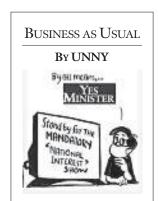
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Most electoral bonds sold in Mumbai; Delhi comes top in encashing: RTI

DAMINI NATH NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

ABOUT 65 per cent of all electoral bonds sold since the start of the scheme in 2018, till the most recent phase for which data is available (October 1-10, 2022), were sold at the Mumbai, Kolkata and Hyderabad branches of State Bank of India — but 62 per cent of the total bonds encashed during this period were at the New Delhi branch, according to a Right to Information (RTI) reply by SBI.

Since the first tranche was sold in March 2018, electoral bonds worth Rs 10.791.47 crore were sold at 17 branches of SBI although 29 branches of the bank are authorised to sell them, according to the RTI response.

In a reply to transparency campaigner Commodore Lokesh Batra (retired) on November 23 this year, SBI data showed Mumbai (Rs 2,742.12 crore), Kolkata (Rs 2,387.71 crore) and Hyderabad (Rs 1,885.35 crore) were the top three branches for the sale of electoral bonds.

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APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES

SC upset at Rijiju remarks, says can name judges if given powers

WITH HUGE pendency of cases in all courts,

the Supreme Court has been taking the gov-

Why govt, SC fight

ernment to task for holding back appointments cleared by

It came from somebody high enough. Should not have: Judge

ANANTHAKRISHNANG NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

EXPRESSING DISAPPROVAL at Union Law Minister Kiren Riiiiu's criticism on Friday of the top court's observations that the government was sitting on files relating to appointment of judges cleared by the Collegium, Supreme Court judge Justice SK Kaul Monday said this "should not have happened".

In an interview at the Times Now Summit 2022, Law Minister

its Collegium. The government, on the other hand, not only keeps citing the demands of due diligence, but also keeps questioning the Collegium system of appointment itself, describing it as opaque and alien to the Constitution. Rijiju had said, "Never say that the

Describing the Collegium system as "alien" to the Constitution, he had said, "You tell me under which provision the Collegium system has been prescribed."

When referred to related

government is sitting on the files, Kaul, without naming the Union then don't send the files to the Law Minister, said, "Let them government, you appoint yourgive the power. We have no difficulty... I ignored all press reself, you run the show..." ports, but what he says, that when somebody high enough says let them do it themselves

we will do it ourselves, no difficulty... It came from somebody **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

news reports on Monday, Justice

Govt returns 20 files to Collegium on appointment of HC judges

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

THE CENTRAL government has asked the Supreme Court Collegium to reconsider 20 files related to the appointment of high court judges, including that of Saurabh Kirpal, an openly gay advocate, sources told PTI on

The government expressed "strong reservations" about the recommended names as it sent **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

Monday.

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Showpiece Delhi stadium lies unused as ground 'sinks' after track relaying project

Class I facility, but no track event since mid-2019

ANDREW AMSAN NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

FOR ALMOST four years now, the iconic Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium here — listed as one of India's five Class 1 facilities by World Athletics — hasn't hosted any track-and-field event. The reason: "sinking" of the ground after a botched-up track relaying project.

The project, for which the Sports Authority of India (SAI) had earmarked Rs 6.50 crore, began in the summer of 2019 and was expected to be completed by 2021. It was handed to WAP-COS [Water and Power Consultancy Services (India) Limited], a public sector enterprise under the Ministry of Jal Shakti. But, when the project was nearing completion in 2021, a section of the 400 metre track

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HOW THE PROJECT UNFOLDED OVER THE YEARS the tunnel area.

A five-metre patch has been removed over the tunnel, at

Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, after it sunk in 2021. Andrew Amsai

2019: SAI sanctions Rs 6.50 crore for relaying main track; project handed to

2020: Athletics Federation of India team visits site, flags several issues in its report, including uneven surface of the track,

2021: 95% of project

especially the dip above

completed, but the area above the tunnel starts

sinking so the project is halted.

2022: IIT-Guwahati asked to identify reason for ground sinking.

IFFI jury chief slams 'The Kashmir Files': 'Propaganda, vulgar... shocked, disturbed'

ALAKA SAHANI MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 28

DESCRIBING THE controversial movie The Kashmir Files as "propaganda" and "vulgar", Israeli filmmaker and a jury chief at the International Film Festival of India (IFFI), Nadav Lapid, said he was "shocked" and "disturbed" by its inclusion in the competi-

ve section Sharing the jury report during the closing ceremony of the 53rd edition of IFFI in Goa, Lapid said: "Usually, I don't read from paper. This time, I want to be precise. I want to thank the director



Israeli filmmaker **Nadav Lapid**

and head of the programming of the festival for its cinematic richness, the diversity and complexity...There were 15 films in the international competition – the front window of the festival. Fourteen out of them had the cinematic qualities...and evoked vivid discussions. We were, all of us, disturbed and shocked by the 15th film, *The Kashmir Files*. That felt to us like a propaganda, vulgar movie, inappropriate for an artistic competitive section of such a prestigious film festival." Lapid was the jury chairman

of the International Competition section of IFFI. The writer-director, whose film Synonyms won the Golden Bear award at the 69th Berlin International Film Festival in 2019, said: "I feel totally comfortable to share openly these feelings here with you on stage since the spirit that we felt in the festival can surely accept a critical discussion which is essential for art and life.

> Lapid delivered his remarks CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Student calls out professor for 'Kasab' remark; Manipal institute bars teacher

AKRAMM&ALIFIYAKHAN BENGALURU, PUNE, NOVEMBER 28

A STUDENT at the Manipal Institute of Technology (MIT) under the Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), an Institute of Eminence, objected in the classroom after his teacher allegedly referred to him as "Kasab", the terrorist who was hanged for his role in the 26/11 Mumbai attacks

It is learnt that the incident occurred days ago but the institute responded on Monday after a 45-second video clip that showed the student's response went public. It announced an inquiry and said the teacher will

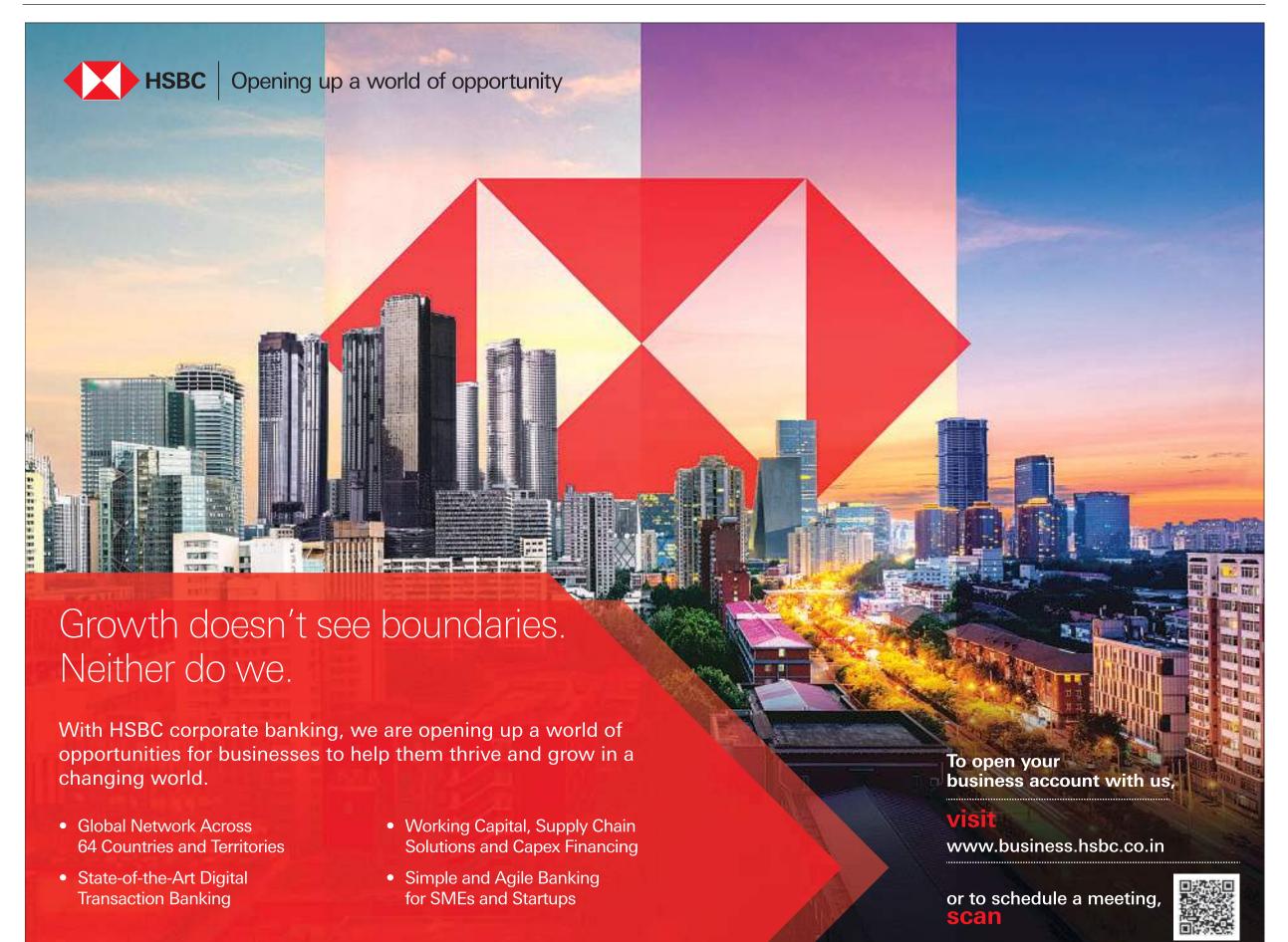
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remain "debarred" till the probe is completed.

In the video, the teacher, an assistant professor in the civil engineering department, is seen trying to justify his remark, saying it was a "funny thing". But the student is heard saying, "26/11 was not funny... being a Muslim in this country and facing all of CONTINUED ON PAGE 2 **EXPRESS NETWORK**



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Apex court upset at Rijiju remarks



KANTARA: BOLLYWOOD IS LEARNING ALL THE WRONG LESSONS FROM ALL THE

Rishab Shetty's blockbuster Kannada film Kantara celebrates the kind of behaviour that should be abhorred; another 'Hombale Film' that needs a lesson in how to be humble

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I can say is, should not have hap-

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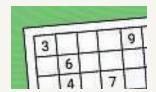
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ONIR ON CENSORSHIP & HOMOSEXUALITY

"Queer representation needs more queer voices," Onir said

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Assam-Meghalaya border clash

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Indian Express' Debraj Deb joins us to talk about the firing incident at the Assam Meghalaya border resulting in the loss of six lives

Bharat Biotech's intranasal Covid vaccine gets approval for emergency use

in ICC Test Betting Rankings

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BIOTECH **BHARAT** International Limited (BBIL) on Monday announced that iNCOVACC (BBV154), an intranasal vaccine against coronavirus disease, has received approval from the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) under Restricted Use in Emergency Situation for all adults in India, for heterologous booster doses.

According to a Bharat Biotech statement, iNCOVACC is the world's first intranasal Covid vaccine to receive approval for the primary 2-dose schedule and heterologous booster dose. iNCOVACC is stable at 2-8°C for easy storage and distribution,

iNCOVACC is a recombinant replication deficient adenovirus vectored vaccine with a pre-fusion stabilized SARS-CoV-2 spike protein. This vaccine candidate was evaluated in phases I, II and III clinical trials with successful

iNCOVACC has been specifically formulated to allow intranasal delivery through nasal drops. The nasal delivery system has been designed and developed to be cost-effective in low and middle-income countries, the statement said

iNCOVACC was developed in partnership with Washington University, St Louis. Product development related to preclinical safety evaluation, large-scale manufacturing scale up, formulation and delivery device development, including human clinical trials were conducted by Bharat Biotech, Product development and clinical trials were funded in part by the Government of India.

Mizoram expecting more Kuki tribal 'asylum seekers' from Bangladesh

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MIZORAM GOVERNMENT officials on Monday said the state is preparing for influx of more refugees from Bangladesh in the coming weeks, after the state Cabinet on November 20 gave the nod to providing food and shelter to Kuki-Chin-Mizo refugees who had crossed the international border the night before, to enter the

ers", senior Mizoram government officials said 272 members of the Bawm tribe, including women and children, had crossed the border at Lawngtlai-at the tri-iunction of India, Bangladesh and Myanmar-on the night of

The refugee influx began after clashes broke out between the Kuki-Chin National Army, the armed wing of the Kuki-Chin National Front (KNF), and Bangladesh's Rapid Action Battalion, in the Bandarban region of the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT), an area populated by the Bawm tribe. The refugees had fled to escape being caught in the crossfire,

"They have now been shifted to Parva III village and put up in government schools and community halls there. Residents of neighbouring villages, civil society and the district administration have all stepped up to extend welfare to the refugees." said a senior

country, after an earlier exodus of various resistance groups.

the officials said.

Mizoram official.

refugees from a neighbouring refugees, also of Kuki-Chin ethnicity, from Myanmar last year, in the wake of the coup by the military junta in Myanmar, and the resulting conflict between the junta and

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Calling them "asylum seek-

November 18.

This is the second influx of

CLARIFICATION

ON 25.11.22, PAGE 13

THE ARTICLE 'Banking on New Delhi' was published with omissions, diluting the message about India's climate leadership. The version published also incorrectly indicated that India – or other emerging economies – should be pressured to contribute to the L&D financing. The piece has now been updated on the web: https://indianexpress.com/article/opinion/columns/india-cop-27new-climate-fund-8288270/.

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Solicitor General Tushar Mehta urged the court not to go by media reports, to which Justice Kaul said, "It's an interview...with an interview, it becomes difficult to deny what you have said yourselves...I am not saying anything. I am just expecting both the Attorney General and Solicitor General to play the role of a law officer... to advice the government to ensure that the law of the

observed." The bench of Justice Kaul and Justice Oka was hearing a contempt plea by the Advocates Association Bengaluru which said the government was yet to approve 11 names reiterated by the Supreme Court Collegium in violation of the norms laid down by the top court.

Earlier on November 11, while hearing the matter, the bench chaired by Justice Kaul had noted that "keeping names pending is not acceptable", and also issued a notice to the Secretary (Justice) in the Central government. Taking it up Monday, the

bench sought to know if the Centre was not clearing the names because the National **Appointments Iudicial** Commission (NIAC) had not passed muster. "How will the system work if the names are not cleared? We have expressed our anguish...It appears that the government is not happy that the NIAC has not passed muster. But can that be the reason to not clear names?" asked Justice Kaul.

before a number of dignitaries,

including Union I&B Minister

Anurag Thakur, as well as promi-

nent actors such as Asha Parekh,

Akshay Kumar, Ayushmann

Khurrana and Rana Daggubati.

directorial debut in 2011 with

the feature film Policeman,

which won the special jury prize

at the Locarno International Film

with the IFFI as his 2014 film The

Kindergarten Teacher's actor Sarit

Larry was awarded the Best

Actor Award (Female) at the fes-

tival. This film was also featured

in the 2014 Cannes Film

Festival's International Critics'

Week. In 2016, Lapid was chosen

He shares an old connection

Festival that year.

Tel Aviv-born Lapid made his

While on the one hand everyone wants first generation lawyers graduating from law schools to become part of the judiciary, the bench said, "...but they say what is the guarantee our names will not languish for months together." "If this happens...the quality of judicial appointments (will) go down. It's in nobody's interest," Iustice Kaul said.

Referring to a lawyer who withdrew consent to becoming a judge, Justice Kaul said, "What is the signal we are sending? It fails us. It's the anguish which we are expressing. We kept on thinking things will improve... I think we expressed our opinion in very soft words when he heard the matter

When Attorney General R Venkataramani said "we should not be taking a rhetorical standard", Justice Kaul responded, "Even today, we have kept our patience because the Attorney is appearing. Earlier Mr K K Venugopal (former AG) appeared when I had occasion to deal with this issue... As (the) highest officer in this country, a duty is there to see that good people join the bench and the orders of the court are respected.'

To sort out problems, a threejudge bench had laid down timelines to be followed by the government in case of appointing iudges, Justice Kaul said, emphasising the timelines must be adhered to, "Timelines having been laid down, those timelines have to be adhered to unless there is some exceptional circumstance, some 1 case or 2 cases. This much time period, not 20 cases pending like this...," he said.

as a member of the International

Knee (2021) was selected to

compete for the Palme d'Or at

the Cannes Film Festival last year,

when it shared the Jury Prize

Other members of the jury

Competition at IFFI were

American producer Jinko Gotoh,

French film editor Pascale

Chavance, French documentary

filmmaker, critic and journalist

Javier Angulo Barturen, and

year, The Kashmir Files, directed

by Vivek Agnihotri, ran to packed

halls. The film is based on the

Released on March 11 this

Indian director Sudipto Sen.

International

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Critics' Week's jury

with Memoria.

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a need to expedite without bringing in any other factors which may dilute the entire process of fairness of consideration and adding quality to the whole process... So, after receiving the (November 11) order, I had a couple of discussions at the secretary level and I thought I need to go bevond that and some facts were told to me, but I had some guestions not as an AG but as an officer of the court because all of us are concerned in our common pursuit of the quality of appointment to the courts." He also said he will follow up on the issue.

Venkataramani said, "There is

"Please understand, also the further anxiety you must address. Once timelines are laid down, and we took care to lay down broadly the guidelines, because we respect the equations which arise in such (an) appointment process. But those timelines, some of them have gone completely haywire. And aggravating circumstances have occurred after that. So, we would look forward to both of your persuasion with the government to see that some progress is made by the next time you come...," said Justice Kaul.

Pointing out that appointment to High Courts is a "very important issue", he said, "...We sent names in anticipation of vacancies...Last two months, the whole thing is at a standstill. So, whether it's appointment to the highest court, whether its appointment of Chief Justices... please resolve this... Don't make us take decisions on the judicial side on this," Justice Kaul said.

date of hearing the matter on

December 8, Senior Advocate Vikas Singh, who appeared for the petitioners, sought a shorter date. To this, Justice Kaul said, "You think I am not bothered? I'm greatly bothered. We have expressed our sentiments to both law officers." Attorney General G Venkataramani said, "The trust that the court places upon us, I think will be reciprocated and it will save time.'

"I have no reason to doubt that. It will be done and you make sure that at least some part of the work is done before... All I know is senior members of the Bar holding the office of Attorney General and Solicitor General, the government should be listening to them. And I think both of you are competent enough and senior enough to convey our sentiments to the government," said Justice Kaul.

As the Attorney General remarked that things have to move in a certain way, Justice Kaul responded, "Attorney, when things have to move, they move in a day. When they don't have to move, they don't move in months. This is the problem". Venkataramani said, "It's both a question of principle, policy, high consideration, also strategy, so many things are

Responding, Justice Kaul said 'maybe you have reservations on the law... But till the law stands.it is the law of the land. Till it's the law of the land... if the governat a larger picture."

cial screening of The Kashmir Files.

Meanwhile, the Spanish Film I Have Electric Dreams, directed by Costa Rican Valentina Maurel, won the Golden Peacock for the Best Film at the festival, Iranian writer and director Nader Saeivar was awarded the Silver the finding," it said. Peacock for Best Director for No End, a portrayal of Iran's socio-

lakh for the research and Rs 6.50 crore has been sanctioned to WAPCOS for the track," it said. Admitting that "the last ath-

letics event held on the track was before the renovation work began in 2019", SAI said "the Athletics Nationals held last year was held in the warm-up area of JLN since the Athletics Federation chose that venue for the competition".

us before beginning the work. During our first visit, we found several issues apart from the track. The surface of the long jump pits was uneven, the

Showpiece Delhi stadium throwing circles were not right,

over an underground tunnel started caving in.

The tunnel was built during the 2010 Commonwealth Games, and used for the opening and closing ceremonies.

The issue, in fact, was among several deficiencies flagged by an Athletics Federation of India (AFI) team, which had first visited the site in December 2020 on SAI's request. "Fill the ditch at the entrance of the VIP gate for the track which created a gap in the underground tunnel," said the AFI report, seen by The Indian Express.

An AFI official said they were consulted only after the initial relaying of track was almost over. "We immediately noticed waves on the track and informed WAP-COS, but they brushed it off saying it's nothing. But a few months later, after incessant rainfall, the track started sinkng," said the AFI official.

Responding to a text message from The Indian Express, Rajni Kant Agrawal, chairman and managing director of WAPCOS, texted back saying: "In this regard you are requested to con-

When contacted, SAI, in its statement to The Indian Express, said: "The laying of the track was started in 2019 and the work was undertaken by WAPCOS, a central government undertaking. The work was progressing at good speed and by 2021 around 95 per cent of the work was completed. However, at that time it was found that due to excessive rain water seepage into the ground and because of the presence of an underground tunnel across the stadium, below the track, the under construction track was sinking".

"Therefore, it was decided t suspend the ongoing work and CPWD, responsible for the overall maintenance of JLN stadium, was asked to identify the reason for the ground sinking. CPWD in turn has approached IIT Guwahati for a detailed research on the issue. The results of the research are expected soon and work will resume depending on

"SAI has sanctioned Rs 53

"They should have consulted

and the base of the steeplechase pit needed to be changed. We flagged the tunnel issue long back and I don't understand why you need an expert panel from IIT to tell you the same thing,' said the AFI official. With the turf-relaying proj-

ect nowhere near completion, the country's premier venue, that hosted the 1982 Asian Games, will continue to be under-utilised. An evening at JLN explains how unused infrastructure impacts the training of several elite athletes.

A 5m patch has been dug up at the 250m mark on the 400m track exposing the concrete structure below, the jumping pits have become resting places for dogs, the carpet area around the track is in shambles, and the throwing area is far from readv. The pole vault set-up has been missing since 2020.

This has forced athletes, including international medallists, to train at the worn-out, crowded practice track outside the main stadium. Hundreds of athletes train simultaneously on a track that is long past its use-

"Not having good facilities for training can ruin the future of young athletes. For every athlete, the goal is to train hard and perform well so they get selected for the national camp. But if the facilities are not good, they cannot perform well." Bahadur Prasad. who held the 5000m national record for three decades until Avinash Sable broke it this year, told The Indian Express.

junior Championships medallist said that his practice has been hit adversely and it is very difficult to fight for space in the cramped practice area. "See the state of the practice track yourself, the inside lanes are completely worn out. We have four or five barely usable lanes that we have to share with hundreds of athletes," the junior champion said.

For Arjuna awardee Bahadur Prasad, who also held the 1500m national record for 23 years until it was broken by Jinson Johnson in 2018, JLN has a special place in his heart. He trained and attended national camps at the facility on numerous occasions between 1989 and 1998.

"During my career, all preparatory camps before international meets were held at ILN and we could train at both tracks. It is a premier facility and many government agency-employed athletes also train here. I don't know why there has been such a delay but it needs to be sorted out on priority. If budget is the issue, increase it. The authorities should just focus on getting the track ready as soon as possible," said the two-time Olympian.

The government has returned

all the names related to fresh ap-

pointments in various high courts

on which it had "differences"

with the Supreme Court Collegium, the sources said.

Monday had expressed anguish

over the delay by the Centre in

clearing the names recom-

mended by the Collegium for ap-

pointment as judges in the higher

judiciary, saying it "effectively

frustrates" the method of ap-

During a hearing on Monday,

the Supreme Court told Attorney

pointment.

The Supreme Court on

• RTI: Most electoral bonds sold in Mumbai; Delhi tops in encashing

While the New Delhi branch sold electoral bonds worth Rs 1,519.44 crore, it accounted for the majority of the bonds encashed - Rs 6,748.97 crore - followed by Hyderabad (Rs 1,384.03 crore) and Kolkata (Rs 1,012.98 crore), the data show.

So far, the bonds have been encashed at 14 regional branches of SBI. Bonds worth Rs 50 lakh and Rs 2.50 crore were encashed at the Srinagar and Gangtok branches, respectively, even as the two branches saw zero sales, according to the SBI

The electoral bond scheme, which was started in March 2018, was recently amended by the Union Finance Ministry to allow sales for a longer period in a year. As per the November 7 amendment, the Government can notify an additional 15 days of sales in any year with Assembly elections, apart from the usual four 10-day windows. The 23rd tranche of bonds went on sale from November 9 to

November 15 this year. Terming the scheme

TOPFIVEBRANCHES FORSALES

Mumbai ₹2,742.12 ci ₹2,387.71 cr ₹1,885.35 cr Hvderabad New Delhi ₹1,519.44 cı ₹1,053.20 cr Chennai Total sales ₹10,791.47 cr

TOPFIVEBRANCHES FORENCASHING New Delhi ₹6,748.97 cr

Hyderabad ₹1,384.03 cr ₹1,012.98 ci Bhubaneswar ₹749.50 cr ₹622.55 cr Chennai ₹10,767.79 cr

Source: SBI RTI reply to Commodore Lokesh Batra (retired) on Nov 23, 2022

"opaque", Batra said the SBI data revealed that 93.67 per cent of the bonds sold so far were of the Rs 1 crore denomination, the biggest available under the

Manipal College 'bars' teacher

The video also shows the pro-

fessor saying "sorry" and the student responding: "Sorry does not change how you think or how you portray yourself here."

Issuing a statement announcing an inquiry, MIT referred to the teacher's remark and said the "institute does not condone this kind of behaviour and this isolated incident will be dealt with in accordance with the laid down policy".

When contacted by The Indian Express, Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, vice-chancellor of MAHE, said, "When such a serious allegation is made, we have to be very careful. It's a difficult situation. The inquiry committee has just been constituted and its outcome will be known in a day or two. We have to be fair and transparent. We will wait for the report. At this point, it's important to protect both the student and the teacher (and hence the decision to not let him take classes till completion of inquiry)."

When contacted by The Indian Express, the teacher claimed: "I told kaisa ho (how are

you)... he heard it wrong." He said the exchange was "forgotten the next day" and he "taught the same class with the same students.'

Asked about his apology, the teacher said, "He felt it was wrong... I am not supposed to answer (to you), only to the police if they want to know. I am not comfortable with these questions. Because it is affecting the harmony (on campus).

The student could not be reached for comment.

Sources in the MAHE administration said the incident took place sometime over the past two weeks and the student hasn't lodged a formal complaint against the teacher.

"The institute has taken suo motu cognisance of the incident (based on the video). There is no formal or written complaint by the student and his parents. The student and his parents have been counselled. The parents don't want to pursue any complaint or action, but Manipal has a strict no-tolerance policy for such behaviour," the sources said.

The build-up to the exchange is not shown in the video.

Govt returns 20 files

back the files to the Collegium on November 25, sources said. Out of the 20 files sent back. 11 were new recommendations by the Collegium and nine were reiterations, they said.

The son of former Chief Justice of India B N Kirpal, Saurabh Kirpal's name was recommended by the SC Collegium for elevation as a Delhi High Court judge.

Kirpal's name was sent by the Delhi High Court Collegium to the SC Collegium in October 2017 for elevation as a high court judge, but the top court Collegium is learnt to have deferred deliberations on him three times.

He recently told NDTV in an interview that he believed the reason behind the limbo was his sexual orientation.

It was in November 2021 that the SC Collegium, headed by then CJI Justice N V Ramana, finally took a decision in favour of Kirpal and recommended his name for General R Venkataramani that the names recommended by the Collegium, including those reiterated, were not being cleared by the government. "How does the system work?"

the Bench asked, adding, "We have already expressed our anguish.'

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ment says it will delay or not adhere to the law of the land, tomorrow somebody else may say something like this about another portion of the law. You must look

political system.

Vahid Mobasseri, lead actor

As the court fixed the next

• IFFI jury chief slams The Kashmir Files: 'Propaganda, vulgar... shocked...

"exodus and killings" of Kashmiri Pandits in the Valley in the 1990s and was endorsed by a number of Union Ministers and granted tax-free status in most

claims to be the torchbearer of freedom of expression but does not want the truth to be told. But critics of the film said it presented a one-sided narrative of events and raised concerns

all BIP-ruled states. At the time,

Prime Minister Narendra Modi

said that the movie had rattled

the "entire ecosystem" that

over communal polarisation. Agnihotri did not respond to a request from The Indian Express seeking comment on Lapid's remarks. Incidentally, the 53rd edition of the festival also held a spe-

of No End, was awarded the Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Male), and Daniela Marín Navarro, the lead of I Have Electric Dreams, the Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Female). Praveen Kandregula received a special mention for the Telugu film Cinema Bandi.

this every day is not funny."

attack from sword-wielding men

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

THE POLICE vehicle carrying Aaftab Poonawala from the forensic laboratory back to Tihar iail came under attack by sword-wielding men, who attacked the vehicle even as a policeman waved a gun at them. A team of policemen were accompanying Poonawala when the van was stopped on the main road, and the accused created a ruckus.

According to a senior officer, police received information about men claiming to be from the Hindu Sena attacking Poonawala's vehicle, and sent personnel to the spot. Police are yet to verify if the men are indeed from the Hindu Sena or another outfit.

When contacted, Vishnu Gupta, the Hindu Sena national president, confirmed that the men are activists from his organisation, "Delhi Police told us that Hindu Sena members tried to at-

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School

threat

evacuated

after bomb

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STUDENTS OF a prominent pri-

vate school in South Delhi were

evacuated on Monday after-

noon after a bomb scare, but a

police search did not find any bomb on the school premises.

Indian School on Josip Broz Tito

Marg, said that the school's offi-

cial email ID received an email

from an unrecognised sender at

1.14 pm claiming that a bomb

was present on the school

promptly. A bomb disposal

squad along with the staff of

Defence Colony police station

reached the spot. The school

was evacuated and a thorough

search has been made. But no

bomb was found. Meanwhile,

the email is also being verified

by the cyber team," said Deputy Commissioner of Police (South) Chandan Choudhary

time that the email was re-

ceived, most of the students

were already on their way out

ing session were already mov-

ing out so we did not face any

issues there. There are over 400

students in the second session,'

moved them towards the

basketball court and started

calling their parents. We also

sent a message to all parents ex-

plaining to them what hap-

pened and telling them that all

is safe. We will be back to busi-

ness as usual from tomorrow,"

"As instructed by police, we

"The students of the morn-

of the school

Joshi said.

Joshi added.

According to Joshi, at the

"The local police were in-

which reacted

premises.

Tania Joshi, principal of The

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28



One of the men carrying a sword speaks to the media while trying to attack the police van. ANI

tack Poonawala. Whatever these activists have done is based on their personal feelings. The whole country is watching how Aaftab cut a Hindu girl to pieces. However, the organisation does not support any such work which is against the Constitution."

Personnel guarding the van stepped in to defuse the situation and keep the prisoner from harm. One of the person-

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nel was seen waving a gun at the men and then pointing it in the air. "Aaftab was unhurt and the van managed to leave," said an officer. A video of the incident shows one of the armed men managing to open the van's rear door to find a policeman standing inside. The accused are seen pelting stones as well.

GSSidhu, DCPRohini, said two people had been detained. "These men stopped the van and obstructed personnel in their duty. We are questioning them about their identity and motive."

Sources in the Delhi Police said they are "almost" done with their searches and the investigation work. "We have recovered the weapons used to chop Shraddha Walkar's body. We have found more suspected body parts and evidence." said an officer. On Monday morning, Poonawala was taken for his polygraph test at FSL, Rohini, after forensic experts said they found his earlier tests "unsatisfactory".

Aaftab's police van comes under Was flagging violation by AAP: Arrested ex-Cong MLA

New Delhi: Former Congress MLA Asif polls for which he was arrested. Mohammad Khan, arrested for allegedly hurling abuses and manhandling a police officer in Southeast Delhi's Jamia Nagar, told a court that he was only trying to convince people at a mosque about a model code of

conduct (MCC) violation for the MCD

Khan's lawyers made the submissions during his bail hearing. As per his lawyers, the incident took place on November 25 at Shaheen Bagh's Tayyab masjid when AAP candidate Wajid Khan allegedly gave Rs 50,000 to the Imam of the mosque while his

aides announced that Rs 1 lakh will be handed with a request to vote for them.

Several people objected to this as they said that a place of worship should not be used for political agendas, Khan's lawyers argued, adding that Khan reached the spot to tell people that what had transpired was a violation of the MCC as "the place of worship cannot be used for political propaganda and elections as his daughter is also contesting the MCD elections". His lawyers argued that police violated Supreme Court guidelines while arresting him by "forcibly entering into the house at 2.30 am..



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Date: November 29, 2022

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सं./No. 4/18/2022-Rct Advertisement No. 05/2022

दिनांक/Date: 28.11.2022

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3.	Hindi	10	10	
4.	History	4	4	
5.	Mathematics	1	1	
6.	Political Science	5	5	
7.	Psychology	8	7	1VI
8.	Sociology	4	4	
9.	Philosophy	3	3	
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New Delhi

The details regarding qualification, experience, screening guidelines and indicative proforma etc. are available on the College website www.jmc.ac.in, along with this advertisement. The applicants are required to read these details before filling the form Persons with Benchmark Disability(PwBD) candidates may approach the Helpdesk set up at the College in case they require any assistance in filling up application form.

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BRIEFLY —

No bar on Shah resuming DDCD V-C post, Delhi govt tells HC

New Delhi: Delhi government informed Delhi High Court that it has directed the planning department to rescind orders restricting Jasmine Shah, vice-chairperson of the Dialogue and Development Commission of Delhi, from using his office, as well as the order wherein the L-G requested CM Kejriwal to remove Shah from his post.

Amavictim of custodial violence: Khalid Saifi in court

New Delhi: United Against Hate member Khalid Saifi, booked in the 2020 North East Delhi riots "larger conspiracy case", told the Delhi High Court on Monday that he is a "victim of custodial violence with no enquiry conducted by the police till this day".

Man shot at in accidental fire

Gurgaon: A 24-year-old LLM student suffered a gunshot wound after he was allegedly accidentally shot at during a 'Kuan Poojan' ceremony in Sector 10 area in Gurgaon, said police Monday. They said a case has been registered against the accused. **ENS**

POLICE CRACK CASE DATING BACK TO MAY

Man killed by wife and stepson who chopped, refrigerated body parts

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

FOR FIVE months, 48-year-old nurse Poonam and her son Deepak (25) kept her husband's murder a secret. The mother-son duo allegedly killed Anjan Das with a knife, chopped his body, and carefully packed the pieces in 10 bags. In less than 48 hours, they allegedly discarded all the bags in East Delhi.

On Sunday, a team of Crime Branch officials arrested them for allegedly killing Das and hiding evidence. Investigators said body parts were allegedly kept in their fridge before being dumped in Pandav Nagar and Trilokpuri areas. Amit Goel. DCP (Crime Branch), said, "They sedated him and slit his neck when he fell down. They packed the 10 body parts in polybags and discarded them in June. So far. we have recovered six pieces, including head, thighs and an arm." To remove the stench and blood traces, the duo allegedly used room fresheners. phenyl and even whitewashed their house in July, said police.

The incident allegedly took taken place on May 30. During interrogation, Poonam said she was "fed up" with Das, who was her third partner. Poonam told police that Das was allegedly 'harassing" her daughter and Deepak's wife. She said Deepak was also agitated, and they planned to kill Das, who worked

Local police had found a severed head and body parts, but



A video grab of CCTV footage showing the duo

the body couldn't be identified because of injuries and decomposition, Speaking at a press conference Monday, DCP Goel said. "On June 5, some body parts were recovered from Ramlila Maidan in the East district. Over the next three days, two legs, two thighs, a skull and a forearm were recovered. Efforts were made to identify the body... Our team checked CCTVs... Several teams worked but nothing was found in the first few months... later doctor analysed... and told us that it was a man's body."

CCTVs were checked again, and it was found that two persons were seen disposing of bags at Ramlila grounds on May 31 and June 1, said police. Records of missing persons were checked in Delhi and Uttar Pradesh, and police found that Das was missing but no complaint was filed. A team led by ACP Umesh Barthwal found that locals had pointed out that Das lived with his wife in Trilokpuri

plaint filed by the family. This created suspicion... and Poonam and Deepak were picked up. They gave conflicting versions to investigators. Later, they confessed to his murder...We found footage of them walking towards different areas," said Goel.

Special Commissioner of Police (Crime) Ravindra Yadav said, "The accused revealed that she got married when was 13-14 years old. Her first husband left her and went to Delhi. She came here looking for him, but then moved in with a man named Kallu. The couple has three children, including Deepak, Kallu later died of liver failure. She then got married to Das in 2017. However. Das had not told her that he was previously married and has eight kids from first marriage. Deepak, meanwhile, complained that Das had ill intentions towards his wife, while Poonam claims he was harassing her daughter, who recently got divorced.

Investigators said the accused allegedly used sleeping pills to spike Das's drink on May 30.

"They stabbed him with the dagger and knife on his neck, chest and abdomen... his body was kept in the room for a day to get all the blood drained out. The accused arranged daggers and cut the body into various pieces, preserved them in a fridge and later kept them in plastic bags. They dumped those bags at Ramlila Ground and near Ganda Nala, New Ashok Nagar. They again cleaned the room and fridge using phenyl" added Goel.

In neighbourhood, some suspicions are confirmed

51-100 Satisfactory 101-200 Moderate 201-300 Poor 301-400 Very Poor

JIGNASA SINHA

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

HARDLY A kilometre away from the apartment where Anjan Das was killed allegedly by his wife Poonam and his stepson Deepak, the man's family said they knew something was "wrong" when he went missing.

Deepak, who works as a waiter, meanwhile, alleged that his wife and sister were being "molested" by Das, said police. Special Commissioner of Police (Crime) Ravindra Yadav said, "We have found that Das tried to molest and attempted to rape them. Poonam and Deepak got frustrated and angry and planned this sometime in April.'

Following Deepak's arrest, his wife said, "We don't know much. Police came and picked him up. We later found they were being accused of killing Das." She alleged that Das had harassed her in the past and tried to touch her inappropriately. She also claimed Deepak had told her Das was dead but did not share more details.

Deepak's sister too made allegations of being groped by Das and also claimed she had approached police regarding this. Police said they received no formal complaint from the family.

"Everything (the murder and disposing of the body parts) was



The family lived in Trilokpuri. Abhinav Saha

done in less than two days because it was summer, and the body was decomposing. The family has a 160-180 litre fridge which they used to store the body," said

In Trilokpuri, Sushila, who lived with her family on the same floor, said, "They moved in 4-5 years ago. We didn't talk much but we had asked about Das when we didn't see him for months. Poonam told us he went back to Bihar, and will stay there. There were issues between the couple but we didn't think

Another neighbour, Lala Ram, said, "I remember seeing them carrying something in polybags at odd hours but we thought they were carrying groceries. The couple didn't interact much with oth-



Monday was the sixth day at the country's premier institute when the e-hospital services did not work.

At AIIMS, system still down, patients' lives thrown out of gear

ANKITA UPADHYAY

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

UNENDING QUEUES at the new Rajkumari Amrita Kaur (RAK) OPD, as well as for lab services diagnostic centres and billing counters have become a norm at the All India Institute of Medical $Science (AIIMS), Delhi, since \, last$ Wednesday due to a ransomware attack.

On Monday, while patients waited for their turn at various facilities for extended hours. doctors and employees executed work manually, where they wrote all reports and prepared bills with pen and paper.

One such patient was Sumedha Verma, who had to stand in the queue for hours before she got an appointment with a resident doctor deployed at the ENT clinic at the RAK OPD.

A Ghaziabad resident. Sumedha (30) has been suffering from severe headaches and dizziness for the past week. "I have been coming to AIIMS for three days now, but I could not get an appointment. On Monday, I stood in the OPD queue at 7 am and got the appointment for noon," said Sumedha.

Monday was the sixth day at the country's premier institute when the e-hospital services did not work, and the patient data system and day-to-day activities, including OPD registrations and blood sample reports, remained affected, Last Wednesday, a ransomware attack affected the hospital server. Officers of the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team, Delhi Police, Intelligence Bureau and the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) are probing the incident and they are yet to find the accused involved in the hack. Delhi Police spokesperson Suman Nalwa said, "No ransom demand has been brought to notice by AIIMS authorities..

The AIIMS e-server contains data of around 4 crore patients, including former Prime Ministers, cabinet ministers and

He always took safety

precautions: Kin of

other political leaders. With the cyber attack, the data is now at risk of being lost or in the wrong hands. "The data restoration and server cleaning is in progress and is taking some time due to the volume of data and a large number of servers..." said AIIMS in a

Meanwhile, patients praised doctors and the staff who were making reports manually, "The resident doctors have been rushing from patient to patient to clear the slot of those who were given appointments and were working overtime because of which I finally got the consultation," said Sumedha. With the e-server being

down for the last five days, computerised registration counters also remained empty.

Similar queues were observed at the lab testing facility where patients queued up to get blood and sample reports which were handwritten by doctors and staff. Doctors were also unable to generate Unique Health Identification and Aadhaar (UHID) for patients.

Rajan Singh, a patient from Gaya who is undergoing treatment for gastro issues, said it took five hours for him to get the same. "The doctor and staff employed were making the reports manually due to which everything got delayed. I was told that the server of the institute is not working," he said.

Meanwhile, doctors and staff said they were overworked due to a lack of internet service, which has been halted due to the e-server hack. "This had to happen as there are no cyber safety norms or data safety norms here in the institute, and the digitisation process is being done when we can not protect the e-server. All patient data is at a major risk,' said a doctor.

rector of the institute, Dr M Srinivas, is in Rishikesh for an event. When The Indian Express reached out seeking a comment on the e-server hack, he was un-

According to sources, the di-

BJP bets on 50 social media influencers for an edge online

GAYATHRI MANI

NEW DELHI. NOVEMBER 28

WITH DAYS left for the Municipal Corporation of Delhi elections, the BJP Monday held a meeting with about 50 "social media influencers" with an aim to strengthen its presence online and reach out to a wider audience by leveraging their popu-According to party leaders,

Harvana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar held a meeting with social media influencers from the national capital and discussed strategies that can help the party online. The aim, sources said, is to get them to write or speak about the Modi

government's initiatives and

Sources said the ones chosen are like-minded when it comes to sharing the party's ideology. "The 50 include party members with a large number of followers and social media presence, like Tajinder Pal Singh Bagga, Vikas Pandey and Kuljeet Singh Chahal. Our party's presence on the ground has gained momentum, with CMs and MPs campaigning and rallying across the city. Similarly, the aim is to reach out to the public as aggressively online," said a party leader.

While the Aam Aadmi Party is known for using social media to amplify its message, often relying on humour and pop culture, the BJP has been trying to catch up. To this end, the party's handles online have been sharing memes and cartoons - a recent one, for instance, took inspiration from the show Money

"These influencers will also be expected to target our opposition," said a party leader.

The social media cell of the BIP has also formed a "factchecking" team with an aim to counter the AAP's campaign of 'Kejriwal ki sarkar, Kejriwal ka parshad'. "The team comprises six members who visit schools, mohalla clinics, etc and show the public how the reality doesn't match AAP's promises.

The MCD polls will be held on December 4 and results will be declared on December 7.



Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar Monday visited Delhi's Patel Nagar to campaign for the BJP, ahead of the Delhi civic body polls. Praveen Khanna

2020 riots cast long shadow on municipal polls in NE Delhi, but for many, civic issues are priority

AISWARYARAJ

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

HIS SON killed in the February 2020 Northeast Delhi riots, Nasim Alam left his Karawal Nagar home to move to Ghaziabad's DLF Rail Vihar in November 2020. On December 4. he intends to pay his old neighbourhood a visit to vote in the elections for the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) — the first polls in the capital since the violence.

winner. One of my children does odd jobs to support the family now. I cannot work owing to poor eyesight. I have to marry off six girls, and I approached many political parties for help, but was turned away," Alam said.

"My son was the sole bread-

Though Muslims constitute around 13% of Delhi's population, in Northeast Delhi this figure stands at 29.34%, according to 2011 census data.

At Mustafabad, an MCD ward reserved for women, all parties have fielded Muslim candidates. Apart from AAP, BIP and Congress, the AIMIM and the CPI(M) are also in the fray.

At AAP's campaign booth, the mustard-coloured walls flaunt photos of Aafreen Naaz and Haji Taj Mohammad. Haji, a former Congress councillor, is this time endorsing the candidature of his daughter-in-law from the AAP. Aafreen is pitted against BJP's

Nirmala Sharma and Congress's Naziya Khatoon from Brijpuri.

Mohammad Irfan, an AAP worker, reiterated his party's poll promises, "Koode ke pahaad ko nikalenge (We will get rid of the garbage mountains). Tahir Hussain is in jail, so civic issues continued through his term, but we will make sure AAP performs well this time," he said. Parts of Mustafabad have been merged with Brijpuri this year following the delimitation. Members of AAP claimed the tactic behind clubbing Briipuri, an area with a sizeable Hindu population, with a predominantly Muslim area could improve BJP's chances.

Nehru Vihar, the erstwhile ward covering New Mustafabad and Brijpuri, had AAP's Tahir Hussain as the councillor. Hussain was arrested for allegedly playing a role in the riots, and has been in jail since February 2020.

Mohd Afroj (34) moved to Loni after his brother-in-law was killed in the riots. His sister and her four children have been living with him ever since. Though they received Rs 10 lakh from the AAP government as compensation, the party's support wavered later, he said. "I lodged a police complaint, but to no avail. I enquire about the status every now and then, but the police have one answer, 'Probe is ongoing'. We used to stay near Karawal Nagar. Now I don't go there unless absolutely necessary," he said.



At AAP's campaign booth in Mustafabad. Express

Differently abled, Afroj has no steady means of income. Help gushed in after the riots from parties that have little presence in the area. "(CPIM's) Brinda Karat and Subhasini Ali convened meetings four-five times and have helped to fund the education of my sister's children. Even AIMIM pitched in," he said.

Qayamuddin Malik, a BJP member and husband of Mustafabad candidate Shabnam Malik, said their ward lacked dispensaries and schools, and no programme under the MCD has been in effect here under the Congress councillor. "We distributed sanitisers and masks when the Congress came up short during the pandemic. We know 38,000-40,000 of the total voters (55,000). We have actually reached out to most voters. The entire pasmanda community is behind the BIP. Hindus and Muslims want to work together, and we live in harmony," he said. On the riots, Malik said:

"Those who want to kill are everywhere. We will make sure this incident never repeats." Mohammad Ataif (22), a res-

ident of Mustafabad, said that though Pasmanda Muslims are a majority in the wards, it is "AAP that is capable of making a change". "Congress is no longer in the picture and since AAP is emerging as a national party, their winning MCD can amount to some change," Ataif said.

Delhi Congress vice-president Ali Mehdi, meanwhile, asserted that the party is popular in riothit areas and will make a comeback in all minority seats in the elections. "Delhi riots happened after speeches by BJP leaders. No FIR has been filed against them. It was the Congress that stepped in. I contested and lost from the constituency in the 2019 Assembly polls, but we went around and exhorted them to maintain communal harmony. Rahul Gandhi and over 20 MPs visited the area. Even the Delhi CM did not even visit once, AAP failed the people and it will be reflected in these elections. Not a single brick has been added to the roads that Congress paved during Sheila Dikshit's regime," Mehdi said. Dismissing BJP's focus on

Pasmanda Muslims, he said, "Muslims are oppressed everywhere across the country. This campaign is to split Muslim votes and create factions. AIMIM's Asaduddin Owaisi has also jumped in now. Where was he when riots took place or when Markaz (Nizamuddin) was shut or when they accused minorities of spreading Covid? It was always the Congress fighting for the minorities.

AAP's Dr Nasreen, contesting from Mustafabad, said she would focus on education if voted to power, "Mustafabad is the most backward ward on several counts. We don't have good schools, parks, or community halls. If I win, I would want to make sure our children have a good library to prioritise education. The sewers were rarely cleaned during the term of the Congress over the last 10 years. All diseases in Delhi can be traced to the garbage problem... That is the root cause of all issues and we aim to resolve

For many, civic issues trump

Opposite Hussain's old house. now deserted, BJP supporter and autorickshaw driver Raj Sharma said AAP could not clean 'koode ke pahaad' in seven years but promises to clear it in a year. "Arvind Keiriwal says he gives everything for free. I don't have the subsidy anymore – I had to pay Rs 580 this month for electricity," he said.

Mohammad Yameen (60), who owns a blanket shop in New Mustafabad.said: "We have a water pipeline here, but no water. No party has raised this issue. We rely on water tankers and borewells. The corporation vehicle comes to collect waste twice: garbage is strewn everywhere. After Tahir Hussain went to jail, no one has taken on the reins, everything is in shambles.

First-time voter Tarun (19) has not made up his mind about who to vote for. As he rides his autorickshaw through brick-paved roads with countless potholes at Karawal Nagar, he said he would not mind having anyone in power. "Roads have been in this condition for as long as I can remember. No matter who wins my life hangs on this job," he said.

cyclist hit by BMW **EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** GURGAON, NOVEMBER 28

"WE ARE in a state of shock... never thought this would happen. He was quite an experienced cyclist, and took all safety precautions while cycling. It was his passion," said M G Vinayak, father-in-law of Subhendu Banerjee. Banerjee (50) had died after a BMW had allegedly hit him while he was cycling on the Mahipalpur flyover in Delhi on Sunday morning.

His family had planned to go out to celebrate Vinayak's 80th birthday later that afternoon.

Baneriee ran a garment business in Delhi, and had moved to sector 49 in Gurgaon from Delhi over a decade ago. He is survived by his parents, wife and 20-yearold daughter.

"Earlier, he had an advertising business. After business slowed down during the pandemic, he started a thermal wear and garment manufacturing business... he was extremely passionate about cycling. For the past 15 years, he had been active in the cycling circuit and had cycled across tough terrain over long distances. He was a fitness enthusiast... we are still coming to terms with the loss," said Vinayak.

To his friends in the cycling community in Delhi and



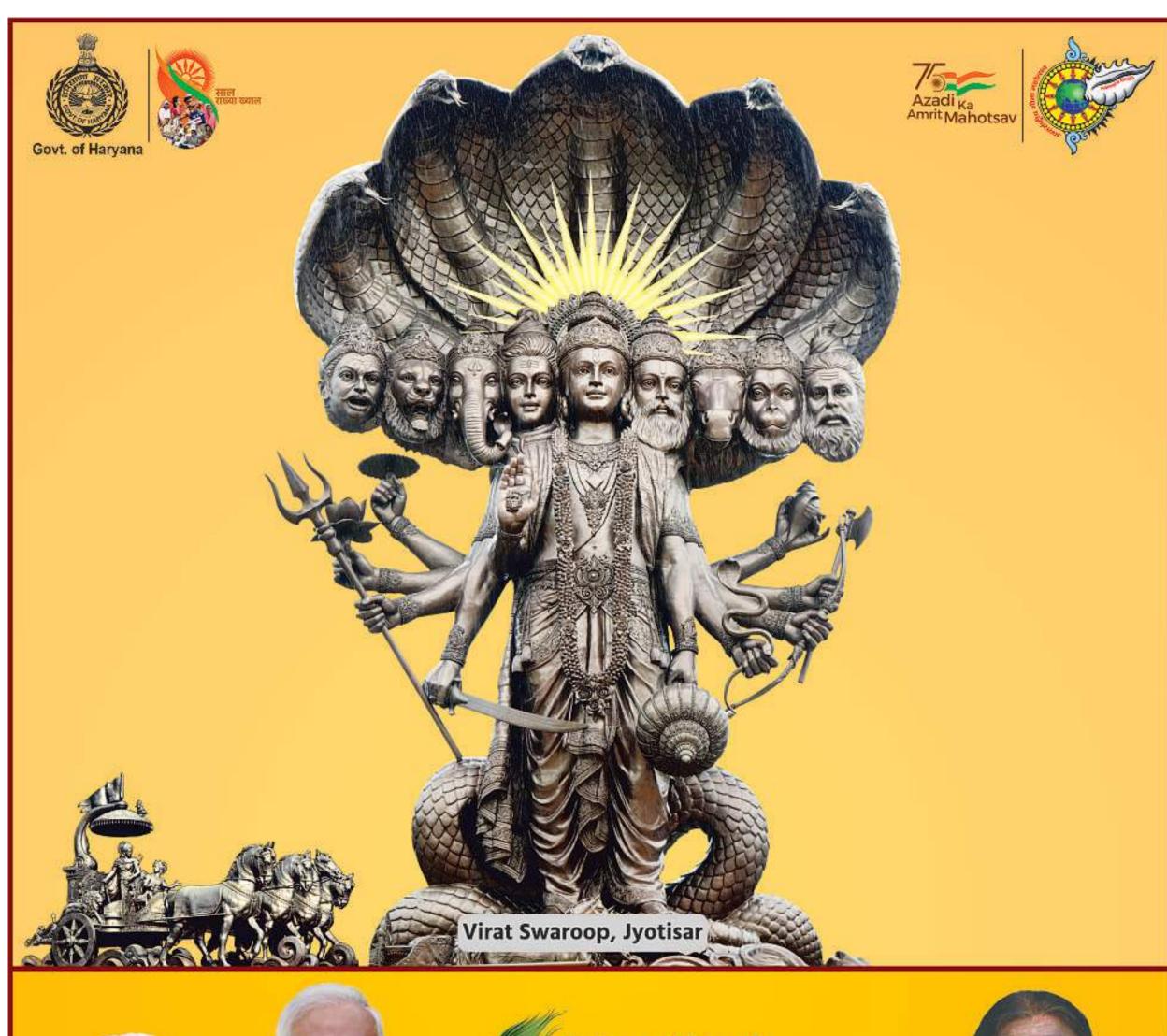
The deceased, Subhendu Banerjee, was cycling alone when he was allegedly hit by a car on Sunday

Gurgaon, Baneriee was a mentor and a role model

His friend, Shilpi Malik, recounted that he would always guide other cyclists in their

"I suffered an injury in an accident while cycling last year. Being one of the most experienced cyclists, he was very conscious about safety and would often tell other riders 'Tum aage chalo, mein sambhal lunga' (You proceed ahead, I will ensure safety). He was affable and shared inputs about cycling across long distances," she said.

She added that his daily regimen would involve cycling for over 50-60 km in the morning before returning to his house and getting ready for work.





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HIGH-DECIBEL CAMPAIGN

(From left) Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal in Surat, Union Home Minister Amit Shah in Naranpura, and Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge in Behrampura on Monday. Hanif Malek, Twitter & Express

I Hereby DECLARE



AMIT CHAVDA, 46

Congress candidate from Anklay, Anand district

■ Chavda won the seat in 2012 and 2017. He has listed farming and MLA allowances as income sources.

MOVABLE ASSETS ₹81.39 lakh

(Assets include that of his wife and dependent daughter)

IMMOVABLE ASSETS ₹82 lakh (including nine agricultural land parcels in Anand) LIABILITIES

₹15.43 lakh **CRIMINAL CASES:** None



ARVIND PATEL, 55 BIP candidate from Dharampur, Valsad district

■ Patel won the seat in 2017. He has listed farming as his source of

income. **MOVABLE ASSETS ₹1.59** crore (with wife and two dependent daughters)

IMMOVABLE ASSETS ₹1.07 crore

LIABILITIES: None **CRIMINAL CASES:** None

(with wife)

BATTLEFRONT GUJARAT

As Congress falters, clues from Viramgam on voters' hopes, fears

It is one of the constituencies where AAP's entry is making it challenging for both BJP and Cong

LIZ MATHEW

VIRAMGAM, NOVEMBER 28

SITTING IN a chair by the roadside in front of his workshop, the man, in his 50s, reluctantly opened up, quickly listing the woes besetting people: price rise, lack of jobs, apathy of political leaders etc. He refused to disclose his name. "Call me Bharat," he said. His assistant was equally guarded, saying "I am Indian" when asked about his name.

A few kilometers away, Hitesh who runs a tea shop in the heart of Viramgam town said "fear" had made people hesitant. He also flagged high prices of daily essentials as a major concern.

But Hitesh and his neighbour Natwar Singh, a pesticide shop owner, attributed the situation to as "one-sided political scene". "There's no Opposition, so there is not much to hope from the current Assembly polls. The Congress has ditched those who pinned their hopes on it." said Singh.

Like Hitesh and Singh, several locals see the emergence of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) in Gujarat as a "positive sign". "We don't know how AAP is going to do. But we will have an Opposition, we hope," Singh said.

The Viramgam Assembly constituency illustrates to a degree the state of affairs prevailing in the Congress, the principal Opposition, in Gujarat. The party got 39 per cent votes in this seat in the 2012 Assembly polls and 42 per cent in the 2017 polls, winning it both times. Although it had lost the seat to the BJP in 2007, the party had garnered 44.32 percent votes even then. But like many other constituencies across the state this time, there does not seem to be any enthusiasm in the Congress camp in Viramgam too.

'Congress does not have a strong leader, nor is it doing outreach. The party is like it does not



Cutouts of BJP candidate Hardik Patel and PM Narendra Modi at the local party office. Liz Mathew

want to even fight elections,

Sadat, a shop worker, said. Many local voters, cutting across caste and religious lines. said the BIP government under Narendra Modi had ensured development. "Modi opened up the state for industries, roads were built, farmers started getting water for irrigation," Vijaybhai Rawal, a shopkeeper, said.

But what surprised voters like Sadat is the "way the Congress has given up this time" despite the support it enjoys among minorities and backward communities.

The Congress bagged 149 of the state's total 182 seats in the 1985 polls in the wave following the assassination of Indira Gandhi, but went on to face a series of setbacks subsequently.

In the 2017 polls, when it won 77 seats, the Congress had made moves to take advantage of the churning roiling the state due to the disenchantment of the Patidar community, farmers as well as traders towards the ruling BIP. The party had then gone all out to take

on the BJP, deputing its then general secretary Ashok Gehlot to the state well in advance and deploying significant resources in its campaigning. Rahul Gandhi had launched a major outreach. Navsarjan Yatra, crisscrossing the state, reaching out to various sections, meeting students, professionals, farmers, traders and religious leaders. Rahul had then also visited all major temples in the

state to woo the Hindu voters. The Congress had then also roped in a number of young, highprofile leaders, including Hardik Patel, who led the Patel quota agitation, OBC leader Alpesh Thakor, and Dalit leader Jignesh Mevani who emerged as firerebrand leaders representing their communities and projecting themselves as Rahul's lieutenants. The state BIP dispensation was also witnessing

a vacuum after Modi became PM. The Congress, however, again started faltering within months after the polls — which the BJF clinched with a sharply reduced majority (99 seats) — with its

MLAs starting to defect to the BJP. In the last five years, 19 Congress MLAs have defected to the BJP.

The Congress does not have a face for the coming polls. Bharatsinh Solanki, one of its prominent leaders, is embroiled in a string of controversies. The demise of both Ahmed Patel and Rajiv Satav, who played key roles during the last elections, has severely hurt the party. Gehlot, the Congress in-charge for the polls, is busy grappling with his arch party rival, Sachin Pilot, in Rajasthan. "We don't have enough resources or people to put up a show like the BJP here," said a sen-

ior state party leader. Hardik Patel, 29, who walked out of the Congress despite being its state working president to join the BJP a few months ago, is now contesting the election from Viramgam on the saffron party's ticket. "The BJP has a strong organisation, the network is robust, the style of working is very different. There is enthusiasm among people for PM Modi and the party

welcoming Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi

votes," he said.

knows how to translate it into

Overseeing the preparation for Adityanath who was to address a rally to campaign for him, Hardik sought to list some of the reasons behind the Congress's fall, alleging "Congress leaders kept attacking the Gujaratis - its leaders were singling out Gujarati industrialists to criticise them. They opposed Ram Mandir construction, they opposed the abrogation of Article 370... Gujaratis did not appreciate, it gave the impression that the party is anti-Gujarati."

Suresh Patel, who claims he was a "loyal and selfless worker" for the Congress for decades before he decided to work for the BJP six months ago, said that young Patidars have shifted their loyalty to the BJP.

Patel and his friend Harisinh Vaghela gave a number of reasons why they would vote for the BIP. "The BJP government brought water here, otherwise farmers from this region used to flee to Saurashtra region. This government gives us subsidy to build the house, we get uninterrupted power supply in these houses, there are a number of industry units and we do not have enough workers so our youngsters get jobs," Vaghela said.

Viramgam is one of the seats where the AAP's entry is making it challenging for both the BJP and the Congress. The AAP candidate Kuvarji Thakor's volunteers rake up "fear factor" among voters.

Former Gujarat Congress president Amit Chavda said his party may not be in the limelight like the BIP or the AAP, but it still enjoys a "solid support base". A four-time MLA, Chavda also countered the $argument\, that\, the\, Congress\, does$ not have a face in the polls. "Who is the BJP's face? It's just Modi, who is the Prime Minister. It still needs Modi and Shah (Amit Shah) to win elections."

INTERVIEW | GENIBEN THAKOR | CONG MLA

'Fracture in Thakor votes could be a major factor ... it shouldn't happen'

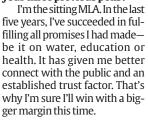
RITUSHARMA

BHABHAR, NOVEMBER 28

THE FIREBRAND Congress MLA from Vav constituency in Banaskantha district, Geniben Thakor, 46, is contesting her fourth Assembly election.

Excerpts from an interview:

How is 2022 different from your three previous polls?



Worried about division of votes in your community?

A fracture in the community vote could be a major factor this time. I'm reiterating in my campaign because both candidates (BJP and Congress) are of the same caste. In such cases, votes get divided, which should not happen. BJP's candidate (Swarupji Thakor) has no vajood (identity). So, I'm alerting voters to vote for the Congress, and not repeat what happened in 2012, when (Thakor) votes got divided between myself and the NCP

What are the local issues?

I'm stressing upon roads connecting villages, water for irrigation and improved government education, not privatised education. Most rural people can't afford private schools. I'm trying to improve the quality of government schools here.

Unemployment is another big issue here. Youth are educated but unemployed. Households are running only on cattle rearing and agriculture. In the future, I want to bring GIDC (Gujarat Industrial Development Corporation) promoted industries like diamond-cutting, embroidery, etc., to smaller towns, especially for women, so that people can earn from home.

What about low female literacy and empowerment in your community?

I came into politics due to my father. I've been in politics now for 28-29 years, starting at the taluka panchayat, then the zila panchayat and then to the Vidhan Sabha. This is my fourth Assembly election, and eighth



Vav MLA Geniben Thakor

election in total. Women generally contest for smaller positions like taluka, zila panchayat and local bodies. Due to lack of education, they fail even to handle the daily administration in these. and fail to progress in politics. The educated sections should enter politics and contest elections. I'll motivate educated women to contest local body elections.

How can women advance if parties don't let them contest polls?

I can't complain about the Congress. This is my fourth Assembly poll. Parties choose women candidates for seats where women are active, based on survey reports, people's representations and recommendations of party workers. Contesting an election for an Assembly constituency of 2.5-3 lakh voters, that too, independently, is very difficult for a woman. Only women who have independently handled local body elections and administration, can tackle Assembly

Why do parties promise larger representation for women and youth before elections?

The Vidhan Sabha elections are not contested on quotas like vouth and women, but on recommendations of local people, caste equations, survey reports, contributions to the party and connectivity with locals.

Problems you have faced as a woman politician ...

Not many. The reason is that my family, who are Congress workers, have always given me support and love. They have never let me feel I'm incapable of some work as a female. No candidate, irrespective of how powerful they are or the caste they belong to, can win such a big election on his/her own, without community leaders supporting them as if they themselves are

Vote from home: 8 lakh forms distributed but 20K opt for EC initiative

AVINASH NAIR AHMEDABAD. NOVEMBER 28

SO FAR, only 20,804 electors have opted for the Election Commission's "vote-fromhome" initiative — introduced for the first time in Gujarat where voters above 80 years of age or with disabilities can vote in the forthcoming Assembly polls from their homes.

"Of the 8 lakh forms distributed, we have received only 20.804 forms till the end of last week," said an EC official. That means only around 2.6 per cent of the forms were filled and returned. To encourage people to vote from their homes, the office of the Chief Electoral Officer in Gujarat had distributed close to eight lakh Form 12D. Interested electorates had to fill and submit them to the authorities, if they planned to cast their votes from the comfort of their homes.

There are over 9.87 lakh voters aged over 80 years, and an additional 4.03 lakh voters with disabilities, on Gujarat's electoral rolls. Voters of both these categories, including those adversely affected by Covid-19, have been allowed to avail the facility. Their votes will be considered as postal ballots.

"The process of voting from home has begun, and by the end of last week, 3,300 votes were cast already," the EC official said. This process is expected to continue and finish two days ahead of the polls. "For Phase 1, voting from home will end on November 29. For Phase 2, it will end on December 3," the official added.

Among the first to vote from was Shatrushalya Sinhji of Jamnagar, who voted from his residence on November 1, in the presence of the deputy district collector. He was among 442 voters in Jamnagar district who had registered to vote from home. Appreciating the effort, PM Narendra Modi had tweeted: "I commend Jam Saheb Shri Shatrusalyasinji for this remarkable passion towards the festival of democracy. Inspired by him, I hope Guiarat witnesses a record turnout, particularly among young and first-time voters." In an official release, the

Commission said Suresh Bhatt a retired government official living in Sector 1 in the state capital Gandhinagar, who turns 85 in December-had voted from home on Sunday, after a Booth Level Officer and other officials visited his residence.

Cong MLA swims across creek to press bridge demand

Rajula MLA Ambarish Der trying to get it built to reduce distance between two places across the creek by 25 km

GOPALKATESHIYA RAJKOT, NOVEMBER 28

CONGRESS MLA Ambarish Der has swum across a creek in his constituency Rajula in Gujarat's Amreli district to highlight the need to construct a bridge.

Der released a video on Sunday in which he said he would be swimming from Victor Port to Chanch Bandar along the Raiula coast to "underscore how the government has not responded to the repeated pleas

"I am doing this so that the state government understands

how much a bridge is needed there. I have been demanding a bridge to connect Victor Port and Chanch Bandar, the biggest village in Rajula, at the mere cost of Rs 50 crore for the last three Assembly sessions. If a 350-metre bridge is built across the Victor Port creek, the distance between the two places will reduce by 25 kilometres," Der said. Asking why "a Rs 50 crore

bridge for villagers of the poor Koli community was not being built," he said that "his efforts have not materialised despite requests to the state government to allot funds for a bridge".

In 2017, Der won his debut



Ambarish Der (in white shirt) swimming on Sunday. Express

Assembly election from Rajula by defeating the saffron party's Hira Solanki by 12.719 votes. Rajula had been a BJP bastion since 1997. Der's victory ensured the Congress's win in all five Assembly constituencies -Amreli, Savarkundla, Lathi and

Dhari – of the district. Solanki is the BJP candidate this time around as well. The AAP has fielded Bharat Baldaniya.

The MLA enjoys influence locally, having been the Rajula municipality president six times. He first contested as a councillor in

2000 on a Samajwadi Party (SP) ticket. He later switched base to the Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) and went on to become the president of the municipality in 2003 and 2007. He was also with the BJP for a brief period in between. He joined the Congress in 2007. In the past, Der has served as the director of a local cooperative bank called the Rajula Nagrik Sahkari as well as the Rajula Agricultural Produce Market Committee (APMC). Known for his oratory skills

and outspoken nature, Der was suspended from the Assembly in March 2018 for demanding that the Speaker give fellow MLA Vikram Madam time to speak on a case related to the mysterious deaths of two children in a gurukul run by godman Asaram in Ahmedabad. In June 2021, he sat on a week-long hunger strike, alleging that BJP MP from Amrel Naran Kachhadiya was blocking the transfer of a piece of railway land to the Rajula municipality. Der is a member of the OBC

Ahir community. While the Ahirs don't hold the largest number of votes in the seat, another OBC group, the Kolis, command significant electoral influence. Party leaders, however, said that "caste considerations did not get Der votes in 2017".

Praveen Baraiva, a Congress worker from Jafrabad, a town part of the Rajula constituency, said Der's "clean image and readiness to work for all without discriminating on caste and religious grounds helped him win". He added that Der "got a lead of more than 8,500 votes from Rajula town, underlining his popularity in the urban



DELHI CONFIDENTIAL



NAMASTE, SHALOM

TO WELCOME the cast and crew of Israeli TV series Fauda at International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa, Union Information & Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur tweeted inHebrew on Monday. "I am pleased to welcome @FaudaOfficial stars @liorraz and @issacharoff to #IFFI53 in India! Israel and India share a special relationship," he posted (roughly translated from Hebrew). Thakur also shared a clip of himself and Fauda actor Lior Raz jumping from the bus. In response, Israel's Ambassador to India, Naor Gilon, tweeted: "...You look one of the team and should probably consider joining Fauda".

NOTA WORRY NOTED

AMID REPORTS that BIP is in a comfortable position in Gujarat, the party leadership appears to be more worried about voter turnout as the D-day nears. The main topic of discussion in BJP's internal meetings to review preparations is to bring down NOTA votes. Votes for NOTA came third in nearly 115 seats in 2017 elections. There were unsuccessful attempts from the party to shift the category from last position on electronic voting machines (EVMs) because, according to BJP leaders, many people cast their votes on the last line, considering it as number one on the list. Party leaders admit that the biggest task for its cadre and booth-level workers is to get voters out on polling days instead of "being overconfident" about BJP's victory.

GUNS TRAINED ON TRAINS

Even as the government highlights Vande Bharat Express trains as its major achievement, the train seems to invite more Opposition scrutiny. Several MPs, mostly from the Opposition camp, are armed with questions on the Vande Bharat for the ensuing Winter Session of Parliament. The drift of most of these questions, it is learnt, are to catch the government on the wrong foot and to get it revealing something not so complimentary about the celebrated train set.

Congress did 75% of Narmada dam work, says ex-BJP minister Vyas as he joins party

AVINASH NAIR

AHMEDABAD, NOVEMBER 28

DAYS AHEAD of the first phase of the Gujarat Assembly elections on December 1, former minister and veteran BJP leader Jay Narayan Vyas along with son Sameer Vyas joined the Congress on Monday, in the presence of Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge and Raiasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot in Ahmedabad. While



GN Vyas

party, Vyas who quit the November 5 saying he was tired of being in the role of a "com-

joining the

grand old

plainant" in the saffron party despite his seniority, said 75 per cent of the concrete work of the Narmada dam, , including the foundation, was done during the Congress regimes. Vyas was a minister with the Gujarat government between 2007 and 2012. Thanking Kharge and Gehlot for his inclusion in the Congress, Vyas said. "All the irrigation schemes in Gujarat, including that of Narmada, were planned before the 1960s.

He said the very narrative of the BJP that the foundation of the Narmada dam was laid by then prime minister Jawaharlal Nehru on April 5, 1962 is flawed.

"The foundation stone that Panditji laid was for the Navagam dam, which was 240 feet high. The Khosla committee was asked to study it and he suggested a dam of 550 feet high. Parts of Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh would get submerged and hence dispute happened,"

The Union minister's remarks

came after Leader of Opposition

Suvendu Adhikari recently said

the law would become a reality in

the state. TMC state general secre-

tary Kunal Ghosh said on Monday,

"Whenever there is an election,

the BIP raises the CAA issue. If they

want to mislead the people, rest

assured they will bring up the

CAA. This is their tactic.'

CAA will be implemented soon: Minister

Mathabhanga in Cooch Behardis-

trict on Sunday, Pramanik said,

'Hindus were driven out of

Bangladesh, Pakistan and

Afghanistan. CAA was brought in

to give citizenship to such people.

The law doesn't take away any-

one's citizenship. Soon this law

will be implemented in the coun-

try. This will be implemented in

West Bengal as well."

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KOLKATA, NOVEMBER 28

UNION MINISTER of State for Home Affairs Nisith Pramanik has claimed that the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) would be implemented soon in West

During a public meeting at

Kerala recalls 209 Silverline survey officials, to wait for Centre's nod

SHAJU PHILIP

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, NOVEMBER 28

WITH the Union government yet to give its approval for Kerala's proposed semi high-speed rail corridor Silverline project, the state government has recalled the revenue officials who have been deployed to conduct a social impact assessment (SIA) study for land acquisition.

The State Revenue Department on Saturday issued an order calling back 205 officials, who have been deployed for conducting the study with regard to the acquisition of 1,221 hectares of land in 11 districts of the state for the ambitious project also called K-Rail. The order said the staff with SIA units should be redeployed with other essential projects. It said the SIA study will be done once the Railway Board approves the project, the order read.

Opposition Leader V D Satheesan said the decision to redeploy the officials indicated that the government is backtracking. "The government should have the courage to say that the project is abandoned. The UDF will continue to oppose the project and go for agitation if it is not yet abandoned," Satheesan said.

However, CPI(M) leader and state Finance Minister K N Balagopal said the project was not abandoned. "The survey will resume once the Railway Board gives permission to the project. Until then, we cannot keep the revenue officials idle. Hence, they are being redeployed," the minister said. Laying of boundary stones for conducting the SIA survey had led to violent protests in many parts of Kerala.

Mumbai Port Authority

Online e-Auction-cum-e-Tender is invited for allotment of open space for offshore activities viz. storage/cargo operations with or without installation of facilities, cargo handling equipment within the earmarked area at 14 Victoria Dock of Mumbai Port Authority on license basis for 11 months extendable for two more terms of 11 months each at the discretion of Mumbai Port.

The above tender is available for downloading on MbPA's website https://www.mumbaiport.gov.in and also at the e-procurement website https://eprocure.gov.in from 1100 hrs. on 02/12/2022 to

1500 hrs. on 26/12/2022. Last date for online submission of Tender is 26/12/2022 upto 1500

hrs. The Technical bid will be opened at 1530 hrs. on 27/12/2022. Traffic Manager (I/C)

PUBLIC NOTICE

FOR CLAIM AGAINST TRANSFER OF RIGHTS AND SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY Notice is hereby given to public at large about FLAT BEARING B-123/A8 (Flat Bearing A8 in Building No. 123-A), ADMEASURING AREA 200 SQ. YARDS, ON THE 1ST UPPER FLOOR, SITUATED AT KHASRA NO. 42 OF LAL DORA ABADI OF FREEDOM FIGHTER COLONY, DELHI, BUILT IN AN

EXTENT OF 400 SQ. YARDS, BOUNDED BY NORTH: NEIGHBOUR MR. ALI BHAI EAST: ROAD SOUTH: NEIGHBOUR MR. VN SINGH WEST: NEIGHBOUR MR. JAGBEER PAWAR

That Mr. B. Sriram and Mrs. B. Annapoorna Devi, has acquired the rights over the Said Property by way of Family Settlement Deed dated 18th October 2021 executed by B Kanta Rao in favor of B. Sriram and B. Annapurna Devi.

Now, B. Sriram and B. Annapurna Devi along with B. Kanta Rao as transferor intent to transfer the complete right and ownership to the proposed transferee Mr. Ravindra Kumar Nagar and Mr. Deepak Kumar Raghuvanshi and have executed an Agreemen for Sale dt. 23.11.2022 for transfer of rights for the abovementioned property. Any person or any company having or claiming any right, title, claim, mortgage, demand o

interest in respect of the said property or to any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, maintenance, license, gift, mortgage, lien, charge, inheritance, share, possession, assignment or encumbrance of whatsoever nature are hereby required to make the claim in writing with documentary evidence call or contact personally at our office, address herein below, within 15 days from the date hereof. Failing which, the said Sale/Transfe will be completed without any reference to such claim and the same if any shall be

Sd/-, AKSHAY UPPAL (+91-9798715287) B-76, Lower Ground Floor, Sector 2, NOIDA (201301) Date: 29-11-2022

PUBLIC NOTICE

[Pursuant to rule 30 the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014]
BEFORE THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR, NORTHERN REGION, NEW DELHI In the matter of sub-section 4 of Section 13 of Companies Act, 2013 and Clause (a) of sub-rule (5) of Rule 30 of the Companies (Incorporation) Rules, 2014s (Incorporation) Rules, 2014]

AND In the matter of Innvolution Healthcare Private Limited (CIN: U74999UP2011PTC109144) ('Applicant Company') having its registered office at 324, 3" Floor, Angel Mega Mall Plot No CK-1, Kaushambhi, Ghaziabad – 201010, Uttar Pradesh

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the Company has made application to the **Regional** Director, Northern Region, New Delhi under section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 seeking confirmation of alteration of the Memorandum of Association of the Company in terms of the special resolution passed at the Extra Ordinary General Meeting held on 18.07.2022 to enable the company o change its Registered office from "State of Uttar Pradesh" (ROC Kanpur) to "State of Karnatak

(ROC Bangalore)*.

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing Investor the company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing Investor the company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing Investor the company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filing Investor complaint form or cause to be delivered or send by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her Interest and grounds of opposition to the Regional Director at the address B-2 wing, 2" Floor, Paryavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi - 110003, within ourteen days of the date of publication of this notice with a copy to the applicant company at its

egistered office at the address mentioned below Registered Office: 324. 3rd Floor, Angel Mega Mall. Ghaziahad - 201010 Date: 29-11-2022, Place: Uttar Pradesh

For and on behalf of **Innvolution Healthcare Private Limited**

Ashvini Suthar (Director) DIN: 05132549

Phase 1 campaign ends today; Modi says Gujarat suffered under Cong's divide & rule

Modi addresses four rallies; Shah, Kejriwal, Kharge among other political heavyweights on campaign trail

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE RAJKOT, AHMEDABAD,

NOVEMBER 28

WITH ONE day to go before campaigning for the first phase of the Gujarat election ends, Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Delhi Chief Minister and AAP supremo Arvind Kejriwal, Union Home Minister Amit Shah, and Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge were among a plethora of political heavyweights to address rallies in the state on Monday.

Modi, who held four rallies in the Saurashtra region, said Gujarat had suffered under the Congress's "divide and rule" policy until the people of the state united against "divisive forces" more than 20 years ago.

"Our mantra is peace,

unity and harmony. The

root cause of Gujarat's

progress is the unity here. **DECISION** On the other hand, 2022 Congress's core ideology is to divide and rule – making people fight among themselves so that its in-

terests are protected. This was Congress's trick," Modi said at a rally for the BJP at Palitana in



Prime Minister Narendra Modi and former Gujarat chief minister Vijay Rupani (right) at an election rally in Rajkot on Monday. Express

Bhavnagar district. He said that the Congress made Marathas and Gujaratis fight each other before Gujarat became a separate state, and added that after the state was formed, the party caused rifts among various regions, com-

munities and sects. Shah addressed rallies in Mehsana, Aravalli, Ahmedabad and Vadodara, and accused the Congress of "disrupting peace". He alleged that during Congress rule, the state saw communal riots and curfews. In Ahmedabad, Shah said the BJP converted it from a city of "badshahs and begums" to "Karnavati". Changing the name of Ahmedabad to Karnavati, after the legendary king Karnadev Solanki, has been on the BJP's agenda since the 1990s.

They(Congress) orchestrated Hindu-Muslim riots and ensured that there was a curfew for 250 of

the 365 days... Bombs used to be found from homes of their Cabinet ministers and 200 people would get stabbed daily in Ahmedabad jail. In 2001, when Narendrabhai became the chief minister, no one had the courage to cast an evil eye on the rath yatra of Lord Jagannath... The Congress had backed rioters always and so in 2002, they (miscreants) made another attempt to create a riot.

But they were taught such a les-

son that they never lifted their

heads again," Shah said.

Also appearing at rallies in the state for the BJP on Monday were Union ministers Smriti Irani and Parshottam Rupala, as well as Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Riswa Sarma, and actorturned-politician Paresh Rawal.

Kejriwal held a townhall with diamond workers in Surat, and also addressed a roadshow in Katargam, which was hit by stone-pelting, according to the AAP. Kejriwal appealed to the people to vote the AAP to power for five years and said that even to those who pelted stones, he would give "free electricity and education to your children".

The AAP, which is fighting on 182 seats, saw two of its candidates withdraw their nominations, of which the Abdasa candidate Vasant Khetani joined BJP on Monday. Addressing a public rally at Behrampura on Monday, Congress president Kharge targeted the BIP for failing to provide jobs in Gujarat and for paper leaks, while also taking a dig at the party for deploying PM Modi, Union ministers and chief ministers at the Gujarat election campaign.



and avoid late fee of Rs.200/- per day of delay and penalty of upto Rs.1,00,000/-)

(*CBDT Circular No. 21/2022 in F.No. 275/25/2022-IT(B) dt. 27/10/2022)

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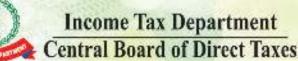
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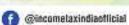


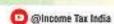


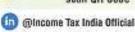
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MAINPURI BYPOLL

Adityanath targets SP, calls Shivpal pendulum

LALMANI VERMA LUCKNOW, NOVEMBER 28

CAMPAIGNING FOR BJP candidate Raghuraj Singh Shakya in Mainpuri, where the Lok Sabha by-election will be held on December 5, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath Monday hit out at the rival Samajwadi Party, accusing its

leadership of never rising above

'parivarwad' or dynasty. He mocked Shivpal Yadav, who left SP to form Pragatisheel Samajwadi Party (Lohia) and later joined hands with SP, calling him a "pendulum" and comparing him to a football. Addressing a public meeting in Karhal, represented by SP chief Akhilesh Yadav, the BJP leader said: "Who are the people who after coming to power made government a family heirloom. Time has come to show them democracy's strength.'

Etawah, Mainpuri, Firozabad, Agra, Etah, and Kanpur districts have a dominance of Yadav voters and are considered SP strongholds.

SP is fielding Akhilesh's wife and former MP Dimple Yadav from Mainpuri which fell vacant after the death of party patriarch Mulayam Singh Yadav. With Shivpal burying the hatchet with his nephew Akhilesh and seen campaigning for Dimple, Adityanath said, "His (Shivpal) condition has become like a pendulum. One shouldn't become a pendulum in life because a pendu-

voigs

A) Re-Tender Work :-

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/Sr.M(E&M-IV)

/2022-23

date 06.12.2022 at 11.00 AM.

date 13.12.2022 at 11.00 AM.

Lot. Name of the Branch Name of the Account Name &

Guarantors Account

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A) M/S R P DEVELOPERS

Partnership Firm Urmila Sadan, Indra Colony, Ps-

Alalpatti, Darbhanga - 846003.
(B) MRS REENA DEVI

. W/o Kapleshwar

Mandal, madarpur, Bankers

Colony, Rahamganj,

Ps-Laheriasarai,

Darbhanga 846004

Gopal Mandal bela Shankar

DARBHANGA 846004

Ltd,Donar Industrial Area,

C) MR RAVINDRA KUMAR S/o Nij Kharidar.

Office:

Sector-39

Job No. Name of work

B) Fresh Tender Works :-



UP CM Yogi Adityanath

Shivpal Yadav's security cover downgraded

Lucknow: UP government downgraded the security cover of SP MLA Shivpal Yadav from Z category to Y. The downgrade comes days after the PSP-L leader buried hatchets with his nephew and the SP chief Akhilesh Yadav. and started campaigning for Dimple Yadav in Mainpuri. ENS

lum has no goal." Shivpal had earlier expressed unhappiness with

ball World Cup, Adityanath said: 'Some people have become footrespect of Mainpuri. To protect honour and respect, BJP fielded Raghuraj Singh Shakya."

Akhilesh after Assembly elections. Referring to the ongoing foot-

Shakya, once Shivpal's close aide, joined BJP in the run-up to the Assembly elections this year.

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details and conditions of all tenders are available on Noida

Authority's official website: www.noidaauthorityonline.com &

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Name of work

Providing Lighting

arrangement of

different Parks of

Sector-128, Noida

The above tenders can be uploaded by date 05.12.2022 up to

5.00 PM. Pre-qualification shall be opened/downloaded on

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E&M)/Sr.M Infrastructure i.e. street light

(E&M-IV) poles, Transformers, Pannels,

for any changes/amendments & corrigendum etc.

ball. People must avoid becoming football and work for honour and

> Department on Monday conducted searches at the houses of three local businessmen consid-

Tender Amount

(in Lacs)

Amount

(in Lacs)

Dy. General Manager

(E&M) Noida

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of

Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the

Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit will be as mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

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SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

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Road(12 Feet), S- Indra Cooperative, E - Nij Mokir, W- C) 13.12.2021.

534, Touzi No. 12

Boundaries: North- Self Purchaser, South- Madan Mohan
Jha & Shyam Sundar Jha East- Railway Land, West- Ravindra
Prasad Singh.

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175(O),413(N), Area15.25 Dhur, Boundary N

(Bank has symbolic possession over property.)

Darbhanga Tower Chowk
(A) M/s Sai Feeds Pvt. Ltd,
Donar Industrial Area, Darbhanga
Distt- Darbhanga-846003
(B) Sri Rajesh Kumar
Choudhary, Managing DirectorM/s Sai Feeds Pvt.Ltd, Donar
Industrial Area, Darbhanga DistetDarbhanga-846003

Add 2-Shahganj, Near-Gunti No22 Beta, Laheriasarai, Ward No-35
Darbhanga-846001
(C) Smr Apix Choudhary
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Padampur Assembly seat of nistrative Building, Sector-6, Noida G.B. Nagar,(U.P) Odisha's Bargarh district The searches, which started **E-TENDER NOTICE** E-Tenders are invited from eligible contractors/firm for th following jobs against which bids can be uploaded and same

early morning in the presence of armed CRPF personnel, are being conducted at the residences of Md in Hanumanpada, Sajid Manabhanian Sahu in Sahupada and Gaju Agrawal in Shastri Chhak.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

STATING THAT the right to free-

dom of religion does not include a

fundamental right to "convert

people to a particular religion", the

Centre on Monday told the

Supreme Court that it is "cognisant

of the menace" of forced conver-

sions and will take "appropriate

Affair (MHA) said in an affidavit,

"...it is submitted that reliefs

sought in the present petition

would be taken up in all serious-

ness by the Union of India and

appropriate steps shall be taken,

as the Central government is cog-

The government said that "un-

nisant of the menace",

SUJIT BISOYI

BHUBANESWAR, NOV 28

INCOME Tax (I-T)

ered close to senior Biju Janata Dal

(BJD) leaders in bypoll-bound

The Union Ministry of Home

steps" to deal with it.

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

They are involved in rice mill and transporting business. The three businessmen were supporters of late BJD MLA Bijaya Ranjan Singh Bariha, whose death necessitated the bypoll on December 5. Bariha's daughter Barsha Singh is the BJD

Centre to SC: Realise menace of

forced conversion, will take steps

Right to religious freedom doesn't include right to convert people: MHA affidavit

doubtedly" the right to freedom to

religion, and "more importantly

the right to conscience of all citi-

zens of the country, is an extremely

cherished and valuable rights

which ought to be protected by the

"the right to freedom of religion

does not include a fundamental

right to convert people to a partic-

ular religion", and that the "said

right certainly does not include the

right to convert an individual

through fraud, deception, coercion,

allurement or other such means".

ment pointed put that the "mean-

ing and purport of the word prop-

agate, falling under Article 25 the

Constitution, was discussed and

debated in great detail in the

Constituent Assembly and the in-

raids in Odisha spark BJP-BJD slugfest

Ahead of Padampur bypoll, I-T, GST

In the affidavit, the govern-

The MHA, however, added that

Executive and the Legislature".

In an apparent retaliation, the GST authorities of the state government, accompanied by the state police, conducted searches at six places, including a cloth store, petrol pump and pharmaceutical store in Bargarh, Padampur, Paikmal and Jharbandh areas. The businesses owned by Gobardhan Agrawal, Nikhil Agrawal and Sunil Agrawal, who are considered to be

candidate in the bypoll.

BIP supporters

GST authorities said they are examining various bills and documents of the proprietors to detect if there was any GST evasion.

clusion of the said word was

passed by the Constituent

Assembly only after clarification

that the fundamental right under

Article 25 would not include the

1977 decision in Rev Stainislaus

vs State of Madhya Pradesh and

Others, the apex court had exam-

ined the scope of the words

"propagate" and "public order".

"the word propagate does not

envisage the right to convert a

person, rather (it) is in the nature

of the positive right to spread

one's religion by exposition of its

tenets", the government stated

in the affidavit. "The court fur-

ther held that fraudulent or in-

duced conversion impinges

upon the right to freedom of

In the order, the SC held that

The MHA stated that in the

right to convert"....

Sajid's advocate Prasant Mohanty, who tried to enter latter's residence during the raid, was stopped by CRPF, following which he filed a police complaint.

Padampur sub-divisional police officer Bibhuti Bhusan Bhoi told The Indian Express that the I-T sleuths informed the local police about the raids in the morning.

The raids have also triggered a political slugfest with ruling dispensation accusing BJP of using central agency to create an atmosphere of fear. Senior BJD leader and former minister Susanta Singh said BJP is using the I-T fearing defeat in the bypoll. BJP leader Prithiviraj Harichandan said the central agency conducts searches whenever they receive any credible information and it has nothing to do with the byelection.

strict the same". MHA said some states already had laws to curb forced conversions and added that

conscience of an individual apart

from hampering public order

and therefore the state was well

within its power to regulate/re-

these were also upheld by the top court. The government submitted

that "such enactments are necessary for protecting cherished the rights of vulnerable sections of the society, including women and economically and socially backward classes".

The affidavit was filed in response to a petition by advocate Ashwini Upadhyay, who sought steps to stop forced religious conversions. The matter will now be heard on December 5.

Telangana HC gives nod to 5th leg of BJP padayatra with restrictions

Hyderabad: The Telangana High Court Monday gave permission to BJP state president and MP Bandi Sanjay Kumar to go ahead with fifth leg of his 'Praja Sangram Yatra', but directed him not to hold any public meetings within 3 km radius of the "communally sensitive" Bhainsa town in Nirmal district.

Kumar was stopped by police Sunday at Venkatapur on his way to Bhainsa to resume the march.

Nirmal district SP C Praveen Kumar said police did not give permission to Kumar to resume yatra from Bhainsa as it is a "communally sensitive" town, BIP Monday filed a house motion plea in HC against state's order not allowing yatra to resume from Bhainsa.

HC directed public meetings not be held with more than 3,000 people in attendance, there should not be provocative speeches and not more than 500 people should participate in the yatra and they should not carry sticks.



Congress leader Rahul Gandhi with supporters during Bharat Iodo Yatra in Indore district of MP on Monday. PT

Rahul on Rahul: I let go of Rahul Gandhi years ago...he is in your mind, not mine

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INDORE, NOVEMBER 28

At a time when the Congress is desperately hoping the Bharat Jodo Yatra will transform people's perception of party leader Rahul Gandhi and contribute to the party's revival, the senior Congress leader turned philosophical on Monday and said "he had let go of Rahul Gandhi many years ago".

When asked about his learnings from the Yatra, Gandhi said, Rahul Gandhi ko maine bohot saalon pehle chhod diya. Rahul Gandhi aapke dimag main hai, mere dimag main hai hi nahin. (Ilet go of Rahul Gandhi years ago. Rahul Gandhi is in your mind, not mine). Try and understand, this is our country's philosophy.'

His remarks have since been interpreted differently by various leaders. While some saw philosophical undertones in his remarks, others called him "a changed man".

"He is not impatient anymore. He is not angry anymore," a leader said. Rahul has also in the past spoken about getting irritated quickly. "I used to get irritated in one or two hours. Now. I don't get irritated even after eight hours. It doesn't matter even if somebody pushes me or pulls me from behind."

About BIP's personal attacks on him. Rahul said he considered the barbs "his guru and a compass which give him direction".

"The BJP has spent crores of rupees to sully my image. And they have created an image of me. People think it is damaging for me but actually, it is beneficial for me Because the truth is with me. And truth cannot be hidden. The more money they spent to sully my image, the more strength it is giving me...they are giving me that much manoeuvrability because truth cannot be hidden or suppressed," the Congress leader said.

Rahul's remarks also came days after Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma triggered a controversy by saying that the Congress leader's face was turning into that of Saddam Hussien.

"As far as personal attacks against me are concerned, they happen when an individual takes a political position. If you are fighting against big forces. there will be personal attacks. If you are not fighting against any force and you are just floating around there will be no personal attacks," he said.

Rahul added, "I have started understanding deeply the thought process of BJP and RSS. So, I am moving forward in this battle and everything is fine if I am moving forward.'

As yatra nears Rajasthan, Rahul says both Gehlot and Pilot Cong 'assets'

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AS THE tussle over leadership between Chief Minister

Ashok Gehlot and rival Sachin Pilot kept Rajasthan Congress pot simmering, senior Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Monday tried to strike a balance, calling both leaders "assets" to the party.

His remarks came a day after the party said Gehlot should not have used "certain words" against Pilot. "I don't want to get into who said what. Both leaders are assets to the Congress. But I can say one thing with guarantee that this (feud) will have no impact on the Bharat Jodo Yatra," Rahul said at a press conference in Indore.

With just days left for Bharat Jodo Yatra to enter Rajasthan, AICC general secretary in charge of organisation, KCV enugopal, Saturday reached Jaipur to review the preparations and ensure that the war-

ring leaders remain on the same page so that their tussle does not overshadow or derail the vatra One senior leader considered

close to Rahul said that replacing Gehlot is easier said than done given his heft and the number of MLAs backing him. He asserted that Pilot had joined the yatra on November 24 on his own and that Rahul had not called him.

The mixed signals indicate the party is keen to keep both Rajasthan leaders in good humour until the yatra leaves the state.

Congress leadership does not want differences between Gehlot and Pilot to play out in the open, with the yatra in state. Rahul's balancing act is seen in that context.

His remarks came days after Gehlot said that Pilot cannot be made the chief minister, as party MLAs will not accept a "gaddar" (traitor) who had colluded with the BJP to topple the government in 2020. Gehlot had also alleged that the BJP had given Rs 10 crore

On Sunday, party general secretary in charge of communication, Jairam Ramesh, said "some words used by the chief minister were unexpected" and that he "should not have certain words."

to bring down his government.

HYDERABAD, NOV 28

THE SUPREME Court on Monday stayed till January 31, 2023, the Andhra Pradesh High Court's March 3 order that asked state government to develop within six months

SC also sought response of the Centre, Andhra Pradesh Rajdhani Rythu Parirakshanan government challenging the HCorder to develop Amaravati as the state capital as per the

Sajjala Ramakrishna Reddy, adviser (public affairs) to Andhra Pradesh government, welcomed the SC's order. "We reiterate YSRCP's goal is decentralised development. We will also put this matter before people of Andhra Pradesh and let them decide if decentralisation is the way forward." he said.

Authority (CRDA) Act of the

previous TDP government, and

set a deadline of six months.

YSRCP government proposed to develop the executive capital at Visakhapatnam, judicial capital at Kurnool, while Amaravati will be the legisla-

ANDHRA PRADESH SC stays HC order to develop proposed capital Amaravati as **SREENIVAS JANYALA** envisaged under Capital Development

Amaravati as capital in 6 months

Region

Amaravati as the capital city.

government, and Amravati Samiti in an appeal filed by AP plan of previous TDP regime.

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On this day 5043352A Lnk Nun Bahadur Rana, SM and 5045078M Rfn Sher Bahadur GT, SM of 5/1 Gorkha Rifles made the supreme sacrifice during 'OP RAKSHAK' Jammu & Kashmir on 29 Nov 1997 in a true act of valour. The brave soldiers will always be remembered for their courage and valour. To these brave hearts we pledge that we

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B) Rs 7.23Lakh

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5.00 pm)

C) 0.50Lac

Property No. 2

A) Rs 37.51Lac

B) Rs 3.76Lac

5.00 pm)

C) 0.25Lac

Property No. 3

A) Rs 87.00Lac

B) Rs 8.70 Lac

5.00 pm)

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C) 0.50Lac

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Commanding Officer and All Ranks 3 GRENADIERS





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All other terms and conditions remain unchanged Chief Engineer, DPI & Roadi, Odisha

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सूचित किया जाता है कि निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या 07 वर्ष 2022–23 E-Tender/LAEO/Nawada कार्यो की विवरणी (योजना / शीर्ष / मद का नाम) कब्रिस्तान घेराबंदी योजना के अंतर्गत प्रकाशित निविदा (PR. No. 10340 (Planning) 2022-23 अपरिहार्य कारण से अगले आदेश तक स्थगित की जाती है। कार्यपालक अभियंता,

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On March 3, the HC directed the state to develop the

tive capital.

EXPRESS NETWORK

UTTAR PRADESH Video shows men in 'khaki' beat 'corpse'

Shamli: Shamli police have launched a probe after a video has surfaced on social media, purportedly showing men dressed in khaki beating a man. The individual being beaten in the video was reportedly identified as one Gayur, who had been found dead on November 21. The undated video shows several men dressed in khaki beating the man after he throws an object at a nearby wall, which is caught by one of the uniformed men. Shamli's Additional SP Om Prakash Singh, who is heading the said: November 21, Gayur was taken to hospital. The panchayatnama was filed in presence of his relatives

NEW DELHI

Rs 15 lakh for kin of troopers killed in Gujarat

and autopsy was done

with videography. Viscera

has been preserved." ENS

New Delhi: The EC Monday announced that it had sanctioned Rs 15 lakh each for the next of kin of two Indian Reserve Battalion personnel who died in accidental firing while on election duty in Gujarat last week. "ECI sanctions Rs 15 lakh each as ex gratia to heirs of two jawans of 3rd Indian Reserve Battalion, SAP-1445, killed in accidental firing while on election duty at Porbandar," the EC spokesman tweeted. The duo was allegedly shot by a colleague November 26.

KARNATAKA Aero India from Feb 13-17 in Bengaluru

Bengaluru: The 14th edition of Aero India will be held from February 13-17 in Bengaluru's Yelahanka Air Force Station. The show, which has been held since 1996, is expected to attract huge crowd as in 2021, it was restricted to few visitors amid pandemic. HAL, nodal agency that organises defence events, will organise the aero show this year. ENS

ODISHA

Man held for brandishing knife in court

Bhubaneswar: The police Monday arrested a man for allegedly brandishing a knife in the courtroom of Berhampur Sub-Divisional Judicial Magistrate during the hearing of a case. Bhagban Sahu, 51, has four criminal cases pending against him and is currently out on bail. According to sources, the incident took place when the SDJM was hearing a different case. Sahu, in inebriated condition, entered the courtroom and went near the SDJM and threatened to kill her. "Her staff and lawyers overpowered and handed Sahu to the police," said Berhampur SP Saravana Vivek M. ENS

WEST BENGAL TMC leader attacked in Domkal, 2 held

Kolkata: ATMC leader and former vice-chairman of the Domkal Municipality was attacked by a group in Domkal town Murshidabad on Sunday. Police have arrested two persons, while TMC leader Pradip Chaki alleged the attack on him was planned by party's Domkal MLA Jafikul Islam and the local inspector in-charge. ENS

Vizhinjam violence: 3k 'identifiable' persons booked

SHAJU PHILIP THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, NOVEMBER 28

A DAY after fishermen protesting against the construction of Adani group's Vizhinjam seaport clashed with police and vandalised a police station, a case was registered against 3,000 'identifiable persons' on Monday.

The Sunday attack on the police station and subsequent clashes had left 36 policemen and around 20 fishermen injured. However, no untoward incident was reported in Vizhinjam on Monday.

An all-party meeting resolved to maintain peace and called for resumption of the work, suspended for over three months now.

Earlier on Sunday, the state police lodged an FIR against at least 15 Latin Catholic priests, inmetropolitan cluding Archbishop Thomas J Netto and Perera, over Saturday's violence at Vizhinjam when Adani group tried to resume the work. Action Council convenor Fr Theodosius D'Cruz said there was a conspiracy behind the violence. "We are demanding a judicial probe into the attack which was carried out

by elements belonging to the

Policy on seizure

of e-evidence

after consulting

states: Govt to SC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

STATING THE CBI manual has

detailed Standard Operating

Procedure and safeguards re-

garding the seizure of electronic

evidence, the Centre has told the

Supreme Court that laying down

guidelines at a national level can

be done only after consultation

with states as law and order is a

sought framing of guidelines re-

garding search and seizure of

electronic devices in tune with

international practices, the

Union Ministry of Home Affairs

(MHA) said in an affidavit the

'Indian Constitutional position"

on the subject "is naturally dif-

ferent from the constitutional

position in other jurisdictions".

exists in all jurisdictions across

the world, the regulation of same through statutory law is permis-

sible and there can be no blan-

stitutional obligation of the gov-

ernment to ensure law and order...

it is intrinsic in any nation-state to

ensure rule of law and investigate

and prosecute for crimes...it is a le-

gitimate state interest to imple-

ment an honest and strong inves-

tigative and prosecutorial process." The government said: "It is a

cardinal rule of the criminal justice

system that the state prosecutes

and punishes for and on the behalf

of the people of the state. This rep-

resentative form of litigation goes

to the root of the social contract between the state and its residents...

therefore, the individual rights...

are to be counterbalanced with the

larger societal rights."The petition-

ers - Ram Ramaswamy, Sujata

Patel, M Madhava Prasad, Mukul

Kesavan, and Deepak Malghan –

had expressed apprehensions over

academic work stored in digital

devices when seized by investiga-

tive agencies and sought to lay

down guidelines in this regard.

The affidavit said: "It is the con-

ket exclusions," the MHA said.

"While the right to privacy

Responding to a plea that

state subject.

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would continue with our peaceful agitation until our demand is met," he said. Kerala Catholic Bishops

Council, a body of bishops in Kerala, also joined the issue saying that "we cannot agree with the stand of the state and the

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

THE SUPREME Court on Monday

rejected a plea by Tarun Tejpal,

former editor of Tehelka maga-

zine, seeking in-camera hearing

in Bombay High Court on the ap-

peal filed by Goa government

against his acquittal in a case of

rape of his junior colleague in

of CJI D Y Chandrachud and

Justice PS Narasimha said the

objective of CrPC Section 327,

which empowers a court to hold

its proceedings in camera, is to

protect the victim's rights. "The

idea is to protect the victim so

that she can depose fearlessly.

When somebody who is an ac-

cused...will they have the rem-

edy when the victim does not

demand (in-camera hearing)?"

evant provision in CrPC says "the

inquiry leading up to the trial

will be in camera. We have

CJI Chandrachud said the rel-

Hearing Tejpal's plea, a bench

Goa in November 2013.

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CPI(M) and the BJP. There is a

nexus between both parties. We

proposed Vizhinjam Port in Kerala on Monday. Reuters

SC rejects Tejpal plea

for in-camera hearing,

says victim didn't seek it

Central governments to neglect the demands of the fishermen". Ruling CPI(M) on Monday

A police officer walks past rubble after a clash with protesters at a police station near the

said certain forces wanted to create unrest in Vizhinjam and its leaders urged the LDF government to take strong action against the culprits while underlining commitment to go ahead with the project. However,

former

editor of

Tehelka

crossed that stage. The accused

advocate Kapil Sibal said the al-

legations against his client "are

prima facie false". He argued

"My reputation is at stake...

WhatsApp messages, etc, will be

revealed. Identity of the victim

will also be released. It's not in

anybody's interest. After K S

Puttaswamy (privacy judgment),

As the bench did not appear

inclined to grant the relief, Sibal

said HC had said the hearing will

be conducted virtually and urged

the bench to at least direct that it

will be held physically, and not vir-

tually. The SC, however, left it to

HC to decide if the hearing should

be held physically or not.

this has to be considered."

Appearing for Tejpal, senior

has no right to demand.'

magazine

ened to torch policemen alive if CPI(M) ally Kerala Congress (M) took exception to the view that the five men were not released. the attack was pre-planned.

The Christian Party said booking bishops for the Saturday's violence was unfortunate and the government should have honoured the promises made to the

The FIR stated that around

Indian, Indonesian ulemas to discuss ways to counter

DIVYA A

Tarun Tejpal,

Ajit Doval will address a group of ulemas (scholars of Islam and Islamic law) from various parts of the country at an event in the national capital on Tuesday. He will be joined by his

Indonesian counterpart Mohammed Mahfud Mahmodin, who is also the country's Deputy PM and Coordinating Minister for Legal, Political and Security Affairs.

Indian and Indonesian Muslim scholars, which will be hosted by the India Islamic Cultural Centre (IICC), has been convened to focus on countering radicalisation and extremism, said IICC president Sirajuddin Qureshi.

Akbar will also attend the event, besides Professor Akhtarul Wasey, Maulana Mahmood Madani and Syed Naseeruddin

radicalisation

Former Union Minister MI

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NATIONAL SECURITY Adviser

The special dialogue between

UP boy dies in mishap, FIR names MP's 2 SUVs labourer. Shatrughan has three

Will recover Rs 85L losses from

protesters, Kerala govt tells HC

Kochi: The Kerala govern-

ment on Monday informed

the High Court that steps will

be taken to recover the losses

suffered due to the Vizhinjam

violence from the protesters.

connection with the violence,

the police have pegged the

from the state government on

the steps it had taken to bring

3,000 people laid a siege to the po-

lice station, held the officials

hostage for hours, vandalised the

furniture and damaged several

vehicles. It said people wanted to

release five persons who had been

taken into custody, and threat-

Police didn't name anybody

in the FIR and made no effort on

Monday to nab the culprits as

the focus was to restore peace.

This is in stark contrast to the

naming of the bishops and

After an all-party meeting,

scores for Saturday's violence.

losses at Rs 85 lakh.

In the FIR registered in

The HC sought a report

order post-Vizhinjam violence.

The court was considering a

contempt-of-court petition

moved by Adani group against

the state government's alleged

failure to execute an earlier HC

directive to ensure smooth

transportation of materials for

the construction of the seaport.

said stern action should be

taken while posting the mat-

ter for Friday.

Justice Anu Sivaraman

Food Supplies Minister G R Anil

told the media that all parties

have resolved to ensure peace

and not to obstruct the construc-

tion of the port. "Except the ac-

tion council (led by Latin

Catholic archdiocese of

Thiruvananthapuram), all par-

ties and religious organisations

were against suspending the

work. The government is ready

to hold talks with the agitating

fishermen. So far, we had held six

rounds of discussions to end the

agitation. We are still ready to

hear them. But the project can-

not be abandoned," he said.

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EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE LUCKNOW, NOVEMBER 28

A NINE-YEAR-OLD boy was killed in a hit-and-run incident allegedly involving two SUVs that were part of a convoy of BJP MP Harish Dwivedi in Uttar Pradesh's Basti town on Saturday.

The accident took place around 200 metres from the victim's house in the Badeyban area of the town when the boy, a class 2 student, was returning home from school, said the police. An FIR was lodged on Sunday

against two white-coloured Toyota Fortuners belonging to Harish Dwivedi at the the city's Kotwali police station based on a complaint by the victim's father Shatrughan Rajbhar.

No one has been arrested so far. Abhishek was the only son of Shatrughan Rajbhar, 38, who is a daughters. Basti Circle Officer Alok Prasad said, "The deceased's famly alleged that the accident took place with a Fortuner in which a public representative was present. We are trying to trace the driver and the vehicle involved." Abhishek Rajbhar's uncle

Pradeep Kumar Rajbhar accused the police of not taking action against the lawmaker. "In a video MP Harish Dwivedi and his associates are seen inspecting both the Fortuners. The bumper of the SUV got damaged. We are surprised he did not bother to stop when his vehicle hit the boy."

Dwivedi said, "No accident took place with the vehicle I was in. There were more cars behind me and I don't know how the accident occurred. I have sympathy for the family and we are helping them. Had I been involved in mishap, I wouldn't have run away.'

Gyanvapi survey

THE ALLAHABAD High Court on Monday reserved its verdict on a petition challenging a Varanasi court's order for "a comprehensive archaeological physical survey" of the Kashi Vishwanath Temple-Gyanvapi Mosque complex. The petition challenging the Varanasi court order filed by UP Sunni Waqf Board and Anjuman

"Detailed arguments in all matters have already been heard by me on various occasions. In this view of the matter, judgment is reserved in all matters. The interim order granted earlier is extended

Justice Prakash Padia in his order. Stating that "the matter pertains to have a connection with our deep history", a Varanasi court had on April 8 ordered the D-G of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) to "get a comprehensive archaeological physical survey" done of the Kashi Vishwanath Temple-Gyanvapi Mosque complex and "find out whether the religious structure standing at present at the disputed site is a superimposition, alteration or addition or there is a structural over-

dead in Moradabad **EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE** LUCKNOW, NOVEMBER 28 A 29-YEAR-OLD Bajrang Dal leader was shot dead allegedly over a monetary dispute in Thakurdwara town of Moradabad district on Sunday morning, police said. The victim, Vishal, who be-

longed to the Dalit community, was accompanied by his friend when he was attacked. An FIR has been lodged against three locals — Bilal, Atul

Sharma and Golu — on charges of murder, criminal conspiracy, among others. The police also inthe Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe (SC/ST) Act against the accused. However, no one has been arrested so far.

Angry over the death, local residents staged a protest at Kashipur Chungi, demanding arrest of the accused. The protest was removed after senior police officers assured

A video of the purported inci-

Bajrang Dal leader shot

dent is doing rounds on social media in which a man is seen opening fire at the victim twice. "Police teams have been

formed and raids are being conducted to trace the accused," said Moradabad Circle Officer Arpit Kapoor. The police said Vishal was

heading to the market with his friend Himanshu when Bilal came from behind and opened fire at him. Vishal, who suffered two bullet injuries, collapsed on the road and Bilal fled from the spot, they added. Locals rushed Vishal to a hos-

pital where he died during treatment. Bajrang Dal's western Uttar Pradesh convenor Gaurav Bhatnagar said Vishal was an office-bearer of the outfit's Thakurdwara area. The victim, who is survived by his wife and a five-year-old son, used to work as a moneylender.

MAHARASHTRA

Raj Bhavan denies reports that Governor wants to quit

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE MUMBAI. NOVEMBER 28

EVEN AS opposition parties in Maharashtra continued with their demand for removal of Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari from his post over his remarks on . Chhattrapati Shivaji Maharaj, the Raj Bhavan on Monday scotched rumours that Koshyari himself was keen on stepping down. As reports about Koshyari's

purported request — that he be

allowed to step down – made their rounds through the day, a Raj Bhavan spokesperson said, "All these reports Governor BS are baseless. The Governor

has made no

Koshyari

such request to anyone". Sources said the Centre is unlikely to bow before the

Opposition's demand to sack Koshyari. Instead, they said, he will be given an honourable exit to ensure the Opposition does not get the credit for this. Koshyari took charge as

Maharashtra Governor in September 2019 and has more than two years left in his fiveyear tenure. On Monday, Pawar said a

person is appointed to the Governor's position by higherups and they should take care that such statements are not repeated. "When I met him (Koshyari), he used to say that he wanted to go back to his home state. The Centre must decide on this immediately...'

HC reserves order on challenge to ASI

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lapping of any kind, with or over, any religious structure".

BAN ON ONLINE GAMBLING

TN ordinance expires for want of Gov assent

ARUN JANARDHANAN CHENNAI, NOVEMBER 28

THE TAMIL Nadu Prohibition of Online Gambling and Regulation of Online Games Ordinance expired on Sunday night for want of Governor's assent to the Bill approved by the Tamil Nadu Assembly last month.

This has sparked a new conflict between the state government and Governor R N Ravi on a day the state reported another death by suicide at Tenkasi, allegedly due to losses in online

gambling. Tamil Nadu's Law Minister S Ragupathy on Monday said that the Ordinance had expired as a result of the delay in the Governor's assent. "He [Governor] had asked some queries, and he got answers in a day. We expected him to agree after that, but there was no response," he said. "The Governor alone knows

include permission for walks outside.

why he failed to give assent to the Bill. Majority of the people wish to ban online gambling... the DMK government has taken all possible legal steps on these lines to put an end to this," Ragupathy said. The delay in assent from the

Governor drew criticism from many political parties. The Amma Makkal Munnetra Kazhagam's (AMMK) TTV Dhinakaran said that the delay was unjust to the entire procedure. "The beauty of the Governor's position is destroyed by such delays. No matter whichever political party is in power in the state, the Governor should have approved this Bill,"

Dravidar Kazhagam (DK) member K Veeramani contested Governor's "lack of concern" for a significant government decision, citing rise in the suicide rate due to online gambling in Tamil Nadu.

ON WALK OUT, WITH SECURITY IN TOW

Elgaar Parishad case accused Gautam Navlakha on morning walk accompanied by security

personnel in Navi Mumbai on Monday. The Supreme Court's conditions for his house arrest

The government had established a committee under former Madras High Court judge K Chandru to investigate the rise in suicides. In June 2022, the committee had recommended banning online games.

Since 2020, at least 30 suicides in Tamil Nadu have been linked to losses in online gaming. A 22-year-old migrant worker, Pandhana Maji, from Odisha, ended his life at Tenkasi in southern Tamil Nadu on Monday allegedly after suffering losses in online gaming.



Nod required in six weeks

ARTICLE 213 (2) (a) states that an ordinance "shall cease to operate at the expiration of six weeks from the reassembly of the Legislature". The Tamil Nadu Assembly's fourth session began on October 17. The period of six weeks is calculated from the date in question (October 17) and this is why the ordinance lapsed on Sunday in the absence of the Governor's approval.

Over 10 lakh applications for 18k police vacancies in Maharashtra

SAGAR RAJPUT

MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 28

WITH TWO more days left for the deadline to submit applications to end, the Maharashtra Police department, which is eyeing to fill 18,331 posts, till Monday has already received applications from over 10.5 lakh aspirants -- making it 57 applicants for one vacancy as of now.

Officials said recruitment is being conducted for the years 2020 and 2021. Posts of police constable, police driver constahle and that of the armed force in the SRPF are to be filled. The department had started accepting job applications from November 9. The last day to apply is on Wednesday.

A senior IPS officer said, "We have opted for centralised collection of applications. The state IT department has created a software, through which we are asking for online applications. It is providing support and collecting applications on our behalf."

"For the initial three to four days, around 2,000 people applied. However, around 4 lakh people applied in the last three days," said a senior police officer.

Officers said that while the previous Maha Vikas Aghadi government had decided to only fill vacancies for 2020, the Eknath Shinde-led government directed the department to conduct the recruitment drive for two years.

An officer said that after receiving the applications, they will further segregate the same on the basis of the applicant's preference.

As per recruitment rules, the department will initially conduct a written examination of 100 marks. Only if the applicant manages to get 40 per cent marks will he/she be cleared to undergo a physical test.

"This year, we have changed the proportion of marks," said a senior IPS officer. "The written exam is of 100 marks and an applicant needs to get at least 40 marks to clear it. The physical test will be of 50 marks, and the applicant has to score 50 per cent marks to make it to the merit list," the officer added.

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WORDLY WISE

ONCE ALL STRUGGLE IS GRASPED, MIRACLES ARE POSSIBLE.

— Mao Zedong

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RAMNATH GOENKA

BECAUSE THE TRUTH INVOLVES US ALL

RESTIVE CHINA

Beijing's extended Covid lockdown triggers street protests, tests state resolve

OMETIMES ALL IT takes is a spark. In China, it was a blaze. Within a month of President Xi Jinping securing an unprecedented third term after seeing off perceived or potential rivals, a challenge to his untrammelled powers and authority has arisen from the unlikeliest quarter — the Chinese street. A fire in an apartment block in the Xinjiang capital Urumqi killed 10 people because the fire services could not access the building locked down by local authorities in line with the state's zero Covid strategy. The awfulness of this incident seems to have touched a raw nerve across the country. Even if only in the hundreds yet, people, mainly youngsters, have been stepping out to protest over the last few days against President Xi's strict anti-Covid policies, with some momentum building up over the weekend as members of the public in major cities like Shanghai and Nanjing and the capital Beijing joined. The numbers at each protest site are not high, still they are unprecedented, organic and innovative — protestors are using blank white A4 sheets to demand freedom of speech.

Since the Tiananmen Square protest was brutally put down in 1989, there has been only one other instance of a large public protest, in 1999 by Falung Gong followers. That ended with a crackdown and the jailing of thousands. In 2020, the realisation that the government ignored a whistleblower doctor's warnings about Covid led to an outpouring of anger on social media, especially after he died of the disease himself, but there were no street protests. This time around, zero Covid has strained national patience with its sudden lockdowns — in an apartment block, or a neighbourhood, even an amusement park with its visitors not allowed to leave. Towns and big cities have not escaped either, making China the only country in the world that is still using this measure to tackle its Covid cases. Travel to and from China has also not normalised yet. The football World Cup in Qatar, with lakhs of people flying in, must have been the last straw for audiences in China.

The expectation that President Xi would use the platform of the Communist Party of China Congress that took place in October to relax zero Covid rules, especially because of the damage the policy has wreaked on the economy, did not come true. In fact, he stressed the opposite — there would be no relaxations to the zero Covid policy. Xi, who has centralised powers in his hands, now personifies the Chinese state. Therefore it is not surprising that some of the anger is being directed at him openly. The long arm of the Chinese state may yet find a way to nip the protests before they turn into anything bigger. The world is watching to see how strongman Xi deals with this new domestic challenge.

EASING THE PRESSURE

Lower crude oil prices could help reduce risks to macroeconomic stability

N MONDAY, CRUDE oil prices fell to their lowest levels this year as protests across major cities in China against the imposition of stringent Covid restrictions raised concerns over the economic outlook. Brent crude oil is currently trading at around \$81, down from the \$120-130 levels seen after the Russian invasion of Ukraine. The volatility in crude prices is unlikely to subside in the near term. The Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries and its allies are meeting over the weekend to discuss their output level even as the EU countries continue to debate capping the price of Russian oil and the US allows Chevron to restart oil production in Venezuela.

For an oil importing country like India, lower prices could help ease price pressures in the economy and bring down the current account deficit. In January, the average price of crude imported by India stood at \$84.67 per barrel. Thereafter, prices rose to \$112.87 in March, and further to \$116 in June. However, since then, crude oil prices have been on a downward trend. As per latest data from the Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell, the price of the Indian basket has fallen to \$82.14 as on November 25. This price is based on the crude basket comprising of sour grade (Oman and Dubai average) and sweet grade (Brent), which suggests that it perhaps does not take into account the recent discounts received in buying oil from Russia. To the extent that lower crude oil prices are passed on to consumers — retail prices have not been changed since May 22 — it could have a cooling effect on inflation. The RBI's projections which peg inflation at 6.15 per cent in the second half of the year assume crude at around \$100 per barrel. The government should, however, not exert pressure on oil marketing companies to reduce prices, even as it should refrain from raising the excise duty.

Lower crude oil prices will also have a bearing on the country's current account deficit. As per some estimates, every dollar reduction in oil prices lowers the current account deficit by around \$1.4 billion on an annualised basis. Considering that India's petroleum imports have risen by a staggering 60 per cent between April-October this year, exerting pressure on the currency, lower oil prices if sustained could help bring down the import burden, ease the risks to macroeconomic stability.

HELL IS OTHER PEOPLE

A man in France has won the 'right to be boring'. He has struck a blow for all those sick of company-mandated fun

HERE IS A sad, quiet desperation about mandated fun. Companies — well-meaning, perhaps, in their intentions — ask employees to participate in every-thing from fancy dress competitions (there is invariably an email asking you to dress up during festivals) to office picnics and official unofficial dinners and drinks. For introverts or people who just don't wish to spend their free time with colleagues, this can be an ongoing, prolonged chore. A man in France, though, has struck a great blow for the rights of the cantankerous worker. He has won the "right to be boring" in office in court. And by doing so, he has managed a victory for all those who have rolled their eyes at the exclamation-mark-ridden enthusiasm of an email from HR.

The unnamed worker was reportedly terminated from his job at a consultancy firm because he refused, among other things, to go out for mandated after-work drinks every week. This, according to his employer, flew against the company's culture, which believed in "team-building through fun". His refusal had the company label him boring, tough to work with and a poor listener. The worker sued, arguing that he had a right to "critical behaviour and to refuse company policy based on incitement to partake in various excesses".

Companies, to be fair, are often merely trying to build camaraderie, to try and make the workplace something employees look forward to rather than dread. And they often do so because it makes financial sense — happy workers, study after study has shown, are more productive. The sad fact, though, is that "fun" and friendship cannot be mandated. Organically, after a hard day's work, people may end up at a bar, blowing off steam and complaining about those in-charge who pay them. But, the odd person out has the right to spend her time as she likes. And in France, where philosophers have long recognised that hell is other people, solitude should be a worker's right.

The shadow of 1979



Radical Islam is under challenge in Iran and Saudi Arabia, while it holds sway in Pakistan and Afghanistan

C RAJA MOHAN

THE CURRENT INDIAN focus on the appointment of a new army chief in Pakistan is unfortunately not matched by an interest in far more consequential developments unfolding further west. The anti-regime protests in Iran and the social and economic transformation of Saudi Arabia under Mohammed bin Salman point to the potential restructuring of our western periphery. Of course, the persistent conflict with our western neighbour dominates our mind-space. It also obfuscates the fact that Pakistan has never really been the anchor of the Subcontinent's western marches. Pakistan has often served as a useful instrument for outsiders, and Afghanistan has long been the theatre of contestation. But they do not have the agency to reshape our western frontiers. Iran and Saudi Arabia do.

Given the weight of the army chief in Pakistan's polity, it is certainly worth keeping an eye on what the new general might have in store. But it is unlikely that General Asim Munir can produce or facilitate the structural changes needed to end Pakistan's political dysfunction, rejuvenate its economy, and arrest Islamabad's relative decline.

If Pakistan is in a bad shape, Afghanistan is in worse condition. Last week's public flogging of 14 people, including three women, suggests that the Taliban can't break away from its medievalism, despite the certificates from some of its friends that it has changed. The regime's reluctance to let girls go to school, its violent conflict with other extremist groups, and its inability to win international legitimacy more than a year after regaining Kabul suggest that Afghanistan is stuck in a bad place.

But change is in the air in the Gulf. The continuing protests in Iran have shaken the clerical regime — not the first time they have faced protests. There have been repeated rebellions against the Islamic Republic of Iran after it was proclaimed in 1979. Tehran had easily crushed such protests.

The current movement was triggered by the death of a young woman, Mahsa Amini, in the custody of the religious police in September. She was arrested for not wearing her hijab properly and assaulted. The protests, which are in the third month, now have wider support.

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end to the current wave of protests, it is doubtful if they can handle the multiple crises — social, economic, political and foreign policy — confronting Iran today. That Iran's football team refused to sing the national anthem at their opening game in the World Cup last week underlines the declining legitimacy of its regime.

In Saudi Arabia, the impetus for change is coming from the top — the crown prince and prime minister Mohammed bin Salman. Since he took charge of the kingdom in 2015 as the crown prince, MbS has embarked on a series of reforms. These include reducing the role of the clergy in the kingdom's social life, greater freedoms for women, and an ambitious economic agenda to reduce the reliance of the kingdom on oil and turn it into a dynamic modern economy. Equally important has been the effort to strengthen Saudi nationalism distinct from its transcendental Islamic identity.

If there is one historical moment that provides the context for the developments in Pakistan, Afghanistan, Iran and Saudi Arabia, it is the watershed year of 1979. Three events that year altered the social and geopolitical landscape of the Middle East and the Subcontinent. One was the attack on the grand mosque in Mecca by zealots claiming that the House of Saud had abandoned Islam and was becoming a subaltern to the West. That drove the Saudis and much of the Arab Gulf towards religious conservatism at home and pushed the militants outwards to pursue their radical agenda abroad. Second, was the overthrow of the Shah of Iran. Although a wide range of forces combined to oust the Shah, they ended up with the Islamists led by Ayatollah Khomeini coming out on top. Among the consequences were the replacement of a secular autocracy with clerical oppression, the tension between the revolutionary Islamic Republic in Tehran and the conservative regimes in the Arab world, and an entrenched conflict between Iran and the West. Third, was the invasion of Afghanistan by the Soviet Union setting off the mobilisation of a massive jihad against Russia by the West, Arabs and Pakistan.

Together, the three developments unleashed radical Islam and terrorism in the name of religion that profoundly altered the politics of the Middle East and South Asia.

The current developments on our Western periphery raise questions about the possibility of moving away from the dynamic unleashed by the developments of 1979. Afghanistan and Pakistan induce pessimism about reversing the political consequences of 1979. But developments in Iran and Saudi Arabia generate much optimism. The Western failure to build a modern and moderate state in Kabul despite twenty years of occupation provides a cautionary tale on the difficulty of modernising traditional societies by external forces.

In Pakistan, the military leadership under Ziaul Haq deliberately chose to build an alliance with the mosque, put down the democratic forces at home and promote jihad against Afghanistan and India. There was little interest within the military to modernise Pakistan's economy. Rawalpindi had much rent to collect from leveraging Pakistan's position as the staging post for the Afghan jihad. After the US finally turned its back on Afghanistan last year, the rental value has gone down, but Pakistan has no plan B for its economy.

But developments in the Gulf offer hope. That the people of Iran are defying extreme odds to protest against a regime underlines the enduring popular agency to reclaim control over their lives from the state and religion. Similarly, MbS promises to open up Saudi Arabia to long overdue change.

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There is no question that our western neighbourhood has begun to evolve a little faster — if unevenly and in a non-linear fashion. Delhi must make the best of these opportunities and limit the damage from the lingering effects of 1979.

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STANDING WITH PALESTINE

Ignoring the dispossessed people goes against India's anti-colonial legacy

Manoj Kumar Jha

AS ERSTWHILE INDIA and Palestine share a great many commonalities. Both have a colonial history of subjugation and have experienced a wounding severance. Both have been home to multiple religious communities with a complex sense of nationhood. For several decades after independence, India's stance on Israel-Palestine has been of sympathy and support for Palestinians. The leaders of India's anti-colonial struggle vehemently criticised the forceful occupation of Palestine to establish a Jewish homeland. Mahatma Gandhi wrote, "It is wrong and inhuman to impose the Jews on the Arabs. What is going on in Palestine today, cannot be justified by any moral code of conduct."

Similarly, India's first prime minister Jawaharlal Nehru stated, "Palestine is essentially an Arab country and must remain so" and "the right of the Jews for a homeland should not come at the expense of a homeland of the Arab population of Palestine." During the 1947 UN General Assembly Resolutions (UNGA), India submitted that independence for Palestine should be the primary purpose of any plan for the future of the country. India was also among the first countries that recognised the Palestinian state. In 1998, India co-sponsored the draft resolution on "the right of Palestinians to self-determination" in UNGA.

India has now turned its face from Israeli atrocities on Palestinians. Turning a blind eye

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to the human rights violations in Gaza, India, in 2015 and again in 2021, abstained at the UN Human Rights Council on resolutions relating to war crimes and violence in Palestinian territory. As if to underline this volte-face, in 2017, Narendra Modi became the first Indian prime minister to visit Israel who skipped visiting the Palestinian Authority.

However, India's support for the Palestinian cause still reflects in the work of several Indian civil society, and educational and cultural institutions. The work of the Indian Campaign for the Cultural and Academic Boycott of Israel has underlined the principle that normalising relations at the level of knowledge and cultural exchange with a violent occupier and apartheid state like Israel is deeply unjust and morally repugnant. These actions are in line with the support for Palestinian people through Boycott, Divestment, and Sanctions (BDS) endorsed by a range of institutions across the world.

As Islamophobia has now regrettably become a common phenomenon in India, it is convenient for the State to disregard the cause of Palestinians who are predominantly Muslims. However, not only India, but the world needs to recognise that Palestine is a moral issue. Global support for Palestine is warranted following the universal principle of Justitia nemini neganda est — justice is to be denied to none, and not because of people's faiths and beliefs. Further, in the words of

Israeli historian Ilan Pappe, "Israel no longer has any moral dimension for global support" and following suit, India should also acknowledge the moral problems of bolstering Indo-Israel ties in the face of the forceful and violent Israeli occupation of Palestinian land.

A 2021 report by Human Rights Watch

concluded that the "Israeli government has pursued an intent to maintain the domination of Jewish Israelis over Palestinians throughout the territory it controls. In the Occupied Palestinian Territories, including East Jerusalem, that intent has been coupled with systematic oppression of Palestinians and inhumane acts committed against them. When these three elements occur together, they amount to the crime of apartheid". The report recommended that the international community "subject agreements, cooperation schemes, and all forms of trade and dealing with Israel to enhanced due diligence to screen for those directly contributing to the commission of crimes of apartheid and persecution of Palestinians, mitigate the human rights harms and, where not possible, end the activities and funding found to directly contribute to facilitating these seri-

India's reluctance to stand with Palestine is highly regrettable for it takes us away from our own history of anti-colonial humanism.

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NOVEMBER 29, 1982, FORTY YEARS AGO

PAK REFUSES F-16

PAKISTAN WAS REPORTED to have refused to take delivery of the first six of the 40 F-16 planes it is acquiring from the United States unless they were equipped with sophisticated electronic gadgets. Islamabad had sought suspension of the delivery programme, which was to begin on November 19, pending assurance that the planes would be so equipped, the Urdu daily Jang said.

AKALI STIR

THE AKALI DAL president, Harchand Singh Longowal, has suspended Harbans Singh Manchanda, president of the Delhi Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (DGPC), and two executive members of the DGPC — Jaswant Singh Kochar and Joginder Singh — from the Akali Dal for "their anti-party activities." All three have been suspended for having met the Prime Minister, Indira Gandhi, in New Delhi. Akalis are understood to be preparing for a long agitation for the acceptance of their demands as hopes of an accord with the Centre to resolve the lingering Punjab tangle appear to have completely died out now.

INDIA TRAILS IN ASIAD 15 km Badau

INDIA'S RUN OF success was interrupted on

the tenth day of the Asian Games as they could secure only a solitary silver in women's broad jump and two bronze medals in 110 kg weightlifting class and water polo.

Mass Murder

IN A GHASTLY mass murder, unidentified assailants stabbed three people to death and strangled two children while they were asleep in their house in Abhani town, about 15 km from Badaun. Reports received from Badaun said the police had detained four people in this connection and were interrogating them.

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WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"The signal [by the people] is that just as in other professions, politics also needs periodic influx of new ideas and personalities, and that democratic parties cannot be run as fiefs of a handful of leaders."

-THE KATHMANDU POST

Data does not lie

The authoritative DHS household data for 2005-06, 2015-16, and 2019-21 establishes that the pace of decline in Indian poverty accelerated post 2014



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A RECENT ARTICLE by Jean Dreze ('Poverty, uncensored', November 24) looks at our commentary on multidimensional poverty decline ('Poverty is down, period', November 4) and concludes that the debate on relative performance towards poverty alleviation during the UPA years and Narendra Modi's tenure as prime minister should continue to be "open" even as his own conclusion is that multidimensional poverty (MPI) declined considerably faster in the Modi years.

The availability of multidimensional poverty data for 2005-06, 2015-16 and 2019-21, (note that poverty is likely biased upward due to the exogenous shock of Covid in the Modi period), means that we now have an estimate of poverty decline during the Modi years. Notwithstanding our inadvertent error in the reporting of 2011-12 values (IHDS not DHS data), the incontrovertible result remains that poverty decline was significantly faster during Modi's tenure (period II, roughly 2015-21) than during the UPA years (hereafter period I, roughly 2005-15). We document this conclusion in detail below. But first, some transparent discussion of definition and measurement.

There are two sets of poverty estimates provided by the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) that compile these data across countries, primarily from Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS). The first are uncensored estimates for individual indicators, which correspond to a simple question regarding whether a household is deprived (poor) in a given indicator - for example, nutrition. Alternatively, one can obtain an indicator-specific censored poverty estimate via a two-stage process. The first stage estimates the population that is multidimensionally poor; the second stage estimates the population that is poor in each indicator for the multi-dimensionally (MP) poor. For example, in 2005-06, the MP poor were 55.1 per cent; uncensored nutritionally poor were 57.3 per cent; and 44.3 per cent were censored nutritionally poor. In other words, close to 80 per cent of the nutritionally deprived are also multidimensionally poor. For the DHS India survey years, we had used censored estimates; Dreze uses uncensored estimates. Which definition should one use? The authors of MPI are clear in their preference, and recommendation: They believe that censored estimates are better for analysis and policy design.

The logic for preferring cens mates: For some individual indicators such as assets, some households may be considered as deprived (poor) even as they are relatively better off in other areas such as nutrition, sanitation, etc. Censored data helps shift the focus onto those who have been (multidimensionally) identified as poor. A higher MPI suggests greater intensity of deprivation while a higher censored poverty rate is an important signal to policymakers to redirect policy focus.

One other advantage of a censored approach is that it allows the capture of interlinkages between several poverty indicators. For example, environmental enteropathy is known to have a key role in nutrition absorption in children. Therefore, investments made towards providing sanitation facilities and piped water connections will have an impact

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Per capita Consumption	3.8	3	3.8	3	0.79	0.79
Headcount ratio (MPI)	6.9	11.6	6.9	11.6	1.69	1.69
HEALTH						
Nutrition	7.4	12.9	4.2	3.9	1.74	0.92
Child Mortality	7.2	8.5	5.8	5.9	1.19	1.01
EDUCATION						
Years of Schooling	7.3	9.1	5.9	4.3	1.25	0.74
School Attendance	12.8	7.6	12	4.3	0.6	0.36
LIVING STANDARDS	8					
Cooking Fuel	7.1	13.9	2.4	6.4	1.96	2.65
Sanitation	7.3	17.1	3.1	12.1	2.36	3.87
Drinking Water	10.6	16.6	6.7	8.9	1.57	1.33
Electricity	12.2	31.3	10	29.1	2.58	2.93
Housing	6.5	12.2	2	2.2	1.88	1.07
Assets	13.7	11.7	12.1	7.1	0.86	0.58
Average excl. MPI	9.2	14.1	6.4	8.4	1.6	1.55

Source: DHS surveys, various years; Notes: Each cell in columns 1-4 is the CAGR between 2005-15 for Period $I and \, 2015-21 \, for \, Period \, II; \, The \, performance \, ratio \, is \, the \, ratio \, of \, rates \, of \, change \, over \, the \, two \, periods; \, e.g. \, 1.74$ in column 5 for nutrition is the ratio of 12.9 and 7.4

on nutritional absorption.

We come back to our original goal, of analysing whether poverty decline was faster during the UPA than the NDA. Available data for MPI (and most indicators) point to a faster pace of poverty alleviation during the latter period (see table). Annual pace of improvement in the health, education and living standards indicators during 2005-15: 7.3, 10.0 and 9.6 per cent respectively. In the Modi years: 11, 8.4 and an outsized 17.2 per cent annual gain in living standards. What prompted this large improvement? Several policies, but more importantly an efficient redistribution combined with direct fiscal resources targeted specifically to reduce deprivation across individual indicators.

The table reports both uncensored and censored estimates for the average rate of change for all 11 indicators of multidimensional poverty - the master MPI index itself, and two indices (censored and uncensored) for each of the 10 indicators. What is of policy interest is whether the improvement (rate of decline of poverty) was larger in period II (2015-16 to 2020-21) than period I (2005-6 to 2015-16). As we had noted in our earlier article, the inclusive growth belief was that period I would show a greater improvement because the dominant component of poverty decline, growth in per capita consumption, was about 0.8 percentage point higher in period I (annual 3.8 per cent increase vs. 3 per cent in period II). However, and somewhat a priori surprising, the pace of MPI index decline was almost twice the pace in period II relative to period I! This result is strongly indicative of considerably more inclusive (and more efficient and less corrupt) growth in period II compared to period I.

The table also reports a performance index for poverty decline - the index is defined as the ratio of the rate of poverty decline in period II relative to period I, If the ratio is higher than 1, then there was an improvement in performance in period II; less than 1, a slowing of

Go down the uncensored list. For nine out of 11 indicators, the pace of poverty decline was faster in the Modi period II. Performance index average for all indicators - 1.6, or approximately a 60 per cent higher rate of decline in poverty. For the uncensored (Dreze's preference), the average rate of improvement

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is only slightly lower at 1.55. Regardless of censored or uncensored poverty measurement, the average pace of poverty reduction was considerably faster during 2015-21.

For only four indicators is the rate of uncensored poverty decline lower in period II. Assets and school attendance are lower in period II for both uncensored and censored poverty. Incidentally, school attendance improvement is expected to be lower as one approaches 100 per cent enrolment — the pace of change from 20 to 25 per cent enrolment is 25 per cent versus a pace of only 1 per cent when enrolment increases from 95 to 96

In contrast, Dreze dismisses the considerably faster pace of decline in MPI (from 6.9 per cent in period I to 11.9 per cent in period II) on the grounds that this occurred because of a "low base"! "Multidimensional poverty HCR, it turns out, decline faster in the second [Modi] period. This is not necessarily surprising, since a given percentage decline is easier to achieve from a lower base". MPI poverty moved from 27.7 per cent in 2015-16 to 16.4 per cent in 2019-21 - this was not "acceptable" performance for Dreze. However, change from a considerably smaller base in school attendance (6.4 to 5.3 per cent) during these two years is, according to Dreze, indicative of a great slowdown in the rate of decline of poverty and hence completely acceptable to him!

In our article, we had concluded that the pace of poverty decline in India had accelerated post 2014. Despite Dreze's polemics and obfuscation, there is no evidence to modify the earlier conclusion. One final point — Dreze claims that "most sample households in the 2019-21 NFHS survey were interviewed before the Covid crisis began". Really? According to the sampling distribution reported in table 1.2 of the NFHS 2019-21 report, for slightly more than half of the sample interviews ended between January and April 2021 – or well after Covid had fully set in.

Can India do better on some of the individual MPI indicators? Of course, it can. But that does not mean we do not accept our progress and keep shifting the goalposts.

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What's the hurry for GM mustard?

Long-term ecological, environmental effects of herbicide-tolerant crops haven't been considered



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WE ARE writing to express concern regarding the recent recommendation for approval for the environmental release of genetically engineered (GE) mustard ("DMH-11 hybrid") in India. The recommendation was made by the Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee (GEAC). Our concern rests on several aspects of the proposal for release. First, the potentially harmful long-term ecological and economic consequences of releasing DMH-11 have not received sufficient consideration. Second, details of the mandatory trials to ensure food and environmental safety, which is a prerequisite before environmental release, have not been made public. Finally, a detailed long-term assessment of the potential social and economic benefits of using DMH-11, vis-à-vis its potential drawbacks, remains to be made. Without minimising the importance of the last two aspects, the present note is restricted to highlighting the first aspect.

A central feature of DMH-11 is that it carries a gene for herbicide resistance (also $termed\,herbicide\,tolerance\,or\,HT).\,This\,fact$ has not received appropriate consideration. The deployment of herbicide-resistant or HT crops has been accompanied by deleterious outcomes in several places including the US, Australia, and Canada (so-called developed countries) as well as Argentina (a developing country). The most well-established harmful consequence has been the spread of herbicide-resistant weeds across large tracts of agricultural land, which can spell disaster for the normal crop.

The developers of DMH-11 stated in their food and environmental safety assessment submission of 2016 that, "Although GE mustard hybrid DMH-11 contains the bar gene conferring resistance to the herbicide Basta (phosphinothricin)... Basta herbicide is required to be used only by seed producer for hybrid seed production ... (and) farmers are not required to spray Basta in the hybrid GE DMH-11 for weed control". The GEAC in its recommendation on October 18 for environmental release of DMH-11 has accepted this position and placed certain conditions for environmental release. One is that, "Usage of any formulation of herbicide is recommended only under controlled and specified conditions exclusively for hybrid seed production ...". Another is, "Usage of any formulation of herbicide is not permitted for cultivation in the farmer's field under any situation and such use would require the necessary permission as per procedures and protocols of safety assessment of insecticides/herbicides by CIB&RC (Central Insecticide Board and Registration Committee)." In other words. GEAC assumes that farmers will use DMH-11 without adding herbicide even though they know that it carries a gene for herbi-

cide resistance. It ignores the known fact that there have been numerous recent reports in the Indian media of the illegal use of unapproved herbicide-resistant crops, which has been brought to the notice of the government. There is every likelihood that DMH-11 will also be grown using herbicide if it makes weed control easier, as is expected to be the case. Further, GEAC has considered the possible use of herbicide with DMH-11 merely as a matter of herbicide usage and referred its approval to the CIB&RC, which registers usage of herbicides on a crop-wise basis. However, on multiple counts, HT technology is qualitatively different from the conventional use of herbicides. These include levels of herbicide used, which is much higher than in conventional use; its effect on the crop which is engineered to be resistant to the herbicide and so to tolerate much higher levels of herbicide; and its agro-ecological impact including on agricultural biodiversity and insect populations. The scope of issues connected to use of herbicide with a herbicide-resistant crop places it squarely within the purview of GM regulation (that is, GEAC). It is not enough for GEAC to merely refer it for chemical registration since the CIB&RC is not the competent body for recommending approval of

Thus, notwithstanding the statement of the developers and its implicit acceptance by GEAC, DMH-11 does meet the definition of an HT crop. The answers to two questions show this. Is DMH-11 herbicide tolerant? Yes. Is it a crop? Yes. The intent of the developer on how it is meant to be used does not determine how it is actually likely to be used, especially if that usage appears to confer obvious advantages.

We reiterate that HT technology involves the use of a herbicide in far higher amounts than conventional herbicide treatments, high enough to kill all weeds in the field, leaving only the engineered crop to grow. Thereby, it replaces all other weed control measures. This may be effective for a few years. But basic evolutionary considerations, as well as experience in other countries, shows that it imposes strong selective pressure for resistant weeds to emerge. They invariably do so in the course of time and spread rapidly. Once that happens, still higher amounts of herbicide need to be used; the cycle continues progressively. HT offers short-term benefits at the cost of longterm sustainability.

We are aware and appreciate that a great deal of time, effort, and resources have gone into the development and testing of DMH-11 mustard. It is also possible that the safety issues connected with herbicide tolerance were not fully apparent at the time of its design and development. However, the extant investment should not deter us from seriously analysing the risk that HT technology poses. In our view, the risk outweighs any benefit that may accrue from its deployment.

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gain in living standards. What prompted this large improvement? Several policies, but more the rate of improvement. importantly an efficient redistribution combined with direct fiscal resources targeted specifically to reduce deprivation across individual indicators.

A story too familiar

Like Shraddha Walkar, millions of women are trapped by domestic violence

Urvashi Butalia

FOR THE last several days I have not been able to get Shraddha Walkar out of my head. Imagine this: A young woman leaves home to be with the man she loves. The partner she wishes to be with happens to belong to a different religion, which does not matter to her, although it is reason enough to make her family unhappy. Should she choose for herself or for them? She loves the man, she wants to be with him, so that's the choice she makes: She chooses herself. It's her life, her choice.

But sometimes people make wrong choices and then there are consequences. Shraddha's choice went terribly wrong. She thought she was walking into love, instead she walked into what passed for love and soon turned into something sinister: Violence, murder, death, dismemberment.

Imagine what that young woman must have lived through - caught in the cruelty of daily violence and fear, diminished as a human being by the person from whom she sought love, no place to go for support, and unable, even had she wanted to, to go back to her family for then their belief in the "wrongness" of her relationship would become the "truth" our society wants to impose on every woman: Do not make your own decisions, abide by what the family says, we know better than you what you want.

And yet, families are wrong countless times. They make a choice for their daughters, the choice turns out to be tragically wrong. But instead of acknowledging and rectifying that mistake, the focus shifts to that nonsensical thing, family "honour". The woman is told to endure it. What families do not say is that the woman is killed for a choice she did not make and one she was not allowed to opt out of, and very quickly, silence settles around her death.

Shraddha's family was perhaps not wrong in worrying about their daughter — but not because the man she chose was Muslim. All parents worry when children step out into the world, even if those children are adults in their own right. I keep wondering if things might have turned out differently if her family had said to her that they supported her choice, but that they would be there for her at all times if she ever needed support.

Shraddha's story is the story of millions of women in India and across the world: It's a story that happens between intimate partners, no matter what sex, or religion, or class or caste they belong to. It's a story that is hidden in plain sight. It's a story that tells us that despite all the progress made on women's

rights in the world, there is still deep misogyny and the idea of women being independent, strong and with opinions, wishes, desires and needs of their own is still anathema to so many societies. It's also a story that is linked to the many ways in which our societies are turning increasingly violent: Killing, lynching, rape lie just beneath the veneer of civilisation, and such violence, particularly when it relates to caste or gender, is tacitly supported by society and institutions.

Look at the ways in which the media reports gender-based violence: Claims are made that it is communal (as in Shraddha's case), or that it is linked to hawala money (as in the Hathras case). Look at the ways in which the media are not outraged when convicted rapists are released and celebrated, or when an eight-year-old's rapist-murderers are garlanded. Political point scoring trumps the deep injustice of murder.

The police echo these statements. The arbiters of law support them: Remember the Hadiya case and the judge who opined that a 24-year-old woman could not be her own decision-maker? Or look at the way support systems set up for women facing violence are systematically reduced in number, their budgets are cut, their people are not trained.

This is not a society serious about tackling the issue of violence against women.

A 2005 10-country study by WHO on women's health and domestic violence against women, notes that between 55-95 per cent of women facing domestic violence from intimate partners have never sought help. The question is: Where would they go?

We know well that domestic violence is the major killer of women across the world, making the home one of the most unsafe places for women to be. The murderers are usually husbands or men known as "intimate partners", and the killing is the culmination of a long process of incremental physical and mental violence. The UN Office on Drugs and Crimes estimates that nearly six out of every ten women (58 per cent) who are intentionally killed worldwide are murdered by intimate partners or family members. Their numbers are not small. In 2017, this figure was 50,000 women around the world. By now it is probably higher.

Surely, it's time to stop this history of shame? We could begin by demanding justice for Shraddha and every other woman caught in the trap of domestic violence.

The writer is publisher, Zubaan

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FIXING OUR JAILS

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Bail vs jail' (IE, November 28). President Droupadi Murmu has rightly lamented that making new jails for the increasing number of prisoners is at odds with the claim of "vikas". The courts' slow pace in deciding cases needs remedy. Increasing the number of courts along with necessary human resources to match the burgeoning number of undertrials is a measure that can prove effective. CJI D Y Chandrachud's observation about the "sense of fear" in the lower judiciary on bail matters is serious. The Supreme Court could ask the states to set up a commission to discharge all the undertrial prisoners who have spent more time imprisoned than they would have had they been held guilty.

LR Murmu, Delhi

AGAINST EQUALITY

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'EWS quota, a political freebie' (IE, November 28). The EWS quota doesn't qualify for the parameters of reservation elaborated in Nagaraj v Union of India. The amendment came into place with no due diligence - no surveys or studies were conducted. These violate the Doctrine of Basic Structure. The reservation, though it doesn't come under either the goods or services criteria of freebies, has be-

New Delhi

come a political freebie. H Upadhyay, via email

COVID SURGES

THIS REFERS TO the report, 'China Covid protests spread, Xi faces calls to step down' (IE, November 28). Even though WHO has claimed that the end of the Covid pandemic is near, the disease seems to be back with a vengeance with nearly 40,000 cases being reported daily across China. One of the key reasons for the spread of the virus is the poor vaccination rate in the country. Moreover, experts say the vaccines used in China have a low efficacy rate. For India, the cause for concern is the Omicron BF.7 variant which is more infectious than the previous sub-variants. It has reached the United States, UK, Australia, and Belgium, and was detected in Kerala last month.

Khokan Das, Kolkata

FIGHTING TERRORISM

THIS REFERS TO the report, 'The nation remembers' (IE, November 27). Following the 26/11 attack, India has been consistently highlighting the threat of cross border terrorism. Pakistan must bring the perpetrators of this crime to justice. The world must come together to fight terrorism.

Sanjay Chopra, Mohali

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Know all concerned that my chent Mr.
Sushan Pal Som Slo Lt. Satya Pal Soni
owner of property bearing No. A-11,
Rajouri Garden, New Delhi has lost his
original property documents Le
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person shall be treated null and void an also treated as waived and not bindin on our client.

Ajay Kumar Giri (Advocate H.No. 26/161. Basement Vikram Vikra

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our client (1) Premlata W/o Late Gulab Chand, R/o H. No. 407, Topkhana, R.A. Bazar,

Prakash R/o A-64-B. Old Slum Qtrs.. Pasch

Puri, New Delhi-63 (3) Bala (Ballu) W/o Sh. Ashok Kumar R/o D-1, 288, Nand Nagri,

Delhi (4) Seeta Verma (Shamu) W/o Late Sanjay Verma R/o 41A, Badam Mandi, Kankad Khera, Meerut, Cantt. U.P. and (5)

Colony, Camp No.2, Nangloi, Delhi-41, are the only surviving legal heirs of Late Smt.

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31/12/2007. There is no other legal heirs except our clients of Smt. Chand Tara. Any

except our clients of Smt. Chand Tara. Any person(s) claiming any rights, having any objection, may write/contact with above named persons at above address/phone No. 9258388901, 9911873175, 926838956, 9997019158 & 9213575359 within 15 days to the undersigned along with the documentary evidence in support of the said claim thereof, from the date of publication of this notice. After 15 days said claim will be null or void in any court of law. Abhimanyu Sangwan (Advocate) Ch. No.315, L.C. Block, Rohini Courts, Delhi.

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is for the information of all general public that my client Sr. Sunil Kumar Verma F/O Late Sh. Ganesh Verma R/O E-176, Suman Colony, Chatterpur Ext. New Delhi 110074, has severed all kind of relationship with his Son Sh. Himanshu Verma and his wife would be treated as debarred/disown from all kind my chatter and the sum of the control of the cont

all kind movable and immovable property of my client. Any person entering into any

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solutely & completely & revoke all power or tubority thereunder given to her wide lega police dated 11.03.2022 and thereafter Smt dathu Gupta are not entitle to act on behalf or y client i.e. Smt. Shobha Gupta @ Shobha coney in future. Now vide this present Public toloce, my client hereby revoked their two eneral Power of Attorney dated 06.03.1990. & 11.02.019 executed in favour of her elde ster namely Smt. Madhu Gupta. Sd/

Notice is hereby given to the General Public on behalf of IDFC First Bank Ltd. that Mr. Bihar! Prashad is owner of Entire Ground Floor, without roof/terrace rights (said floor) Property bearing No.79, in Block & Pocket-E-2, are measuring 48, Sq. mtrs, in Sector-16, Situated at Robini, New Delhi; (the said property) by virtue registered Relinquishment Deed dated 18.09.202 registration No. 1308. executed by I-Mrs. Manta.

Relinquishment Deed dated 18,09.2022 regis tration No. 11306, executed by 1-Mirs. Mamita 2-Mirs. Chanda, 3-Mirs. Ranjana Shan, 4-Mirs Anjana Sharma, 5-Mir. Deepak Verma, after demise of late Mirs. Prabha Devi, All persons including other legal heirs if any are hereby informed that above mentioned owner want to sell the said floor of the said property, to Mirs Pratima Sharma & Mir. Deepak Sharma, who is taking Loan from IDFC First Bank Ltd., for purchase of the said floor, if anybody has any objection/s unon the owner-shio of Mir. Bihar dispersion/s unon the owner-shio owner-sh

objection/s upon the ownership of Mr. Bihar Prashad its sale /Mortgage/litigation, and any kind of objections kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 10 days of the present.

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SAURABH SHANDI

SUSHMA DASS (Advocate)

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PERSONAL

I, Ashok Singh Guggari, S/o Shankrappa Guggari, R/o 757, Sec-2B, 2nd Floor, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, have changed my name to Ashok Shankrappa

I, Ajay Sharma, S/o Jagdish Raj Sharma, R/o Flat No.-214, DDA MIG-Flat, Metro Apartment. Jahangirpuri, Delhi-110033, have changed my name to Ajay Kumar Sharma.

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I, Ajay Kumar Setia S/o Deewan Chand Setia R/o-N-36 Dr.Mukherjee Nagar, Model-Town New Delhi-110009,have changed my name to Ajay 0040642815-1 Setia

Veer Singh S/o Sh. Bhagwant Singh R/o H.No.G-30 WZ-33, G-Block, Gali No.19, Hari Nagar, B-1 Janakpuri, West, Delhi-110058 declares that Correct and exact date of birth of my minor son Yashmeet Singh is 13.01.2010 instead of 0040642807-5

I Suraj S/O, Naresh Kumar R/o 603 Tower 5 Tata Primanti Sector 72 Gurugram 122018 have changed my name to Surai Ravish for all purposes.

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I Riya D/o Sh. Rajkumar Kundoo R/o H.No.167, First Floor, Surya Niketan, Anand Vihar, Delhi-110092 have changed my name to Riya Kundoo for all purposes. 0040642807-1

I Ramesh S/o Dayal Chand R/o H.No.40, 8 Marla, Sonipat, Haryana-131001 have changed my name to Ramesh Hasija for all purposes. 0040642807-3

I Pradeep Kumar born on 27.02.1958, S/o Sh. Raghunandan Lal R/o B-578A Sushant Lok Ph.1. Gurgaon-122009, Haryana, declare that PRADEEP KUMAR AND PRADEEP KUMAR PATPATIA is one and the same person

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I Nirmal W/o Sh. Ramesh Hasija R/o H.No.40, 8 Marla, Sonipat, Haryana-131001 have changed my name to Nirmal Hasija for all purposes. 0040642807-4

I Mahak Bano D/O Mohd Irshad R/o F-168/1 Abul Fazal Enclave Part II Shaheen Bagh Jamia Nagar Okhla New Delhi, i have changed my name to Mahak Khan for all purposes

0040642879-1 I Deepak Aggarwal S/o Sh. Rajeev Aggarwal R/o Flat No.90, Tarun Appartments, Sector-13, Rohini, North have changed my name to Deepak Kumar Aggarwal for all 0040642807-2

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I.VASHALI W/O ASHISH AGGARWAL R/O-A-32 SURAJMAL VIHAR DELHI-110092, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO VAISHALI AGGARWAL 0040642897-1

I,SUNHARI LAL,S/O HEMRAJ SINGH, R/o.FLAT,NO, 10232,ATS ADVANTAGE, AHINSA-KHAND-1. INDIRAPURAM, GHAZIABAD, UTTAR-PRADESH-201014. $changed\,my\,name\,to\,SUNHARI$ I,Ritesh Kumar Agrawal S/o

Akhilesh Kumar Agrawal, R/o 3111, Osimo Tower, Mahagun Mezzaria,Sector-78,Noida-201301, Have Changed My Name To Ritesh Kumar

I,MOINUDDIN KHAN,S/O GAFOOR AHMAD,R/o N-11,HIG, N-Block, Sanjay Nagar, Sector-23, Ghaziabad (UP)-201002 have changed my name to MAINUDDIN KHAN.

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I, Amit Kumar Nagpal, S/o Ashok Nagpal, R/o 135, Shakvapuri, Kankarkhera Meerut, have changed my name to Amit Nagpal.

0070815038-1 I.Harkishan S/o Kawal Jit

Singh,R/o P-35/A-1,Dilshad Garden Delhi-110095,Have Changed My Name To Harkishan Singh, For Future. 0040642869-2

I Neeta Singh W/O, Jitendra Pal Singh R/o Stc-905, 9th Floor, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad, UP-201014 have changed my name to Nita Chauhan for all 0040642885-1 purposes.

I, Preet Pal, S/o Sukhdev Singh, R/o 3905/14, IInd Floor, Kanhiya Nagar, Tri Nagar, Delhi-110035, have changed my name to Preet Pal Singh for all future purposes.

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I,SUJATA,W/O.NIKHIL BHAKTA, ADD-HOUSE.NO-1600-A SECOND-FLOOR, GALI.NO-13,GOVINDPURI KALKAJI, SOUTH-EAST DELHI-110019, changed my name to SUJATA BHAKTA, for all future 0040642883-9

I,SMITA TYAGI,W/o Anil KUMAR TYAGI, ADD. B-114, MAX-HEIGHTS, METRO VIEW APPARTMENT, SEC-35, SONIPAT, HAYARNA-131029, changed my name to SMITA ANIL TYAGI.

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I,SAJJAD S/O SUBRATI MIYAN.R/o 9/4929-M-8. GALI.NO-3,OLD SEELAMPUR,GANDHI NAGAR.DELHI - 110003.have changed my name to SAJJAD ANWAR, permanantly.

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I,Rita Jain,W/o Sandeep Kumar Bansal,R/o-C-104-105, Sector-C,Haryana Dairy, Bhagwati Vihar, Uttam Nagar, Delhi, have changed my name to Reeta Bansal, for all purposes

0040642889-2 I,Ravi Kumar S/o Ram Krishan R/o-84E Prem Vatika Mission Compound Saharanpur UP-247001, changed my name to

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Ravi Pahuja.

I,RISHIKA,daughter of,NAND KISHORE AHUJA.holder of,Indian Passport.No Z4427942,issued at NEW DELHI on 18/06/2019, Permanent resident of 71/132.Prem-Nagar, Janakpuri New Delhi-110058, and presently, residing at 306.Hamdan-building Al Madam Sharjah UAE do hereby change my name, from RISHIKA TO RISHIKA AHUJA with immediate-effect.

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I,RAKESH SINGH S/O MAHAVIR SINGH, R/o H,no-21, RUPBAS PACHGHAI DISST BULANDSHAHR P.U-203131, have CHANGED MY NAME to RAKESH.

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I,RAJESH S/O Gyan Chand R/O RZ-A-80, Second-Floor, Nihal-Vihar,Nangloi, Delhi-110041. Have changed my name from RAJESH to RAJESH 0040642882-8 VERMA.

I,RAJANI DEVI,W/O SHRI BHAGWAN DASS NENANI R/o.H.NO-17.J-AND-K BLOCK, LAXMI NAGAR, DELHI-92.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO RAJNI NAINANI, FOR FUTURE.

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I,Pinki W/o Ravi Pahuja R/o-84E Prem Vatika Mission-Compound Saharanpur UP-247001 changed my name to Rinki Pahuja. 0040642869-4

I,Pinke Devi W/o,No.14542514X Rank NK Ramesh Kumar R/o.H/no.T-572/A5 Gali-2,Baljeet Nagar,Patel Nagar, Delhi-8, have changed mv.name to Pinki Devi Vide affidavit date 28.11.22, before. Delhi.

0040642889-6 I.Parsanta Saini W/o Late Aftab Rai Saini R/o.Plot.No-197 Block-A,Sushant Lok Phase-3 Sec-57.Gurgaon HR.have changed my name to Prasanta Saini.

0040642882-3 I,Parminder Pal Singh,S/o-Balkar Singh Vendil,R/o-10 & 11 Kh No.41/13,Upper First Floor,Guru Nanak Vihar, Nilothi Extn.New Delhi-110041.have changed my name Parminder Pal Singh Vendil to Parminder Pal Singh for all future

0040642895-3 purposes. I,Supriya W/o Yojit Anand R/o-72 Block-PU Pitampura Delhi-110034 have changed my name

to Supriya Anand.

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I,No.4071465-H.-Ex Hav.Narinder Singh Rawat, R/o-34-B,GH-2,Paschim-Vihar Delhi-110063,in my military-record my Son's name wrongly written as Samridh Singh Rawat, his actual/correct name is Samridh Rawat,both names belong to same-person 0040642889-9 i.e.my-son. I.No.4071465-H.-Ex-Hav.

Narinder Singh Rawat, R/o-34-B.GH-2.Paschim-Vihar.Delhi-110063, in my military-record my mother's name wrongly written as Bishambari Devi her actual/correct-name is Bishambri Devi both names belong to same-person i.e.mymother. 0040642889-8

I,Neha,W/o-Shri Aman Batra,R/o-H.No.176-177.Pocket-4.Sector-22,Rohini,Delhi-110086,have changed my name to Neha Batra. 0040642895-2

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I,NASEEM KHAN W/O MAINUDDIN KHAN, R/o N-11, HIG, N-Block, Sanjay Nagar,Sector-23.Ghaziabad(UP)-201002 have changed my name to NASIMA 0040642883-7

I,Mohander Kumar Gupta S/O Shri Dina Nath Gupta,R/O House No.RZ-B-45.Subhash Park,Uttam Nagar,New Delhi-110059 Inform that Mohander Kumar Gupta and Mahender Kr Gupta both are One and Same 0040642882-7

I,Meenu Panwar alias Meenu D/o R.K. Pawar W/o Lalit Kumar R/o-287,G/F Block-B, Delhi,Administration Flats Karkardooma, East Delhi-110092, have changed my name to Meenu Panwar for all purpose.

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I,MOHAMMAD SHAUB R/o-D-7/A. 1st-FLOOR.OLD VILLAGE JASOLA,SOUTH EAST DELHI, DELHI-110025, have changed my name to MOHAMMAD SHUAIB, for all future purpose. 0040642889-7

VADHAVA.S/O VADHAVA SUDESHKUMAR JEEVANDAS RESIDENT 1528, SECTOR-17.HUDA COLONY, JAGADHRI, YAMUNANA GAR, HARYANA, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO MANOJ KUMAR.

I,MANOJKUMAR SUDESHKUMAR

0040642882-5 I,LALIT KUMAR AHUJA S/O JIWAT

RAM AHUJA,R/O QD-36,3rd-FLOOR, PITAMPURA, DELHI-110034.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO LALIT AHUJA 0040642882-2

I,Krithika Malya D/o Gokul Kumar R/o E-218 Ram Vihar Noida(U.P) have changed my name to Krithika Malya Gokul for all future purposes.

0040642814-1 I.Kishan Kumari W/o, No.1187585Ex Rank NK .Late Man Singh R/o F-158B,F-Block, Ganga Vihar, Delhi-94.have changed my.name to Krishna Devi Vide affidavit

28.11.22,before.Delhi 0040642889-5 I.Kiran Saiwan alias Kiran Bhandari D/o Sukhdev Singh Sajwan W/o Mahesh Singh Bhandari R/o-BB-2.Street, No.3 Badrinath Mandir, West,Vinod,Nagar Delhi-110092, have changed my name

I,Inder Bhushan S/o-Late Sukhdey Mishra R/o·A-33B,Lions Enclave,Vikash Nagar, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059, Have Changed My Name to Inder Bhushan Mishra, for all Purposes.

to Kiran Bhandari for all

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I.KUSAL PAL SHARMA, S/O.RAJ KUMAR SHARMA, ADD-VPO, KHATTA-PRAHLAD PUR BAGHPAT.UTTAR-PRADESH 250615, changed my name to KUSHAL PAL SHARMA, for all, future Purposes.

0040642883-8 I,K. Kannan,S/o Shri Karthikeyan,R/o Out House.No.1. State Entry Road, Northern Railway, NDMC Swamy Ram Tirth Nagar, Central Delhi, Delhi-110055, have changed my name to Kannan Karthikeyan, for all purposes. 0040642883-10

I,Jitendra Chaturvedi S/O Laxmi Kant Chaubev R/O Flat No.- 406. Tower-C2, Supertech Eco Village-2, Greater Noida West, Near Char Murti, Noida. Gautambudhnagar. This is to Certify that Jitendra Kumar Chaturvedi and Jitendra Chaturvedi is the same person 0040642866-1 i.e. myself.

I,Jagdev Singh R/O A-2/63, Safdarjung Enclave, Delhi-110029,Have Changed my Minor Daughter Name Nitika to Nitika Rana. 0040642882-6

I.Deenak S/o Vinod Kumar R/o F 266, Sudershan Park, Delhi-110015, have changed my name to Deepak tiwari

0040642889-3 I,Chandra Wati W/o

Dharmender Negi R/o.100-B Shakti Khanda Ghaziabad-201014, Have Changed My Name To Chandrawati Negi.

0040642869-1 I,BHAGWAN DAS NENANI,S/O SHRI KISHAN CHAND,R/O H.NO-17, J-AND-K BLOCK, LAXMI NAGAR DELHI-92:HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO

BHAGWAN DASS NENANI,FOR FUTURE. 0040642883-2 I.Ashutosh Goyal S/o Jagan Nath Goyal R/o.Flat.No-5 Budha Apartments, 109/2A,CC Colony Delhi-110007, Have Changed My

Name To Ashutosh Goel. 0040642882-1

I,Anil Kumar Haswani S/o Premchand Haswani R/o-9/83,Second-Floor Ramesh Nagar near, Hanuman, Mandir Delhi-110015, changed my name to Anil Haswani.

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I,Aman,S/o-Shri Om Prakash, R/O-H.No. 176-177, Pocket-4, Sector-22, Rohini Delhi-110086, have changed my $name\,to\,Aman\,Batra.$

I,Aditi Vij D/o Sushil Kaushik R/o B-1446, Shastri Nagar, Delhi-110052, have changed my name to Aditi Kaushik. 0040642882-9

I, hitherto known as NAMIT KUMAR son of JAY PRAKASH, R/o 393, Sector-7, RK Puram, Delhi-110022 have changed my name and shall hereafter be

known as SAHIL SINGH.

0040642805-1 I, hitherto known as Dhanwanti alias Nisha Kapoor W/o Sh. Anil Kapoor R/o U-128, Gali No.-5, Matiyala, Bindapur Road, Uttam Nagar, Delhi-110059, I

have changed my name from

Dhanwanti alias Nisha Kapoor

to Nisha Kapoor for all future

purposes. 0040642838-1 I, Tripti W/O Manpreet Singh Anand, R/O A2/158, First Floor, Janakpuri, Delhi-110058. I Have Changed My Name from Tripti To Tripti Anand for all future Purposes.

0040642810-1

I, Varun Kamra S/o Ved Prakash R/o 3502 Second Floor Raja Park, Rani Bagh, Delhi have changed my name as Varun Kumar permanently

0040642884-1

I, TANU SINGH W/o Mahender Singh, R/o C7/303, PWO Housing Complex, Sec-43,

Gurgaon, Haryana-122009, declare that I have changed my name to SANTOSH SINGH for all 0040642848-1 VAIBHAV SONI 2. DHAWAL SONI : I, Sweta, D/o Sh Lalit Kumar, R/o

244/7, National Street, Upper Samkhetar, PO Mandi, Tehsil Sadar, Dist. Mandi, H.P. 175001, have changed my name to Sweta Sharma. 0070814979-1 , Suchita Mani, W/o Nikhil Chawla, R/o AA-132, Shalimar

Bagh, Delhi - 110088, have changed my name from Suchita Mani to Suchita 0070814988-1 Chawla. I. Santeshwar Kumar Singh S/o

Surendra Singh, R/o H917, Gali No 13, Rajnagar Part2, Palam Colony, New Delhi 110077, have changed my name to Santeshwar Singh.

0070815063-1 I, Sandhya Pathak, W/o Amitabh Pathak R/o 322, Siddhi NH 24, Mehroli Mahagun Puram, Ghaziabad U.P.-201002, have changed my name from Sandhaya Pathak to SANDHYA PATHAK for all future purposes.

0070815041-1 I, SUDHIR ANANDAN NAIR, S/o K S ANANDAN, R/O F-802, VVIP Addresses, Village Noor Nagar, Rai Nagar Extension. Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh -201017, have changed my name to SUDHIR NAIR for all 0070815009-1 purposes.

I, Rojudin, S/o Israil Ahmad, R/o 70, Kailash Park Arthala Mohan Nagar, Ghaziabad 201007. declare that name of mine wrongly written as Chaudhary Rajuddin in my son's Amir Chaudhary School and College record. The actual name of mine Rojudin which may be amended accordingly.

0070815045-1

I, Rajan S/o Shri Ram R/o 174-182 Ground Floor, Gali-6 and 7. Flat No-101, Joshi Road, Karol Bagh, Delhi have changed my name as Rajan Budhiraja 0040642884-2 permanently

I, NIHARIKA, D/O-ASEEM KUMAR, R/o.C-1918, 12TH AVENUE, GAUR CITY 2.GREATER-NOIDA WEST, GAUTAMBUDH NAGAR, UTTAR PRADESH-201306, changed my name to NIHARIKA VERMA. 0040642897-8

I, Mohammad Abdur Rahman, S/o Sageer, R/o E-154/1A, Khasra No. 338, Shaheen Bagh, Abdul Fazal Enclave, Part-2. Jamia Nagar, Okhla, Delhi, have changed my name to Abdur

Rahman for all purposes. 0070815075-1 I, Meeta Sus, W/o Rajeev Sas,

R/o H.No. B-272, Omaxe NRI City, Omega-2, Greater Noida, U.P., have changed my name to Meeta Sas for all future 0070815055-1 purposes. I, MOHD. SHAMSUDDIN S/o Abdul Kalim, R/o D-32, Shiv

Durga Vihar, Lakkarpur, Suraikund, Faridabad, Haryana-121009, declare that I have changed my name to MOHD. SAMSUDDIN for all 0040642848-2 purposes. I, Hemlata W/O Shamlal R/O H No 82 Gali No 37C Burari Delhi-

84 that my name Hema is wrongly mentioned in my son's (Yash Kumar) 10th marksheet but my correct and actual name is Hemlata for all purposes.

I, Fatima D/o Khan Mohammad,R/o-348, Shamshad Road, Dabaria, Pilkhuwa Hapur, UP-245304 have change my name to Fatima Khan 0040642889-11

I, Farha Irfan, W/o Abdur Rahman, R/o E-154/1A, Khasra No. 338, Shaheen Bagh, Abdul Fazal Enclave, Part-2, Jamia Nagar, Okhla, Delhi, have changed my name to Farha for all purposes.

I, Charu Shrivastav, W/o Shyam Sunder Sharma, R/o C-353, Alpha-1, Greater Noida, U.P., have changed my Son's name from Sahas to Saahas Sharma

0070815058-1 I, Chand Prakash Sharma, S/o Mathura Dutt Sharma, R/o Dohaniya, Kotabagh, Dohaniva, Nainital, Uttarakhand-263159, have

for all future purposes.

changed my name to Navin Chandra Sharma. **I,** Bhairav Dutt Kulashari, S/o Bhola DuttKulashari, R/o B-

23/1, Ambedkar Colony, Gali No. 08, Chattarpur, Delhi-110074, have changed my name to Bharav Dutt Kulashari.

I, Muniba D/o Khan Mohammad, R/o-348 Shamshad Road, Dabaria, Pilkhuwa Hapur, UP-245304 have change my name to Muniba Khan

I, Ashraya Guggari, S/o Ashok Shankrappa Guggari, R/o 757, Sec-2B, 2nd Floor, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, have changed my name to Ashraya Ashok Guggari.

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LOST & FOUND

I.Ashok Kumar Malik, S/o S.K. Malik, have Lost Possession Letter and Allotment Letter of 54, Jyoti Bagh, CGHS Ltd.,Parwana Road Pitampura, Delhi-110034.Ph. 9868161612.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

General public is hereby informed 1 CHANDRA KANT SONI, Co owner PARATIMENT NO. KCA0101405 IN WI TOWN KLASSIC TOWER, A10 at GREENS, WISH TOWN SECTOR 34 NOI along with NEELA SONI vide conveya deed dated 1.04.22 has passed away 12.11.2022 leaving behind following le pelis:

EELA SONI nereas the aforementioned Legal heirs with pir common consensus have decided to thorize VAIBHAV SONI (elder son Ol nandrar Kant Soni and Neela Son) to dea d represent in regard to the above said operty. If any person is having any jection, Calians, disputes against the above national statements of the son the said piction, so in signitus and son with incidions in writing along with supporting the said of the said pictions in writing along with supporting the said of the said pictions in writing along with supporting the said pictions in writing along the support piction pictions in writing along pictions pictio primone authority then he can submit hi ections in writing along with supportin cuments within 15 days from the date c lilication of this notice otherwise the sain hority shall be deemed to be governed by above said Vaibhav Soni and No sequent claim in regard to the same shain Entertained.

Sd/-ARJUN ANANE Advocate 235, LAWYERS CHAMBERS

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING ATTENDANCE OF DEFENDANT Order 5 Rule 20 of the Code of Civil (South-East) at Room No.14, BLOCK-1, Saket Courts Complex, New Do Suit No.: CS/COMM/461/21 HIND TERMINALS PVT LTD

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AERO MARINE LOGISTICS PVT LTD POLOT NO.5, PANKAJ ARCADE POCKET IV, SECTOR 11, DWARKA NEW DELHI-110075.

WHEREAS you are intentionally wading service of summons it is hereby notified that if you shall not defend the asse on the 16.12.2022 the day fixed for ile a written statement within 30 day and appear in this court, it will be hear and determined as position and determined ex-parties.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this 11.11.2022

DJ COMMERCIAL-02

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING ATTENDANCE OF DEFENDANT Order 5 Rule 20 of the Code of Civil Procedure) In the Court of MS. VINEETA GOYAL, DISTRICT JUDGE (COMM-02),

(South-East) at Room No.14, BLOCK-1,

V/S 'S UP HOTELS CLARKS . LTD US UP HOTELS CLARKS LIMITED HROUGH ITS DIRECTORS AT: 1/42, ANARAS HOUSE, DDA, LSC, BURU RAVIDAS MARG,

SURU RAVIDAS MARG, (ALKAJI, NEW DEIHI-110019. ALSO AT: PLOT NO. 239, 3RD FLOOR, SANT NAGAR, EAST OF KAILASH, NEW DELHI-110065 MAIL: ACCOUNTSHO@CLARKSINN.IN HEREAS you are intentionally evadi ervice of summons it is hereby notified that

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client FREDRIC GILL S/C hat my client FREDHIC GILL S/O SHRI S. M. GILL R/O WZ-A-4, GALI SHRI S. M. GILL R/O WZ-A-4, GALI NO.-8, KRISHNA PARK EXTN. TILAK NAGAR, DELHI, is owner of property bearing no. PLOT NO.-248 (NEW NO., RZB-300-A). NIHAL VIHAR, NANGLOI, DELHI-110041, KHASRA NO.-7919, measuring area 200 sq., yds., sides as EAST 20' WIDE, WEST-10' WIDE, North- Other Pilot viscousta-south- other pilot, since last 07/01/1991, vide GPA stamp no. 51402, id. 07/01/1991 my client oot absolute 07/01/1991, vide GPA stamp no. 51402.

1. 07/01/1991 my client got absolute legal ownership through the agreement made in Norway (prepared by Lawyer Stein Eikeland, Tallbergvn, 2c, N-1166 Oslo, Norway) between brothers dated 12.11.1992. That due to some unavoidable reasons my client made GPA again in the year 2011 for the above said property vide stamp paper no. X195888 dt. 31/03/2011, from the member of previous original property holder (Zamindar) of Kh.No. 79/119, without any work of the control of the contro utual understanding and without nutual understanding and without any intention of perjury and forgery. That elereby this public notice declaration and informed the further purchaser that both document is original and if they equired then my client can provide hoto copy of previous GPA of 1991 From the date he was taken the wwership of property.

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NANDKISHOR RAGHA Advoca Ch. No. 8, Gate No. Tis Hazari Coruts, Delhi-54

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Chamber: Ch. No. 8, RU Block, DDA

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SEARCH FOR MISSING



MD. AFTAB ANSHARI

21.09.2022. In this regard DD No. 82-A Dated 22.09.2022 has been lodged at PS New Jaitpur, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out this person but no clue has come to light so far. His physical description is as under:-

General public is hereby informed that this person (depicted in the photo) namely Md. Aftab Anshari S/o Munna Anshari R/o

H. No. 864, Gali No. 15, Lakhpat Colony

Part-2, Meethapur Extn., Jaitpur, Delhi

has been missing from his residence since

Sex: Male, Age: 25 years, Height: 160 cm., Complexion: Shallow, Face: Oval, Built: Thin, Wearing: White Colour Shirt and Grey Colour Pent.

Any person is having information or clue about this missing person

may kindly inform to the following telephones numbers. PS: Jaitpur, Delhi Website:http://cbi.nic.in Ph.: 011-26666410, 26666412 E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in Mobile: 8750871645

Tel. No.: 011-24368638/24368641 DP/2954/SE/2022 Fax No.: 011-24368639

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

SEE SECTION U/S 82 Cr. Pc.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Rahul Gupta S/o Khajanchi Lal Gupta R/o RZM-7, Vijay Enaclave, Palam, New Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. 532/2017 U/s 279/338 IPC, P.S. Janakpuri, Delhi, and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said accused Rahul Gupta cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused Rahul Gupta has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused Rahul Gupta of case FIR No. 532/2017 U/s 279/338 IPC, P.S. Janakpuri, Delhi, is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 24.01.2023.

By Order Bharti Beniwal Metropolitan Magistrate-11 Room No. 05, Ground Floor

Dwarka District Court, New Delhi

HARYANA FOREST DEPARTMENT **FOREST DIVISION REWARI**

DP/3104/WD/2022-(Court Matter)

Security Deposit

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DETAILED NOTICE AUCTION NOTICE Industries/ Firms/ Individuals/ Desirous are invited for auction for the Condemnation of Old Range Office and

M&E Building at Rewari Forest Division.						
Location	Number Buildings	Reserved Price	Auction Date			
O/o Divisional Forest Officer Rewari Near TV Tower Krishna Nagar	2 Nos.	64641/-	02.12.2022			
Auction Date and Time - 30.11.2022, 11.00 A.M.						

Period of Completion - 60 Days and Site Clearance

Details regarding conditions will be available in, For the

details of Building and location, contact the Office of

Divisional Forest Officer, Rewari. Phone: 01274-254568 Sd/-**Divisional Forest Officer**

Rewari.

- 25% (Before Auction)

निविदा सूचना (पुनः) जिला स्तरीय गीता महोत्सव 02 से 04 दिसंबर 2022 तक महर्षि दयानंद सरस्वती स्टेडियम झज्जर में मनाया जाना प्रस्तावित है। आयोजन हेतु निम्नलिखित वस्तुओं व सेवाओं

कार्यालय जिला सूचना एवं जनसंपर्क अधिकारी, झज्जर

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४. जलपान, चाय, काफी, नमकीन, काजू-बादाम, बिस्कुट आदि। फल केला व सेब।

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नोट: क्रमांक 1 से 5 तक के लिए इच्छुक फर्में अपनी निविदाएं/कुटेशन बंद लिफाफे में जिला सूचना एवं जनसंपर्क अधिकारी, कार्यालय झज्जर के नाम से दिनांक 29.11.2022 को सुबह 9.00 बजे से सायं 5.00 बजे तक तथा 30.11.2022 को सुबह 9.00 बजे से दोपहर 12.00 बजे तक लघु सचिवालय स्थित प्रथम मंजिल, कमरा नंबर 108 में भिजवान सुनिश्चित करें। निविदाएं/कुटेशन गठित कमेटी सदस्यों के समक्ष व फर्म सदस्यों की उपस्थिति में दिनांक 30 .11 .2022 को सायं 3 .00 बजे खोली जाएंगी। **क्रमांक 1 के कार्य** हेतु इच्छुक फर्म द्वारा 25 हजार रूपए की अग्रिम राशि का ड्राफ्ट जिला सूचना एवं जनसंपर्क **अधिकारी, झज्जर के नाम से जमा करवाया जाना अनिवार्य है।** आवश्यकता अनुसार वस्तुओ की मात्रा में कमी या वृद्धि की जा सकती है। अपरिहार्य कारणों से कार्यक्रम में फेरबदल या स्थगन होने की सुरत में गढित कमेटी का निर्णय अंतिम समझा जाएगा। निविदा के संबंध में

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जिला सूचना एवं जनसंपर्क अधिकारी.

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WESTERN RAILWAY

NOTICE INVITING BID Bid/ Package No DYCE-C-II-RTM-EPC-DHD-01 Dated 22.11.2022 RFP for Design, Engineering, Procurement, Construction Completion, Testing and Commissioning of Electric Loca

manufacturing unit, Offices and Administration Building with other

infrastructure at Dahod workshop, Gujarat on Engineering

Procurement & Construction (EPC) Mode. The President of India represented by the Ministry of Railways, Chie Engineer/Construction-III/Western Railway, Churchgate, Mumba (the "Authority"), having its principal office at Churchgate, Mumbai 400020, is engaged in the development of railways and related infrastructure, and as part of this endeavour, the Authority has decided to undertake Design, Engineering, Procurement, Construction, Completion Testing and Commissioning of Electric Loco manufacturing unit, Offices and Administration Building with other infrastructure at Dahod workshop Gujarat (the "Project") through Engineering, Procurement and Construction (the "EPC") Contract, and has decided to carry out the Bidding process for selection of a Bidder to whom the Project may be awarded. A brief description of the project may be seen in the Information Memorandum of the Project at the Authority's website https://ireps.gov.in Brief particulars of the Project are as follows:

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unit, Offices and Administration Building with
other infrastructure at Dahod workshop, Gujarat
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Name of the Project

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STOPPAGE TIME IN FOOTBALL

Matches in the ongoing Qatar World Cup have been unusually long due to stoppage time

NARAYANANS

KOCHI, NOVEMBER 28

ONE OF the major talking points of the Qatar World Cup has been the unusually long matches — the England-Iran game went on for a whopping 117 minutes. In fact, just one of the first eight games finished within 100 minutes, as the referees added lengthy stoppage time, alternatively called injury time or additional time, to each of the halves.

These elongated games happened by Fifa's design. The game's governing body wanted to address the issue of playing time lost due to various breaks and let the fans savour the maximum possible action on the pitch.

Need for stoppage time

Unlike basketball or hockey, football uses a running clock which does not stop when the game is interrupted for various reasons, such as substitutions, goals, or in-

According to the International Football Association Board's Laws of the Game, the referees add time on for substitution, assessment and/or removal of injured players, wasting time, disciplinary sanctions, medical stoppages permitted by competition rules, delays relating to video assistant referee (VAR) checks and reviews, goal celebrations, etc.

The stoppage time is calculated by taking into account all such interruptions in play during a half and the fourth official raises an electronic board displaying the



The England-Iran match went on for 117 minutes. AP

time added on at the end of each half. However, the play can go on for longer than the added-on time if the on-field referee feels that there have been further interruptions during the injury time warranting its

A game between English clubs Aston Villa and Stoke City in 1891 is widely believed to be the trigger. When his team was leading 1-0 towards the end of the game, the Villa goalkeeper deliberately kicked the ball out of the ground to waste time and ensure his team's win.

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Red Planet Day: Remembering a pioneering space mission to Mars

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

ON NOVEMBER 28. Red Planet Day is marked, to commemorate one of the most significant space missions launched to Mars. On that day in 1964, the United States launched the space probe Mariner 4 on a course towards Mars. This was the first time that a spacecraft undertook a flyby of the

The Mariner flew past Mars in July 1965, becoming the first-ever spacecraft to take close-up photographs of another planet

After an eight-month voyage, the pictures Mariner 4 brought back helped humans see lunar-type impact craters on Mars, some of them touched with frost. A television camera onboard took 22 pictures, covering about 1% of the planet. These photos were transmitted to Earth in

"Although originally not expected to survive much past the Mars flyby encounter, Mariner 4 lasted about three years in solar orbit, continuing long-term studies of the solar wind environment and making coordinated measurements with Mariner 5," according to NASA's website.

The photographs also revealed a cratered surface resembling the Moon, although because of their limited range, they failed to cover the more geologically diverse features we know about now. "These findings dashed many scientists' expectations of Mars as a place hospitable to life," NASA said.

Since then, massive interest has been sparked in the planet, and to date, a number of probes have been launched towards it by countries such as India, China and the UAE, among others.



EXPLAINED ECONOMICS

Political economy of Gujarat

The 'Gujarat model' is often touted as a BJP success story, and the state does perform well on a number of economic parameters. However, some crucial areas of concern remain. With campaigning for Assembly polls phase 1 set to end on Tuesday, here's a snapshot of key indicators

UDIT MISRA

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

GUJARAT IS all set for Assembly elections, with the first phase of voting on December 1. Since the time of India's freedom struggle, all the more because it was the home state of leaders like Mahatma Gandhi and Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Gujarat has been a politically significant state in India.

However, two factors have further bolstered the state's political heft over the past three decades.

One, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has won all the Assembly elections since 1995. Barring a brief period between late 1996 and early 1998, the BJP has been in power in the state. To be precise, it has ruled without break since March 1998. Another fiveyear term would mean that the BJP will extend its unbroken run to 29 years. For perspective, the longest that any party has been in power in a state was the 34 years (1977 to 2011) that the Communist Party of India (Marxist) governed West

Two, the Prime Minister Narendra Modi factor lends importance to Gujarat. Modi had served as the state's Chief Minister for 12 years, winning three Assembly polls in the process, before shifting to Delhi. During Modi's tenure as the Chief Minister, the notion of a so-called Gujarat model of development or economy gained traction.

With campaigning for phase 1 set to come to an end on Tuesday, here's a snapshot of key indicators of Gujarat's economy, such as unemployment, per capita income, inflation. etc.

Overall size of the economy

No matter which way one calculates, Gujarat is one of the biggest economies in the country. The chart details the top six states with the highest "net State Domestic Product (SDP)" in India. Think of net SDP as the GDP equivalent at the state level.

The table also mentions Kerala, even though it is not a state of comparable economic output, just to provide a more complete picture - often the "Gujarat model" has been contrasted with the "Kerala model". Among the seven states mentioned in the table, one can also get a fairly wide geographical spread.

Data shows that Gujarat is the fourthlargest economy with a net SDP of Rs 14.6 lakh crore. However, this valuation of economic output is based on current prices. If one were to remove the effect of inflation and look at the "real" net SDP, one finds that Gujarat becomes the second-largest

It is also worthwhile to look at where Guiarat stood relative to the other big states in 1994-95, just before the BJP started its dominant phase. It is interesting to note that at that time, Gujarat was behind even UP and West Bengal in terms of overall output. The only state that has actually outdone Guiarat is Karnataka. which was much smaller in terms of economic output in 1995 but has since rapidly grown to become the third-largest economy within India.

IN RUN-UP TO POLLS, A STATUS CHECK



People at an election rally in Kheda, Sunday. PM Modi, who served as Gujarat CM for 12 years, remains a key factor in these polls. Nirmal Harindran

TABLE 1

GUJARAT WHEN COMPARED WITH OTHER STATES

		net SDP	Unemployment Rate (Urban) per 1000	Avg Daily Wage Rural non-farm	Infant Mortality per 1000	Govt Hospital beds as as of 2019
Maharashtra	23.9	1,93,121	65	277	16	33028
Tamil Nadu	16.2	2,12,174	58	462	13	99453
Karnataka	15.8	2,36,451	38	298	19	70474
Gujarat	14.6	2,12,821	46	253	23	29408
Uttar Pradesh	14.3	61,666	80	303	38	66700
West Bengal	11.9	1,21,267	44	321	19	NA
Kerala*	7.2	2,05,067	116	682	6	38097
All India Avera	ge		67	327	28	NA

TABLE 2 | NFLATION

INFLATION RATE (IN %)	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Maharashtra	4.1	3.1	4.4	6.8	5.2
Tamil Nadu	4.9	3.7	5.7	7.5	5.2
Karnataka	3	3.3	5.6	5.8	5.6
Gujarat	2.6	2.5	3.7	5.9	4.9
Uttar Pradesh	2.4	3.8	5.9	6.1	5.1
West Bengal	3.7	5.1	4.6	8.7	5.1
Kerala*	6	4.9	6.1	6	4
All India Average	3.6	3.4	4.8	6.2	5.5

Source: RBI

*Added for a more complete picture

Per Capita Income

When India's economy recently overtook the economy of the United Kingdom to become the fifth-largest on the planet, it was pointed out that despite this achievement, the UK's average income levels were 20 times more than India's.

The table also mentions the states' per capita income, in order to understand the average level of economic prosperity.

with the highest per capita income, closely followed by Gujarat. This is not to suggest that there are no states in India with higher per capita income — Delhi, Goa, Sikkim, etc. do score higher — but among the bigger states, this ranking holds.

Now. Karnataka turns out to be the state

Population sizes of different states imply that Uttar Pradesh lags far behind most states in India despite having a much higher overall output. Kerala, too, shines.

When compared with how things were in 1995, it is interesting to note that Gujarat was, even then, the second-richest in terms of average incomes.

And while holding on to the second rank is no mean feat — Tamil Nadu, for instance, failed to stay at the top — it is Karnataka's rise that has been far more phenomenal.

Unemployment rate

The table details the unemployment rate (per thousand people) in Rural and Urban areas. Gujarat had one of the lowest unemployment rate among all the states, well below the national average.

However, unemployment rates have gone up almost across the board since 1999-2000. In particular, in Gujarat, both rural and urban unemployment rates have doubled since 1999-00.

Inflation rate

Just as Gujarat had the lowest unemployment rate among all the big economies, it also had the lowest retail inflation rate among them in each of the past five years (barring UP in 2017-18). Gujarat's retail inflation rate (that is, based on Consumer Price Index or CPI) was also lower than the national average for each of the five years. Of course, this data does cover the past few months of 2022-23

High inflation has become a global menace and has resulted in voters throwing out incumbent governments to express their anger. However, Gujarat has performed relatively well on this metric for the majority of the current term.

Wages

When it comes to earning daily wages, workers in the agricultural sector as well as the non-agricultural sector of Gujarat earn considerably less than their counterparts in the other big states. The table details how Gujarat not only pays less than the other big economies, but also less than the national average.

Infrastructure

Power consumption is a very good proxy for overall infrastructure in any economy. Gujarat's per capita consumption is the highest among the states mentioned in the table, and, barring Punjab, the highest among large Indian states

Health metrics

Typically, it is found that financially better-off economies tend to have inhabitants who are physically better off. That's because a rich state with richer inhabitants and a larger government capacity can invest in improving the health and wellbeing of its inhabitants.

However, it is on these metrics that Gujarat falters the most.

The table details Gujarat's standing on some crucial metrics. But be it infant mortality rate or the maternal mortality rate or the prevalence of anaemia among infants and pregnant mothers or even indeed the number of beds in government-owned hospitals, Gujarat lags behind the other big economies. In particular, it lags considerably behind Kerala's achievements.

EXPLAINED HEALTH

Mumbai Measles outbreak: What is the role played by lack of vaccination



Dr. Asmita Mahajan

From The Indian Express panel of specialists, exclusive insight

MUMBAI HAS recorded over 303 cases of measles this year, with 14 deaths. A sharp spike was witnessed in October, and of the total number of cases so far, around 250 have been reported in the last two months alone.

This is a huge jump from the past few years - 10 cases and 1 death in 2021; 29 cases and no death in 2020; and 37 cases and 3 deaths in 2019.

Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde has blamed the outbreak on lack of vaccination. Data accessed by The Indian Express showed that in October, Mumbai recorded only 41 per cent vaccine coverage against measles.

Why the surge?

Mumbai has certainly seen a surge in measles cases over the past few days, with most patients coming from lower socioeconomic backgrounds. Poverty, poor hygiene practices, poor quality of nutrition and lack of vaccination have all contributed to the spiralling cases.

Most cases have been reported from Bhiwandi (Thane) and Malegaon (Nashik) which lack vaccination coverage, especially among children. Some families didn't immunise their children because of re-

ligious and cultural reasons. Many lives

could have been saved had the children

been vaccinated on time and in more sig-

Which age group is most vulnerable?

nificant numbers.

Children below the age of five are the most vulnerable, especially those below the age of two. Children who have not been vaccinated are at the greatest risk.

How important are the vaccines?

Studies have shown that vaccines don't guarantee 100 per cent protection against the disease. However, if children are vaccinated and still contract the infection, the illness will be mild. Deadly complications such as pneumonia, diarrhoea, further sepsis, etc. can be avoided with vaccine protection. Vaccination is considered the key strategy in limiting the spread of measles during outbreaks.

At the individual level, administration of the vaccine within 72 hours of initial exposure may modify the clinical course of the illness, and is generally recommended as a preventive tool. Recent studies have confirmed benefits from this intervention,



A measles vaccination awareness rally in Mumbai's Govandi last week. Pradip Das

with effectiveness of post-exposure immunisation ranging between 91–100 per cent, corroborating observations made in the pre-elimination era.

How long does it take to produce

Post-vaccination, it takes at least four weeks to develop antibodies. However, the best possible method number of children, the outbreak will be of dealing with an outbreak is to vaccinate controlled in the near future.

a large number of individuals, in this case, children. THE EXPERT

DR ASMITA MAHAJAN is **Consultant Neonatologist** and Paediatrician, SL Raheja Hospital, Mahim. She spoke to Rupsa Chakraborty

Antibodies produced due to vacci-

nation, and when compared with unimmunised children, the ones who have received a vaccine will definitely be at an advantage in fighting the infection. We are hoping that by vaccinating a large

Did the pandemic impact the national immunisation programme?

Undoubtedly, and the impact created a big gap. People were scared of taking their children to hospitals, clinics or healthcare centres for vaccines as they feared Covid-19 infection

Symptoms to watch out for, treatment

After exposure to the virus, the symptoms take 10 days to appear. Some initial signs include cough, cold, runny nose, sore throat, loss of appetite, high fever and body aches. After five days, rashes appear, which look like blotchy red marks. They usually start at the hairline or behind the ears of the child. These then spread to other body parts, including the throat, limbs and joints. In a few cases, there can also be tiny white dots on the roof of the mouth.

Since measles is a symptomatic disease, complications can also arise, especially when the child is unvaccinated and has low nutrition levels. Some common complications include red eyes, pneumonia, diarrhoea, ear infections and, in some cases, encephalitis, termed as brain inflammation.

In rare cases, it can also lead to Subacute Sclerosing Panencephalitis (SSPE), a fatal disease of the central nervous system. Typically, SSPE develops seven to ten years after a child has had measles and recovered. The best way to prevent the above scenarios is to ensure that every child gets vaccinated against measles.

New Delhi

How can we prevent a future surge? The best way to prevent future surges

is by generating awareness about the importance of vaccines. The measles vaccine must be provided to every child, and there is a need to overcome any prejudice a community might have against it. It is entirely safe and prevents measles from becoming fatal in children.

Some measures that can be implemented immediately include the following

■ Looking out for infected children and treat them as early as possible

■ Make sure that all the children who missed the vaccines due to the lockdown and pandemic get vaccinated

■ Seek medical attention from specialised doctors or paediatricians immediately if children show any symptoms related to the disease

In studies in diverse settings, broad and early implementation of vaccination has been associated with shorter outbreak durations, smaller outbreak sizes, alterations in the epidemic curve, reduction in cases, lower than expected morbidity and mortality, and partial or complete avoidance of outbreaks in closed populations.

Wider use of this control measure may also impact disease transmission at the community level by directly reducing the number of secondary measles cases and by increasing immunity to levels that can impede the spread.



WORLD HERITAGE ENDANGERED LIST

GREAT BARRIER REEF MUST BE ON LIST: UN

A United Nations-backed mission is recommending that the Great Barrier Reef be added to the list of endangered World Heritage sites, warning that without "ambitious, rapid and sustained" climate action the world's largest coral reef is in peril.



Shenzhou-15 crewed spaceship. Reuters

Beijing to launch 3 astronauts to its space station

Beijing: China will be sending a three-person crew to its under-construction space station on Tuesday, and also announced plans for a manned mission to the Moon amid intensifying competition with the US. The Shenzhou-15 crewed spaceship will be launched from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in northwest China, the China Manned Space Agency said. The spaceship will take three astronauts - Fei Junlong, Deng Qingming, and Zhang Lu—to carry out the spaceflight mission. Fei will be the commander of the mission, Ji Qiming, assistant to the director of the CMSA, told the media. The launch will be carried out with a Long March-2F carrier rocket, which will be filled with propellant soon.

USA

End Assange's prosecution: **Media outlets**

Washington: The US should end its prosecution of Julian Assange, leading media outlets from the United States and Europe that had collaborated with the WikiLeaks founder said on Monday, citing press freedom concerns. "This indictment sets a dangerous precedent, and threatens to undermine America's Amendment and the freedom of the press," editors and publishers of the Guardian, the NYT, Le Monde, Der Spiegel, and letter. Assange is wanted

Monkeypox to be called mpox to end stigma

by US authorities on 18

counts, including a spying

London: The WHO has renamed monkeypox as mpox, citing concerns the original name of the decades-old animal disease could be construed as discriminatory and racist. The UN health agency said on Monday that mpox was its new preferred name for monkeypox, saying that both monkeypox and mpox would be used for the next year while the old name is phased out. WHO said it was concerned by the "racist and stigmatising language" that arose after monkeypox spread to over 100 countries. AP

Meta told to pay \$275 mn for EU privacy law breach

London: In the latest penalty against Meta for violating European privacy rules, the tech giant was fined roughly \$275 million on Monday for a data leak discovered last year that led to the personal information of over 500 million Facebook users being published online. The penalty, imposed by Ireland's Data Protection Commission, brings the total fines to more than \$900 million that the regulator has imposed on Meta since last year. In September, the same regulator fined the company roughly \$400 million for its mistreatment of children's data.

NUMBER OF NEW CASES RISE TO 40,347

China tightens security after protests against Covid curbs

REUTERS & AP SHANGHAI/BEIJING. NOV 28

POLICE ON Monday stopped and searched people at the sites of weekend protests in Shanghai and Beijing, after crowds there and in other Chinese cities demonstrated against stringent Covid measures. On Monday, the number of new

daily cases rose to 40,347, includ-

ing 36,525 with no symptoms. From the streets of several Chinese cities to dozens of university campuses, protesters made a show of civil disobedience unprecedented since leader Xi Jinping assumed power a decade ago. What we object to is these restrictions on people's rights in the name of virus prevention, and the restrictions on individual freedom and people's livelihoods," said Jason Sun, a college student in Shanghai.

There was no sign of new protests on Monday in Beijing or Shanghai, but dozens of police were in the areas where the demonstrations took place.

Police have been asking people for their phones to check if they had virtual private networks (VPNs) and the Telegram app, which has been used by weekend protesters, residents and social media users said.

Asked about widespread anger over China's zero-ĈOVID policy, foreign ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian told reporters: "What you mentioned does not reflect what actually happened. "We believe that with the leadership of the Communist Party of China, and cooperation and support of the Chinese people, our fight against Covid-19 will be successful." Abandoning it would mean rolling back a policy championed by Xi.

State media did not mention the protests, instead urging citizens in editorials to stick to Covid rules. Many analysts say China is







Protests in mainland China during a commemoration of the victims of a fire in Urumqi, in Hong Kong. (Below) Protesters detained by policemen in Shanghai. Reuters & AP

unlikely to reopen before March or April, and needs an effective vaccination campaign before that.

"The demonstrations do not imminently threaten the existing political order, but they do mean the current Covid policy mix is no longer politically sustainable," analysts at Gavekal Dragonomics wrote in a note. On Monday, authorities blocked some central Shanghai streets

with blue metal barriers to prevent gatherings. Shops and cafes in the area were asked to close,

Meanwhile, the US backs the right of people to peacefully protest in China, Washington said on Monday. "We've said everyone has the right to peacefully protest, here in the US and around the world. This includes in the PRC," a White House National Security Council spokesperson said.

BBC says its staff attacked, China denies claim

London, Beijing: The BBC said Chinese police had assaulted one of its journalists covering a protest in Shanghai and detained him for hours, drawing criticism from UK government which described his detention as "shocking". China disputed the account and said the journalist had not identified himself as a reporter.

"The BBC is concerned about the treatment of our journalist Ed Lawrence, who was arrested and handcuffed while covering the protests in Shanghai," the British broadcaster said.

In Beijing, foreign ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian said, "As per Shanghai officials, the journalist in question did not reveal his journalist identity, he did not openly show his foreign press card. When the incident happened, law enforcement personnel asked people to leave, and when certain people did not, they were taken away from the scene. **REUTERS**

Pak TTP ends orders militants to hold attacks across country

SAJJAD HUSSAIN ISLAMABAD, NOVEMBER 28

THE BANNED Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) on Monday called off an indefinite ceasefire agreed with the government in June and ordered its militants to carry out attacks across the country.

"As military operations are ongoing against mujahideen (militants) in different areas [...] so it is imperative for you to carry out attacks wherever you can in the entire country," the militant group said in a statement.

The statement was issued a day after the English cricket team landed in Pakistan after 17 years to play the first test-series, and day before the new Army chief was set to assume his office.

The TTP was set up as an umbrella group of several militant outfits in 2007. Its main aim is to impose its strict brand of Islam across Pakistan. The banned group said the decision to end the truce was taken after "a series of non-stop attacks were launched by the military organisations" in Bannu and Lakki Marwat areas of Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province.

It also said it had repeatedly warned the people about violation of the ceasefire but showed patience so that the negotiation process was not "sabotaged at least by us". "But the Army and intelligence agencies did not stop and continued the attacks. Now our retaliatory attacks will also start across the country," it read.

There was no immediate reaction from the government and intelligence agencies.

Meanwhile, a high-valued TTP commander was killed along with 10 other militants in a fierce gun battle during an encounter in northwest Pakistan on Monday, security sources said. TTP commander Tipu and ten others were killed in the shootout. The security forces have also reportedly suffered some casualties in the

GENERAL BAJWA RETIRES TODAY

truce with govt; Army's decision to remain apolitical will shield it from vagaries of politics: Pak's Bajwa

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA ISLAMABAD, NOVEMBER 28

A DAY ahead of his retirement, Pakistan's Army chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa has said his decision to keep the military establishment "apolitical" will shield it from the "vagaries of politics" in the coup-prone country.

General Bajwa, 61, will retire on November 29 after six years in what is normally a three-year post. The Pakistan government on Thursday appointed Gen Asim Munir, a former ISI chief, as the Chief of Army Staff (COAS) to succeed General Bajwa.

General Bajwa admitted that "Pakistan Army has always remained a dominant player in national decision-making. Due to its historic role in politics, the military drew severe criticism." "We have restricted the Army's role to its constitutionally mandated task only by deciding to make it apolitical. This decision, though being viewed negatively, will facilitate reinvigorating and strengthening democratic culture, and assist in supporting state organs to effectively perform and deliver," Gen

Bajwa told the Gulf News. Bajwa on Monday paid separate farewell visits to President Dr Arif Alvi and Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif. He is scheduled to hand over the "baton of command" to General Asim Munir at a change of command ceremony

Challenges

ahead for Gen Munir

GENERAL MUNIR will inherit the position at an exceedingly challenging moment for Pakistan. The country's economy has been teetering on the brink of collapse, with doubledigit inflation. Devastating floods have inundated much of the agricultural belt. He will also have to find a way to mend the divides that Imran Khan's political comeback has created within the military's ranks and restore the public's trust in the military.

on Tuesday at Headquarters in Rawalpindi. The Army chief paid a farewell call on President Alvi at the Aiwan-e-Sadar. President Alvi expressed good wishes for him during their meeting.

General Bajwa also attended a farewell meeting with PM Shehbaz, who organised a luncheon in the honour of the general. "The Army, under the leadership of General Bajwa, has rendered exemplary services during various crises - including the removal of Pakistan from the FATF's grey list, coronavirus pandemic, and floods," Shehbaz said.



Kunta's body was recovered Volcano Erupts In US

No plans to pull out 2 Indian students drown in US lake forces from nuclear plant, says Russia

NYT&REUTERS KYIV, NOVEMBER 28

FOLLOWING A string of Ukrainian military successes in the south. the Kremlin sought on Monday to tamp down speculation that Russian forces would withdraw from the Zaporizhzhia nuclear complex, with President Vladimir V Putin's spokesman saving that Moscow has no plans to end its military occupation of Europe's largest nuclear power plant.

One should not look for signs where there are none and cannot be any," said the spokesman, Dmitri S Peskov.

Peskov's comments came after some pro-Russian military bloggers wrote posts suggesting that Moscow's forces would withdraw from the area, and after Ukrainian officials said there were indications that Russia was taking steps to leave the facility.

Ukraine's Meanwhile, President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said on Sunday Russia would surely launch new missile at-



Residents being evacuated from Kherson, AP

tacks on his country, and warned defence forces and citizens should be prepared to work together to withstand the consequences. "We understand that the terrorists are planing new strikes. We know this for a fact," Zelenskyy said in his nightly video address. "And as long as they have missiles, they, unfortunately, will not calm down."

"Our defence forces are getcluding with our partners.'

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

HOUSTON, NOVEMBER 28

TWO INDIAN students from the Ozarks in the US state of Missouri during the Thanksgiving weekend, according to police.

The victims were identified as 24-year-old Uthej Kunta, and 25-year-old Shiva Kelligari by the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

The two students from Telangana drowned in the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri on Saturday. Details of the victims

were not immediately known. Telangana minister KT Rama

Rao in a tweet said he has asked his team to assist the victims' families in getting the mortal re-First responders received a call

on Saturday at 2.20 pm requesting assistance locating the two, the Missouri State Highway Patrol's Twitter page tweeted on Sunday.

The incident took place when Kunta who went swimming in the lake failed to surface. His friend Kelligari then jumped into the lake to rescue Kunta, but failed to come back up too, police said.

The NC led

by PM

Deuba is

two hours after the incident on Saturday, while Kelligari's was recovered later on Sunday. Both were pronounced dead on scene, police said. The manager of the Airbnb where the two were staying said he called the emergency services after hearing cries for help. "I called 911 and my daughter also called 911," he said.

"My brother jumped in the water and tried to save him but by the time he got to the kayak, they were already gone," he was quoted as saying by the local television channel KY3.com.

Top leaders in Nepal discuss power-sharing seats in the HoR, followed by the

CPN-UML alliance with 56 seats.

The election to three constituencies will be held on Friday. PM Deuba met Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda', as well as, Chairperson of the CPN (Unified Socialist) Madhay Kumar Nepal to discuss the current political situation. During the separate meetings with Deuba, Prachanda and Nepal underlined the need for

China Indian Ocean meet: Maldives and Australia deny their participation

Hawaii's Mauna Loa, the world's largest active volcano,

civil defence officials to warn residents on Monday to

prepare in case the eruption causes lava to flow toward

Beijing: China's Foreign Ministry on Monday evaded a direct response to questions on the denials by Australia and the Maldives that their official representatives participated in the first China-Indian Ocean Region Forum as claimed by a Chinese organisation linked to Communist Party.

communities. Reuters

The China-International Development Cooperation Agency, an organisation part of the CPC Leadership Group, said it held a meeting of the China-Indian Ocean Region Forum on **Development Cooperation on** November 21, in which 19 countries participated, including Sri

Lanka Australia and Maldives. India was reportedly not invited. Subsequently, Australia and the Maldives denied official participation in the meeting. Contrary to media reporting, no Australian government official attended the Kunming China-Indian Ocean Australian High Forum. Commissioner to India Barry O'Farrell tweeted on Sunday.

The foreign ministry of Maldives said, "The Government of Maldives did not participate in the Forum, and communicated its decision not to participate in the Embassy of China to the Maldives on 15 November". PTI

leading ruling alliance led by the Nepali

SHIRISH B PRADHAN KATHMANDU, NOVEMBER 28

ting ready. The entire country is getting ready," he said. "We have worked out all the scenarios, inpected to be completed this week. So far results of 158 seats have

TOP LEADERS of the five-party Congress on Monday held several rounds of intense meetings on forming a new government and power-sharing mechanism as the results of the November 20 general elections are expected to be announced soon. The counting of votes is ex-

been declared. The alliance is moving towards a clear majority, allowing them to form a new government. The five-party alliance, which includes Nepali Congress. CPN-Maoist Centre, CPN-Unified Socialist, Lokatantrik Samajwadi Party, and Rashtriya Janamorcha, has a combined strength of 85

strengthening the alliance and making efforts to form a new government under the alliance's leadership, said an aide of Deuba. PTI

GOLD COINS FOUND IN 1713 MAY BE AUTHENTIC: RESEARCH

Roman coins thought for centuries to be fakes get fresh appraisal

APRIL RUBIN NOVEMBER 28

IN 1713, a medals inspector documented the acquisition of eight gold Roman coins that had been buried in Transvlvania. For centuries, experts believed them to be forgeries — and poorly made

The coins featured the image of an otherwise unknown leader and characteristics that differed from other mid-third century Roman coins. But now researchers who have re-examined the coins, which were in a collection at the University of Glasgow, say they may, in fact, be authentic.

The design on the coin was irregular for the time period, and the man depicted on them, Sponsian, was mostly lost to history. The coins included references to "bungled legends and historically mixed motifs," experts said.

Research published on Wednesday in the journal PLOS ONE posited that the coins — and Sponsian, the man depicted deserved another look.

Using modern imaging technology, the researchers said they found "deep micro-abrasion patterns" that were "typically associated with coins that were in circulation for an extensive period of time." In addition, the researchers analysed earthen deposits, finding what they called evidence that the coins had been buried for a long time before being exhumed. The coins are also "uncharacteristic" of the forgeries from around the time they were found, the researchers said.

"If the coins proved to be fakes, they would make a particularly interesting case study in antiquarian forgery," researchers wrote. "If authentic, they would be of clear historical interest."

The name Sponsian would not have been an obvious choice to forgers centuries later, as he was an obscure figure, the research team found. It hoped the research might bring him back into focus as a minor historical



The coin bearing image of a mysterious third-century figure named Sponsian. @paul_n_pearson

figure. On the coin, he is depicted by emperors.

wearing a crown like those worn "Nothing can be known

about him for certain, but the coins themselves, together with the provenance recorded by Heraeus, provide clues as to his possible place in history," researchers wrote in reference to Sponsian and Carl Gustav Heraeus. It was Heraeus, an inspector of medals for the Imperial Collection in Vienna who documented the acquisition of the coins in 1713.

Early writers considered Sponsian a historical usurper, who potentially made a bid for power during civil wars that ended the reign of another emperor, Philip. Now, the researchers hypothesize that Sponsian may have been a commanding officer of a province during a period of military strife. "Our evidence suggests he

ruled Roman Dacia, an isolated gold mining outpost, at a time when the empire was beset by civil wars and the borderlands were overrun by plundering invaders," Paul N Pearson, the lead author of the paper, said.

A fraudster in Vienna frequently duped collectors in the 18th century, when the coins were found in Transylvania, or modern-day Romania, the researchers said. Forgers at the time used artificial aging methods, such as abrasion, to make artifacts like coins seem older. Superficial scratches and earthen

deposits led investigators, including Pearson, an earth sciences professor at the University College London, to determine that the treatment seemed natural, prompting them to think the coins were authentic. Despite the researchers' con-

clusions, some experts saw holes in the findings. In her Times Literary

Supplement column, Mary Beard, a professor of classics at the University of Cambridge, pointed to the coins' composition among factors that raised questions about their authenticity. "There is still very powerful evidence that they are fakes," she wrote.

ECONOMY







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SECTOR WATCH TELECOM

5G airwaye infra: What is DoT's plan for safe flight

SOUMYARENDRA BARIK NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

THE AVIATION and telecom departments will shortly roll out a plan to ensure safe flight operations around airports with 5G airwave infrastructure. The plan includes telecom companies setting up infrastructure powering 5G networks in the country away from the flight path around airports, carrying low power signals in such areas and a plan to upgrade the altimeter of all aircraft operating in the country by August 2023, top sources told The Indian Express.

These are expected to be part of an operational guidelines that the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) is currently preparing, after India's aviation regulator flagged concerns about interference that 5G signals could cause, posing a challenge to safe airline operations.

In June, the US Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) announced a plan that involved these aspects to ensure safe airline operations.

EXPLAINED

What were concerns around 5G interference with flight

operations? In September, Indian

Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) wrote to the telecom department flagging concerns over the likely interference of 5G C-Band spectrum with aircraft radio altimeters, The Indian Express had reported. A radio altimeter is an instrument that provides direct heightabove-terrain information to various aircraft systems.

The primary concern of the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) emerges from the fact that these altimeters as well as a part of the 5G telecom serv-Band frequency range.

Earlier this year, the 6,000-pilot-strong Federation of Indian Pilots had also written to the Civil Aviation Ministry raising

For telecom service providers, the C-Band presents a sweet spot for rolling out 5G services, ensuring coverage as well as high bandwidth, resulting in faster internet speeds. For aircraft operations, the use of altimeters in this band ensures highly precise measurements of the plane's altitude. 5G terrestrial signals typically operate at a heavy power level compared to flight al-

What is the DoT expected to recommend?

The DoT is almost ready with an SOP for 5G networks around airports and has indicated that it will address all of DGCA's concerns," a senior government official told this

"It is expected to include setting up 5G establishments a bit further away from airports and lowering the power of 5G signals emitted by these establishments so that there is no interference with flights' altimeters."

Airlines will also be required to upgrade altimeters

used in some aircraft being flown in India. The Indian Express has also learnt that the company that manufactures it has sought for time till August 2023 to upgrade.

Has this been an issue globally?

US aviation authorities have reported about 85 cases of 5G waves impacting flight operations near the airport. The DGCA's issues were in

line with concerns raised by the US FAA over the last one year since telecom operators in the US, such as AT&T, Verizon and T-Mobile etc, began rolling out 5G services.

In the US, an agreement between the FAA and the telecom operators resulted in ices in the C-Band near airports that were assessed to be difficult for pilots to make visual approaches.

Full report on www.indianexpress.com

WITH BS-VI. AN INCREASING NUMBER OF CARMAKERS ARE DITCHING DIESEL

Agrarian Punjab diesel-driven; Delhi opts for cleaner options

■Punjab

Pradesh

Uttar

Pune

MIHIR MISHRA

NEW DELHI, NOVEMBER 28

IN MUCH of rural Punjab, farmers have traditionally resorted to storing diesel in large barrels in their agricultural outhouses to fuel their tubewell pumps, tractors and cars.

The tradition endures to this day, making Punjab one of the biggest diesel car markets for automakers. The state's fascination for diesel-driven cars has ensured a buoyant market for both new diesel cars and secondhand ones, even as vehicle manufacturers and government regulations increasingly shun this segment. Like Punjab, Uttar Pradesh too is another key market for diesel cars in India.

India's biggest car market, Delhi, which struggles with pollution most times of the year and is subject to stricter government regulation than other parts of the country, exhibits a clear preference for CNG and petrol-fuelled Key markets of fuel type

■Delhi **■**Mumbai **■**Pune

Gujarat

■Kerala

Haryana

■Delhi **■**Bangalore ■Hyderabad **TOPSTATES/CITIES-SALES**

MARUTI SUZUKI | TATA MOTORS | AUTOMATIC **CARS**

■Maharashtra ■Maharashtra **■**Gujarat ■Uttar Pradesh ■Chennai Karnataka Haryana

cars. When it comes to CNG cars. Mumbai and Pune are the other two big contributors to sales. For petrol cars, Bengaluru and Hyderabad are the two biggest buyers. The country's north-east too favours petrol, attributable to the winding roads and the ease with which smaller petroldriven cars negotiate these

₹250 billion

"Punjab has always been familiar with diesel since they are an agricultural state and diesel is required for pumping sets, tractors etc. That familiarity with the fuel, may be, leads to people in the state preferring diesel over other fuel," said Tarun Garg, Director(sales) at Hyundai Motor India Ltd. With the introduction

of BS-VI norms, an increasing number of carmakers are ditching their entire diesel range. Market leader Maruti Suzuki, the Volkswagen group companies, including Skoda and Audi, as well as the Renault-Nissan partnership, are leaving diesel ranges behind. Hyundai and sister firm Kia with their oil burner range.

According to Shashank Srivastava, executive director. Maruti Suzuki India Ltd, CNG buyers decide on the basis of availability of fuel. "Key reason for people preferring CNG cars in cities like Delhi, Mumbai and Pune is mainly due to its availability - these cities have good CNG fuel pump networks," he said. When it comes to automatic

cars, the two biggest markets are Pune and Chennai, presumably because the younger tech-sector crowd prefers the convenience of automatics while negotiating traffic through narrow roads. Automatics are picking up in Delhi as well. While Maharashtra continues to lead the automobile sales in the country, Kerala has lost its sheen in the past couple of years due to floods, decline in rubber prices and slowdown in the

S&P cuts India's economic

Suzuki cuts **India 2030** target by around 30%

SWARAJ BAGGONKAR MUMBAI. NOVEMBER 28

ONTHE back of pandemic-related disruptions and chip shortage. Japan's Suzuki Motor Corporation (SMC) has revised its 2030 sales target in India downwards by around 30 per cent. Earlier, the company had targeted that its Indian arm. Maruti Suzuki India and the wholly-owned arm, Suzuki Motor Gujarat, would jointly achieve a volume of 5 million passenger vehicles by the turn of the decade

Now the target has been lowered to 3.5 million units. In FY22, Maruti's total passenger vehicle sales in the domestic market stood at 1.65 million units, and the target is to achieve volumes of 2 million units. In FY22, Suzuki Group sold 2.8 million passenger vehicles all over the world, so at 1.65 million units, India's contribution stood at about 60 per cent. In FY22, total PV sales in the domestic market stood at 3.06 million units and is expected to touch 3.5 million units. FE

'PV makers to invest ₹65,000 crore by FY25'

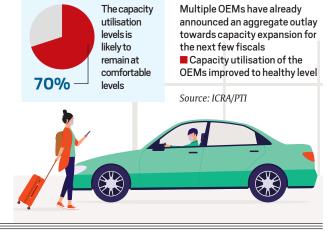
Demand for passenger vehicles has remained healthy since the turn of the calendar year, said rating firm Icra

₹65.000 CR Passenger vehicle makers are

expected to invest by FY25 to ramp up production capacities

3.7-3.8 million Wholesale volumes are

expected to touch an all-time high, a growth of 21-24% over the previous fiscal



Bank credit may expand by 13% as economy normalises: Fitch

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI. NOVEMBER 28

BANK CREDIT is likely to expand by 13 per cent in the current financial year, up from 11.5 per cent in FY22, as economic activity normalises post Covid-19 pandemic and on high nominal GDP growth, Fitch Ratings said in a report on

The growth in credit will be seen despite higher interest rates

The rating agency has forecast India's real GDP growth at 7 per cent in FY23. It said the growth in bank credit in the fiscal ending March 2023 will be seen despite

the effects of higher interest rates, the agency said. However, the fullyear loan growth will represent a cent year-on-year (y-o-y) pace in the first half of FY23.

it will be coupled with wider net interest margins," the report said.

"Strong loan growth should benefit net revenue, particularly as

For FY24, the agency expects credit demand to stay robust.

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU Indian economy to grow 6 per cent in 2023 and 6.9 per cent in

growth to 7% for FY23

MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 28

S&P GLOBAL Ratings on Monday lowered India's economic growth forecast for the current fiscal year to 7 per cent, down from 7.3 per cent it projected in September. However, it said the domestic demand-led economy will be less impacted by the global slowdown.

S&P has also projected the Indian economy to grow 6 per cent in 2023 and 6.9 per cent in

A host of agencies have recently slashed India's economic growth projections. Global rating agency Moody's Investors Service had recently slashed India's economic growth forecast for 2022 to 7 per cent, from 77 per cent estimated earlier citing monetary policy tightening, bution of monsoon, and slowing global growth. While the World Bank has pared its growth estimate for India by 100 basis points to 6.5 per cent, IMF has trimmed it to 6.8 per cent from 7.4 per cent. Asian Development Bank too has cut projection to 7

2024, said S&P Global **Ratings**

per cent from 7.5 per cent earlier. The RBI expects economic growth to be at 7 per cent in the current fiscal year. "The global slowdown will

have less impact on domestic demand-led economies such as India, Indonesia and the Philippines. India's output will expand 7 per cent in the fiscal vear 2022-2023 (ending in March 2023) and 6 per cent in the next fiscal year, by our estimates," S&P Global Ratings Asia-Pacific chief economist Louis Kuiis said. India's economy grew 8.7 per cent in 2021, S&P said.

the domestic demand recovery from COVID has further to go and this should support growth next year in India. It projected inflation to average 6.8 per cent in the current fiscal year and the RBI's benchmark interest rate to rise to 6.25 per cent by March 2023

and decline to 5 per cent by 2024. The RBI has already hiked interest rate by 1.9 percentage points to a 3-year high of 5.9 per cent. India's wholesale and retail inflation fell in October after remaining high for most part of the vear mainly due to supply chain disruptions following the outbreak of the Russia-Ukraine war in February. Retail or CPI inflation fell to a 3-month low of 6.7 per cent, while wholesale or WPI inflation was at a 19-month low of 8.39 per cent last month.

The downward revision assumes higher inflation, high interest rates and slowing global growth will dampen economic momentum by more than we had previously expected," Moody's had said with the weakening rupee and oil prices continuing to exert pressure on the inflation front. On the exchange rate, S&P said foreign reemerging markets, even after adjusting for valuation changes. It pegged the exchange rate at Rs 79.50 to a dollar by March-end, as against the current Rs 81.77 to Full report on

www.indianexpress.com

BRIEFLY —

Adani, NDTV

Bengaluru: New Delhi Television Ltd (NDTV) said on Monday an entity backed by its founders had issued shares to a unit of Adani Group, taking the billionaire Gautam Adani-led conglomerate a step closer to taking over the media firm. The transfer of shares will give Adani control over a 29.18% stake in the news group. Adani is also conducting an open offer running between Nov. 22 and Dec. 5 for a 26% stake in NDTV. The open offer drew bids for 5.3 million shares as of Monday's close, or around 32% the 16.8 million shares on offer, exchange data showed. **REUTERS**

G-20 Sherpa

Udaipur: India's G-20 Sherpa Amitabh Kant and several officials of the Ministry of External Affairs on Monday reviewed preparations for the first Sherpa meeting under the country's G-20 presidency to be held here from December 4 to 7. India will assume the yearlong presidency of G20 on December 1 and more than 200 meetings of the bloc will be held across 55 locations in the country. Shika Saxena, Deputy Director-Regional Tourism Office in Udaipur, said Kant and other officials minutely reviewed the arrangements. **PTI**

Tech under work to detect pesky calls, messages: TRAI

PRESSTRUST OF INDIA MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 28

TELECOM REGULATOR Trai on Monday said that it is working on various technologies to detect pesky calls and messages along with a joint action plan with other regulators to curb financial frauds. The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai) said that Unsolicited Commercial Communication (UCC) or pesky communication is a major source of inconvenience to the public and impinges on the privacy of individuals. "Now complaints are reported

Unregistered Telemarketers (UTMs), where a surge has been seen in pushing various kinds of UCC SMSes. Additionally, UCC calls are also one of the concerns which need to be $dealt\,with\,equally\,along\,with\,UCC$ SMSes," it said. Trai in coordination with various stakeholders is taking neces-

sary steps to check UCC from UTMs also. These steps include implementation of UCC detect system, provision of Digital Consent Acquisition, intelligent scrubbing of the Headers and Message templates, using AI (Artificial Intelligence) and ML (Machine Language), etc," the statement said. To curb the menace of pesky calls and messages, Trai issued the Commercial Communications Customer Preference Regulations, 2018 that TRAI taking necessary steps to check UCC from UTMs

created an ecosystem based on blockchain (Distributed Ledger Technology-DLT).

The regulation mandates registration of all commercial promoters and telemarketers to register on DLT platform and seek customer consent for receiving various kinds of promotional messages at time and day of their

Under the framework, about 2.5 lakh principal entities have been registered with more than 6 lakh headers and approximately 55 lakh approved message templates which are being pushed to consumers through registered telemarketers and TSPs using DLT platforms. The regulator said that the framework has resulted in substantial reduction of customer complaints to the extent of 60 per cent for the registered telemarketers. However, non-registered pesky callers continue to spam mobile subscribers. Trai said that it has further taken an initiative to form a Joint Committee of Regulators (JCOR) comprising Reserve Bank of India, Sebi and Ministry of Consumer Affairs (MoCA) to frame a joint action plan to curb financial frauds using telecom resources.

Sensex, Nifty touch all-time highs as oil prices decline

ENSECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, NOVEMBER 28

THE INDIAN stock markets rallied to close at a life-time high on Monday as oil prices declined on hope US government's decision to ease oil sanction on Venezuela may boost supply and also as protests in China against strict zero-Covid policy raised concerns over demand.

ter, higher tax collections and continued flows from foreign investors aided the momentum. The 30-share BSE Sensex ended at 62,504.8, up 211.16 points, or 0.34 per cent. The broader NSE Nifty hit a record high of 18,562.75, a gain of 50 points, or

Domestically, better corporate

earnings during the second quar-

"Despite unfavourable global cues, the domestic market reversed its early losses to trade at

0.27 per cent.

Oil & gas stocks led the rally in anticipation of margin gains

record highs. Following the decline in oil prices, oil & gas stocks led the rally in anticipation of margin gains, as ongoing protests in China fuelled demand concerns," Vinod Nair. Head of Research. Geoiit Financial Services. Brent crude oil declined around 2.5 per cent to \$81.25 a barrel.

The US government granted Chevron Corp, a major US oil company, a license for six months to resume oil production in Venezuela, which has the world's largest oil reserves. The sharp fall in oil prices led to an increase in share prices of oil marketing companies.

While Bharat Petroleum Corporation gained 4.95 per cent, Hindustan Petroleum Corporation

rose 5.39 per cent on BSE. Reliance Industries Ltd(RIL) share price rose 3.48 per cent to close at Rs 2.708.05 apiece. According to Deepak Jasani, head of retail research, HDFC Securities, "Progressive and prudent macro policies, resilient corporate earnings in Q2FY23, robust tax collections, early signs of recovery in IIP and GDP and first signs of cooling inflation have all excited investors including FPIs to keep pumping money into the markets." Overseas investors have been buying riskier assets on expectation the US Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) may moderate its pace of rate hikes.

Foreign institutional investors (FIIs) net bought Rs 935.88 crore of shares from the domestic capital market, as per the BSE's provisional data. So far in November, foreign investors have put Rs 32,344 crore into domestic equi-Full report

on www.indianexpress.cor



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Ref.No.4009/2019/L An e-Tender cum e-Auction of 37 Bluegum, Wattle and Bluegum Wattle Mixed Plantations is scheduled to be conducted on 12.12.2022 at 11.00 am to 02.00 pm on "MSTC e-commerce" portal. For the detailed notice, please visit https://www.mstcecommerce.com/ (or) Contact Nilgiris Forest Division Office at Ph.No. 0423-2444083 during Office

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District Forest Officer. Nilgiris Forest Division, Udhagamandalam

India-EU trade pact: Third round of talks commences

PRESSTRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI NOVEMBER 28

SENIOR OFFICIALS of India and the European Union (EU) on Monday commenced the third round of talks on a proposed free trade agreement, which aims at boosting trade and investments between the two regions, an offi-

India's bilateral trade with the EU rose by 43.5 per cent to \$116.36 billion in 2021-22. The EU is India's second largest trading partner, and the second largest

destination for Indian exports.

India and the EU on June 17 formally resumed negotiations on the proposed India-EU Trade and Investment Agreement, including the Geographical Indications (GI).

The EU delegation is here for the third round of talks and the talks will continue till December 9, the official said.



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TENDER NOTICE

Sealed tenders are invited from specialised firms/agencies duly registered for printing & supply of Question Papers & APAR Form for the session 2022-23. The tender document containing all the descriptions/ specifications regarding the printing works and terms & conditions is available on the website of this office "https://rodehradun.kvs.gov.in" and the same may be downloaded from the website and be sent along with the required payment of Rs 500/- (non-refundable) in DD/pay order drawn in favour of "DC, KVS, RO, Dehradun" towards the tender fee. The sealed tender will be accepted only through registered / speed post and should be reached in this office on or before 23 December 2022 at 17:00 hrs. The tenders will be opened in the office of the undersigned on 24 December 2022 at 16:00 hrs.

Deputy Commissioner

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TENDER CANCELLATION NOTIC NIT No: **JUIDCO/Ramgarh STP-I&D/22/517** Date: 28.11.2022 PR No.: 282976

Project Title: - "Interception & Diversion and STP works in Ramgarh Town, Jharkhand".

The Tender with NIT No: JUIDCO/Ramgarh STP-I&D/22/517 and is cancelled due to administrative reasons. All bidders are therefore requested to wait for future correspondence regarding fresh tender. Sd/-

Project Director (Technical)

PR 283634 (Urban Development) 22-23 (D)



E-TENDER DATE EXTENSION NOTICE

E-tender Specification No. CCP-I/35/2022-2023/Pkg-7/Lot-1, Lot-2 8 ot-3 invited by this office on Turnkey Contract for work of Survey, Design Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of the Work o Undergrounding & Strengthening of HT & LT Electrical Network on Arterial Roads of Dehradun Town under Uttarakhand Transmission Strengthening and Distribution Improvement Program (UTSDIP) with financial support of M/s ADB are hereby extended due to unavoidable reasons. Bid documents will be purchased and submitted upto 10:00 Hrs. of 19.12.2022. Part-I of the e-tender shall be opened on 19.12.2022 at 11:00 Hrs. of Lot-1, 11:30 Hrs. of Lot-2 & 12:00 Hrs. of Lot-3.

Other terms & conditions will remain same as per original tender notice For further details, please visit our website **www.uktenders.gov.in**

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER No. 513/EE(cm)/upcl/A-2 Date- 27.11.2022

CORPORATE (C&P-I) 'SAVE ELECTRICITY IN THE INTEREST OF NATIONS" Use L.E.D. Bulb, Save Electricit (Toll Free No. 1912) "Pay Electricity Bill Online 24x7 from <u>www.upcl.org"</u> rmation on Electricity Theft, informer may report to Toll Free No. 1800 180 4185 / Fax No. 0135-2760911)

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, PRAYAGRAJ

E-Procurement Tender Notice No. 01/2022-23 Dt. 27.12.2022

On behalf of the President of India, Senior Material Manager, North Central Railway, Jhansi, invites the E-procurement tender for following item.

S.	Tender No.	Brief Description	Qty.	Tender closings opening date
1	54225284A	Digital outside Micrometer with Interchangeable Anvils, range: 150-300 MM, Resolution: 0.001 MM, Make: Mitutoyo, Model No: 340-252 or equivient along with Calibration Certificate Trace- able to NABL Approved lab. One sample to be approved before supply.	01 Nos.	27.12.3022

Note: The complete information of above E-Procurement is available or

IREPS website i.e. http://www.ireps.gov.in 1535/22 FA

NORTHERN RAILWAY

E-Tender Notice

Br.DEN/III/MB acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tender against following tender bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto osing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any uch manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to mak payments against this tender towards earnest money only through online payment nodes available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft. Banker's cheque. Deposit receipts. FDR etc. are not

Tender No.	254-DRM-MB-22-23 DATE 26.11.2022	255-DRM-MB-22-23 DATE 26.11.2022			
Date	DATE 26.11.2022	DATE 20,11,2022			
Name of work	Deployment of Patrol Mitra for patrolling of track in the section of ADEN/SPN Under Sr.DEN-III-MB	Deployment of Patro Mitra for patrolling of track in the section of ADEN/BE Under Sr.DEN-III-MB			
Tender Closing Date Time	12.12.2022 16:00	12.12.2022 16:00			
Advertised Value (Rs.)	30,72,270.60	33,85,767.60			
Earnest Money (Rs.)	61,500.00	67,700.00			
Bidding Start Date	28.11.2022	28.11.2022			
Validity of Offer (Days)	30 Days	30 Days			
Period of Completion	npletion 06 Months 06				
No. 75-W/2/3/WA/Publication DATED : 26.11.2022 3164/2					

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कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय, पथ निर्माण विभाग, पथ प्रमंडल, सरायकेला-खरसावॉ

"शुद्धि–पत्र"

पथ निर्माण विभाग, पथ प्रमंडल, सरायकेला-खरसावॉ द्वारा e-Tender Ref. No.-RCD/SERAIKELLA/24 दिनांक 25.11.2022 तथा पी०आर० संख्या–PR 283552 (Road) 22-23_D द्वारा प्रकाशित <u>Short Term e-Procurement Notice</u> के स्थान पर <u>e-</u> Procurement Notice एवं निविदां के क्रम संख्या—2 में Rs. 2,32,60,285.74 (Rupees Two Crore Thirty two Lakh Sixty thousand Two hundred Eighty five and Paise Seven four) only के स्थान पर Rs. 2,34,92,888.60 (Rupees Two Crore Thirty four Lakh Ninety two thousand Eight hundred Eighty eight and Paise Six Zero) only पढ़ा जाय । शेष सभी सूचनाऐं यथावत् रहेंगी ।

कार्यपालक अभियंता, पथ निर्माण विभाग, पथ प्रमंडल, PR 283652 Road(22-23)#D

सरायकेला—खरसावॉ

of Bihar



Patna Municipal Corporation

NIT No. 31/CME/PMC/2022

SHORT TENDER

Patna Municipal Corporation invites online bids through www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in for following works from the bidders fulfilling eligibility criteria's.

SL. No.	Name of Work	Cost of Tender (Non-Refundable) (Paid Through www.eproc2.bihar.gov. in)	(Paid Through www.eproc2.bihar.gov. in)
1	Request for Proposal for Empanelment of Agencies for Providing Security Guards (Exarmy man) to Patna Municipal Corporation.	Rs. 10,000/-	Rs.5,00000/-

In case of Bank Guarantee, EMD shall be payable in favour of "Municipal Commissioner, Patna Municipal Corporation" payable at Patna

Kev Dates

Start of online bid/downloading of bid documents : From 01.12.2022 (15:00 Hrs.)

Pre-bid Meeting : 03.12.2022 at 16:00 Hrs.(As per RFP) Last date of Online Bid Submission : 10.12.2022 till 16:00 Hrs.

: 12.12.2022 at 16:00 Hrs. Technical Bid Opening date

The preferred Company/ agencies would be empanelled through a single-stage two-part competitive bidding process based on evaluation of technical and Financial proposal. The bidders are expected to submit their proposal in accordance with the instruction provided in the RFP Detailed Request for Proposal (RFP) incorporating instructions for submission of bid and other $relevant\ information's\ will\ be\ available\ on\ www.eproc 2. bihar.gov. in\ and\ www.pmc. bihar.gov$

Amendment/Corrigendum to NIT, if any would be published on website www.eproc2.bihar.gov.in

Patna Municipal Corporation

Maurya Lok Complex Buddha Marg, Patna, Bihar, 800 001

W:www.pmc.bihar.gov.ir

Email id-pmcprda@gmail.com/cmepmcprda01@gmail.com

M: +91 8369621936

For further details please visit website www.state.bihar.gov.in/prdbihar

PR. No. 11112 (Ni.Ni) 2022-23

Chief Municipal Engineer Patna Municipal Corporation

नशे से बचने का है एक ही उपचार, दृढ़ संकल्प और परिवार से प्यार।

GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE NODAL OFFI-CER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL AUTH RUPEES COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRICAL SYSTEM AT SHKM GMC NALHAR, NUH. 9416479223 xenprcharkhi-dadri@gmail.co 52NOS, ESTABLISHMENT OF E-24.11.2022 07.12.2022 LIBRARY & 5 NOS. MAHILA SAN-SKRITIK KEDER AND 4 NOS. OTHER WORKS

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Government of Maharashtra

Public Works Department, P. W. Division, Panvel Telephone No.: 022-27452778

E-Tender Notice No. 58 (Open ONLINE) Year 2022-2023 E-mail address: panvel.ee@mahapwd.gov.in Fax Number: 022-27467440

EXECUTIVE Engineer, P.W. Division, Panyel invite B-1 Tender From Registered Contractor with Govt. of Maharashtra. Detail tender notice available on www.mahapwd.gov.in and www.mahatenders.gov.in portal. Note: Total 01 work include in Tender Notice.

Online Tender Download & Bid Preparation Period Date: 29.11.2022 at 10.00 AM To Date 19.12.2022 at 18.00 PM. Online tender Bid Preparation Last Date 19.12.2022 at 18.00 AM.

E-Tender/O.No./P.W./PNL/ Office of the Executive Engineer

Public Work Division, Panvel, Dist. Raigad. Date:

Executive Engineer P. W. Division, Panvel DGIPR/2022-2023/4367

KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA INA Colony, Delhi-110023

Tender Notice related to

Tent, Light, Lodging, Food and Catering Sealed Tenders are invited from interested, registered irms by KV I.N.A Colony, New Delhi for one year for the Services related to Tents, Lights, Lodging, Food and Catering for the participants for various programs to be organized by KV INA Colony. The tenders form can be downloaded from the school's website https://inacolony.kvs.ac.in and may be submitted to the Vidyalaya by Speed Post/ Courier/ Registered Post by 08.12.2022. Other rules and regulations will be as per the rules stipulated in the tender form.

EXAMPLE AUTHORITY 6-Tender Notice

Tender No : : Re T No.80/2022-23/SE/Q aying of pumping main and gravity main to OHSRs, distribution network in Eroo Edamon road and its by roads in Eroor panchayath in Kollam district EMD : Rs. 500000 Tender fee : Rs. 16540+2978(18% GST), Last Date for submitting Tender : 19.12.2022 02:00:pm Phone : 8547638018 ebsite: www.kwa.kerala.gov.in, www.etenders.kerala.gov.in Superintending Enginee

KWA-JB-GL-6-1141-2022-23



ADANI ELECTRICITY MUMBAI LIMITED Registered Office: Adani Corporate House, Shantigram, Near Vaishno Devi Circle, S. G. Highway, Khodiyar, Ahmedabad 382421, Gujarat, India Website: www.adanielectricity.com CIN: U74999GJ2008PLC107256

Invitation for Supply of Power

Adani Electricity Mumbai Ltd invites bids for selection of seller/s for supply of 300 MW of Wind power on Short Term Basis through E-tendering and E-Reverse Auction process.

The bid documents for participation can be downloaded through DEEP E-portal of www.mstcecommerce.com

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY

No- DRM/C/AGRA/Catg./e-auction/22 On behalf of the President of India. The Sr. Divisional Commercia Manager- North Central Railway, Agra invites E-Auction For operation of Catering Stall at Platform of various Stations over Agra Division for a period of Five years. Auction NAME OF Category in Location of

Category	Catalog-	STATION &	case of	proposed	End Date
	ue No.	CATEGORY	SMU/GMU	stall	and Time
1	2	3	4	5	6
Catering Stall	agra- catg-22-1	Kosikalan (D)	Unreserved for all	KSV PF-5/6, Delhi End,Near Pole No. 1027	14-12-2022 11:30 Hrs.
		Kosikalan (D)	Unreserved for all	PF-3/4, Near Pole No. 1438/10	14-12-2022 11:40 Hrs.
		Kosikalan (D)	Unreserved for all	PF-5/6, towards Mathura near pole No 1017	14-12-2022 11:50 Hrs.
		Dholpur (B)	Reserved for SC women	At P/FNo-01 near pole no 1291/06 towards Agra	14-12-2022 12:00 Hrs.
		Idgah (D)	Reserved for OBC women	,	14-12-2022 12:10 Hrs.
		Mathura Jn. (A-1)	Reserved for Physically/ mentally challenged/ Divyanag Women	PF No. 08/9 in between Pole No. 7 & 8	14-12-2022 12:20 Hrs.
E-Auction	n Start Date	and Time : 1	14-12-2022 1	11:00 Hrs.	

Note: Prospective bidders are requested to visit e-Auction Leasing Module on IREPS website (www.ireps.gov.in) for more details. The Lot-wise details are available therein under the above mentioned

BEFORE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- II, DELHI 4TH FLOOR TEEVAN TARA BUILDING, PARLIAMENT STREET, NEW DELHI - 110001 Notice under section 19(4) of the Recovery of Debts Due to Bank and Financial Institutions Act 1993 read with rule 12 & 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal

(Procedure Rule) 1993) OA NO. 1177/18

DATE: 25.10.2022 ICICI BANK LTD. ...APPLICANT VERSUS

ABDUR REHMAN & ANR. ...RESPONDENT To, **DEFENDANT**

ABDUR REHMAN S/O. MOHAMAD YAQUB QURESHI (BORROWER) R/O. 901, GALI NO. 6 CHAUHAN BANGER DELHI - 96 AL- NAMRA FOODS PVT. LTD. THROUGH ITS DIRECTOR MR. ABDUR REHMAN (CO-BORRWER) SHOP NO. 78 BLOCK NO. 1, FISH MKT.

GAZIPUR, DELHI - 96 Whereas the above named applicant (s) has / have instituted a applicant (s) mas have institute a case for recovery of Rs. 22,73,954/- (RUPEES TWENTY TWO LAKH SEVENTY THREE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR ONLY) against you and where as it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in the ordinary way therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in the Tribunal on 29.11.2022 At 10.30 A.M.

Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day before the mentioned, the case will be heard and determined in your absence. Due to ongoing Pandemic situation, all the matters will be taken up through video Conferencing and for that

(i) All the Advocates/Litigants shall download the "Cisco Webex" application/software: (ii) "Meeting ID" and Password

for the date of hearing qua cases to be taken by Hon'ble Presiding Officer/ Registrar shall be displayed in the daily cause list itself at DRT Official Portal i.e. drt.gov.in

(iii) In any exigency qua that the Advocate/Litigants can contact the concerned official at **Ph. No.** 23748478. Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal this the 25th day of Oct., 2022.

BY ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL SECTION OFFICER DRT-II, DELHI

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THE JOINT MANAGING DIRECTOR, No.29 & 30, Ambattur industrial Estate, Ambattur, Chennai- 600098. Phone: 044-23464528 /30/31/32.

Portal from Private tanker providers/Contractors for following contract works.

Ref. No:1993/ T4/ TPT/ 2022 E-Mail: aavintpt@gmail.com Dated: 28.11.2022

NOTICE INVITING TENDER (e-Submission) (Only through eProcurement Portal at www.tntenders.gov.in) The TCMPF Ltd., invites TWO PART TENDERS by way of e-Submission through e-Procurement

Name of the Items / Works EMD (In Rs.) Hiring of 9 KL, 15 KL, 20 KL and 30 KL capacity Road Milk Rs.10.000/-Tankers on Contract for 3 Years for Transportation of Milk Per tanker within & outside State of Tamil Nadu The tender document can be downloaded from

Tender Document website e-Procurement Portal Availability https://tntenders.gov.in from 05.12.2022 to 10.01.2023 upto 2.00 PM. **Date of Pre Bid Meeting** 21.12.2022 at 11.00 AM E-Submission Closing Date 10.01.2023 upto 2.00 PM The Technical Bids shall be opened through online eProcurement Portal (https://tntenders.gov.in) on **Bid opening Date** following date at above mentioned address. 11.01.2023 at 2.30 PM The tenderers should submit their bids only through e-Procurement Portal

https://tntenders.gov.in. All other details can be seen in the tender documents. Corrigendum / Addendum to this publication, if any would appear only on the above said website. DIPR/ 5271 /TENDER/2022

JOINT MANAGING DIRECTOR. " சோதனை கடந்து சுதந்திரம் அடைந்தோம் சாதனை புரிந்து சரித்திரம் படைப்போம்"

ILAND WATERWAYS AUTHORITY OF INDIA (Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Govt. of India) Phone 0120-2527667, Fax 0120-2522969, hc.iwai@nic.in

NOTICE INVITING TENDER Bank to Bank Detailed Hydrographic Survey on National Waterway No. 2 (Bangladesh Border to Neamati)

-Bids are invited from interested bidders for "Bank to Bank Detailed Hydrographic Survey on National Waterway No. 2 (Bangladesh Border to Neamati)". The Tender Documents and other relevant details are available at IWA website www.iwai.nic.in and e-procurement site https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app Hydrographic Chief, IWAI, NOIDA

NORTHERN RAILWAY CORRIGENDUM

Ref: Tender Notice No. 58/2022-2023 Dated: 02.11.2022 S.No.07 Tender No. 77226001 due on 30.11.2022

In reference to above tender, tendered item quantity has been increased from 1879500 Nos to 2479500 Nos. Opening date of tender has also been extended from 30.11.2022 to 12.12.2022. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged. The corrigendum has been published on website

Note: Total four (04) corrigendums have been issued against above referred tender till date

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S. E. RAILWAY – TENDER

e-Tender Notice No.: EL-CON-KGP-NYA BLDA-22-12, Date: 25.11.2022. For an n behalf of the President of India Divisional Electrical Engineer (Con), Soutl Eastern Railway, Kharagpur invites e Tender for the following work. Following tender has been uploaded on website www.ireps.gov.in. The e-tender will be closed at 12.00 hrs. on due date. Brief Description of works: Supply, erection testing & commissioning of balance wor of 25KV OHE including RC and PSI wor rom NYA to BLDA (IN) in connection with he work of 3rd line between Narayangarl and Bhadrak in Kharagpur division. Cost 4,35,52,498.70. **Due Date:** 17.12.2022 Completion Period: 03 (three) months Interested tenderers may visit website www.ireps.gov.in [E-Tender→Works– View tenders→by ORGANISATION→IR Electrical→SOÚTH EASTERN RLY DYCEE-C-KGP-FLECTRICALL for full letails/ description/ specification of the tenders and submit their bids online. In no case manual tenders for this item will be accepted. NB: Prospective Bidders may regularly visit www.ireps.gov.in to

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दूरभाष Telephone: 91 - 44 - 24437420, 24437193, 24437257, 24437162 ई—मेल Email :spo@clri.res.i 28th November, 2022

TENDER NOTICE

Director, CSIR-CLRI invites bids on www.etenders.gov.in & www.gem.gov.in from manufacturers, their authorized distributors for purchase of items listed below:-

SI . No.	Tender ID & Tender Ref No.	Description of items	Pre-Bid conference date and time	Nature of Tender	Bid Submission through
01.	2022_CSIR_ 136593_1 & 28(05)/2022/ Pur/T-139	Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Multimode Reader	07 th December, 2022 3.00 p.m in Heritage Hall	Global Tender - The tender is open for local suppliers and Non-local suppliers (those not meeting the local content, Foreign OEM, Foreign principals or their authorized Indian agents)	www. etenders.gov.in
02.	GEM/2022/ B/2780390 & 28(07)/2021/ Pur/T-64	Supply, installation and commissioning of Audio, Video, Interior and Furniture System in Director's Annex at CLRI on Turnkey basis	07 th December, 2022 11.00 a.m in Heritage Hall	Open Tender - The tender is only for Class I and Class II local Supplier.	

For more details like Bid submission start & end date, minutes of Pre-Bid conference may be seen at www.etenders.gov.in, www.gem.gov.in & www.clri.org. Bidders are requested to submit online bids only through www.etenders.gov.in, www.gem.gov.in. **CONTROLLER OF STORES & PURCHASE**

(For & on behalf of Council of Scientific & Industrial Research)

Government of Jharkhand, Rural Works Department 3rd Floor, F.F.P. Building, Dhurwa, Ranchi 834004

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS (SHORT TENDER)

(National Competitive Bidding Through e-Procurement) Dated: 28.11.2022 Re-eTender No.-54 /2022-23

PR No- 268173 Dated. 11.04.2022 The undersigned on behalf of Government of Jharkhand invites item rate bids through e-Procurement from the eligible bidders registered* in appropriate class with any State/Central Government/State /Central Government Organization for construction of Bridge and maintenance for five years of the works (List of schemes shall be displayed in the website pmgsytendersjhr.gov.in) of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna (RCPLWEA-Batch-II, 2021-22).

The bid should be submitted online in the website **pmgsytendersjhr.gov.in**. The bidders should have valid Digital Signature Certificate for online submission of bid.

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SI		Repackag e	Na	Length (in Km)	Total Package Cost (in Lakh)	Earnest Money (in Lakh)	Time of Comple tion				
1	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			
1	Gumla / Bishnupur	JH-BR- LWE-II- GUM-01 /21-22 (3 rd Call)	Ghaghra - Kaththokwa- Judwani	CONSTRUCTION OF HL RCC BRIDGE OVER LOCAL RIVER AT CH. 0+750 KM ON GHAGHRA KATHTHOKWA TO	77.44	364.35	3.65	30th March 2023			

Details of bid submission is as under Date & time of opening (on-Procurement Place of Opening Availability of tender (online) of tender Officer line) for bidding From Technical bid Financial bid 30.11.2022 07.12.2022 07.12.2022 Chief Engineer, Chief Engineer, To be informed

Non-registered bidders may also submit bid, however the successful bidders must get registered in appropriate class with appropriate authority before signing the contract.

Amount of Bid Security should be taken as mentioned in the Bid Data Sheet of the Bidding

Cost of Bid Document (Rs. 10000) and Bid Security (as mentioned in the Bid Data Sheet) shall be deposited **online** in form as mentioned in Bid Data Sheet failing which the bid will be treated non responsive and action shall be taken as per Sec. 2 of ITB clause 12.2 (d). Online payment through

In case, it is found, even after the award of work that the bidder has submitted/uploaded any false/erroneous/fraudulent statement/document, he/she is liable for blacklisting and forfeiture o Bid Security.

In case of any discrepancy/dispute about units/ amount in BOQ, units/amount as mentioned in Current SOR on which BOQ has been prepared shall prevail. Discrepancy in amount shown in

Form of Bid Part-II in words and figures shall make bids non responsive. Participating bidders are free to submit grievances, if any, against the decision of technical evaluation within five working days from the date of uploading of decision of technical evaluation only through email at jh-ce@pmgsy.nic.in. Grievance submitted after stipulated

Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1952 failing which the bid shall be rejected. 10. Bidders must not quote rate for routine maintenance. The amount for routine maintenance as

For unbalanced bids, extra performance security will be required to be deposited by the bidder by

All other details can be seen in the bidding document which is available in website **pmgsytendersjhr.gov.in** as per schedule mentioned above. **Chief Engineer**

participate in all other tenders. (PR-843)

JUDPANI ROAD

JSRRDA, Ranchi JSRRDA, Ranchi at 10.30 AM upto 5.00 PM at 5.30 PM

RTGS/NEFT should not be made through SBI.

Bidders must submit GST registration certificate without which bid is liable to be rejected. Bidders whose names appear in the Debar/blacklist of RWD, any department of GoJ/GoI (including JSRRDA) shall not be allowed to participate in the above bids.

Bids submitted by bidders, who have long pending ATR(s) / made inordinate delay in execution of earlier allotted construction/maintenance works of PMGSY, may be rejected summarily.

period shall not be considered. . Bidders must have valid registration with Employee Provident Fund organization under EPF and

indicated in the Bill of Quantities must be acceptable to bidders.

PR 283663 Rural Work Department(22-23)#D JSRRDA, Ranchi

1998 WORLD CUP REDUX

'Great Satan vs Axil of Evil'

When US and Iran faced each other in the 98 WC tensions boiled off the field

MIHIR VASAVDA NOVEMBER 28

HANK STEINBRECHER was on a bullet train from Marseille to Paris when he got a call from the White House. "We are going to win this game, aren't we?" the voice on the other side asked Steinbrecher, then US Soccer Federation's general secretary. It was 1998. "The news is going around the world."

Mohammad Khakpour, too, received a call; not from a high-ranking government official but from the family members of those who had lost their children in the war between Iran and Iraq. "Fathers, mothers called and said this game really does matter to us," the former Iran defender says in the BBC documentary, 'The Great Game'. "You have to go and win this game for us." On paper, it was merely a groupstage match but a meeting between two nations who had severed diplomatic relations in 1980 was always going to be much more than a mere game of football.

"Others," the Iran coach Jalal Talebi says in the documentary, "called it 'the mother of all games' and the 'match of the century'." Or, 'the Great Satan' taking on 'the Axis of Evil'.

As the United States and Iran prepare to face each other in a winner-takes-all Group B match in Doha on Tuesday (12.30 am, Wednesday, IST), the backdrop won't be as politicallycharged as it was then. The fire, though, has been lit. Iran is witnessing mass protests since 22-year-old Mahsa Amini died in police custody in September for allegedly violating the country's hijab laws. The US Soccer Federation removed the emblem from the Iran flag to show its support to the protestors. In retaliation, the Iranians want the USA banned for 10 games, citing FIFA's rules, for 'offending the country's dignity'. In midst of all this, it's easy to forget what's at stake for both teams: a spot in the Round of 16 of the World Cup. And yet, the drama is nowhere close to the tensions leading up to their first encounter in Lyon at the 1998 world cup, 14 years ago.

In Iran, students had held more than 50 US citizens hostage for more than a year following the 1979 revolution, which forced the country's leader Mohammad Reza Shah, seen as a US ally, into exile. Ayatollah Khomeini, seen as an anti-US figure, came into power.

The relations further soured when the US backed Saddam Hussein's invasion of Iran in 1980, a war that lasted nearly a decade and left, according to Time magazine, 'at least an estimated 500,000 dead." Just imagine being told for six months that this is the most important game in our history," Talebi says in the BBC doc-

There wasn't the same level of understanding of the historical context among the



USA and Iran to face each other in a winner-takes-all Group B match on Tuesday.

American players. In the podcast American Fiasco, an archival clip is played of a reporter asking forward Eric Wynalda about the hostage crisis. "What year was it in?" Wynalda

Terror threats

But it was apparent to him, and his teammates, that this was much more than football. Twelve days before the World Cup was to begin, on June 10, 1998, the Los Angeles Times reported that a plot to attack the American and English teams during the tournament was uncovered following coordinated police raids in 'France, Belgium, Italy, Germany and Switzerland'. One of the targets, the reports added, was the USA's training base just out-

"We had high security. Osama bin Laden was trying to do something to the team, blow up the team or something like that," then USA captain Thomas Dooley says in the BBC documentary, adding that security helicopters hovered over the camp and 'police with machine guns hid behind the trees' outside their facility. Dooley said when the team was on the train for their opening match against Germany, all they spoke about was 'when do we blow up, whether it's now, five seconds or a minute? It's constantly thinking about that kind of stuff.' US lost that opener.

Refusal to walk up to Team USA

A slight problem emerged a day before. The establishment of Iran, designated as away team, didn't want to be seen walking up to US to shake hands. USA was willing but FIFA protocols didn't allow for that. The stalemate was ended by Swiss referee Urs Meir, who was to officiate in that match. Since June 21 was the 'Fairplay Day', he suggested a group photo of both teams; hands were shaken, white roses were exchanged, and a diplomatic storm was averted. But another problem awaited the officials. It was suspected that Mojahedin Khalq, an Iranian political opposition group, were planning to disrupt the match. And so, the match between two geopolitical rivals kicked off with around 150 armed policemen surrounding the stands.

High-octane match

It was a high-octane affair that saw the US making all the early moves, totally dominating Iran and hitting the woodwork a couple of times. But Iran soaked up the early pressure to give a master class in counterat-

They were denied a controversial penalty and a possible red card to the US goalkeeper but Iran scored two goals – the first by Hamid Estili in the 40th minute and the second by Mehdi Mahdavikia in the 84th - a blazing run down the left wing, one-on-one with the goalkeeper and calmly finding the far post; a remarkable achievement for a player who had lost the ability to walk as a child due to a medical condition.

The US pulled one back but that was that. The US headed to a humiliating first-round exit while Iran celebrated their first-ever World Cup win. If they win the rematch on Tuesday, Iran will once again eliminate the US from the World Cup while making it past the group stage for the first time ever. History awaits; will US rewrite it or Iran repeat it?

6, 6, 6, 6, 6nb, 6, 6

Gaikwad smashes 43 of an over en route 220 n.o against UP in Vijay Hazare

VENKATA KRISHNA B CHENNAI, NOVEMBER 28

WHENEVER RUTURAJ Gaikwad dons the Chennai Super Kings jersey, he likes spending time with Mike Hussey. For a player

very close circle of friends, it isn't surprising to see him use Hussey as a sounding board. Gaikwad liked the way Hussey played – technique as well as gameplan. Over the seasons as Gaikwad transformed from a back-bencher to an Orange Cap-winning opener with the Super Kings, the bonding has strengthened. There are similarities between the two. On Monday, Gaikwad scored his personal best, an un-

beaten 220 in Maharashtra's quarterfinal

win over Uttar Pradesh in the Vijay Hazare

Trophy at the Narendra Modi Stadium in

Gujarat. And en route as he hit seven sixes

in an over off left-arm spinner Shivam

who calls himself an introvert and has a

Singh, there were shades of Hussey taking down Pakistan's Saeed Ajmal in the World T20 semifinal in the Caribbean in 2010. None of Gaikwad's sixes were hit with power, instead they were all just lofted over

the boundary rope, relying on timing. Gaikwad's explosive hitting took place in the 49th over of Maharashtra's innings when he took the attack to the left-arm spinner to plunder 43 runs in the over. The over consisted of seven deliveries, as one of them was a no-ball. Each one of them was sent over the rope. It now is the Indian List A record, going past the 35 runs conceded in an over by Hyderabad's DB Ravi Teja in 2009-10, while bowling to Kerala's Raiphi Gomes. There has only been one other instance of a bowler conceding 43 runs in an over, when Central Districts' Willem Ludjck was taken to the cleaners by Northern Districts' batsmen in New Zealand.

And not one of Gaikwad's shots was cross-batted. They were hit between midoff and mid-wicket, as suggested in the coaching manual. There was no anger from being left out of India's white-ball tours. There were no fist-pumps at the end or any space for curses.

There was just a smile and a hug to his partner at the other end.

Now, Gaikwad hasn't had to wait as long as Hussey to be picked for the national side. The left-handed Australian waited nearly a decade since his First-Class debut to even get an ODI cap. Gaikwad has already received his T20I and ODI caps and even a Test cap remains a definite possibility when one factors in the transition that is in store from a year from now.

Consider these numbers. Since the last edition of the Vijay Hazare Trophy, Gaikwad's eight innings have seen him



Gaikwad slammed unbeaten 220.

SEMI-FINAL LINE-UP Karnataka vs Saurashtra Maharashtra vs Assam LIVE: November 30, Hotstar/StarSports

score 136 (112 balls), 154 n.o. (143), 124 (129), 21 (18), 168 (132), 124 (123), 40 (42) and 220 n.o. (159).

"Score karna padega, Saar (have to score, sir)," Mohan Jadhav, Gaikwad's personal coach says. "Consistency has always been his strength since age-group cricket. If you take 10 innings, he will perform well in 6-7 innings. The only consistency he needs now is a handful of games when he makes it to the national team. Not one match here or there. Players need to be picked consistently and that is how they will perform. There is no use complaining or feeling sad about not getting a chance. Every match is an opportunity to score, only the level varies. And if you get desperate, there's a chance of you going further away from it. RUTURAJ'S SIX SHOW

Longon 6 (48.2) Straight 6 (48.3) Midwicket 6 (48.4) Longoff 6 (48.5, NB) Long off 6 (48.5) Longon 6 (48.6) Deep midwicket

And the boy is humble and doesn't complicate," Jadhav says.

Leadership material

Among his Maharashtra teammates, they are beginning to see a different Gaikwad this season. Be it deciding their practice schedule or gameplan, the 25year-old is the one planning everything, so much so that some players see him even doubling up as a coach sometimes.

Instead of regular practice sessions, keeping in mind the early start to the matches, Gaikwad changed the timings. Morning sessions would start at 7 am with warm-ups before match simulations from 8.30 am which will run for three hours. An hour-and-a-half-long break will follow before the usual net sessions commence. It is an aspect that players have started to like.

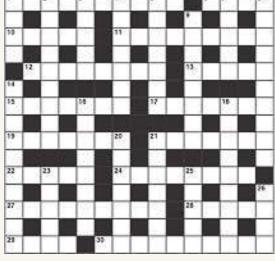
"He has become our everything," Azim Kazi, Maharashtra's all-rounder says.

"We are getting to learn new things. He has changed the total set-up and how we prepare ourselves. We are together as a team even in the hotel. For instance, he has left his hotel room open at all times and we can go and seek his help for anything. If a player is struggling, he is the first one to point it out off the field and say how to rectify it. What is more impressive is his gameplan and how he has identified a role for everyone and uses us judiciously," Kazi

This trait of Gaikwad is what has made those at Chennai Super Kings to rate him highly. There are whispers in the Super Kings camp after Ravindra Jadeja's unsuccessful stint as captain last season that MS Dhoni is grooming Gaikwad as the heir apparent. And among Maharashtra players', there is a certain degree of conviction that these days they get to see plenty of Dhoni traits in how Gaikwad operates. Be it remaining calm under pressure or putting across the message silently or backing players who are struggling. **Brief score:** Maharashtra 330/5 in 50

overs (R Gaikwad 220 not out, Ankit Bawne 37. Azim Kazi 37; Kartik Tyagi 3 for 66) beat UP 272 all out in 47.4 overs (Aryan Juyal 159, Shivam Sharma 33; Rajvardhan Hangargekar 5 for 53) by 58 runs.

CROSSWORD 4911



ACROSS

is treated (5)

1 French writer's pseudonym

 $6\,A\,stunning\,performance\,in\,The$ Ring?(4) 10 At festive occasions a journalist

11 Frank had a meal but hasn't yet a seat (9) 12 A cleaner fuel that draws well

13 More than one ghost writer (5)

15 Furnish with a soft tip (7) 17 Lift most of the secrecy (7) 19 A stage between flights (7) $21\,Gentleman\,returning\,with\,a$ fish or meat dish (7)

22 Excuse offered for absenteeism 24 No energy? And no inclination apparently(8)

in twisted net (9) 28 Give a protracted speech (5) $29\,The\,north\,as\,it\,appeared\,at\,that$ time(4)

27 Agitated animal that is caught

30 Strictly practical restyled Roman tunic (10)

DOWN

1 Shows approval although almost 2 Ship's name spoilt by being

cooked (9) 3 Spanish and German articled entitled to respect? (5) 4 Anti-labour act? (7)

5 Chews up a thousand fishes 7 Collect for a service (5) 8 Very steep climb for a member of a trio (3,2,5)

9 Not always the products of great minds(3,5)14 Family man holds up letters for national assembly (10)

16 They make up monograms for people (8) 18 Be quick to show pride in appearance (4,5) 20 Bitterness associated with age-

old craft (7) 21 Turn to riots to get food (7) 23 Get used to being in old city quarter (5) 25 Lady I take out? (5) 26 Smart boy (4)

Solutions Crossword 4910: Across: 1 Doormat, 5 Treat, 8 Merciless, 9 Tee, 10 Rite, 12 Repaired, 14 Circus, 15 Solace, 17 Sedition, 18 Gnus, 21 Lcy, 22 Endeavour, 24 Reset, 25 Ranting, Down: 1 Demur, 2 Oar, 3 Mail, 4 Theses, 5 Testator, 6 Entertain, 7 Treadle, 11 Tired eyes, 13 Quotient, 14 Cashier, 16 Powder, 19 Shrug, 20 Lawn, 23 Obi.

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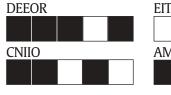
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JUMBLED WORDS

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

-Marcel Pagnol (6,.,7)



EITNNT AMUCPS

Answer: The most difficult **secret** for a man to keep is his own **opinion** of himself. SOLUTION: ERODE, IONIC, INTENT, CAMPUS

Difficulty Level 5s Instructions To solve a Sudoku puzzle.

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DAY TODAY

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20) Some of you have forgotten how to be youthful and young at heart. If you have a celestial task over

the next few weeks, it is to rediscover the art of being spontaneous, joyful, and even a little irresponsible. It could feel as if a massive weight has been lifted from your TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)

Your planets really can't decide what they're doing or where they're going, which makes your astrologer's job even more

difficult than usual. Let's just accept that your stars are generally confident, and that you should finish the day GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)

It's because you had the good fortune to be born a Gemini that you have the right to change your mind as often as you wish. As from this month a whole range of decisions and choices are plunged into the melting pot, much to partners' annoyance. But that's their

CANCER (June 22 - July 23) Go over all financial commitments with a fine toothcomb, and try to spot the

deliberate error! This is advice, by the way, which you must follow up to at least well into the next month. Another consideration is that romantic expenses are set to spiral.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23) Certain old ideas, proposals or suggestions are now due to receive a new lease of life. But your

biggest weakness over the next two weeks could be complacency, and if a wondrous opportunity should float past, you must grab it firmly with both hands.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23) You've got to do what's expected of vou without sacrificing your own

New Delhi

interests. The trick is to perform your daily responsibilities with your usual skill, but avoid being sucked into a mind-numbing routine. There will be a host of little ways in which you can amuse yourself while keeping the authorities happy.

BY PETER VIDAL

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)

Mars is playing a double game, encouraging you to go behind other people's backs now, but planning to bring everything into the open very soon This should surely be sufficient to encourage you to behave according to only the highest standards.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23) Your romantic predilections and aspirations

are already showing a shift back towards pride and vanity, just for a short period. This means that you will expect partners to have sufficient achievements to justify your being seen with them in public.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22) The best that you



that you must rely on your

own efforts: luck doesn't come CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20) Your adventurous

energies may

soon have to be put on ice, but as long as time is on your side, you may press ahead with travel plans and improvements to your personal life. However, one way or another, you should check that there is

AQUARIUS (Jan 21- Feb 19)

nothing amiss as soon as



that this time they're likely to be on your side! Hopefully their support will be good for

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20) You sometimes



diet or exercise regime that was abandoned, perhaps before you even started! Some of you may be even tackling a new competitive sport.

FIFA WORLD **PREVIEW**

SHOWCASE GAME IN A NUTSHELL **GROUP B** Iran vs USA

9:30 PM IST, Stadium 974 (LIVE ON SPORTS18 AND JIOCINEMA)

The script

At the outset, it was always going to be an intense clash, not because of their footballing rivalry, but because of the geopolitical relationship between the two nations. While that's still going to be the lingering theme, especially since the US Soccer Federation removed the emblem from the Iran flag for 24 hours in protest against the treatment of women in Iran, football will have to take centre stage. Afterall, a last-16 berth is on the line with the winner booking a place for the knockout stages.

How they line up

IRAN: 4-4-2

Even with a heavy defeat to England under their belt. Iran have arguably looked the better team across the two games so far. As far as the starting XI goes, Alireza Jahanbakhsh is suspended as a result of picking up two yellow cards so far, while Roozbeh Cheshmi is pushing for a start after scoring against Wales.

Likely XI: H. Hosseini; Rezaeian, M. Hosseini, Pouraliganji; Mohammadi; Gholizadeh, Nourollahi, Ezatolahi, Hajsafi; Taremi, Ansarifard

USA: 4-3-3

USA coach Gregg Berhalter resisted tinkering too much with his starting XI between the first two games, naming the same back four and midfield. The only change was Josh Sargent dropping out for Haji Wright against England. After a stalemate against England where USA lacked attacking prowess, Berhalter may have different ideas.

Likely XI: : Turner; Dest, Zimmerman, Ream, Robinson; McKennie, Adams, Musah; Reyna, Ferreira, Pulisic

The schemer

USA have an extremely talented pool of players and can give any team a real challenge, as we saw them do against England. However, Cristian Pulisic, is their key player without any shadow of doubt. Pulisic had his moments against England, with his combined tally of five shots and chances created a high for his team engaging in more duels -10- than any other player from his

Language of football

Quarterback Origin: America

The word quarterback is a word that is derived from American football and has slowly but gradually started to make its way into being used in football. In American football, the quarterback is the most important position, in charge of moving and passing the ball.

Other Matches

Ecuador vs Senegal: Netherlands vs Qatar: Wales vs England: 12.30 am (Wednesday)

Engine room powers Brazil

Impressive defensive midfielder Casemiro's late goal secures Brazil's passage to last 16 after hard-fought win over Switzerland



EXPRESS AT WORLD CUP

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SOMEHOW, ALMOST inevitably, the Brazilian goal had to come from the boot of Casemiro, the tireless defensive midfielder than the gilded but Neymar-less frontline. To understand the cult following of Casemiro, one just needs to tune in one's ears — no, the noise will hit you even if you don't squeeze your ears — when he gets the ball at his feet. The mass of green and yellow begins to chant his name, in rhythmic loudness, they bang their feet on the floor, sometimes so hard that the 974 Stadium, built off containers from ships, could feel an earthquake-like vibration. The beat of drums gets heavier; the music would get louder. The glass barricade risks breaking due to the vi-

Even before he scored Brazil's matchdefining goal, a goal of brutal beauty, similar to the ones he has scored for his ex-club Real Madrid and Brazil, he was the most valuable player on the pitch. Sometimes, it takes the profligacy of the forwards to appreciate the value of a midfielder in an attack-oriented team as Brazil. They tend to go unnoticed otherwise.

But not today. Casemiro might not be the captain, but he is the de facto captain, shouting at his teammates to keep their focus, yelling at them to keep their composure, chiding when they are inclined too often to the flashy stuff. He was livid at Vinicius Junior for not timing his run smartly enough to beat the off-side trap, which saw a goal chalked off in the 64th minute.

It was a grinding win for Brazil, as much as a case of Swiss showing their characteristic resilience as Brazil forwards strumming discordant notes, their brilliance clanking like chandeliers on a stormy night. It was a win fashioned out of grit and will, and few players, not just in Brazil, but the world embodies that spirit as much as Casemiro does. So much so that Zinedine Zidane, with whom he completed a hattrick of Champions League titles, calls him the Tank. "The success of Real Madrid depends on the success of Casemiro. He wins you games with his drive alone.'

It was his insatiable drive that culminated in the goal. He had no business prowling the inside left-channel in the Swiss half.



Brazil's Casemiro celebrates after scoring against Switzerland on Monday.

Often, one sees him withdrawing backwards when Brazil's forwards and attacking midfielders are in the opposition box. But here, Brazil desperately needed a goal, just seven minutes remained and a surge of energy, a spring of belief had to come from somewhere. Casemiro visualised, anticipated and uncoiled a ferocious first-time shot, redeeming an otherwise disjointed, error-strewn Brazilian performance. Nonetheless, as champions often do, they found a way. Even Tite leapt from his perch on the touchline as progress to the Round of 16 was secured.

Tite's expressions conveyed the frustration of Brazil in the first half — and the crowd that had swelled at the 974 Stadium hoping, praying for a continuum of Brazil's last 30 minutes against Serbia. Rather, they reacquainted with the first-half wastefulness. Tite would prance beside the touchline, hands in air, face contorted, he would kick the turf in angst, bark out instructions, hide his face in a fitful rage and grimace in the direction of the dugout. The ponderous nature of their game was frustrating him, as it did the impatient crowd, waiting for

Missed chances

There were semi-magical moments; when Vinicius Junior turned a pair of shirthugging marksmen over; he then nutmegged the hapless Manuel Akanji, he would out-trick most. When a ripe moment arrived to put Brazil in front, when the effervescent Raphinha swung a ripping cross, Vinicius just had to slap the ball in. Instead, he weakly side-footed a shot to goalkeeper Yann Sommer. Almost immediately, he was forced to make another save, off a vicious Raphinha curler. But the Swiss custodian didn't have to move an inch, though the save might have stung his palms. Raphinha himself could have scored had he managed a toe or a stud onto a curler from Vinicius. Tite would fling his hands in anger.

The Swiss 'keeper was otherwise untroubled, though he owes gifts to his sturdy centre-back pair of Akanji and Nico Elvedi. On rare moments when the Swiss slipped past the prowling vigil of Casemiro, who retrieved endless balls, they furnished memos of their own attacking prowess. Breel Embolo slit through once; so did Remo Freueler, snatching the ball from the feet of Lucas Pacqueta.

Brazil clearly missed the intelligence and

vibrancy of Neymar. Blessed though they might be with attacking riches on the bench, no one is quite like Neymar. No one could sparkle as dazzlingly as he could. Surprising was that Tite chose Fred to replace him, though not a like for like. He was paired with Casemiro at the base of midfield, and pushed Pacqueta upfield. The understated Pacqueta could dictate a game with his passing and vision, but he is not in Neymar-range to pull a rabbit out of the habit.

Half-time changes were inevitable. Tite displaced Pacqueta with Rodrygo to furnish an attacking thrust. It found the desired result after a brief spell of Swiss domination that could have resulted in a goal but for Thiago's presence of mind and Casemiro's energy. Granit Xhaka sent Fabian Rieder through in vast expanses of space, but the latter could only muster a feeble shot. Shortly, Allison showboating almost cost him dearly. He tried a feint on Embolo who kept pressing him, and in his desperation to clear the ball hit straight back at Embolo's body, though the rebound fell safely for the Brazilian goalkeeper. Here again, Casemiro was at the forefront of the mopping-up job, and in the end, he did the demolition job too.

ROUND OF 16 SCENARIOS

Brazil have made it to the next round while Germany stare at an early exit from the World Cup.

STANDINGS

GROUPE

	P	W	D	L	GD	Pt
Spain	2	1	1	0	7	4
Japan	2	1	0	1	0	3
Costa Rica	2	1	0	1	-6	3
Germany	2	0	1	1	-1	1

- Germany need to win their game against Costa Rica and hope Spain beat Japan. In case Japan beat Spain, Germany will have to beat Costa Rica by a margin of atleast nine goals to qualify for the next round.
- A draw or a win will do the trick for Spain to progress to the next round.

SCORELINES

BRAZIL	- 1	SWITZERLAND	0
Casemiro	83'		

STANDINGS

GRO	UPD						
		P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Bra	zil*	2	2	0	0	3	6
Swi	t'land	2	1	0	1	0	3
Can	neroon	2	0	1	1	-1	1
Ser	oia	2	0	1	1	-2	1

*Brazil have qualified for Round of 16

- Two wins in two games mean that Brazil join France in qualifying for the Round-of-16. They now have a game in hand against Cameroon who are on one point and will need to beat the Brazilians and hope other results go their way for a spot in the next round.
- Despite the loss, the Swiss are well placed to make it to the next round. A win guarantees one of the two spots in the group, while a draw would mean that goal difference would come into play, should Cameroon beat Brazil. Serbia need to beat the Swiss and hope Brazil beat Cameroon and do all this with a higher goal margin than the Cameroonians.

Enrique's Spain turns passing game into an elevated art

SCORELINES

62' Morata

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IT'S THE same old Spain; yet it's not the same old Spain. Spain plays a high-passing, highpossession, counter-pressing game; but not the way Xavi and Injesta played it, not the way Pep Guardiola and Johan Cruyff envisaged it; rather, they play it the Luis Enrique-way; the Gavi-Pedri way. It's not revolution, or counterrevolution, but it's an evolution, and you need to dwell into the minute and specifics to fully grasp and enjoy the ultra-butterfly football Spain has unleashed in the World Cup.

The soul and pulse of Spanish football is a constant—passing, short (poison-smeared) velvety passing. The passing sheet of any Spain iteration in the last two decades looks much the same—like a child's notebook, a mass of arrows, arrows over arrows, arrows crossing out each other, arrows forming a piece of art in itself, the mass becoming a cluster near the op-

ponent's box. But look closer, the difference emerges; the passing is more vertical and direct, and if you happen to watch, discernibly quicker and (slightly) longer.

There are crosses and headers. This is a side that could bore you with a thousand passes; but this a side that chooses to kill the opponent with a thousand passes. Rather, this is a quicker and more direct side. Beyond a point, tiki taka that most gorgeous art that won Spain the World Cup and made Barcelona scale unparalleled heights of beauty and success, had begun to rust and rot. Enrique rang in the change, in a subtle and incremental way that did not destroy the soul of Spain's game - passing.

The broad layout has been the same—hog possession, press high, pass, pass and pass. Against Costa Rica, they completed 1000 passes. Spain's most in any game: versus Germany, the numbers dropped to 542, but that was understandable given the stature of their adversaries, though the number was twice as many as Germany's (271). Though Germany, too, is a possession-keeping side, Spain still managed 64 percent of the ball.

On an average, Spain were in Germany's box for 65 percent of the match, according to



Alvaro Morata gives further verticality and directness to the side.

365stats.com. The last time they had a less than 60 per cent possession was back in 2020 in a game against Germany. The build-up play, too, is patient and elaborate, building out from the back and passing back and forth before unlocking the defence with a killer pass.

But how this side functions is different. Enriques' men, or rather teens, like to maximise the width of the pitch, unlike the congested central paths of classical Spain, Even the defenders are spread out—making them vulnerable to counters, and leaving space for quick forwards to exploit. The goal against Germany embodied the directness and verticality of their approach—Gavi to Pedri from left to right; Pedri to Dani Olmo, Olmo to Jordi Alba on the left, Alba to Alvaro Morata, who makes a run behind the German line and flicks the ball home.

They often switch their attack from left to right, orchestrated by the Gavi-Pedri combination that reminds of Injesta and Xavi, though the layers are different. Pedri in the Iniesta role of conducting the orchestra, playing simple football (sometimes that is the most difficult football, as Cruyff would say), but doing the right things. He does not indulge in nutmegging or dribbling. He finds space others don't; he has time that others don't have, he visualises routes to the goal that others don't.

Little wonder then that Xavi considers him the most talented young player in the world.

He has been Spain's most creative force in both games, the pass-circulator, the assistgiver, the soul-provider. The greatest praise came from Enrique: "Anyone who knows anything about football knows that no one has ever seen that from anybody at 18, not even Sir Andrés Iniesta." The simplicity of his moves is bewildering. If Pedri gives music to Spain, Gavi pressure; he stings and instigates, he is tough as well as elegant. Gavi's inclusion in the Euro squad sparked doubts, as he the then 17-yearold had little exposure to international football. But Enrique was convinced.

gives rhythm; he starts the press, he piles the

Gavi is the perfect addition to the robustly young team. The oldest outfield player is Sergio Busquets, who is 34, and a bridge between generations. In a sense, he exemplifies the difference between the two different (but same) generations. In previous avatars, he was more locked-on at the base of the midfield. Now. with extra verticality, his involvement is more active in ball distributions, and his quick-thinking is a reason Spain moves the ball much quicker. He also man-marks his No 6 counterpart to sniff out the midfield tussle. Enriques calls him his most important man.

The classical No 9 Alvaro Morata was used as a substitute, though he was the preferred front-man in the qualifying games. Morata gives further verticality and direct-

ness. That goal and the build-up to the goal embodied the new Spain; the Spain of Enriques; the Spain of Pedri and Gavi. But the soul of both

Journeyman Füllkrug debuts at 29 for Germany & gets cracking straight away

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Niclas Füllkrug takes his time to gather traction. The German No.9, had told sportbuzzer.de soon after starting out in the Bundesliga top tier at age 24 that: "I knew I wasn't immediately going to tear up the Bundesliga like Aubameyang or a Lewandowski. For me the goal was always to play in the Bundesliga again, because I feel that I belong here.'

The man could bide his time. And he ould tear up opponents, and this year the league too, having slotted in a maximum 10, the most for anyone ahead of the unseasonal World Cup. Spain had taken the lead through their own substitute, Alvaro Morata to go up 1-0. Füllkrug though, would

cause some serious confusion in the Spanish defense, like the rustling of dry leaves at the coming of the storm, and follow it with a crunching strike from close range after the ball landed right at his feet.

Unai Simon was exceptional on either side of just that moment when he was utterly helpless, when Füllkrug fetched up, storming the door open in the 83rd minute.

The Werder Bremen striker had never played a senior game for Germany, but had built his reputation as some sort of a compulsive come-from-behind man for Hannover earlier, where he failed to score in his first eight games, and then went on one scoring spree.

Debuting for Germany at age 29 years 280 days – oldest outfield player in 20 years after Martin Max, who was 33 years and 253 days in 2002, Füllkrug, would replace



Niclas Füllkrug thundered in an 83rdminute goal to cancel out Spain's lead.

Germany's youngest World Cupper, the 17year-old Borussia Dortmund sensation, Moukoko as one of Flick's 4 half-time substi-

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tutions. But he had made waiting in the wings before bursting forth on the stage, an art. Earlier this month in Germany's preparatory match against Oman, he was again injected in the second half onto the field, and ended up scoring, warming German hearts to this unexpected traditional No 9. Yet he had missed the first training day in Qatar, down with a flu.

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the second division of the Bundesliga only a year back, with Bremen demoted in the 2020-21 season.

Football's mindless social media-fuelled obsession with youth, didn't blind Hansi Flick to Füllkrug's skills. Strictly a journeyman, he wasn't the quickest, youngest or nimblest forwards. But there was something about Füllkrug, that got managers gushing over him. "Fülle possesses a very rare weapon with his heading in the penalty area," his coach Ole Werner had said.

With foot or head, Füllkrug could just sprint onto the field with time ticking by fast, and conjure a moment of class, grabbing a yoke of power and precision in the second half. His nickname is Lücke, which is German for gap – to his front teeth. In one of the most bizarre training time accidents, he once ended up with a teammate's tooth lodged

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into his forehead. In more conventional injuries, Füllkrug has wretched luck with his knees, the cartilage damage to both left and right costing him lengthy times away from the game. More seriously the knee pain would leave him feeling unsafe.

Yet, he listens to Eye of the Tiger, and plods on, having struck a long-due purple patch this season. Viewed as Germany's possible secret weapon, Füllkrug had German legend Lothar Matthaus impressed speaking

"Füllkrug is a bit of a street footballer up front which we've been missing. He's there when we need him." Flick will use him in short second half bursts. He's 29, and belongs like he was born to be in the German team. Füllkrug has taken his time, but then he knew that at the outset. He waits long in the wings to burst forth not to doubt his destiny.

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