article 19(2) of the Constitution. This is a lower standard than the one prescribed under the privacy judgment. Further, the government can now even exempt private sector entities that may include individual companies or a class of them, by assessing the volume and nature of personal data. Clause 18(4)further exempts any state authority from deletion of data after use which, in effect, will permit them to store personal data indefinitely in contravention of the principle of purpose limitation. This is a concerning expansion of state power that tilts the law against the interests of individual privacy. Second, the concentration of power in



the executive branch becomes clearer as the Digital Data Protection Bill, 2022 omits legislative guidance that is a vital part of any law to ensure that executive power is exercised reasonably. Within the 30 clauses, the phrase, "as may be prescribed" is contained in 18 instances. For instance, the compliance and regulatory enforcement to be conducted by a Data Protection Board of India will lack autonomy in appointment or functioning. As per Clause 19(2), the strength and composition, the process of selection and removal of the Chairperson and other members are all, "as may be prescribed". Further, under Clause 19(3), the Chief Executive who will manage this Data Protection Board will be appointed and the terms and conditions as well will be determined by the central government.

Hence, the Ministry of Electronics and IT will have direct oversight over the Data Protection Board of India. It is reasonable to ask at this juncture: Will any such board be able to exercise any oversight and issue fines on any government authority? Such lack of detail is only one among many. Vagueness animates several proposed clauses that create vast regulatory power for the central government. They will determine significant policy choices that are usually first prescribed, but presently absent in legislative guidance. It has been India's constitutional experience that such unhappy drafting often manifests in the arThe Ministry of Electronics and IT will have direct oversight over the Data Protection Board of India. It is reasonable to ask at this juncture: Will any such board be able to exercise any oversight and issue fines on any government authority? Such lack of detail is only one among many. Vagueness animates several proposed clauses that create vast regulatory power for the central government. They will determine significant policy choices that are usually first prescribed, but presently absent in legislative guidance.

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bitrary exercise of executive power. Finally, the section on user rights is not only underdeveloped but even now contains penalties for users, who are essentially the beneficiaries of a data protection law. For instance, Clause 6 which requires user consent before data collection, unlike the previous version now no longer requires a notice of which third parties the data will be shared with, the duration for storage and whether it will be transferred to other countries. One of the most curious provisions is Clause 16 which places a duty on users to, "furnish such information as is verifiably authentic", or face a potential penalty for a fine. When you bundle this with the requirements for authentication that are proposed for users in the Telecommunications Bill, 2022, it can mean the death of online anonymity and pseudonymous identities with the creation of a vast surveillance apparatus. Essentially, each online service is KYC verified or a user faces penalties and denial of service. Hence, any commendation to

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"Before US law enforcement contemplates how it might buy and use spyware, it must contemplate whether it — or any other country — should." — THE WASHINGTON POST

The sustainable development boost

Globally, movement on SDGs has slowed. India should focus on accelerating progress during its G20 presidency



INDIA'S G20 PRESIDENCY, which starts from

December, provides a historic opportunity to

promote inclusive development. At the re-

cent meet at Bali, it was recognised that war

is not a solution and we should concentrate

on economic and social issues. This is par-

ticularly important in the context of global

challenges like low economic growth, in-

creasing inflation, disruption of supply

chains, rising concerns about food and en-

Goals (SDGs) will benefit all sections of so-

ciety. The SDGs are interconnected and cover

all-inclusive issues like poverty, food and nu-

trition security, health, education, women

empowerment, employment and climate

change. India can showcase some of its achievements at G20 meetings and also

learn from the best practices in other coun-

tries. Both "Sherpa" track and "finance" track

A new working paper by the Economic Advisory Council to the PM shows that on

current trends the world will reach its 2030

promises almost half a century too late. It

says that India stands out - of all G20 coun-

tries, it has the fastest trend in growth from

2015-19, and is moving faster than even

lower-middle income countries. On current

trends, India is likely to achieve SDGs by

2059. According to this report, we have to

prioritise the indicators as developing coun-

tries have limited resources. India can sug-

gest these priorities at G20 meetings. The

report suggests 12 different policy interven-

tions, which will give a high social, economic

and environmental return on investment.

The UN has recently released the SDG report

of 2022. It says that the confluence of crises

dominated by Covid-19, conflicts (indirectly

referring to Ukraine-Russia war), and cli-

mate change are creating spin-offs, affect-

ing all SDGs. The pandemic pushed 93 mil-

lion people into extreme poverty in 2020.

for achieving zero hunger and nutrition se-

curity. India can share its experiences in

moving from a food deficit country to a food

surplus country. On agriculture, M S

Swaminathan advocated the concept of

evergreen revolution. This can be achieved

by promoting agro ecologically sound prac-

Sustainable food systems are important

would be useful for this purpose.

Focusing on Sustainable Development

ergy security and debt problems.

veloping countries on energy security has to be continued. There should not be any restrictions on the supply of energy, and stability in the energy market should be ensured. India's dependence on coal for energy generation may continue for many more years and the CoP27 draft of "phasing down" rather than "phasing out" for coal would be useful for India.

India has committed to reduce net zero emissions by 2070 and 50 per cent of energy requirements through renewables by 2030. The country should continue to focus on climate finance, technology transfer and emission reductions due to historically high consumption patterns. CoP27 agreed to the creation of a loss and damage fund to compensate a section of developing countries In a recent article, Arvind Subramanian says "efforts to promote multilateral coordination to mitigate climate risks are most likely doomed to fail in today's fraught geo political environment". According to him, the global race to subsidise renewable energy may lead to cheap sustainable technologies and reduction in carbon emissions.

Another focus area for G20 is digital inclusion which can raise both growth and equity. India has shown that it can promote universal digital services. Globally, there is a lot of interest in India's success with the unified payments interface (UPI), and direct benefit transfers through the Jan Dhan, Aadhaar, and mobile trinity. For example, PM SVANidhi is helping street vendors in different states. Street vendors want to use digital technologies for savings and credit. A study done at ICFAI Business School Hyderabad shows that street vendors have been forthcoming in requesting help with the creation of YouTube channels for marketing their products and training regarding various digital payments tools. Of course, the study also says that street vendors have basic problems such as lack of a fixed location to carry on business on a daily basis, the danger of eviction, unavailability of loans and toilet facilities near their vending locations and government support, which need to be addressed apart from the digital push.

There is some consensus among developing countries on the need for restructuring multilateral institutes like the World Bank, IMF and WTO. This is important for raising SDG finance and also takes care of debt problems of developing countries.

A report on SDGs prepared by Jeffrey Sachs and others indicates that there are six pathways for increased SDG financing. These are: (1) increased domestic tax revenues; (2) increased sovereign (government) borrowing from international development finance institutions; (3) increased sovereign borrowing from international private capital markets; (4) increased official development assistance; (5) increased funding by private foundations and philanthropies; and (6) debt restructuring for heavily indebted borrowers, mainly to lengthen maturities and reduce interest rates. India can give push to some of these pathways. There was a setback in the progress of SDGs due to shocks like Covid-19, Ukraine-Russia war, slow economic growth and high inflation. India should focuson rescuing and accelerating progress on SDGs during its G20 Presidency for inclusive development

the central government for the deletion of an earlier requirement in the verification for social media is only half made out. To conclude, the simplicity of the drafting choices of the Digital Data Protection Bill, 2022 comes at a precipitous cost to individual privacy.

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tices like conservation farming, precision farming, integrated nutrient supply and pest management and natural conservation. For example, organic farming in Sikkim and community managed natural farming in Andhra Pradesh can be showcased. Regarding food-related social protection, distribution of foodgrains under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana in the last three years have been quite useful to large sections of the population. However, India has a long way to go in achieving its SDG goal of removing malnutrition — 35 per cent of the country's children still suffer from stunting (height for age).

Energy security and climate change are equally important issues for India's G20 presidency. The stand of India and other deThe writer is distinguished professor, IBS, Hyderabad and former vice-chancellor, IGIDR, Mumbai



Banking on New Delhi

India must speak, act for Global South to make sure new climate fund delivers

ARUNABHA GHOSH AND SHIKHA BHASIN

A DEVASTATING YEAR of heat waves, droughts, lost crops and extreme floods made it impossible to ignore climate-related damages to lives and livelihoods. The latest round of discussions (COP27 in Egypt) began with little hope and ended (two days beyond schedule) with a faint glimmer. All 197 Parties to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) agreed to enable financing for loss and damage to those that need it the most. But the goal of keeping temperature rise to levels that could minimise loss and damage continued to slip away.

Loss and damage (L&D) refers to the adverse impacts that vulnerable communities and countries face as a result of a changing climate. Rich countries had resisted L&D payments for years. Under pressure, they could no longer duck their responsibility.

The COP27 decision includes the development of a Transition Committee dedicated to L&D, with equal representation from rich and poor countries. In order to operationalise the funding arrangements, the committee has been tasked with configuring institutional arrangements, identifying and expanding sources of funding, and coordinating with existing funding arrangements – by COP28 in the UAE next year. The sticking points of negotiations, thus, remain.

India can speak — and act — on behalf of the Global South to ensure that the new L&D financing facility delivers. First, develop a Global Vulnerability Index. Last year, CEEW developed a Climate Vulnerability Index for India. It found that over 80 per cent of Indians

are highly vulnerable to extreme climatic disasters. Such data in the public domain helps map critical vulnerabilities and plan strategies to build resilience by climate-proofing communities, economies and infrastructure. Currently, such indices do not exist in the public domain across countries.

Pressure must also be put on large emerging economies, with rising emissions, to contribute to L&D financing. Limiting L&D compensation depends on increasing adaptation spending. India must continue to press for higher volumes of international adaptation funds.

Second, encourage attribution science to assess whether and to what extent climate change altered the likelihood and intensity of extreme climatic events. Unfortunately, as with the majority of global research on climate change, contributions from the Global South are limited. A recent study found that only 3.8 per cent of global climate research spending is dedicated to Africa -- of that 78 per cent is spent in Europe and North America. India would do well to convene experts and encourage the development of a South-led research consortium dedicated to scientific exploration of "event attribution" science. This would enrich climate science, draw attention to the more vulnerable regions, build research capacity in developing countries, and strengthen the L&D framework.

Third, champion the Early Warning Systems Initiative. The Executive Action Plan for the Early Warnings for All Initiative, un-

veiled at COP27 and welcomed by India's Minister Bhupender Yadav, aims to ensure every person on Earth is protected by early warning systems within five years. It has called for targeted investments of \$3.1 billion during 2023-27, which could avoid annual losses of \$3-16 billion against natural hazards in developing countries. Given India's vulnerabilities to extreme climate events - CEEW research finds that 75 per cent of India's districts are prone to extreme climatic disasters - we would do well to champion not just the deployment of early warning systems, but showcasing the investments and capacities required to maximise protection and benefits. The rollout of such systems with last mile connectivity in Odisha has already borne fruit: Reports suggest less than 100 lives were lost to cyclone Fani in 2019 in India, as compared to about 10,000 in 1999's super cyclone.

Fourth. leverage the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI). India founded the CDRI "to promote the resilience of new and existing infrastructure systems to climate and disaster risks in support of sustainable development". CDRI is currently undertaking a Fiscal Risk Assessment study to support the development of a comprehensive disaster-risk financing strategy in more than 35 countries and multilateral entities. Last year it kick-started an initiative called Infrastructure for Resilient Island States, As it assumes the G20 presidency, India can also push for a Global Resilience Reserve Fund, capitalised by IMF Special Drawing Rights, to create an insurance cushion against severe physical and macroeconomic shocks that climate risks would impose.

L&D financing is only one side of the coin. Enhanced and accelerated emissions mitigation is still much needed. This is in India's development interests. While it released its long-term low-carbon emissions development strategy last week, it must use scientific methods to quantify its long-term targets, to give direction to industry and investors.

At the COP, India's push for phase down of all fossil fuels (not just coal) failed to get traction. Negotiators continued to quibble over definitions of climate finance when trillions of dollars of sustainable investment are needed. When it comes to technology, sectoral partnerships and technology co-development are likely to be the way forward, rather than wating for technologies that never get transferred.

L&D financing (if at all delivered) is a band-aid. Global emissions must reduce by 50 per cent by 2030 but there is no opprobrium for failing to present credible plans to do so. India drew attention to sustainable lifestyles via its Lifestyle for Environment mission, but who is listening? Future COPs must focus almost exclusively on ensuring delivery and holding laggards accountable. Otherwise, the COP process will be lost and multilateralism will be permanently damaged.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TIMELY REMINDER

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Fragile peace' (IE, November 24). The Gauhati HC has rightly reminded authorities that even the search of premises, let alone demolishing dwellings, requires procedural consistency and requisite permissions. Criminal law has no space for acts that defy the rulebook. This would endanger the fabric of the entire polity, ushering in anarchy. The court has made its opposition to this probability crystal clear. But the reproachment must be broader and its stakeholders must include the people of the republic. **S S Paul**, *Nadia*

LEGAL OVERSIGHT

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'It's not so EC' (IE, November 24). The Election Commission is responsible for the free and fair conduct of elections. It has been observed that there is implicit political interference in appointments at the EC. The Supreme Court's flagging of these concerns is apt and timely. Civil servants who are chosen as members must be appointed through a non-partial, apolitical system. The CJI's becoming a part of the selection committee will only add legal expertise and transparency to the process, and is thus a welcome idea.

Devendra Awasthi, Lucknow

A BETTER SYSTEM

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Fixing Election Commission' (IE, November 23). There is no quick fix for the complex issues that plague the independence of an institution. However, accountability is more likely if there is transparency in the appointments and functioning of the Election Commission. The presence of the Chief Justice in the committee for appointment of Chief Election Commisioner has to be viewed in terms of its effectiveness in "neutrality" and "insulation" from the political executive.

L R Murmu, New Delhi

DESIGN OVERHAUL

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Walk the talk' (IE, November 22). The recruitment process of the subordinate judiciary gives very limited weightage to court-room practice. Clearing the multiple stages of a standard state-level judicial service examination is enough to secure a judge's post. Hence, many empowered to the position consider themselves a mere cog in the machine and exhibit limited novelty in their judgments. The recruitment process of judges in subordinate judiciary needs a design overhaul.

Sudip Kumar Dey, Barasat

CLASSIFIEDS & TENDERS

Classifieds

PERSONAL

No.4077344x,Sep DEVENDRA KUMAR PANDEY My,Son Name is Sharansh Pandey Ankit which is wrong. His correct Name in Shivansh Pandey.My son's Name Should be corected in the recods. 0040642417-7

It is for general information that I.Surekha W/o-Rakesh Kumar.R/o E-81/10.Ram Lila Ground, Jhilmil-Colony, Delhi-110095, declare that name of mine and my husband has been wrongly-written as Surekha Jaiswal and Rakesh Jaiswal in my (B.O.B.)Bank account.The actual name of mine and my husband are Surekha and Rakesh Kumar respectively,which may be amended accordingly.

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It is for general information that I,RENU SAINI,D/O KRISHAN KUMAR BATRA,W/O GURCHARAN SINGH.R/O-17A.R-Block, Dilshad-Garden, Vivek Vihar, Delhi-110095, declare that name of mine has been wrongly-written as RENU BALA SAINI in my service-record.The actual-name of mine is RENU SAINI, which may be amended 0040642421-10 accordingly.

It is for general information that I. MONIKA BAJAJ W/o Raiesh Madan, R/o G-151, Kalkaji, New Delhi-110019 declare that name of mine has been wrongly written as MONIKA MADAN in my Election Identity Card bearing No.ARE1932548 & Birth Certificates of my minor daughters SMERA MADAAN, aged 12 years & SHRIA MADAAN, aged 10 years. The actual name of mine is MONIKA BAJAJ, which may be amended 0040642324-1 accordingly. I.hitherto known as DEEKSHANT alias DEEKSHANT SAINI,S/O-GURCHARAN SINGH R/0-17A.R-Block, Dilshad-Garden, Vivek-

Vihar, Delhi-110095, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as DEEKSHANT SAINI. 0040642421-9

I,gurdeep singh s/o puran singh r/o flat no.402,Tower-E,trident embassy,sector-1,Greater noida west, GB.nagar, UP-201306, have changed my name gurdeep singh sidana, permanently. 0040642348-6

I.Zaki Ahmad Khisal.S/o Shabbar Khisal.R/o-Alam Wali Gali,Deepa-Saray, Sambhal.Uttar Pradesh 244302, have changed my Name to Zaki Ahmed Khisal, for all, future purposes.

0040642434-1 I,Tushar Jain S/o Aakash Jain R/o H.No.F-68, Vikas Marg, Preet-Vihar, Delhi-110092, have changed my name to Tushar Aakash Jain for-all-purposes 0040642437-1

I,Sonali Sharma,W/o-Bhanu Pratap Singh R/o,H.no.390,Sunder Bhawan, Mangolpur Kalan.Near Sector-2,Rohini,Delhi-110085have changed my name to Sonali Shokeen, for all purposes. 0040642407-8

I.SUSHMA W/O Prem Prakash, R/O DG-2/92-A, SFS Flat, Vikas Puri, Delhi-110018,Have changed my name, from SUSHMA to SUSHMA BHUTANI.

I.PARVEEN BHARDWAJ S/O SATBIR R/O SRS-18.NEAR RAMLEELA GROUND, PEERAGARHI.DELHI-110087.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO PRAVEEN BHARDWAJ.

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I,NEELIMA D/O VISHNU DUTT SHARMA R/O C-8/9,GROUND-FLOOR,SECTOR 15,ROHINI,DELHI-110089.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO NEELAM SHARMA.

0040642434-5 I,Mujibur Rahman S/o Idrak Ahmed Khan R/o.N-84/A-1,Block Batla House Jamia Nagar,New Delhi-110025, changed my name to Mojibur Rahman Khan. 0040642421-2 I,Mokesh Kumar S/O Jagmender R/O, H.No-171, Block-B, Upper Ground Floor Saraswati Vihar Pitampura Delhi-110034,have changed my name to Mukesh Goel 0040642434-6 I.Mohit S/o Sandeep Gupta.R/o

A-207, First Floor, VikasPuri West Delhi, Delhi-110018, have changed my name to Mohit 0040642348-Gupta. I,Mohd Shamim s/o Mohd Ramjani,R/o H No-B-349,Gali No-16.Shri Ram Colony.Delhi-110094.have Changed my name to SHAMIM AHMED. 0040642407-4 permanently. LManoi Kumar Gunta S/o Om Prakash Gupta,R/o Yamuna-101, Agrsen Apartment, 66, I.P.Extn., Patparganj, Delhi-110092, have changed my Name to Manoj Gupta, 0040642348-8 permanently. I.Malti Kumari.W/o-Gauri Shankar Prasad, R/o-B 801,Kesar Garden Apt,Sec-48, Noida, 201301, have changed my name to Malti Prasad for all future purposes. 0040642430-2 I,MEENAKSHI W/O SACHIN KUMAR R/O.B-79/31 VIJAY

MARG NORTH GHONDA, DELHI-110053, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO MEENAKSHI VERMA. 0040642348-2

I,MEENA YADAV w/o ASHOK KUMAR HNo.-230, SECTOR 4, REWARI (HARYANA)-123401, have changed my name to MEENA KUMARIfor all 0040642348-5 Purposes. I,LAKHAY, S/O.ASHOK KUMAR. ADD-974, A, WARD NO, 7

110030, changed my name to LAKSHAY, for all, future Purposes. I,Laareb Sultan chaudhry,s/o

address.H-77, sector-11, Pratap-vihar, Ghaziabad, UP Declare as under That my actual Name is Laareb Sultan chaudhry D.O.B.03-11-1999 myfather name is Sultan Uddin Chaudhry and mother's name is Farzana chaudhry which has been wrongly-written Lareeb father name Sultan chaudhary mother's name Farzana chaudhary in my-CBSE class-Xth certificate my Roll.No was 5383549 of the year-2015.

I.Jvoti alias Jvoti Rai.W/o 2nd-Floor,Sector-8, Sharma for-all-purposes.

I.Joginder Chauhan S/O Nawal Singh Chauhan R/O,C-46, Shakti Nagar Extension Ashok-Vihar Delhi-110052,have changed my name to Joginder Singh Chauhan. 0040642434-7 I,Hitherto Known As Neha,D/O-Subhash Chand Mittal Residing At F-632 FLAT No.A-1,First-Floor,Crescent Apartment, Lado Sarai.Gadipur.South Delhi-

Name And Shall Hereafter Be

Known As Neha Mittal.

I,Gauri Shankar Prasad,S/o-

same and D.o.B. is 01.07.

I,Diwakar S/o Ram Gulam R/o

changed my name to Diwakar

EWS-100, Type-E, Sec-C-1,

Shastripuram.Agra.have

Delhi-110027, inform that

Dandona is my surname.

I,Amit Kumar Sangwan,S/o

Hospital, Hvpnl-Colony,

Gurgaon(Harvana)-

4/V, Jharsa-Road, Near. Jyoti-

122001, have changed my name

to Amit Kumar. 0040642434-3

Lal R/o 0, Gadva, Narharpur,

Pratapgarh, Uttar Pradesh-

I,Rahila w/o Mohd Shehzad

Nagar, Delhi-110094. have

SUHALEHA.permanently.

Changed my name to RAHIL

R/o.H.No-B-355,Gali.No-17,Shri

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to Arvind Kumar

Ram Colony, Raieev

Kashyap.

Kumar Dandona.

1946, for all purposes

Shiw Pujan Sah hereby declare

that Gauri Shanker Prasad and

Gauri Shankar Prasad both are

I, Varun Agarwal, R/o-B-504, Rajasthan Apptt., Plot No. 36,Sector-4, Dwarka, Delhi have changed my daughter's name from Snehal.to Snehal Agarwal, for all purposes. 0040642430-3 I, Sweety, W/o Navneet Jain, R/o-

D-850, Top Floor, Parwana Road, Saraswati Vihar, Pitampura, Delhi 110034, have changed my name to Sweety Jain, for all 0040642430-4 purposes.

I, Soni alias Soni Sharma D/o Partap Singh, W/o Pradeep Sharma, R/o-H.No-41-A, Nasirpur, Ghazibad, Uttar-Pradesh-201001, have changed my name to Soni Sharma

L Sham Lal S/O Rakesh Nainakwal, R/o H. No. 178, Gautam Nagar Prajapat Nagar, Opp. Gulmohar Park Club Road New Delhi-110049, have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known as Sourabh Nainakwal.

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I, Shalini Singh W/O Vinod Kumar Singh, R/o D- 3/96, Sushant Golf City, Ansal API, Beside Shaheed Path, Sultanpur Road, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh- 226030 I have changed the name of my minor daughter Anshika Singh aged about 11 years and She shall hereafter be known as Anika Singh 0070814420-1 I,Kapil S/o Hemraj R/o Kanhanara Mohalla Ward No 15,Bahin,Distt.Palwal

(Haryana), have changed my name to Kapil Kumar, for all 0040642434-4 Purposes. I, Sahil S/O Kulbir Singh, R/o 182,

Housing Board And Azad Nagar, Tehsil Rohtak, Haryana 124001, have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known

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name to Mohammad Asad, for

I, Manasi Mirashi w/o Shashank

R/o.A-1905, RG Residency,

Pradesh have changed my

name to MANASI SHASHANK

Sector-120, Noida, Uttar

future.

MIRASHI.

as Sahil Singh. 0070814453-1 I. ROHIT PANDEY S/O BHOLA PANDEY R/O C-220, GALI NO-17, KHAJOORI KHAS, DELHI-110094. DECLARE THAT THE NAME OF MINE, MY SON, AND MY WIFE, HAS BEEN WRONGLY WRITTEN AS ROHIT PANDAY, SAKSHAM PANDAY, AND SONIA PANDAY, IN MY SON'S EDUCATIONAL DOCUMENTS.

THE ACTUAL NAME OF MINE. MY SON, AND MY WIFE IS ROHIT PANDEY, SAKSHAM PANDEY, MEHRAULI, SOUTH DELHI-AND SONIA PANDEY WHICH MAY BE AMENDED ACCORDINGLY. 0070814426-1 0040642407-1 I, Neeru Ashpak Shaikh W/o Ram

Kumar Giri R/o-122A, Gandhi Sultan Uddin Chaudhry present Nagar, Ghaziabad have changed my name to Neeru Joshi Giri. I, Muhammed Farhan, S/o Khaliq Ahmed.R/o-9737. Gali Neem Wali,Nawab Ganj,Azad Market Delhi-110006, have changed my name to Mohammad Farhan, for future. 0040642430-5 I, Muhammed Asad, S/o Khaliq Ahmed, R/o-9737, Gali Neem Wali, Nawab Ganj, Azad Market Delhi-110006.have changed my

0040642417-2 Devendra Prasad R/o,D-155, Dwarka, Delhi-110077, have changed my name to Jyoti

I, MD Yahya, S/o Mobeen, R/o-A-0040642437-2 79, Okhla Main Market Road, Jamia Nagar ND-25, have change my name to Mohd Yahya Abbasi I, Geeta Kumari D/O S.L.S Prabhakar R/oKamta Arwal Bihar-804428. Declare that Name of My Father has been wrongly written as Prabhakar in my Educational Documents The actual name of My Father is S.L.S Prabhakar, which may

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I Roshni Rathi W/o Raiender Prasad Rathi R/o 253 C/A Munirka New Delhi 67 dohereby declare that my name mentioned in LIC policy as Roshan Kaur but mycorrect name is Roshni Rathi as per my Aadhar No. 7880 4997 6464. I affirmthat both names of Rohshan Kaur and Roshni Rathi belongs to one and same

0040642405-1 Rohit S/O, Mr. Mahipal Bagri R/o D-16, Harijan Basti, Vasant Kuni, Delhi 110070 have changed my name to Rohit Bagri for all purposes

0040642397-1

Radhy Shyam S/o-Sh.Moti Ram,R/o-H.No.39, Ist Floor,Pkt.-1, Sector-21, Rohini, Delhi-86,Have Changed my Name to Radhey Shyam for all purpose.That Radhy Shyam & Radhey Shyam is the one and 0040642385-1 same person. I Priyanshu S/o Mahesh Fageria R/o Ward No-41, Nawalgarh Road, Kisan Colony, Sikar, Rajasthan-332001, have changed my name to Priyanshu Fageria

0070814479-1

I Pappu Sarkar S/o Nitai Sarkar R/o Tegharia - Teghara, Nadia, West Bengal-741245, have changed my name to Akshat Sarkar 0070814488-1 I Niral Enem Purty S/o Late Madirav Purty R/o 114. Nava

Basti, Near Argora Railway Station, Doranda, Ranchi, Jharkhand-834002, have changed my name to Niral Enam Purty 0070814475-1 I Narendara S/o Yogender Kumar R/o House No B-78, Street No 13, Mukund Vihar,

Karawal Nagar, North East Delhi, Delhi-110094 have changed my name to Narender. 0070814431-1

I Khemchand Singh S/o Dalveer Singh R/o Melrose Bye Pass, Shriram Puram Face 2. Koil. Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh-202001. have changed my name to Siddharth Singh 0070814481-1 Kalpna W/O, Mr. Mohit Bagri R/o73-74, Block - AII, Madangir Ph - II, Dr. Ambedkar Nagar, Delhi 110062 have changed my name to Kalpana Bagri for all purposes 0040642398-1

Bhupender Bhati S/o Arjun Singh R/o VPO Tilapta Karanwas, Post Tilpata Karanwas, Tehsil Dadri, District Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh-201306 have changed my name to Bhupendra Kumar 0070814422-1 Bhati.

I, SURENDRA SINGH VERSHA, W/o.SURENDRA SINGH, Add, A-242, IIND-FLOOR, DEFENCE COLONY-110024, have changed my name to SUKHVERSHA. 0040638843

I. TANVI W/o PUNEET GANDHI. ADD-NEW R-18, ANAND-VIHAR, UTTAM-NAGAR WEST DELHI-110059, changed my Minor daughter name SHAINA to SHAINA GANDHI, for all future Purposes. 0040642251-5

I, Kshma D/o Dinesh Pathak R/o-H.No.226/2, J-2-B, Sangam Vihar, South Delhi, Delhi-110062.inform that KSHAMA and KSHMA both name are same person.My correct name is KSHMA for all future purpose.

PUBLIC NOTICE i renu anand w/o sh. kaushal KUMAR ANAND, R/O C5D/105-A, JANAK PURI, NEAR RAM MANDIR, JANAKPURI, DELHI-110058, I HAD LOST/MISPLACED ORIGINAL DEMAND LETTER OF MY CITED

PUBLIC NOTICE

t is for general information that

Jasleen Gandhi, Ex wife of Sh Gagan Gandhi, D/o Sh. Vec Prakash Marwah, R/o 182

Dhawan Bakoo, Estate, Gandh

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Chhatter Pur, New Delhi, declar

husband Gagan Gandhi S/o Sh

ekh Raj Gandhi vide HMA Cas

No. 428/2022 dated 30.07.2022

Further I have changed my name

and shall hereafter be known as

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vide HMA Case No. 428/2022 dated

30.07.2022. Further I have change

he name of my minor son Dhru Bandhi, aged about 10 years and shall be known as Dhruv Marwah in

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the Public at large th Sh. Prem Nath Prabhakar S/o Sh. So Nath is the 'Title Holder' in possession DDA Flat No. 1427, First Floor, Sector-D, in Pocket-I, Vasant Ku New Delhi-110070, hereinafter referre

New Delmi-110070, hereinatter referre to as That the Original Documents w.r. the Schedule Flat i.e 1. Demand cur Allotment Letter dated 20.01.1984 ; Original of Allotment Letter date 16.02.1987 & 3. Original of Possessio Letter 4. Original of Taking ove Possession dated 09.01.1989 issued b DDA in favour of Sh Prem Nat

Possession dated USUL 1 Socials and a DDA in favour of Sh. Prem Na Prabhakar S/o Sh. Som Nath, hav been lost/ misplaced and a untraceable, in lieu of which Informatic

untraceable, in lieu of which Information Report dated 22.11.2022 is filled with Delhi Police bearing LR. No. 1008859/2022. This notice is issued to Public at Large, i.e. any Person(s), Company (ies), Authority (ies), Society(ies), Organisation(s), Financia Institution(s), Bank(s), HUFs etc. having any knowlerice custory or nossession

Institution(s), bank(s), HDFs etc. naving any knowledge, custody or possession of the lost /misplaced documents as mentioned above or otherwise having any claim, Gift, Trust, Encumbrance etc. or objection to the sale of the Schedule Flat, may come forward with supporting documents to be delivered

supporting documents, to be deliver to the undersigned within 15 days fro

PUBLIC NOTICE

I request you to kindly publish the followin Public Notice my client SHRI NIWAS S// LATE PIRTHI SINGH AND SAROJ W//

SHRI NIWAS BOTH RIO H. NO. 88, BLOCK, 25 FOOTA ROAD, GALI NO. NEW_ROSHANPURA_EXTN

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482472130535) r/o Second

Floor, C-141, Rishi Nagar

Delhi-110034. After marriage,

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is notified for the information of General public that my client Ms.

Manju Sharma & Mr. Akshay Bhardwaj is the owner of Flat No. L-105 Tower-L on First Floor Situated at KDP Grand

Savanna" in Raj Nagar Ext. NH-58 tehsil & Distt Ghaziabad U.P. and he has

lost the Original Document

i.e. Allotment Letter date

02.02.2011 issued by M/S KDP Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd

Saniee

in favour of Mr.

have changed my name RUCHIKA KHURANA.

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RUCHIKA CHHABRA

KUMAR

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Rahul Mishra, Advocat

Mobile No. 7827702007

future for all purposes.

Jasleen Marwah.

ABOVE VIDE FILE No. F.32(373) 74/ HBM-II AND THE LR No 983654/2022 Dated 15-11-2022.

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PUBLIC NOTICE and Mrs. Madhu Verma, are th

General Products instruction and the control of the provided o be null and void. Dharmendar Kamti (Advocate) E-259, Lower Ground Floor, Greater Kailash-1, Delhi-48

PUBLIC NOTICE Ram Kishor Yadav S Lal Yadav and his w Yadav both R/o H.No. Garden, Khoda Colony, Gl

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P. - 201309, & Khoushi Kapurva, PO Iraundi, Distt. Amethi UP-227413 hav NAJAFGARH, NEW DELHI-110043 NAJAFGARH, NEW DELHI-110043, in your New Paper, My client SHRI NIWAS AND SAROJ Debarred / Evict to their son AMIT KUMAR and his wife POOJA RANI, from her all moveable & immovable properties and assets and other benefits due to their misconduct and misbehave. They are not in the instance of my client. My client will not be responsible for their Act, Tort, Dealing in future DHARAM RAJ (ADVOCATE) N-29, MIDDLE CIRCLE, CONNAUGHT PLACE, NEW DELHI - 11001 relations barred/disowned their daughter Pooja dav from all their moveable and moveable properties/assets due to he behaviour, conduct and attitude hybody dealing with her shall do so at her their own risk, cost and nsequences and my clients will not be nsible for her responsible for her any acts and deets. K.K. Yadav (Advocate) Ch. No. 175 Saket Court New Delhi-17

PUBLIC NOTICE sereral public is hereby informed than y client i.e. Mrs. Sudha Shanhar Wo. H. Sankamarayanan Rio K-1995, 2nd loor. Next to Axis Bank, Chittanajar ark. New Delhi-110019, who is the eehold owner and in the possession o the "Property bearing No. A-34, DG(S GHS Ltd. at Plot No.06, Sector-22 warka New Delhi, Vide Membership lo. 526" warka o. 526' 526" 2nd July 2022 during the scrutiny of Original Property document arding the above said property, sh

reigarding the above said property, she lound that (1) Original Share Certificate (Membership No.526), Original Allotment Letter date 18 th July 2000 (2) Original Posession Letter issued by DGIS Co-Operative Group Hausing Society in favour of Mrs. Sudha Shankar Wo A.R. Sankaranaryanan in respect of "Property bearing, No. A34, DG(S) CGHS Ltd. at Plot No.06. Sector-22, Dwarka, New Delhi, Vide Membership No.528" in respect of abovementioned property were lost abovementioned property were lost overmentioned property were losts isplaced from her residence at A-101, hitrarajan Park, New Delhi. Y Client has tried her level best to find possible places the aforesaid original ocuments, but yet not trace/allocate dh as lodged online lost complaint de Complaint No/LR No: 571654 & 71636/2022 dated 08.07.2022 at Delhi olice Online Portal. V client is declaring that neither she

Police Online Portal. My client is declaring that neither she has mortgaged/lien the above said documents with any Govt./Financial institutions nor she has taken any loan from any financial institute against the above said to Original documents, if in future, the above said original documents find by her, the same shall not be misused, and will be hand over to be intendies unchaser of the observation

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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH SAMAGRA SHIKSHA STATE PROJECT OFFICE, KBC BOYS HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS, OPP. RAITHU BAZAR, PATAMATA, VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA PRADESH TENDER NOTICE

p-procurement notice No. SS-16/34/2022-CMO SEC-SSA, dt. 24.11.2022 amagra Shiksha, Andhra Pradesh is inviting tenders through e-procurement for supply f bags under the scheme of "Jagananna Vidya Kanuka" to all the students approximately 9.78 lakhs in number) studying classes I to X in Government/MPP/ZPP/ Municipal/KGBVs/ Model Schools/ Ashram Schools/ Residential/ Aided Schools o Audicipal RCB vs Model schools Astrantian Schools Residential Auded Schools of Education and welfare departments in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the year 2023 24. For details please visit <u>https://tender.apeprocurement.gov.in</u> from 25.11.2022. Tender/RFP form can be downloaded from website. Eligible firms are requested to upload the prescribed format as per the schedules given in the above website. Contact Ph. No. 0866-2428599. Sd/- for State Project Director Samagra Shiksha, Andhra Pradesh

R.O.No. 1383PP Dt. 24.11.2022

Appeal for Identification



General public is hereby informed that one person Name: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: About 35 Yrs., Height: About 5'7", Sex: Male, Complexion: Wheatish, ID Mark: A Black Mole on Neck, Wearing: Yellow Colour Shirt and Blue Colour Pant, Place of Recovery: Found dead near TPT Centre, Azadpur, Delhi.

In this regard DD No. 15A, Dated 19.11.2022 has been lodged at Police Station: Adarsh Nagar, Delhi. Any clue come to notice please inform undersign. SHO

DP/3182/NW/2022

P.S.: Adarsh Nagar, Delhi Ph.: 8750870229

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male Namely: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: about 30 Years, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: blue color jacket red color shirt and sky blue color pant. Who was



found at Tikona park Bidari building Shastri park.Delhi In this regard a caseDD No. 23-A dated 16.11.2022 has been registered at P. S. Shastri Park ,Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.

Sd/- S.H.O. Shastri Park, Delhi Tel. No. : 9891954159

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



DP/3151/CD/2022

DP/3139/NE/2022

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified person Namely: Unknown, S/o : Unknown, R/o Unknown, Age: About 35-40 years, Height : 5'10", Complexion : Wheatish, Built : Normal, Face : Long & Beard, Wearing : Black & White Colour Lining T-Shirt and Blue Colour Jeans has been found dead at Veranda Hamdard Building,

Asaf Ali Road, Kamla Market, Delhi on 22,11,2022, In this regard a case vide DD No. 89A dated 22.11.2022 has been lodged at P.S. Kamla Market, Delhi. The dead body has been preserved at MAMC Mortuary, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this dead found person may kindly inform to the following:-

SHO P.S. Kamla Market, Delhi Central Distt., Delhi Tel. No. 011- 23230623, 23233743

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

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I,SUNITA RANI W/O PARVEEN KUMAR GOYAL R/O B-221.2nd-FLOOR.NEAR DEEP MARKET, ASHOK VIHAR PHASE-1,DELHI-110052.CHANGED MY NAME TO SUNITA GOYAL.

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I,S Devinder Singh S/o Darshan ingh R/o.33/12, 2nd-Floor, West Patel Nagar, Delhi-110008, have changed my name to Devinder Singh. 0040642437-5

I,Ruchi Arora,W/o Pankaj Chaudhary R/o E-121,1st Floor, Amar Colony, Lajpat Nagar-4,Delhi-110024,have changed my name to Ruchi Chaudhary. 0040642437-4

I,Rini Chatterjee Sadri,D/o-Manoj Chatterjee, R/o. Flat.No.3C/65.Princeton Estate.DLF Phase-5.Sector-53,Gurgaon (HR.)-122003,have changed my name to Rini 0040642434-2 Chatteriee.

I.Rekha Devi w/o Rakesh Sharma R/o B-903, Manokamna Apartment, Sec-18A, Dwarka,New Delhi-110075,have changed my Name to Rekha Sharma, permanently. 0040642407-6

I.Pali Malhotra W/o Raiender Malhotra R/o.A-2/46, Rajouri Garden, Tagore Garden, West Delhi.Delhi-110027 have changed my name to Pritpal Malhotra, for all purposes.

0040642407-7

I.PUNEET KUMAR.S/0 NARINDER KHURANA, Residing at, E-3, FIRST-FLOOR, NEAR-DWARKA MOR METRO-STATION.SEWAK-PARK, WEST-DELHI, DELHI-110059, have changed my name to PUNEET KHURANA.for all, future Purposes.

0040642417-6

I,PAWAN S/O-MAHIPAL,H.NO-110.VPO-NAKHROLA. GURGAON, HARYANA-122001, have changed my name to PAWAN DHAWANIA, for all future purpose. 0040642407-9

I Gyarti W/o Prem Pal Singh R/o House No L2/92, Block-L-2 Shastri Nagar, Delhi, North West Delhi, Delhi-110052 have changed my name to Gayatri 0070814428-1 Devi

be amended accordingly. 110030, Have Changed My

0070814406-1

I, Divya Choudhary C/o Mr. Devender Singh, R/o Flat No.204. Plot No.20-21. Vrindavan Green, Dhanpatrai Colony, Rajbagh, Sector-5, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad, U.P. 201005, do hereby declare that Divya Tomar and Divya Choudhary are the same woman. Henceforth, I have changed my name from Divya

Tomar to Divya Choudhary for all purposes. 0040642315-1

I, Devender Kumar S/o Sh. 0040642348-3 Richpal Singh, R/o Flat No.204, I,Ashwani Dandona,S/o-Sanjeev Plot No.20-21, Vrindavan Green, Dhanpatrai Colony, Rajbagh, R/o.4/10,Subhash-Nagar,New Sector-5, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad, U.P. 201005, do Ashwani is my given name and hereby declare that Devender Singh, Devender Kumar and 0040642348-9 Devender Tomar are the same person. Henceforth, I shall be Mahender Singh Sangwan, R/o

known as Devender Kumar for all future purposes. 0040642314-1

> I, Chaman Kumar, S/O Pradeep Kumar, R/O House 62A/1 Safdarjung Enclave South West Delhi, Delhi 110029 as changed my name to Chaman Pradeep

0070814408-1

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I Vijay Singh S/o Naresh Kumar R/o 229, Aliganj Kotla Mubarakpur, New Delhi-110003 have changed my minor son's name from Tanishq to Tanishq Singh

I, Rajat S/o Kamlesh Khandelwal R/o H.No.366, Vikas Marg, I Arvind Kumar Harijan S/o Sant Jagriti Enclave, Karkardooma, Delhi-110092 have changed my name to RAJAT KHANDELWAL for all future purposes 230401, have changed my name

0070814494-1

I.Mohammad Vasin s/o-Ghulam Mohammad, R/o H.No-19A, Gali No-07, Parwana Road, old Brij Puri, Delhi-110051. have Changed my name to MOHAMMAD YASEEN.permanently.

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LOST & FOUND

Lost my original Demand Letter, Possession Letter of my Shop-No.848, Block-B, New Subzi Mandi Azadour Delhi-110033. Finder may Contact-Darshan Kumar Bhutani S/o Late Shri K.L.Bhutani at 136, Kadambari Appartments, Sector-9, Rohini, Delhi-110085 0040642387-1

I,Vishal Gupta,S/o Inderjeet Gupta, have Lost Original Sale-Deed Page-no.2-6 of Shopno.26,CSC-no.4,Sector-7.Rohini.Delhi.Executed-by Virender Aggarwal HUF in favour-of Rama Rani.

0040642417-10

PUBLIC NOTICE

That I undersigned by, for and on behalf of my Clients Sh Raghubir singh Sio Sh Haral and Ramrati Wio Sh Raghubir west.Dehin-10077, hereby affirm and declare that the conduct and deeds of Mr west.Dehin-10077, hereby affirm and declare that the conduct and deeds of Mr souni Kumar (particularly the Son of my clients) are not mild, generous and benevolent to my clients, their family and rest of the society, ergo, my clients have benevolent to my clients, their family and rest of the society, ergo, my clients have moveable and the mix-eable progeties and severe all Relations with him, Further my moveable and a severe de on y toese to Mr Sunil kumar Sio Raghubir Rev 28, Pochanpur Village South west,Delhi-10077. UMESH KUMAR GAVOCATE

PUBLIC NOTICE

UMESH KUMAR (ADVOCATE CH.NO. -322, LAWYERS CHAMBER BLOC ROHINI DISTRICT COURTS, DELH

HIS WIFE I R/O-NO. KHARAR, S 01. THEY AND

CH. NO 137-A, LAWYERS CHAMBER PATIALA HOUSE COURTS NEW DELHI-11001

PUBLIC NOTICE

o be known to all that my client arminder Kaur W/o Sh. Popinde ingh R/o Society Flat No. 8-C, Na darsh CGHS Ltd, Bodella Phase-II, V Adarsh CGHS Ltd, Bodella Phase-IJ, Viñas Puri, New Delhi-110018 The original document i.e. Share Certificate and Possession Letter in respect of Flat No. 6-C, Navyug Adarsh CGHS Ltd, Bodella Phase-II, Vikas Puri, New Delhi-110018 has been lost. An FIR to this effect has been lodged in Police Station, Vide VCR/LR No.1010742/2022 dated: 23/11/2022. Any Person(s) claiming any ight. Interpret horizon are interpret ight, interest, having any objection of ound in possession of original documen nay write/contact with above name person at above address within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice Sd/- B.B.N.Deo, Advocate, SR-IInd,B Coumpus, Janak Puri, ND-58

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ntorm the Public at large that Sn wi Nigania And Sh. Ashish Nigan Title Holder in possession of Enti , And Also Entire Terrace ovr ar I Floor, Alongwith 22.5% undivide Milling The Time Protect and Dessessard of Emile Emile Time Trans Concerns and Annual Technologies and Emile Time Trans Concerns and Annual Technologies and Property Bearing Pici No. D-S. Stutted Kallesh Property Bearing Pici No. D-S. Stutted Kallesh Emile Technologies and the State of State of State Technologies and the State of State of State States D-O. State of State of States and States States D-O. States and States D-O. States States D-O. States D-O. States States D-O. States States D-O. States D-O. States States D-O.

SURESH KUMAR (ADVOCATE) 26/48, DSIDC Complex, Pkt-2, Mayur Vihar, Delhi -110091

PUBLIC NOTICE **NOTICE** is hereby given that ASHA AZAD (UID No. 780489758817) wife of Late SI Prithvi Raj Azad resident of House No. 41, Flat No.-3, Gali No.1, Harijan Basti, Neb Sarai, New Delhi-110068, have agreed to sell the property mentioned in the schedule hereto, to my client vide Agreement dated 17.10.2022 ree from all encumbrances All persons claiming an interest in the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, gift, lease, inberitance, exchange methods. inheritance, exchange, mortgage charge, lien, trust, possession easement, attachment o required to make the same known in writing along with the documentary proof thereof, to the undersigned at his office at Office No.04, Street No. 02, Neb Sarai, New Delhi-110068 within 14 days from the date hereof, failing which the said sale will be completed, without any reference to such claim and the same. any, shall be considered as waived. **Schedule** Description of the property House No.41, Flat NO.-Gali No.-1, Harijan Basti Neb Sarai, New Delhi-110068 Priyanka Raina Sair Advocate DELHI HIGH COURT Office Address:-04, Khasra No.-139 Street No.-2, Neb Sara

New Delhi - 110068

Mob. No.-7982720649

Kumar Panwar has also lodged a FIR dated 01.10.2022 for the same. Any person dealing with the said document may do so a his/her own risk and mann whatsoever any claim on th basis of the title documer will be entertained withi 07 days of publication failing which any such right title interest, or claim if any will be deemed to have bee waived and not binding of ourclient

Manoj Kumar, Advocate Ch. No. 192, Tis Hazari Court Civil Side) Delhi-110054 Nobile No. 9868581889

PUBLIC NOTICE ithak S/o Sh. Pan Dev Pathak R ciety Flat No. B-002, Ganga CGHS L Society Flat No. B-002, Ganga CGHS Lid, known as Mahindra Apartments, Vikas Puri, New Delhi- 110018 The Original document Le. Share Certificate and Possession Letter in respect of Flat No.B-002, Ganga CGHS Ltd, Known as Mahindra Apartments, Vikas Puri, New Delhi- 110018 has been lost, An TIR to this effect has been lodged in Police Station, Vide NCR/LR No.1009083/2022 dated: 23/11/2022. Any Person(s) Calaming any right, interest, having any objection or found in possession of original document may write/contact with above named person at above address within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. Sd/- B.B.N.Deo, Advocate, nd,B Coumpus, Janak Puri, ND-5

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Office of the Chief Engineer Public Health Engineering Department **Raipur Zone Raipur**

Notice for Expression of Interest

EOI No. 14/21-11-2022

Name of work:- Invitation for Expression of Interest (EOI) for Empanelment of manufacturers/firms/ Organization/Agency for Supply of Portable Multiparameter water quality analyzer and necessary accessories & chemicals/reagents, its training and commissioning. The Instrument is to be Supplied at the PHED Sub divisional labs/Block level labs of the C.G.

The details EOI Document will be available in the portal https://phed.cg.gov.in on 28-11-2022 from 11:30 AM onwards. Bid are to be submitted by post/speed post / courier services in address. The Chief Engineer, Public Health Engineering Department, Raipur Zone, Neer Bhawan Civil Line, Raipur (C.G.) on or before 17:30pm hrs of 16-12-2022.

The pre Bid discussion of the interested manufacturer will be on 07-12-2022 at 11:00AM at Chief Engineer, Public Health Engineering Department, Neer Bhawan (meeting hall), Raipur.

Sd/-**Chief Engineer Public Health Engineering Department Raipur Zone Raipur**

I,Ali Nawaz,S/o Mustafa Kamal, R/o 199/9, Ghaffar Manzil, Jamia Nagar, Kumar for all future purposes. Okhla,Delhi-25,declare that my date of birth is wrongly written as 26/03/2001 in my Passport. My correct date-of-birth is 20/05/2002. 0040642407-5 I.ATIYA SUBHAN W/O MUJAHID ZAKI R/0 D.2A MUNERKA 67,have changed my name to ATIYA SUBHAN ZAKI.for all future Purposes. 0040642348-7

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Investment lessons in crash of IPOs as Sensex surges



George Mathew & SANDEEP SINGH

MANY HIGH-PROFILE initial public offerings (IPOs) that made waves in 2021 are facing rough weather - even as the Sensex at the Bombay Stock Exchange closed at an all-time high of 62,272 on Thursday, a number of these listings, including Paytm and Zomato, continued to struggle, leading to an erosion of investors' capital.

With inflation numbers expected to gradually taper off, and with equity markets likely to benefit from the increase in FPI and domestic investor flows, experts advise investors to stick to good companies that are already listed

on the stock exchanges instead of chasing IPOs that aim to take advantage of a rise in the secondary markets.

How have investors lost?

Investors who put money in a number of high-profile IPOs that came during the bull run of 2021 have suffered significant capital erosion. While the Sensex, which recently regained the 62,000 level, has risen over 21 per cent over the last four months, the market capitalisation of Paytm has fallen by over Rs 70,000 crore from the listing day. On Wednesday, the Paytm stock closed 5.20 per cent lower at Rs 452.30 as against the IPO offer price of R 2,150 a massive decline of 79 per cent.

It's not just Paytm either. Star Health and Allied Insurance is now quoting at Rs 599.95 as against the offer price of Rs 900, and PB Fintech is down to 400.65 from its IPO offer price of Rs 980. Cartrade crashed from the IPO price of Rs 1,618 to Rs 484.15 on November 23.

Nykaa (FSN E-commerce) is down at Rs 171.65 (after stock split) as against the 52-week high of Rs 429.86 registered on the BSE. Nykaa's market capitalisation has nearly halved from

around Rs 1 lakh crore to Rs 48,890 crore on Wednesday. The company had recently announced a 5:1 bonus issue amid the sell-off. As per the adjusted closing price, the stock is currently trading 23 per cent below its IPO offer price of Rs 1,125.

In fact, 23 of the 43 public issues between June 2021 and December 2021 are currently trading below their issue price.

What should investors do?

As these stocks continue to remain under pressure, there are several views among experts. While existing investors sitting on losses can wait or exit depending upon their entry point and the losses they are sitting on, experts advise caution when it comes to making a fresh entry into these stocks. Many feel that the pressure on these companies may continue for some time, and they may fall further.

"Investors must wait. It will take time to reach the bottom. We believe it can test 350 levels after some consolidation. It is possible to accumulate near these levels for the long term," said Ravi Singal, CEO, GCL, on the fall in Paytm shares.

Some feel that as large shareholders continue to dump the shares of these companies as they are trading weak, their share prices may remain under pressure in the near future.

Promoter holdings in some of these companies have come down as the lock-in period ended.

Last year, Sebi decided that if the objective of the issue involves offer for sale or financing other than for capital expenditure for a project, then the minimum promoters' contribution of 20 per cent should be locked in for 18 months from the date of IPO allotment as against the three years earlier.

Also, the promoter shareholding in excess of 20 per cent needed to be locked in only for six months as against one year earlier. The lockin of shares held before the IPO by non-promoters was cut to six months from one year.

Why was there a rush in 2021?

The boom witnessed in the IPO market in 2021 was in line with the Sensex rally. "During April 2021 to October 2021, when the Sensex jumped from the 40,000 mark to the 60,000 mark, 49% of the IPO issuances were reckoned.

This was also the period of gradual strengthening of the Indian economy after the Covidinduced slowdown. Robust macro fundamentals in terms of a stable currency, adequate external buffers and ample domestic liquidity provided comfort to investors," a Bank of Baroda report said.

The situation changed in 2022 with financial tightening globally and in India. During the 2021-22 fiscal, companies raised Rs 1.30 lakh crore from the primary market. During the first seven months of 2022-23, companies raised around Rs 38,000 crore through IPOs.

Geopolitical tensions, weakening of the rupee, inflation remaining above the RBI's upper band of 6% (now for seven months in a row) and a spillover of the global growth slowdown, all have hit sentiment.

Should you invest in IPOs?

Nearly 70 companies with Sebi approvals are waiting to hit the market. Experts say that investors need to be very careful investing, especially in the high-profile new age companies where profitability is an issue.

Experts feel that while the new-age tech-

nology companies demanded high premiums and benefitted from the liquidity in the market and investor enthusiasm around these firms during the pandemic, the sentiments have tapered now - and given the past experience, investors would be more cautious.

"It is important to understand that when the market corrects, investor confidence is shaken even if a company declares a decline in profits in one quarter. So, in most of these companies where profitability is not visible for the next five years, it is very tough for an investor to stay invested, and that is what has been happening," said the head of research with a leading financial services firm.

Experts feel that rather than IPOs, investors should go with companies that have been tested in the markets over some time. "Companies with less leverage, operating in sectors with high growth potential, and leaders in their segments should be preferred by investors," an analyst said. He added that before investing in IPOs, one must look at the quality of the promoter, corporate governance practices, financial and peer review analyses, and check the valuation the company is demanding.

FACT CHECK, GROUND REALITY

LOCATION AND DEPTH: WHY A MODERATE INDONESIA QUAKE CAUSED MANY DEATHS



Search operations in progress at a village hit by an earthquake-triggered landslide in Cianjur, West Java, Indonesia. AP

ON THE fourth day of their search Thursday, Indonesian rescuers narrowed their focus on to a landslide in the mountainous Cianjur district, where many were believed trapped after an earthquake killed at least 272 people, more than a third of them children.

The earthquake that hit Indonesia's main island of Java on Monday measured 5.6 on the Richter scale, a magnitude that would typically be expected to cause light damage to buildings. Why did it then cause significantly greater devastation?

out, "There is not one magnitude above which damage will occur. It depends on other variables, such as the distance from the earthquake, what type of soil you are on, building construction", and other factors.

In the Java quake, the proximity to fault lines, the depth of the temblor, and buildings not being constructed using earthquake-proof methods were factors.

The worst-affected area is close to several known faults. Marlivani said. A fault is a place with a long break in the rock that forms the surface of the Earth. When an earth-

The new General in Pakistan

EXPLAINED DIPLOMACY, FOREIGN POLICY, STRATEGY

Lt Gen Syed Asim Munir, who will succeed Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa as the new chief of the Pak Army, may have to wade into the country's political crisis almost immediately upon taking charge. He headed the ISI, and is the first 'mullah general' to become chief, a development that could have major implications for India

Lt Gen Asim Munir

named the new chief

of the Pakistan Army.

The tenure of Gen

Qamar Javed Bajwa

(above) has been



Nirupama Subramanian

THE WAIT has finally ended. Lt Gen Syed Asim Munir Shah is the new chief of the Pakistan Army. He will take charge on November 29, when the incumbent, Gen Qamar Javed Bajwa, steps down after six years in the post, which included a three-year extension in 2019.

The appointment of the new chief had become more contentious than at any other time in the last three decades of the country's troubled military-civilian relations. The announcement ends months of speculation on whether Baiwa would seek another extension. But it may not end Pakistan's political uncertainty.

as ISI chief to become the Army chief. Gen Ashfaq Parvez Kayani, who was Army chief from 2008 to 2013 is perhaps the only other. Munir is also one of only three other officers to have headed both MI and ISI, the other two being Lt Gen Asad Durrani and Lt Gen Hamid Gul.

Munir served in Saudi Arabia in the diplomatic post of defence attache. Unlike many others of senior rank in the Pakistan Army, he does not seem to have had any exposure to either American or British training at any point in his career. While he was a colonel, Munir was bestowed the title of 'Hafiz-

e-Koran', that is, he has memorised and can recite the holy book almost entirely. "Munir is the culmination of

changes that Zia-ul-Haq set in motion as a promoter of overt religiosity in the Army," said Ramanathan Kumar, who headed the Pakistan desk at R&AW from 2015 until he retired in 2020.

Rana Banerjee, who also led the Pakistan desk at R&AW earlier, said Munir was unlikely to

Even though Nawaz Sharif had appointed his "own man" as chief overlooking seniority three times, the Sharif brothers' sudden fondness for the seniority principle pointed in Munir's direction.

Khan's push for a "consensus" candidate as Army chief failed. And concerns that he would use President Arif Alvi, who belongs to his party, the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI), to sit on the Cabinet summary of the appointment, on which the presidential signature is a formality but nevertheless, a constitutional

requirement, did not come true. A PTI press release sounded conciliatory even as it made the demand for an early election. But the Khan-Munir ten-

sions may not be buried yet, only postponed for another day. Challenges before Lt

Gen Munir In his farewell address,

Bajwa reiterated that the Pakistan Army, which had "interfered" in politics for 75 years, needed to make a clean break

ernment to resolve the political standoff.

Or he may decide to stay "neutral" - that is, stand behind the government which does not want elections until they are due next year, permitting it to put in place a measure of economic stability with the help of the IMF bailout package, and justify the tough and unpopular measures that it has had to take.

Also expected are demands for investigating Bajwa after recent disclosures about the sudden increase in the family riches. The Army has never allowed such investigations when similar allegations have been levelled against its own in the past, and Munir is not likely to break from that practice.

The new chief and India

The new chief was heading the ISI when the Pulwama bombing took place in February 2019. In the IAF action and the PAF retaliation that followed, National Security Adviser Ajit Doval is reported to have spoken to Munir to secure the release of fighter pilot Abhinandan Varthaman, who was captured when his MiG fighter jet was downed in PoK. Despite his closeness to Bajwa, it is not known if Munir shares his predecessor's views on "geo-eco-

Not 'strong', but shallow

The US Geological Survey said the quake measured 5.6 in magnitude, and struck at a depth of 10 km. "Even though the earthquake was medium-sized, it (was) close to the surface...and located inland, close to where people live," said Gayatri Marliyani, an assistant geology professor at Universitas Gadjah Mada, in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. "The energy was large enough to cause significant shaking that led to damage.'

A range of other factors

While quakes of this size usually don't cause widespread damage, the USGS points

quake occurs on one of these faults, the rock on one side slips with respect to the other.

The country of more than 270 million people is frequently struck by earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and tsunamis because of its location on the arc of volcanoes and fault lines in the Pacific Basin known as the Ring of Fire. The area spans some 40,000 km, and is where the majority of the world's earthquakes occur. However, many of Indonesia's earthquakes are minor and cause little to no damage. AP

Earthquakes in Indonesia

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Asim Munir, Hafiz-e-Koran

Lt Gen Munir, who graduated in 1986 from the Officers Training School, Mangla, belongs to the Frontier Force Regiment, one of the six infantry regiments of the Pakistan Army. At present, he is the QuarterMaster General at GHQ, Rawalpindi.

Munir is said to be close to Bajwa, with whom he worked both as Director-General Military Intelligence from December 2016 to October 2018, and later as D-G Inter Services Intelligence from October 2018 to June 2019.

Earlier in his career, he commanded a brigade of the Force Command Northern Areas, a component of X Corps, at a time when Bajwa was the corps commander.

He is reportedly an "outstanding officer" and was recently described by the writer Shuja Nawaz (Crossed Swords: Pakistan, Its Army and the Wars Within), as "a straight arrow"

Munir is the most senior general in the present crop of three-star officers.

He was earlier not considered to be in the race for the top job as his four-year tenure as Lt General was ending on November 27, and he was set to retire two days before Bajwa's tenure ends. But that minor hurdle has become irrelevant as his appointment as chief gives him a three-year tenure.

It is also rare for someone who has served

be a fundamentalist despite his religious mindedness.

> Crossed swords with Imran Khan

Munir's eight-month tenure as D-G ISI was the shortest ever for any officer in that post. Although no reasons were officially given for his abrupt trans-

fer, it was widely known that Bajwa had acceded to then Prime Minister Imran Khan's demand to remove him. At the time, the COAS and Khan were still on friendly terms. Munir's fault: he had appar-

(top) ends on Nov 29. ently alleged to Khan that his ISPR handout via Reuters, wife Bushra Bibi, also known as AP file photo Pinky, and her family were on the take

This is why when Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif and his brother, former prime minister Nawaz Sharif – who has lived in self-exile in London since early 2020, and whom the PM consults on all issues pertaining to the government - said the "seniority principle" as laid down in the Constitution would be the only factor in determining the next chief, alarm bells rang for Khan.

from the past.

"A major reason for (the criticism of the Army) is the Army's interference in politics for the last 70 years which is unconstitutional.

"This is why in February last year the Army, after great deliberation, decided that it would never interfere in any political matter. I assure you we are strictly adamant on this and will remain so."

Will Munir rise to the bar set for him by Bajwa and change Pakistan's chronic civil-military imbalance to favour civilians? As head of the world's sixthlargest army, and of Pakistan's most "powerful" institution,

Munir's first task will likely be to unite the Army behind his leadership, and cement the cracks between the pro- and anti-Imran Khan factions within.

And as long as politicians look to the Army for help, it will remain the final arbiter.

If Khan is still bent on pressing his demand for a quick election, Munir may be compelled, as early as his first week in office, to mediate between the former PM and the Sharif gov-

nomics" and normalising relations with India.

Baneriee told The Indian Express that given the internal environment, "Munir cannot afford to be seen as going soft on India, he will be a hardline chief." At the same time, he said, the 2003 LoC ceasefire, which was renewed in February 2021, and has been strictly observed, is in no danger of falling apart as it suits Pakistan as much as it does India at this time.

Kumar, who headed the Pakistan desk during the Pulwama attack, said Munir would be the first "mullah general" to become chief, cautioning that it was during the tenure of a similarly "religiously oriented" Javed Nasir as ISI chief that the 1993 Mumbai attacks took place.

Three years earlier, Zahirul Islam Abbasi, then a brigadier and a Tablighi follower, had been removed from his command in the Kargil area for making an unauthorised forav into the Indian side, which ended in a "fiasco' with many men lost.

The Indian experience of having religiously minded men in top positions in the Pakistan Army had thus "not been good", said Kumar, adding though that "another aspect to this" was that such generals "are also best suited for de-radicalisation since extremists listen to them, and thus this could be a double-edged sword in the India-Pakistan context".

Tougher draft law against cruelty to animals: what's in it, why it's needed

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

THE CENTRE has proposed to overhaul The Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1960, introducing 61 amendments, which includes three years' jail for "gruesome cruelty", including "bestiality", with animals. A draft Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill, 2022, prepared by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying, has been published for public comments until December 7. Once the draft is final, the Bill could be brought in the Winter Session or the Budget Session of Parliament.

Main changes proposed

Essentially, the law is proposed to have more stringent punishments. Several offences have been made cognizable, which means offenders can be arrested without a warrant

The draft law describes "gruesome cruelty" as any act that leads to "extreme pain and suffering" and is "likely to leave the animal in life-long disability". The draft proposes fines from Rs 50,000 to Rs 75,000 "or the cost of the animal...whichever is more or with the imprisonment of one year which may extend up to three years or with both" for the offence of gruesome cruelty. For killing an animal, the draft Bill proposes a maximum punishment of five years in jail.

Argument to strengthen law

In September, a doctor in Rajasthan's Jodhpur allegedly tied a dog to his car and dragged it across the city. The dog fractured a leg and suffered bruises. An offence such as

this – common in India – currently attracts charges under Section 428 (mischief by killing or maiming animal) IPC and Section 11 (treating animals cruelly) of The PCA Act, 1960. First-time offenders under the PCA Act are punished with a meagre fine of Rs 10-50. If it is not the offender's first such crime in the past three years, the maximum punishment would be a fine between Rs 25 and Rs 100, a jail term of three months, or both.

Calls for amendments

In 2014, the Supreme Court, in Animal Welfare Board of India vs A Nagaraja & Others, had said that "Parliament is expected to make proper amendment of the PCA Act to provide an effective deterrent".

In September 2020, Kishanganj MP Mohammad Jawed brought a Bill in Parliament saying the maximum punishment be hiked to a "fine which shall not be less than ten thousand rupees but which may extend to twenty five thousand rupees or with imprisonment for a term which may extend upto one year or with both ..

In 2021, Kendrapara MP Anubhav Mohanty also proposed a Bill, expanding the definition of cruelty to include events where "animals are subjected to cruelty either during sport or activity", and anyone who "skins, roasts or kills for superstition or extracts parts of any live animals through a procedure which causes pain and suffering, for the purpose of getting skins, oils or other animal products...¹

In 2020, a group of MPs cutting across party lines wrote to then Animal Husbandry Minister Giriraj Singh, urging that the punishment in the 1960 Act be increased.

What has government said

In April 2021, the Centre proposed changes where the penalty can go up to "Rs 75,000 per animal or three times the cost of the animal as determined by the jurisdictional veterinarian, whichever is more, and imprisonment of three years which may extend to five years or both." In October 2021, the government said it would bring in a Bill to amend the PCA Act.

What else is proposed?

The draft bill proposes the insertion of a section providing five freedoms to animals.

It shall be the duty of every person having charge of an animal to ensure that the animal in his care or under his charge has freedom from thirst, hunger and malnutrition: discomfort due to environment; pain, injury and diseases; fear and distress, and the freedom to express normal behaviour for the species, it says. It also says that "in case of a community animal, the local government such as municipality or panchayats shall be responsible for taking care of the community animals in a manner developed by the State Government or by the Board".

Concerns over stricter laws

While comments have been invited to the draft Bill, some experts have in the past pointed out that simply increasing the quantum of punishment may not be enough to stop cruelty against animals, and some already marginalised communities like *madaris* (who perform with animals) and saperas (snake charmers) may be disproportionately impacted.

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A ROMANTIC NUMBER ISRAELI SINGER JOINS LUCKY ALI FOR NEW SONG

Matti Caspi, one of Israel's well-known singers, has teamed up with singer Lucky Ali on a romantic number amid growing signs of collaboration between artists of the two countries. For Caspi the release of the song is like a childhood dream coming true. After going through work of several artists, Caspi heard Ali and thought his voice was exactly what he was looking for.

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Jean Carroll accused Trump of battery too

USA Rape charges:

Writer sues Trump again

New York: Donald Trump was sued for defamation a second time on Thursday by a writer who accused the former US president of lying by denying that he raped her 27 years ago. In a complaint filed in Manhattan federal court, the former Elle magazine columnist E Jean Carroll also accused Trump of battery in an alleged encounter at the Bergdorf Goodman department store in Manhattan. Carroll. 78. brought the battery claim under New York's Adult Survivors Act, a new law giving sexual assault victims a one-year window to sue their alleged abusers, even if the abuse occurred long ago and statutes of limitations have expired. **REUTERS**

FRANCE

House adopts enshrining abortion rights

Paris: Lawmakers in France's lower House of Parliament on Thursday adopted a resolution to enshrine abortion rights in the country's constitution, the first step in a lengthy and uncertain legislative battle prompted by the rollback of abortion rights in the US. The measure was approved with 337 lawmakers voting for and 32 against in the 557-National member Assembly. Abortion in France was decriminalised under a key 1975 law, but there is nothing in the constitution that woul d guar

31,444 NEW CASES REPORTED IN PAST 24 HOURS China's Covid infections hit record high, to restore power lockdowns expand across the country

Streets of Beijing's most populous district increasingly empty this week

AGENCIES

BEIJING, NOVEMBER 24

PANDEMIC LOCKDOWNS are expanding across China, including in a city where factory workers clashed this week with police, as the number of Covid-19 cases hits a daily record.

Residents of eight districts of Zhengzhou, home to 6.6 million people, were told to stay home for five days beginning Thursday except to buy food or get medical treatment. Daily mass testing was ordered in what the city government called a "war of annihilation" against the virus. In the previous 24 hours, the

number of new Covid cases rose by 31,444, the National Health Commission said Thursday. That's the highest daily figure since the coronavirus was first detected in the central Chinese city of Wuhan in late 2019.

The daily caseload has been steadily increasing. This week, authorities reported China's first Covid-19 deaths in six months, bringing the total to 5,232.

Businesses and residential communities from the manufacturing centre of Guangzhou in the south to Beijing in the north are in various forms of lockdowns, measures that particularly affects blue-collar migrant workers. In many cases, residents say the restrictions go beyond what the national government allows.

Russia passes law banning 'LGBT propaganda' among adults

REUTERS MOSCOW, NOVEMBER 24

RUSSIA'S PARLIAMENT on Thursday passed the third and fi-REUTERS nal reading of a law that expands LONDON, NOVEMBER 24 an existing ban on promoting "LGBT propaganda" to children by banning it among people of BRITISH PRIME Minister Rishi all ages. Under the new law, any Sunak is committed to bringevent or act regarded as an ating net migration to the UK tempt to promote homosexualdown from record levels, his spokesman said on Thursday, ity – including online, in film, books, advertising or in public adding that the government could incur a heavy fine. would look at all options to en-The fine will be up to sure the system was working. 400,000 roubles (\$6,600) for in-"The PM is fully committed to dividuals and up to 5 million roubringing overall numbers down." his spokesman said after official bles (\$82,100) for legal entities. Foreigners could face 15 days of statistics showed net migration arrest and subsequent expulsion rose to an estimated record of 504.000 in the year to lune. from the country. Critics see the move as an at-"We're considering all options to tempt to further intimidate and make sure the immigration sysoppress sexual minorities in tem is delivering. An estimated 1.1 million Russia, where authorities have already used existing laws to long-term immigrants arrived over the period, up 435,000 on stop gay pride marches and detain gay rights activists. the previous year. The biggest Lawmakers say they are deproportion of those leaving Britain were EU nationals. fending morality in the face of what they argue are "un-Three new visa schemes for Ukrainians. Afghans and Russian" decadent values promoted by the West. But human Hong Kong British nationals rights groups say the moves are together added around 138,000 designed to outlaw representato the number of arrivals. "A setion of minorities in public life. ries of world events have im-



Empty streets in Beijing following lockdown on Thursday, AP

The streets of Chaoyang, the capital's most populous district, have been increasingly empty this week. Sanlitun, a high-end shopping area, was nearly silent on Thursday but for the whirring of the e-bikes of delivery riders ferrying meals for those working from home.

Guangzhou suspended access Monday to its Baiyun district of 3.7 million residents, while residents of some areas of Shijiazhuang, a city of 11 million people southwest of Beijing, were told to stay home while mass testing is conducted. China stocks fell on Thursday

iPhone factory, Foxconn apologises

protesting over a pay dispute at the biggest factory for Apple's iPhone, whose new model is delayed by controls imposed as China tries to contain a surge in Covid-19 cases.

Foxconn, the biggest contract assembler of smartphones and other electronics, is struggling to fill orders for the iPhone 14 after thousands of employees walked away from the factory in the cen-

tral city of Zhengzhou last month following complaints about unsafe working conditions. The company apologised for a pay dispute that triggered employee protests at a factory where anti-virus controls have

slowed production. "We apologise for an input error in the computer system and guarantee that the actual pay is the same as agreed and the official recruitment

posters," said a company statement. It promised to "try its best to actively solve the concerns and reasonable de-

On Tuesday, a protest erupted after employees who had traveled long distances to take jobs at the factory complained that the company changed terms of their pay, according to an employee, Li Sanshan

Ukraine works after bruising **Russian attack**



Critical civil infrastructure was hit by Russian missile attacks in Kyiv, Ukraine. Reuters

ASSOCIATED PRESS KYIV, NOVEMBER 24

ABOUT 70 PER CENT of the Ukrainian capital was left without power, Kyiv's mayor said on Thursday, a day after Moscow unleashed yet another devastating missile and drone barrage on Ukraine's energy infrastructure.

Wednesday's renewed Russian attack on Ukrainian infrastructure caused power outages across large parts of the country,

further hobbling Ukraine's already battered power network and adding to the misery for civilians as temperatures plunge. The strikes also caused power outages in neighbouring Moldova.

Kyiv Mayor Vitali Klitschko said in a Telegram statement that "power engineers are doing their best to get (electricity) back as soon as possible" and added that the water supply has been restored in about half of Kyiv on the left bank of the Dnieper River. Ukraine's General Staff reported on Thursday that Russian forces fired 67 cruise missiles and 10 drones during Wednesday's "massive attack on residential buildings and energy infrastructure" in Kyiv and several other regions in Ukraine. Efforts to restore power,

heating and water supplies disrupted by the Wednesday attacks were underway elsewhere in Ukraine as well.

Ukraine's energy minister Herman Haluschenko said three out of four nuclear power stations that are fully functioning and which had been forced offline by Wednesday's strikes were subsequently reconnected to the grid.

Governor of the Poltava region Dmytro Lunin said "an optimistic scenario" suggested that electricity will come back to residents of his central Ukrainian region on Thursday.

Indian-origin teen stabbed to death in Canada, 17-year-old held

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA TORONTO, NOVEMBER 24

AN 18-YEAR-OLD Indian-origin teen has been stabbed to death at school parking lot by a

other teenager in Canada's British

Sethi, was stabbed at the

Tamanawis Secondary School's

parking lot in Surrey on Tuesday

by a 17-year-old following a fight

between the two, the Vancouver

confirmed on Tuesday that a

fight took place in the parking

lot, but the victim was not a

school student, said the report.

that the suspect and the victim

were known to each other and

that this was an isolated inci-

dent," Integrated Homicide

Investigation Team's Sgt.

Timothy Pierotti was guoted as

"At this time, it is believed

The principal of the school

Sun newspaper reported.

The victim, Mehakpreet

Columbia province, police said.

UK's net migration soars to new high of 5 lakh plus, Sunak aims to bring it down

NED

Protesting workers beaten at Chinese *Beijing:* Police beat workers

mands of employees.

antee abortion rights. AP

IRAN

UNHRC deplores protest crackdown, establishes probe

Berlin: The UN Human Rights Council voted Thursday to condemn the bloody crackdown on peaceful protests in Iran and create an independent fact-finding mission to investigate alleged abuses, particularly those committed against women and children. A resolution put forward by Germany and Iceland was backed by 25 nations, including the US and many European, Latin American, Asian and African nations. Six countries opposed the move -China, Pakistan, Cuba, Eritrea, Venezuela and Armenia – while 16 abstained. AF



THE OFFICE for National Statistics (ONS) said a recoverv of travel following Covid-19, and an increase in arrivals of international students who had been studying remotely during the pandemic had contributed to the rise.

pacted international migration patterns in the 12 months to June 2022. Taken together these were unprecedented," Jay Lindop, Director of the ONS Centre for International Migration, said.

"Migration from non-EU countries, specifically students, is driving this rise," Lindop added. "The many factors independent of each other contributing to migration at this time mean it is too early to say whether this picture will be sustained."



ANWAR IS MALAYSIA'S NEW PM

Malaysia's Anwar Ibrahim (left) was sworn in as Prime Minister on Thursday. Malaysia's King Sultan Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah appointed Anwar as the leader in the swearing-in ceremony at the National Palace in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. AP

Nepal polls: Trends show hung Parliament

YUBARAJGHIMIRE KATHMANDU, NOVEMBER 24

WITH COUNTING of votes underway and final results of Parliamentary elections trickling in, available trends suggest that the country is heading towards an "absolute hung" Parliament. There are indications that none of the existing pre-poll alliances will cross over 50 per cent or 138benchmark required to form the

government in a House of 275. "It

will be difficult to form a government, and even tougher to hold it together and keep it functioning," said, KP Sharma Oli chairman of the Communist Party of Nepal-Unified Marxist Leninist and one of the aspirants for the top job.

Normally, any two of the three parties -- UML, Nepali Congress and the Maoist Centre together would have formed an alliance to form a government. But this time around, the projection does not seem to be heading in that direction as the UML and Nepali Congress forming a coalition looks unlikely. The Maoist Centre, which has alternatively aligned with these two poles, may not have the decisive size to add to form the majority.

A final shape of the House and constituent parties may still take a week as the calculation of seats under the proportional representation system and their allotment to parties based on the votes they get may take longer. FULL REPORT ON

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saving in the report. The 17-year-old suspect was identified by witnesses and arrested. Canada's national police force's Surrey spokesperson Cpl. Vanessa Munn said police were called about the attack shortly after noon. "Police arrived within minutes and immediately began life-saving measures," Munn said.

AFTER BEING ON THE BRINK OF EXTINCTION, MANX IS EXPERIENCING REVIVAL ON THE ISLE OF MAN An ancient language declared dead is British Isle's talk of town

MEGAN SPECIA ST JOHN'S, ISLE OF MAN, NOV 24

THE SQUEALS of laughter echoing from the playground sound like any other elementary school in its first week back in session.

Listen closely, though, and there's something rare in the children's chatter: the Manx language, an ancient tongue once feared forgotten.

But thanks in part to these students at Bunscoill Ghaelgagh, a school on the Isle of Man, the language that was deeply intertwined in hundreds of years of local history is now becoming a part of the island's future.

It was a little over a decade ago use was everywhere. when UNESCO declared the lan-Two girls drawing a clock in

chalk on the schoolyard pavement counted off one, two, three in Manx: nane, jees, tree. A sign hanging over a tidy row of lunchboxes gave the days of the week in Manx. In a nearby classroom. a teacher delivered a geography lesson in Manx.

The school, with 53 students, is just one of a number of ways the language is being kept alive on the island. located in the Irish Sea between northern England and Ireland.

"We're trying to make it accessible to everybody, and inclusive," said Ruth Keggin Gell, the Manx language development of-



Members of the Manx Language Society writing slogans for posters in Manx. NYT

ficer at Culture Vannin, a founerning British dation established by the government of the island, a self-govresidents are British citizens.

"It doesn't matter if you just moved over to the Isle of Man yesterday," Keggin Gell added. "If you want to learn Manx, then it's open to you; likewise, if you have been here all your life." While UNESCO was incorrect in 2009 when it said that Manx was dead, the mistake was understandable

For centuries, Manx – part of the Celtic language family like Irish and Scottish Gaelic – was how people on the island communicated in their everyday lives. But by the 19th century, the English language had overtaken it, and many on the Isle of Man raised their children to speak

only English amid an increasingly derogatory, sometimes even hostile, attitude toward Manx. The survival of Manx into the 21st century is a testament to the island's sense of itself as a place apart, with its own identity – and political autonomy.

Even though the language is spoken by only a fraction of the population, its imprint is visible virtually everywhere, including tombstones bearing Manx inscriptions, place names and road signs. "It does have a snowball effect," Keggin Gell said of the way the language was being incorporated into island life. "It might be a bit of a slower-growing snowball. but it's still definitely a snowball."

Around 2,200 people are now able to speak, read or write in Manx, as per the latest census figures, and the government goal is to see that number over double in the next 10 years. Phil Gawne, 57, and Annie Kissack, 63, a married couple, are both fluent Manx speakers and helped establish the Bunscoill in an old Victorian-era schoolhouse in St. John's, a village in the island's central valley, near several prominent landmarks. Gawne grew up knowing a few older relatives who could speak a bit of Manx, but it wasn't until 1970s, he said, when there was an influx of new residents that he felt the desire to know more about the language. NYT

New Delhi



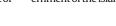




guage extinct, and students then studying at the school took strong exception. To make their case that the language was anything but dead, they wrote a letter to the United Nations body – in Manx.

"It sort of was on the brink. but we've brought it back to life again," said Julie Matthews, the head teacher of the school, who noted that her students' determined effort prompted a new UNESCO categorisation of Manx

as a "revitalised" language. On a recent visit to Bunscoill Ghaelgagh (pronounced BUNscull GILL-gackh), the evidence that Manx was still very much in



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THE INDIAN EXPRESS, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2022 17 ECONOMY

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ENSECONOMIC BUREAU

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NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 24

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RUPEE APPRECIATES 30 PAISE Markets hit all-time high as **US Fed signals slower rate hike**

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

STOCK MARKETS on Thursday rallied to hit an all-time peak as minutes of the US Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) minutes showed the majority of the policymakers were in favour of slower rate hikes, much to the relief of the investors. The fall in the US dollar and crude oil prices further boosted the market sentiment, bringing the bulls back into the ring

The benchmark Sensex hit a record intra-day high of 62,412.23 before closing at a new peak of 62,272.68, a gain of 762 points, or 1.24 per cent. The NSE Nifty index also hit a new peak and closed at

18.484.10, a rise of 216.85 points, or 1.19 per cent. With the dollar coming un-

der pressure, the rupee appreciated 30 paise to close at 81.63

against the US dollar. US FOMC minutes indicated that the aggressive rate hike stance to rein in inflation is impacting economic growth, ruling out a big hike in the next Fed meeting, analysts said. "Two triggers assisted the Sensex rally to record highs. One, in the mother market US, the market construct turned favourable with rising equities, declining bond yields and falling dollar. Two, macro developments in

India show steady rise in credit growth and capex indicating strong economic recovery. Along with this, sharp correction in crude is a big positive,"



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said V K Vijavakumar, chief investment strategist at Geojit Financial Services. After the gap-up start, the

benchmark indices gradually inched higher and gained noticeable momentum in the last half an hour. The rally was led by IT, oil & gas and financial stocks. "Consequently, Sensex made a new record high and Nifty also inched closer to that milestone and closed at 18,484 levels. All sectors contributed to the move with IT outshining others. The broader indices also posted modest gains but the participation was restricted," said Ajit Mishra, VP - Technical Research, Religare Broking Ltd. Foreign investors have put

Rs 27,396 crore in Indian equities in November so far. "Markets have reclaimed buoyancy and we expect the tone to continue. However, participants shouldn't go overboard and continue with selective buying.

The banking and IT pack look firm to us while others are seeing a mixed trend. We reiterate our preference for index majors and quality midcaps and suggest focusing more on overnight risk management," Mishra said.

The US dollar fell after the release of FOMC meeting minutes on Wednesday. US Dollar index closed near day low of 106.03 in the previous session, a fall by more than 1 per cent. "Although the minutes indicated the end of jumbo rate hikes, the policy makers were uncertain on when the end point of the rate hikes. Smaller rate hikes by the Fed are positive for risk assets as well as for safe haven assets like gold as dollar weakness supports," said Ravindra Rao, VPhead Commodity Research, Kotak Securities



biggest revdis: Montek

Montek Singh Ahluwalia, former Planning Commission Deputy Chairman. File

duce taxes, etc, there are hundreds of demands for additional expenwell as states was fixed at 50 per diture. I am not aware of anyone cent of the last drawn basic pay. A saving that the way to fit this in is new system of New Pension to get rid of certain expenditures" Scheme came into effect for those ... I think what the Prime joining government service from Minister rightly called the revdis January 1, 2004, wherein defined of the world and there are many contribution comprised 10 per more *revdis* than what we cent of the basic salary and dearness allowance by the employee thought. I mean bringing back the under Tier 1 and a matching conold pension system is one of the tribution by the government (later biggest revdis that are now being invented. Now the question is raised to 14 per cent).

In July, Prime Minister Narendra Modi spoke against political parties promoting a culture of freebies, calling them "revdi", to win votes. His remarks triggered a public debate with parties of the Opposition, especially the AAP and DMK, accusing the PM of tarto guide us on, only when they geting welfare schemes and state this, the politicians will also begin subsidies promised by non-BJP parties. The Election Commission said political parties should lay out lem," Ahluwalia said at an ICRIER the cost of the freebies they promise and how they plan to finance Many political parties have them if voted to power. A petition spoken about reverting to the Old was made in the Supreme Court, which proposed formation of a committee to suggest ways to deal ready reverted to the Old Pension Scheme in Rajasthan and with the issue.

Speaking about growth prospects, Ahluwalia said that India needs to grow at 8 per cent but it is unlikely to clock average

only because of spillover effects, he said. "...we have to get out of the notion that we will only grow because of spillover effects. That was true when the West was three-fourths of the world's GDP. They are not three-fourths of world's GDP but they are half and nobody thinks they have a sustainable growth rate of more than 2 per cent. So when the IMF says the world will grow at 3 per cent, what it means is that other (countries) are going to grow at more, so from our point of view the spillover effects are not just going to be from the United States or Europe, the spillover effects are from all the other places that are going to grow, certainly Asia in my view," he said. Sajjid Z Chinoy, chief India economist at JP Morgan and Part-Time Member in the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council (EAC-PM), said over the last 30 years our average growth rates have almost been 7 per cent

8 per cent GDP growth rate for the next 20 or 30 years. India should

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long term growth will take place

and that no emerging market of India's size has grown at 7 or 8 per cent for a decade or more without strong export growth. In the next 9-12 months, India will have to focus on macroeconomic stability, he said. "We have to ensure that the twin deficits, current account deficit and fiscal deficit, are brought back to sustainable levels...the government is using a variety of instruments like reserves. exchange rate, monetary policy fiscal policy...I don't think there is a crisis coming in the next six months because India has built sufficient reserves. Despite what we have run down, our reserves are nine months of imports, oneand-half times the gross financing requirements, so there is no

2013 moment," he added.

SECTOR WATCH PACKAGED WATER

If deal goes through, Bisleri to be 'beautiful fit' for Tata: Experts

KRITIKA ARORA MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

BISLERI INTERNATIONAL chairman Ramesh Chauhan is negotiating with a few companies, including Tata Consumer Products (TCPL), for selling the company that he had bought from an Italian firm, Felice Bisleri, for Rs 4 lakh in 1969. While Chauhan is not divulging the deal value or the buyer as yet (he termed "incorrect" reports that the Tatas have clinched the deal already). the buzz is getting stronger that the discussions between the two have reached the final stages

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In a communique to the exchanges, TCPL said it "... remains in discussions with various parties, including Bisleri"

> Bisleri will bring in the volume for TCPL," one of them said. Besides, Bisleri is an iconic brand, which is synonymous with the category and one that commands a lot of trust. "The whole beverage segment can see a lot of innovation and, backed by the Bisleri distribution, is certainly a plus for the business," analysts said.

According to analysts ith Nomur through, assuming purchase of Chauhan's entire stake, Bisleri could contribute 12-14 per cent to Tata Consumer's FY23 sales and profits owing to margins of the two companies being similar. Akshay D'Souza, chief of growth and insight at Bizom, agrees. " ... Tatas have also been generally associated with a lot of brand credibility. Therefore,

Bisleri fits well into their

structure," he said. FE

'Jul-Sept: Rooftop solar installations drop 29%'

Rooftop solar capacity installations in India fell 29% to 320 megawatt (MW) in July-September 2022, according to a Mercom Research India report



Gujarat became the leading state with the highest rooftop solar installations, followed by Maharashtra and Rajasthan. The top 10 states accounted for approximately 73% of cumulative rooftop solar installations

Global slowdown may dampen Private capex improving: CEA India's exports: FinMin report

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year, India's food security concerns have been addressed and will continue to receive the utmost priority from the governcording to the report

Lagged data make policy task **ENSECONOMIC BUREAU** MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

INDIA'S PRIVATE sector capital expenditure is seeing improvement and it may touch Rs 6 lakh crore d of the current financia



quarter, the country's economy grew by 13.5 per cent. On bank credit, he said the growth has been at 18 per cent and it is not concentrated in one particular area or industry. There is healthy demand for credit. He said there

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Source:

Mercom Research

During January-September, the installations at 1,165 MW were also down 11% compared to 1,310 MW in the corresponding ninemonth period of the last year INQ32022:

> 32% in residential 21% in commercial and the remaining in the government sector

46% year-on-year to around 311 MW of rooftop solar projects in Julv-September 2022

what I don't see is people getting up and saving by the way. I think macro stability is important and that means X, Y and Z is a bad idea and A, B and C is a good idea. The thing is that only if, this is what research institutions are supposed

The tendering process increased

46% of rooftop solar capacity was installed in the industrial sector

ous strategic opportunities for growth and expansion of the business of the company, on an ongoing basis...The management remains in discussions with various parties, including Bisleri".

While Chauhan and TCPL are being guarded in their response, brand experts and analysts say Bisleri will be a "beautiful fit" for TCPL. "While Himalayan mineral water is bringing in the value,

FASING GLOBAL commodity prices and new Kharif crop arrivals will dampen inflationary pressures in the coming months and the pass-through of higher input prices to retail inflation is near complete, the Finance Ministry said in its latest monthly economic review report on Thursday.

India is well-placed to grow at a moderately brisk rate in the coming years on the back of macroeconomic stability, despite the global monetary tightening, it said. So far in the current

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"A rapid deterioration in global growth prospects, coupled with high inflation and worsening financial conditions. has increased fears of an im-

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challenging: Patra

Mumbai: RBI Deputy Governor Michael Patra has said one of the challenges faced while deciding monetary policy is revision in inflation and GDP data, which already come with a lag. "Today, I know of inflation in October and we are just about to start preparations for December policy ... I will know July-September (GDP data) on November 30..." Patra said. ENS

year, Chief Economic Advisor V Anantha Nageswaran has said. "The total private sector capex

is improving. In the first half of this year it has gone to Rs 3 lakh crore. If the pace is maintained, we should be looking at Rs 6 lakh crore(for this year), which is a substantial improvement in any of the past 6-7 years," Nageswaran said while addressing virtually at the SBI Banking and Economics conclave. He said India's growth projections for FY2023 made by RBI and international and private secV Anantha Nageswaran,

Chief Economic Advisor. File

tor participants is around 6.5-7

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outlook in the coming years and concentrate on internal drivers.

"However, internal drivers of demand are looking constructive and positive, resilient, reinvigorated investment cycle, stable financial system and structural reforms are paving the way for medium term growth to continue." he said. Full report on www.indianexpress.com

on November 30. In the April-June भारतीय सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान, पुणे Indian Institute of Information Technology, Pune. (An Institute of National Importance by an Act of Parliament) भर्ती/निविदा आमंत्रित करने की सूचना विज्ञापन संख्या विवरण अनु क्र. IIITP/Tender/UPS/ आईआईआईटी पुणे में ३० केवीए के नए यू० पी०एस० की 2022-23/3946 अभीर के जिप विविध अप्रमंतिन की जानी है । खरीद के लिए निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है । nvitation of Tender for the purchase of a new UPS (Uninterrupted Power Supply) of 30 KVA at IIIT Pune विस्तुत विज्ञापन संस्थान की वेबसाइट "www.iiitp.ac.in" पर उपलब्ध हैं। कोई भी अपडेट । संशोधन केवल संस्थान की वेबसाइट पर प्रकाशित किया जाएगा। कलसचिव आईआईआईटी पणे KONKAN RAILWAY CORPORATION LIMITED R (A Government of India Undertaking **E-AUCTION NOTIFICATION** Konkan Railway Corporation Ltd announces e-Auction of commercia contracts, published on IREPS e-tendering system as per following chedule No of Date and Date of Name of Contract Contracts published of E-Auctior /Lots Leasing of SLRs 25.11.2022 12.12.2022 15 www.corteva.com

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BRIEFLY — GCC FTA talks

New Delhi: India and the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) have agreed to pursue a free trade agreement between the two regions and resume the negotiations, Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal said. GCC is a union of six nations -Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Qatar, Kuwait, Oman and Bahrain. It is the largest trading bloc of India. "We have agreed to pursue the FTA between the GCC and India and resume the negotiations and conclude the same at the earliest." Goval said at a press conference with GCC Secretary General Nayef Falah M Al-Hajraf. PTI

Amazon

Bengaluru: Amazon.com Inc said on Thursday it would shut down its online learning platform for high-school students in India less than two years of its launch, without citing a reason. **REUTERS**

Pre-Budget meet

New Delhi: In a pre-Budget virtual meeting with Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, exporters asked for fiscal incentives, tweaking in duties on certain products and credit at affordable rates. PTI

FROM DECEMBER 1 Unemployment CCI to deal with GST profiteering complaints

New Delhi: From December 1, all complaints related to GST profiteering will be dealt with by Competition Commission of India (CCI), in place of National Anti Profiteering Authority, a government notification said.

Currently, all consumer complaints of companies not passing on GST rate cut benefits are investigated by the Directorate General of Anti-profiteering (DGAP), which then submits its report to the NAA. The NAA then gives a final ruling. Since the tenure of NAA ends this month, its functions will be taken over by the CCI.

"The central government, on supplied by him," the CBIC said in a notification. PTI the recommendations of the

rate dips to 7.2% in Jul-Sept: NSO New Delhi: Unemployment rate

for persons aged 15 years and above in urban areas declined to 7.2 per cent during July-September 2022 from 9.8 per cent a year ago, the National Statistical Office (NSO) said. Joblessness or unemployment rate is defined as the percentage of unemployed persons among the labour force. Joblessness was high in July-September 2021 mainly due to impact of pandemic. The latest data based on 16th Periodic Labour Force Survey, underlining a decline in the unemployment rate amid an improved labour force participation ratio, point towards a sustained economic recovery from the pandemic shadow. PTI

IRDAI unveils new draft on expenses

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ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 24

THE INSURANCE Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has announced a revised exposure draft on the expenses of management (EoM) for the non-life insurance companies and proposed the removal of caps on payment of commission to insurance agents and intermediaries.

cent cap on EoM for the general insurance companies in the exposure draft issued on August 1.

The regulator has streamlined the expenses of management(EoM)guidelines for insurance companies, now proposing a blanket cap on EoM to the extent of 30 per cent of gross written premium in India for general insurance companies and 35 per cent for standalone health insurance companies.

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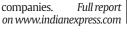
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13 09225008 CRF SECTION ITEMS FOR BOXNHL WAGON	600 SET 26.12.22	E-tenders are invited for	the supply of following it	ems.	Sr.DEE/Chg/DLI office tender notice for the following work due for opening on 24.11.2022 at 15:01 hrs. is withdrawn a
14 77225039 FABRICATION AND SUPPLY OF 6400MM O/R DERAILING SWITCHES	157 SET 26.12.22	(1) Appointment of Consul	tant as Project Management	Agency (PMA)	administrative ground.
15 77225041 VARIOUS SIZES NUTS & BOLTS	433.079 MT 26.12.22		der Revamped Distribution	/ .	Tender Contract Volue Formatt David
16 77225122A MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY OF GROOVED RUBBER SOLE PLATES	134684 NOS 26.12.22		ual Rate Contract for precu		S. Tender No. Description of work Document Cost (Rs.) Money (Rs.) complete (Rs.) Money (Rs.) Complete (Rs.) Com
	16363 SET	Nylone Bus Tyres of various		and accounting of	Schedule Maintenance and Repair
17 11223802 ALUMINIUM CHEQUE RED SHEET	46271 KGS 23.01.23				Contract of RMPUs of Shatabdi
18 07221373 POH KIT (MUST CHANGE ITEMS) FOR SHOCK ABSORBER	5961 SET 30.01.23	RE-IN	IVITED E-TENDERS		30-Elect-3T. Coaches including their heavy repair Rs Rs
19 19220964 END FRAME NON DRIVING END ASSLY MACHINED OF WAP-7	58 NOS 01.02.23	(3) 7/000 (Corrigondum)	(1) 7/015 (5) 7/001		1 Chg-2022-23 IOH and on Board Electrical Escorting Rs. 00 17,68,38,018.56/- 10,34,200.00/- 36 Mo
20 19220965 END FRAME DEASSEMBLY (MACHINED) WITHAIR OUTLET NET FOR	53 NOS 06.02.23	(3) 74909 (Corrigendum),	(4) / 4910, (0) / 4801.		duties in primary based Shatabdi Trains
TRACTION MOTOR TYPE 6FRA		Note : For more details. log	on to website https://mahat	enders.gov.in 7	of Delhi Division for three years.
NOTE - 1. Vendors may visit the IREPS website i.e. www.ireps.gov.in for details. 2. No Manual of	ffer will entertained. 3120/22	PRO/AAM(M)/128/2022	•	°	No. 30-Elect-3T-Chg-2022-23 Dated:- 24.11.2022 3139
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Regulator, 20 MVA capacity along with its erec		:: ई-निविद	ग संचना		16.11.2022, P.R.No282374 में प्रकाशित निविदा में निम्नलिखित संशोधन किया जाता है।
commissioning and testing on load under "Capacity enhance			C	~~~ ~ ~	क० पर्व में प्रकाशित संशोधित
project of Narainpur Pump Canal", situated at District Mirz		2-23 में इस चिकित्सा महाविद्याल			1 Date of Publication on website Dt. 01.12.2022 up to 06.00 upto P.M
U.P. till dated 06.12.2022 at 04.00 PM .	apui, रोगियों को सुचा	रू रूप से उपचार सुविधा उपलब्ध	ध कराये जाने हेतु आवश्यक मे	डिकल गैसेस की	Dt.22.11.2022 up to 06.00 P.M
		न दर अनुबन्ध किये जाने हेतु निलि	वेदायें (टेक्नीकल / फाइनेन्शिय	ल बिड्स अलग-	2 Date of Pre Bid Metting Dt. 05.12.2022 at 01.00 P.M
The Document of the proposed work can be obtained from		दा आमन्त्रित करने हेतु निविदा प्रव			Dt. 01.12.2022 at 01.00 P.M
Office of undersigned in any working day. Also the Docume		•		° I	3 Last date of Bid Submission- Dt. 08.12.2022 up to 05.00 P.M Dt. 12.12.2022 up to 05.00 P.M
available on Departmental website www.idup.gov.in from w		मद धरोहर राशि	। निविदा मूल्य जी.एस.टी.		4 Hard Copy Submission- Dt. 13.12.2022 up to 05.00 P.M
it can be downloaded.	सं.		18%	मूल्य	Dt. 09.12.2022.2022 up to 05.00 P.M
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presented on dated 09.12.2022 at 11:00 AM in the office		· · ·			10.12.2022 at 05.00 PM
Executive Engineer Lift Irrigation Construction Division, Var	anasııı		<u> </u>		निविदा की अन्य शर्ते यथावत रहेंगी। PR 283240 Drinking Water and Sanitation(22-23)D पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल, साहेर
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and required documents, Technical Specifications and Tech	nical 28.11.202	2 की प्रातः 10 बजे से 21.12.2	022 की सायं 05:00 बजे तक	डाउनलोड किये	OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
Parameters.	जा सकते हैं				OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BERHAMPUR
(Santosh Kumar So	nkar) ارم را محمد الم	र (Two Bids) टू विड्स सिर	रतम के अन्तर्गत निविदायें दिनांव	क 21-12-2022	0-1325 (E-Mail:- serwbpr2004@yahoo.com Tel/Fax:-0680-2404287)
Executive Eng		05:00 बजे तक निविदा प्र			NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement
Lift Irrigation Construction Divi					Bid Identification No. Online Tender/ 57-2022-23/ BPR
Varunapuram, Irrigation Colony, S	ierro l etenuer.	up.nic.in में अपलोड किये जा			Identification Name of work No. of Approx. Estimated Class of Period of
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	ि है। उन्हें मि	वेदा की देय तिथि तक अलग से	सूचीबद्ध कर उपलब्ध कराना [ँ] २	अनिवार्य होगा।	Online Tender/ Road Works including 05 years Post 03 NOS Form Rs. 140.60 "B" Class, 06 (Six) & 09 (I 57-2022- Construction maintenance under Transferred lakhs to Rs. 250.97 "A" as Calendar Mon
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www.up.gov.nic.in liftirrigation.varanasi@gmail		दा निरस्त/ संशोधन करने का पृण्			Procurement Officer Bid Identification No Availability of tender on line for bidding
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0532-2623664 संयुक्त निदेशक, राजकीय मुद्रणालय, प्रयाग	राज ⁰¹¹⁰⁻¹⁰²¹⁴⁰ www.ur	ogov.nic.in	माडकल व	कालेज, कानपुर	declaration should be furnished by the bidders as mentioned in the DTCN. (ii) Non-submission of the information/documents through online by the bidder as per the items mentioned in the eligible c
Qur Website :					of the DTCN will also liable for rejection of his tender.
http://dpsup.up.nic.in 14/12, सरोजनी नायडू मार्ग, सिविल लाइन्स, प्रयागर	जि ।		कार्यालय		Further details & Corrigendum if any can be seen from the website: - <u>www.tendersodisha.gov.in</u>
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पत्र संख्या– 152/पी०पी०सी०–पी०पी०/2022 दिनांक 22/11/		4 (संयुक्त निदशक,)	राजकीय मुद्रणालय,	प्रयागराज	Chief Construction Eng
जेम बिड सूचना (Scope of work)	Qur Website : http://dpsup.up.ni		essprayagraj1857@gmai	l.com	R.W. Circle, Berha OIPR- 25071/11/0093
महामहिम श्री राज्यपाल उत्तर प्रदेश की ओर से संयुक्त निदेशक, राजकीय मुद्रणालय, प्रयागराज द्वा	रा भारत		यडू मार्ग, सिविल लाइन्स,	I	UIPH- 250/1/11/0093
सरकार के जेम पोर्टल के माध्यम से माध्यमिक शिक्षा परिषद्, उत्तर प्रदेश की परीक्षा वर्ष–2023 में प्रर्	क्त होने				
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आउट सोसिंग के माध्यम से कराये जाने हेतु जेम बिड आमंत्रित किया जाता है। हैण्ड नम्बरिंग, बण्डलिं	ा, बेलिंग	जेम बिड सूचना (S	Scope of work)		कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय
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सं0 का संस्करण वाली उ0पु0 की संख्या बेलों की संख्या 1 हाईस्कूल–अ 6640000 1000 6640		ार के लिफाफों के निर्माण हेतु आउट		गामंत्रित किया जाता	<u> शुद्धि-पत्र (3rd Call)</u>
2 हाईस्फूल-ब 2556000 2000 1278	है। विभिन्न आकार	के लिफाफों का विवरण निम्नवत है			इस कार्यालय का आमंत्रित निविदा स0–07/2022-23/DWSD/MDP, दिनांक–14.10.2022 जि
3 इण्टरमीडिएट—अ 5561000 1000 5561	क्र.	लिफाफों का आकार एवं	निर्माण किये जाने वाले लिफाफों		पी० आर० संख्या – 280105 (22–23) है, में निम्नलिखित संशोधन किया जाता है। शेष नियम व शर्त्त यथावत रहेंगी।
4 इण्टरमीडिएट-ब 1668300 2000 834		GSM	के अनुमानित संस्करण	ई.पी.बी.जी.	क0 सं0 विवरणी पूर्व में प्रकाशित संशोधित
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कुल योग जेम बिड से संबंधित विस्तृत विवरण, इनविटेशन फॉर बिड, बिड डाक्यूमेन्ट तथा मानक एवं शर्ते आदि भारत सरकार की वेबसाइट gem.gov.in पर दिनांक 23.11.2022 से उपलब्ध है, जिन्हें इच्छुक बिर्ड्स द्वारा बिड ग्रक्यूमेंट डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है।

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Important Time Line

The bid document is available at the website of Government of India at gem.gov.in in the category of Custom Bid for services wide Bid No. GeM/2022/B/2768910 dated 22.11.2022. Interested bidder may view and download the bid document and submit their bid on GeM portal

till 02.12.2022 upto 18.00 hrs.

(a)	Date of publication of bid document	22/11/2022 at website: gem.gov.in
(b)	Bid submission start date and time	22/11/2022
(c)	Bid submission end date and time	02/12/2022 at 18.00 Hrs
(d)	Bid opening (technical bids only) date and time	02/12/2022 at 18.30 Hrs
(e)	Technical evaluation	Two days
(f)	Bid opening (financial bids of qualified bidders at technical evauation stage) date and time	After Two days of the Technical evaluation.
(g)	Venue of bid opening (technical and financial)	Government Press, Prayagraj. 14/12, sarojani Naidu Marg, Civil Lines, Prayagraj-211001(U.P.) Ph.: 0532-2623664
*	The above mentioned date and time are subject to f	loating the bid. Kindly read bid document carefully.
U	PID-182159 Date 24/11/2022 www.upgov.nic.in	संयुक्त निदेशक राजकीय मुद्रणालय, प्रयागराज।

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, LIFT IRRIGATION CONSTRUCTION DIVISION, VARUNAPURAM, IRRIGATION COLONY, SIGRA, VARANASI-221010, UP.

SHORT TERM e-TENDER NOTICE

NO. 38/EE/LICD, VNS/HT SWITCH GEAR PANEL (VCB TYPE)/INCOMING PANEL/NPC/2022-23

Online e-bids on prescribed bid forms in two parts namely (i) Technical bid and (ii) Financial bid are invited simultaneously by the undersigned on behalf of the Governor of Uttar Pradesh only from ISO:9001 certified Original Manufacturer of **HT SWITCH GEAR PANEL (VCB TYPE)** and its fittings their Authorised Dealer/Channel Partner, registered with Director of Industries of the State/N.S.I.C./D.G.S.& Diffinistry of Industries, Governmeni of India as original manufacturer of HT SWITCH GEAR PANEL (VCB TYPE) and its fittings on firm & fixed price up to 16.00 Hours on 05.12.2022 and shall be opened at 15.00 Hours on 07.12.2022 as stated below. Firms/Contractors registered as Class A (Mechanical/Electrical) in Irrigation Department who had earlier done ACSR Moose Conductor and its fittings can also participate in this bid. The details for submission of bids are available in the bid document uploaded on the e-procurement website <u>http://etender.up.nic.in</u>. Bidders who are not registered with Director of Industries of the State / N.S.I.C. for bidding item are required to

submit Bid Security (EMD). Bid security will be deposited in the account of UP e-tender online Account through e-tender Portal by Internet Banking only. All concerned please note that bidding process will not move onward if the Bid Security (EMD) is not paid through e-tender portal by Internet Banking. No other form of bid security will be accepted. But bidders who are intending to seek exemption from submitting bid security (EMD) should submit relevant Industries Registration Certificate issued by competent authority with request letter for exemption. Bid Document Fee also is to be deposited in the account of UP e-tender online Account through e-tender portal by intermet banking only. All concerned please note that bidding process will not move onward ii the Bid Document's Cost (Tender Fee) is not paid through e-tender portal by Internet Banking.

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(a)	Providing, Installation, connection jointing and testing of HT Switch gear panel (VCB Type) 11 KV 3 Phase, 50Hz, 1250Amp confirming to IS: 13118:1991 or latest amendment if any and IEC:62271. Indoor, Drawout type, incoming panel, connected with Bus-bar and compatible with latest technology of automation for monitoring through SCADA, with other essential accessories deemed fit for smooth functioning of VCB for proper power supply of HT Motors at Narainpur Pump Canal, Mirzapur.	02 Job
(b)	Date & time for Availability of the bid document on website.	28.11.2022 from 10.00 Hours onwards
(c)	Period for Bid submission along with Bid Document Fee, Bid Security /Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents in PDF/XLS format.	From 29.11.2022, 10.00 Hours Upto 05.12.2022 up to 16.00 Hours
(d)	Hard copy of original Bid Document fee, Bid Security & Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents to be deposited in the office concerned.	06.12.2022 upto 14.00 Hours noon
(e)	Online opening date & time of Technical Bid.	07.12.2022 at 15.00 Hours
(f)	Online opening date & time of Financial Bid.	09.12.2022 at 15.00 Hours
(g)	Venue of opening of bid.	Office of The Executive Engineer, Lift Irrigation Construction Division, Varunapuram, Irrigation Colony, Sigra, VARANASI-221010, UP. Ph.No. 0542-2985196
(h)	Bid document fee.	Rs. 7,316.00 (Rs Seven Thousand Three Hundred Sixteen) Only including GST.
(i)	Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit).	Rs 56,580.00 (Rupees Fifty Six Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Only)
(j)	Completion Schedule	30 Days
Not	e:- (i) In case of any variation in English and Hindi version of this Tender N (ii) Above items are for Government irrigation purpose only.	lotice, English version shall be applicable.
U		Executive Engineer Irrigation Construction Division, rigation Department, Varanasi.

संबाधत विस्तृत विवरण, इनविटश फાર ાવહ, ાવહ डाक्यूम सरकार की वेबसाइट gem.gov.in पर दिनांक 23.11.2022 से उपलब्ध है, जिन्हें इच्छुक बिर्ड्स द्वारा बिड डाक्यूमेंट डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है।

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Important Time Line

The bid document is available at the website of Government of India at gem.gov.in in wide gem Bid No. GeM/2022/B/2773396 dated 23.11.2022. Interested bidder may view and download the bid document and ubmit their bid on GeM portal till 03.12.2022 upto 17.00 hrs.

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(a)	Date of publication of bid document	23/11/2022 at website: gem.gov.in				
(b)	Bid submission start date and time	23/11/2022				
(c)	Bid submission end date and time	03/12/2022 at 17.00 Hrs				
(d)	Bid opening (technical bids only) date and time	03/12/2022 at 17:30 Hrs				
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*The	*The above mentioned date and time are subject to floating the bid. Kindly read bid document carefully.					
	UPID-182160, Date 24/11/2022, www.upgov.nic.in	संयुक्त निदेशक राजकीय सुद्रणालय, प्रयागराज।				

कार्यालयः प्रधानाचार्य, राजकीय मेडिकल कालेज, आजमगढ़

फोन नं0. 05463–235020, फैक्स नं.–05463.235194, वेबसाइट–www.gmcazamgarh.com

संख्या– 1603 / रा0मे0का0आ0 / EC-4 / विज्ञप्ति / 2022 दिनॉक–22 / 11 / 2022, सेवायोजन विज्ञप्ति

संविदा के आधार पर आचार्य, सह–आचार्य तथा सहायक आचार्य के पदों पर साक्षात्कार (Walk-in-interview) के माध्यम से सेवायोजन हेतु विज्ञप्ति

राजकीय मेडिकल कालेज, आजमगढ़ के विभिन्न विभागों में फैकेल्टी के रिक्त पदों को संविदा के आधार पर भरने हेतु साक्षात्कार (Walk-in-interview) दिनांक—03/01/2023 (मंगलवार), दिनांक—11/01/2023 (बुधवार) दिनांक—18/01/2023 (बुधवार) एवं दिनांक—24/01/2023 (मंगलवार) को राजकीय मेडिकल कालेज, आजमगढ़ के प्रशासनिक भवन में कालेज काउन्सिल हाल में प्रातः 10:00 बजे से अपरान्ह 03:00 बजे के मध्य निर्धारित किया गया है। विज्ञप्ति में रिक्त पदों की संख्या एवं लागू आरक्षण रोस्टर निम्ववत् होगा–

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5.	डेण्टेस्ट्री	01	SC	-	-	-	-
6.	पैथोलॉजी	-	-	01	SC	-	-
7.	फार्माकोलॉजी	-	-	01	OBC	-	-
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12.	साइकियटी	01	SC	-	-	-	-

नोट- किसी भी विभाग में आरक्षित श्रेणी का अभ्यर्थी उपलब्ध न होने पर एन०एम०सी० के मानकों की पूर्ति एवं निकट भविष्य में संभव एन०एम०सी० के औचक निरीक्षण के दृष्टिगत साक्षात्कार के समय अन्य श्रेणी के उपलब्ध अर्ह अभ्यर्थी से उक्त पद को न्यूनतम 01 वर्ष की अवधि अथवा पद पर नियमित / अगली नियुक्ति होने तक, जो भी पहले घटित ह भर लिया जायेगा।

।. चिकित्सा शिक्षा विभाग एवं शासन के नियमों का पालन किया जायेगा। नियमानुसार सहायक आचार्य की अधिकतम

- आयु–60 वर्ष, सह–आचार्य की अधिकतम आयु–64 वर्ष तथा आचार्य की अधिकतम आयु–68 वर्ष होनी चाहिए। 2. पदों की संख्या घट या बढ सकती है।
- शासन से अद्यतन निर्गत 100 बिन्दु के रोस्टर के अनुसार आरक्षण लागू होगा।
- चयन की कार्यवाही एन०एम०सी० मानकों के अनसार होगी।
- 5. नियुक्ति संबंधी समस्त शर्तें कालेज की वेबसाइट www.gmcazamgarh.com एवं महानिदेशालय, चिकित्सा शिक्षा एवं प्रशिक्षण, जवाहर भवन, लखनऊ की वेबसाइट www.updgme पर प्रदर्शित हैं।

साक्षात्कार हेतु यात्रा भत्ता देय नहीं होगा।

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Medical College, Chnainsa, Faridabad, Haryana Thirty Three (33) posts of Junior Residents are proposed to be filled up on contract basis for Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Government Medical College Chhainsa, Faridabad through walk-in-interview. The proposed date of interview is 14.12.2022 i.e. Wednesday (that may be extendable to 15.12.2022, if the number of applicants come out to be more). The applicants have to appear before the scrutiny committee on a day prior i.e. 13.12.2022, with strictly prescribed application form with supportive documents and non-refundable application fee of Rs. 1000/- for General Category and Rs. 250/- for Reserved Categories (for Haryana Domicile only) in form of Demand Draft, in favour of Director Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Government Medical College, Chhainsa, Faridabad payable at Ballabhgarh. 50% concession in the above fees is granted to the women candidates (both general and reserved cat-egory) as per Govt. Instructions. PH & ESM candidates are exempted from the application fee. The application forms received after 12:00 noon on 13.12.2022 i.e. Tuesday [for the interview scheduled on 14.12.2022 and 15.12.2022 (if required)] will not be considered.

The other details like essential qualification, pay scales, fees, application form & other terms and conditions may be downloaded rom institute website http://www.sabvgmcfbd.edu.in It is also informed that interested candidates may visit our website http:/ www.sabvgmcfbd.edu.in on regular basis for all updates. IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS:

IMPORTAŇT INSTRUCTIONS:
 1. The applicant must have completed MBBS from any Institution / University recognized by the NMC and must be having valid registration certificate either issued by NMC/ erstwhile MCI/Haryana Medical Council (HMC) or proof of application of HMC registration at the time of interview.
 2. The degree of MBBS not recognized by the NMC/MCI will render the candidate ineligible.
 3. Score of Exit examination conducted by MC/National Board Examination, New Delhi for Foreign Medical Graduate (FMG) candidates will be considered as equivalent to MBBS score for the purpose of calculating the pre-merit of all Foreign Medical Graduates (FMGs). The candidates possessing only pass/fail certificate and no score card for FMG Examination, the score will be considered as 50% only and pre-merit will be calculated accordingly.
 4. Applicants must reach O/o the Director, Shri Atal Bihari Vaipayee Government Medical College, Chhainsa, Faridabad on scheduled date with duly filled prescribed application form and all supportive documents (As enlisted in the end) in original as well as photocopy. Submission of incomplete application form i.e. without self-attested copies of testimonials of academic career, permanent registration certificate, attempt certificate etc. may render the candidate ineligible.

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The tenure for Junior Resident posts will be for one year only on contract basis. Age Limit: Upper age limit for Junior Resident will be 45 years. Number of posts may be increased or decreased or totally withdrawn without any further notice.

. The status of vacancy will be updated on the website on the regular basis.

The recruitment would be as per the Haryana Reservation Policy.
 The selection committee reserves the right to reject or accept any candidate/candidature without assigning any reason there

or. 12. Canvassing of any kind will be a disqualification.

QUALIFICATIONS, EXPERIENCE & PAY SCALE FOR POST OF JUNIOR RESIDENT:

Cat. No.	Post	Essential Qualifications and Experience	Pay Scales
1	Junior Resident	 MBBS/ equivalent Foreign degree from any Institution / University recognized by the NMC/MCI. Must be registered under the State/NMC/MCI as per Registration Act. Foreign Medical Graduate should have passed the Foreign Medical Graduate Examination (FMGE) conducted by National Board of Examination (NBE). 	Rs.56,100+NPA
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www.ireps.gov.in. (2) Tender can only be submitted through web portal www.ireps.gov.in" up to 15.00 Hrs. on date 14.12.2022. 1581/22 (A f North central railways | www.ncr.indianrailways.gov.in | 🚚 @north vay 🔝 @CPR

INDIAN RAILWAYS

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (RAILWAY BOARD) No.2022/RS(WTA)-149/Tender/535 New Delhi, dated: 23.11.2022 Subject: Global e-Tender No:WTA-535 opening on 26.12.2022 for Procurement of Wheel for 3-Phase WAG9 locomotives to drawing No.1209-01-111-003 Alt.-5 and Wheel for 3-Phase WAP7 locomotives to drawing No.1209-01-111-070 with specification IRS-R-34-15 of May 2015

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Tel No. 011-23073191 E-mail ID: drsm@rb.railnet.gov.in SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

SHEVGAON MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, SHEVGAON Tal. Shevgaon, Dist. Ahmednagar

e-Tender Notice No. 1 for 2022-2023 Shevgaon Municipal Council, Shevgaon, Dist. Ahmednagar invites B-1 Percentage Rate e-Tender (ID-2022_DMA_853896_1) for the work of Water Supply Scheme, Tal. Shevgaon, Dist. Ahmednagar valued at

Rs. 72,50,20,420/- under Maharashtra Suvarna Jayanti Nagarotthan Mahaabhiyan (State level). Please visit website https://mahatenders.gov.in for

detailed information. Detailed schedule of Tender available from 24/11/2022. - Chief Officer

Shevgaon Municipal Council, Shevgaon

MAHARASHTRA JEEVAN PRADHIKARAN DIVISION, PARBHANI

e-Tender Notice for 14 for 2022-2023 (IInd Call) Executive Engineer, MJP Division Parbhani invites e-

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Tq. Jintur, Dist. Parbhani, Rs. 4,41,77,293/-

Under Jal Jeevan Mission Programme in the State of Maharashtra. The e-Tender details are available on www.mahatenders.gov.in from date 25/11/2022. All relevant dates will be as per the tender published in web portalwww.mahatenders.gov.in Sd/ Date : 25/11/2022 - EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, (Dgipr/2022-2023/4283) MJP, Dn. Parbhani

E-AUCTION FOR ADVERTISING OUT OF HOME **OVER RANGIYA DIVISION**

ited for Out of Home Advertisement over Rangiya Division. Auctio Catalogue No. RNY-ADVT-OOH-01, Auction Start (All lots): 11:00 hrs. on

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AA/2	ADVT-RNY-DONLOH-78-22-1	Outhroi	11.40 hrs.on 08-12-22
AAS	ADVT-RNY-DDNI-OH-82-22-1	Duthhoi	11.50 hrs.on 08-12-22
AA/4	ADVT-RNY-ANGA-OH-83-22-1	Ampion	12.00 hrs.on 88-12-22
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AA/S	ADVT-RNY-NBX-OH-112-22-1	Nizbarganj	12.20 hrs.on 08-12-22
AA7	ADVT-RNY-8VU-OH-114-22-1	Balipera	12.30 hm on 08-12-22
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AA/14	ADVT-RNY-NLP-OH-116-22-1	NorthLakhimpur	13.40 hrs.on 68-12-22
AA415	ADVT-RNY-AYU-OH-70-22-1	Abhayapun Assam	13.50 hm. on 08-12-22
AA16	ADVT-RNY-PTLD-OH-4-22-1	Patiadaha	14.00 hrs.on 08-12-22
AA47	ADVT-RNY-SBE-OH-6-22-1	Sorbhog	14.10 hm.on 08-12-22
A418	ADVT-RNY-GLPT-OH-75-22-1	Goslpara Town	14.20 hrs.on 08-12-22
RAA	ADVT-RNY-NOLB-OH-101-22-1	Nolbari	14.50 hts.on 08-12-23
A4/20	ADVT-RNY-NOLB-OH-102-22-1	Nobari	14.40 hrs.on 08-12-22
AA21	ADVT-RNY-ULG-OH-105-22-1	Udalguri	14.50 fm. on 08-12-22
AA/22	ADVT-RNY-DQL-OH-109-22-1	Shatabi	15.00 hrs.on 68-12-22
AA23	ADVT-RNY-SBE-OH-5-22-1	Sorbhog	15.10 fms.on 08-12-22
AA/24	ADVT-RNY-KRNI-OH-129-22-1	Kristetal	15.20 hrs.on 05-12-22
AA25	ADVT-RNY-GOM-OH-119-22-1	Gogamush	15.30 hrs.on 08-12-22
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AA31	ADVT-RNY-CPO-OH-1-22-1	Choprakata.	16.30 hrs.on 08-12-23
AA/32		Majgaon Aasam	10.40 hrs.on 08-12-22
AA33	ADVT-RNY-PNVT-OH-128-22-1	Panchrama	16.50 hrs.on 08-12-22
A4/34	ADVT-RNY-HMY-OH-120-22-1	Harmuti	17.00 hts.ort 08-12-22
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AA/36	ADVT-RNY-8VU-OH-113-22-1	Balipara	17.20 hrs.on 05-12-22
AAST	ADVT-RNY-NLP-OH-115-22-1	NorthLakhimpur	17.30 hrs.on 08-12-22
AA/38	ADVT-RNY-GLPT-On-73-22-1	Goalpara Town	17.40 hrs.on 08-12-22
AA39	ADVT-RNY-GLPT-OH-72-22-1	Goelpara Town	17.50 hrs.on 08-12-22
AA40	ADVT-RNY-NBQ-OH-59-22-1	New Bongaigaan	18.00 hrs.on 05-12-22
44/61	ADVT-RNY-BPRD-OH-9-22-1	Barpeta Road	10.30 hrs.on 09-12-22
AA42	ADVT-RNY-JPZ-DH-127-22-1	Jogighopa	10-40 hts on 09-12-22
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Tender Enquiry No. 284/DIT-1103 dated 23.11.2022

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Telephone No. : 0755-4853297, E-mail : einc-mpbdc@mp.gov.in, ajay.nagaria@mp.gov.in NIT No. : 737/GM/BDC/MANDLA/CW/22/NIT-15 Bhopal, Dated : 24.11.2022

NOTICE INVITING TENDER FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW MEDICAL COLLEGE MANDLA

Madhya Pradesh Building Development Corporation invites online tender for the construction of New Medical College and allied works at Mandla District of M.P. from bidders registered in M.P. PWD Department under appropriate category. Probable amount of contract (PAC) is 232.48 Crore and completion period is 24 months including rainy season Detailed NIT and tender documents can be viewed and purchased online only from 02.12.2022 (18:00 hrs.) to 29.12.2022 (15:30 hrs.) from website www.mptenders.gov.in.

M.P. Madhyam/107419/2022 MANAGING DIRECTOR NORTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE

Sr. DEE-TRS-GZB acting for and on behalf of President of India invites E-Tende against Tender No. 230-TRS-GZB-2022-23-21. The details are as under: Name of Calibration of Measuring and Testing equipment's at Electric

	the work Loco Shed, Ghaziabad						
2.	Approx c	ost of work	Rs. 4,53,946.00				
3.	Earnest N	loney to be deposited	Rs. 9,100 .00				
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6.	Website	particulars where complete	www.ireps.gov.in				

details of tender documents can be seen Note: (i) The tenderer/s must be registered on the Indian Railway E-Procuremen

System (IREPS) site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in for participating in e-tender system (ii) For all terms and conditions please refer tender document. (iii) No manual offers are acceptable. (iv) Cost of Tender document and Earnest money will be acceptable through net banking or payment gateway only. No.: 230-TRS-GZB 2022-23-21 Dated: 23.11.2022 3140/22

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE NORTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE No. ELS_SRE_T-29RT Date: 19.11.2022 Open tender through E-tendering are invited by Sr. Divisional Electrica Engineer/TRS, Electric Loco Shed, Khanalampura Yard, Northern Railway Saharanpur (Ambala Division) for and on behalf of the President of India from the registered tenderer on web site www.ireps.gov.in for the following work upto 11:00 hrs on the date of closing shown against the work and will be opened thereafter.-

Open Tender No.	ELS_SRE_T-29RT
Name of work	Provision of trap chamber for dust particle in BP pipe of 3-phase locos
Date of Closing / Opening	14.12.2022
Approx. Cost.	Rs. 10,79,194/-
Earnest Money	Rs. 21,600/-
Completion period	06 Months
Validity period	45 days
Cost of tender form	Free of cost

1. Tenderer(s) should have Class-III Digital Signature Certificate to participate in E-Tendering of Works Tenders. 2. Tenderer are required to upload self-attested scanned copies of all related eligibility documents as per conditions. 3. Taxes & Charges will be applicable as per extant rule. 4. For details, please log on IREPS website www.ireps.gov.in 3132/22

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE NORTHERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

The Dy. Chief Engineer/Const-I, Northern Railway, State Entry Road, New Delh for and on behalf of President of India invites open e-tender under Two Packe System for the under noted work:-

Name of work and location : Construction of 2-Lane Road Over Bridges consisting of Bow String Girder of 1x33.480m C/C span (Launching in traffic block) including LHS of internal size 4.0x2.50m and other allied works in lieu of L-Xing No. 48 at Railway Km 48/8-9 and L-Xing No. 49-A at Railway Km 49/590 between Baraut and Baoli Halt Railway station on Delhi Shahdara-Shamli section of Delhi Division,

Vorthern Railway Completion Period of the work : 18 (Eighteen) months from the date of issue of acceptance letter.

Approx. cost of work : Rs. 1,663.98 Lakh (Rupees Sixteen crore sixty three

 Iakh and ninety eight thousand only)
 Earnest money amount (to be deposited Online) : Rs. 9,82,000/ Date, Time for submission of e-tender and opening of tender : Ten may be uploaded upto 11.30 hrs. on 16.12.2022 on IREPS website www.ireps.gov.In. The bidders can only participate in the e-tender, the ter will be opened at 11.30 hrs. on 16.12.2022.

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For & on behlaf of President of India 3131/22

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, LIFT IRRIGATION CONSTRUCTION DIVISION. VARUNAPURAM, IRRIGATION COLONY, SIGRA, VARANASI-221010, UP

SHORT TERM e-TENDER NOTICE

NO. 39/EE/LICD, VNS/HT SWITCH GEAR PANEL (VCB TYPE)/OUTGOING PANEL/NPC/2022-23 Online e-bids on prescribed bid forms in two parts namely (i) Technical bid and (ii) Financial bid are invited simultaneously by the undersigned on behalf of the Governor of Uttar Pradesh only from ISO:900 certified Original Manufacturer of HT SWITCH GEAR PANEL (VCB TYPE) and its fittings their Authorised Dealer/Channel Partner, registered with Director of Industries of the State/N.S.I.C./D.G.S.& D/Ministry o Industries, Government of India as original manufacturer of H.T. Switch Gear Panel (VCB Type) and its ittings on firm & fixed price up to 16 00 Hours on 05 12 2022 and shall be opened at 16 00 Hours of Department who had earlier done ACSR Moose Conductor and its fittings can also participate in this bid The details for submission of bids are available in the bid document uploaded on the e-procure website http://etender.up.nic.in.

Bidders who are not registered with Director of Industries of the State / N.S.I.C. for bidding item are required to submit Bid Security (EMD). Bid security will be deposited in the account of UP e-tender online Account through e-tender Portal by Internet Banking only. All concerned please note that bidding proces will not move onward if the Bid Security (EMD) is not paid through etender portal by Internet Banking. No other form of bid security will be accepted. But bidders who are intending to seek exemption from submitting bid security (EMD) should submit relevant Industries Registration Certificate issued by t authority with request letter for exemption. Bid Document Fee also is to be deposited in the compete account of UP e-tender online Account through e-tender portal by internet banking only. All concerned please note that bidding process will not move onward if the Bid Document's Cost (Tender Fee) is no

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(a)	Providing, Installation, connection jointing and testing of HT Switch gear panel (VCB Type) 11 KV 3 Phase, 50Hz, 1250Amp confirming to IS: 13118:1991 or latest amendment if any and IEC:62271. Indoor, Drawout type, consisting 1 No. Bus coupler Panel and 01 Outgoing panel for Transformer Feeder panel, connected with Bus-bar and compatible with latest technology of automation for monitoring through SCADA, with other essential accessories deemed fit for smooth functioning of VCB for proper power supply of LT Transformer at NPC							
(b)	Date & time for Availability of the bid document on website.	28.11.2022 from 10.00 Hours onwards						
(c)	Period for Bid submission along with Bid Document Fee, Bid Security /Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents in PDF/XLS format							
(d)	Hard copy of original Bid Document fee, Bid Security & Industries Registration Certificate for exemption from EMD and other supporting documents to be deposited in the office concerned.							
(e)	Online opening date & time of Technical Bid.	07.12.2022 at 16.00 Hours						
(f)	Online opening date & time of Financial Bid.	09.12.2022 at 16.00 Hours						
(g)	Venue of opening of bid.	Office of The Executive Engineer, Lift Irrigation Construction Division, Varunapuram, Irrigation Colony, Sigra, VARANASI-221010, UP. Ph.No. 0542-2985196						
(h)	Bid document fee.	Rs. 6,844.00 (Rs Six Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Four) Only including GST.						
(i)	Bid Security (Earnest Money Deposit).	Rs 52,360.00 (Rupees Fifty Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Only)						
(j)	Completion Schedule	30 Days						
Not	Note:-(i) In case of any variation in English and Hindi version of this Tender Notice, English version shall be applicable. (ii) Above items are for Government irrigation purpose only.							



Verks for Chief Worksho Date: 22-11-2022 E-Tenders are invited E. Railway, Mechanica by the undersigned for the Gorakhpur- for and or works: Tender No. 48-AP-I-2022, Brie resident of India invites Description of work: Provision of SUMP lers through on line ROOF COVER for removing water loggin g) for the following work at RUB/LHS of Br. No. 79(A, Span 1 x 5 0) E-Tender Notice No & M at KM, 65/9-68/0 between Ohuppu Kolaigaon & RUB/LHS of Br. No. 61/A he work: IREPS Tender Span 1 x 5 00 M at Km. 57/4-5 betwee GKP-MWS-2022-23 Belgara-Allagram under ADEN/1/Nev ork in AC.ICF & AC LHB Coochbehar and Br. No. 1/198 at KM 72/1-2 botween Mathabhanga-Chapagur aches fitted with under ter tank along with o of wash basin pipe and ig of drain pipe of toilet in Workshop, Gorakhpur cost (in ?): ? 4991178.24 oney (in ?): ? 99800.00 of tender submission hrs. Date 23.12.2022. e Tender forms- ₹ 084 ontract: 12 Months. The details of above tender are nis

www.ireps.gov.in. Chief Workshop Manager PROMich-71

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for and on behalf of the President of India invites E-Tender No. MECH-BKNW-AB-2022 Dated 23.11.2022 1. Name of Work and its location : Stripping and mounting of Air Brake Component in Wagons in Carriage & Wagor Workshop, NWR, Bikaner (As per scope of work). 2. Estimated Cost of work: Rs. 55,03,303.70 3. Earnest money/Bid Security: Rs. 1,10,100.00/-4. Last date and time for submissior and opening of E-tender : 16.12.2022 up to 14:30 Hrs. E-Tender will be opened at 15:00 Hrs. on same day 5. Website particular where complete details of e

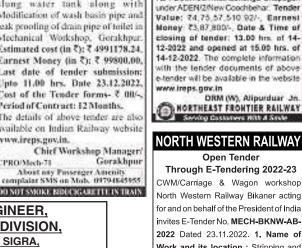
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E-Tendering Notice Sr. Divisional Materials Manager, N.E. Railway, Varanasi for and on behalf President of India, invites Tender through E-Procument system "Open Tender" for the supply of the following item. Complete description of the iten and other terms and conditions ar available on website **www.ireps.gov.in Sr. No.-01**, E-Tender No.: 50225700 Due Date: 09-01-2023, Description Portable D.C. Welding Generator As per RDSO Specification TM/SM/20, Dt 19-11-1992, Rev. 01 of 2021, w.e.f 26-03-2021 Firm's Offer-Make-Himalyan Lakshmi or Similar. Quantity: 14 Nos Earnest Money:₹85,490/-, Note:- The Firms, who desire to participate in e-tender are advised to

electronically register themselves on the above website for which they would require to have a Class-III Digita signature Certificate Authority Licensec by CCA of India, Manual offers agains e-tenders will not be considered. Sr. Divisional Materials Manager CDRO(S 50.

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nitial Cooling off period is 30 minutes. Successive lots closing interval 10 minut Note : Prospective bidder are requested to visit e-Auction module on IREPS website rww.ireps.gov.in for more details



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Calendar

BY PETER VIDAL

Your nomadic

be made on the basis of family

for you in encountering new

places and environments. The more you travel, the richer your

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)

that no longer suit your

your best for them.

requirements or talents. Other

people must now make it clear

that they back you to the hilt,

why you should continue to do

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22)

Today's lunar

alignments influence all that is

most special to you,

otherwise there is no reason

You appear to be

locked into a set of financial attitudes

and commitments

experience will be.

needs, rather than pleasure, but there is bound to be stimulation

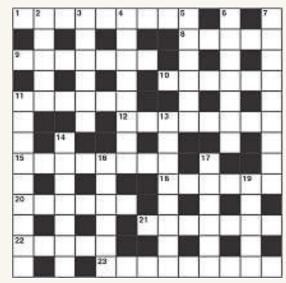
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LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)

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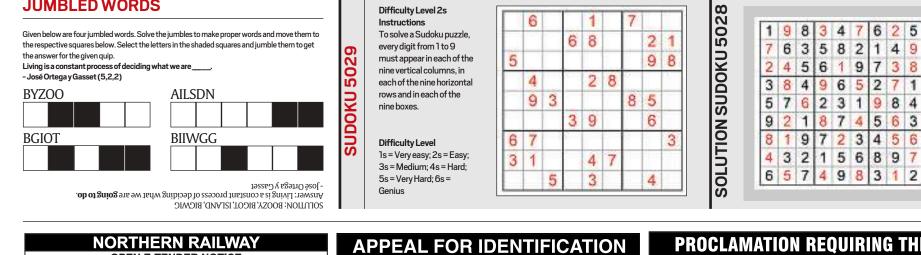
- Break a record in flavour 8 Unable to sleep because of an
- all-night feast (5) 9 The majority need time for treatment
- 10 Disapproval expressed about
- a doctor is growing (6)11 No big shot in the gunnery
- world(6) 12 Put into liquidation? (8)
- 15 A product of good stock
- 18 Wagnerian heroine that is
 - about to be disposed of (6) 14 Something you won't come
- across very often (6)
- 21 Watch. No hands (7) 22

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- broken(5) 23
- Their guns are out of order you can bet on it(4,5)

Local taxes, 12 Radish, 13 Sloops, 15 Leading man, 18 Receipts, 19 Knot, 20 Demo 21 Delayed. **Down**: 1 Atoll, 2 Coincide, 3 Salaam, 4 Timberline, 5 Noun, 6 Cohorts, 9 Glaswegian, 11 Commonly, 12 Retired, 14 Edited, 16 Noted, 17 Scum.

JUMBLED WORDS



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LOOK HONEY, CAN WE TALK ABOUT

NOT REALLY. BUT MY PLANE

TICKET IS NON-REFUNDABLE

THAT OPERATION SOME

OTHER TIME

YOU WANT A NEW

FRIEND TO PLAY

WITH?

NO, I WANT

YOU DON'T REALLY

BELIEVE THAT, DO

YOU?

SOMEBODY SMALL

I COULD BEAT UP



TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21) Personal projects fraught with by obstacles, now seem to be strangely free from problems. The only remaining complications could be financial, though with excellent chances of

DAY TODAY

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Today's rather

special Moon

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21) Everything now ability to get on with other people. Indeed, it seems as if they have the whip hand, so your best chance may be to agree with their every word, and accept that it can be pleasant to allow others to take the initiative.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23) By all accounts you will have little time

left over after completing all those steadily increasing tasks and duties. You'll be burning the candle at both ends, but you'll be no use to anyone if you overdo it, least of all to yourself. Take it one step at a time.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)

Financial extravagance is the key today, and the ripples arising from current risks and commitments will be felt for at least two weeks, if not twelve months. Sporting types should be on course for triumphs and trophies, so aim to improve on your personal best.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)

This is a remarkable moment for improvements in and welcome changes in all domestic conditions. Accept that an element of uncertainty is inevitable, but don't let that put you off. After all, someone who has disagreed with you will soon see the error of their

waiting for. PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20) You may have to choose between two simple options – partnership or career, love or work. So much hope seems to be tempered by seemingly impossible choices. Sit this one out if you wish, in spite of the pressure to act. Never let people push you into action before you're ready.

NORTHERN RAILWAY

(2) Rs. 52,44,357.00

TENDER NOTICE The Dy. Chief Engineer/TMC/Line, Northern Railway, State Entry Road, New Delhi for and on behalf of the President of India invites Open E-tender under One Packet System or the under noted wo 1) POH (Periodic Overhaul) of FRM-1866 machine at NR Name of work Track Machine Workshop including mechanical, hydraulic pneumatic, electrical, cabin repair and other ancillary works. and location: (2) POH (Periodic Overhaul) of WST-8083 & 8088 machine at NR Track Machine Workshop including mechanical hydraulic, pneumatic, electrical, cabin repair and other ancillary works. 2. Completion period (1) 120 Days. of the work (2) 120 Davs. (1) Rs. 93,17.143.00 3. Approx. cost of

temperature at work and in any legal questions. It also stimulates your creative energies. The most important consideration is to know your rights and stand up for

figures high in your list of planetary

which once looked difficulty and beset improvement. It all depends on your sense of timing.

> hinges around your arousing hope for the future. Don't worry if your ideas are still unclear, but recognise that prestige and professional projects are about to take off. All they need is one last almighty push.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20) Your turn will come very soon. There is so much going on behind the

scenes that you might feel as if you are to be sucked in to something that is only half-

understood. You may wish to distance yourself from people who are unnecessarily aggressive. If they are intent on confrontation, then that is their business, and nothing to do with you.

may not deserve as

AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19) You need more credit - and partners

much sympathy as you have given them. However, you could have little choice in the matter, and you will almost certainly be obliged to listen to their complaints. You never know, you may even come out with the advice they've been

family relationships

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male Age: 50-55 vears, Height : 5'2" **Complexion :** Shallow wearing checkdar shirt and black colour pant, was found dead on 23.11.2022 at Labour

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

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Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Sahibjeet @ Sabi, S/o Surjeet Singh, R/o; WZ-15A, Navyug Block, Vishnu Garden, Tilak Nagar, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in FIR No. 496/20, U/s 25/54/59 A Act, P. S. Janakpuri, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said Sahibjeet @ Sabi cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that

finish(7)Little known but giving one credit(9) 11 Potential danger by the barrelful **MARVIN** by Tom Armstrong (6,3) 13 It may be taken to promote JEFF, YOU ARE PERFECTLY good feeling(8) Mean to insist being on time CAPABLE OF TAKING CARE OF (7)MARVIN AND HANDLING EVERYTHING 16 Ill-suited for work WHILE I'M GONE 17 The language of the finishing school?(6)

Bird with half of each leg 19 Attracted to being taken out (5)

DOWN

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Zero speed so to speak

(5) The very thing is left out

Not a positive denial (8)

Plunder a grave perhaps

Beat a medical man in the

Solutions Crossword 4907: Across: 1 Accedes, 4 Tunic, 7 Omit, 8 Plymouth, 10

NORTHERN RAILWAY **OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE** The Sr. Divisional Engineer-IV, Northern Railway, Delhi Division for and on behalf of President of India invites E-Tender on prescribed form for the following work. Invitation of tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems) Name of work with its loacation: Upgradation of level crossing in DLI-BTI section of Sr. DEN-IV/DLI (NIT 62-W-IV-22-23) 2 App. Cost of the work : (1) Rs. 45,18,957.39

3 Earnest Money : (1) Rs. 90,400.00 4 Date & Time of submission of tender and opening of tender : Bidding Start date for work no. Up to 15:00 Hrs. on 02.12.2022 opening of e-Tender at 15:00 hrs. on 16.12.2022

Soft 10:12:12:22
 Website particulars published e-tender, notice location etc. complete details of tender can be seen and website where the tender form can be downloaded : Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. <u>www.ireps.gov.in</u>
No.: 128-W/260/Tender Notice/62-W-IV/22-23 Date:- 23.11.2022 3117/2022

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OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis

CALVIN & HOBBES by Bill Watterson

FEELS LIKE A STORM COMING.

[WISH I

HAD A

BABY

BROTHER

HOW CAN YOU TELL

Serving Customers with a Smile

कार्यालय जिला सूचना एवं जनसंपर्क अधिकारी, पलवल

निविदा सूचना

जिला स्तरीय गीता महोत्सव 02 से 04 दिसंबर 2022 तक पंचायत भवन, पलवल में मनाया जाना प्रस्तावित है। आयोजन हेतु निम्नलिखित वस्तुओं व सेवाओं के लिए निविदाएं/कुटेशनें आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।

- टैंट सर्विस वाटर प्रूफ व सामान्य दोनों के रेट्स। कुर्सिया– 600ं, सोफा सैट– 30, सैंटर टेबल– 10, स्टॉल टेबल– 60, स्टॉल– 30 (15x15 फ़ुट), कारपेट, पर्दे, कालीन, स्पीच स्टैंड, प्रवेश द्वार व दो ग्रीन रूम, जनरेटर (10 केवी व 62 केवी- ग्रैप मानकों के अनुसार निर्धारित ईंधन से चालित) हैलोजन लाईट, स्टैज सजावट, सेल्फी प्वाइंट के लिए रथ।
- फूल मालाएं, बुक्के व स्टेज सजावट सामग्री आदि। 2.
- लाईट एवं साउंड सिस्टम। 3.
- वीडियोग्राफी/फोटोग्राफी। 4.
- एचडी वीडियोग्राफी, एडिटिंग सहित।
- प्रतिदिन की 250 फोटो/वीडियो पैन ड्राइव में उपलब्ध कराना।
- शॉल, लोई (अच्छी क्वालिटी) व स्मृति चिन्ह।
- जूट बैग, गीता, पैन, नोट बुक व गिफ्ट आइटम। 6.
- बाहर से आने वाले कलाकारों के लिए नाश्ता, लंच, डिनर। 7.
- जलपान, चाय, काफी, नमकीन, काजू–बादाम, बिस्कुट आदि। 8.
- 9. शोभा यात्रा हेतु फ्रूटी, फल केला व सेब।
- 10. शोभा यात्रा के लिए घोड़ा बग्गी, बैंड।

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- 11. निमंत्रण पत्र तथा प्रशस्ति पत्र (डिजाइन सहित।
- 12. रंगोली व पंडाल सजावट का सामान जिसमें झालर, मालाएं, छतरी, गुब्बारे, डिजाइनर घंटी, चुनरी व अन्य सामग्री आदि शामिल है।
- 13 . प्रिंटिंग फलेक्स लकड़ी व[ॅ]लोहे के फ्रेम सहित (जोकि वर्ग फ़ुट के हिसाब से होंगे)।

नोटः क्रमांक १ व १३ तक के लिए इच्छुक फर्में अपनी निविदाएं/कुटेशन बंद लिफाफे में दिनांक २६.११.२०२२ से २८.११.२०२२ को सुबह ९.०० बजे से सायं 5.00 बजे तक ओल्ड कोर्ट कैंपस, एनएच– 19, पीडब्ल्यूडी रेस्ट हाउस, नियर जिला जेल, पलवल स्थित जिला सूचना एवं जनसंपर्क अधिकारी, पलवल में भिजवाना सुनिष्टिचत करें । निविदाएं/ कुटेशन गढित कमेटी सदस्यों के समक्ष व फर्म सदस्यों की उपस्थिति में दिनांक 29.11.2022 को सुबह 11.00 बजे खोली जाएंगी। क्रमांक 1 के 13 कार्य हेतु इच्छुक फर्म द्वारा 25 हजार रुपए की अग्रिम राशि का ड्राफ्ट जिला सूचना एवं जनसंपर्क अधिकारी, पलवल के नाम जमा करवाया जाना अनिवार्य है। आवश्यकता अनुसार वस्तुओं की मात्रा में कमी या वुद्धि की जा सकती है । अपरिहार्य कारणों से कार्यक्रम में फेरबदल या स्थगन होने की सूरत में गटित कमेटी का निर्णय अंतिम समझा जाएगा। निविदा के संबंध में विस्तृत जानकारी जिला एवं जनसंपर्क अधिकारी के कार्यालय से प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

> हस्ता/– जिला सूचना एवं जनसंपर्क अधिकारी, पलवल।

Chowk, Company Bagh, Chandni Chowk, Delhi. In this regard a DD No. 26-A dated 23.11.2022 has been lodged at P.S. Kotwali, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this found person may kindly inform to the following:-

> SHO : P.S. Kotwali, Delhi Tel. No. 011-23977100, 23953442, 08750870121

APPEAL LE()R IDJENTILE(CAT(ON

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male Age: 25 Years, Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Long, Height: 5'6", Built: Thin, Wearing Yellow T-shirt, Blue Shirt & Black Sweater, Black Jeans, has been found unconscious at Ghazipur Paper Market, Delhi-96 on 17.11.2022 at 22.37 Hrs, in the area of P.S. Ghazipur, Delhi, who

was admitted in LBS Hospital where he died during the treatment on 19.11.2022. In this regard a DD No. 84A, dated 19.11.2022, has been lodged at P.S. Gazipur, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.

SHO

P.S. Gazipur, Delhi DP/3175/ED/2022 Ph. No.: 011-22610068, 22610094

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Where as complaint has been made before me that one accused Gorav @ Amar S/o Raghunath Singh, R/o H.No. C-336, TC Camp 12.5 Gaj, Raghubir Nagar, New Delhi have Committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. 422/20 u/s 411 IPC has been registered at P.S. Janakpuri, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said Gorav @ Amar cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Gorav @ Amar has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused Gorav @ Amar of FIR No. 422/20 u/s 411 IPC has been registered at P.S. Janakpuri, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 11.01.2023. By Order Bharti Beniwal

Metropolitan MagIstrate-11 DP/3097/WD/2022 (Court Matter) Room No.05, Ground Floor Dwarka District Courts, New Delhi

the said Sahibjeet @ Sabi has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said Sahibjeet @ Sabi accused of FIR No. 496/20, U/s 25/54/59 A Act, P. S. Janakpuri, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 12.01.2023. By Order

Bharti Benwal Metropolitan Magistrate-11 Room No. 05, Ground Floor Dwarka Courts, New Delhi

General Public is hereby informed that a

female dead body Name: Unknown, W/o

Unknown, **R/o:** Unknown, **Age:** about 60 Yrs. Approx., **Height:** 5'1", **Complexion:**

Shallow, **Wearing:** Multi Colour Suit and Green Colour Salwar was found in

unconscious condition from Nigam Bodh Ghat Kashmere gate, Delhi and admitted in LNJP hospital by Cat ambulance on MLC

No 114987637/22 and later on during

treatment doctors have declared her dead

Appeal for Identification

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on 23.11.2022, 02.32 PM. In this regard DD No. 35A, Dt. 23.11.2022 has been lodged in PS Kashmere Gate, Delhi.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this female but no clue has come to light so far.

Any, person having any information or clue about this female may kindly inform to the following. SHO

P.S., Kashmere Gate, Delhi DP/3163/N/2022 Ph.: 011-23962210, 23946123

HARYANA SEEDS DEVELOPMENT **CORPORATION LIMITED** (A STATE GOVERNMENT UNDERTAKING) PANCHKULA CIN: U01122HR1974SGC007442 **REGD & ADMN OFFICE** BAYS NO. 3-6, SECTOR-2 PANCHKULA NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that 48th Annual General Meeting of the Members of Haryana Seeds Development Corporation Limited will be held on 20.12.2022 at 12:30 PM at the Registered & Administrative Office of the Corporation, Bays No. 3 to 6, Sector-2, Beej Bhawan, Panchkula to transact the business as per notice of Annual General Meeting posted separately to all the members of the Corporation. The Share Transfer Books and Register of the Members of the Company shall remain closed from 06.12.2022 to 20.12.2022 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board sd/-MANAGING DIRECTOR

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4.	Earnest Money amount (to be	(1) Rs. 1,86,343.00				
	deposited Online)	(2) Rs. 1,04,887.00				
5.	Cost of Tender Document (to be deposited Online) Rs. Nil.					
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Quotation Inviting Notice

Sealed Quotations are invited block wise for the fixation of building materials rates such as Bricks, Paver Blocks, Sand, Bajri, Stone Metal, Press Steel Chowkhats with door and window frames, RCC spun pipes, Sanitary Items, Paint Items etc. to be used in development works in rural areas of district Nuh. Sealed Quotations should reach in the office of Executive Engineer Panchayati Raj, Nuh latest by 02.12.2022 up-to 12.00 PM and sealed quotation will be opened on the same day at 3.00 PM in the office of Additional Deputy Commissioner, Nuh in the presence of Quoting agencies or their representative, who ever want to be present. List of materials/Quotation forms can be obtained from the office of Executive Engineer Panchayat Raj, Nuh, on any working day from 24.11.2022 to 01.12.2022 between the working hours. Other detailed terms and conditions are mentioned in the form. Conditions:

- The above rates are excluding all taxes (GST etc.) as applicable and should be F.O.R.
- 2. The above material should be confirming to P.W.D. specification and of superior quality. The quality of building material will be certified by Sub Divisional Officer, Panchayati Raj as per P.w.D. specification.
- Deduction for voids shall be made from the gross quantity as per P.W.D. specification, norms and payment will be paid for net quantity on above approved rates.
- Supplier should have his TIN/GST Number.
- The executing agency can purchase the above building material from open market on the lower rates, if avail able.
- The Lowest item's rates shall be fixed irrespective of 6. any firm.
- Suppliers are bound to supply duly marked ISI paver blocks of brand name, of specified shape and grade.

Sd/- Executive Engineer Panchayati Raj, Nuh cum-Member

District Level Rate Fixation Committee.

New Delhi

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OTHER RESULTS

Belgium	1	0	Canada
Switzerland	1	0	Cameroon
Uruguay	0	0	South Korea

FIFA WORLD PREVIEW

SHOWCASE GAME **IN A NUTSHELL GROUP A**

Netherlands v Ecuador 9.30 pm, Khalifa International Stadium

(LIVE ON SPORTS18 AND JIOCINEMA)

The script

Both the Netherlands and Ecuador recorded wins in their first games of the World Cup. While the Dutch dispatched Senegal with two late goals, the Ecuadorians handed World Cup hosts Qatar a defeat as well. It is crucial for both teams to win on Friday though, if they want to move past the Round of 16. Primarily because whoever comes second in Group A will likely take on England and on the evidence of their first games, it seems highly unlikely that any team from this group has the pedigree to beat England.

How they line up The Netherlands: 5-3-2

Louis van Gaal, much to the detriment of his players, employed a 5-3-2 formation in their first match against Senegal. For the quality of players they have, this was a regressive strategy employed by the third-oldest coach to ever appear at a World Cup. Likely XI: Noppert; Blind, Ake, Van Djik, De Ligt, Dumfries; De Jong, Berghuis, Gakpo; Bergwijn, Janssen

Ecuador: 4-4-2

In their first game at this World Cup, Ecuador proved that they had the means to score goals through Enner Valencia. If the unsettled Dutch backline from their first game was any indication of what's to come, Valencia can definitely add more goals to his World Cup tally.

Likely XI: Galindez; Estupinan, Hincapie, Torres, Preciado; Íbarra, Caicedo, Mendez, Plata; Estrada, Valencia

The schemer

Since the Dutch backline stays quite close to their own goal, in comparison to other top teams, taking the ball to the opposition half is what's on Frenkie De Jong's plate - and it's a tough task. Usually, the Dutch midfielder is adept at this very undertaking for his club Barcelona. But against Senegal in their opener, he struggled to move the ball forward. Against Ecuador, he will once again be tasked to somehow chug the engine along even though everyone in the Dutch squad has been hamstrung by a style of play that most are not accustomed to.



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EXPRESS AT WORLD CUP

SANDIPG DOHA, NOVEMBER 24

HIS EYES shut, the mind designing the shot his right foot would unleash, Cristiano Ronaldo took a deep meditative breath. The world around him stopped to take a deep breath too. He opened his firm, sharp eyes. The world did too. He took his first stride. In their mind, in their imagination, the world around him too. He took his next stride. The third was a fluid swing of his right foot. When he hits the ball exactly the way he wants to hit it, it sounds like music. Like the sweetest beat of a drum. The ball simply flew, and for a while it felt as though

This was the moment for Rolando, in the 65th minute of the game, the inevitable moment, but one that seemed to never come at all. In the end, Portugal showed they were more than Ronaldo, holding their nerve and beating Ghana 3-2 in a frantic thriller that sprung to life after the Ronaldo moment; they have been more than him for a while. Yet, often, it is all about him.

For all the magnitude and magic of the

fect Ronaldo's World Cup has been subject to much conjecture, hypothesis and speculation. It could be the fuel that could power his dream of winning the World Cup; it could be the perfect repartee to the Manchester United managers who had snubbed, spooked and snapped him, that they were all grossly wrong about him; it could be the glowing vindication of superstardom, the supreme triumph of individualism, that the un-bottling of accumulated frustration could cleanse his mind.

It could also be his undoing, entering the World Cup with pressure of proving his doubters and critics wrong, that his club managers were not wrong after all, that his self-absorption could hamper his team's ti-



Ronaldo thrives in 'spot' light

The first 65 minutes, until he scored the opening goal of the match, were torturous for Cristiano Ronaldo, replete with several nearly moments. AP

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tle charge, that he could be drowned out in the immensity of the stormy build-up, that it is an unnecessary distraction.

Whichever way it unfolds, there would always be theatre. There always is theatre with Ronaldo. Unlike his great peer, the reclusive and self-effacing Lionel Messi, Ronaldo has an irresistible affliction for the arc-lights, an unabashed, single-minded

quest for ultimate sporting glory, a self-instilled, smouldering self-belief that he is above everything. It's a bubble he has wrapped himself in. He wants the team to be built around him, he needs the team to converge into him. So it is with Messi; all teams, even PSG in his autumnal bloom, have been built around him, but he conveys, with his persona, a sense of all-forone, one-for-all camaraderie. But with Ronaldo, perhaps for no fault of his, it seems he wants the world to gravitate towards him.

Centre of attention

Cristiano Ronaldo became the first player to score in five different editions of the World Cup - 2006, 2010, 2014, 2018 and 2022.

rolling, the match was to be all about Ronaldo, from the second he rolled the ball to start the match to the 87th minute when he was taken off. Yet, his first 65 minutes were torturous, replete with several nearly Ronaldo moments.

This was a classic would-have-been Ronaldo moment. Ronaldo airborne, four feet from the ground, waiting to meet the floated ball with his head, pausing in his leap, arching his head so that he could guide the ball down into the gaping net. At that precise moment, Ronaldo seemed to freeze time and age. He would score a goal that would be more than a goal. A goal that could be a statement, a benediction, a vindication.

But, cruelly, the ball bobbled off his crown into the cradle of the goalkeeper's arms. He slumped down, banged the turf in anger, jumped back to his feet, and gazed skywards, perhaps to see the stars of his destiny.

Minutes later, he was kicking the turf, a tuft of grass scattered. He had crunched the ball to the corner after delightfully spinning away from Alexander Djiku, but had grazed the defender's ankle in the build-up. A soft offence, but an offence nonetheless. He seethed, at the referee and the world at large, like a man betrayed. He was a pantomime of exasperation, arms thrown up in the air, his face a portrait of disdain. He would fling and flap his hands, shake and shrug his head, kick and shove the turf.

Everything and everyone seemed to desert him, god, fortune, and even the magnificent first touch. Just two minutes into the game, a ball was pinged onto his feet. But a heavy first touch stumbled onto the path of Baba Rahman, and in his endeavour to regain the ball, Ronaldo clattered into Rahman. The next touch was heavier. Bruno Fernandes had laid a sumptuous ball onto his channel, but the ball dribbled off his instep into sliding goalkeeper Lawrence Ati-Zigi. Ronaldo peered dejectedly into the distance.

He was even more isolated in the opening exchanges of the second half, when hana, docile in the first half, began to shift gears. He cut a frustrated figure, frequently admonishing his teammates for a better supply, for a sharper pass, for a better understanding of his movements. With every passing moment, the moment seemed to escape him.

But finally, in the 65th minute of the game, the inevitable Ronaldo moment ar-With all the undercurrent steaming and rived. As sweet as the beat of a drum.

CLOCKWORK RED

With 1003 passes, 7 goals and 82% possession, Spain turn from tiresome to thrilling

In 2010, when they won the World Cup, Spain scored just eight goals. Twelve years later, as they got their campaign underway in Qatar, they scored seven in just one match vs Costa Rica. And it was tiki-taka through and through.

MATCH STORY IN NUMBERS 1003

Spain attempted 1061 passes, out of which 1003 were successful. Crucially, more than 50 per cent of those passes were played forward, giving an impression that the young players weren't content merely by holding possession but were constantly trying to make things happen.

81.8%

Spain controlled 81.8 per cent possession and so thorough were they that Costa Rica were not allowed to take even one shot at their goal. The former champions have often been accused of not being adventurous enough with the ball. But under Enrique, they've shown plenty of creativity and courage in the two tournaments he's been in charge, with the Euros last year being the first.

SECOND GOAL: A SPANISH CLASSIC

Nothing epitomized a revitalized Spain more than the second goal, which was a combination of slick passing, intricate movements and a sharp finish. It started with Dani Olmo, playing on the left of a frontthree, dragging Costa Rica rightback Carlos Martinez with him. It helped Spain's left-wingback Jordi Alba enough space and freedom to march forward and receive a crossfield pass from his Barcelona teammate Sergio Busquets, who played in the centre of a three-man midfield. Alba found Marco Asensio, who played as a false nine, 12 yards from the goal. Asensio unleashed a first-time shot past a diving Navas to double Spain's lead.

PEDRI-GAVI, THE NEXT XAVI-INIESTA?



Williams bros make WC debuts: One for Spain, other for Ghana

it would burst the net.

match, for all the drama, skills and thrills that could unfold, the silk of Joao Felix and the steel of Ghana to stir a rousing comeback, the narrative would always be woven around Ronaldo. Perhaps, as he always likes it to be.What he would, and what he would not, every stride of his dissected, every emotion he sheds inspected, every mood captured. Not solely because he is one of football's immortals, but because of the build-up, because of the background.

How the prolonged soap opera would af-

Language of football

Chocoladebeen Origin: Dutch Translation: The non-dominant leg of a football player

It literally means chocolate leg. The Dutch specifically use it to describe the weaker foot of a player.

Other Matches

Wales vs Iran: 3:30 PM Qatar vs Senegal: 6:30 PM England vs USA: 12:30 AM (Sat) **RAHUL PANDEY** NOVEMBER 24

DESPITE BEING his World Cup debut and a 7-0 win, the Costa Rica match wasn't the one Nico Williams was most looking forward to. "Above all, I'd like to face Ghana," the

Spain winger told AFP pre-tournament.

There wouldn't be another Spanish player who'd be as keen about that matchup at this World Cup. For, one of the players Nico will be up against will be none other than his brother Inaki: Nico wearing Spanish red, Inaki - eight years elder to him - in Ghana's colours.

The Williams brothers were born to Ghanaian parents, who, looking for better life, fled from Accra to Melilla, an autonomous city in north Africa. "Seeing the suffering of my parents, what they have gone through.....they have given everything for us, my brother and L suffered a lot for us, above all for me. (Inaki) had it a bit worse than me. My brother is protective of me, he wants to help me, and because of that I am the person that I am today.' The suffering Nico spoke of features some 4,900kms of Sahara desert landscape, in temperatures that touched up to 50 degree Celcius. That was the distance and those were the conditions Felix Williams and his partner María Arthuer travelled to flee from Ghana's capital, Accra, to get to the autonomous Spanish city on the north-west coast of Africa, Melilla. Quite a bit of it on foot, Barefoot, Details which Inaki wasn't aware of until he turned 20. Maria. who was pregnant with her elder son during the journey but did not know, decided to share it all with him only two years after he made his debut for La Liga club Athletic Bilbao.

"They did part (of the journey) in a truck, one of those with the open back. 40 people packed in, then walked days," Inaki told the Guardian last year. "People fell, left along the way, people they buried. It's dangerous, there are thieves waiting, rapes, suffering. Some are tricked into it. Traffickers get paid and then halfway say, 'The journey ends here.' Chuck you out, leave you with nothing, no water, no



NICO (L) AND INAKI WILLIAMS.

food. Kids, old people, women. People go not knowing what's ahead, if they'll make it."

When Felix and Maria finally did make it across the border to Melilla, the civil guard detained them when they told they were migrants and had no papers. Only after the couple told the authorities they were from a country at war, as advised in jail by a Catholic aid organisation lawyer, that they were offered political asylum in Bilbao.

Inaki would later learn that all of it wouldn't have happened had his mother known she was carrying him at the time. "If I knew, I would have stayed," she'd tell him.

Inaki is now a club legend at Athletic Bilbao, making 286 appearances for the club since making his debut in 2014, scoring 80 goals across all competitions apart from 48 assists. However, despite his performances in top tier Spanish football, Inaki was given a cold shoulder by the national team for the longest time. His only start for Spain came in a 2016 friendly under World Cup against Bosnia and Herzegovina under Vicente Del Bosque.

For young Nico on the other hand, the transition from Spanish U18s to U20s and then finally the senior side happened across a smooth three year timeline from 2020. In September, he received a call-up from Luis Enrique for the UEFA Nations League and then made it to the team for the World Cup.

As for Inaki, who initially refused to play for Ghana, a trip to Accra where he met his grandfather changed his mind and he decided to play for his country of origin. And so, here they are in Qatar: one brother playing for Spain, another for Ghana.

The comparisons are too early, but also inevitable. Gavi (R) and Pedri - 18 and 19, respectively played on the right and left side of the Spanish midfield, and showed creativity and courage beyond their teenage years. Pedri was central to everything Spain did. He wasn't dispossessed even once in the 57 minutes he spent on the field, and completed 86 out of the 89 passes he attempted with 15 of those into the final third, underlining his attack-mindedness. Gavi was equally ruthless and even became the World Cup's youngest scorer since Pele in 1958.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

How Qatar scores: Crowd control to efficient public transport system

SANDIPG DOHA, NOVEMBER 24

OUTSIDE THE pick-up bus bay of the Al Janoub Stadium, in the dead of a balmy November night, a few thousands are waiting for the metro shuttle that would ferry them to the Al Wakra metro station.

The line seems endless, but there is no muffle of impatience, no yells directed at the security personnel controlling the traffic, or push and shove to break the line. Instead, they chorus the lady rattling out the direction. "This way metro," she says in a distinct, sing-song Iranian accent. The crowd takes it from there. "This way metro," they say, in many accents and dialects. Soon, one of the guards flicks his smartphone and plays Bob Marley's Redemption Song, and the crowd sings and heaves along. The queue now seems to move faster.

If the Qatar World Cup was presumed to be a caged and colourless affair, heavily restricted and constantly surveyed, the first week has debunked such notions and killed the per-

ceptions. Apart from producing two of the most thrillings upsets in World Cup history, the tournament has busted preconceptions about the country. For John Williams, a 70-year-old from Belfast, the trip has been a perception breaker. "I thought twice or thrice about cancelling the ticket to Doha, with all that has been going on in the background. I was not worried about getting beer, but more concerned about transportation and lack of atmosphere. But everything has been tip-top and smooth. The atmosphere has been terrific," he says.

An estimated one million people from around the world have landed in Oatar. a traffic many wondered how the country would handle, and many assumed it would crack under the mass of humanity. But you don't feel the crowd, except when you are waiting for the shuttle after a game featuring the contenders of the game or heading for a match in the peak hours. Then, it is universal; match-days world over tend to be crowded affairs. "I have to wait for a while. But I am fine with it. There is at least the assurance of transport. You would reach home safely, unlike in so many other World



A tourist from Spain gets a fist bump from a local near the Souq Waqif Market in Doha. AP

Cups. In Rio. I had to wait for several hours to find a commute. And you know it can get scary at night. The taxi drivers know it, and then will overcharge you," says Williams, who has been to every World Cup since Mexico 1986.

The efficiency of the Word Cup transportation system is clockwork. Feeder buses run from every stadium to the nearest metro and FIFA's designated hotels and clusters. They are so frequent that it takes no more than an hour for the spectators to catch the bus to the metro or home, despite no standing-passengers being allowed in the bus. Rajan Jackson, a volunteer whose duty is to mark the arrival and departure time of the buses, says that in his eight-hour shift alone, at least 3,000 trips are completed. "A bus gets full in two minutes and then the other comes, then the other," he says.

Similarly, the metro completes 10.000-odd trips a day and it has turned out to be a lifeline for the spectators, connecting them to most stadiums. It is a melting pot of sorts where fans of different countries socialise and become friends. There is banter but not serious scuffles so far. Savs Jacqueline from Brazil, who is on the train to Lusail Stadium for the Brazil-Serbia game: "I thought there would be policemen watching you all the time, telling you that you shouldn't do this, you shouldn't do that. But it has been the opposite. You find more smiling than gruff faces. You are free to do whatever you want, and nobody would bother."

The dress you wear was another concern. Jacqueline had carefully packed her trolley with full pants, plain jeans and dungarees, from what she had read on travel websites and advisories. She even carried a scarf, should she be needed to cover her head. But she was surprised to see fans wearing shots and snug-fit t-shirts. "And there was no one arresting them or telling them not to wear it. Anyway, I am fine with what I have brought. Of course it's important to be respectful of the local culture," she says.

Heat was the other concern, though sophisticated air-conditioning units are designed to keep temperatures in the stand around 20 degrees Celsius, regardless of what the weather is like. The grounds have misting devices and pitch-side machines to keep the players cool. The World Cup in Brazil was played under an extremely humid and tropical climate. It's hot in the afternoons, but it's not oppressive.

The only grouse is the ready unavailability of alcohol. At fan parks, they end up buying overpriced beer. The bar-licensed hotels are

high-end ones, charging 200-300 riyals for entry alone. But on the bright side, there have been few alcohol-induced brawls, in the stadium or outside it. Williams puts this in perspective: "There are so many young and old people, girls and women, from this region watching the game in the stadium. It could have been uncomfortable for them if there were drunk fans sitting next to them, dancing and spilling alcohol all around them. We need to respect the culture. The real intoxicant is good football.".

Back at the bus bay in Al Janoub stadium, the long line is steadily unclogged. A Pakistani guard, watching all this is bemused and asks: "Yeh hota hain bhai hamare mulk mein? Poora kharabi ho jayega (Does this happen in our country? It will all be disrupted)." When a friend told him that Qatar was looking for retired Army or policemen from Pakistan for managing the World Cup, he thought it would be hectic. "Mehnat toh karna hi padega, lekin utna nahin (I still have to put in effort, but not so much)," he says, as the crowd continues to sing along with the announcer: "This way, metro."

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Time to focus on Vision 2023

NZ ODI series gives India chance to start identifying personnel for next year's World Cup

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ON THE 1 face of it, India's three-match One-Day International series against New Zealand beginning on Friday in Auckland will go down as another pointless contest with no context to it.

Speaking on the eve of the match, New Zealand captain Kane Williamson didn't mince words and reiterated how ODIs need context. On Monday, Australia and England faced off at the MCG in front of a sparse crowd, and a similar scene at Eden Park when India and New Zealand take the field is a possibility. The Men in Blue have chosen to rest their stars and even Hardik Pandya, who led the team in the T20Is is back home, handing over the team to Shikhar Dhawan.

But for all the talk of this series lacking context, for India there is more to it. The 50-over World Cup is less than a year away and they need to hit the ground running. They have resources in place, but are still some distance away from identifying which ones to use.

Teams usually undergo four-year cycles to build a team for World Cups. It has been the norm for ages, but India have lagged behind. They have gone into two successive 50-over World Cups without knowing who their No.4 batsman was. They have experimented way too much and have settled for less. And for a World Cup at home, they are now racing against time to put together a winning unit like in 2011.

Back then, the process began at home against Pakistan in 2007. After a series loss at home to Australia, out went Sourav Ganguly and Rahul Dravid as MS Dhoni began a long process that culminated on April 2, 2011.

From a settled team to a strong support staff, they also parhad a selection panel that had the vision to look ahead. In fact, thi the committee led by Kris th:



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include Sanju Samson in the

T20Is against New Zealand.

Srikkanth even got an unprecedented extension keeping the World Cup in mind. unprecedented – meaning there is no continuity whatsoever. Which is why some of the selection calls raise evebrows.

Questions galore

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three years – which is againSuryakumar Yadav to play a
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plenty of criticism, going by

DEMOTION DID NOT Bother Dhawan

Auckland: Shikhar Dhawan has a lot of faith in God's plans and purely for that reason it "didn't hurt him" when he was asked to hand back the India captaincy to KL Rahul during the tour of Zimbabwe. Dhawan, who usually leads the India ODI team in the absence of Rohit Sharma, was named captain for the threematch ODI tour of Zimbabwe in August this year but later was demoted by the former national selection committee once KL Rahul was declared fit and available. "I wasn't hurt as I believe certain things are pre-destined and whatever happens is for our own good," said Dhawan, who is back in the captain's saddle for the ODI leg of New Zealand tour. PTI

how India handled him in the recent A series against New Zealand in Chennai, it is evident he will have a bigger role to play in the 50-over format at No.5.

But before that, there are a few calls the new selection panel and the Indian team management have to take. And it is the same question they failed to address before the T20 World Cup.

Who will make top 3? With this being the 50-over

However, as the focus now firmly shifts to the ODIs, expect the likes of Samson, Shreyas Iyer, Shubman Gill and Suryakumar Yadav to play a bigger role going ahead. While plenty of criticism, going by And despite all the talk of Dhawan's performance being on the wane, he has the big match temperament and delivers consistently at ICC events. The other option for that slot is KL Rahul.

It would be foolish to omit him from ODI plans on the back of his T20 performances as all said and done, he remains a batter who has grown up in an era where the 50-over format remained relevant. And one who knows to give respect to the new ball before shifting gears.

In case Dhawan is phased out, in Gill India have a third opener to groom as the continued omission of Prithvi Shaw, even from A tours, suggests he is still down in the pecking order. And in Indian conditions,

more than the top order, it is the middle order that will decide the outcome, especially if one factors in the amount of overs spinners will send down. It is imperative for India to have two of lyer, Samson and Yadav in the middle order going forward. All three are exceptional batters against spin, and the sort of players who can be enforcers in the middle overs who will ultimately decide how big a total India can set. In simple terms, India need

on to go back to their formula of preserving wickets and going full throttle in the last 10 overs. Of course, it has worked for them, but even in ODIs, it is a strategy from a bygone era.

And among the three, given India's handicap with batters' inability to bowl, only two could ideally fit in. The need to have six bowling options could see India take a few tough decisions and this is where they messed it up at the last few ICC events - leaving it too late to find a working combination. Beginning on Friday and up until the World Cup, India have 21 ODIs to put the jigsaw puzzle together. The pieces are ready. It is time to bring in the right minds to pick the right ones and make it work. First ODI Live on Amazon Prime, DD from 7AM onwards

Shakib returns for ODI series against India

DHAKA: Star all-rounder Shakib Al Hasan on Thursday returned to Bangladesh's ODI squad for the three-match home series against India, which begins here on December 4. Shakib had opted out of the white-ball tour

of Zimbabwe in July-August, the last ODI outing of the team. He came in place of left-arm spinner Taijul Islam. Tamim Iqbal will lead the 16-member squad. Yasir Ali was also named in middle-order batter Mosaddek Hossain. Ebadot Hossain, who made his debut in Zimbabwe, was preferred over Shoriful Islam. The India team will arrive in Dhaka on December 1.

IIM AMRITSAR HOSTS NOBEL LAUREATE PROF JEAN TIROLE

the squad, coming in place of

"I am very much critical of democracy and capitalism, but those are the best we've got!" was just one of the few bold and intriguing statements spoken by Prof Jean Tirole. Nobel Laureate in Economic Sciences, during his address. Delivering a lecture on the topic 'Are Markets Moral?', Prof Tirole spoke extensively, yet in a lucid and simple manner, on the various facets of the topic, and engaged the audience with his unique style of delivery

Indian Institute of Management Amritsar organized and hosted Prof Tirole as a part of 'CEFIPRA Lecture Series' on 23rd November. CEFIPRA, the Indo-French Centre for the Promotion of Advanced Research, focusses on academia-toacademia collaborations, industry-academia linkage, and quality information exchange between Indian and French academic collaborators.

The program was flagged off with the lighting of the lamp by Prof Tirole, Prof Nagarajan Ramamoorthy, Director, EM Amritsar, Prof Nitin Seth, Director, CEFIPRA, Prof Didier Raboisson, Senior Official, French Embassy in India, and Prof Mahima Gupta, Dean, Academics and Programs, IIM Amritsar. The event was attended by academicians from many prestigious institutions from different parts of India; IIT Karipur, IIM Sirmaur, and GNDU being just a few of them. To encourage interaction and discussion, the dignitaries from the industry and academia were also invited for a high tea and lunch with Prof Tirole.



PROF NAGARAJAN ALONG WITH PROF TIROLE

Starting from delining 'morality', Prof Tirole went on to touch upon various angles of the topic, culminating in Corporate Social Responsibility. He was interested and showed enthusiasm to interact with academicians, researchers, and students from IIM Amritsar and other prestigious institutions. The O&A session thus was sparked by some thought provoking and captivating questions related to informal markets, impacts of neoliberalism, and data priv-

acy, to name a few. "Research today is not restricted to one country. This is a great opportunity for us to collaborate with French educational institutions." Said Prof Nagarajan Ramamoorthy, Director, IIM Amritsar. IIM Amritsar, with its existing collaboration of an international exchange program with Kedge Business School France, is looking forward to future collaboratiors with other international institutes.

Prof Nitin Seth, Director CEFIPRA, thanking the Department of Science and Technology Government of India,



and the Ministry of Europe and

Foreign Affairs Gover-nment of

France, said that these

organisations provide monet-

ary, intellectual, and moral

support towards CEFIPRA's

mission. He wished that this

lecture would act as a step

forward in building a

relationship between IIM

Amritsar and CEFIPRA to pave

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The attendees were all alke in their feedback of the event and said that it was a one of a kind opportunity to listen to one of the brightest minds of our era. The lecture was also streamed live on both IIM Amritsar's and CEFEPRA's YouTube channels.

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