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Boost for Covid-hit children: From Rs 10 lakh to health cover

PM Modi at the online release of benefits, including loans for higher education, under PM CARES on Monday. *PTI*

ANONNA DUTT
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

MARKING EIGHT years of the NDA government, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday launched a series of welfare measures for children who have lost their parents or guardians to Covid, including financial assistance of Rs 10 lakh, a dedicated helpline, and health cover of Rs 5 lakh through Ayushman cards.

Announcing these measures under the PM CARES for children initiative, Modi said the beneficiaries will be eligible to avail loans for higher education and professional courses.

In a video address to announce the initiative, Modi also

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No Survivors In Nepal Crash

Handout photo released by Fishtail Air shows the wreckage of a plane in a gorge in Sanosware in Mustang district close to the town of Jomsom, west of Kathmandu, on Monday. There were 22 people, including 4 Indians, on board. *PTI* REPORT, PAGE 18

MONEY LAUNDERING CHARGES

ED arrests AAP Delhi minister Satyendar Jain in 5-yr-old case

Charges politically motivated, with eye on coming Himachal polls: AAP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE ENFORCEMENT Directorate (ED) on Monday arrested Delhi minister Satyendar Jain in connection with a case of alleged money laundering dating back five years. Questioning the timing, the Aam Aadmi Party called the arrests politically motivated, with an eye on the coming Himachal Pradesh elections.

Jain, who holds multiple portfolios including Health, Power and PWD in the Delhi government, was recently named AAP in-charge of Himachal, which goes to polls at the end of this year.

The ED case is based on a 2017 disproportionate assets FIR of the CBI against Jain under the

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Power, PWD Minister is Himachal in-charge of AAP. *File*

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Targeting Opp leaders

THE ED has repeatedly targeted leaders belonging to Opposition parties. Among others, it has acted against Anil Deshmukh and Nawab Malik of the NCP, Anil Parab and Pratap Sarnaik of Shiv Sena, Abhishek Banerjee of Trinamool.

Asiqul Islam was among those held for the attack. *File*

Nagaon arson accused dies in Assam Police custody, cops say 'run over'

TORA AGARWALA
GUWAHATI, MAY 30

THE PRIME accused in the burning down of a police station in Assam's Nagaon last week died in the wee hours of Monday, reportedly killed while fleeing custody. The police said that Asiqul Islam jumped out of a car, and was run over by an escort vehicle. Three policemen were injured in the incident, the police said.

Islam was alleged to have instigated the mob that attacked the Batadrava Police Station on May 21, while protesting against the death of a villager who had been picked up by the police.

Nagaon SP Leena Doley told reporters that Islam was booked on Sunday, and during questioning, admitted that he had stored arms at his house in Sonaibara village in Nagaon. "So our team went looking for the arms. After the search operation ended, on the way back he tried to escape from the car in the Raidinga area, and the escort vehicle behind him accidentally ran him over." Doley said he was declared

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FIRST OFFICIAL COMMENT ON ONGOING COURT BATTLES

No BJP resolution on Kashi and Mathura; courts, Constitution will decide: Nadda

But the party can't stop people from interpreting law, says top Govt leader

LIZ MATHEW
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE BJP on Monday made its first official statement on the Kashi Vishwanath Temple-Gyanvapi mosque dispute, saying such issues would be settled in accordance with the Constitution and decided by the courts. BJP president J P Nadda said the party has always spoken about cultural development, and would follow the order of the court in letter and spirit.

"We have always been talking about cultural development. But these issues are dealt with in accordance with the Constitution and the ruling of courts. So, the Court and Constitution will decide on it and the BJP will follow it in letter and spirit," Nadda told reporters on the eve of the eighth anniversary of the Narendra Modi government at the Centre.

Kashi Vishwanath temple and Gyanvapi mosque. *File*

Responding to questions on whether reclaiming the temples at Kashi and Mathura were on the agenda of the BJP, Nadda said that the Ram Janmabhoomi issue was part of the resolution passed in the party's national executive in Palampur, but "after that there has been no resolution."

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Mosque panel urges Varanasi court to reject suit, next hearing in July

LALMANI VERMA
VARANASI, MAY 30

THE ANJUMAN Intezamia Masajid, the committee that manages the Gyanvapi mosque, urged the Varanasi district court on Monday to dismiss the petition of women seeking the right to worship Maa Shringar Gauri on the outer wall of the mosque complex, saying the women's suit filed in "individual capacity" could not apply to their "prayer for all Hindus and Hindu religion followers".

The matter will be heard next on July 4 when the mosque committee, which has challenged the maintainability of the suit, resumes its argument. While flagging what it called the "wrong

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On the RSS agenda, Kashi older than Ayodhya, first reference was in 1959

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY & SHYAMLAL YADAV
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE BJP and RSS have attempted to maintain a distance from the ongoing Kashi Vishwanath Temple-Gyanvapi mosque and the Mathura Idgah controversies. Barring statements of "truth must come out" and "people can't be stopped from going to court", both have avoided directly engaging with the matters at the organisational level. However, Kashi has been among the core concerns of the Sangh Parivar since the 1950s — it is, in fact, older than even the Ayodhya-Ram Janmabhoomi issue.

The RSS first passed a resolution on Kashi Vishwanath in its Akhil Bharatiya Pratinidhi Sabha (ABPS) *baithak* way back in 1959. A resolution on Ayodhya came

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No leads in Moosewala killing, Punjab goes back on 'gang links'

NAVJEEVAN GOPAL
CHANDIGARH, MAY 30

A DAY after singer-turned-politician Shubhdeep Singh Sidhu alias Sidhu Moosewala was gunned down in broad daylight, the Punjab Police struggled Monday for leads on the killing. Sources said a number of persons had been detained for questioning from across districts, including one person from Uttarakhand, who was reportedly disguised as

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After 7 yrs, women take top 3 positions in Civil Services Exam: 'want to bring change'

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MALAVIKA PRASAD, SAKSHI SAROHA & DIVYA GOYAL
NEW DELHI, CHANDIGARH, MAY 30

ONE IS from Delhi, the second from West Bengal and the third from Punjab. Two of them studied in St Stephen's, the third is an engineer. Together, they have marked the first time in seven years that women claimed the top three positions in the UPSC Civil Services Exam.

Delhi's Shruti Sharma topped the merit list released for the 2021 exam on Monday, followed by Kolkata's Ankita Agarwal and Gamini Singla from Anandpur Sahib in Punjab. In the 2014 exam, Ira Singhal, Renu Raj and Nidhi Gupta were top three, with Vandana Rao coming fourth.

This year's topper studied in Sardar Patel Vidyalaya in Delhi

Topper Shruti Sharma, a Delhi resident. *Praveen Khanna*

and obtained an honours degree in history from St Stephen's College. She joined Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) for post-graduation before dropping out to prepare for the Civil Services Exam, mainly with the free Residential Coaching Academy (RCA) at Jamia Millia Islamia.

"My strategy was to focus on my own notes with emphasis on answer-writing practice for the

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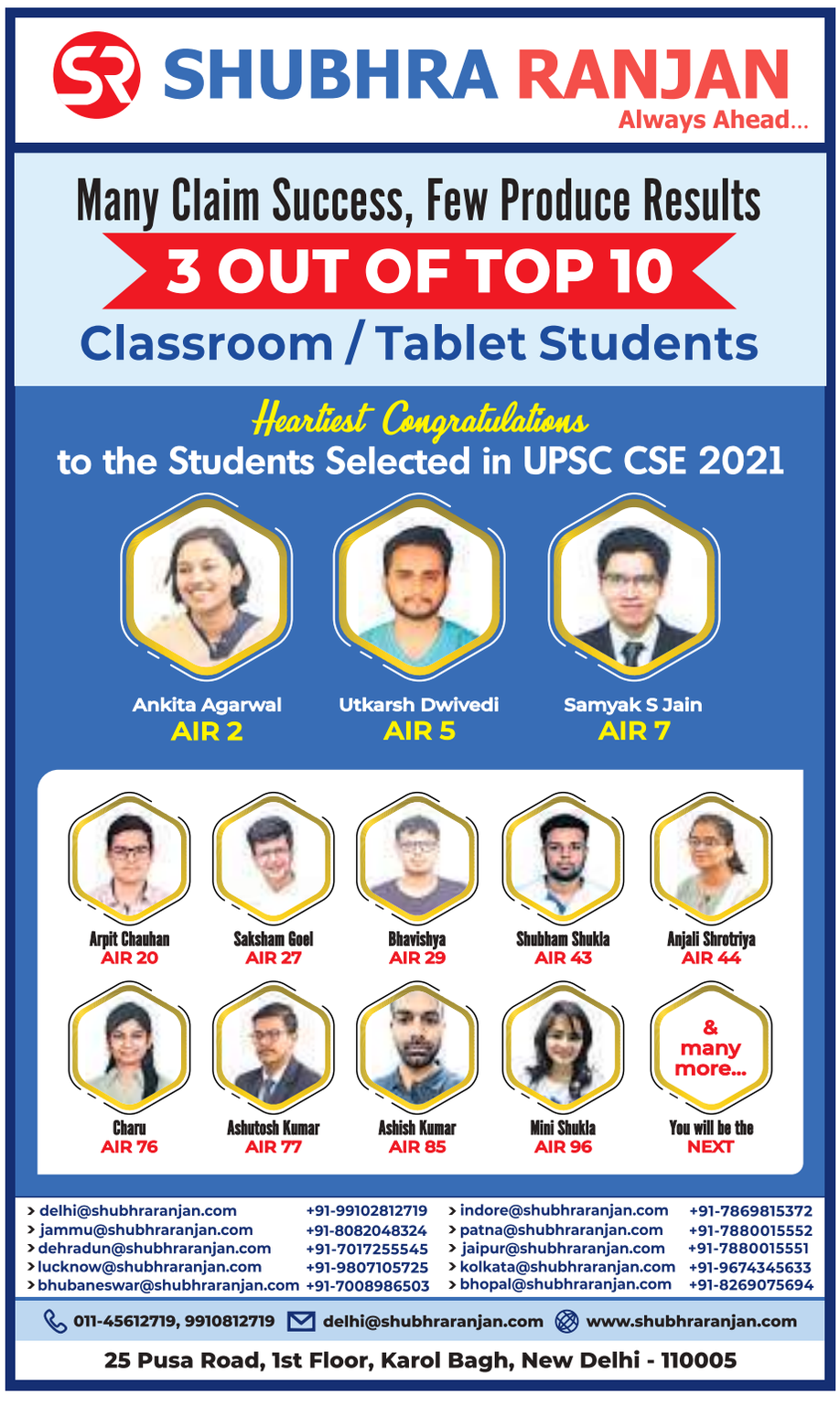

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Moosewala

a pilgrim on way to Hemkund Sahib.

Under attack over the death of the popular singer and leader, Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann Monday said that the state will be seeking an inquiry by a sitting judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court into the killing, and assured full cooperation to any probe by a Central investigative agency such as the NIA.

The state also sought to backtrack on its claims soon after the killing that it could be the result of a gang dispute. DGP V K Bhawra said he had never called Moosewala a gangster or alleged that he had affiliation with gangsters. He said he had the highest regard for Moosewala, as an artiste and cultural icon. Mann also praised Moosewala.

Mansa SSP Gaurav Toora said preliminary investigations indicated the assailants carried out a recce before Sunday evening's attack, adding that they had zeroed in on a suspicious Corolla car seen in Moosewala's village.

Faridkot Range Inspector General P K Yadav, who is leading the investigations, told *The Indian Express* that three vehicles used in the crime had been recovered, including an Alto car that was learnt to have been snatched from a family by the accused, to flee after the killing.

The Punjab Police has reportedly approached the Delhi Police to question men imprisoned in Delhi who are affiliated to the Lawrence Bishnoi gang, which is suspected to have carried out the murder.

Moosewala's father Balkaur Singh earlier wrote to Mann demanding a probe by a judge, and said that the investigation should be assisted by the CBI and NIA. Blaming the AAP government, he wrote: "Due to the failures of your government, my son left us for forever." He also demanded that officers who had reviewed his son's security and made it public should be held accountable.

Balkaur also sought a public apology from the DGP for "linking the death to gang wars".

At a hurriedly called press conference late Sunday evening, the DGP had said the murder appeared to be the result of "inter-gang rivalry", and that Moosewala's manager Shagunpreet's name had surfaced in the murder of alleged gangster Vicky Middukhera.

In his statement Monday, the DGP said the media had distorted what he said, and that they were looking at all aspects of the murder.

Covid-hit kids

said that the Government's eight years has led to "incredible" self-belief, and pulled the country out of a "vicious cyle" of corruption, nepotism, terrorism and regionalism. He went on to list flagship schemes "dedicated to the welfare of the poor".

"Our countrymen have given their hard-earned money to PM CARES... Many lives could be saved because of this; the future of many families could be saved. And, for those who left us in an untimely manner, today this fund will be used for their children," Modi said.

The Covid initiative for children will be open to those who lost both their parents, only surviving parent, legal guardian or adoptive parents to Covid between March 11, 2020 and February 28, 2022.

The Rs 10 lakh assistance will be in the form of an investment with the returns given to beneficiaries in form of a monthly stipend between the ages of 18 and 23, and the entire amount handed over when they attain the age of 23. The Prime Minister said the benefits also include an annual scholarship of Rs 20,000 for school students and monthly financial support of Rs 4,000 for daily needs.

To avail the benefits, the names of affected children need to be registered on the portal pmcaresforchildren.in. Data available on the portal show that 9,042 applications have been received with 4,345 of them already approved.

According to data compiled by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, the number of children affected due to Covid in India is 1,53,827. This data, however, is not restricted to "Covid orphans" alone.

Speaking about Ayushman cards, the Prime Minister urged the children to take up various activities to stay healthy. "Life should be about health, not treatment," he said.

Towards the end of his address, Modi spoke about eight years of the NDA Government.

Mosque panel

rule" under which the suit had been filed, it also claimed that the petitioners did not provide details of a 1936 ruling on the Muslim right to offer namaz at the mosque.

Contesting the maintainability of the suit filed by five Hindu women, Abhay Nath Yadav, counsel for Anjuman Intezamia Masajid, said the petitioners have filed the suit in their individual capacity. "But after reading their entire suit, it is clear that they have made a prayer for all Hindus and Hindu religion followers. Such a suit cannot be filed in individual capacity. Also, before filing any public suit, one needs permission from the court," he said.

In their petition, the women, he said, had referred to Deen Mohammad's civil suit of 1936 and stated that 12 witnesses in that case had proved that Shringar Gauri and other deities were being worshipped there, that it was a temple.

"They have mentioned the statement of witnesses to strengthen their case, but they have not mentioned the order passed by the court in the case of Deen Mohammad… the judgment was that the mosque, its courtyard and its land were Wakf properties of Hanafi Muslims. Also, Muslims have the right to practice Urs and perform religious activities," Yadav said.

He made his submissions over two hours in the court of District Judge Ajaya Krishna Vishvesha. "The next date of hearing is July 4, and our arguments will continue on that date," Yadav said.

The counsel for the five women petitioners will then make their submission in support of the maintainability of their suit.

Meanwhile, a fast track court Monday listed for July 8 a petition seeking permission to worship a Shivling claimed to have been found in the Gyanvapi complex, and prevent the entry of Muslims there.

In the suit, the petitioner has also sought that the entire complex be turned over to Hindus.

Raees Ahmed, counsel of the mosque committee, said, "We have not got the copy of the petition. The court has ordered that a copy be provided to us so that we can file an objection."

On RSS agenda

only in 1987.

Since 1950, when the RSS began passing resolutions, the temples in Kashi, Mathura, and elsewhere that were allegedly destroyed by "Muslim invaders" have figured in the resolutions thrice, either directly or in an oblique reference -- in 1959, 1987, and 2003 -- although there have been multiple references to these issues in other forums of the Sangh Parivar. In the 2003 resolution, the RSS urged the government to bring a law to restore the sites in Ayodhya, Kashi, and Mathura to Hindus.

In its 1959 resolution, titled "Issue of Temples turned into Mosques", the RSS said, "Many intolerant and tyrannical foreign aggressors and rulers in Bharat have, during the last one thousand years, destroyed many Hindu temples and built mosques in their place... Out of all such temples, the Kashi Vishwanatha temple occupies a special place of honour. The Sabha urges the Government of Uttar Pradesh to take steps to return this temple to the Hindus."

The resolution said that until this was done, "discontent among the Hindus will remain acute" and "it will not be possible to bring about emotional integration of the Muslims with the main national society".

However, it was not until the early 1980s that the RSS felt the need for a public movement on the issue of reclaiming temples. In 1981, the RSS passed a resolution calling on Hindus to be united by burying caste differences. In the following years, the movement gained momentum through the VHP under the leadership of Ashok Singhal.

In April 1984, the first Dharma Sansad organised by the VHP demanded the removal of the three mosques at "Ayodhya, Mathura and Kashi", even as RSS itself remained focused on Ayodhya.

The following year, in its ABPS meeting in Nagpur on March 15, the RSS said that "Ramjanmbhoomi Ayodhya, Krishna Janmabhoomi Mathura and Vishwanath Temple Kashi are most sacred places for Hindus"; however, its demand was concentrated on Ayodhya.

The 1987 resolution too was focused on Ayodhya, but the RSS said, "Independence demands that all public vestiges of foreign domination disfiguring our national scene be washed clean."

It was in the Akhil Bharatiya Karyakari Mandal resolution of 2003 that the RSS specifically mentioned Kashi and Mathura along with Ayodhya. The resolution said: "The ABKM reiterates its unqualified support to the just demand of the Hindu society for restoration of the holy shrines of Ayodhya, Mathura and Kashi to them."

The resolution added, "That the intention of the invaders was to leave a permanent mark of their victory over this land and pronounce the supremacy of their faith is clear from the fact that all these monuments of infamy stand either on the destroyed holy sites or cheek to jaw with Hindu holy places."

No self-respecting nation would tolerate such "symbols of dishonour", the resolution said, and demanded that Ayodhya, Mathura and Kashi should be restored on the lines of the Somnath Temple in Gujarat.

The resolution called upon the Muslim leadership to give up their claim "so as to pave way for creation of mutual goodwill and respect between Hindus and Muslims forever". However, "if the Muslim leadership fails to understand the intensity of the sentiments... the ABKM calls upon the Government to explore the possibility of a legislative option," it said.

In October 2007, RSS's Suruchi Prakashan book "RSS Resolves" said in its foreword: ".. No nation of repute and pride would tolerate such symbols, rather, uproot and destroy them." It added, "RSS is in favour of reestablishment of the honour of such places. It is a supporter of Sri Ram Janmabhoomi movement and also desires freedom of Kashi and Mathura."

In March 2014, before the Narendra Modi government came to power, Singhal had claimed there were 30,000 sites like Ayodhya, Mathura and Kashi that were "illegally occupied by Muslims", as per the RSS-affiliated magazine *The Organiser*.

After the November 9, 2019 judgment of the Supreme Court on Ayodhya, while RSS chief Mohan Bhagwat suggested that the Sangh Parivar would keep away from Mathura and Kashi and focus on "*vyakti nirman*" (character building), VHP working president Alok Kumar had said: "About Kashi and Mathura, the Supreme Court judgment is not the end of the story, it is the beginning."

In fact, after the demolition of Babri in 1992, a popular slogan of the Sangh Parivar was: "*Ayodhya to bas jhaanki hai, Kashi Mathura baaki hai* (Ayodhya is just the beginning, Kashi and Mathura are still left)."

Nadda speech

Following the Palampur resolution of June 1989, the BJP had taken up the Ram Janmabhoomi movement -- which had been carried out by the VHP until then -- as part of its political agenda. L K Advani had announced a Rath Yatra.

A top government functionary said on Monday evening that the BJP has not said "anything" on the Kashi and Mathura disputes, and would go with whatever the courts decide. People may have different views, "but BJP as a party has not said anything on this". "We cannot stop people from interpreting the law the way they want," the functionary said. "We will go with the decision of the courts."

At the press conference, Nadda said the BJP is ready to take everyone along in building a strong nation, and rejected suggestions that a section of people feel alienated under the Modi government. "There are many types of people in a society. Some respond earlier, some later... But our conduct is on the principle of a strong nation, one nation. This is clear and everyone will have an equal share."

On the Uttarakhand government forming a committee on formulating a Uniform Civil Code, Nadda said: "It is okay. They (Uttarakhand) are discussing it. As far as we are concerned, we have been saying that everyone must be treated equally. Our broad outline is justice to all, appeasement of none."

"*Seva, sushasan and garib kalyan* (service, good governance, and welfare of poor)" are the soul of the Modi government, Nadda, who was flanked by Union ministers Smriti Irani, Dharmendra Pradhan, and Anurag Thakur, said.

The BJP released a theme song titled "Modi government architect of new India", which highlights the construction of the Ram temple in Ayodhya and the Kashi Vishwanath corridor in Varanasi, and offers a glimpse of the Krishna Janmabhoomi temple in Mathura. A new module of the NaMo App was also launched.

Asked about the challenges the government has faced in the eight years, Nadda said: "The culture of India has changed and we have brought in last-mile delivery in governance."

Nagaon accused

brought dead at Nagaon Civil Hospital.

The SP added that Islam could be seen in the video of the torching of the police station. "Asikul can be seen in a red T-shirt, inciting people," she said, adding that a 7.65 mm pistol with two rounds of ammunition, and a .22 pistol with five rounds of ammunition, as well as the red shirt Asikul was seen wearing in the video were recovered from his home.

The BJP government in Assam led by Himanta Biswa Sarma has come under fire for a high number of police encounters involving alleged criminals. The Gauhati High Court is currently hearing a petition on such encounters filed by advocate Arif Jwadder. In February, the Assam government submitted an affidavit stating that 28 people had been killed and 73 injured in police action between May 2021 and January 2022. The numbers have increased since then.

In the last 24 hours, two people (a rhino poacher from Biswanath district and an alleged rapist in Karbi Anglong district) were reported injured in police action while trying to escape custody.

Following the torching of the Batadrava Police Station, 11 people (including Islam and the family members of the person whose death led to the protest) were booked for arson. Police claimed to have identified all of them via video footage, recovered from bystanders.

Sonaibara village in Juria, where Islam hails from, is about 25 km from Batadrava. The police said he was "not related" to Islam's family, unlike most members of the mob.

The authorities had later demolished homes of those who had allegedly set fire to the police station, including Islam's. The police defended this calling the accused "encroachers", who were staying on government land with "forged" documents. It said it was also booking the accused under the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA) for suspected terror links.

CM Sarma had called the attack on the police station a reflection of the "dangerous" times people of Assam were living in. "Till our government is in power, we will not pardon such crimes," he had said.

Speaking to reporters Monday, Sarma said: "I have been informed by the police that he (Islam) was killed in a road accident… An accident is an accident, I cannot comment further." He added that he was certain that the police would, within the "ambit of law", bring those guilty to book.

The police crackdown on criminals follows from Sarma's pledge, when he took over as CM in May 2021, of a "zero tolerance policy", giving the police "full operational liberty within the ambit of law" to function.

According to data shared in the Assam Assembly in March, 29 people have been killed and 96 injured in police firing. On Sunday, a PTI report said that between March 2021 and May 2022, at least 47 people have been killed and 116 injured in police action, while they allegedly tried to flee police custody or attacked police.

In December 2021, Niraj Das, the prime accused in the lynching of a student leader in Jorhat, died in a similar fashion as Islam, as per police – run over by a police vehicle while allegedly trying to escape custody.

Leader of Opposition Debabrata Saikia said it was "unfortunate" that such incidents were happening so frequently in Assam. "We have seen many die in encounters while they are being taken for identification of location or scene of crime," he said, adding that such deaths lead to burying of evidence.=

UPSC results

Mains exam. I was happy with my performance in the exam and was hopeful of a good result but topping the merit list did come as a surprise," Sharma (25) said, adding that she opted for history as the optional subject in the Mains.

"My father had heard about the RCA and asked me to sit for the entrance in 2019. I got through while I was pursuing my Masters at JNU. That was when my preparation for UPSC actually began. I made a lot of good friends in Jamia who helped me through this journey...the place provided an environment where I could thrive," she said.

This was Sharma's second attempt, and she is the first to qualify in her family. Her father Sunil Dutt Sharma is an architect and runs a construction consultancy in Delhi. Her mother Rachna Sharma is a former teacher.

She has a younger brother, and the family hails from UP -- her father from Bijnor and her mother from Bulandshahr -- which is why the state is her first preference for a cadre. "I was born in Bijnor and I have always wanted to work in the state. I specifically want to work in education, health and women empowerment," she said.

Next on the toppers' list is Ankita Agarwal who is also a graduate from St Stephen's, and is currently training in Faridabad for the Indian Revenue Service. She qualified for the IAS in her third attempt.

"I wish to join the West Bengal cadre since I was born and brought up in Kolkata. I want to work for the upliftment of women and underprivileged children in the country. Being a civil servant will provide me with the right opportunities and resources to bring a change in society," she said.

Agarwal, 26, studied economics in college, and her parents run a business in Kolkata.

Gamini Singla, who bagged the third rank, holds a BTech in computer science from Punjab Engineering College (PEC) in Chandigarh and took sociology as her optional subject.

"After completing B.Tech I had a good job offer from a private company but I left it and kept preparing for UPSC. In my first attempt in 2020, I could not clear the prelims but the passion to serve people kept me going and I did not leave it midway," she said.

Singla, 23, said her father Dr Alok Singla and mother Dr Neeraj Singla, both medical officers with the Himachal government, helped her a lot. "My father was the real force behind me. He read books and newspapers along with me everyday so that he could help me in preparing for important topics," she said. Her brother Tushar Singla is a graduate from IIT-Kharagpur.

"I studied for almost 9-10 hours a day and for nearly three years since I was completely cut off from my friends and family. I did not attend any social gathering because my focus was on just clearing the UPSC...I attempted mock tests but never took any coaching from an academy. I studied on my own," she said, adding that she "stopped using Facebook and other social media and monitored time spent on WhatsApp".

"My focus as a public servant would be on three issues -- women empowerment, healthcare and education. I feel working on these three together can be a gamechanger," she said.

Apart from the top three, the holder of All-India Rank (AIR) 8 is also a woman: Delhi's Ishita Rathi, who secured her spot in her third attempt.

"I did not join any coaching and prepared on my own. I only referred to basic books, some YouTube channels and The Indian Express newspaper for preparation. My parents pushed me into preparing for the Civil Services. My mother is an Assistant Sub Inspector while my father is a Head Constable with Delhi Police. They were my source of inspiration during the preparation," Rathi said.

Rathi graduated in economics from Lady Shri Ram College and obtained her MA from Madras School of Economics. She worked for a year with a corporate house before resigning to prepare for the exam.

A total of 685 candidates -- 508 men and 177 women -- qualified for the Civil Services this time. In 2020, the list of qualifiers included 545 men and 216 women. A similar pattern was observed in 2019 when 632 men and 197 women qualified.

After the three women toppers, Aishwarya Verma and Utkarsh Dwivedi came fourth and fifth.

PM Narendra Modi congratulated the successful candidates.

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ED arrests AAP Delhi minister Satyendar Jain

Prevention of Corruption Act, where he was accused of having laundered money through four companies allegedly associated with him. According to sources, Jain was summoned by the ED for questioning, but was arrested.

Last month, the ED had provisionally attached immovable properties worth Rs 4.81 crore belonging to these companies, apart from one more company – Akinchan Developers Pvt Ltd, Indo Metal Impex Pvt Ltd, Paryas Infosolutions Pvt Ltd, Manglayatan Projects Pvt Ltd, and J J Ideal Estate Pvt. Ltd.

It had also called Jain for questioning, after having interrogated him once in 2018.

Apart from the properties related to the above companies, properties belonging to four others, Swati Jain, Sushila Jain, Ajit Prasad Jain and Indu Jain, were attached in the case related to alleged disproportionate assets.

At the time of the attachment of the properties, the ED said: "Investigation revealed that during the period 2015-16, when Sh. Satyendar Kumar Jain was a public servant, the above-mentioned companies beneficially owned and controlled by him received accommodation entries to the tune of Rs 4.81 crore from shell companies against cash transferred to Kolkata-based entry operators through hawala route. These amounts were utilized for direct purchase of land or for the repayment of loans taken for purchase of agricultural land in and around Delhi."

Criticising the arrest, AAP said: "The arrest is politically motivated. He (Jain) has been arrested in a fake and baseless case. The BJP fears a crushing loss in Himachal at the hands of AAP, which is why they coerced the ED to arrest him. The ED has summoned him several times. They stopped calling him as they had nothing against him. The case has been reopened as Jain was appointed AAP's Himachal incharge. The BJP got him arrested so they could stop him from going to Himachal," alleged Delhi's Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia.

AAP's Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Singh said, "People who were the owners of these companies during 2015-2017 have confessed to their crimes in court and clearly submitted that all the money belongs to them. The court has also accepted this point. The ED summoned Satyendar Jain seven times in 2018 but they could not find anything against him. The ED took no action from 2019 to the present. The case appeared to be closed but it has been reopened before the Himachal elections. This is nothing but yet another instance of the BJP misusing the State machinery for political gains."

The CBI had concluded that Jain could not explain the source of the funds received by the four companies in which he was a shareholder. It said Rs 4.63 crore was allegedly received through Prayas Info Solutions, Akinchan Developers, Managalyatan Projects and Indo-Metal Impex Pvt Limited in 2015-16. Jain and his wife allegedly held one-third of the shares in these companies during the period. They allegedly also held shares in the names of family members or others.

The probe agency had claimed that these were shell firms used for parking money in the form of investments in equity shares, in connivance with Kolkata-based shell companies.

The funds were allegedly used to purchase over 200 bighas of land in Auchandi, Bawana, Karala and Mohammed Mazvi villages in Delhi between 2010 and 2016, CBI sources said. The CBI filed a chargesheet in the case in December 2018 where it calculated Jain's disproportionate assets at 217% of his known sources of income.

The CBI had registered a case against him, his wife and four others on charges of corruption. It also questioned him in the case.

"This apart, before becoming a public servant, he was allegedly involved in laundering Rs 11.78 crore during 2010-12 through these companies as well as other firms also based in New Delhi," the CBI had said.

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(Rs in Lakhs except earning per share)

S. No.	Particulars	Standalone		Consolidated		Standalone		Consolidated	
		Quarter Ended		Quarter Ended		Year Ended		Year Ended	
		31.03.2022	31.03.2021	31.03.2022	31.03.2021	31.03.2022	31.03.2021	31.03.2022	31.03.2021
		Audited	Audited	Audited	Audited	Audited	Audited	Audited	Audited
1	Total Income from Operations	25,283.44	22,236.83	25,283.44	22,236.83	84,075.63	62,522.13	84,075.63	62,522.13
2	Net Profit for the period before tax and exceptional items	1,340.27	1,556.71	1,340.02	1,556.24	4,087.76	3,099.34	4,087.08	3,097.83
3	Net profit for the period after tax and exceptional items	541.13	394.30	540.88	393.85	2,631.89	1,509.11	2,631.20	1,507.62
4	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	461.79	398.39	461.54	397.94	2,551.32	1,503.36	2,550.63	1,501.87
5	Paid-up Equity Share Capital (Face value of Rs. 10 each)	2,693.55	2,693.55	2,693.55	2,693.55	2,693.55	2,693.55	2,693.55	2,693.55
6	Earnings per share in rupees: (Not Annualised)								
	- Basic (in Rupees)	2.01	1.47	2.01	1.47	9.77	5.62	9.77	5.62
	- Diluted (in Rupees)	2.01	1.47	2.01	1.47	9.77	5.62	9.77	5.62

1 The above results were reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee & approved by the Board of Directors of Kamdhenu Limited at their respective meetings held on 30th May, 2022. The audited financial results for the quarter and year ended 31st March, 2022 have been audited by the Statutory Auditors of the Company. The Statutory Auditors have expressed unmodified opinion on the standalone and consolidated financial statements.

2 The Hon'ble National Company Law Tribunal, Chandigarh Bench, Chandigarh ('NCLT') during the hearing held on 22nd April, 2022, has reserved the order on the Scheme of Arrangements ('Scheme') including the De-merger of the Paint Business of the Company into a separate entity. The order is pending to be pronounced by the NCLT. Accordingly, no disclosure of accounting effect of such amalgamation and de-merger in the books of accounts of the Company has been made in the financial statements for the financial year 2021-22.

3 The Board of Directors of the Company in their meeting held on 30th May, 2022 have recommended dividend of Rs 1/- per share for the financial year ended 31st March, 2022 for the approval of shareholders.

4 The above is an extract of the detailed format of audited quarterly and yearly results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 . The full format of the audited financial results are available on the Stock Exchange websites, **www.bseindia.com**, **www.nseindia.com** and on the company website **www.kamdhenulimited.com**

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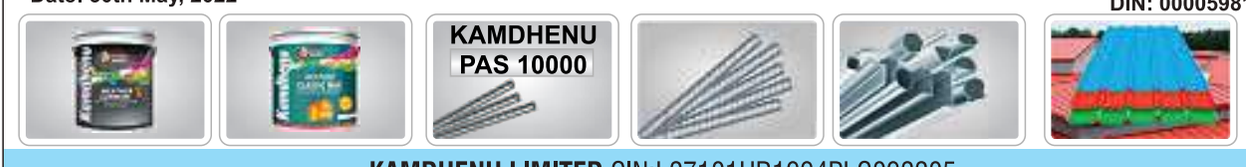

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May 29	357	374	0	19,478
May 30	212	349	1	8,768
Total	1,486*	18,78,828	26,209	3,85,09,349

*Total active cases in Delhi

NOIDA	May 29	May 30
Cases	N/A	N/A
Deaths	N/A	N/A
GURGAON		
Cases	114	128
Deaths	0	0

2 DEAD IN RAIN-RELATED INCIDENTS, SEVERAL TREES UPROOTED

Capital taken by storm, chaos on the roads

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

A WARM and humid afternoon in Delhi-NCR on Monday was followed by a fierce thunderstorm, hail, and strong winds in the evening that left dozens of trees uprooted and a part of the Jama Masjid damaged.

The finial atop the middle dome of the Jama Masjid was damaged in the squall on Monday. Syed Ahmed Bukhari, Shahi Imam of the Jama Masjid, said two pieces of the finial had fallen, while another piece was still on the roof. "The piece still on the roof is tilted and stuck. If it falls, it could drag down parts of the wall in front of it. In some parts, stones also fell. Three people were injured," he said. The height of the finial would be around 10-12 ft, he said, and it is as old as the masjid.

"Only ASI will be able to repair this since the expertise is with them. We are writing to the DG of the ASI requesting them to send a team to fix it," he said. Stones from the minaret of the masjid had fallen in a storm last year, while cracks had developed in the northern dome due to seepage.

With large trees keeling over during the squall, some roads had to be temporarily closed off and the capital saw traffic jams that lasted hours.

At least two people died —in Central Delhi, a 50-year-old man died after a portion of a balcony fell on him outside his house near Jama Masjid and in North Delhi's Angoori Bagh, a 65-year-old homeless man, who was resting near a tree on a footpath, died after the tree fell on him.

Between 2.30 pm and 5.30 pm, the Safdarjung weather observatory that serves as a marker for the city recorded 17.8 mm of rainfall, which is considered 'moderate' according to the IMD.

The Lodhi Road weather station recorded a higher amount at 20 mm, along with hail, while the Ridge in North Delhi recorded 15 mm. The observatory at Palam recorded the lowest at 0.4 mm.

Winds with an immense speed of around 100 kmph were recorded at Safdarjung observatory, while Palam recorded a speed of around 70 kmph. It was categorised as a 'severe thunderstorm', as per IMD scientists. Winds of similar speed were seen in 2018, when the Safdarjung station recorded 109 kmph on May 13, and 98 kmph on June 1.

The temperature at Safdarjung saw a steep fall of around 15 degrees, from 40 to 25 degrees Celsius between 4.20 pm and 5.40 pm.

The rainfall was brought by a western disturbance that lies over northern Pakistan, affecting northwest India. "Along with the western disturbance, the build-up of moisture and wind conditions... easterly winds... contribute to severe thunderstorms like this one, which might happen once in three or four years," said R K Jenamani, scientist, IMD.

"The western disturbance was already there, and the high humidity triggered the system," he added. The city saw a thunderstorm and rainfall last week as well, which resulted in a fall in temperature, and suppressed heatwave conditions.

Till Sunday, the Safdarjung station had recorded 29.9 mm of rainfall, which was already in excess of the normal of 19.7 mm for the month. With the additional 17.8 mm recorded till 5.30 pm on Monday, the month has witnessed 47.7 mm of rain.

On Tuesday, partly cloudy skies and very light rain or thundershowers are likely, along with a maximum temperature of 40 degrees Celsius. Over the next six days, the maximum temperature could range from 40 to 42 degrees Celsius.

At Daryaganj and other areas, large trees keeled over during the squall. *Praveen Khanna*

The finial atop the middle dome of the Jama Masjid was damaged in the squall on Monday. *Praveen Khanna*

SUMMER SHOWERS

RAIN BETWEEN 2.30 PM AND 5.30 PM

FALL IN TEMPERATURE — 40° CELSIUS TO 25° CELSIUS (BETWEEN 4.20 PM AND 5.40 PM AT SFD)

RAINFALL DATA THIS SUMMER

MONTH	ACTUAL	NORMAL
March	0 mm	15.9 mm
April	0.3 mm	12.2 mm
May	47.7 mm	19.7 mm

WIND SPEED
100 KMPH At Safdarjung
70 KMPH Palam

COMPLAINTS OF FALLEN TREES ACROSS THE CITY
- MCD received over 80
- PWD received 110-120
- Police received 294 PCR calls till 8 pm

Eagle with a tracker lands in Rashtrapati Bhavan

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

AN EAGLE, tagged with a tracking device, was found dead on the lawns of the Rashtrapati Bhavan Monday evening, leading to a security scare among Delhi Police personnel and central intelligence agencies.

Following an enquiry, however, it was found that Mumbai-based officials involved in wildlife conservation had attached the device to the bird in an effort to track its movement and get information about its resting places, speed, and food.

The eagle was found after rain and strong wind lashed parts of Delhi. "After the rain stopped, at 4.45 pm, security agencies found the eagle on the lawn and went to pick it up. They were taken aback on finding a satellite tracking device attached to it and immediately flashed a message to the control room," a senior police officer said.

Officials of intelligence agencies, security wing of Delhi Police and special cell were informed. "They scanned the device and found a note, mentioning the Mumbai-based officials, and asked a team to verify the same," the officer said, adding that nothing suspicious was found.

With Kejriwal since beginning, Jain has run into rough weather earlier too

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

DELHI CABINET minister Satyendar Jain, arrested by the Enforcement Directorate on Monday in a case of alleged money laundering, has faced rough weather in the past too.

Among the closest aides of Chief Minister and Aam Aadmi Party national convener Arvind Kejriwal, Jain, the AAP MLA from Shakur Basti, was part of the anti-corruption movement headed by Anna Hazare in 2011. He joined Kejriwal when the AAP was formed a year later.

The Central Bureau of Investigation had opened an investigation against Jain in 2018 with regard to alleged irregularities in awarding a tender for a creative team for the Public Works Department to a private firm.

While a case was registered, a closure report was recently filed by CBI for want of evidence. In 2016, a controversy surrounding Jain's daughter brought him into the spotlight. His daughter, also an architect, was appointed an advisor for mohalla clinics in the city. Following allegations of nepotism, she resigned from the post. Jain had at the time rubbished the allegations, saying the post was honorary and she was not being paid for her work.

The case for which Jain has been arrested was filed in 2017 by the Enforcement Directorate under the Prevention of Corruption Act. He has been accused of laundering money through four companies associated with him. Jain as well as the AAP have maintained that he resigned from these companies in 2013 and was not associated with or aware of their activities since then.

In 2017, BJP's Kapil Mishra, who was earlier a minister in the Delhi government cabinet, had alleged that Jain had given Rs 2 crore in cash to Kejriwal at his residence. He made these allegations days after he was removed from his post as a minister. He then quit AAP and joined BJP a few months later.

In 2020, Mishra tendered an unconditional apology to Jain before a Delhi court, stating that his allegations of graft were "politically motivated and wrong".

Jain was born in Baghpat and studied in Delhi. An architect, he worked at the Central Public Works Department but quit to start his architecture consultancy firm. He is one of Kejriwal's closest aides and advisors in the party.

Kejriwal has formed a government thrice now — in 2013 (49 days), 2015 (full term) and 2020. Jain has been part of the cabinet in all three governments, and has held the health portfolio since the beginning.

"Jain has earned the CM's trust over the years and is known for being someone who focuses on work and delivers. He has headed challenging departments like health and power, and managed to deliver on several projects," said a senior party leader.

Arrested by ED on Monday

BJP, CONGRESS USE ARREST TO TARGET AAP

New Delhi: **Soon after the arrest of Delhi minister Satyendar Jain by the Enforcement Directorate for alleged money laundering, the opposition BJP and Congress hit out at the Aam Aadmi Party and said the incident has punctured the government's "tall claims of honesty". BJP MP Manoj Tiwari said: "The question that needs to be asked is under whose support was this happening? Will CM Arvind Kejriwal resign now? They were trying to teach the world honesty and now their own minister has come out as *hawala karobari*." BJP Delhi unit chief Adesh Gupta said the party has been saying all along that Jain is a dishonest and corrupt leader. Gupta said that just before the Punjab elections, Kejriwal had said Jain was going to be arrested by the ED. "This was not an accidental statement; he knew of Jain's corruption," he claimed.**

Delhi Congress head Anil Kumar alleged: "The arrest should have been made a long time back... I have said earlier too, that 80% MLAs either have FIRs against them or have experienced prison time." ENS

BRIEFLY

Water samples from Gurgaon condo found unfit: Health dept report

Gurgaon: Three days after 96 residents of Westend Heights condominium in DLF 5 reported sick with symptoms of nausea and vomiting, prompting the health department to check for contamination, the report of the water bacteriological lab at civil hospital has found that the water samples collected from a storage tank and a flat in the society are unfit for consumption. Virender Yadav, chief medical officer, Gurgaon, said, "Samples from two sources were found unfit for consumption and a report has been sent to civic authorities concerned and district administration for further action."

Fill up unfilled EWS seats in 5 years: HC

New Delhi: With the government saying over132 private schools have been found violating conditions pertaining to admission of students from the economically weaker section, the HC directed the state to ensure backlog of such unfilled seats is filled up in next five years, in addition to mandated 25% reservation. **ENS**

BJP vs BJP in East Delhi unit, Gambhir in eye of storm

ABHINAV RAJPUT
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

DISCONTENT HAS surfaced in the BJP's East Delhi unit, with district president from Shahdara Ram Kishore Sharma writing a letter to the state unit head, demanding action against Gandhi Nagar MLA Anil Bajpai for "conspiring" against East Delhi MP Gautam Gambhir.

Sharma, in a letter to state president Adesh Gupta, accused the MLA of issuing false statements against Gambhir to the media and of constantly speaking against the party.

Bajpai hit back, saying that he has never spoken against the MP or the party. "I have no ill will against him (Gambhir). I have never engaged in anti-party activities," he said.

According to Sharma, he and former councillor Ramesh Gupta had gone to watch an IPL match between Lucknow Super Giants and Royal Challengers Bangalore in Kolkata's Eden Gardens on May 25. Gambhir, who is the mentor of Lucknow Super Giants, was staying in a bio bubble along with team members and was not allowed to meet anyone closely.

Sharma, in the letter, said Gambhir arranged for them to stay in the same hotel as him and they went to meet him.

An aide of Gambhir claimed: "As the MP was quarantining, he met the district president and former councillor from a distance. However, the MLA from Gandhi Nagar claimed that Gambhir meets *karyakartas* at a distance or uses sanitiser after meeting them."

Bajpai, however, said the district president should have clarified things with him first. "It is he (Sharma) who has engaged in anti-party activities by writing such a letter," he said.

When contacted, Gambhir told *The Indian Express* that everything is in the public domain and such things have been happening for a long time: "It is for the state leadership to decide if they want it to be this way or take some action."

Gupta said he is yet to see the letter.

BJP MP Gautam Gambhir with Shahdara district president Ram Kishore Sharma (far right). *Express*

UPSC topper's success shines spotlight on residential coaching academy in Jamia: 'We listen to students'

ARANYA SHANKAR
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

JAMIA MILLIA Islamia's Residential Coaching Academy (RCA), from where UPSC AIR 1 Shruti Sharma did her coaching, has produced over 260 civil servants ever since it was established in 2010. The RCA provides free coaching to underprivileged sections and has over the years hit headlines for many of their students clearing the UPSC exams.

"Ever since its inception in 2010, RCA has produced more than 266 Civil Servants and 403 in other Central and State Services, including many All India rankers, like Mr Junaid Ahmad (AIR-3) in 2017 and Mr Faiz Aquil Ahmad (AIR-17) in 2013," said Jamia PRO Ahmed Azeem.

"RCA provides free coaching and training to underprivileged students from four categories — women, minority, SCs and STs — with 24x7 library facility and an ecosystem which is one of the best in the country for aspirants of the Civil Services and other competitive examinations. They are selected through an all-India test," he said.

Jamia's RCA began as a project by the UGC for five universities — Aligarh Muslim University, Jamia Hamdard, Jamia Millia Islamia, MANUU in Hyderabad and Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow. The RCA at Jamia was the last to start in 2010.

"I think we are successful based on three pillars — good team of teachers in the beginning, good and serious students that are filtered through the all India tests, and good ecosystem that includes 24x7 library, group discussions, mock interviews and a very good campus," said Mohammad Tarique, Deputy Director RCA and Associate Professor.

For teaching, the RCA usually hires teachers from the outside, although sometimes teachers within the university also take classes.

"We get professional trainers from Mukherjee Nagar and Rajinder Nagar usually because you know university teachers are different in terms of teaching. Some time on some topics on certain issues like economics and history, we do invite some internal faculty also. If we conduct around 200 classes, usually 5-6 would be internal, the rest are by external coaches," said Tarique.

The RCA usually covers around 600 to 700 hours of classes in one year of coaching, but this was affected during the pandemic. Still, it has continued to perform, with several students clearing the UPSC each year. This year, 23 students from the RCA cleared the UPSC.

The popularity has been such that the channel Sudarshan News had in 2020 done a show on the "infiltration of Muslims" in the civil services through the RCA and termed it "UPSC Jihad". Jamia had then written to the Ministry against the "tarnishing" of its image, and the I&B Ministry, in its affidavit to the Supreme Court, said the news show could promote "communal attitudes".

As the RCA gains more recognition, Tarique said there is an urgent need to increase the honorarium of teachers. "As of now we are paying Rs 1,500 for 90 minutes. Most people charge Rs 8,000-9,000 for one hour. Many of them come out of their conviction because they wanted to do something for the underprivileged. But otherwise who will work at such rates? We should give at least 50% of the market rate," he said, adding that he had raised the issue with the UGC.

He said the success of the coaching academy also lies in its "bottom up approach". "We listen to the students about which classes they want more and what mock tests are benefitting them and adjust accordingly. It is not a top down approach like in most other places," said Tarique.

Shruti Sharma. *Praveen Khanna*

2 escape from police custody

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
GURGAON, MAY 30

TWO MEN, who were lodged in Bhondsi district jail, managed to escape from police custody Monday evening. Police said the duo was taken to a hospital in Delhi for a medical check-up and were on their way back when the incident took place. Gurgaon Police Commissioner, Kala Ramchandran, said, "One was accused in a rape case and another in a robbery case. We are looking into the actual circumstances of the escape. We suspect the complicity of police officers escorting them."

The two men have been identified as Rakesh and Abhijit. The commissioner said they had no association with any gang.

Preet Pal, ACP crime, said: "Prima facie, probe has found that while returning, the two men and police officers accompanying them stopped at a hotel in Gurgaon, before escaping. The exact circumstances are being probed. We are questioning the police officers... Action will be taken against them if their complicity in abetting the escape is established."

What's in a name? A lot for Karim's as High Court rules in its favour in trademark suit

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE DELHI High Court restrained Mumbai-based businessman Kareem Dhanani, who runs 41 restaurants across India, Dubai, Abu Dhabi, and Canada, from opening any further eateries with names identical to Karim's, including Karim, Kareem or Kareem's. It also directed him to issue public notices in newspapers stating that his restaurant chain is not associated with popular Delhi-based Karim's, which has been in existence since 1913.

The order on the trademark battle between the two restaurant chains has been passed in a suit filed by Karim Hotel Private Limited, which is the proprietor of the well-known trademark "KARIM/KARIM'S/KAREEM". Karim's is known for its Mughlai food and has its flagship restaurant near Jamia Masjid.

Karim's in February had filed a suit alleging that Kareem Dhanani was using an identical mark, 'Kareem's', for his eateries and sought a permanent injunction against the alleged infringement. It was argued in court that Karim's founder hails from a line of ancestors, who were *shahi khansamas* or royal cooks in the Mughal Empire and developed a line of cuisine commonly and popularly known as Mughlai food.

"The Defendant shall also ensure that in restaurants run by him or by his franchises, no representation is made to customers that Defendant is associated with the Plaintiff — KARIM/ KARIM'S/ KAREEM Restaurant from Jama Masjid or Delhi," said Justice Prathiba M Singh in an order released Monday.

The court further said all advertisements and promotional materials and menus, as well as promotions on social media and online platforms, shall carry a prominent disclaimer saying, "No connection with KARIM'S Jama Masjid/Delhi". The interim stay will continue till August 8, the next date of hearing before the court.

Justice Singh noted that it is admitted Kareem adopted the mark in 2003, which is almost 90 years after Karim's adoption. "Considering... that the Plaintiff is the prior user, adopter and owner of the marks 'KARIM/ KARIM'S/ KAREEM', continued use of the said mark by Defendant would result in passing off and deception," said the bench.

'That speech is in bad taste does not make it terrorist activity': HC on Umar's speech

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE DELHI High Court, which had last month termed activist Umar Khalid's speech at Amravati in February 2020 as offensive, obnoxious and hateful, Friday said that while it may be distasteful, it did not amount to "terrorist activity". The speech forms part of the chargesheet against Khalid in the larger conspiracy case of Northeast Delhi riots in which provisions of UAPA have been invoked.

"That the speech is in bad taste does not make it a terrorist activity. We understand that extremely well. If the case of the prosecution is premised on how offensive the speech was, that by itself will not constitute an offence. We will give them (prosecution) an opportunity once you conclude. Offensive and distasteful it was. It may tantamount to defamation. It may tantamount to other offences but it does not amount to a terrorist activity," said the division bench of Justices Siddharth Mridul and Rajnish Bhatnagar.

The court made the observation after Khalid's counsel, senior advocate Trideep Pais, referred to the speech in his arguments during the hearing of Khalid's bail appeal. When Pais submitted that a witness had told police that "so and so told me he (Khalid) gave a provocative speech", Justice Mridul observed that the "expression 'provocative' does not make anything provocative".

On April 22, the division bench had said, "This is offensive, obnoxious. Don't you think? These expressions being used, don't you think they incite people? You say things like *aap ke purvaj angrezon ki dalali kar rahe the*, you don't think it is offensive? It is offensive per se."

The bail appeal was adjourned for the next hearing on July 4, the date on which Pais is likely to conclude his arguments.

Since the prosecution is yet to start arguments in the case, the court observed it may not be possible to conclude the matter before Friday, the last working day before summer vacation. The court closes for vacation in June and will reopen on July 4. "This matter has taken more than we envisaged that it would. We can have it only on reopening now...," said the court, adding that Khalid's case cannot be heard on a day-to-day basis at the cost of others.

Converting old cars into EVs to be made simpler

GAYATHRI MANI
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

TO MAKE retrofitting of vehicles easy, transparent and accessible to the public, the Delhi transport department is planning to make the entire process online — from applying for fuel conversion to details about manufacturers, products, cost, dealers and how to apply for kits.

Following the orders of the National Green Tribunal, the Delhi government had last year announced scrapping of 15-year-old petrol vehicles and 10-year-old diesel vehicles. In January, around 1 lakh diesel vehicles were deregistered, and the transport department gave three choices — to get the vehicle scrapped from empanelled dealers, or to get it converted to electric with government-approved retrofitting kits, or to obtain a no-objection certificate and sell such vehicles outside the national capital.

"The retrofitting will allow people to continue to use their costly vehicles rather than getting them scrapped, and will also be beneficial for the environment," said an official.

However, some officials cautioned that the kits are costly, and come at different prices for different vehicle models. For instance, a kit for a car like Swift Dzire is Rs 5 lakh.

Petrol vehicles older than 15 years and diesel vehicles older than 10 years can't ply on Delhi roads. *Praveen Khanna*

According to a senior official, the processes will be taken online and updated on the Vahan software. The transport department also held a meeting with the Nation Informatics Centre (NIC) in this regard on Monday.

"Vendors for manufacturing the retrofitting of old petrol and diesel vehicles have been approved by the International Centre for Automotive Technologies (ICAT) and Automotive Research Association of India (ARAI). These companies will be regulators, and will establish dealers and centres where the public can apply for the conversion of vehicles. To make the process easy and transparent, a mapping of all manufacturers and approved kits, details about the engine and its make, dealers and workshops, etc will be made available online," said Ashish Kundra, principal secretary cum commissioner, transport department.

Kundra said ICAT and ARAI have approved 11 retrofitting kit manufacturers. "We are preparing a framework and master data to make the process hassle-free," he added. He said the scheme will be approved in 10-15 days, and Vahan software will be updated.

Explaining the process, a transport department official said, "There are two processes, one is about what is available and the other is how to use it. The first one is for the suppliers or manufacturers. They will put details, like their location, products, the type of vehicles they are supplying the engines/kits for, and approved kits."

The second is for consumers, where they get information on how to apply, product suitable for their vehicle, dealers and workshops. "After getting details about empanelled kits, consumers can apply online, visit nearby centres, see the model and pay if they are happy with the product. Even after getting the vehicle retrofitted, vehicle owner will not have to go to the motor licensing officer for in-person approval. The approval will be done online," said the official.

Residents rescued after fire in Dwarka

ARNAV CHANDRASEKHAR
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

AS MANY as 52 residents of a five-storey apartment building in Dwarka's Uttam Nagar area were rescued after a fire broke out in the parking lot on Monday. Five people sustained burn injuries and were shifted to Safdarjung Hospital.

The Delhi Fire Services dispatched four fire tenders after receiving a call at 1.30 am. DFS chief Atul Garg said it took two hours to rescue residents. "The fire started from an electricity meter board. We had some time to evacuate residents as it was a slow-spreading fire in the basement," he said. Ten vehicles were gutted, said officials. Police said action will be taken as per the complaint. No FIR has been registered so far.

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DU doubles down on Stephen's against 85:15 admission policy

SUKRITA BARUAH
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

DELHI UNIVERSITY has doubled down on its directions to St Stephen's College to do away with admission interviews to its general seats, stating that the rationale for interviews has become redundant with the introduction of the Common University Entrance Test, and will only introduce subjectivity to a standardised process, eventually leading to discrimination.

DU has also reiterated that it will not recognise admissions conducted in violation of its policies, and will consider them null and void. "Prolonging the discussion... shall be antithetic to the smooth and timely conduct of admissions and would unnecessarily lead to confusion and inconvenience to the candidates seeking admission...," it has communicated to the college.

In its communications with DU, the college has maintained that it has the right to follow its admission policy as a minority institution, and has referred to the 1992 Supreme Court judgement which allowed it to go ahead with its interview system.

In a letter to St Stephen's principal John Varghese on Monday, Registrar Vikas Gupta has written that the Supreme Court judgement has to be "read in the light of facts and circumstances".

"... the judgement has no direct relevance in changed facts and circumstances as admissions are going to be done based on merit obtained ...through... common entrance test... adding a score based on interview to score ... obtained through a standardised, statistically robust procedure would introduce subjectivity... and eventually lead to discrimination...," he has written.

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Whereas Dharam Singh, Ravinder Singh, Jitender Singh & Kalyan Singh is in the process of undertaking of development of an Affordable Plotted Colony (DDJAY-2016), over an area measuring 5.0458 acres (after migration from License No. 36 of 2019 dated 1.03.2019 granted for an area measuring 5.0458 acres for setting up of Affordable Group Housing Colony)falling in the revenue estate of Village Wazirpur, Sector 95A, Distt. Gurugram, Haryana has been examined /considered by the department under the policy issued vide memo no. PF-27A/2700 dated 08.02.2016.

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And whereas the o/o Director, Town & Country Planning (Haryana), Chandigarh, while granting LOI vide Memo No. LC-3717-B/JE (DS)/2022/14693 dated 27.05.2022, has required seeking of any objections/ suggestions regarding the migration of license in the compliance of his office order dated 25.1.2021.

Accordingly, vide this public notice, objections are hereby invited from the general public on the provisional approved layout plan.

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Place: Gurugram
Date: 31-5-2022

For Dharam Singh, Ravinder Singh, Jitender Singh & Kalyan Singh
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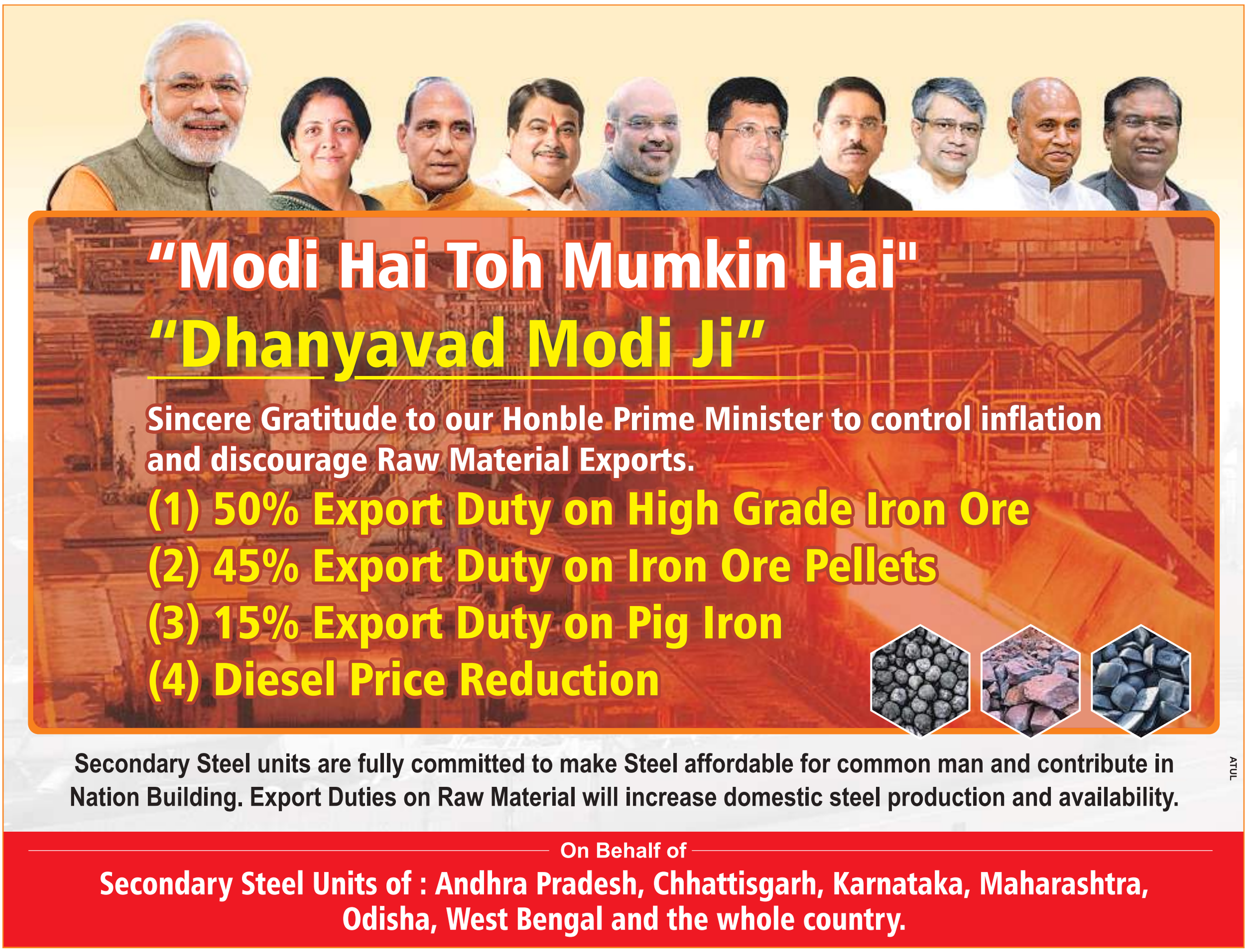

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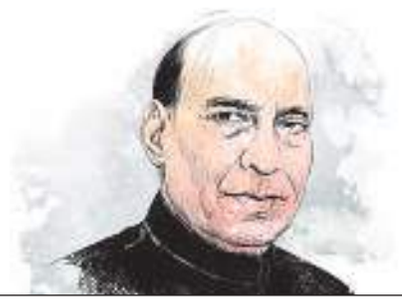

DELAYED BY STORM

THE SUDDEN storm on Monday evening marred elaborate preparations made by BJP to celebrate completion of eight years in government. On a day party president J P Nadda addressed the media, there were elaborate arrangements for a high tea in the central courtyard of BJP headquarters. The storm and the rain, however, spoiled the arrangements — the staff had to make alternate arrangements in about half-an-hour. While Union ministers Dharmendra Pradhan, Smriti Irani, Anurag Thakur were at the party office before 4 pm, senior ministers Amit Shah and Rajnath Singh joined later for an informal interaction with the media. Singh got delayed due to the mayhem caused by the storm on roads. He got stuck on his way back from the party office, too.

DHARNA PRESSURE

THE MONOTONY of holding court during vacations gave way to hearty laughter in Supreme Court on Monday as senior advocate Kapil Sibal told a bench of Justices Ajay Rastogi and B V Nagarathna that "nowadays there are too many dharnas outside my house". The message was not lost on anyone as Sibal had recently exited the Congress and will return to Rajya Sabha with Samajwadi Party's support. The remarks came during mentioning hours — when matters that require urgent hearing are brought to notice of the sitting judge. Justice Rastogi was advising the Bar that it should give more chances to junior lawyers, at least when the court is on summer vacation, when Sibal made the comment, albeit in a lighter vein.

HEALTH ADVISORY

WEST BENGAL Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee's conversation with the chairman of a civic board in the state's Purulia district left netizens in splits on Monday. In the video clip, Banerjee could be seen expressing concern, albeit in a jocular manner, about the gentleman's paunch. The response of Suresh Agarwal, chairman of Jhalda civic board that he exercises regularly however cut no ice with Banerjee, who advised him to cut down on snacking.

RAJYA SABHA POLLS

Heartburn in Cong; party straying from Udaipur resolve, say leaders

MANOJ C G
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE CONGRESS'S list of 10 Rajya Sabha nominees released on Sunday has, as expected, led to heartburn among a section of party leaders with questions being asked about whether the leadership has already strayed from the spirit of the Udaipur declaration made two weeks ago.

On Sunday, the Congress announced its 10 candidates from seven states, renominating loyalists and MPs P Chidambaram and Jairam Ramesh, and denying berths to G23 leaders Ghulam Nabi Azad and Anand Sharma. The party also brought in leaders from other states to contest from Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh and Haryana. The omissions and commissions on the list have triggered another round of intense speculation, especially on the way forward for those who haven't made it.

Those in the establishment say that the party, with its limited number of Rajya Sabha berths, cannot keep everyone happy while those who are unhappy argue that the spirit of the Udaipur declaration has been violated.

The high point of the Udaipur declaration was the decision to enforce the 'one family, one ticket' rule. But the rule came with a rider that in the case of a family that's politically active in the Congress, a second member will be considered for an election ticket only after five years of organisational experience. It was this rider that the party invoked when it fielded P Chidambaram (his son Karti is a Lok Sabha MP) and Uttar Pradesh leader Pramod Tewari (his daughter Aradhana Misra is one of the two Congress MLAs in UP).

"All the high-sounding principles of Udaipur were thrown to the wolves. The only principle that matters in the Congress is that you show me the man, I will show you the rule," said a senior Congress leader. "There may be no violation in letter but the spirit has been denigrated," another leader said.

While G23 leaders Azad and Anand Sharma are upset, they are holding their horses for now. Sources said Congress president Sonia Gandhi had personally conveyed to them that they will not be considered for Rajya Sabha. Both were recently included into the toothless 'political affairs group', the setting up of which Sonia had announced in Udaipur with a rider that it will not be a "collective decision-making body" – something the G23 leaders have been demanding.

Questions are also being raised about the age factor.

"Denying nominations to Azad and Sharma is perhaps a prudent decision but what about Chidambaram? He is 76. The stress at Udaipur was on bringing more youngsters and fresh faces into leadership roles," a leader said.

A Congress leader who is considered close to the Gandhis countered: "Imran Pratapgarhi is in his early 30s. Ranjeet Ranjan is 48. Maken and Surjewala are in their 50s. So there is an attempt to balance," the leader said.

Manish Tewari, another G23 leader, said Rajya Sabha has become a political parking lot for all parties and argued that the time has come to ask the question: "why does India need a second Federal Chamber"?

"Can Indian Democracy not function without it? The Federal First chamber, the Lok Sabha, should confine in existence till a new Lok Sabha is constituted so that Parliament becomes an institution in continuum," Tewari told *The Indian Express*.

But it is the decision to field leaders from other states in party-ruled Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh, where Assembly elections are due next year, that has surprised many.

The party has nominated Randeep Singh Surjewala, Mukul Wasnik and Pramod Tiwari from Rajasthan, and Rajeev Shukla and Ranjeet Ranjan from Chhattisgarh.

"Ajay Maken, who is from Delhi, has been given the ticket from Haryana and Randeep Surjewala, who is from Haryana, has been accommodated from Rajasthan. Mukul Wasnik, who is from Maharashtra, has been given a ticket from Rajasthan and Imran Pratapgarhi, who is from UP, has been fielded from Maharashtra. He is a non-entity in Maharashtra. The list is a big joke," one leader said.

P Chidambaram after filing his nomination for Rajya Sabha elections, at Tamil Nadu Secretariat in Chennai, Monday. *PTI*

Dhananjay Mahadik, Piyush Goyal and Anil Bonde with Devendra Fadnavis after filing nominations. *Amit Chakravarty*

With 3 BJP candidates, Maharashtra set to witness fierce contest

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
MUMBAI, MAY 30

WHILE RULING out horse trading, all three candidates of the BJP whose names were cleared by Centre filed nominations for the Rajya Sabha polls on Monday. Union minister Piyush Goyal, former state agriculture minister Anil Bonde and former MP Dhananjay Mhadik filed their nominations at in presence of top state leadership.

The elections for the six Rajya Sabha seats from Maharashtra are scheduled on June 10.

The Bharatiya Janata Party's (BJP) decision to field a third candidate has made the Rajya Sabha polls interesting with a fight poised between Mhadik and Shiv Sena's Sanjay Pawar. Both hail from Kolhapur city in Western Maharashtra.

Speaking to the media after filing of nominations, opposition leader Devendra Fadnavis said, "We have fielded three candidates and are confident of their victory. We are tooth and nail opposed to horse trading. Our decision to field a third candidate was based on our strategy that we have adequate votes."

Fadnavis said, "Our political rivals are making baseless charge of horse trading as they are not confident to get their own candidates elected."

The Shiv Sena has fielded two candidates – Sanjay Raut and Pawar. The Sena's decision to field the second candidate is being viewed as an attempt to show its mights vis a vis the BJP.

On the other hand, the Congress's lone candidate, Imran Pratapgadi, who filed the nomination papers on Monday, is in a comfortable position.

NCP's Praful Patel, too, is sitting pretty. NCP state president Jayant Patil said, "We are confident that all the candidates fielded by the Sena, the NCP and the Congress will emerge with flying colours."

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh at the 39th Commanders' Conference of ICG in New Delhi on Monday. *PTI*

Peace in Indian Ocean Region key to global prosperity: Rajnath

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

DEFENCE MINISTER Rajnath Singh on Monday stressed on the need to maintain maritime preparedness in the constantly-changing global scenario as well as create a rule-based, peaceful environment in the Indian Ocean Region which is essential for regional and global prosperity.

Addressing the three-day 39th Annual Commanders' Conference of the Indian Coast Guard here on its first day, Singh said that there has been a shift in India's maritime security needs due to the ever-evolving global situation.

Speaking about the importance of a free and open Indo-Pacific, Singh termed the region as an important aspect of India's maritime security.

"The growing regional and global trade in this region has brought forth new challenges. Geopolitical tensions and clash of strategic interests have led to traditional security challenges. Terrorism, drug trafficking and piracy are some non-traditional challenges in front of us today.

"Being a responsible maritime power, we have a clear interest to create a rule-based, peaceful and stable environment. Such a rule-based environment is essential for both regional and global prosperity. In such a situation, the ICG has a big role to play."

"The safety of these sea routes is not only directly connected to our economic interests, but it also establishes India as a Net Security Provider in IOR," he said.

Disappointing, says Cong, as JMM names candidate

ABHISHEK ANGAD
RANCHI, MAY 30

JHARKHAND CHIEF Minister Hemant Soren on Monday announced Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) women's wing chief Mahua Manjhi as the ruling alliance's Rajya Sabha candidate, much to the chagrin of Congress leaders.

The decision came after JMM, which is in alliance with Congress in Jharkhand, had fielded Shibu Soren as candidate for the Upper House in 2020, leading to an 'unwritten agreement' that a Congress leader would be made the candidate this year.

On Sunday evening, after a two-hour meeting with Congress chief Sonia Gandhi, Soren announced that there was no difference between the parties. On Monday, he said he spoke to his father Shibu Soren briefly about the candidate.

"There is resentment, as JMM seems to be not considering us as alliance partner at a time when Guru-ji (Shibu Soren) was already fielded as an RS candidate earlier," former Jharkhand Congress chief Sukhdeo Bhagat said. "Ideologically our rival in BJP, but on ground we have another opposition — JMM. We are losing our voter base to them."

Congress's central leadership, too, seems upset with Hemant Soren "unilaterally" announcing its candidate, sources said.

AICC general secretary in-charge of Jharkhand, Avinash Pande, met Sonia Gandhi on Monday and apprised her of the situation. "We expected, and we believed, that there should be a common candidate. The coalition should have given a common candidate," Pande told The Indian Express. "We were expecting a positive response from JMM, but they announced their candidate. It is disappointing."

But Pande said there is no threat to the coalition government in the state, as "Rajya Sabha is not the only thing". He said, "From our side we are following the coalition dharma. We expect them also to follow coalition dharma." **—INPUTS FROM MANOJ CG IN DELHI**

Wrong... reconsider: Gehlot aide on Cong choices from Rajasthan

DEEP MUKHERJEE
JAIPUR, MAY 30

THERE WERE murmurs of discontent from within the ranks of the Congress in Rajasthan after the party named outsiders for all the three Rajya Sabha seats falling vacant in July.

The Congress has nominated Randeep Singh Surjewala, Mukul Wasnik and Pramod Tiwari from Rajasthan – the only other state besides Chhattisgarh where the Congress has a majority government of its own currently.

Independent MLA from Sirohi Sanyam Lodha, who is also advisor to Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, questioned the party's decision on Twitter.

"The Congress party should tell the reason for not making any Congress leader / worker from Rajasthan candidates in the Rajya Sabha elections," Lodha posted.

Speaking to *The Indian Express*, Lodha said while the BJP had given an example of "political strategy" by nominating Ghanshyam Tiwari for the Rajya Sabha elections, Congress workers from Rajasthan are disappointed at not being considered.

"Prima facie, everybody is feeling bad that not even one person from Rajasthan was nominated from any of the three seats. This is wrong. The Congress should reconsider the names," Lodha said.

Meanwhile, Ghanshyam Tiwari, met former CM Vasundhara Raje at her residence in Jaipur on Monday.

Taking to Twitter, the former CM tweeted, "BJP Rajasthan Rajya Sabha candidate Shri Ghanshyam Tiwari met me at my Jaipur residence. I congratulated him in advance and wished him all the best."

Sanyam Lodha

IN CHHATTISGARH, OPP TAUNTS: COULDN'T FIND EVEN ONE IN STATE?

Raipur: Opposition parties in Jharkhand are ridiculing the Congress for fielding outsiders for the Rajya Sabha polls even in Chhattisgarh, one of the only two states where it has a majority.

The Congress on Sunday nominated Rajeev Shukla and Ranjeet Ranjan as candidates. Shukla is the AICC's Himachal Pradesh in-charge and Ranjan is from Bihar.

AAP's state convener Komal Hupendi said while AAP had nominated a leader from Chhattisgarh as its candidate even from Punjab "it's a matter of shame that (Cong leader and CM) Bhupesh Baghel sends Shukla and Ranjan to Rajya Sabha".

"Did Congress not find even one candidate from their ranks in the state? The Congress doesn't want the people of this state to have leadership," BJP Leader of Opposition Dharmlal Kaushik said. **GARGI VERMA**

BJP announces 4 more names; Naqvi not on list

New Delhi: The BJP on Monday nominated four more names for the June 10 Rajya Sabha election and Union Minister Muktar Abbas Naqvi is missing from the list.

The party has so far released 22 names for the elections to 57 vacant seats in the Upper House. Naqvi, who was elected from Jharkhand, is the second Union Minister who is not getting re-elected. Another Union Minister RCP Singh was not re-nominated by his party JD (U).

On Monday, BJP cleared the names of Sumitra Valmiki from Madhya Pradesh, Lahar Singh Siroya from Karnataka, Mithilesh Kumar and K Laxman (both from UP). Party veterans like OP Mathur, BJP general secretary Dushyant Gautam, and Vinay Sahastrabuddhe have not been repeated. The BJP's chief whip in Rajya Sabha Shiv Pratap Shukla was dropped as well.

BJP sources indicated the party could field Naqvi as its candidate from Rampur, where a by election to Lok Sabha will be held after SP leader Azam Khan's resignation as MP. **ENS**

EVACUATED FROM UKRAINE

Centre in talks with Hungary to admit Indian students: Jaishankar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
VADODARA, MAY 30

THE UNION government has been "concerned" about the education of Indian medical students who fled the war-torn Ukraine following the Russian invasion, Union Minister of External Affairs S Jaishankar said in Vadodara Monday.

"We are talking to other nations around Ukraine in order to work out a solution so that Indian students can continue their medical courses in the universities there... We have spoken to Hungary and they are willing to make arrangements to admit as many Indian students whose academics have been interrupted due to the Ukraine conflict. We are taking this issue seriously to help our children as much as we can," Jaishankar said.

The minister, who is on a two-day visit, arrived in Vadodara and distributed financial assistance worth Rs 1.7 crore to 17 children who were orphaned during the Covid-19 pandemic under the PM CARES for Children Scheme.

The 17 beneficiaries received Rs 10 lakh, which the government will deposit into a post office account. Each child will have a post office passbook, Ayushman Card as well as a certificate of the PM CARES fund. Under the scheme, the child will receive a stipend from the age of 18 years until 23 years. Thereafter, the beneficiary will receive the entire amount of Rs 10 lakh.

In addition, as part of the central sponsorship, the child will receive Rs 4,000 per month as well as an equal amount per month from the Chief Minister's Children fund. An additional monthly Rs 3,000 has also been approved under the state government scheme. A scholarship of Rs 20,000 is also given to children who are studying in classes 1 to 12.

On Tuesday, PM Narendra Modi will virtually address the beneficiaries of various government schemes as well as students of MS University for a session of the book titled Modi at 20: Dreams Meet Delivery.

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar

HATE SLOGANS

PFI leader sent to judicial custody for 14 days

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA
ALAPPUZHA, MAY 30

A KERALA COURT sent a Popular Front of India (PFI) leader to 14 days judicial custody on Monday, a day after he was arrested over the alleged provocative slogans raised by a minor boy during a PFI rally on May 21.

A senior police officer said Yahya Thangal, arrested on Sunday, was among the organisers of the PFI's "Save the Republic" event in Alappuzha.

Thangal has also been booked for allegedly making derogatory remarks against judges of the Kerala High Court during a public meeting a few days ago in Alappuzha.

More than 20 people have been arrested so far over the PFI rally, which drew condemnation from all major political parties.

Those arrested include the minor boy's father who told reporters his son had not been taught the slogans but had learnt them at previous rallies.

The boy, police sources said, will soon be sent to a government centre for counselling.

Thrikkakara by-poll: 100th MLA within Left reach, Cong bid to keep Christian votes intact

SHAJU PHILIP
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, MAY 30

THE HIGH-VOLTAGE Thrikkakara Assembly by-poll in Kerala's Ernakulam district will be held on Tuesday after weeks of intense campaigning by both the Left and the Congress-led United Democratic Front (UDF).

For the Left, victory in the by-poll will take its tally in the 140-member House to 100 and will be interpreted as a mandate for the proposed semi-high-speed SilverLine rail corridor that has received a lot of pushback from the Opposition. For the Congress, it will be an electoral test for its new state leadership led by K Sudhakaran, the current state unit president, and Opposition leader V D Satheesan. It will also provide a broad indication of whether Christian votes are with the party. The community forms around 40 per cent of the electorate in Thrikkakara but in recent times several Christian faces have exited the Congress. The UDF has won the constituency since 2011.

The Congress has fielded Uma Thomas, the wife of late legislator P T Thomas whose death necessitated the by-election. The Left candidate is cardiologist Dr Jo Joseph of the CPI(M). The BJP is also in the fray with its seasoned leader A N Radhakrishnan as the candidate.

Left candidate Dr Jo Joseph campaigns for the by-poll in Thrikkakara. *Courtesy: Facebook/CPIM Ernakulam*

For the CPI(M), Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan has campaigned extensively for Dr Joseph over the past two weeks, seeking the support of a large number of working professionals and the middle class in the constituency. The Congress, meanwhile, is keen to show that the ouster of K V Thomas won't affect its prospects. According to political observers, an adverse poll outcome has the potential to trigger a rebellion in the party against Satheesan and Sudhakaran.

Controversies galore

The campaigning period saw often heated exchanges between the ruling coalition and the Congress, amid a host of rows that put on the backburner any debate around the SilverLine Project and the government's development agenda. The first row erupted when CPI(M) introduced Dr Joseph as its candidate from the premises of a Church-run hospital, in presence of Catholic priests. This led to the Opposition painting the cardiologist as a "Church candidate" but the Congress, fearing a backlash, did not push ahead with this line of attack.

In the final stages of the campaign, a row began over a morphed video wrongly attributed to Dr Joseph. The CPI(M) alleged that Congress was behind the "heinous game", and a few Congress leaders were arrested for allegedly circulating the video. The Congress claimed the video had come from CPI(M) circles.

Addressing voters on Friday, Vijayan also hit out at the BJP for trying to get Christian votes even though, he alleged, the Sangh Parivar targets the community. "They (BJP) are wolves in sheep's clothing," the CM added.

The BJP, which is not expected to pose any substantial challenge to the Left and the Congress, focussed on splitting the Christian vote. It labelled both the CPI(M) and the Congress as "anti-Christian" parties that are soft on "Muslim fundamentalism".

FULL REPORT ON www.indianexpress.com

RCP does not need to resign as minister right now: Nitish

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
PATNA, MAY 30

A DAY after the JD(U) denied Union Minister of State for Steel and senior party leader R C P Singh nomination for a third shot at Rajya Sabha, leading to speculation that he will now have to quit from the Union ministry, Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on Monday said Singh does not need to resign as Union minister ahead of the expiry of his tenure.

Nitish's remarks come on a day Singh, in an attempt to deny rumours of a schism in his relation with the JD(U) chief, said he respects the party's decision and reiterated that he had become Union minister with due consent from Nitish.

Singh also said he would now like to work for strengthening the party.

Singh told reporters in Patna that he had good relationships with party national president Rajiv Ranjan Singh or Lalan Singh as well. "Whenever Nitish Kumar would call me, I would be present. I would like to work for organisation.... There are several wings in the organisation that can be rebuilt and strengthened," said Singh.

Asked if Nitish Kumar is a PM material, Singh said: "One needs number to become PM. We are a small party. What is our number?"

RCP Singh said he had not been upset with anyone. "I have a long association (25 years) with Nitish Kumar....I have worked for JD(U) for a long time, moving from villages to villages," said Singh.

JDU leader Khiru Mahto and BJP leaders Satish Chandra Dubey and Shambhu Sharan Patel after filing their nomination papers for Rajya Sabha elections as CM Nitish Kumar looks on, in Patna on Monday. *PTI*

The JD(U) has fielded its Jharkhand unit chief Khiru Mahto while the BJP has considered Satish Chandra Dubey for a second consecutive term besides giving ticket to its Bihar unit secretary Shambhu Sharan Patel.

Nitish asserted that Mahto's candidature has caused no bitterness with RCP Singh, who "has always been given many important responsibilities, including two consecutive Parliament terms. He has been getting recognition since the days he was an IAS officer."

Singh's Rajya Sabha tenure will end in July this year.

"His tenure in Parliament is far from over. The elections are being held before time. There is no need to think of resignation right now," the CM remarked in Patna.

Nitish, however, dodged queries about future prospects of Singh as also of JD(U) which may be left with no representation at the Centre.

"These things will be thought about at a later stage," he remarked. **WITH PTI INPUTS**

IAS OFFICER TO CHIEF MINISTER'S NO.2 TO UNION MINISTER TO NOWHERE MAN

The fall from grace of RCP Singh

SANTOSH SINGH
PATNA, MAY 30

AS R C P Singh looks set to retire from his Rajya Sabha membership come July, and presumably lose the Union Steel Ministry portfolio he currently holds, it might be quite a fall from grace for the leader, who had as quick a rise within the JD(U) ranks.

On Sunday, as the JD(U) and ally BJP declared their Rajya Sabha nominations from Bihar, Singh's name didn't figure in the list of either party. In the run-up to the nominations, there had been feverish speculation that the 63-year-old Singh, who is believed to have fallen out with JD(U) supremo Nitish Kumar, would snag a ticket from the BJP. While the ties between the JD(U) and BJP have been strained lately, the BJP appears to have decided to take the more practical call of siding with Nitish over Singh.

That Singh could even raise this banner of modicum revolt would have once been considered unthinkable. A two-time JD(U) Rajya Sabha MP, R C P Singh — or Ram Chandra Prasad Singh — had made his way into Nitish's close circles keeping a low profile. The only instance observers in Patna recall of his being vocal earlier is when poll strategist Prashant Kishor briefly challenged his authority as de facto number two to Nitish.

RCP Singh addresses the media, in Patna, Monday. *PTI*

An Uttar Pradesh-cadre IAS officer, Singh had first come in contact with Nitish when he was posted as private secretary to then Union minister Beni Prasad Verma in 1996. Nitish and Singh are said to have bonded over the fact that both come from Nalanda district in Bihar and are Kurmi (as was Verma). Nitish is also said to have been impressed with Singh's acumen as a bureaucrat.

When Nitish became Union railway minister, Singh became his special secretary, later following the JD(U) leader through his various portfolios.

After Kumar became CM in November 2005, Singh moved to Bihar. He came to play a key role in postings, and as Nitish's principal secretary, was seen as the CM's voice. Soon, Singh's influence extended to the JD(U).

In 2010, Singh took voluntary retirement and was nominated by the JD(U) to the Rajya Sabha. He was renominated in 2016.

During this time, the only instance of Singh feeling a challenge to his position was when Kishor shot up in the JD(U) like a meteor, and burnt out as quickly. As organisational general secretary of the party, Singh is known to have not taken kindly to the political strategist, appointed JD(U) vice-president, meeting party leaders. The emergence of a second power centre apparently with the blessing of Nitish was noted by all. Eventually, Singh prevailed and Kishor exited.

During the 2020 Bihar Assembly elections, Singh had run into a spot of controversy two days before the first phase of voting, after a violent clash during immersion of a Durga idol left one dead in Munger, allegedly in police firing. Singh faced violent protests when he visited Begusarai, with the Opposition raising the fact that Singh's daughter Lipi Singh was the SP of Munger. The Election Commission later moved Lipi Singh out.

The falling out between Singh and Nitish is believed to have happened during Cabinet formation of the second Narendra Modi government. Nitish, who had refused to join the first Modi government, pondered changing his mind in 2019, but reportedly wanted berths for two — for Singh as well as his other long-time lieutenant, Rajiv Ranjan Singh alias Lalan Singh. When that didn't come through, the JD(U) stayed out.

In the 2021 Cabinet expansion though, R C P Singh surprisingly found place as Union Steel Minister. He reportedly forwarded his name without Nitish's consent, an unforgivable transgression in the party where Nitish's writ runs supreme.

IAF chief VR Chaudhari at the Passing Out Parade at NDA in Pune on Monday. *Arul Horizon*

Russia-Ukraine war has not hit supply of spare parts: Air Chief

SUSHANT KULKARNI
PUNE, MAY 30

CHIEF OF Air Staff Air Chief Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari has said the Russia-Ukraine conflict has "not made a huge impact" on the supply of spare parts of Russian-origin equipment, especially because of the robust stocking policy and efforts of indigenisation.

Air Chief Marshal Chaudhari was interacting with the media after the Passing Out Parade of the 142nd course of the National Defence Academy (NDA) in Pune.

When asked about the impact of the Russia-Ukraine war considering India's import dependence on Russia, the Air Chief Marshal said: "Yes, we are dependent on Russia for a large number of items. But this has not made a huge impact. Our spare stocking policy has been very robust and we have already catered to the future requirements. We have indigenised a large number of spares that we have been importing from Russia for many years. We have a fairly reasonable assurance of not being deprived of spares for the coming few years."

When asked about the intended shift from import dependence to export dominance, he said: "The answer is in "Atma Nirbharta" and efforts towards Make in India. We have said that we will keep global purchases to the minimum. Anything that we require for the future will be made in India."

Answering a question on the recently released Global Air Power ranking in which the Indian Air Force was positioned after the US and Russian forces, surpassing China's PLA Air Force, Air Chief Marshal Chaudhari said: "It was a pleasant surprise to us too. The ranking is based on a total value, which is not only based on the hardware but also the other factors, including diversity of equipment, spares, software, information systems, etc..."

Earlier in his address to the passing out cadets, he said: "You all are joining this noble profession when our country is at the cusp of a technological transformation. All three services have invested heavily in next generation war fighting machines. You, as future operators of these highly potent systems, need to be fully conversant with them. It can be achieved only through rigorous training, dedication and a professional approach."

Remarks on Prophet: Second FIR against BJP's Nupur Sharma

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
MUMBAI, MAY 30

A SECOND FIR was registered against BJP spokesperson Nupur Sharma for remarks she made against Prophet Mohammed during a news debate for allegedly hurting news sentiments. The FIR was registered by Thane police on Monday.

Prior to this on Saturday, the Mumbai police registered an FIR against her.

The second FIR was registered by the Mumbra police in Thane based on a complaint by Mohammad Gufran Khan, a madrassa teacher. As per his statement, he received a link of the news debate on the 'Gyanvapi files' in which Sharma participated on his whatsapp on Saturday. He said that when he saw the comments made by Sharma on the Prophet and his wife his religious sentiments were hurt.

JUDICIARY REMARK

HC disposes of plea seeking action against TMC's Abhishek

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
KOLKATA, MAY 30

THE CALCUTTA High Court on Monday disposed of a petition seeking suo motu proceedings against Trinamool Congress (TMC) general secretary and MP Abhishek Banerjee for his comments against the judiciary.

Kaustav Bagchi, a HC lawyer, moved the division bench of Justices Sabyasachi Bhattacharya and Ajoy Kumar Mukherjee against Banerjee, saying his comments were tantamount to contempt of court and therefore judicial proceedings should be initiated against him.

The bench observed that there was no need for suo motu judicial proceedings on the matter as it would be difficult to go ahead with a "functioning judicial system" if the courts start taking cognisance of every comment.

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BRIEFLY

KERALA

Case against 200 Durga Vahini activists

Thiruvananthapuram: Police on Monday registered a case against 200 activists of Durga Vahini, women's wing of VHP, on charges of taking out a march with weapons at Keezharoor in Thiruvananthapuram rural police district on May 22. The Popular Front of India sought action against the organisers of the march, which was held as part of an arms training programme held in the village. "We have registered the case against 200 persons under the IPC and the Arms Act, but did not name anyone," police said. **ENS**

KARNATAKA

Three tourists drown in Abbey Falls in Kodagu

Madikeri: Three tourists from Hyderabad drowned in Abbey Falls near Madikeri in Kodagu district on Sunday, said police officials. They were part of a group of 16 tourists who were sitting on banks of the river when one of them slipped and the other two jumped into the river to save him, but died. Superintendent of Kodagu police M A Aiyappa said: "The trio didn't know swimming. The bodies have been handed over to their families." The dead have been identified as Shyam (36), Sriharsha (18) and Shahindra (16). **ENS**

RAJASTHAN

Man wins 5-year fight to get Rs 35 refund

Kota: A Kota-based man has won his five-year fight to get a Rs 35 refund from the Railways, helping nearly 3 lakh people who were in a similar situation. The Railways has approved Rs 2.43 crore in refunds to 2.98 lakh IRCTC users, according to an RTI reply to Sujeet Swami. He said he was charged Rs 35 as service tax despite cancelling his ticket before the GST regime was implemented. **PTI**

DAY AFTER SINGER'S MURDER

Father: Followed Moosewala with gunman, saw him being killed

NAVJEEVAN GOPAL
CHANDIGARH, MAY 30

WHEN SIDHU Moosewla left his home on Sunday with two of his friends, the Punjabi singer left behind his security detail. He chose to move in a family-owned vehicle instead of a bulletproof SUV — a Toyota Fortuner — that he had brought after receiving several threats from the gangs led by Lawrence Bishnoi and other criminals, according to his father Balkaur Singh.

Fearing a threat to his son's life, Balkaur followed Moosewala with a gunman in the bulletproof car and later witnessed unidentified men firing a volley of shots at his 27-year-old son's vehicle, as per a complaint lodged by the father based on which an FIR has been lodged at the Mansa police station (City-1).

"I took along the gunman in my vehicle since my only son Shubhdeep Singh (the singer's real name) had left without them, and he used to have threats from the gangsters," Balkaur said, adding his son had left with Gurwinder Singh and Gurpreet Singh, also residents of Moosa village. When Balkaur reached Jawahar Ke village, he saw a Corolla car with four occupants trailing Moosewala's vehicle. "Our car was far behind from them," he added. When Moosewala's vehicle took a turn from Jawahar Ke village periphery towards Barnala, a Bolero vehicle was already stationed there with four occupants. "The vehicle stopped in front of my son's car," said the FIR.

The occupants of the Corolla and Bolero started indiscriminate firing at his son, Balkaur said, adding that the assailants later fled towards Barnala. "This all happened in very short span of time around 5/5:15 pm," said Balkaur, who works in fire brigade department in Mansa.

He said many bullets hit his son. He took Moosewala and the two other occupants to a civil hospital but his son died, he added. The two others escaped with injuries. CCTV footage of Jawahar Ke village also recorded a car following Moosewala's vehicle.

An eye witness said, "I was standing at the turn of Mansa-Budhladha road. A white car came from behind and then drove parallel to Moosewala's car before opening fire at the tyres. Then the white car drove up ahead and opened fire from the front. I ran away from the spot."

Police personnel and fans outside Sidhu Moosewala's house in Mansa, Monday. *Gurmeet Singh*

CM Mann begins firefight: Cancels Cabinet meeting, MLAs' training; pulls up DGP

KANCHAN VASDEV
CHANDIGARH, MAY 30

UNDER FIRE for the murder of Sidhu Moosewala, and for having leaked the confidential list of protectees whose security was either withdrawn or pruned, the Bhagwant Mann-led AAP government in Punjab Monday launched a damage control exercise.

Mann met senior administrative and police officers at his residence and cancelled a Cabinet meeting scheduled for 11:30 am. The CM also directed Home Secretary Anurag Verma to write to the Punjab and Haryana HC, requesting Chief Justice to assign a sitting judge to probe the murder. Mann also ordered an inquiry into pruning of Moosewala's security.

After the CM's directions, DGP VK Bhawra, who invited criticism Sunday for rushing out of a press meet without answering media queries, clarified that he never associated Moosewala with any gang or gang war. He blamed the media for distorting his statement.

Later, Vidhan Sabha Speaker Kultar Singh Sandhwan postponed a three-day training session of MLAs that was scheduled from May 31. Sandhwan told *The Indian Express*, "I have deferred it as some MLAs were not available on Tuesday. We will reschedule it in two-three days."

Sources said the government postponed the training as Moosewala's family is yet to cremate him. While Punjab Congress leaders are camping at Moosewala's residence, the government has been trying to find a way to impress upon the family to cremate him peacefully. However, a Congress leader said, "We agreed to get his postmortem done only after the Home Secretary wrote to the High Court. But there is no development after that. We are now taking out a candle march. We do not know whether he will be cremated on Tuesday tomorrow also or not."

Forensic experts examine the vehicle in which Moosewala was killed, in Mansa, Monday. *Gurmeet Singh*

Special Cell team questions Bishnoi in Tihar

New Delhi: A day after Canada-based gangster Goldy Brar claimed responsibility for Sidhu Moosewala's murder, stating that he had planned it with the Lawrence Bishnoi group, a team of Delhi Police's Special Cell went to Tihar Jail on Monday and questioned Bishnoi and his associate Shahrukh (28) about the murder.

The Special Cell will also question other gangsters lodged in Tihar for allegedly plotting murder from inside jail, it is learnt.

Senior officers at the Cell told *The Indian Express* that Bishnoi, who has allegedly been running an extortion racket for years from jail, is currently lodged in Tihar jail no. 8 and has been "actively" in touch with his associates. "During initial questioning, we found Shahrukh was tasked with killing Moosewala but the plan didn't work out. Special Cell arrested Shahrukh in April," an officer said. Bishnoi was at a Rajasthan jail and was recently shifted to Delhi in connection with an MCOCA case. His associates, Kala Rana and Kala Jathedi, are in police custody. **ENS**

Jailed gangster Bishnoi fears encounter, moves Delhi court

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

GANGSTER LAWRENCE Bishnoi, whose role is being investigated by the Delhi Police in connection with the murder of singer-politician Sidhu Moosewala, approached a Delhi court, seeking directions to the jail authorities against giving his custody to the Punjab Police as he had an apprehension of a fake encounter.

Additional Sessions Judge Parveen Singh has, however, not passed an order in this case since no production warrant was issued by the Punjab Police, his lawyers claimed.

Advocate Vishal Chopra, who moved the application on behalf of Bishnoi, told *The Indian Express*: "The judge did not pass an order since there was no production warrant from the Punjab Police yet. I am going to move the Delhi High Court since there is a threat to Bishnoi's life."

In fact, on November 30, 2011, the Additional Sessions Judge had dismissed a production warrant moved by the Punjab Police seeking his custody to produce him before an Additional District Judge in connection with a murder case.

The court had noted that since he was "facing trial in the present case for offences under Sections 3 and 4 of the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act (MCOCA)... he cannot be permitted to be produced before a court outside Delhi". Bishnoi was produced before the Judge in Chandigarh through video conferencing.

Bishnoi has been in judicial custody for the past one year in connection with a MCOCA case registered against him by the special cell.

Bishnoi is also facing multiple criminal cases in Rajasthan, Punjab and Haryana. His lawyers had told the court that multiple state police authorities approach the Tihar Jail authorities to seek his production in other cases, which compromises the trial in Delhi.

Bishnoi's lawyers have prayed that till the trial is complete against Bishnoi, other state police authorities should approach the Delhi court first and also intimate his lawyers if they wish to seek his production.

His plea stated that in case his production warrant was allowed, the custody be given with a condition of proper security arrangement. "The accused shall be handcuffed and shackled and all necessary safeguards should be ensured during transit and on production warrant. Also, adequate arrangements should be made while producing the applicant in any other court outside Delhi," his plea stated.

Gangster Lawrence Bishnoi

DGCA suspends ATC who okayed IndiGo flights that came too close after take-off

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

INDIA'S AVIATION safety regulator DGCA has suspended an air traffic controller for three months for approving simultaneous departures of two IndiGo flights at Bengaluru airport on January 7 — a move that led to the planes coming dangerously close to each other just after take-off.

The two IndiGo flights — 6E455 (Bengaluru to Kolkata) and 6E246 (Bengaluru to Bhubaneswar) — averted a mid-air collision over the Bengaluru airport just after their simultaneous take-off from north runway and south runway, respectively, on January 7 morning.

In a statement on Monday, the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) said: "South tower controller gave departure to 6E 455 in coordination with Approach Radar controller and at the same time North tower controller gave departure to 6E 246 without prior coordination with south tower controller and Approach Radar controller."

As both aircraft, after departure, were on converging heading (moving towards each other), Approach Radar controller gave diverging heading to separate these aircraft, the regulator noted.

"At the closest point of conflict, the vertical and lateral separation between both aircraft was 100 feet (compared to a standard 1,000 feet) and 0.9 nautical miles (compared to a standard 3 nautical miles)," the DGCA stated.

This matter was classified as "serious incident" and was investigated by the Aircraft Accident Investigation Bureau (AAIB). Based on the regulatory assessment, DGCA has decided to issue a "warning letter to Tower supervisor for not monitoring the activities of the ATC (air traffic controller) tower and non-reporting of (the) incident".

Further, the licence of the "North tower controller who was also the watch supervisory officer (WSO) of the shift" has been suspended for a period of three months as he did not follow procedures and rules regarding runway operations and he did not report the incident, the DGCA added.

EXPLAINED

Too close for comfort

SUCH INCIDENTS, called "breach of separation" in regulatory parlance, occur when two aircraft cross the minimum mandatory vertical or horizontal distance in the airspace.

3 critical after nomadic groups clash over pastures in Ramban

ARUN SHARMA
JAMMU, MAY 30

TENSION PREVAILED in the highland meadows of Ladda Dhar in J&K's Ramban district on Monday, a day after at least 12 persons were injured in a clash between two nomadic groups belonging to different communities.

Police said five persons have been arrested after the two groups, both of whom fall under the Scheduled Tribes category, clashed over grazing their cattle on forest land.

Three of those critically injured on Sunday are being treated at Government Medical College Hospital, Jammu, they added.

Amid rising friction between the two groups over the years, Ramban Deputy Commissioner Mussarat Islam, who visited the area along with SP Mohita Sharma, said police have been asked to set up two more pickets and increase patrolling.

He also asked security forces occupying dominating heights in the remote area to conduct patrolling at regular intervals.

In a late evening meeting to sort out the differences, Islam suggested to representatives of both groups they apply for grant of grazing rights under the Forest Rights Act in the 900-hectare swathe of land.

Until then, the meeting decided, a committee headed by divisional forest officer, Batote, and also comprising tehsildars and SHOs of Batote and Ramban Tehsils, will visit the five villages in the area to demarcate grazing areas for both groups.

Sunday's clash was not the first between the two groups, known as Hindu Gaddis and Muslim Gujjars.

While the 294 Gaddi families in the area, comprising 3,590 persons and 3,996 animals, are settled in these five villages, nearly 350 Gujjar families, comprising 2,650 persons and 6,356 cattle, migrate from the plains of Udhampur, Jammu and Samba before the onset of summer in April-May.

The Gujjars stay in the Ladda Dhar highlands till September-October, a practice that has lasted more than a century.

While both the groups have equal rights on use of forests or forest land in the area, informal boundaries drawn up over the years have allowed them to graze their cattle without friction. However, of late, with their population increasing, the two groups have often overstepped into each other's grazing areas, leading to friction.

Last year also, after more than six persons were injured in a similar clash, the administration, in September 2021, set up a committee headed by Chief Conservator of Forests to give its recommendations for the issue.

A scuffle after an unidentified person threw ink on farmer leader Rakesh Tikait (below) in Bengaluru on Monday. *PTI*

Karnataka: Ink attack on Tikait; three held

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
BENGALURU, MAY 30

THREE PEOPLE were arrested following an ink attack on Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU) leader Rakesh Tikait and subsequent clashes at an event in Bengaluru on Monday, police said.

Tikait has blamed the BJP-led Karnataka government for the attack as he attended the 'Raita Chaluvali, Aatmavalokana haagu Spasteekarana Sabha (farmer's movement, introspection and clarification meeting)'.

The event was organised by the state farmers' association and the Hasiru Sene.

State farm leader Kodihalli Chandrashekar, facing allegations he brokered deals to end the farm agitation against the now-repealed farm laws, was addressing the media when three men climbed the stage — one of them attacked Tikait with a microphone and another threw black ink at him. Tikait also sustained a minor injury on his head. Soon after, Tikait's supporters and those involved in the ink attack started throwing chairs at each other, leading to clashes at the venue. "No security was provided by local police here. This has been done in collusion with the (Karnataka) government," Tikait said.

State Home Minister Araga Jnanendra condemned the incident. He denied Tikait's allegations and said the attempt to hurt the leader was inhuman and savage. The accused will be dealt with strictly, he added.

Indus treaty — the bucket list

The two-day meeting of the Indus Commissioners of India and Pakistan began in Delhi Monday, days after Shehbaz Sharif took over as the PM. What is at stake:

The Indus Waters Treaty has endured for more than half a century.

TALKS — 118TH AND 117TH ROUNDS

- A K Pal and Syed Mehr Ali Shah, India and Pakistan's Indus Commissioners respectively, leading respective sides in the talks
- In the last edition of the talks of the Permanent Indus Commission (PIC), held in Islamabad on March 1-3 this year, Islamabad had assured Delhi that "all necessary action" will continue to be taken to ensure free flow of water from Fazilka into the Sutlej
- India conveyed that all its hydropower projects are "fully compliant" with provisions of the 1960 Treaty
- As per the Treaty, the two Commissioners are required to meet at least once every year, alternately in India and Pakistan.

OTHER FEATURES

Treaty allows each country certain uses on the rivers allocated to the other

India has been given right to generate hydel power through run of river projects on the western rivers, subject to specific criteria for design and operation

Pakistan has right to raise concerns on design of Indian hydroelectric projects on western rivers

WHAT 1960 TREATY SAYS

EASTERN RIVERS
SUTLEJ, BEAS, RAVI

33 million ACRE FEET

- water in eastern rivers annually — allocated to India for unrestricted use, as per treaty

WESTERN RIVERS
INDUS, JHELUM, CHENAB

135 million ACRE FEET

- water in Western rivers annually — allocated largely to Pakistan

Kerala woman ends life after 'killing' daughter

Thiruvananthapuram: A woman in Kerala's Kasaragode district allegedly died by suicide after killing her daughter, who had been affected by the spraying of pesticide endosulfan.

Police identified the victims as Vimala Kumari, 58, and her daughter Reshma, 28, natives of Rajapuram in Kasaragod. The woman's body was found hanging outside their house, while the daughter was found strangled to death on Monday evening. Police said prima facie it was suspected that the woman ended her life after killing the daughter. **ENS**

Akhilesh says education quality poor in state: 'kids mistook me for Rahul'

MAULSHREE SETH
LUCKNOW, MAY 30

LEADER OF Opposition and Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav on Monday said the quality of education in the government schools of Uttar Pradesh is "poor" and added that when he visited schools, students mistook him for Congress leader Rahul Gandhi.

"In the education index, UP is fourth from the bottom. This is the level of education in the state which gave so many prime ministers to the country," Akhilesh said while speaking during a discussion on the state Budget.

Akhilesh then went on to add. "I know my shortcomings. I often visit primary schools. I had once gone to a primary school. When I asked the children if they recognised me, they said yes. When I asked a child who am I, he said Rahul Gandhi," Akhilesh said, leaving the treasury benches in splits. To this, Akhilesh said the ruling BJP members should be worried about the state lagging far behind in the basic education parameters instead of laughing just because he took the name of the Congress leader.

As BJP MLAs began taunting that Akhilesh had studied abroad and should not comment on the state's education quality, the SP chief said he learnt a lot from studying at various places and tried to implement them. **WITH PTI**

RLD president Jayant Singh Chaudhary files his nomination papers for Rajya Sabha in Lucknow, Monday. Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav is also seen. *Vishal Srivastav*

Management of the residential school had announced that it would wind up operations on May 21. *File*

State dept orders Lonavala residential school to operate for another year

PALLAVI SMART
MUMBAI, MAY 30

THE STATE Education Department on Monday directed Cathedral Vidya School in Lonavala (CVSL), which had earlier this month decided to shut operations, to continue for another year. A letter to this effect was sent out by the Deputy Director of Education, Pune, to the school on Monday following an inquiry instituted by the state government.

"As per the regulations, any school wanting to shut shop has to give a year's notice to all stakeholders. Accordingly, the management's decision to close the school will be applicable from the next academic year. They will have to continue functioning for this academic year," said Audumbar Ukirde, Deputy Director of Education, Pune.

Elaborating on the action that the school management will likely face, Ukirde said, "Such abrupt closure of the school is a violation of the Right To Education (RTE) Act. Accordingly, the penalty can be anything from financial implications to even legal action."

According to Ukirde, his office will deliberate on a suitable action if the school administration fails to comply with the directives. According to sources from the school, however, the management had not received the said order until Monday evening.

Management of the residential school offering IB and Cambridge curriculum had announced winding down of its operations on May 21. The decision was communicated to parents of students studying in the school along with teaching and non-teaching staff via an email, just two days before the new academic year was set to begin on May 23. After the parents wrote to the state School Education Minister Varsha Gaikwad on Wednesday last, the Deputy Director of Education, Pune, was instructed to conduct an independent inquiry as the school comes under his jurisdiction.

Days after NCB clean chit to Aryan, Wankhede transferred to Chennai

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
MUMBAI, MAY 30

Sameer Wankhede was moved to NCB in 2020.

INDIAN REVENUE Service (IRS) officer Sameer Wankhede, who headed the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) in Mumbai when the Bureau arrested several people in a drugs case last year, including actor Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan, was on Monday transferred to the DG Taxpayer Service Directorate in Chennai.

The officer was posted as Directorate General of Analytics and Risk Management (DGARM) in Mumbai following his transfer from NCB earlier.

Monday's development comes days after an NCB SIT discharged Aryan. The Union Ministry of Home Affairs has asked the government to initiate a probe against Wankhede for the "shoddy investigation" in the case.

Aryan was not named in the NCB chargesheet filed last week; officials at the Bureau said Aryan was charged in the case even though there was no evidence against him.

Wankhede had been move to NCB in 2020 to investigate the narcotics case linked to late actor Sushant Singh Rajput — his friend Rhea Chakraborty was arrested in the case. During his tenure as NCB zonal director, Wankhede registered several cases, including those where small quantities of narcotics seizure were involved. Wankhede was criticised for conducting raids in cases involving small quantities, as the NCB mandate is to go after large drug networks.

Wankhede also faced allegations that his caste certificate was fake. A probe is under way to verify whether the allegations are true in Maharashtra.

TN YouTuber arrested over raising funds for temple renovation without permission

ARUN JANARDHANAN
CHENNAI, MAY 30

A YOUTUBER popular among right-wing Tamil viewers was arrested in Chennai on Monday for allegedly raising funds online purportedly for renovation of temples controlled by the Tamil Nadu government without permission from the authorities concerned, according to the police.

According to police, preliminary investigation showed that besides money collected online, accused Karthick Gopinath, 32, had also received nearly Rs 6 lakh in his personal bank account.

Police said Gopinath has claimed that he was collecting funds for repair and renovation of certain temples "damaged by miscreants". They said he had raised several lakhs without the knowledge of the Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments {HRCE) department, the custodian of temples in the state.

In a statement, Avadi police commissionerate said Gopinath's arrest came on a complaint from the executive officer of a temple in Siruvachur, near Perambalur. It said Gopinath had allegedly "opened a YouTube channel in the name of Ilaya Bharatham and asked public to give money in Milaap fundraising site.in the guise of renovation of statues of sub-temples of Arulmigu Madhura Kaliamman temple without permission from HR&CE department".

The complainant alleged that Gopinath "wrongfully used this amount for his own purpose".

Criticising the arrest, state BJP chief K Annamalai, who is said to be close to Gopinath, tweeted, "I request TN Int PSY - OPS (Psychological Operations) division & DMK propaganda forces to leave all these innocents alone, and come straight for me. I'm waiting as a common man."

The page created by Gopinath on Milaap, "free crowdsourcing" platform, shows Rs 33.28 lakh collected in the name of "Siruvachur temple resurrection." His appeal for funds mentions that "Siruvachur temple idols have been vandalised by miscreants".

On its website, Milaap asks people to "raise funds online for medical emergencies and social causes". Gopinath has stated in his appeal for funds on the website: "This [vandalism] is done with the idea of discouraging the Hindu way of life and dampening the spirit of temple goers in the vicinity…. Let us help replace the idols, rebuild the temples and rejuvenate the theist spirit of the local community. Let's join hands for our dharma."

A senior officer involved with the investigation said while the incident of vandalism is true, Gopinath and his followers were trying to lend it a communal colour. "While they raised several lakhs, claiming that idols were damaged by missionaries and other religious groups, it was done by an individual with serious psychiatric problems. He was a Telugu Brahmin and brother of a temple priest.... The accused has been arrested," the officer said.

TV channel editor's house raided: Tripura journalists demand action

Agartala: The Agartala and Khumulwng press clubs have condemned an alleged search operation by the Tripura police at a local TV news channel editor's house on Saturday without any warrant and sought legal action.

The press clubs alleged that the police went to the editor's house and harassed his relatives. According to a press statement released by the Khumulwung press club, signed by its president Angshu Debbarma, a delegation met the SP (West) demanding legal action against the police personnel involved in the alleged search operation. The statement said they informed the SP about the incident. If no action will be taken, more journalists will join protest, it said. The SP promised action within three days, they added. **ENS**

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S.No. REG/ 227 /DNLU/2022-23 **Jabalpur, Dated: 30-05-2022**

CORRIGENDUM

With respect to the advertisement of Teaching Positions Advt. S.No. REG/ 156 /DNLU/2022-23 dated 10/05/2022 following changes are made:

1. The subject specialisation mentioned against the Post of Professors and Associate Professors is withdrawn. Hence, it will be read as Professors-02 (1-UR, 1-SC) and Associate Professors-03 (2-UR, I-ST).
2. The last date for receiving of the applications is extended till 10th June, 2022 up to 05:00 P.M.

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Ministry of Culture, Government of India
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Director, Nehru Planetarium	:	One (1)
Pay Level	:	Level-11 (Rs. 67700-208700)
Age	:	Below 56 years

Late date of receipt of applications is 30th June 2022. For more details please visit NMML website:- www.nehrumemorial.nic.in, www.pmsangrahalaya.gov.in

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1	12-A, Gurugram-I	50
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कार्यालय नगर पालिक निगम, देवास

वि.क्र./E-T/PRO./3 /DWS/2022 **निविदा विज्ञप्ति** देवास, दिनांक 27/05/2022

निम्नलिखित कार्य हेतु आनलाईन निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती है। उल्लेखित कार्य की यह संक्षिप्त निविदा सूचना है। विस्तृत विवरण म.प्र. शासन के ई-प्राक्युरमेंट पोर्टल **https://www.mptender.gov.in** (विभाग का नाम - Urban Administration & Development Department) पर देखा जा सकता है (UADD SOR DATE 02.08.2021)

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कार्यपालन यंत्री (परि.)
नगर पालिका निगम देवास

U.P. State Industrial Development Authority
UPSIDC Complex, A-1/4, Lakhanpur, Kanpur-208024

Notice for Public Objection / Suggestion on Part Layout Plan of Industrial Area Growth Centre Shahjahanpur by which Industrial Plot No. G-6, G-7, G-8, G-9 & H-38 has been amalgamated and created a new Plot No. G 6-9J-38 (Measuring - 16060.00 Sq.m.).

1 (a) The Part Layout Plan of **Industrial Area Growth Centre Shahjahanpur Plot No. G-6-9/H-38** of Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Authority (UPSIDA) situated in District **Shahjahanpur** has been prepared.

(b) A copy thereof will be available for inspection at the Regional Manager of the Uttar Pradesh State Industrial Development Authority, Bareilly between 10:00 am to 5:00 pm on all working days till the date mentioned in Para 3 hereafter as well as **Website: www.onlineupsidc.com**

2. Objections and Suggestions are hereby invited with respect of the Draft Layout/Amalgamation Plan.

3. Objections and suggestions are shall be sent in writing to the office of Regional Manager UPSIDA at Bareilly within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice mentioning subject as **"Regarding Public Objection / Suggestion on Draft Layout / Amalgamation Plan for Industrial Area Growth Centre Shahjahanpur Plot No. G-6, G-7, G-8, G-9, & H-38.** Any person making the Objections or Suggestions should also give his / her full name & address, Email id and contact number.

(Regional Manager)
U.P. State Industrial Development Authority

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Last Date: 15.06.2022

BEFORE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-III, DELHI
4th Floor, Jeevan Tara Building, Parliament Street, New Delhi-110001
Notice under Section 19(4) of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act. 1993 read with Rule 12 & 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules) 1993).
In the matter of
O.A. No. 469/2021
CANARA BANK Applicant
Versus
M/S OM BROTHER AND ORS Defendants
D-1 M/S OM BROTHER
2045/2, Gali No. 6, Chuna Mandi, Paharganj, New Delhi-110055
Also at:
2063/6, Gali No. 6, Chuna Mandi, Paharganj, New Delhi-110055
D-2 SHRI CHANDER PRAKASH PABREJA
S/o Shri Dev Raj Pabreja
R/o G-303 Sai Baba Apartment, Sector-9, Rohini, Delhi-110085
D-3 SMT. ANU PABREJA
W/o Chander Prakash Pabreja
R/o G-303 Sai Baba Apartment, Sector-9, Rohini, Delhi-110085
D-4 SHRI SACHIN CHAWLA
S/o Shri Subhash Chawla
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D-5 SMT NEETU PABREJA
W/o Shri Sushil Kumar
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D-6 SMT RUCHIKA PABREJA
W/o Shri Om Prakash
R/o 92, Sharda Niketan, Pitampura, Delhi-110034

Whereas the above named applicant has instituted a case against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in this Tribunal **07.06.2022** at **10.30 A.M.**

Take notice that in case of your failure to appear on the above mentioned day before this Tribunal, the case will be heard and decided is your absence.

Due to ongoing Pandemic Situation, all the matters will be taken up through Video Conferencing and for that purpose:-
(i) All the Advocates/Litigants shall download the **"Cisco Webex"** application/Software;
(ii) "Meeting ID" and **"Password"** for the next date of hearing qua cases to be taken by 'Registrar/Recovery Officer-I/ and Recovery Officer-II shall be available one day prior to the next date at DRT Official Portal i.e. **"drt.gov.in"** under the public Notice Head.
(iii) In any exigency qua that, the Advocates/Litigants can contact the concerned official at **Ph. No. 011-23748469.**
Given under my hand and the seal of this Tribunal on this date : **5th day of May, 2022.**

By Order of the Tribunal
Sd/-
Assistant Registrar
DRT-III, Delhi

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NOTICE

Transfer of Equity Shares held in the Company to the Investor Education and Protection Fund ("IEPF")

This has reference to the provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 (the "Act") read with the Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (Accounting, Audit, Transfer and Refund) Rules, 2016 (the "Rules") thereto, as amended from time to time. Pursuant to the Act read with the said Rules, unclaimed dividend for the past 7 years shall be transferred to IEPF and all shares in respect of which dividend has not been claimed for 7 consecutive years or more shall also be transferred to the IEPF Authority.

As provided under the Rules, the Company has sent individual communication to the concerned shareholders at their registered address whose shares are liable to be transferred to the IEPF Authority.

The Company has also uploaded the complete details of the concerned shareholders whose dividends are lying unclaimed for 7 consecutive years and the shares are liable to be transferred to the IEPF authority, on its website at https://www.tatapower.com/investor-relations/unclaimed-dividends.aspx. The concerned shareholders are, therefore, requested to verify the details of the shares liable to be transferred to the IEPF authority.

Shareholders are requested to immediately claim the unclaimed amount(s) due to them by writing to TSR Consultants Private Limited, Registrars and Transfer Agents (RTA) of the Company, **on or before 12th September 2022**, at the email address **csg-unit@tcplindia.co.in** with supporting documents. Alternatively, you can send the letter and the supporting documents to the Company or our RTA at the address mentioned below.

As per SEBI's Circulars dated 3rd November 2021 and 14th December 2021, shareholders holding shares in physical form are also required to send duly filled Form No. ISR-1, Form No. ISR-2, Form No. SH-13 and other supporting documents including original cancelled cheque stating their name as the Account holder along with request letter. In case shares are held in electronic form, copy of the client master list is required along with request letter. As per the aforesaid SEBI Circulars, outstanding dividend payments will be credited directly to the bank account of the shareholders holding shares in physical form if the folio is KYC compliant and Nomination details are received. Please note that in the absence of bank details registered against your account with the RTA/Depository Participant, the payment of outstanding dividend amount cannot be processed.

Shareholders are requested to note that in case the dividend(s) is/are not claimed by 12th September 2022, those Equity share(s) in respect of which the dividend(s) remains unclaimed for 7 consecutive years, shall be transferred to IEPF Authority without any further notice to the shareholders and no liability shall lie against the Company in respect of the Equity shares so transferred.

Mode of transfer of Equity share(s) to IEPF:

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BECAUSE THE TRUTH INVOLVES US ALL

SHARIF'S GAMBLE

Pakistan has muddled through crises. As a new government turns to IMF for help, it faces another moment of reckoning

FORGET, FOR A moment, the many problems between India and Pakistan that have persisted into the 75th year of Partition and Independence. For anyone in South Asia and beyond interested in Pakistan as a major state — it has the world's fifth largest population, a valued geopolitical location, a leading role in the Islamic world, and a powerful army equipped with nuclear weapons — the real question is whether Pakistan can redeem itself. As the seven-week-old Shehbaz Sharif government turns to the International Monetary Fund to arrest the macroeconomic crisis, seeks uninterrupted support from the armed forces until the next elections in the summer of 2023, and tries to reboot its regional and global policies, few can bet on Pakistan's prospects.

Admittedly, Pakistan has muddled through many crises in its history. But can it manage those that confront it today? Consider, for example, PM Sharif's bet that by turning to the IMF, he can stabilise the economy that many are convinced is headed Sri Lanka's way. Pakistan has been to the IMF before, 22 times to be precise. But none of the attempts to stabilise the economy with the IMF's help have been accompanied by a serious effort to reform and remove the deeper constraints on it. The story this time is unlikely to be any different. Sharif's decision to raise fuel prices and risk popular anger has been viewed as a "bold" move. His predecessor Imran Khan had walked out of the agreement with the IMF a few months ago to prevent a political backlash at home. Sharif's calculus appears to be based less on a credible strategy to revitalise the economy than a bid to appease the army leadership and win its support for staying on in power. But the army is not known to be kind to civilian leaders. There is speculation that it will pull the plug on the Sharif government once it implements the hard and unpopular IMF demands.

On the face of it, Sharif leads a broad-based coalition that has brought together both the Pakistan Peoples Party and the Pakistan Muslim League alongwith a host of other parties. But the army, which has never let a civilian government function effectively, is unlikely to give a free hand to Sharif. It has just dumped Imran Khan after installing him in power in 2018. What is new, though, are the divisions within the army on a range of issues — on managing the domestic political order, rebooting the economy, and rearranging regional and international relations. Imran Khan, who had defied the GHQ on all three fronts, appears to enjoy considerable support among the middle classes as well as within the ranks of the army. To make matters worse, Pakistan's regional and international standing has been in steady decline. This does not augur well for either Pakistan or its neighbours. But Delhi must persist with the engagement of all key formations in the Pakistan polity to prevent bilateral relations from turning worse in the coming days and to forestall unwanted crises.

CRICKET, NOT VIRUS

This edition of IPL saw the game make a comeback to its rightful place in the headlines

WHAT LINGERS MOST from this edition of the Indian Premier League is the mood. After watching two years of cricket inside closed doors or in semi-shut stadiums or in the Middle East, due to the pandemic, the fans were back in the stands. Every match, at every venue, even in the relatively non-descript stadium in Pune, ran at full capacity. Buoyed by the backing of fans, the intensity of the games was several notches higher. Teams were confined to their respective bio-bubbles, a few players and coaches tested Covid positive, but the virus failed to displace cricket from the headlines.

The one-lakh plus crowd at the stadium at Ahmedabad undoubtedly gave Gujarat Titans an extra surge of energy during their win over Rajasthan Royals in the final. The support daunted the Royals, though Titans were the deserved winners — the most consistent and confident team in this edition. Teams tend to struggle in the first season. And this team was led by an untested captain, Hardik Pandya. How he proved his critics wrong — his brand of captaincy was no-frills, aggressive and shrewd, he revived his batting and rediscovered his bowling. None of his players, except Rashid Khan, were T20 box-office. But Gujarat Titans' auction signings were smart. They acquired Shubman Gill, one of the most talented young Indian batsmen; they bought David Miller, though his stocks had plummeted, and he emerged as their most influential batsman. They were shrewd enough to sign up the under-rated T20 pacers Lockie Ferguson and Mohammed Shami. Throw the unproven head coach Ashish Nehra into the mix — the pre-tournament controversy surrounding the team owners' association with betting outlets — and here was a fairy-tale that would be re-told for years to come.

From the perspective of the upcoming T20 World Cup later this year, there was no bigger positive for Team India than the resurgence of Pandya. He brings to the team both balance and the X factor. There were other positives too for Indian cricket. A crew of young fast bowlers has emerged — from the tearaway Umran Malik to slippery left-arm Mohsin Khan, and feisty Kuldeep Sen to crafty Arshdeep Singh. Left-arm wrist spinner Kuldeep Yadav rekindled his mojo; leggie Yuzvendra Chahal was again weaving his magic. Veteran wicket-keeper Dinesh Karthik made a comeback, and could be the finisher India have been searching for. Sanju Samson was imperious as captain and with the bat. But IPL Episode 15 clearly belonged to Gujarat Titans, Pandya and the crowd that filled the stands, transforming the atmosphere into an electric, life-affirming occasion. Normalcy was restored on Planet Cricket.

POWER OF SMALL

With three films from the region winning awards, South Asian cinema made a mark at Cannes

THE RED CARPET has been rolled up and put away for next year, Tom Cruise has jetted off to other shores and relative calm has, once again, descended on the Croisette. This year's Cannes Film Festival concluded on May 28 and while the winners of the much-awaited feature film awards celebrate — the Palme d'Or (The Golden Palm) went to *Triangle of Sadness* by Ruben Ostlund — congratulations are also due for South Asian cinema, which won not just widespread praise but also picked up some awards.

The least surprising of these was the top documentary prize, L'Oeil d'Or (The Golden Eye), going to *All That Breathes*, Shaunak Sen's urgent, poetic film on Delhi's struggle to breathe. Even before it arrived in Cannes, the film, which is told through the experiences of two brothers who tend to injured birds and nurse them back to health, had earned plaudits and won the World Cinema Grand Jury Prize: Documentary at the prestigious Sundance Film Festival. When it screened in Cannes, the film got a standing ovation. As did *Joyland*, directed by Saim Sadiq, which is the first entry from Pakistan at Cannes. The film, which takes on the country's entrenched patriarchy through a queer narrative and features a transgender actor, Alina Khan, in a lead role, made history by winning the jury prize in the Un Certain Regard section. Another history-making film from South Asia is Nepali filmmaker Abinash Bikram Shah's *Lori: Melancholy of My Mother's Lullabies*, which won a Special Mention award in the short film category.

While India was the "Country of Honour" at the Marche du Film, the Cannes film market, it is encouraging that small, sensitively-told stories from the larger region won the recognition that truly matters at a festival celebrating the art of cinema.

I am Bhanwarlal

With every Bhanwarlal, a part of each of us dies too. Such violence is a symptom of a society that needs to heal

VIKRAM PATEL

THE MURDER OF an elderly man in Madhya Pradesh a few days ago rattled me deeply. Of course, such acts of wanton cruelty are hardly uncommon in this country. What broke my heart was that the victim, Bhanwarlal Jain, was described by his family as being "mentally challenged". When interrogated, and then mercilessly beaten, by his assailant demanding proof of his religion by repeatedly asking him if his name was "Mohammad", he became terrified and disoriented, unable to grasp the nature of the evil he was confronting and respond to his torturer's questions. Surely, I would not comprehend such mindless violence either. The blows rained down on this bewildered, hapless man until he died.

While Bhanwarlal's actual religion is an immaterial footnote to this crime, for gratuitous violence is unforgivable under any circumstance, it later emerged that he was a Hindu. As was his assailant who, blinded by his hatred for the other, murdered one of his own.

What was even more gut-wrenching was that a by-stander recorded the **assault** on video, in essence watching a helpless man being murdered in cold blood and recording it for posterity, instead of interfering to stop the beating. That the assailant was soon arrested and charged with murder should have alleviated my anguish, but then another thought tormented me: What if the victim was, indeed, a Muslim? Would the police have acted as swiftly? And then, an even more distressing thought: What if the assailant had been a Muslim? Would the police have sent bulldozers to demolish his home?

At first glance, this murder could be viewed as just another incident in the sordid history of callous behaviour displayed towards persons with mental illness. From a medieval past, when people who were struggling with a sickness could be whipped, branded and burnt because they were believed to be possessed by evil spirits, we evolved to modern times when the afflicted were executed (few are aware that the first victims of the Nazi gas chambers were persons with mental illness, bussed from mental hospitals to their deaths), incarcerated, tied up, beaten and sedated, denied their fundamental rights to freedom, dignity and inclusion by legal diktat. It took a landmark inquiry by the National Human Rights Commission in 1999 to begin the long-overdue task of reforming our colonial-era mental hospitals. But shameful attitudes and discrimination continue to pervade our communities and, every now and then, a person with mental illness is lynched. Just last December, a young man with mental illness was murdered in a gurdwara in Kapurthala because he was suspected of committing sacrilege; he is said to have entered the shrine to get food to relieve his hunger. Over the past decade, countless others, not least many women with mental illness, have been lynched on account of suspicions of them being witches.

> India's heart of darkness is characterised by a manufactured hatred towards groups of people who are perceived as being different, the ability of aggressors to attack individuals from these groups with complete impunity, the collusion of the police with this violence, and the growing tolerance of such cruelty in our communities and political classes. This toxic brew will, ultimately, poison us all.

But this latest egregious killing is, in my mind, an even more worrying symptom of a sick society where myriad prejudices blend into a malignant whirlpool and random cruelty becomes unpredictably routine. How else can we describe a society where a person can be lynched in a public setting without any fear of the police, watched and filmed by others as if this was some kind of ghoulish entertainment? Bhanwarlal is only the most recent addition to the growing list of lynchings in modern India and many of those who have suffered this terrible fate were not struggling with a mental illness. His lynching could only have occurred because our society has long been a fertile soil for the othering of groups of people with violence. To the long history of othering of Dalits and persons with mental illness, we now can add the othering of religious minorities, persons who look "foreign" and prisoners. The shocking murder of four men, including two adolescents, accused of rape and murder in Hyderabad, by the police in 2019 is only remarkable because, on this occasion, a Supreme Court-appointed commission found them guilty of staging an encounter.

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Indeed, this is exactly what I witness happening in the US where the incarceration and killing of people with mental illness, often by the police, is only a symptom of a deeply disturbed society where polarising ideologies have fractured communities and fueled a mounting toll of suffering and deaths due to hate crime. Just in the past month, the mass killings of children in a school and black people in a grocery store reminds us how hate spews deadly consequences on the innocent by eroding social connectedness, that intangible but essential thread which holds us together, binds us to one another and, ultimately weaves the fabric of our community.

The killing of Bhanwarlal Jain makes me wonder what kind of infernal hell has India, home to an infinitely diverse people with a shared history, culture and home, descended into. What has become of our convictions to stand together in solidarity which, not so long ago, saw us unite against and defeat our foreign oppressors, while teaching the world the power of non-violence? How can ordinary individuals be so consumed by hatred that they can pummel and extinguish a defenceless and innocent life purely on the basis of their identity? No matter how deep I dive into my years of experience as a mental health professional in search of an answer, only one comes to the surface: Such violence is not simply the act of a single deranged individual. Such violence can only be understood as a symptom of a society which has lost its moral compass, a society which is sick at its core.

Healing this sickness will require us all, no matter where we stand on the ideological spectrum, to recognise and address the existential threat this violence poses to our nation, our communities and, ultimately, ourselves. Unless we do so, with each Bhanwarlal who is murdered, a part of each of us will die too, until there will soon be nothing left to live for.

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AND AWARD DOESN'T GO TO...

India doesn't win at Cannes because it lacks ecosystem for cinema that appeals to juries

SHUBHRA GUPTA

THE 75TH EDITION of the Cannes Film Festival has just concluded and, as ever, that vexing question has arisen. Why didn't India have a winner in the competition section, which had Indian actor Deepika Padukone as part of the jury this year? Why does a nation which makes the maximum number of films fall so far behind on the metrics that decide the winners?

As ever, the answer is complex. It lies hidden under the collective self-belief of a film industry whose innate robustness has prevented significant penetration of cinema from any other part of the world. Thirty years back, Hollywood's presence counted for a mere three to four per cent of the market. Even today, despite a huge leap in appetite for dubbed-and-subtitled globalised content, Hollywood's best bet in India remains those familiar tentpoles, the "creature features" and superhero shenanigans. But no Batman or Superman or humungous dinosaur is about to give Indian filmmakers, with a *RRR* and a *KGF* under their bulging box office belts, sleepless nights. In India, Indian films, with their penchant for spectacle, song-and-dance, melodrama, are invincible, so who cares about the Croisette?

What those asking "why-not-India-in-the-competition" tend to forget is that India is not known for the kind of cinema which appeals to the selectors-cum-gatekeepers to that coveted section. This is not to say that other countries like South Korea or Romania or Belgium (each of which had an entry this year) make their movies solely keeping a possible Cannes berth in mind. These are not countries that can claim as established a film-making tradition as India, but what films like Park Chan-wook's *Decision To Leave*, Cristian Mungiu's *RMN*, and Lukas Dhont's *Close* reveal is a fierce commitment to stories set in very specific locations, with characters who can only come from those milieus, yet whose situations are gloriously universal.

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Look at Swedish director Ruben Ostlund's riotous black satire, *Triangle Of Sadness*, which has just won the Palme d'Or. The film is a savage, merciless send-up of the mega-rich, as well as the proliferation of "influencers" and their greedy adjuncts in the billion-dollar beauty industry. Each stroke of that film has a profound truth that cuts across linguistic and cultural borders. With very few exceptions, this kind of filmmaking has proved financially counter-productive in the Indian context. A combination of audience preference, which has been fed on escapist cinema for decades as the sole "entertainment" option, and a fear of rocking the boat has kept Indian filmmakers far from the kind of realism that leads to finding a Cannes competitive pew.

Between 2010-2015, Vikramaditya Motwane's *Udaan*, Anurag Kashyap's *Gangs Of Wasseypur*, Ritesh Batra's *The Lunchbox*, Neeraj Ghaywan's *Masaan* premiered at Cannes sidebar sections. Each film came from the lived experience of the directors of these films, and each felt like a marker for New Age Bollywood. What happened after that? Are there no takers for realistic cinema anymore, or is hewing close to the truth even more unprofitable in today's Bollywood, struggling with pandemic-and-censorship woes?

But if our fictional outings haven't made the cut, our documentaries have more than made up for it. Shaunak Sen's brilliant *All That Breathes*, about Delhi's frighteningly foul air and the love of fowls that two brothers exhibit, has won the Golden Eye, the top documentary award. The film is a cogent examination of the ecosystem that nurtures both man and beast: Why are kites, those magnificent predatory birds, falling from the skies in increasing numbers, becoming prey themselves? And how will the humans who live and work in one of the world's great capitals, survive the twin blows of pollution and polarisation? The film is sharp and moving, balancing dystopia with shards of optimism, its ecological and political concerns clearly visible.

Sen's film derives power from its authenticity. It is the kind of film that spoke to official selectors at Cannes, as it did to the Sundance film festival jury, which also gave it a top award earlier this year. It might even appeal to an Oscar jury, if the Indian selectors are smart enough to nominate this film if, of course, it finds a theatrical release.

Are Indian producers ready to back even a handful of independent, truth-seeking films, those that may give us a chance to compete with the best at Cannes? Till then, we will have to be content with flaunting our wares on the red carpet, or in sections where we can buy our way in.

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MAY 31, 1982, FORTY YEARS AGO

FALKLAND WAR

BRITISH TROOPS TRYING to retake the Falkland Islands were reported to be pushing on two fronts towards the main Argentine garrison at Port Stanley, after taking 1,250 Argentine prisoners but losing a senior commander. British newspapers said paratroops were thrusting east from Darwin and Goose Green, where 1,003 Argentine defenders surrendered after fighting which killed the British battalion commander, Lt Colonel Herbert Jones. The newspapers reported that Royal Marines commandos were completing a pincer movement towards Port Stanley by advancing further north on the other side of a long mountain ridge.

MINISTRY RESHUFFLED

BIHAR CHIEF MINISTER Jagannath Mishra dropped Sagir Ahmed, Minister of State for Law and Housing, from his council of ministers and reallocated the portfolios of his ministerial colleagues. Mishra left the portfolios of five ministers untouched and transferred the irrigation portfolio from himself to Umesh Prasad Verma. It is believed that Ahmed was dropped due to his alleged involvement in a case centred around the smuggling of goat skins to Nepal.

FRONTIER GANDHI BACK

KHAN ABDUL GHAFFAR Khan who returned to Pakistan after nearly four years of exile in Afghanistan was reported to have disclaimed any involvement with the separatist Pakhtoonistan movement. "We have nothing to do with Pakhtoonistan. Some people from Punjab were using it against us for their vested interests," the local daily *The Muslim* quoted him as saying. However, as far as Pakhtoon nationalism was concerned, he said, "We have always believed that there were nationalities in Pakistan — Pathans, Baluch, Sindhis and Punjabis — and we still believe so". The Frontier Gandhi said that Pakhtoonistan was a stunt created by Afghanistan and India and leveraging it in their propaganda against Pakistan.

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"Clearly, the Sangh Parivar's moves are not about religious freedom or access to places of worship. Rather, they are part of a systematic attempt to erase India's Islamic history, and permanently marginalise its Muslim population."

— DAWN, PAKISTAN

It's time to make a move

Pakistan's hand today is much weaker, while India's room for manoeuvre has grown. Delhi can afford to take new initiatives and chances with a forward-looking strategy

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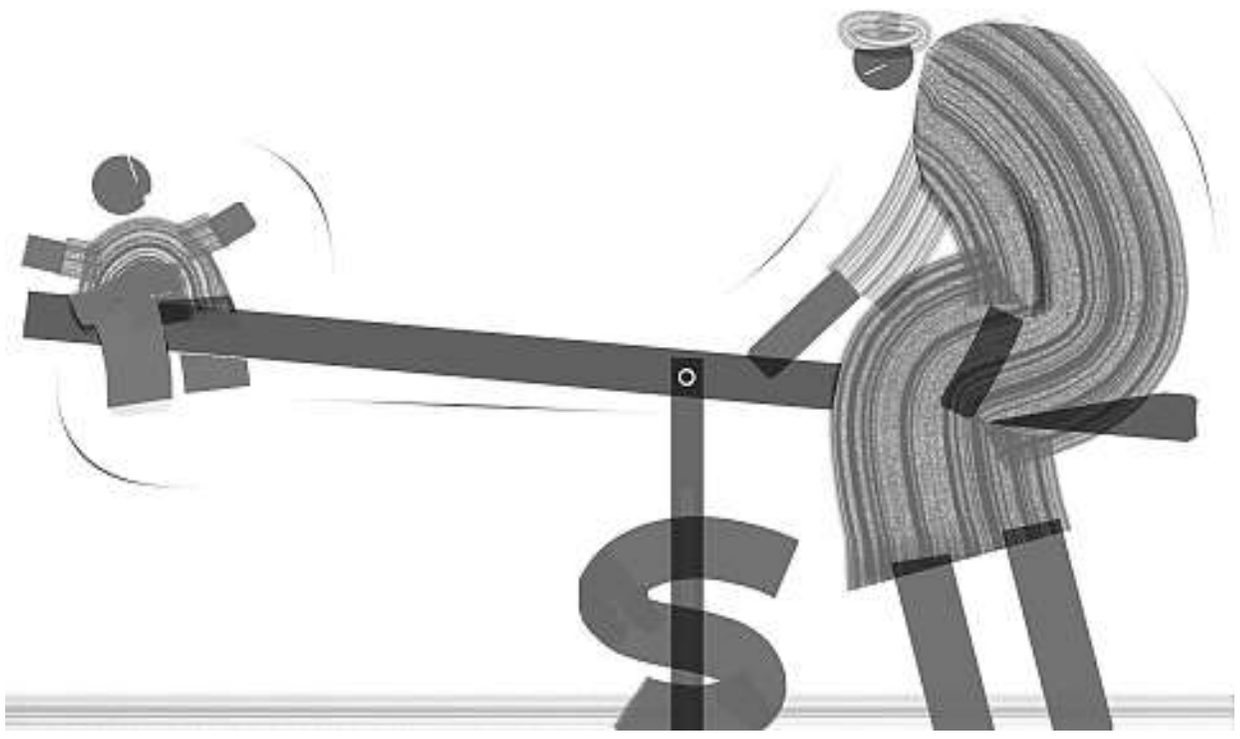

C R Sasikumar

ONE OF THE major changes in Indian diplomacy in the last eight years has been the way Delhi deals or does not deal with Pakistan. India's approach today is very different from the framework that emerged at the dawn of the 1990s. If Pakistan came from a fresh victory in Afghanistan, having ousted the Russian forces who had occupied the country for a decade, India found itself at one of its most vulnerable moments.

For nearly three decades, it was Pakistan that had the political initiative. Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, India has begun to reset the terms of the engagement agenda. Meanwhile, the regional and international context has also altered in many ways since the early 1990s essentially in India's favour. Even more important, realists say, is the changing balance of power between India and Pakistan that was bound to alter the nature of their bilateral relations.

After the Cold War, Pakistan loomed large, very large, over Indian foreign policy. The turmoil in Kashmir, the international focus on nuclear proliferation, and the relentless external pressure for a sustained dialogue with Pakistan put Delhi in a difficult situation. If Pakistan was on the political offensive, a series of weak coalition governments in Delhi were forced onto the back foot.

At the heart of Pakistan's ambition was to change the status quo in Jammu and Kashmir with a three-pronged strategy — violent destabilisation of Kashmir while raising human rights concerns in global forums, reopen the Kashmir question that India believed was settled after the 1971 war, and leverage global nuclear concerns to force Indian concessions on Kashmir. Islamabad often set preconditions for talks with India. Pakistan demanded India improve its human rights record in Kashmir. It wanted to bring militant groups in Kashmir into a three-cornered negotiating table with India, insisted on meetings with the Hurriyat leaders whenever its officials visited India, and sought to prevent India's military modernisation in the name of arms control. Islamabad also played up to the concerns in Western chancelleries that the conflict in Kashmir might escalate to the nuclear level. The new international consensus that Kashmir is the "world's most dangerous nuclear flashpoint" aligned well with Pakistan's strategy.

Any chess player would have recognised that India was in a perfect Zugzwang — Delhi had no option but to respond, but any move to counter Pakistan would make the situation worse. Responding with military force against Pakistan's provocative terror attacks, for example, would invite the fear of nuclear escalation and intervention by the great powers demanding a resolution in Kashmir. A vigorous approach to cross-border terror would put India in the crosshairs of international human rights groups.

Successive prime ministers — PV Narasimha Rao, H D Deve Gowda, I K Gujral, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, and Manmohan Singh — ducked and weaved amidst the relentless international, regional and domestic pressures on the Pakistan question. The Indian foreign office was at its defensive best in fending off external pressures on Kashmir, nuclear and Pakistan questions while incrementally expanding the diplomatic wiggle room.

Cricket enthusiasts might want to compare India's diplomatic resilience to Rahul Dravid facing furious fast bowling with skill and a calm demeanour. Older cricket fans will remember the 1960s spinner Bapu Nadkarni who could bowl endless maiden overs yielding nothing to the opposition.

India's transformed relations with the US, the resolution of Delhi's dispute with the global nuclear order, and getting the West to discard its temptation to mediate on Kashmir enormously improved India's diplomatic position. But the most consequential change has been in the economic domain.

As Indian governments kept their heads down while laying the foundations for robust economic growth, Pakistan trapped itself in a grand geopolitical obsession to expand its strategic depth into Afghanistan and redefine the nature of its relations with India. The persistent neglect of economic challenges left Pakistan in an increasingly weaker position in relation to India. If India has inched its way into the top six global economies, Pakistan today is broke.

Modi had the opportunity to build on these shifting fortunes of Delhi and Islamabad and develop a three-pronged strategy of his own.

First, Modi bet that the heavens won't fall if Delhi stops talking to Islamabad or negotiating with Pakistan-backed militant groups in Kashmir. Modi insists that he will talk on his own terms and when he wants to. Difficult conditions compelled Modi's predecessors to negotiate under pressure. The conditions are now in India's favour.

Second, Delhi has been unafraid of staring at nuclear escalation in responding to Pakistan's cross-border terrorism. Sceptics will question if Modi's cross-border raids on the sources of terror have enhanced India's deterrence. But it is Delhi that now leverages international fears about nuclear escalation to compel Pakistan to rein in terror groups. India's campaign has also resulted in greater international scrutiny of Pakistan's support for terrorism.

Third, by changing the constitutional status of Kashmir in 2019, Modi has reduced the scope of India's future negotiations with Pakistan on Kashmir.

India is certainly not refusing to engage Pakistan. When it negotiated a ceasefire agreement with Pakistan in February 2021, it agreed to reopen talks on Kashmir. But it is Pakistan that is divided on its negotiating strategy. Should it insist on India reversing all the 2019 constitutional changes in Kashmir or should it be satisfied with a few minor concessions?

> While India waits for things to settle down in Islamabad, it could consider taking a fresh look at its own Pakistan strategy. Critics will surely question the effectiveness of Modi's three-pronged policy. But there is no doubt that Pakistan's hand today is much weaker than in the 1990s and Delhi's room for manoeuvring has grown, notwithstanding the challenges it confronts on the China border. That opens some room for new Indian initiatives toward Pakistan. Having played hardball with Pakistan in the last few years, can Modi take chances with a forward-looking strategy?

In early 2021, the Pakistan Army was signalling flexibility on Kashmir and on renewing trade links with India. But Imran Khan overruled the change. The Shehbaz Sharif government, which is struggling to find its feet, is simply repeating Imran's line that no engagement with India is possible unless it "reverses" the 2019 constitutional changes in Kashmir. We probably have not heard the last from Islamabad on this.

With Imran Khan running riot, the old political elites on the defensive, and the current army chief General Qamar Jawed Bajwa set to retire in a few months, it might be premature for Delhi to hope for greater flexibility in Pakistan. But the parlous state of its economy and a weakened diplomatic position might encourage Pakistan to rethink its India policies. While India waits for things to settle down in Islamabad, it could consider taking a fresh look at its Pakistan strategy. Critics will surely question the effectiveness of Modi's three-pronged policy. But there is no doubt that Pakistan's hand today is much weaker than in the 1990s and Delhi's room for manoeuvring has grown, notwithstanding the challenges it confronts on the China border. That opens some room for new Indian initiatives toward Pakistan. Having played hardball with Pakistan in the last few years, can Modi take chances with a forward-looking strategy? Getting Pakistan's army and its political class to be more practical in engaging India is certainly a tall order; but Delhi can afford to make a move.

Modi has shown that he can take bold steps when he wants — he invited Pakistan PM Nawaz Sharif to attend his inauguration in 2014 and dashed on short notice to land in Lahore to visit Sharif's family home at the end of 2015. While there can be much disagreement on Pakistan's capacity to respond, Delhi's new initiatives can reinforce the positive evolution of Indian foreign policy, and expand the space for Indian diplomacy in the region and beyond.

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Northeast turnaround

Decline in militancy, resolution of political disputes, improvements in connectivity, welfare initiatives have enabled it

G KISHAN REDDY

ACROSS CULTURES the number eight is held as a symbol of victory, prosperity and overcoming. It also represents infinite perfection, balance and harmony. Ashta, in Sanskrit, is the number for wealth and abundance and one can draw a fascinating correlation between the eight years of governance under Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the magical transformation of the eight Northeastern states. It is an inspiring lesson in governance of a region neglected over a long period of time, shooting to prominence as the Ashtalakshmi of the nation.

After the huge mandate in 2014, Prime Minister Modi expressed his conviction to usher in a new dawn of progress in the region. He called the Northeast "India's natural economic zone" and made it a priority to tap into it. Today, he calls it the "new growth engine of India".

Despite being endowed with extraordinary natural wealth, a strategic advantage as the gateway to Southeast Asia and unrivalled economic potential, the eight states of the Northeast never got the attention they deserved. Unwilling to expend serious political capital, successive governments harped on insurgency, difficult terrain and cultural distinctiveness, as excuses for their political apathy. However, winning the public mandate in 2014, the Prime Minister started articulating solutions ingrained in the governance philosophy of sewa, sushasan and gareeb kalyaan.

Eight years hence, we are seeing visible differences in every aspect. Since 2014, militancy incidents have reduced by 74 per cent, civilian deaths have come down by 84 per cent and with more than an 800 per cent increase in surrenders by extremists, AFSPA has been lifted from some districts for the first time in decades. With sheer political will and leadership, decades old standoffs have been resolved. The intent of this government to resolve such long standing issues is clearly visible in the case of the resettlement of the Reang community.

While ushering in peace, foundations for prosperity were simultaneously laid with massive financial outlays: Budgetary support to the Northeast has risen from Rs 36,108 crore in 2014 to Rs 76,040 crore in 2022 (110 per cent). Cumulatively, since 2014, over Rs 3 lakh crore has been spent in the region.

The pinnacle of sewa to the people of Northeast has been to impart them the power of mobility and connectivity. In 2014, Arunachal Pradesh and Meghalaya were put up on the railway map for the first time. Before 2014, only Guwahati was connected. Today, Arunachal's Itanagar, Tripura's Agartala and Manipur have been connected and in the remaining five capitals connectivity projects worth Rs 45,016 crore are nearing completion. The Government of India has also spent over Rs 41,000 crore on road connectivity -- over 38,000 kms of rural roads have been completed since 2014 while projects worth Rs 75,000 crore are currently ongoing in the Northeast. There are 15 new airports in the Northeast now, from just six in 2014. The region is a priority area under the UDAN scheme with 46 operational routes.

The tele-density (number of phones per 100 people), especially rural tele-density, in the Northeast has significantly improved. In April 2014, rural tele-density at 42.68 per cent was below the national average (43.96 per cent). Today, at 61.36 per cent, rural tele-density is above the national average (58.50 per cent). The recent commissioning of 20 Gbps international bandwidth for the Northeast through Cox's Bazar in Bangladesh by BSNL is a quantum leap in internet connectivity. This would not only address the issues of latency and network congestion, but will open doors to North East's potential in becoming a leader in the BPO and IT industry with the establishment of software parks and high speed data centres.

To ensure that sewa of the Northeast continues unrelentingly, sushasan has been adopted as the key enabler: Working with committed state governments, we are moving ahead with a concrete plan of action working to leverage the inherent strengths of the region in sectors like agriculture, tourism, textiles, handicrafts. Recent initiatives such as the revival of the North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation and the National Mission for Edible Oil (for palm oil) aim to leverage the region's potential. The Edible Oil Mission aims to increase cultivation from 40,000 hectares to 3.4 lakh hectare (700 per cent) in the Northeast and more than 50 per cent of the Mission's Rs 9,000 crore outlay will accrue to the Northeast region. The formation of a joint agri task force to provide strategic direction to these initiatives will ensure speedy resolution and implementation of various agri and allied sector schemes. An upcoming workshop of chief ministers and chief secretaries of Northeastern states along with Union ministers and secretaries on developmental issues of the Northeast is likely to break the ground for a tradition of cooperative federalism and collective responsibility for development of the region.

The government is determined to ensure that welfare schemes reach every corner of the region. Towards this goal, in the past eight years, more than Rs 10,000 crore under Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PM-GKAY) and more than Rs 64,000 crore under the National Food Security Act (NFSA) have been spent. More than four crore accounts have been opened under Jan Dhan, and Rs 31,000 crore has been spent under MGNREGA.

Today, there is an ambition of making the Northeast the hub of sports in the world, a leading exporter of exotic horticultural products and a hotbed of startups while fast becoming the most attractive tourist destination in India.

It is now time to brace for Amrit Kaal and herald a glorious chapter of growth for the Northeast.

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Eight years, eight big shifts

Modi government has laid the ground for large transformations

AKHILESH MISHRA

IN AN essay written in 2012 for Foreign Policy, Daron Acemoglu and James A Robinson identified 10 reasons that they thought explain why countries fail and fall apart. Read a decade later, it offers a stark reminder of the period that we in India were before 2014 and how most of those 10 reasons applied to India as well. Specifically, the part of a "weak central government" and how such governments have calamitous consequences.

On May 30, Prime Minister Narendra Modi completed eight years in office. How do we assess his record? Or to put it differently, what are the changes in these past eight years as a consequence of a strong central government that Modi leads, which also offer a contrast to the pre-2014 period when we came perilously close to failing and falling?

First, restoring belief in "Constitutional democracy". Think of the era before 2014 when we had given up on the central government. Violent crowds had become the place for policy formulation and framing of laws and regulations. One of the greatest contributions of Modi has been to consign that phase to the dustbin and restore the confidence of people in elected governments.

Second, imbibing the spirit of "we can do it" in the country as a whole. From 42 unicorns in one year to vaccinating almost a billion people in less than a year to rescuing over 22,000 people from an active war zone, nothing seems beyond the reach of our people if we set our minds to it.

Third, energising all parts of the country and all sections of the society to contribute to our national cause. There is no more the "tyranny of distance" for the Northeast. It is now an equal contributor in our economic growth. A state like Uttar Pradesh, besmirched in an earlier era as part of the BIMARU group, now sets national models of governance. From sports to technology, and from creative fields to sciences, all sections of society now routinely set new benchmarks.

Fourth, restoring a sense of security in our people. In 2008 alone, 308 Indians were brutally murdered by terrorists across cities in the country. Contrast this with the period between 2016-22 when there have been zero deaths outside Jammu and Kashmir, Punjab and the Northeast. Naxal terror has similarly been neutralised. On the external front, Pakistan has been taught a lesson inside its own territory. And unlike in 2013, when the then defence minister pleaded helplessness against China, New India has shown its resolve both in Doklam and in Ladakh.

Fifth, the creation of a new brand India image that is confident in its assertion of an India First policy. From becoming a founding member of an initiative like the QUAD and the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF) to leading the global agenda on climate change, to asserting its own national priorities in the Ukraine war to forging close ties with all countries in West Asia, India of 2022 is qualitatively different and in a better place than it has been at any time since Independence.

Sixth, the creation of a new Indian economic model which is part of the international consensus on free and open democracies but is different from the Western consensus. In the last eight years, Modi has been able to put in place a model that seamlessly fuses free market dynamics with welfare delivery. That this has been done at a billion plus scale and in a country of continental diversity makes it easily replicable. Contrast this with pre-2014 India when the country was part of the "fragile five".

Seventh, the infusion of self-confidence in our people as a society. We now assert our unique cultural history or our national interest first policy without any preamble or apologia. We no longer get swayed by morality lectures from actors whose actions belie their preaching. From the badminton arena to policy debates in think tanks, from signing trade deals to reclaiming our civilisational sites, we are now confident to just go out and do our thing without looking for approval from any superior certifying authority.

Eighth, and perhaps the most important change in these past eight years has been the change in the mindset of us Indians as a society. As Prime Minister Modi himself put it, the attitude is now of "chalta hai nahin, badal sakta hai". It is this "badal sakta hai" thinking that permeates the mindset of "how will this happen" when faced with any seemingly improbable task that P V Sindhu so evocatively describes in her chapter in the recently released book Modi@20:Dreams Meet Delivery.

In a way, what Modi has been able to achieve in these past eight years is what he set out to do in 2014 when he used to talk of targets to be achieved by 2022. We are now in the 75th year of our Independence and as we enter Amrit Kaal and look ahead towards the next 25 years, these eight years of Modi have set the stage to catapult India into the league of select nations that will lead the world in the 21st century.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CAPTAIN COOL 2.0

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Beginner's pluck' (IE, May 30). At the beginning of this IPL season, nobody could have predicted how far the two debutant teams from Gujarat and Lucknow would reach. The Lucknow SuperGiants came in third, and the Gujarat Titans lifted the championship trophy. A lot of the credit for the Titans' win should go to the MS Dhoni-esque cool captain, Hardik Pandya. He led the team not only from the front but also kept contributing as a batsman and bowler at crucial junctures. During the final, he was the difference between the winning and losing teams. Overall, though, the Titans won as a team, not thanks to one odd superplayer, similar to what Rajasthan Royals achieved in 2013. Having a fresh team taking the cup home augurs well for the biggest T20 cricket franchise in the world. The hope is that Pandya maintains similar energy for the forthcoming T20 World Cup.

Bal Govind, *Noida*

CHALLENGE AHEAD

THIS REFERS TO the report, 'Days after his security trimmed, Cong leader Moosewala shot dead in Punjab' (IE, May 30). It is alleged that the cold-blooded killing of Sidhu Moosewala is because of an inter-gang rivalry. The hue and cry over the reduction of his security cover by the Punjab government do not make sense as he did not avail of whatever security had been allocated. Despite stringent controls, firearms continue to be smuggled into border states. The AAP has the huge task of demolishing the criminal ecosystem in the state. Ruling Punjab is a far cry from Delhi, and relying on a governance model of welfare schemes alone may not suffice.

Deepak Singhal, *Noida*

MIXED BAG

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Eight years on' (IE, May 30). Despite having its fair share of critics, the Modi government now appears to have a better understanding of the country's pulse, especially with regard to the electoral repercussions of its decisions. The rollback of the farm laws and the caution with which it is now broaching the CAA-NRC conversation is testament to this fact. At the same time, there is no let-up in the divisive politics it pursues. In this endeavour, the harking back to the past is as much in action now, as in words. Surging inflation and near permanency in joblessness are becoming glaring deficiencies of the Modi regime. What proves to be a winner for the party at crucial times is, perhaps, the image of a government relentlessly at work to "improve" things. Add to it, the TINA factor, and the BJP is here to stay.

Vijai Pant, *Hempur*

Classifieds

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That It is general information that I Salim Ahmed, S/o Abdul Waheed, R/o Type-II/75, Schedule-B, President Estate, New Delhi-110004, has been wrongly written as Saleem Ahmed in my service book, due to my fault. That actual name of mine Salim Ahmed, respectively which may be amended accordingly. That is my true statement. 0040616208-1

I,hitherto known as VIPRA VINAYAK,D/O AVINASH BHAGAT,W/O NIKHIL VINAYAK,R/O-SFS,DDA FLAT.NO.367, BLOCK-DA,SHALIMAR BAGH,DELHI-110088,have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as VIPRA BHAGAT. 0040616349-3

I,hitherto as Hashim Ali,S/o-Gulam Mohmmad Iqbal,H.No-1697,Gali-Nagina Rodgran-Lal-Kuan,Delhi-110006,have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Syed Hashim Ali. 0040616311-10

I,Yogeshwar Kumar,S/o Tirath Dass,R/o 973,Sector-1,Rohtak-124001,Haryana, India,Have Change my Name,From Yogeshwar Kumar To Yogeshwar Sindhwani,For All,Future Purpose. 0040616311-1

I,VINOD KUMAR TOMAR,S/O SURAT SINGH,R/O 6116-4,D-6 VASANT KUNJ SOUTHWEST DELHI-110070,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO VINOD TOMAR. 0040616288-6

I,Shreya Kumari D/o Anil Kumar Agarwal R/o-H.No B-198,U/GF,and F/F, Duplex Near Park Yojna Vihar,Anand Vihar East,Delhi-110092,have changed my,name to Shreya Agarwal for all.Purposes. 0040616311-8

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I,Sanjeev Kumar S/o Raj Kumar Goel R/o D-810, Saraswati Vihar Pitampura Delhi-110034,have changed my name to Sanjeev Goel. 0040616298-3

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I,RASHMI ARORA,W/O DEEPESH ARORA R/o B-37,Surya-Nagar, Ghaziabad, UP-201011,have changed my minor daughter's name,from DEEPANJALI to DEEPANJALI ARORA. 0040616311-6

I,Pawan D/o Raj Kumar R/o H.No.8612, Gali Palace Cinema, Mohalla Bhar-Ghar, Roshanara-Road, Subzi-Mandi, Malka Ganj, Delhi-110007,have changed my name to Palak. 0040616344-1

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AI,Nidhi Singh Kataria,D/o-Harendra Singh, W/o.Anil Kataria,R/o.A-124,The Icon, DLF Phase-5,Opp-Golf Course,Glleria DLF-IV, Gurgaon,(Haryana)-122009,have changed my name to Nidhi Kataria. 0040616344-6

I,Naveen Chandra,S/o Hari Dutt Mamgai R/o.Flat.No-719,Pocket-B LIG FLat Hastsal Uttam-Nagar,Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Naveen Chandra Mamgai. 0040616349-5

I,Tarun Kumar Jain S/o Chandra Mukhi Devi R/o I/81, I-Block,Garhwali Mohalla, Laxmi Nagar,Delhi-110092 have changed my name to Tarun Kumar. 0040616344-2

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I,Mohammad Talah,S/o-mohammad siddiq, Address:-2998,kucha neel kabth, daryaganj,delhi-110002,have changed my name to mohd talha,for all,future Purposes. 0040616288-2

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I,MEHRUN NISA,W/O SALEEM JAVED R/O-37/89,IIND-FLOOR LANE.NO,1 GHAFFAR MANZIL JAMIA NAGAR N DELHI-110025,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME MEHRUN NISA TO NISHA CHOUDHARY,PERMANANTLY. 0040616298-5

I, Nishu Mehta, W/o Sachin Arora, R/o B-37, SF, Ganesh Nagar, Tilak Nagar, Delhi-110018 have changed my name to NISHU ARORA 0040616198-2

I,Mahesh Kumar S/o Bhuwneshwar Parsad,R/o B-66,G/F B-Block,Shankar Garden Vikaspuri,New Delhi-18,have been changed my name to Mahesh Parsad. 0040616288-3

I,Kalawati W/o chandra shekhar R/O-E-392,JJ Camp Tigri,New Delhi-110062,have changed my name,from Chinki to kalawati,for all future purpose. 0040616344-5

I,Jasbirr Grover,W/o Sh.Naresh Grover,R/o.A-163, First-Floor,Fateh Nagar, Tilak-Nagar,New Delhi-110018,have some-Documents name Jasbir Kaur & Jasbeer Grover.All names are of same person. 0040616298-7

I,Iqra D/o Mr. M D Tahiliani & Mrs.KamlaTahiliani,R/o 44-A,Pkt.-3,Everest Apts.,Kalkaji-Extension,New Delhi-110019,have changed my name,from Iqra to Geetika Tahiliani,for all,future purposes. 0040616288-7

I,Ayush S/o Rajeev Kumar Sharma R/o-4049 Block-4, Sector-4A,Vasundhara Ghaziabad UP-201012, changed my name to Aayush. 0040616298-4

I,Ayesha W/o Mr. M D Tahiliani,R/o 44-A,Pkt.3, Everest Apts.,Kalkaji-Extension,New Delhi-110019,have changed my name,from Ayesha to Kamla Tahiliani,for all future purposes. 0040616298-6

I,Archna Kumar,W/o Yogeshwar Sindhwani,R/o-973,Sector-1,Rohtak 124001,Haryana,India,Have Change my Name,From Archna Kumari To Archana Sindhwani,For All,Future Purpose. 0040616311-2

I,Amar Barman,S/o-Sita Ram Barman,R/o.P-185, Pillanji-Village,Sarojini-Nagar, Delhi-110023,inform that my father-name wrongly-written Sita Ram Burman in my-passport but-father actual-name is Sita Ram Barman. 0040616311-5

I,AMIT JAIN S/O BASANT JAIN R/O 286 GUJRANWALA TOWN-3,DELHI-110009,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME FROM AMIT JAIN TO AMIT KUMAR JAIN. 0040616298-8

I,AMAR BURMAN S/o.SITA RAM BARMAN, ADD.P-185, PILLANJI VILLAGE, SAROJINI NAGAR,NEW DELHI-110023,changed my name to AMAR BARMAN. 0040616288-10

I, Ravinder Singh Rawat @ Ravindar Singh Rawat S/o B S Rawat R/o 389-B, D-Block, Lajpat Nagar, Sahibabad UP-201005, have changed my name to Ravindra Singh, for all future purposes. 0040616188-1

I, RAKSHIT KUMAR DHAMIJA,S/O SURENDER KUMAR DHAMIJA,R/O P9 GROUND-FLOOR,MALVIYA NAGAR,SOUTH DELHI-110017,NEW DELHI,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO RAKSHIT DHAMIJA. 0040616288-5

I, Rakesh Sohanlal Kabra R/o 312 Classic Hills, Ganeshpuri, Indore 452016 have changed my name to Rakesh Kabra 0070787870-1

I, Pawan Sharma S/O, Rajendra Kumar Sharma R/o C1402,amrapali Castle Sector Chi V Greater Noida have changed my name to Pawan Kumar Sharma for all purposes. 0040616286-3

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I, Namrata Singh Dhir W/O, Atul Dhir R/o B 20/3 Paschim Marg ,dlf Phase 1 Gurgaon-122002 have changed my name to Namarata Dhir for all purposes. 0040616286-2

I, Kusum Singh, D/O Chandra Shekhar Rai R/O K-1205, Prateek Laurel Sec-120 Noida 201301 have changed my name to Kusum Rai. 0070787843-1

I, Kumari Suresh alias Sonia Bharadwaj D/o Diwan Chand W/o Rishi Bharadwaj R/o First Floor, Plot No. 295, Shalimar Garden Extn.1, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad-201005 have changed my name to Sonia Bharadwaj for all future purposes. 0040616193-1

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I,Amar Barman,S/o-Sita Ram Barman,R/o.P-185,Pillanji-Village,Sarojini-Nagar,Delhi-110023,inform that my mother-name wrongly-written Susmita Burman in my-passport but-mother actual-name is Susmita Barman. 0040616311-4

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I, Chetan Agrawal S/o Arun Kumar Agrawal R/o-Madhu Kunj, Rajendra Path, Patna, Bihar-800001,have changed my minor son's name from VIRAAJ AGRAWAL to SHRAM AGRAWAL for all future purposes. 0070787875-1

I, C SATHYABHAMA G NAIR,MOTHER OF,HARISH KUMAR V G,R/O VAIKATH (H)EZHUMANGAD ARANGOTTUKARA P.O PALAKKAD-679533,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME,FROM C SATHYABHAMA G NAIR TO SATHYABHAMA,VIDE-AFFIDAVIT,DATED.30/05/2022,BEFORE NCT-DELHI. 0040616349-4

I, Anju Gandhi, W/o Sunil Kumar Jaitly, R/o WZ-81, Gali-7, Janak Park, Hari Nagar, Delhi-110064 have changed my name to KOMAL JAITLY 0040616198-1

I, Anjali Gautam, D/o-Mr.Khazan singh, Address.FF-3, plot.no.476, sec-13 vasundhra Ghaziabad-201012, have changed my name to anjali singh. 0040616288-1

I Surender Singh S/o Jarnail Singh R/o WZ-283/100, Gali No 4. Back side, Maddi wali Gali, Vishnu Garden, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi had changed my name to Surinder Singh for all purposes. 0040616215-1

I Sarabjit Kaur W/o Surinder Singh R/o WZ-283/100, Gali No 4. Back side, Maddi wali Gali, Vishnu Garden, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi had changed my name to Sarabjeet Kaur for all purposes. 0040616218-1

I Rabindra Nath Banerjee S/o Sh. Kalomanik Bandyopadhyay R/o Plot No.C-1, Pocket-A, Near Harihar Apartment, Kali Mata Mandir, Ashok Vihar Phase-II, Delhi-110052 have changed my name to Rabindra Nath Bandyopadhyay for all purposes. 0040616190-2

I Maher Chand S/O Late Bhagat Ram R/O RZA 21A, Gali No.2, Syndicate Enclave, Raghu Nagar, Dabri More, New Delhi-110045 Have Changed My Name from Maher Chand To Mehar Chand Premi For All Future Purpose. 0040616199-1

I Kirti alias Neelam Chawla D/o Late Sh. Jagdish Lal Sachdeva W/o Sh. Sudhir Chawla R/o A-3, Gali No.1, Radheypuri, Krishna Nagar, Delhi-110051 have changed my name to Neelam Chawla for all purposes. 0040616190-4

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I Arun Kumar Gupta S/o Late Suresh Chand Gupta R/o B-194, 4th Floor, Sahibabad, Ghaziabad, U.P.-201005 is also known as Arun Gupta. Both names are of one and the same person. 0040616190-3

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I Amit Kumar S/o Vinod Kumar Aggarwal R/o-RZ-C-87-A, Mahavir Enclave Part-1, Delhi-110045 have changed my name to Amit Kumar Aggarwal 0070787873-1

I,RUBY IKRAM,W/O. IKRAM QURESHI, ADD-128,GALI NO,9 &-11 CHAUHAN BANGAR,NEW SEELAMPUR, NORTH EAST-DELHI-110053,changed my name to RUBI,Permanently. 0040616298-2

I,MOHAMMED IKRAM,S/O MOHD NOOR,ADD-128,GALI NO,9 &-11 CHAUHAN BANGAR, NEW SEELAMPUR, NORTH-EAST DELHI-110053.Changed my name to IKRAM QURESHI, Permanently. 0040616298-1

I,Jawatri W/o,No.13805878 Ex SEP,Rohtas Singh R/o,H/no.207,Yadav Mohalla, Rajokari,Village,Delhi-38,have changed my name to Javitri Devi vide affidavit 30.5.22. 0040616311-7

I,AMIT KUMAR,S/O SUSHIL KUMAR ADD-FLATNO-906 TOWER-T 12 RPS SAVANA SEC-88, FARIDABAD, HARYANA 121002,changed my name to AMIT KUMAR NARANG., Permanently. 0040616288-8

LOST & FOUND

I,Poonam Gupta and Manoj Gupta, S/D/W/O Shri.Niwas Gupta,have lost my-original DDA-property documents-allotment letter and DDA possession-slip and DDA-possession letter. Property.no.Shop no.19 in BLK-D size measuring 18.00 SQ MTRS.situated at east-of-kailash, New Delhi. 0040616298-10

I, Subhash Chander, son of Shri Ramdhan, lost original share certificate (Membership 396) of 274 Abhinav CGHS Plot B 12 Vasundhara Enclave Delhi 110096. Finder may please call 9871595174 0050197937-1

I, LALIT KUMAR Lost my ORIGINAL Property document ALLOTMENT LETTER of FLAT.NO-50-C, BLOCK-C,EWS, SECTOR-99,NOIDA DISTT.GAUTAM BUDH NAGAR,UTTAR PRADESH.Finder contact above address. 0040616311-9

LOST & FOUND

It is notified for the information of general public that my Original Diploma Certificate of Pharmacy, Roll No.219706 bearing My Name Jasbir Singh Mann S/o Vijender Singh Mann R/o H.No.1900 Alipur Delhi-110036 is lost. My DOB-04 Jan 1984, Ph no.9212341905 0040616303-1

Lost my original property,DOCUMENTS AND VALUABLE SECURITIES paper,REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE,Buyer's Agreement.Finder contact: Puran Singh Paul R/o-H.No:D-11/2,Second Floor,Exclusive Floors Colony, DLF PHASE-5, SECTOR-53, GURUGRAM, HARYANA-122009. 0040616344-10

I, Meera D/o Gulab Devi R/o D-608/18SQM J.J Colony Madanpur Khadar, New Delhi-110076, Have lost my all original Property Documents of said Address 0070787877-1

I, Malti Sharma w/o Mr Rakesh Sharma R/o, E-291, Sector-Delta-1, Greater Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar U.P.-201310. I have lost the last 2-3 pages of the older lease deed and Possession Letter at Shahdra Delhi for Greater Noida Property D-350, Block-D, Sector- Delta-1, Greater Noida, Gautam Budh Nagar U.P. 201310. 0040616302-1

I, Uma Choudhury W/o Samar Shankar Choudhury R/o-25/1A/1, Naktala Road, Naktala, Kolkata, West Bengal, have Lost Allotment Letter dated-19.10.2011 of the Flat. No.879, on 8th Floor, Tower-Narmada, in Mahagun Puram Phase-II, Situated at NH-24, Mehrauli Ghaziabad, U.P if find please inform SBI RACPC-02, Sector-62, Noida. 0070787879-1

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public at large that my Client Mrs. Pratibha Singh D/o Mr. Gyanendra Prasad has lost the Original Conveyance Deed regd. dated 16/11/2001 and Original NOC of water and electric, 82-D, DDA Flats Masjid Moth-II, N.D -48. In this regard a Police Complaint has lodged No. 444187/2022. if any person(s) who found it is requested to return these documents and any person(s) claiming any right, interest having any odjection may write / contact above address within 7 days and no claim will be entertainable thereafter.

Sd/- **Gajender Solanki** (Advocate)
Ch. No. B-101, B.G.S. Block
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-110092

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public at large is hereby informed that my client Smt Bhagwant Kaur Jabbal W/o Kuldeep Singh R/o 104, Sector 14, Faridabad, Haryana has severed all her relations with her sons namely Inderjeet Singh and Vikramjeet Singh. She will not be responsible for any acts, deeds, things, commissions and omissions done by Inderjeet or Vikramjeet and any person dealing with them shall be doing so at his own responsibility. Inderjeet and Vikramjeet shall have no right, title or interest in any of the properties of my client.

R. K. Gupta Advocate
Enrolment No: D/706/86
Ch. No. 129, Saket Court,
New Delhi-110017
Mobile: 9810472855

सार्वजनिक सूचना

मेरे मुवक्किल श्री इन्दर मोहन कपूर पुत्र स्व. मदन मोहन कपूर निवासी बी–4ऐ/2, राणा प्रताप बाग, दिल्ली–110007, ने अपने पुत्र हर्ष कपूर एवम पुतर्वधु प्रीती को गलत व्यवहार/आचरण के कारण अपनी चल अचल सम्पत्ति से बेदखल कर सभी सम्बन्ध विच्छेद का लिए है भविष्य में यह कोई लेन देन करते हैं तो उसके जिम्मेदार खुद होंगे। मेरे मुवक्किल व उनका परिवार दीवानी और फौजदारी के लिए जिम्मेदार नहीं होगा।

राजीव कुमार
अधिवक्ता
डी/3560/2009

PUBLIC NOTICE

Know all men by at large that my clients, **ASHWANI KUMAR** S/O LATE MUNI LAL, R/O CC-87A, SHALIMAR BAGH, DELHI-110088 has disowned and severed all relations with my daughters namely: RITU WADHAWAN D/O ASHWANI KUMAR & REEMA WADHAWAN BHATIA W/O SANDEEP KUMAR BHATIA and debarred them from all his movable and immovable properties and his personal life absolutely and forever due to their misbehave, non-cooperation and abuse languages towards my client and his family. Neither they nor their legal heirs will claim, demand, dispute, litigation, etc. regarding the properties of my client, if do/es so, the same will be treated as null and void. Any Body dealing with them in civil and criminal matter and/or any other acts, shall be doing at his/her/their own risk, cost and expenses & my clients and other family member will not be responsible for the same at any circumstances. With immediate effect.

Sd/-
S.K. Taank (Sheenu)
(Advocate)
Enrl. No. D/063/08

PUBLIC NOTICE

Be it known to all that my clients Sh.Vijaypal S/o Late Sh. Puran Singh and Smt. Suman W/o Vijaypal R/o H.N. T-90, Islam Colony Ward No.6, Mehrauli, South Delhi-110030, have severed all relations & debarred/ disowned their son Jitendra Kumar and his wife Meera Devi from their all moveable and immoveable property(s) due to their misconduct. Anybody dealing with them will do so at his/her/their own risk, my clients will not be responsible for their any acts in the future.

Sd/-
NIMTA (Advocate)
Enrl No.D/3098/2017

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public is hereby informed that my clients Shri Nirdosh Kumar Gupta and his wife Smt. Shashi Gupta both R/O AM-117, Ground Floor, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi-110088, have disowned and disinherited their son namely Abhishek Gupta, his wife Smt. Parul Aggarwal Gupta and their daughter Hritvi Gupta, from all his immovable (property bearing no. AM-117, Ground Floor, Shalimar Bagh, Delhi - 110088) or moveable assets and have severed all their relations with them as they are working against and beyond my client's control. Any one dealing with them in any manner shall do so at his/her own risk, cost and consequences. My clients and their family members are not responsible for the acts, work and deed of the abovesaid Abhishek Gupta, his wife Smt. Parul Aggarwal Gupta and their daughter namely Hritvi Gupta.

ALKA AHIR (ADVOCATE)
Ch. No. 503, Rohini Courts, Delhi, M: 9811443615

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public is hereby informed that We, Sh. Swami Nath S/o. Sh.Chedi Ram and Smt. Vijay Lakshmi W/o. Sh. Swami Nath both R/o. 790, Kushak No.2, Village, Kadi Pur, North West, Delhi-110036 Debar/Disown our daughter-in-law namely Smt. Raj Kumari @ Kanchan W/o. Late Mohit Kumar Sharma D/o. Sh. Jaipal from our all movable & immovable properties and swear all relations from her as she is out of our control and saying she has no concern with us".

S.K. KAUSHIK (ADVOCATE)
Ch.No.1306, Rohini Court Complex, Delhi-85. Mob.9910703213

PUBLIC NOTICE

Be it known to all that my clients Ramesh Kumar S/o Sh Ramphal R/o H. N. 266, Village, Mundhla Kalan, New Delhi, have severed all relations with their son namely Rohit Kumar & his wife Smt. Nishal W/o Sh. Rohit Kumar and have disowned & disinherited them from all their movable and immovable property due to unruly behaviour and out of control of my clients. Whatsoever deals with him in any manner, shall to do so at his/her own risk and consequences and my clients shall not be held liable for that.

Sd/-
RISHI RAJ
ADVOCATE
Office at: CH. NO. 322, LAWYERS CHAMBER, DISTRICT COURT, DWARKA, NEW DELHI-110075

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby informed that the undersigned's client viz. Deepak Mehra, S/o Late Sh Girdhari Lal Mehra, has terminated the Special Power of Attorney dt. 10.04.2009 executed in favour of his elder brother Major General Kapil Mehra by executing a affidavit of revocation dt 20.05.2022. The undersigned's client shall not be held responsible for any acts of omission or commission done by Mr Kapil in pursuance of the SPA. Anybody dealing with him would be doing as at his/her responsibility, risk, costs and consequences.

Sd/- **Rohit Bansal**
Advocate
Contact No. : 9555570447

सार्वजनिक सूचना

सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि मेरे मुवक्किल **श्री सुरेन्द्र कुमार** पुत्र श्री देवकरण, एंवम श्रीमती मंजु रानी पत्नी श्री सुरेन्द्र कुमार, निवासी एस–360 ए, स्कूल ब्लाक, शकरपुर, पुर्वी दिल्ली, दिल्ली–110092, ने अपनी पुत्री **श्रीमती दित्ती करोतिया** पुत्री श्री सुरेन्द्र कुमार एंवम उसके पति **श्री रूपेश्वर** उर्फ **रितिक** को उनके गलत आचरण व दुरव्यावहार के कारण, अपनी चल व अचल समपत्ती से बेदखल कर दिया हैं तथा **श्रीमती दित्ती करोतिया** एंवम **उसके पति श्री रूपेश्वर** उर्फ **रितिक** से मेरे मुवक्किल व उसके परिवार का कोई रिश्ता नहीं है। अतः भविष्य में वह अपने समस्त कार्यो व **कानुनी व** लेन देन के लिए स्वंय जिम्मेवार होंगे। **आशु गुप्ता** (ऐडवोकेट)
17/254, कल्याणपुरी, दिल्ली–110092

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client Mrs. Madhu Khetan W/o Sh. Ashok Kumar Khetan, owner and R/o Entire F.Floor, Built upon Pro. No. B-2/60, Safdarjung Enclave, N.D. has offered to mortgage the said property with State Bank of India. The Original 1. Allotment Letter, 2. Possession Slip, & 3. Registred Conveyance Deed dt.27.08.1996 R. no. 7432, issued/executed by DDA in favour of Sh. Om Parkash Kapoor, are lost/ not traceable for which FIR is already lodged. By way of this public notice it is informed to general public to return if anyone has found this document, and /or be informed that any person having claim, any charge, interest, lien or claim on the basis of the said Allotment Letter, Possession Slip, & Conveyance Deed he /she may notify to the undersigned with the documentary proof/Court judgment within 15 days from the day of publication failing which the title, Shall be deemed to be clear, and marketable without any defect encumbrance and free to create equitable mortgage.

Prince Bhardwaj (Advocate)
Enrl No. D-869/2018
Ch.No.K-28,Tis Hazari Courts,Delhi

PUBLIC NOTICE

This Notice is hereby given to general public that Mr. Shiv Tyagi, who claimed to be owner and in possession of the Flat bearing no. 15, on Second floor (Back Side), area measuring 45 sq yds., (said floor), part of Property bearing no. 166/1, area measuring 220 sq. yds., out of Khasra no. 619/21, situated in the abadi of Lal Dora 1908-1909, in the area of Village Chattarpur, Tehsil Saket (Mehrauli), New Delhi; by virtue of Sale Deed dated 22.08.2019, now Mr. Shiv Tyagi is selling said property to Mrs. Rina Das and now Mrs. Rina Das & Mr. Sudhir Das has approached Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd. for financial assistance and therefore shall be mortgaged with the said Bank. We give this public notice that if any person having any claim/objection regarding ownership and/or creating mortgage of the said property or any part of the said property in favour of Jana Small Finance Bank Ltd. is/are hereby requested to notify the same in writing to undersigned with supporting documentary evidence at the address mention below within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which any claim, if any, of such persons will be consider to have been waived and/or, abandoned and our client shall proceed with the disbursement of loan against the said property and subsequent creation of Mortgage in respect thereof.

For Juris NextGen Law Offices
E-56,LGF, Greater Kailash Enclave Part-1 New Delhi-110048

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public at large is hereby informed that my client **Sh. Vishal Gupta,** S/o. Sh. Raj Kumar Gupta, R/o. House No.183/18-6, Kala Sadan, Katla Ramlila, Hissar, Haryana-125001 and presently at Delhi is sole and absolute owner of **built-up first floor, area measuring 125 square yards, without roof/terrace rights, with common passage and staircase rights, with common space of water tank on monty, portion of property bearing new no.WZ-3425 (Old No.WZ-98/1) situated in the area of Village Shakurpur, Delhi State, Delhi Colony known as Mahindra Park Shakur Basti Delhi-110034** vide registered Sale Deed dated 05.12.2020. My client has permitted to **Sh. Rajinder Sethi S/o. Late Sh. Jagdish Lal Sethi** to use, occupy and live in the said property as licensee. But, now my client came to know that Sh. Rajinder Sethi has malafide and mischievous intention to sell out the above-said property without his knowledge, consent, wish and Will. If any person(s) will deal in the above- said property with Sh. Rajinder Sethi, then he/she will do so at his/her own risks, costs and consequences and my client will not be responsible for any, such transaction/ investment or sale and the same will be treated as forgery with my client and my client shall be free to take legal recourses as required at the appropriate stage and time alongwith all the damages and costs occurred for the same.

Sd/-
Vijay Shankar Tiwari
Advocate
Ch. No. 525-A, Western Wing,
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-54

PUBLIC NOTICE

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT LARGE THAT OUR CLIENT'S CUSTOMER MRS. NIKITA GAURANG IS INTENDING TO PURCHASE FLAT NO. 302, ON THIRD FLOOR, REAR SIDE PORTION, HAVING CARPET AREA MEASURING 790 SQ. FT., BLOCK-A, BUILD ON LAND ADMEASURING 525 SQ. YDS, FALLING UNDER LAL DORA AREA OF KHASRA NO. 67 MIN, VILLAGE BAMNOLI, DELHI FROM MR. ASHISH KUMAR DHILLON & MR. RITESH ACQUIRED THE SAME VIDE RELINQUISHMENT DEED DATED 12.02.2012 AS DOC NO.1642 AND LEGAL HEIRS OF LATE MR. RAM KISHAN THE SAID PROPERTY IS BEING MORTGAGE WITH M/S AAVAS FINANCIERS LIMITED (FORMERLY KNOWN AS AU HOUSING FINANCE LTD.) AT OFFICE NO. 707 7TH FLOOR, VIKRAM TOWER, DELHI, RAJENDRA PLACE, AFTER EXECUTION OF SALE DEED IN FAVOUR OF CLIENT'S CUSTOMER.
HENCE THIS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ANY PERSON OR LEGAL HEIRS OF LATE MR. RAM KISHAN, BANK/S OR FINANCIAL INSTITUTION/S, OR ANY PARTY/IES, HAVING ANY CLAIM, CHARGE, INTEREST, TITLE, DEMAND, RIGHTS, OF WHATSOEVER NATURE IN RESPECT OF OR AGAINST THE SAID PROPERTY BY WAY OF INHERITANCE, SHARE, TRANSFER, MORTGAGE, POSSESSION, HOWSOEVER NATURE, ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO MAKE THE SAME KNOWN IN WRITING WITH DOCUMENTARY SUPPORT TO THE UNDERSIGNED WITHIN 7 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PUBLICATION, FAILING WHICH THE SAID CLAIM OF SUCH PERSON/S, IF ANY WILL BE CONSIDERED AS WAIVED AND SETTLED.

MR. SAMIR KUMAR/ LALIT KUMAR (ADVOCATE)
M/S. EXCEL LAW GROUP
OFFICE AT ADDRESS: 87-D, ON 3RD FLOOR, POCKET-2, SECTOR-6, DWARKA, NEW DELHI
MBL- 8130395390/91

COURT NOTICE

In the Court of Sh. Mridul Gupta: Administrative, Civil Judge-cum-ARC(Central) Delhi-110054.
SC.No.-89/2022
N.D.O.H. 29.08.2022
Smt. Shyama Devi Vs.
The State & Ors

Smt. Shyama Devi W/o late Manoj Sahani, R/o H.No. 341-B, Mantola, Pahar Ganj, New Delhi-55
..... Petitioner

FOR SUCCESSION CERTIFICATE UNDER INDIAN SUCCESSION ACT, 1925

To,
All Concerned
Whereas in the above noted petition the applicant/petitioner has applied for Succession Certificate to the Hon'ble Court Under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925 in respect of the debt and securities amount of Rs xxx. As per record to be standing in the name of Late Sh. Manoj Sahani deceased.
Whereas the 29.08.2022 at 10' o clock in the forenoon has been fixed for hearing or the application notice is hereby given to this concerned.
Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 24.05.2022

Sd/-
seal
(Mridul Gupta)
ACJ/ARC(Central): Delhi

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SEARCH FOR MISSING

Santoshi

General Public is hereby informed that a girl namely **Santoshi**, D/o Sh. Rajender Prasad, R/o Triveni Colony, Village Bakhtawarpur, Delhi. **Age** : 17 years, **Height** : about 4'9", **Complexion**-Fair, **Face**-Round, **Built**-Medium, **Wearing**-Blue Suit-Salwar & Chappal in feet has been missing from the area of PS-Alipur, Delhi, since **21.04.2022 at 11:00 AM.** in this regard a case **FIR No. 250/2022 u/s 363 IPC dated 22.04.2022** has been registered at **PS.Alipur, Delhi.**

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing girl but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this girl please inform undersigned.

E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in
Ph : 011-24368638, 24368641
Fax : 011-23011334
DP/1888/ON/2022

SHO
P.S. Alipur, Delhi
Ph. : 011-27202290

SEARCH FOR MISSING GIRL

Mehsar Jahan

General public is hereby informed that one girl namely **Mehsar Jahan D/o Farukh Khan** R/o H.No. RZQ-23, Near Vishnu Property, Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Age 14 years, Height 5'2", Complexion Shallow, Oval Face, Built Normal, Wearing Black Colour Frock & Pajami has been missing/kidnapped since 29.04.2022 from the area of PS Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out this girl, but no clue has come to light so far. In this regard a Case FIR No. 586/2022 dated 30.04.2022 U/s 363 IPC has been registered at PS Nihal Vihar, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this missing/ kidnapped girl may kindly inform to the following

Website: http://cbi.nic.in
Email: cic@cbi.gov.in
Fax: 011-23011334
Ph: 011-23014046, 23015218
DP/1814/OD/2022

SHO
PS Nihal Vihar, Delhi
Ph. 011-25946700, 25946710

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PRESS NIT No. 06 (2022-23) EE(C)Dr-VIII

Item No.	Name of Work	Estimated Contract Value (ECV)/ Amount put to tender	Earnest Money (EMD) (Rs.)	Tender processing Fee Non Refundable (Rs.)	Date of Release of Tender/ Tender ID	Last date /time of receipt of tender
1.	Construction of chamber and providing house service sewer connection in various colonies of Assembly Constituency Gokalpur AC-68.	2,63,92,700/-	5,27,900/-	1,500/-	2022_DJB_220026_1 Dated 25.05.2022	16.06.2022 upto 3.00 P.M
2.	Construction of chamber and providing house service sewer connection in various colonies of Assembly Constituency Karawal Nagar AC-70	3,47,27,322/-	6,94,550/-	1,500/-	2022_DJB_220026_2 Dated 25.05.2022	16.06.2022 upto 3.00 P.M

Further details in this regard can be seen at **https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in**.
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

The Executive Engineer, B&R Division, HPPWD Nahan, District Sirmaur, H.P. on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh invites the item rates bids, in electronic tendering system from the eligible class of Contractors registered with HPPWD for the works detailed in the table.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Earnest Money (Rs.)
1	2	3	4
1	C/o Science Lab in GSSS Surla, Tehsil Nahan, Sirmaur (HP) (SH:- C/o Building Portion, Providing Water Supply, Sanitary Installation, C/o Rain Water Harvesting Tank and Site Development i.e. Site Leveling and Retaining Wall etc.)	1,25,18,776/- only	1,57,700/- only
2	C/o 10.

ALLEGED ASSAULT, EXTORTION

Gujarat court rejects former ASG anticipatory bail plea

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
AHMEDABAD, MAY 30

A GANDHINAGAR sessions court Monday refused to grant anticipatory bail to IH Syed, former Assistant Solicitor General (ASG) at the Gujarat High Court, against an FIR registered against him in Gandhinagar on May 15.

Syed, a designated senior advocate, along with five others, are facing charges of causing hurt, extortion, wrongful confinement and criminal intimidation, among other charges.

The FIR at the Pethapur police station in Gandhinagar was filed based on a complaint by an Ahmedabad-based businessman Viral Mukundbhai Shah (46), naming six, including Syed. Shah has alleged that he was called to former Gujarat Chief Minister Shankersinh Vaghela's residence at Gandhinagar by his personal assistant Bhaumik Thakkar for signing an agreement on a business dispute. He was allegedly threatened, pressurised, confined forcefully at the premises and assaulted after which the businessman managed to allegedly flee away in his car.

The FIR, lodged under relevant IPC sections, also names former CM Vaghela's PA Bhaumik Thakkar as an accused.

Syed had, via his counsel senior advocate Asim Pandya, claimed "innocence" before the Gandhinagar sessions court. He submitted that he has been falsely implicated in the alleged offences, and that the complainant filed the FIR "with a view to get out of the settlement agreement" pertaining to the business dispute.

The state opposed the anticipatory bail plea stating that Syed had "escaped" after the occurrence of the alleged offence and "not cooperated" with the investigating officer (IO) for the probe. It argued that if Syed is released on anticipatory bail, "then he may hamper or tamper with evidence, witnesses and complainant" and that Syed "will flee from justice", given the probe is yet to be completed and neither has a chargesheet been filed in the alleged offence. The prosecution also submitted that the IO had recovered an agreement pertaining to the dispute from Syed's office computer.

Taking into consideration the entire police papers and contentions of the FIR, additional sessions judge DK Soni rejected Syed's plea.

Apart from Syed, the pleas of four other accused—Vadodara-based businessman Kuren Amin, Gandhinagar-based agriculturist Ravi Chaudhary, Thakkar and Ahmedabad-based businessman Zankarsinh Solanki—were also rejected.

Syed has also moved a petition before the Gujarat High Court seeking quashing of the FIR and interim relief of protection from coercive steps. While the Gujarat HC has refused to grant him interim protection so far based on the hearings conducted on two days, the HC, on May 27, reserved the petition for orders on the specific aspect of maintainability of the quashing petition.

Tata Motors to take over Ford's Sanand plant, absorb workers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
AHMEDABAD, MAY 30

A TRIPARTITE agreement has been signed by the Gujarat government, Ford India Private Ltd and Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Ltd Monday for handing over all land, building and vehicle assembly plant of Ford Motors at Sanand to Tata Motors. As per the agreement, Ford will continue to manufacture engines at the same site, located 40 kilometres from Ahmedabad.

A statement from the Gujarat government regarding the agreement stated that Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Limited, a subsidiary of Tata Motors, will also absorb all the workers of Ford Motors. However, in a statement filed with the stock exchanges, Tata Motors stated it will transfer "all eligible employees" of Ford Motors "subject to signing of a definitive agreement and receipt of relevant approvals."

The agreement is a huge win-win situation for Tata Motors that not only has a car manufacturing plant adjoining the Ford Motors unit near Bol GIDC at Sanand, but also manufactures electric vehicles at Sanand. According to senior officials, only a boundary wall divides the campuses of the two car manufacturing plants.

Ford Motors unit in Gujarat's Sanand. *File*

The deal, the Gujarat government said, was finalised within 90 days and has halted the possible job loss that would have happened due to the closure of the Ford Motors plant. According to the state government, the Ford Motors plant provided direct employment to 3,043 workers and indirect employment to an estimated 20,000 people.

"This MoU further reinforces our commitment to the state by creating more employment and business opportunities. Rising customer preference for passenger and electric vehicles made by Tata Motors has led to a multifold growth for the company over the past few years. This potential transaction will support expansion of capacity, thus securing future growth and opportunity to further strengthen our position in the passenger and electric vehicles space," Shailesh Chandra, Managing Director of Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles Ltd and Tata Passenger Electric Mobility, said in a statement to the stock exchanges.

As per the current deal, Tata Motors will not only take control of all the 460 acres of Ford's car manufacturing plant commissioned in 2015 but will also lease out land and building for engine manufacturing to it. The financial details of the agreement were not disclosed.

Currently, Ford's assembly plant—that used to manufacture Ford Aspire and Ford Figo since 2015—occupies 350 acres, while the engine plant stands on 110 acres, alongside 445 hectares of Tata Motors plant that first began manufacturing Tata Nano and are now producing petrol, diesel and electric car variants.

Ford Motors is the second US-based car manufacturer to halt car manufacturing in Gujarat after General Motors ended operations at Halol in 2017 after 21 years. The Halol plant was later taken over by Shanghai-based MG Motors.

Tata Motors stated it will "invest into new machinery and equipment" necessary to commission the acquired plant.

The agreement was signed at Gandhinagar in the presence of Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel, Tata Motors' Chandra and Ford India transformation officer and country head, Balasundaram R.

18-year-old model found dead in her Kolkata home

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
KOLKATA, MAY 30

AN 18-YEAR-OLD woman make-up artist and model was found hanging in her Kolkata residence, police said on Monday. This is the fourth such incident in the city in recent weeks involving a member of the showbiz industry, the police added.

Saraswati Das apparently hanged herself in her Bediadanga residence in Kasba area on Saturday night using a dupatta, a senior police officer said. Her body was found on Sunday.

"No suicide note was found," said a senior police officer.

"Prima facie, it is a case of suicide. However, further probe is on. The post-mortem report is awaited. Saraswati's grandmother found her hanging. She took the girl to a nearby hospital where doctors declared her dead on arrival. We were also informed," said an officer.

The officer said that the police is also trying to find out whether Saraswati had any connection with the three others — models Manjusha Neogi, Bidisha De Majumdar and television actor Pallabi Dey, all of whom died allegedly by suicide in recent weeks.

"Saraswati apparently hanged herself on Saturday night after her mother and aunt left for work. We have seized her mobile phone and are checking her activity on social networking platforms in connection with our investigation," the officer added.

Last Friday, Manjusha (26), a model, was found hanging in her room in Kolkata. The suspected suicide of her friend and colleague Bidisha De Majumdar on Wednesday had upset her. TV actor Pallabi Dey was also found dead in her apartment on May 15.

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LATEHAR KILLING

Police volte-face: FIR against 8 security men for 'murdering' man

ABHISHEK ANGAD
RANCHI, MAY 30

THE JHARKHAND Police have registered an FIR against eight security personnel, including a CRPF Deputy Commandant, for "murdering" a tribal man and "destroying the evidence" a year ago.

This is a U-turn from what police had claimed earlier that the death in Piri village, under Garu block of Jharkhand's Latehar district, was an incident of "crossfire".

The first FIR registered on June 13 last year against members of tribal community where the police claimed that a search party comprising CRPF's elite CoBRA encountered the tribals with arms and even though warned, they were "fired upon". The security personnel then fired in "self defence".

However, other members of the group had earlier told The Indian Express that they carried a "country-made gun to hunt in the forest area" and after seeing them, the security forces started firing at them even though they screamed that they were not members of "any party" — a reference to the banned CPI (Maoist) group or its splinter group.

The second FIR, which was registered on May 3 this year against personnel of CRPF and Jharkhand Police, however, stated that one Brahmdev Singh was "murdered" when he, along with the others, had gone for hunting. Interestingly, during the May 12 hearing in the High Court, as per court records, the state never submitted that they had already registered an FIR.

Between the two FIRs, the deceased's wife Jeramani Devi made several rounds of Garu police station, the Latehar magistrate court and also submitted a plea to the High Court as police delayed in "following" the lower court order.

Rights body Janadhikar Mahasabha, who pursued the issue, had earlier said the "police were trying to hide the truth" and despite making several pleas to various authorities on behalf of the deceased's family, there was no action.

In June last year, after Brahmdev Singh was "murdered", more than 50 villagers marched to the police station for registration of a cross-FIR, calling it a case of unilateral firing by security personnel. The then Latehar SP Prashant Anand had told The Indian Express: "The entire complaint seems to be an afterthought." However, he had said that the CID's investigation would clear the issue.

FULL REPORT ON www.indianexpress.com

A man walks in rain at Vellayani in Thiruvananthapuram on Monday. *PTI*

Further advancement of Southwest monsoon unlikely for next two days

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
PUNE, MAY 30

THE WAIT for rain will now be longer for north Kerala, Karnataka and central Tamil Nadu as no further advancement of Southwest Monsoon is likely for the next two days.

After arriving over the Andaman Sea on May 16 and reaching Kerala, southern Tamil Nadu and some areas of Lakshadweep on May 29, Southwest Monsoon is yet to gather steam and cause widespread rainfall over these regions.

The rainfall over Kerala, post monsoon onset, has been insignificant with eight out of the 14 districts reporting light to moderate rainfall in the last 24 hours. The highest 24-hour rainfall was recorded over Alappuzha and Kottayam, measuring 53mm and 52mm, respectively.

Except south Kerala and Mahe, where heavy rainfall is likely to occur on Tuesday, all other southern states will experience only light intensity rainfall (up to 64.4mm in 24 hours) accompanied by lightning till June 2.

The India Meteorological Department (IMD), in its weather update on Monday, said, "Conditions are favourable for the further advance into some more parts of the Arabian Sea, remaining areas of Kerala, some more parts of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka, south, central and northeast Bay of Bengal along with some northeastern states during the next three to four days."

However, due to the strengthening of the westerly monsoon winds off Kerala-Karnataka coast, the Met department has advised fishermen to avoid deep sea fishing activities. Squally winds with speeds ranging from 40 to 50 kms/hour are likely.

The cyclonic circulation persisting since Sunday has now moved to the east Arabian Sea, just off Kerala-Karnataka coasts.

Dead elephant calf found after three days in Bengal

Kolkata: The carcass of a calf that a mother elephant carried for at least 7 kilometres in tea gardens of West Bengal's Jalpaiguri district three days ago was recovered by the wildlife department, officials said on Monday. The cause of the calf's death is yet to be ascertained, they said, adding that the carcass has been sent for post-mortem.

A video shot by the staff of the tea garden widely circulated on social media shows that the calf died on Friday in the Dooars Chunabhati tea garden. The mother elephant carried the carcass with her trunk and moved from one tea garden to another.

Gorumara Divisional Forest Officer (DFO) Anshu Yadav said, "We found the carcass in a decomposed condition today. We cannot confirm whether the calf was stillborn till the reports arrive. Once we were informed about the mother elephant, I asked the staff to monitor her movement..."

The herd of about 25-30 elephants is now in the Diana forests, officials said. ENS

SC to hear today plea against construction at Puri temple

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE SUPREME Court will hear on Tuesday a petition which seeks to restrain the Odisha government from carrying out excavation and construction in and around the Lord Jagannath temple in Puri, Odisha, amid concerns over its structural safety.

A bench of Justices B R Gavai and Hima Kohli agreed to take up the plea, which has challenged the Orissa High Court's May 9 order refusing to restrain the state, after the appellant Sumanta Kumar Ghadei, a social activist and businessman, sought its urgent listing.

The plea stated it is being filed "in the interest of the general public and to protect the heritage of Lord Shree Jagannath".

Represented by advocate Gautam Das, Ghadei has told the court the ongoing excavation and construction as part of the Jagannath Temple Corridor Project "is in gross violation of section 20A of The Ancient Monuments and Archeological Sites and Remains Act (AMASR), 1958".

Plea raises concerns over structural safety of Lord Jagannath temple in Puri, Odisha. *File*

Section 20A of AMASR Act "is clear about the fact that there cannot be any construction within the 100 m distance of the prohibited area…of the monument", the petition said.

However, it pointed out, the state is trying to do some construction "adjacent to the western side of what is called the Meghanand Pacheri, an integral part of the temple".

The plea has raised fears that heavy earth-moving equipment digging "as much as 30 feet into the earth" is putting pressure on the temple's basement/ foundation. It added that though there are damages to the structure of the temple, photographs of the same cannot be produced as authorities have banned use of mobile phones and all other forms of photography.

CANCELLATION OF FCRA REGISTRATION

HC seeks Centre's reply on CHRI plea

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE DELHI High Court on Monday asked the Centre to respond to the Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative (CHRI)'s petition challenging the cancellation of its FCRA registration by MHA last month.

However, the court refused to grant any interim relief to the NGO with respect to Section 15 of FCRA which allows the Central government to take over the foreign contribution, related assets and management of the organisation whose FCRA registration stands cancelled.

"Presently bearing in mind the violations which are noticed, we are not inclined to grant stay," said Justice Yashwant Varma, while listing the case for hearing in September.

Senior Advocate C U Singh, representing CHRI, argued that the cancellation order fails to record any reasoning and does not deal with the response submitted earlier by the NGO in response to the show cause notice.

Additional Solicitor General Chetan Sharma submitted that the Centre will file a reply to the petition. "According to the petition, they submitted 4000-5000 pages. All that has been subsumed in the audit report...The [cancellation] order will not reflect all that," Sharma said.

CHRI in the petition argued that each of the four grounds on which its decades-old FCRA registration has been cancelled are "wrong, false, incorrect and/or misconceived". It has also been contended by CHRI that each of the grounds mentioned in the cancellation order are compoundable upon payment of penalty, read the petition.

CHRI's FCRA registration was already under suspension since June 2021 and continued till its cancellation on April 19.

MHA in the cancellation order last month had said that CHRI deposited around Rs 31.90 Lakh of consultation fee in its FC account but the same is not covered under the definition of foreign contribution" under the Act.

Contending that the one-time deposit of around Rs 32 Lakh is covered under foreign contribution definition, the CHRI has said that it provided all information regarding foreign contribution to the authorities for the year 2018-19.

Another writer denies permission to use his work in textbooks

Bengaluru: After writers G Ramakrishna and Devanur Mahadeva, another writer professor SG Siddaramiah too has revoked permission from using his works in Class 9 Kannada textbook as protest against the 'communalisation' of education.

He also resigned as the president of the Rashtrakavi Dr GS Shivarudrappa Pratishthana along with other members. and submitted their resignation to Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, expressing anger over the unconstitutional oppression in the educational, cultural and political climate of the state.

Siddaramiah said, "This protest is not against any particular person but the distorted lessons and ideologies that are being propagated... In the name of nationalism, the state is instilling communal and corrupt thoughts into the minds of the students..I do not wish to be part of such an ecosystem." ENS

39k given Covid death relief, says Dy CM; UP govt says 23k dead

MAULSHREE SETH
LUCKNOW, MAY 30

THE UTTAR Pradesh government in a written reply submitted in the Assembly on Monday said that 23, 512 people have died due to Covid-19 in the state till May 23, 2022.

The government was replying to a question raised by Samajwadi Party MLA Ravidas Mehrotra about the number of Covid-19 deaths in the state.

However, during the question hour, Deputy Chief Minister Brajesh Pathak – who also holds the medical and health portfolio – said the state had received 41,871 applications for compensation for Covid-19 deaths as it had also accepted claims of those who had died a month after contracting Covid-19 following the directions of the court. Of these, families of 39,267 people had been given the compensation, he added. Pathak was replying to a supplementary question raised by Mehrotra.

As Samajwadi Party MLA from Katehari Lalji Verma questioned the discrepancy in the written data about Covid-19 deaths and the one presented by the deputy CM, Pathak explained that the government had launched a portal for collecting information about Covid-19 cases and deaths and it was updated regularly whenever there was a positive case. "As per the portal, 23, 512 people had died due to Covid-19 till May 23, 2022. Later, a court ruling directed the state to conduct a survey of those who had died within a month of testing positive for Covid-19. following which the government had received 41,871 applications for claims," the minister informed.

Unsatisfied with the answer, Samajwadi Party MLAs staged a walkout in the Assembly alleging that the number of Covid-19 deaths was in lakhs and that they did not accept the figures submitted by the state government.

Hitting back, Pathak said, "*Vipaksha kewal rajniti karna chahta hai* (The opposition only wants to indulge in politics)... over such a sensitive issue and doesn't want to listen to any answers."

He informed the Assembly that the government had also published advertisements in newspapers inviting applications from families of those who died within a month of testing positive for Covid-19 and they had received 41,871 applications in reply. "District-level committees were formed to verify these applications. Out of these applications, while 39,267 people have been compensated, 1,774 applications were rejected," said Pathak.

"We are verifying addresses of about 830 applicants as their addresses were either wrong or they were no longer living there," the minister added.

Tribal medicine survey results likely to be part of Ayurvedic practice: Govt

DIVYA A
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

EXTENDING ITS tribal outreach, the Central government, which commissioned a survey of tribal medicinal plants in Uttarakhand, is likely to incorporate its results in the Ayurvedic practice after consulting the Ayush Ministry, said a Union Tribal Affairs Ministry official.

The pilot project for which Patanjali Yogapeeth was roped in, is being carried out in four districts of Uttarakhand — Dehradun, Udham Singh Nagar, Pithoragarh and Chamoli— that have a substantial tribal population.

"The project was commissioned two years ago and will be completed soon. Its results might be incorporated in the Ayurvedic practice in the future, after due consultation with the Ayush ministry," said the ministry official.

The results of the survey will be published in the form of a monograph, said the official.

Last week, Union Minister for Tribal Affairs, Arjun Munda held a meeting with Acharya Balkrishna, MD & Co-Founder of Patanjali Yogpeeth in Delhi, to review the progress of the project. Munda told *The Indian Express*, "We must maintain a repository of these herbs and plants as well as the tribal healers, so that this valuable knowledge is not lost. It is with this objective that we have tried to produce a database that can be of use not only to researchers, but also to practitioners of herbal systems of treatment."

Patanjali Yogapeeth officials said, "Till now, it was believed that Uttarakhand has around 1,100 varieties of medicinal plants, but we have discovered over 1,000 plants in just four tribal districts of the state. This adds a new dimension to the phytodiversity."

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Date : 30.05.2022

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CORRIGENDUM **BATCH No. 118A/22** **Date: 27.05.2022**

E-Tender Notice for supply of materials - "Participation in through" web portal of IREPS - www.ireps.gov.in *offers are invited for supply of the following materials : The closing time for all tenders is at 14.00 hr.*

Sl. No.	Tender No.	Brief Description	Due Date	
			Existing	To be read as
1	03220129	Metalized carbon strips	30.05.2022	10.06.2022

Participants are required to submit their offer only on-line through the web portal of IREPS **www.ireps.gov.in** before the closing date and time. Other details regarding Consignee, and detailed description of stores are available in tender document in tender notice on the above portal.

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SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

Shana

General Public is hereby informed that one girl **Namely: Shana, D/o: Rehmat, R/o:** House of Raju, C-413, Vijay Colony, Bawana, Delhi has been missing/ kidnapped since **08.04.2022** at 9:30 am from her house from the area of P.S. Bawana, Delhi. In this regard a case vide **DD No. 43A dated 10.04.2022** has been lodged at P.S. Bawana, Delhi. The description of the missing girl are as under: **Age:** 18 years 3 months, **Sex:** Female, **Height:** 5'2", **Face:** Long, **Complexion:** Shallow, **Built:** Normal, **Wearing:** White colour shirt, blue colour salwar and slipper in her feet. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the girl but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this girl kindly inform to the following.

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Due to unavoidable circumstances the date of e-NIT No.01/EE(C-M)/DDN/2022-23 invited by Executive Engineer (Civil- Maintenance) Yamuna Bhawan, Yamuna Colony, Dehradun is hereby extended as below :

Last date for submission of bids on website: Upto 17:00 hrs of 07th June 2022
Last date of submission of hard copies of bids: Upto 17:00 hrs of 07th June 2022
Date of opening of bids on website : at 12.30 hrs of 08th June 2022
For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal http://uktenders.gov.in"

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The bid submission date & time has been extended as below.

Bid Submissin End Date	20.06.2022 upto 12:30 PM
Bid Opening Date (Technical Bid)	20.06.2022 at 3:30 PM

The other terms & conditions of the NIT remain the same.

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एतद् द्वारा लो.नि.वि. में केन्द्रीयकृत पंजीयन प्रणाली के अंतर्गत सक्षम श्रेणी में पंजीकृत ठेकेदारों/फर्म से म.प्र. नगरीय प्रशासन एवं विकास विभाग की दर अनुसूची दि.02.08.2021पर कम /अधिक / बराबर प्रतिशत दर पर निन्नलिखित कार्य हेतु (ई-टेण्डरिंग) ऑन लाईन निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है :-

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2022_UAD_ 207434	वा. नं. 14 बगीचा नं. 06 व 12 में इनडोर स्टेडियम निर्माण	प्रथम	32903087/- + GST	164515/-	15000/-
2022_UAD_ 207450	नीमच सिटी सांवरिया मंदिर के पास नाले की सफाई एवं सौंदर्यकरण	प्रथम	35785003/- + GST	178925/-	15000/-

1. इच्छुक ठेकेदार विस्तृत निविदा **website http://mptenders.gov.in** पर देख सकते है।
2. ऑनलाईन निविदा के संबंध में निर्धारित दिनांक वेबसाईट में अंकित (Key Dates) अनुसार रहेगी।
3. उपरोक्त कार्यो हेतु टेण्डर क्रय एवं टेण्डर सबमिशन (अपलोड) की अंतिम दिनांक **27/06/2022 (17.30)** रहेगी।
4. यदि निविदा में किसी प्रकार का संशोधन होता है तो वह वेबसाईट पर ही प्रदर्शित होगा, जिसका अलग से समाचार पत्रों में प्रकाशन नहीं कराया जावेगा।
5. अन्य आवश्यक जानकारी कार्यालयीन कार्यदिवस एवं समय में निकाय की लोक निर्माण शाखा से प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

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हस्ता/-अधीक्षण अभियन्ता विद्युत पारेषण मण्डल-प्रथम मुरादाबाद "राष्ट्र हित मे बिजली बचायें" पत्रांकः 1767/ वि.पा.मं.मु0/ई-निविदा/2022-23, दिनांकः 30/05/2022

क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, उ०प्र० प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड
जे-1, ज्ञानसरोवर कालोनी, अलीगढ़ (उ०प्र०)

पर्यावरणीय स्वीकृति हेतु आयोजित की जाने वाली लोक सुनवाई की सूचना

सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि मै० राधा रूकमणि स्टील्स प्रालि द्वारा स्टील बिलेट्स- 3,75,000 मी0टन / वर्ष टी. एम. टी. बार सेक्शन एवं स्ट्रिप्स 3,75,000 मी0टन / वर्ष, इण्डक्शन फर्नेश के माध्यम से उत्पादन किये जाने हेतु ग्राम धरमपुर तहसील खैर, जनपद अलीगढ़ (उ०प्र०) में उद्योग की स्थापना के सम्बन्ध में लोक सुनवाई हेतु पर्यावरणीय स्वीकृति सम्बन्धी प्रस्ताव उ०प्र० प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, लखनऊ के समक्ष प्रस्तुत किये गये हैं।

बोर्ड द्वारा पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार द्वारा जारी अधिसूचना संख्या-1533 दिनांक 14.09.2006 यथासंशोधित एस0ओ0-3067(ई) दिनांक 01.12.2009 एवं अन्य के अनुपालन में उपरोक्त परियोजना की लोक सुनवाई जिलाधिकारी महोदया, अलीगढ़ की अध्यक्षता में दिनांक 19.07.2022 को समय अपरान्ह 02:00 बजे तहसील सभागार, खैर जनपद अलीगढ़ (उ०प्र०) में आयोजित की जायेगी। उक्त परियोजना की लोक सुनवाई हेतु जनता के सुझाव, विचार टीका एवं टिप्पणियां आदि आमंत्रित किये जाते हैं। परियोजना से सम्बन्धित ई.आई.ए. एवं संक्षिप्त अभिलेख निम्नांकित कार्यालय मे उपलब्ध है-

जिलाधिकारी, जनपद अलीगढ़।
(ब) कार्यालय उपायुक्त, जिला उद्योग एवं उद्यम प्रोत्साहन केन्द्र, अलीगढ़।
(स) क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी उ०प्र० प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, जे-1. ज्ञानसरोवर कालोनी, अलीगढ़।
(द) उ०प्र० प्रदूषण नियंत्रण बोर्ड, टी.सी.-12वी. विभूति खण्ड गोमती नगर, लखनऊ (उ०प्र०) ।
(य) क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, मध्य क्षेत्र, पर्यावरण एवं वन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, पंचम तल, सेक्टर-एच, अलीगंज, लखनऊ।

अतः समस्त सर्व साधारण को इस आम सूचना के माध्यम से सूचित किया जाता है कि उक्त प्रस्तावित परियोजना मै० राधा रूकमणि स्टील्स प्रा०लि० द्वारा ग्राम धरमपुर तहसील खैर, जनपद अलीगढ़ (उ०प्र०) में स्टील बिलेट्स- 3,75,000 मी0टन/वर्ष, टी.एम.टी. बार सेक्शन एवं स्ट्रिप्स- 3,75,000 मी0टन / वर्ष, इण्डक्शन फर्नेश के माध्यम से उत्पादन किये जाने की पर्यावरणीय स्वीकृति से सम्बन्धित प्रकरण के निस्तारण हेतु उपरोक्त वर्णित स्थान दिनांक एवं समय के अनुसार आयोजित लोक सुनवाई में उपस्थित होकर अपने आक्षेप, सुझाव प्रस्तुत कर सकते हैं अथवा सुझाव एवं आपत्तियां आदि लिखित रूप से प्रकाशन की तिथि से 30 दिन के अन्दर उपरोक्त समस्त कार्यालय एवं इस कार्यालय को प्रेषित कर सकते हैं।

क्षेत्रीय अधिकारी

कार्यालय नगर पालिक निगम, भोपाल
यांत्रिक विभाग (मुख्यालय) गोविंदपुरा (बी.एच.ई.एल.)

क्र. 41/यां.वि./2022 **निविदा आमंत्रण घोषणा-पत्र** भोपाल, दिनांक 27/05/2022

निम्नलिखित निर्माण कार्य हेतु दो लिफाफा पद्धति के अनुसार म.प्र. लोक निर्माण विभाग में केन्द्रीकृत व्यवस्था के अंतर्गत पंजीकृत ठेकेदार परसेन्टेज मोहर बंद निविदायें निर्धारित प्रपत्र पर ऑनलाईन आमंत्रित की जाती हैं।

S. No.	Tender No	Work	Probable Amount (In Lakh)	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (In Rs.)	Completion Period (Months)
1	2022_ UAD_ 207746_1	DEVELOPMENT UNDER SHUBHAS NAGAR ROB, BHOPAL	1,62,66,714/-	Rs. 81334/-	06 MONTHS (including rainy season)

1. Interested bidders can view the NIT on website **https://www.mptenders.gov.in/**
2. The Bid Document can be purchased only Online from **10:30 A.M. (time) 28.05.2022 (date) to 17:30 P.M. (time) 27.06.2022 (date).**
3. The bidder who bids in the tender will have to submit the document of participating firm. Documents of other firm viz any other partnership firm/sister concern etc. will not be valid.
4. Amendments to NIT, if any, would be published on website **https://www.mptenders.gov.in/** only, and not in newspaper.

The initial period of 5 (Five) year after completion shall be treated as Defect Liability Period (DLP).

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एग्रो कैम्पस, शीशमबाग, हल्द्वानी (नैनीताल)
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पत्रांक : नि0ख0/निविदा सूचना/2022-186 दिनांकः- 30.05.2022

ई-निविदा पुनः प्रकाशन सूचना

कार्यालय पत्रांक 167 दिनांक 24.05.2022 के द्वारा विभिन्न समाचार-पत्रों में प्रकाशित ई निविदा शुद्धिसूचना जिसके द्वारा निविदा दिनांक 31.05.2022 को आमंत्रित की गयी है। उक्त निविदा की बिक्री न होने के कारण दिनांक 06.06.2022 को आमंत्रित की जाती है। इच्छुक निविदादाता दिनांक 04.06.2022 की अपराह्न 4:00 बजे तक एफ0डी0आर0, स्टाम्प एवं ड्राफ्ट मूलरूप में जमा कराया जाना अनिवार्य होगा। शेष निविदाओं की शर्ते यथावत रहेंगी। अन्यथा की स्थित में निविदा पर विचार नहीं किया जायेगा। निविदा का अन्य विवरण (ड्राफ्ट एवं धरोहर राशि) एवं शर्ते दिनांक 24.05.2022 से **www.uktenders.gov.in** में देखी एवं डाउनलोड की जा सकती है। **उप महाप्रबन्धक (तकनीकी)**

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Visitors pose in front of the Mona Lisa in the Louvre in 2021. *AP*

History of the Mona Lisa: widely admired, occasionally attacked

VANDANA KALRA
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

LEONARDO DA Vinci's Mona Lisa, housed at the Louvre in Paris, was smeared with cake by a climate activist disguised as an elderly woman on Sunday. There was no damage to the Renaissance artwork, which is protected by a bulletproof glass.

THE PAINTING: Considered an archetypal masterpiece of the Italian Renaissance, it is believed to have been painted between 1503 and 1517. While one theory goes that both a man and a woman modelled for the portrait, another set believes it is a disguised self-portrait of its Italian creator. However, the subject of the painting is widely believed to be Lisa Gherardini, wife of Francesco del Giocondo, a wealthy silk merchant from Florence. Historians believe Francesco commissioned the painting.

It has been a subject of numerous studies. While some admire the work for the manner in which da Vinci applied his study of human anatomy, Mona Lisa's enigmatic expression, which seems both enticing and distant, has intrigued viewers for centuries.

The masterpiece, which has several copies across the world, also has a twin. Discovered in 2012, the much brighter version at the Museo del Prado in Madrid is believed to have been painted by one of da Vinci's main assistants, Melzi or Salai, at the same time as the master. Using infrared technology, conservators reportedly discovered that Leonardo and the painter of the replica made exactly the same changes to their works at the same time.

OWNERSHIP: Though da Vinci began working on the portrait when he was based in Florence, he continued to add details to it for years, taking it with him to France in 1517. On his death in France, da Vinci's assistant Salai, who reportedly inherited the work, sold the painting to King Francis I. It was kept at the Palace of Fontainebleau, until Louis XIV moved it to the Palace of Versailles. Following the French Revolution, it was reportedly hung in Napoleon Bonaparte's bedroom at Tuileries Palace for a while.

Owned by the French Republic, the work catapulted to public fame when it was stolen from the Louvre in 1911. It was taken by Italian handyman Vincenzo Peruggia, who had been hired to design a glass case for the work. After the theft, he kept it hidden in his apartment for two years, and was only caught when he tried to contact an Italian dealer, who alerted Giovanni Poggi, the then director of the Uffizi Gallery in Florence.

PREVIOUS ATTACKS: The Mona Lisa has been attacked several times in the past. In 1956, a vandal threw acid on it, causing some damage, while it was on display in Montauban, France. That same year in December, a Bolivian tourist hurled a rock at it at the Louvre, causing the glass to shatter, and the paint to chip a little. The painting was subsequently restored.

In 1974, when the work was on display at the Tokyo National Museum, a differently abled woman sprayed red paint over its glass case to show her dissatisfaction with the lack of access for the disabled at the museum.

Denied French citizenship, a Russian woman hurled a coffee mug at the painting in August 2009, but it caused no damage.

SIMPLY PUT QUESTION & ANSWER

Securing your Aadhaar data

A warning by the UIDAI, later withdrawn, urged the public not to share photocopies of their Aadhaar with anyone as it may be misused. How safe is your Aadhaar data, and what can you do to prevent misuse?

SHRUTI DHAPOLA
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

DOES SHARING a photocopy of your Aadhaar card pose a security risk and open it up for misuse? That's the question raised after the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) first issued a warning to the public not to share a photocopy of their Aadhaar with any organisation, and then withdrew the warning over worries that it was open to "misinterpretation".

What was the UIDAI's initial warning?

The UIDAI, the statutory body mandated to collect Aadhaar data, issued the first press release on May 27, warning the "general public not to share photocopy of one's Aadhaar with any organisation, because it can be misused". Instead, it recommended that "a masked Aadhaar, which displays only the last four digits of your Aadhaar number," be used for such purposes.

It also asked the public to avoid using public computers to download their e-Aadhaar. If they did so, it reminded them that they should ensure that any downloaded copies of the same are "permanently deleted from that computer."

The press release said "only those organisations that have obtained a User License from the UIDAI can use Aadhaar to establish the identity of a person." It added that "hotels or film halls are not permitted to collect or keep copies of Aadhaar card," stating that "it is an offence under the Aadhaar Act 2016."

It asked users to verify that any private entity demanding to see the Aadhaar card should have a valid User License from the UIDAI.

What led to the withdrawal?

After the press release, many started pointing out that this statement was needed, given concerns over the misuse of Aadhaar data. Many private entities in the country insist on an Aadhaar card, and users often share the details. There's no clarity on how these entities keep these data private and secure. In the past, there have been reports of Aadhaar databases being sold.

A form being filled for Aadhaar enrolment. *Express Archive*

More recently with Covid-19 testing, many would have noticed that most labs insist on Aadhaar card data, including a photocopy. It should be noted that it is not mandatory to share this for getting a Covid-19 test done.

On May 29, the UIDAI withdrew the May 27 press release, on the ground that it could be open to misinterpretation. The updated statement said, "However, in view of the possibility of the misinterpretation of the Press Release, the same stands withdrawn with immediate effect."

It said "Aadhaar card holders are only advised to exercise normal prudence in using and sharing their UIDAI Aadhaar numbers", and that there are enough security features to keep it safe.

So, how does one keep one's Aadhaar data safe?

While a regular user cannot control data breaches, there are some steps to ensure that one's Aadhaar card number is not used by anyone else. Some of these steps include using a two-factor authentication on the Aadhaar card, turning on the biometric lock, and using Virtual Identity or VID for authentication. A look at the steps to keep in mind:

Two-factor authentication: It is imperative that your Aadhaar is linked to your primary mobile number and email ID. This is where UIDAI will send the one-time password (OTP) if someone tries to access your Aadhaar account or using it for any verification. If you've changed your mobile phone number for any reason, it is best to go to an Aadhaar enrolment centre and update this information as soon as possible. Aadhaar verification can only happen with this OTP.

Masked Aadhaar copy: You can download a 'Masked Aadhaar' copy from the official UIDAI website. You can then share a photocopy or version of this, instead of your full Aadhaar id. This version only has the last four digits of your Aadhaar number, instead of the full number. To download, go to https://myaadhaar.uidai.gov.in. Select the option "Do you want a masked Aadhaar" and proceed to download a version with only the last four digits.

Locking biometrics: If you are worried about misuse of your Aadhaar biometric data, you can also lock it from the UIDAI website. Logging into MyAadhaar shows this as one of the options on the dashboard. According to the website, "When you lock your biometrics (fingerprint, iris, and face), they can no longer be used for authentication. However, OTP-based authentication would continue to be available as needed."

Users can lock this data temporarily or permanently, depending on preference, and it can be unlocked in both cases. Since it may be necessary to submit your biometric data for certain purposes such as opening a bank account, this would entail temporarily unlocking the data. Locking the data again means it cannot be misused by anyone in the organisation you submitted your biometrics to.

The UIDAI website says locking biometric data "prevents possible misuse of the Resident's Biometrics Data". There's no specification on what this misuse could entail.

Use VID: The Virtual Identity, or VID, is a system of "Limited KYC" (Know Your Customer). This hides the Aadhaar number from the authenticating agency, while still confirming the identity of the user. This is a 16-digit number, but temporary in nature. So, unlike the permanent 12-digit Aadhaar number, the VID is valid only for some time.

The old VID expires when a new one is generated, and only one valid VID number can be there against a particular Aadhaar number at any given point in time. VID confirms your identity to the authenticating entity, say your bank. The VID can be generated from the Aadhaar resident portal or the mAdhaar app on iOS and Android.

Users can also go to the Aadhaar website or app to see authentication history to know if the data has been used without their knowledge. However, this history was limited to the year 2021 when we used the feature.

When ACE2 enables SARS-CoV-2 infection, and when it does not

PAPER CLIP
NEW RESEARCH

THE ACE2 enzyme that acts as a receptor for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes Covid-19, exists in two forms. One is a full-length form that can bind to the cell membrane of healthy host cells, and the other is a shorter, soluble form that circulates in the blood in small amounts. A new study has found that the membrane-bound form is essential for enabling infection with SARS-CoV-2, The study, published in the journal *Cell*, found that soluble ACE2 lacks the ability to anchor to the cell membrane.

"These findings are important to the Covid-19 field of promising therapies that involve soluble ACE2 proteins," a release by Northwestern University quoted lead author Daniel Batlle as saying.

Source: Northwestern University

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West Nile virus: how it spreads, affects humans

SHAJU PHILIP & SOHINI GHOSH
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, AHMEDABAD, MAY 30

THE KERALA health department is on alert after the death of a 47-year-old from Thrissur who had caught the West Nile Virus. In 2019, a six-year-old boy in Malappuram had died of the same infection. The virus was also reported in the state 2006 and 2011.

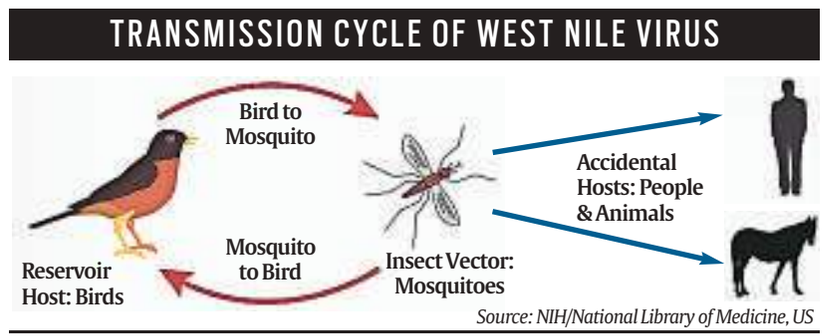
The virus & transmission

The West Nile Virus (WNV) is a mosquito-borne, single-stranded RNA virus, related to the viruses that cause St. encephalitis, Japanese encephalitis, and yellow fever. Culex mosquitoes act as the principal vectors which transmit it to humans and animals, including birds, which are the reservoir host of the virus.

"Mosquitoes become infected when they feed on infected birds, which circulate the virus in their blood for a few days… (when mosquitoes bite), the virus may be injected into humans and animals," says the World Health Organization (WHO).

WNV can also spread through blood transfusion, from mother to child, or through exposure in laboratories. It is not known to spread by contact with infected humans or animals. According to the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), it does not spread through eating infected animals or birds.

TRANSMISSION CYCLE OF WEST NILE VIRUS



Source: NIH/National Library of Medicine, US

To date, no human-to-human transmission of WNV through casual contact has been documented, says the WHO.

Symptoms

The incubation period is typically 2 to 6 days, but can range from 2 to 14 days, and can be several weeks in immunocompromised people.

The disease is asymptomatic in 80% of infected people. The rest develop "West Nile fever" or "severe West Nile disease". Their symptoms include fever, headache, fatigue, body aches, nausea, rash, and swollen glands. Severe infection can lead to neuro-invasive diseases such as West Nile encephalitis, meningitis or acute flaccid paralysis.

"It is estimated that approximately 1 in 150 persons infected with the West Nile Virus will develop a more severe form of disease… Some effects to the central nervous system might be permanent," says the CDC.

It sometimes turns fatal in persons with comorbidities and immuno-compromised persons (such as transplant patients).

Cases in India

In India, antibodies against WNV were first detected in humans in Mumbai in 1952. Since then, virus activity has been reported in southern, central, and western India. WNV has been isolated from mosquitoes in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra, and from humans in some states.

Human sera collected from Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Assam has shown presence of WNV-neutralising antibodies.

Serologically confirmed cases of WNV were reported from Tamil Nadu and Karnataka in 1977, 1978 and 1981, and in West Bengal in 2017. In 2013, the complete genome sequence of WNV was isolated from human samples during an acute encephalitis outbreak in Kerala in 2011.

A 2011 study in India "clearly established" the association of WNV with ocular infection in Tamil Nadu during an epidemic of mysterious fever in the first half of 2010.

Treatment & prevention

No WNV-specific prophylaxis, treatment or vaccine is available. So, only supportive treatments are given. Health authorities globally advise for personal protective measures to reduce the risk of mosquito bites such as using mosquito repellents, and for public health departments to ensure larval source reduction especially at breeding and resting sites for the mosquito vectors.

In most countries, the peak for WNV infections generally coincides with the period when mosquito vectors are most active and the ambient temperature is sufficiently high for virus multiplication. Since WNV outbreaks in animals precede human cases, the establishment of an active animal health surveillance system to detect new cases in birds and horses is considered essential in providing early warning for authorities.

How Maharashtra overtook UP to re-emerge as top sugar producer

PARTHASARATHI BISWAS & HARISH DAMODARAN
PUNE, NEW DELHI, MAY 30

AFTER A five-year gap, Maharashtra has overtaken Uttar Pradesh to regain its position as India's top sugar producer. Shekhar Gaikwad, sugar commissioner of Maharashtra, expects the state's output for the 2021-22 crushing year (October-September) at 138 lakh tonnes (lt). That is an all-time-high, beating the previous 107.21 lt of 2018-19.

Prakash Naiknavare, managing director of the National Federation of Cooperative Sugar Factories, attributes the record production to three factors.

The first is the bountiful rainfall since the 2019 southwest monsoon. The filling up of reservoirs and recharged groundwater aquifers has induced farmer to plant more area under sugarcane, which is a 12-18 months duration crop. The benefits of abundant water and expanded acreage accrued fully in 2021-22.

The second is higher yields from farmers taking extra care of their crop. Vinod Momale, who cultivates sugarcane on 11 out of his total 40-acre holding in Gurdhal village of Latur district's Deoni taluka, has harvested an average per-acre cane yield of 60 tonnes this year, as against 50 tonnes in 2020-21.

Underreported cane

The third factor for Maharashtra's sugar production scaling a new peak has to do with a huge jump in "unregistered" cane cultivation. In 2020-21, the state reported a total 11.42 lakh hectares (lh) planted under cane. While the sugar commissioner's office has estimated this year's area at 12.4 lh, millers peg it at least 1 lh higher – and all this is cane that farmers haven't "registered" for supplying to any factory.

The large "unregistered" area has meant that there is un-harvested cane still in the fields and mills will continue to crush till the first week of June. In normal years, crushing is over by April-end, rarely extending beyond mid-May. This time, the excess cane has led the state government to announce a Rs 20/quintal subsidy to compensate mills for lower sugar recovery (from cane crushed in extreme summer heat) and also requisition the services of mechanical harvesters (including from other states).

TOP SUGAR PRODUCING STATES
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YEAR (OCT-SEP)	MAHARASHTRA	UTTAR PRADESH	KARNATAKA	GUJARAT	ALL-INDIA
2013-14	76.85	64.87	41.77	11.77	243.60
2014-15	105.07	71.01	49.35	11.54	283.13
2015-16	84.24	68.55	40.49	11.68	251.25
2016-17	42.38	87.73	21.44	8.85	202.62
2017-18	107.05	120.50	36.58	10.67	323.28
2018-19	107.21	118.22	44.29	11.23	331.62
2019-20	61.70	126.37	35.00	9.30	273.85
2020-21	106.30	110.59	44.65	10.50	311.20
2021-22*	138.00	104.00	60.00	12.00	355.50

*Projected

"The government claims Maharashtra's average cane yield to have hit a historical high of 105 tonnes per hectare, from 85 tonnes in 2020-21. But yields cannot shoot up so much in one year… The truth is the area is itself being underreported by 1 lh-plus and showing up in the unregistered cane coming to us," said a leading Ahmednagar-based miller.

UP's decline

It isn't Maharashtra alone. Karnataka, too, is poised to produce a record 60 lt sugar this year, while Gujarat's 12 lt would be its best since the 12.35 lt of 2010-11. As the table shows, output in all the three states have staged a remarkable rebound from the drought-affected levels of 2019-20, a year that actually saw UP touching a high of 126.37 lt.

Bakshi Ram, former director of the Sugarcane Breeding Institute at Coimbatore, gives three reasons for UP's sugar production declining after 2019-20.

The first is an estimated 12.60 lt equivalent of sugar from cane crushed by mills getting diverted for making ethanol this year, compared to 7.19 lt in 2020-21, 4.81 lt in 2019-20 and 0.31 lt in 2018-19. UP has become India's largest ethanol producer, while also achieving the highest blending-in-petrol ratio among all states.

The second is crop loss from excess rains and water-logging in many low-lying cane-growing areas of eastern UP. The third reason is about 87% of UP's cane area being planted under a single variety, Co-0238, which has become susceptible to red rot fungal disease.

Bumper production

UP's sugar output falling to a five-year-low in 2021-22 has, however, been more than offset by Maharashtra's and Karnataka's soaring to all-time-highs. That has, in turn, translated into a record production of 355.5 lt for India, according to Naiknavare.

Yet this hasn't resulted in any price drop. "Ex-factory prices of S-30 (small crystal size) sugar in Maharashtra are now around Rs 32.5-33 per kg, while at Rs 34.5-35 for M-30 (medium size) grades in UP, more than the government-fixed minimum sale price of Rs 31. In all previous instances of bumper production, prices have crashed," Naiknavare said.

The reason for that not happening this time is exports. These have crossed 75 lt – surpassing the 71.9 lt record of 2020-21 – and are likely to reach 100 lt in the current sugar year. With opening stocks of 85 lt on October 1, 2021, production of 355.5 lt, domestic consumption of 275-280 lt and exports of 100 lt, the year will close with 60.5-65.5 lt of sugar with mills. These stocks would suffice for over 2.5 months of domestic consumption.

Given the availability, the Centre's decision last week to restrict sugar exports and cap it at 100 lt for 2021-22 has taken many by surprise.

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EGYPT

TROVE OF ANCIENT ARTIFACTS ON DISPLAY

Egypt displayed a trove of ancient artifacts dating back 2,500 years that the country's antiquities authorities said were recently unearthed at the famed necropolis of Saqqara near Cairo. The artifacts were showcased at a makeshift exhibit at the feet of the Step Pyramid of Djoser in Saqqara, 24 km southwest of the Egyptian capital.

TOP OF THE WORLD

Worl Bank's move will help Sri Lanka, which is nearing bankruptcy

SRI LANKA

World Bank to give $700mn to govt, says report

Colombo: The World Bank is planning to disburse $700 million to Sri Lanka by re-purposing its existing loans, a move that will help the island nation grappling with an unprecedented economic crisis breathing space till a bailout package with the IMF is worked out, media reports said on Monday. Sri Lanka is nearing bankruptcy and has severe shortages of essentials from food, fuel, medicines and cooking gas. The World Bank Country Manager Chiyo Kanda met Sri Lankan Foreign Minister last week and assured him that the agency will work withothers to "re-purpose their already committed projects," news portal Colombo Gazette said. **PTI**

MEXICO

Hurricane Agatha hits south of Mexico

Mexico City: Hurricane Agatha barreled toward southern Mexico's Pacific coast on Monday, threatening to lash beach resorts in the state of Oaxaca with torrential rains and flooding when it plows ashore later in the day. A Category 2 storm and the first hurricane to form in the eastern Pacific this year, Agatha was blowing maximum sustained winds of 110 mph into mid-morning, the National Hurricane Center said.Agatha is not expected to alter in strength much before reaching land this afternoon, the center noted. **REUTERS**

ALBANIA

Parliament fails to elect president in third round

Tirana: The Albanian Parliament on Monday failed to elect a new president after no candidates were nominated for a third round of voting. The governing left-wing Socialist Party and the opposition failed to reach a compromise on a candidate to replace President Ilir Meta, and no independent candidate was nominated. In the first three rounds, the winner must secure at least three-fifths of the vote, or 84 lawmakers. The ruling Socialists have so far lacked the votes to get a candidate through. **AP**

EU HAGGLES OVER OIL BAN

Heavy fighting as Russian troops enter outskirts of key eastern Ukraine city

AGENCIES
KYIV, MAY 30

UKRAINIAN AND Russian forces battled on Monday on the outskirts of Sievierodonetsk, the last city still held by Kyiv in Luhansk province and the focus of Moscow's offensive in the country's east. Luhansk region governor Serhiy Gaidai said Russian troops had advanced into Sievierodonetsk's southeastern and northeastern fringes.

The Russian focus on Sievierodonetsk has already left the city "completely ruined," Mayor Oleksandr Striuk said. Artillery barrages have destroyed critical infrastructure and damaged 90% of the buildings, and power and communications have been largely cut to a city that was once home to 100,000 people.

As the battlefield struggle ground on, EU countries meeting in Brussels to discuss more sanctions on Moscow failed to agree on a ban of Russian oil imports, despite last-minute haggling before a summit. "There is no compromise for this moment at all," said Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban.

Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan, meanwhile, told Putin on Monday that Ankara is ready to take on a role in an "observation mechanism" between Moscow, Kyiv and the UN, if an agreement is reached in that regard. Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy urged France not to succumb to such "blackmail" at a meeting Monday with French Foreign Minister Catherine Colonna.

BIDEN: WON'T SEND UKRAINE ROCKETS TO STRIKE RUSSIA

Washington: The US will not send Ukraine rocket systems that can reach into Russia, President Joe Biden said on Monday. "We're not going to send to Ukraine rocket systems that strike into Russia," Biden said. He did not rule out providing any specific weapons system, but instead appeared to be placing conditions on how they could be used. Biden and his team are working on a military new package and it is expected to be announced in coming days. **REUTERS**

French journalist killed by shrapnel in east Ukraine

ASSOCIATED PRESS
PARIS, MAY 30

Frédéric Leclerc-Imhoff

A 32-YEAR-OLD French journalist was killed Monday in eastern Ukraine, fatally hit by shell shrapnel while covering a Ukrainian evacuation operation, according to the French news broadcaster he worked for.

BFM TV said Frédéric Leclerc-Imhoff was killed as he was "covering a humanitarian operation in an armored vehicle" near Sievierodonetsk, a key city in the Donbas region that is being hotly contested by Russian and Ukrainian forces. He had worked for six years for the French television channel.

French President Emmanuel Macron paid tribute to Leclerc-Imhoff on Twitter, saying he "was in Ukraine to show the reality of the war." French Foreign Minister Catherine Colonna said, "France demands that a transparent inquiry be launched as soon as possible to shed full light on the circumstances of this tragedy".

Nepal Army personnel load bodies of crash victim into ambulances. *AP*

No survivors in crash, bodies being flown out: Nepal

YUBARAJ GHIMIRE
KATHMANDU, MAY 30

DASHING HOPES of finding survivors a day after a Tara Air flight went down in the high mountains, Nepal officials said Monday that bodies of 21 of the 22 people on board the flight had been recovered after a six-hour search in adverse weather conditions.

The government, which had so far refrained from making any statement, formally declared all 22 dead, and constituted a 5-member investigation committee under Senior Aeronautical Engineer Ratindra Lal Suman. The committee has been asked to establish what led to the crash and recommend measures to prevent any such incident in the future.

Among the 19 passengers – three others were crew members – were four Indians, headed to the Muktinath temple near Jomsom where the Tara Air Twin Otter aircraft, which took off from Pokhara, was to land Sunday morning. It lost contact with the ATC minutes before it was due in Jomsom.

Meanwhile, *PTI* reported that, according to a preliminary investigation by the Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal (CAAN). inclement weather was the reason behind the crash.

The Indians have been identified as Ashok Kumar Tripathy and Vaibhavi Bandekar, a couple who had separated, and their children Dhanush and Ritika.

Another family of four was also on board the flight — Ganesh and Rashmi Shrestha and their two daughters studying in the US.

The Nepal Army, which led the search-and-rescue operation in coordination with Nepal Police and Armed Police, flew 10 of the 21 bodies to Kathmandu in a Mi-17 helicopter. Officials said the bodies will be turned over to families after post-mortem and identification.

The remaining 11 bodies will be brought to the Capital once weather conditions improve. The bodies will be taken from the crash site to Thabang helipad where two private helicopters have been waiting. The team abandoned the search for the 22nd body after dense fog reduced visibility around 4 pm.

1st monkeypox death reported in Nigeria

AP & REUTERS
ABUJA, MAY 30

NIGERIA HAS recorded its first death from monkeypox this year in a patient with underlying medical conditions, the diseases control agency said.

The Nigeria Centre for Disease Control and Prevention announced Sunday that in 2022 it has confirmed 21 out of 66 suspected cases of the disease, which is usually endemic in Nigeria and other parts of West and Central Africa. "The death was reported in a 40-year-old patient who had underlying co-morbidity and was on immunosuppressive medications," the Nigeria CDC said.

Meanwhile, there have been 71 additional cases of monkeypox identified in England, the UK Health Security Agency said on Monday, taking the total number of confirmed cases to 179. The number of cases rose in Spain over the weekend by 22 cases to 120, whilein Portugal, health authorities said the tally of cases rose by 22 since Friday to 96 on Monday.

EXPLAINED

WHO says unlikely to be pandemic

DESPITE THE first reported death, the WHO's top monkeypox expert said she doesn't expect the hundreds of cases to turn into another pandemic, but acknowledged there are still many unknowns about the disease. She warned that anyone is at potential risk for the disease, regardless of their sexual orientation.

CAKE SMEARED ON MONA LISA

A man disguised as an old woman in a wheelchair threw a piece of cake at the glass protecting the Mona Lisa at the Louvre Museum. The 36-year-old was later detained. *Reuters*

China falls short on big Pacific deal but finds smaller wins

ASSOCIATED PRESS
SUVA, MAY 30

CHINA FELL short Monday on a bold plan to have 10 Pacific nations endorse a sweeping new agreement covering everything from security to fisheries as some in the region expressed deep concerns. But there have been plenty of smaller wins for China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi as he continues an island-hopping tour of the region.

Wang was in Fiji to co-host a meeting with the foreign ministers from the 10 island nations.

At an unusual news conference afterward, Wang and Fijian Prime Minister Frank Bainimarama spoke for about 30 minutes and then abruptly left the stage as reporters tried to shout out questions. But it was clear the nations hadn't endorsed China's plan.

Documents obtained by The Associated Press indicate Wang had hoped to get the 10 nations to endorse a pre-written agreement as part of a joint communique after the meeting. But Wang was unable to get the consensus he'd sought.

TAIWAN JETS SCRAMBLE AS CHINA PLANES ENTER DEFENCE ZONE

Taipei: Taiwan on Monday reported the largest incursion since January by China's air force in its air defence zone, with the island's defence ministry saying Taiwanese fighters scrambled to warn away 30 aircraft in the latest uptick in tensions. Taiwan sent combat aircraft to warn away the Chinese aircraft, while missile systems were deployed to monitor them, the ministry said. **REUTERS**

UK to grant visas to graduates from world's best universities

ANDREW MACASKILL
LONDON, MAY 30

BRITAIN WILL offer work visas to graduates from the world's best universities in an expansion of its post-Brexit immigration system that is designed to attract the "best and brightest" workers.

Under the scheme announced on Monday, graduates with a bachelor's or master's degree from the top 50 universities abroad can apply for a two-year work visa and will be allowed to bring family members with them.

Those who receive doctorates can apply for a three-year visa. Successful applicants will then be able to switch to longer-term employment visas, the government said. Rishi Sunak, the finance minister, said it would enable Britain to grow as an international hub for innovation, creativity, and entrepreneurship.

"We want the businesses of tomorrow to be built here today - which is why I call on students to take advantage of this incredible opportunity to forge their careers here," Sunak said.

Under the new scheme, applicants must have been awarded degrees no more than five years before the date of application. **REUTERS**

As Texas mourns, Biden urges 'rational' action on gun violence

STEVE HOLLAND & BRAD BROOKS
WASHINGTON/UVALDE, MAY 30

US President Joe Biden

A DAY after promising residents of Uvalde, Texas, action to address gun violence, US President Joe Biden on Monday sought to appeal to "rational" Republicans to curb high-caliber weapons and take other steps to prevent more mass shootings.

"Things have gotten so bad that everybody is getting more rational about it," Biden, a Democrat, told reporters as he returned from his weekend trip to memorialise the 19 children and two teachers killed last week. "The idea of these high-caliber weapons — there is simply no rational basis for it in terms of self-protection, hunting," Biden said.

The United States has seen hundreds of lives claimed by dozens of mass shootings in recent years and similar rounds of talks in Washington about how to reduce them have not resulted in action by Congress. The two parties remain deeply divided, with Biden's Democrats open to new restrictions on gun purchases while Republicans zealously guard an expansive vision of gun rights.

"Somebody in the police department needs to go down for this," said Jessica Morales, 30, who was born and raised in Uvalde but now lives in Houston.

"We deserve better policing and those kids and teachers who waited for an hour in the classroom for help deserved more. We want answers," Morales added Monday. Residents of the shattered town urged Biden to "do something" as he visited on Sunday and attended a memorial at the school before meeting with families and first responders."We will," Biden said. **REUTERS**

RESULTS IN THE FIRST ROUND OF VOTING DELIVERED STUNNING BLOW TO CONSERVATIVE POLITICAL CLASS

In Colombia, a leftist and a right-wing populist head for June runoff

JULIE TURKEWITZ
BOGOTÁ, MAY 30

TWO ANTI-ESTABLISHMENT candidates, Gustavo Petro, a leftist, and Rodolfo Hernández, a right-wing populist, captured the top two spots in Colombia's presidential election on Sunday, delivering a stunning blow to Colombia's dominant conservative political class.

The two men will compete in a runoff election on June 19 that is shaping up to be one of the most consequential in the country's history. At stake is the country's economic model, its democratic integrity and the livelihoods of millions of people pushed into poverty during the pandemic.

With over 99 per cent of the ballots counted on Sunday evening, Petro received more than 40 per cent of the vote, while Hernández received just over 28 percent. Hernández beat by more than four percentage points the conservative establishment candidate, Federico Gutiérrez, who had been polling in second place.

Hernández's unexpected second-place victory shows a nation hungry to elect anyone who is not represented by the country's mainstream conservative leaders.

The Petro-Hernández face-off, said Daniel García-Peña, a Colombian political scientist, pits "change against change."

For months, polls have shown Petro, who is proposing an overhaul of the country's capitalist economic model, leading against a conservative former mayor, Federico Gutiérrez.

It was only recently that Hernández, running on a populist, anti-corruption platform, had begun rising in the polls.

If Petro ultimately wins in the next round of voting, it would mark a watershed moment for one of the most politically conservative societies in Latin America, and it would set Colombia on an uncharted path.

In his postelection speech at a hotel near the center of Bogotá, Petro stood beside his vice-presidential pick and said Sunday's results showed that the political project of the current president and his allies "has been defeated."

Gustavo Petro and Francia Márquez celebrating in Bogotá on Sunday night. *NYT*

He then quickly issued warnings about Hernández, painting a vote for him as a dangerous regression, and daring the electorate to take a chance on what he called a progressive project, "a true change." Petro's rise reflects not just a leftist shift across Latin America, but also an anti-incumbent fervor that has gained strength as the pandemic has deepened poverty and inequality, intensifying feelings that the region's economies are built mostly to serve the elite.

That same anti-incumbent sentiment appeared to give Hernández a late lift into the runoff, and pointed to the waning power of Uribismo, a hard-line conservatism that has dominated politics in Colombia for two decades, named for its founder, former president Álvaro Uribe.

At polling stations around the country on Sunday, supporters of Petro spoke to that frustration, and to a renewed sense of hope.

"This is a historic moment for Colombia, we don't want more continuity," said Chiro Castellanos, 37, a Petro supporter in Sincelejo, a city near the Caribbean coast. "This marks a change, it's a countrywide project that is not just about Gustavo Petro."

But in many places there was also fear of what that change might look like, and calls for a more moderate approach. "This country is in trouble," said Myriam Matallana, 55, a supporter of Gutiérrez, in Bogotá. But with Petro, "it would be worse."

Petro has vowed to transform Colombia's economic system, which he says fuels inequality, by expanding social programmes, halting oil exploration and shifting the country's focus to domestic agriculture and industry.

Colombia has long been the US' strongest ally in the region, and a win for Petro could set up a clash with Washington. The candidate has called for a reset of the bilateral relationship, including changes to the approach to the drug war and a re-examination of a trade agreement. **NYT**

GOLD	RUPEE	OIL	SILVER
₹51,052	77.54/USD	$114.14	₹62,143

Note: Gold, silver rates at Delhi spot market, gold per 10g, silver per 1 kg; Crude oil (Indian basket) as of May 27

SENSEX: 55,925.74 ▲ 1,041.08 (1.90%) **NIFTY:** 16,661.40 ▲ 308.95 (1.89%) **NIKKEI:** 27,369.43 ▲ 587.75 **HANG SENG:** 21,123.93 ▲ 426.57 **FTSE:** 7,585.77 ▲ 0.31 **DAX:** 14,530.78 ▲ 68.59

International market data till 1900 IST

CLARIFICATION TO CLEAR AIR LED TO MORE DOUBTS

Behind Aadhaar flip flop: Plaints, confusion

SOUMYARENDRA BARIK
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

AN ADVISORY by the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) cautioning users against sharing a photocopy of the document was issued after its regional office in Bengaluru received complaints about Aadhaar details of some people being photoshopped and misused, government officials said.

The advisory was withdrawn by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology on Sunday on account of it being "misinterpreted". Instead, the Ministry said, Aadhaar holders are "advised to exercise normal prudence in using and sharing" their card details.

"After UIDAI's Bengaluru office received some complaints of Aadhaar details being altered using photoshop, they were alarmed by the possibility of its misuse. So they issued a statement urging people to not share photocopies of Aadhaar with unauthorised entities. But the advisory was causing a lot of confusion and could have been misinterpreted," an official in the know said.

The initial advisory, issued last Friday, said citizens should share their Aadhaar details only with entities that have a "user licence" from UIDAI. It did not specify how to verify this user licence. It added: "Do not share photocopy of your Aadhaar with any organisations because it can be misused. Alternatively, please use a masked Aadhaar which displays only the last 4 digits of your Aadhaar number."

Government centre for Aadhaar card, Shahada, Maharashtra. *File*

While withdrawing the advisory, MeitY said, "Aadhaar identity authentication ecosystem has provided adequate features for protecting and safeguarding the identity and privacy of the Aadhaar holder". It added that people should exercise "normal prudence" while sharing their Aadhaar details, without elaborating on what "normal prudence" constitutes. Queries sent to the UIDAI did not elicit a response until publication.

Friday's advisory caught people by surprise who took to social media to complain that they regularly share photocopies of Aadhaar for a range of services from getting SIM cards, opening bank accounts, and checking into hotels, among other things. The advisory also appeared to be in stark contrast with a contention made by UIDAI's former chief and then TRAI chairman RS Sharma, who in 2018 had shared his Aadhaar number on Twitter, challenging a user to show a "concrete example" of how the number could be used to "harm" him.

While critics have routinely flagged privacy-related risks of Aadhaar, a report by the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), released in April, noted that UIDAI had not ensured that the applications or devices used by agencies or private firms for Aadhaar authentication were "capable of storing personal information... which put the privacy of residents at risk".

In 2018, the Supreme Court had struck down Section 57 of the Aadhaar Act, which essentially allowed private entities to collect citizens' Aadhaar details. While reading down the provision, the top court had called it "unconstitutional". Soon after the judgment, however, the UIDAI had clarified to banks that Aadhaar know-your-customer (eKYC) can be used to authenticate beneficiaries of government subsidies and welfare schemes, paving the way for private banks to use the document to identify beneficiaries of government welfare schemes.

A few months later, the Centre issued the Aadhaar and Other Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2019, which allowed banks and telecom operators to collect Aadhaar details as a proof of identity. After the Centre launched the Covid vaccination programme, a plea was filed in the Supreme Court in 2021, claiming that the Aadhaar card was being mandatorily insisted upon for administering vaccines. The government then informed the top court that Aadhaar was not mandatory for registration on CoWin.

INTERVIEW WITH EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT-COMMERCIAL, SINGAPORE AIRLINES

'Speedy recovery, good take-up across classes'

AS GLOBAL airlines go through a post-pandemic recovery phase, the growth in uptake of premium cabins has been witnessed by carriers across the board. Notably, however, a good part of this growth has come from non-corporate travellers. Singapore Airlines (SIA), which also reporting this growth, has adjusted its fare products to tap into this new segment of travellers, while also adding more flights to offer a higher number of business class seats on some routes,

LEE LIK HSIN, the airline's executive vice president-commercial, told reporters. Speaking on the sidelines of the reopening of SIA's premium lounges at Changi Airport at an investment of SGD 50 million, Hsin also commented on the recovery in the Indian market, and the impact from China and Russia. PRANAV MUKUL reports. Edited excerpts:

In the aftermath of the pandemic, how much more important has a business class passenger become from a revenue perspective?

Every customer is important. But on whether there is a fundamental shift in the proportion, I think it's still early days. We are seeing good take-up in all of our classes in this very speedy phase of recovery that we're seeing. In the longer run, we will observe what happens and adapt accordingly.

Are you seeing trend of more leisure travellers in premium cabins than business?

I think that definitely in the early phases of recovery through late last year all the way through this year, we were seeing lot of take-up in the upper cabins — the business and first class cabin — from non-corporate. Some in the industry have called it revenge travel. Of course some of it is for leisure, some of it is for visiting friends and relatives but we are definitely are very pleased with that. We have tried to tailor our product in terms of our fare conditions to tap on this market.

Now that you've revamped your lounges on the ground, are there plans to introduce new products or refurbish business class products on your aircraft?

Actually, as a big part of Covid, we had fleet restructuring plans

Lee Lik Hsin

that brought our business class products in the air to a whole new level. We retired many of our older planes — Airbus A330s and Boeing 777s — and so in the years leading up to Covid, we had already been introducing brand new business class products, in particular, on our 787-10s and our A350s medium haul aircraft. We will bring in new cabin products on the Boeing 777-9 but that aircraft is not yet coming in to service in the next year or two. We have to wait to see what happens to Boeing.

Given that business class is growing, is there a chance of adding more seats that it takes up in an aircraft?

Aircraft seat changes are very complex and it takes a long time to plan…I think the way we have managed that is that we've added more flights. By adding more flights, we are putting more business class seats overall on the route. One very good example is New York, where we now have three flights a day. Pre-Covid, we only had two flights a day.

In business travel, how much are you affected by the Chinese market not coming back and by Russian market's collapse?

We don't have significant operations to Russia, even pre-Covid. So right now, we have cancelled those flights but it doesn't have that big an impact. For China, it is a meaningful percentage of our network but the growth that has happened in the last year has been possible without China. We don't know when it's going to open but we do have room to grow between now and the point China opens. Also, even if we reach the level where China is still not open, some markets are demonstrating strengths even more than pre-Covid, and that would make up for whatever shortfall from China if it doesn't opens.

Which markets are these?

We are having very good growth to the US, Europe. We are seeing good load factors there.

(The correspondent is in Singapore at the invite of Singapore Airlines)

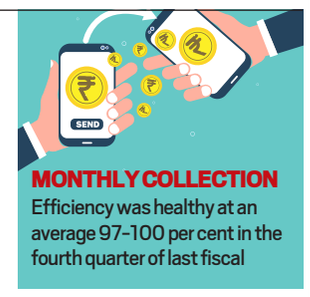
FULL INTERVIEW ON www.indianexpress.com

'NBFC-MFI stressed assets likely fell to 14% from 22% as of end-Mar'

Stressed assets of non-banking financial companies-microfinance institutions (NBFC-MFIs) are estimated to have declined to around 14 per cent as of March 2022 from close to 22 per cent in September 2021, says a Crisil Ratings report

STRESSED ASSETS
of NBFC-MFIs, comprising 30+ Portfolio at Risk and loan book restructuring remains well above the pre-Covid level of around 3%

MICROFIN SECTOR
restructured around 10 per cent of its loan book under the Resolution Framework 2.0 announced by the RBI



MONTHLY COLLECTION
Efficiency was healthy at an average 97-100 per cent in the fourth quarter of last fiscal

NBFC-MFIs' stressed assets are estimated to have declined a significant 800 basis points to around 14 per cent as of March 2022, after peaking to about 22 per cent in September 2021

THE REDUCTION in stressed assets, along with improved collection efficiencies, mark a recovery in their asset quality, supported by economic revival, limited impact of Omicron and acclimatisation to the 'new normal'

***The newly originated book** (loans disbursed after July 2021) of NBFC-MFIs has demonstrated a steady performance, with 30+ PAR estimated at just 1-2 per cent* *Source: Crisil Ratings/PTI*

BRIEFLY

Mkts rally 1.9%

Mumbai: Aided by strong global cues, stock markets rallied by 1.9 per cent amid expectations of softening inflation worries and low valuations. The Sensex shot up 1,041 points to 55,925.74 and the Nifty50 rose by 309 points to 16,661.40 as IT stocks made a sharp comeback. Foreign investors, who were big sellers in last 7 months, pumped Rs 502 crore and domestic institutions invested Rs 1,524 crore on Monday. **ENS**

FrontRow layoffs

Bengaluru: FrontRow laid off 150 employees of its workforce of 500, citing fund crunch. The edtech startup is the fourth firm in this space to lay off its staff this year. **TUSHAR GOENKA/FE**

M&M EV

New Delhi: M&M on Monday said it is planning to launch the fully electric version of its XUV 300 SUV in the market in the first quarter of next year.

Paradeep stake

New Delhi: The Centre has received Rs 471.5 crore from sale of its residual stake in Paradeep Phosphates. **PTI**

'Crypto discussion paper fairly ready'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

THE GOVERNMENT is "fairly ready" with its consultation paper on cryptocurrencies and has consulted domestic as well as institutional stakeholders including the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, Economic Affairs Secretary Ajay Seth said Monday. No country can take a position for or against cryptocurrencies in absence of a broad framework of regulations, he said.

"Our consultation paper is fairly ready. We have gone through a deep dive into this, consulted not just domestic stakeholders, institutional stakeholders but also organisations like IMF, World Bank, we have consulted them. So we hope that we will soon be in a position to finalise our consultation paper," Seth said on the sidelines of the curtain raiser event of 'Iconic Week' as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to be conducted by the Finance Ministry.

"Simultaneously we are also beginning our work for some sort of global regulations as well about what role can India play…the countries which have chosen to prohibit, they can't succeed unless there is a global consensus around that ... on the other hand, if there is global consensus around regulations then it will be a broad framework of participation of all countries…the digital assets, whatever way we want to deal with those assets, there has to be a broad framework on it for which all economies/countries have to be together. No country can choose either of the positions. We need a global consensus on crypto regulation," he added.

Bitcoin ATM, El Salvador. The government has proposed to issue a Digital Rupee. *Reuters file*

The government has proposed to issue a Digital Rupee, or Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC), in the fiscal year 2022-23. Additionally, the Budget also proposed imposing a tax of 30 per cent on virtual assets, in line with the Centre's plans to have a fiat digital currency, while disallowing use of private virtual coins as legal tender. *Full report on www.indianexpress.com*

Q4: LIC net declines 18%

₹1.5 DIVIDEND

NET PREMIUM INCOME	
▲ ₹143,745cr	18.18%
DIVIDEND	
₹1.5	per share

Mumbai: LIC has posted an 18.03 per cent decline in standalone net profit at Rs 2,371.55 crore for the quarter ended March 31, 2022 a net profit of Rs 2,893.48 crore in the same period of last year.

The net premium income of LIC, which listed its shares earlier this month, rose 18.18 per cent to Rs 143,745 crore for Q4 of FY22 as against Rs 121,626 crore in the year-ago period.

The board of directors has recommended a dividend of Rs 1.50 per equity share with face value of Rs 10 each for the year ended March 31, 2022. **ENS**

Govt, RBI steps to push down inflation: DEA

Sell-off in 2 PSBs on track, says DFS

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

INFLATION IS expected to moderate in the coming months on the back of both fiscal and monetary measures, Economic Affairs Secretary Ajay Seth said Monday. With commodity prices coming off peak globally, inflation is expected to moderate as supply chain effects come in with a lag, he added.

"A number of challenges that India is facing have got its origins outside the shores of India and one of them is high commodity prices…prices of commodities in May have moderated from their peaks. There is a lag effect…supply chain lag happens so we do expect in the coming months where the inflation should be moderating and for that whatever measures were needed from the fiscal side, those measures have been taken and as far as monetary authority is concerned, RBI is also taking steps," Seth said on the sidelines of the curtain raiser event 'Iconic Week Celebration under the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' of the Finance Ministry' to be held between June 6 and 12.

EXPLAINED

Above RBI target range

RETAIL INFLATION rate had surged to an eight-year high of 7.79 per cent in April and has remained above the central bank's inflation target for four months.

Terming it as a "dynamic situation", Seth said the government is not trying to give a piecemeal solution but responding dynamically. "As the situation evolves, it is continuously being evaluated and whatever it takes is being done subject to the overall constraints within which the entire system works. So it will not be possible for me to tell what are the future steps, whatever are the current challenges, those are being responded to in a dynamic manner," he said.

Retail inflation rate had surged to an eight-year high of 7.79 per cent in April and has remained above the central bank's inflation target for four months.

On global headwinds affecting growth, Seth said "one estimate was that the Indian economy will grow at 8-8.5 per cent, the budget assumed 7.5 per cent...I have not seen any rating agency talking about a number lower than what we assumed. This is a dynamic situation...please understand we are fairly integrated with the global economy." India is poised to become the fastest growing among large economies in the world despite global challenges, he said.

Also, the government is in advanced stage for privatisation of 2 public sector banks in pursuance of the announcement made by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, Department of Financial Services Secretary Sanjay Malhotra said. The government is expecting a revenue loss of Rs 10,000-15,000 crore annually due to the recent recalibration in Customs duty on iron and steel and plastic, said an official, adding the next round of GST audits will happen in next 1-2 months. *Full report on www.indianexpress.com*

CENTRAL ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION
3rd & 4th Floor, Chanderlok Building, 36 Janpath, New Delhi-110001, Phone: 23353503, Fax : 23753923, Website : www.cercind.gov.in

Petition No. 33/TL/2022 Dated 24.05.2022

NOTICE UNDER CLAUSE (a) OF SUB-SECTION (5) OF SECTION 15 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT, 2003

An application under sub-section (1) of Section 15 of the Electricity Act, 2003 (the Act) has been made by Nangalbibra - Bongaigaon Transmission Limited, F-1, The Mira Corporate Suites, 1 & 2, Ishwar Nagar, Okhla Crossing, Mathura Road, New Delhi-110065 to establish "new 220/132 kV substation at Nangalbibra (hereinafter referred to as "Project") on Build, Own, Operate and Maintain (BOOM) basis comprising of the following elements:

S. No.	Name of the Element	Scheduled COD in months from Effective Date
1.	Establishment of new 220/132 kV, 2x160 MVA substation at Nangalbibra: i. 220/132 kV, 160 MVA ICT - 2 No. ii. 220 kV ICT bays - 2 No. iii. 132 kV ICT bays - 2 No. iv. 220 kV Line bays: 2 No. [for termination of Bongaigaon (POWERGRID) - Nangalbibra 400 kV D/c line (initially operated at 220 kV) - under this scheme] v. 132 kV Line bays: 2 No. [for termination of Nangalbibra -existing Nangalbibra (MePTCL) 132 kV D/c (Single Moose) line of MePTCL] vi. Bus reactor 245kV, 31.5 MVAr - 2 No. vii. 220 kV Bus reactor bays - 2 No. **Additional space for future expansion:** - 220/132 kV, 200 MVA ICT - 1 No. (along with associated bays at both levels) - 400/220 kV, 500 MVA ICT - 3 No. (along with associated bays at both levels) **Space for 400 kV upgradation:** - Line bays along with space for switchable line reactor: 8 No. [2 No. for 400 kV operation of Bongaigaon (POWERGRID) - Nangalbibra 400 kV D/c line (initially operated at 220 kV) and 6 No. for other lines] - Bus reactor 420 kV, 125 MVAr - 3 No. - 400 kV Bus reactor bays - 3 No. **Space for future 220 kV line bays:** 6 No. (2 No. for termination of Mawngap (Meghalaya) - Nangalbibra 220 kV D/c line of MePTCL and 4 No. for future lines] **Space for future 132 kV line bays:** 6 No. (for future lines)	24 Months
2.	Extension at 220 kV GIS in Bongaigaon (POWERGRID) 400/220 kV S/s: 2 No. of GIS line bays for termination of Bongaigaon (POWERGRID) - Nangalbibra 400 kV D/c line (initially operated at 220kV) 220 kV line bays - 2 No.	
3.	Extension at Hatsinghmari (Assam) S/s: 2 No. of 132 kV line bays for termination of Hatsinghmari (Assam) - Ampati (Meghalaya) 132 kV D/c line 132 kV line bays - 2 No.	
4.	Extension at Ampati (Meghalaya) S/s: 2 No. of 132 kV line bays for termination of Hatsinghman (Assam) - Ampati (Meghalaya) 132 kV D/c line 132 kV line bays - 2 No.	
5.	Bongaigaon (POWERGRID) - Nangalbibra 400 kV D/c (Twin ACSR Moose) line (initially operated at 220 kV)	
6.	Hatsinghmari (Assam) - Ampati (Meghalaya) 132 kV (Single ACSR Panther) D/c line	

Note:
i. POWERGRID to provide space for extension at Bongaigaon (POWERGRID) S/s: 2 No. of 220 kV line bays for termination of Bongaigaon (POWERGRID) - Nangalbibra 400 kV D/c line (initially operated at 220kV).
ii. AEGCL/Assam, to provide space for extension at Hatsinghmari (Assam) S/s: 2 No. of 132 kV line bays for termination of Hatsinghmari (Assam) - Ampati (Meghalaya) 132 kV D/c line.
iii. MePTCL/Meghalaya to provide space for extension at Ampati (Meghalaya) S/s: 2 No. of 132kV line bays for termination of Hatsinghmari (Assam) - Ampati (Meghalaya) 132 kV D/c line.
iv. To be implemented by MePTCL, Meghalaya under intra-state scheme in matching time frame of this ISTS scheme
a. Mawngap (Meghalaya) - Nangalbibra (ISTS) 220 kV D/c line alongwith 220 kV line bays at both ends (space for construction of 2 No. 220 kV line bays at Nangalbibra (ISTS) to be provided by licensee to MePTCL)
b. Nangalbibra (ISTS) - existing Nangalbibra (MePTCL) 132 kV D/c (Single Moose) line (2 No. 132kV line bays at Nangalbibra (MePTCL) is to be implemented by MePTCL, however, 2 No. 132 kV line bays at Nangalbibra (ISTS) is under the scope of this ISTS scheme)".

2. The applicant has been selected as the Transmission Service Provider with the lowest levelized transmission charges of ₹558.59 million per annum on the basis of the competitive bidding carried out by PFC Consulting Limited in accordance with the Guidelines issued by the Central Government under Section 63 of the Act.
3. The Central Transmission Utility has recommended for grant of transmission licence to the applicant to establish the proposed transmission system.
4. Based on material available on record, the Commission has, vide order dated 23.5.2022 in Petition No. 33/TL/2022, proposed to issue transmission licence to the applicant for establishing the transmission system as noted in para 1 above.
5. A copy of the application, along with its annexures and enclosures, made by the applicant for grant of inter-State transmission licence to Nangalbibra- Bongaigaon Transmission Limited before the Commission can be accessed at the website **www.pfcclindia.com** or inspected by any person in the Commission's office by following the laid down procedure.
6. Notice is hereby given in pursuance of clause (a) of sub-section (5) of Section 15 of the Act that suggestions or objections, if any, to the Commission's proposal to grant transmission licence to the applicant, as aforesaid, be sent to the undersigned by 9.6.2022 at the above noted address. The suggestions or objections received after the specified date shall not be considered.
7. The application shall be taken up for further hearing by the Commission in due course. Any person who files suggestions or objections may in his/her discretion attend the hearing, for which no TA/DA shall be paid by the Commission.

(Harpreet Singh Pruthi)
Secretary

SBI
CMP & SCF Department, State Bank of India,
Global IT-Centre, Sec-11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai-400 614

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

RFP No. 694 DATED: 22.04.2022
Bids are invited by State Bank of India from the eligible bidders for Procurement of 200 TB all flash storage (100 TB each for Primary and DR setup) for physical servers. Bidders, who are interested to submit bids, visit Procurement news at **https://www.sbi.co.in** and e-Procurement agency portal **https://etender.sbi**
Commencement of download of RFP: 31.05.2022
Last date and time for submission of bids: 21.06.2022 up to 14:00 hrs
CMP & SCF Department

TATA POWER DELHI DISTRIBUTION LIMITED
A Tata Power and Delhi Government Joint Venture
TATA POWER-DDL
Regd. Office : NDPL House, Hudson Lines, Kingsway Camp, Delhi 110 009
Tel : 66112222, Fax : 27468042, Email : TPDDL@tatapower-ddl.com
CIN No. : U40109DL2001PLC111526, Website : www.tatapower-ddl.com

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS May 31, 2022

TATA Power-DDL invites tenders as per following details:

Tender Enquiry No. Work Description	Estimated Cost/EMD (Rs.)	Availability of Bid Document	Last Date & Time of Bid Submission/ Date and time of Opening of bids
TPDDL/ENGG/ENQ/200001418/22-23 Annual Rate contract for Supply of Feeder Pillar LT Type 'A'	1.89 Crs/ 4,74,000	31.05.2022	21.06.2022;1600 Hrs 21.06.2022:1630 Hrs
TPDDL/ENGG/ENQ/200001419/22-23 RC for 11 KV Metering Cubicles and 11 KV CTPT Units.	1.71 Crs/ 2,10,000	31.05.2022	21.06.2022;1600 Hrs 21.06.2022:1630 Hrs

CORRIGENDUM / TENDER DATE EXTENTION

Tender Enquiry No. Work Description	Previously Published Date	Revised Due Date & Time of Bid Submission/ Date & time of opening of bids
TPDDL/ENGG/ENQ/200001410/22-23 RC for Supply of 1-P Static Meters	05.05.2022	03.06.2022 at 1500 Hrs/ 03.06.2022 at 1530 Hrs

Complete tender and corrigendum document is available on our website **www.tatapower-ddl.com** → Vendor Zone → Tender / Corrigendum Documents
Contracts - 011-66112222

O-367

GOVT. OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
RURAL WORKS, CIRCLE, BHAWANIPATNA
Bid identification No.:- BPT/Online-06/2022-23 Date-21.5.2021
NOTICE INVITING TENDERS FOR ROAD WORKS IN ODISHA
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement

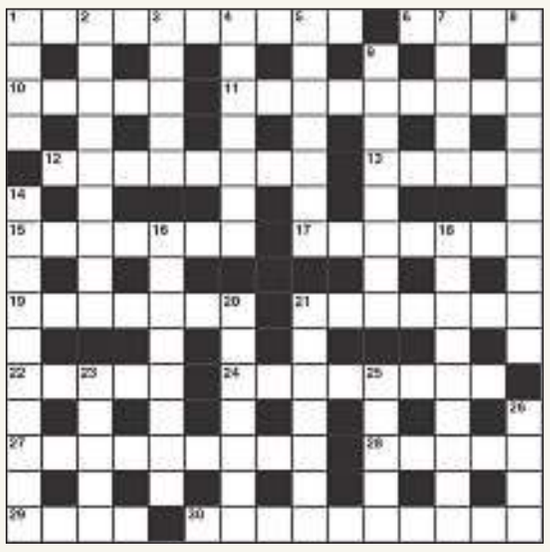
1. Name of work : Periodical maintenance of five year completed PMGSY works in the District of Kalahandi and Nuapada.
2. No of Works : 29 Nos.
3. Location details : Kalahandi and Nuapada District
4. Estimated Cost : As per NIT.
5. Period of Completion : As per NIT.
6. Cost of tender paper : Rs.10,000/- per set.
7. Other details :

Availability of tender for online bidding		Last date & time for seeking tender clarification	Date and time of opening of technical bid
From	To		
04.06.2022 11.00 A.M.	18.06.2022 5.00 P.M.	17.06.2022	20.06.2022 at 11.00 A.M.

Further details can be seen from the web site "**www.tendersorissa.gov.in**"

Sd/-
CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
Rural Works, Circle, Bhawanipatna
OIPR- 25102/11/0006/2223

CROSSWORD 4754



ACROSS
1 Paperhanger who mails his account? (10)
6 Wager about a pound (4)
10 This French lake has a man's name (5)
11 Jack took a break outside then went back to work (9)
12 Recording a call that's gradually fading (8)
13 A journal whose days are numbered (5)
15 Reproduce? (7)
17 Yelled out in the hangar (7)
19 Increase the rate (5,2)
21 Church Times is ordered by a scientist (7)
22 State electricity? (5)
24 Bill for example that is unusually desirable (8)
27 I'm in a state of exhilaration (9)
28 State aid distributed by school centre (5)
29 At the end of the day it's equally balanced (4)
30 Rare design for the Guards (10)

DOWN
1 Support a play or a player (4)
2 Though a pound short, victualler may be making a profit (9)
3 Vegetables taken by doctors (5)
4 A diner's ordered fish (7)
5 Flag officers? (7)
7 More in another edition (5)
8 Current appointment changes at midnight (6,4)
9 Staunch supporters of a hot record (4,4)
14 Sign that a professional person is ready to do business (5,5)
16 Team with genuine line-up of stars (8)
18 Test match? Yes and no (5,4)
20 PM has about a thousand in support (7)
21 There's possibly nigh on a hundred worn in the hair (7)
23 Complain when I get in difficulty (5)
25 Epic story written up in some of the dailies (5)
26 Many come up for sale at auctions (4)

Solutions Crossword 4753: Across: 1 Spanish, 5 Habit, 8 Stockings, 9 Yap, 10 Laps, 12 Curtains, 14 Castor, 15 Etudes, 17 Nowadays, 18 Owls, 21 Fur, 22 Office boy, 24 Rasps, 25 Ladders. **Down:** 1 Sisal, 2 Ado, 3 Inks, 4 Honour, 5 Hesitate, 6 Bay window, 7 Typists, 11 Passwords, 13 Road hogs, 14 Conifer, 16 Eyeful, 19 Styes, 20 Iced, 23 Bee.

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis

CALVIN & HOBBES by Bill Watterson

MARVIN by Tom Armstrong

DAY TODAY

BY PETER VIDAL

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
If you still feel confused or frustrated, you probably haven't realised that there is a great deal to be accomplished. Over the coming seven days a new weapon will be added to your armoury: an ability to charm other people any way you want, any time you want.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)
Adverse planetary activity has certainly knocked you off balance, but it doesn't usually take you long to regain your equilibrium. It seems all too easy at the moment to blame other people, but that might not be the best way of going about things.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Money is bound to be an increasingly powerful factor, and why not? After all, nobody gets very far without it. Put the maximum effort into increasing your earnings, but do so in the knowledge that, first of all, only hard work will produce the desired results and, secondly, you should not wish for more than you deserve.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Most of the conflicts and uncertainty in your solar chart at the moment arise from other people's lack of commitment, or so it seems. Are you sure you don't have a personal vested interest in seeing that someone backs off? Perhaps you just need some more time for yourself.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)
I know I have given you this advice before, but it must be repeated: wait until you are absolutely ready if you have a major change or upheaval to undertake, and don't allow others to make your decisions for you. You may, of course, continue to set up all the necessary preparations for your next step.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)
The stars are still urging you on, so don't wait for others to give the green light before pressing ahead. You now have all the ammunition and information you require to make a decisive move, and all you need now is the assurance that you'll have the support you've asked for.

LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)
There are a number of thought-provoking aspects in your chart at the moment. One of the most obvious indicates that someone who has been unpunctual, indecisive and utterly unreliable, may now be mending their ways. Is that too much to hope for? I don't think so.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)
The Sun, the brightest planet and the soul of the solar system, is approaching a decisive relationship with a series of dim and distant parts of the sky. This is the simple reason why an emotional tie or attachment now appears to be going through a confusing phase.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22)
Personally and emotionally you are now coming to the end of one brief phase, and are about to enter another which might be much more refreshing. One result is that you'll become increasingly concerned about the cost of a particular relationship.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)
Sometimes you need to come first but why not try to put yourself in someone else's shoes and understand why they've been throwing their weight around. It may be that they have been upset and frightened, in which case they need your sympathy and support.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)
The Moon rises in an intriguing position, an indication that it could be time for an early start. It also, by the way, suggests that you may make an early finish, so don't work late unless there is no alternative. Make time for activities which mean most to you, not for what others think you should be doing.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)
It's time to reflect on the many changes you've made so far. It is also time to take a risk and, given that you listen to your intuitions, tough planets like Mars and Pluto should guide you to a successful conclusion and sensitive ones like Venus and Neptune will smooth the way.

JUMBLED WORDS

Given below are four jumbled words. Solve the jumbles to make proper words and move them to the respective squares below. Select the letters in the shaded squares and jumble them to get the answer for the given quip.

A happy childhood is poor preparation for _____ - Colette (5,8)

MRAAO

UNSTT

INOCNU

SCHEMA

SOLUTION: AROMA, STUNT, NUNCIO, SACHEM
Answer: A happy childhood is poor preparation for **human contacts** - Colette

SUDOKU 4851

Difficulty Level 5s
Instructions
To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Difficulty Level
1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy; 3s = Medium; 4s = Hard; 5s = Very Hard; 6s = Genius

6				9				8
	4		3		6		2	
		8				4		
		7	6		3	8		
		3	7		1	2		
		6				3		
	7		9		5		4	
5				6				2

SOLUTION SUDOKU 4850

6	9	3	2	5	4	7	1	8
4	7	5	1	8	6	3	2	9
2	8	1	9	7	3	6	5	4
3	6	4	7	9	5	2	8	1
9	5	2	3	1	8	4	6	7
7	1	8	4	6	2	5	9	3
5	3	9	8	2	7	1	4	6
1	4	6	5	3	9	8	7	2
8	2	7	6	4	1	9	3	5

SEARCH FOR MISSING

Laxmi

General Public is hereby informed that a lady namely **Laxmi**, W/o-Rohtash, R/o H.No. 189, Lampur Village Narela, Delhi. **Age :** 40 years, **Height :** about 4'5", **Complexion-**Whiteish, **Face-**Long, **Built-**Medium, **Wearing-**Green Suit, Salwar and chappal in feet has been missing from the area of PS. Narela, Delhi since **24.09.2021** in this regard a **DD No. 94A dated 13.04.2022** has been registered at **PS. Narela, Delhi.**

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing lady but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this lady please inform undersigned.

E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in
Ph : 011-24368638, 24368641
Fax : 011-23011334
DP/1874/ON/2022

SHO
P.S. Narela, Delhi
Ph. : 011-27280435, 27282350, 7065036323

SEARCH FOR MISSING GIRL

General public is here by informed that this girl **Namely:** Muskan, **D/o:** Rajesh, **R/o:** H.No. B-4/64, Swaran Jyanti Vihar, Tikari Khurd, Delhi, **Age:** 15 Years, **Height:** 5'6", **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Long, **Built:** Thin, **Mental Condition:** Normal, **Wearing:** Grey Suit and Salwar has been missing from her house since 14.04.2022 at about 06:00 AM area of P.S. Narela Industrial Area, Delhi.

In this regard a vide **FIR No. 302/22,** dated **15.04.2022 U/s 363 IPC** has been registered at P.S. Narela Industrial Area, Delhi.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this girl but no clue has come to light so far.

Any person having any information or clue about this girl kindly inform to the following.

E-Mail: cic@cbi.gov.in
Website: http://cbi.nic.in
Fax: 011-24368639
Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641

SHO
P.S. Narela Industrial Area, Delhi
Ph.: 011-27787592, 7065036324
DP/1884/ON/2022

SEARCH OF MISSING

Sangeeta

General public is hereby informed that one lady (depicted in the photo), **Namely:** Sangeeta , **W/o:** Parmod Kumar, **R/o:** H.No. 724, Gali No.9 Mata Wali Gali Rajesh Yadav Ka Makan Kapashera, New Delhi. **Aged:** 30 years, has been missing from the area of P.S. Kapashera, New Delhi. In this regard, a **vide DD No. 75A, Dated 18.05.2022, has been lodged at P.S. Kapashera, New Delhi** Her physical description is as under:
Height: 5' Feet, **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Medium, **Wearing:** Grey Colour Suite & Salwar and Black Colour Slipper in feet.
Any person is having any information/clue about this missing lady, may inform SHO, Kapashera, New Delhi at **E-mail: ciccbi@cbi.nic.in or website: http://cbi.nic.in Fax: 011-230111334, Tele No. : 011-23014046 (Direct), 011-23015229, 23015218 extn. 210**

S.H.O
P.S. Kapashera, New Delhi
Ph.: 011-25063758, 25066105

DP/1217/SW/2022

A.P. TOWNSHIP & INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED

4th Floor, Bus Bhavan, Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh

Request for proposal Notification Dt: 27.05.2022

The REP proposals invited for providing STPs 8 locations in CRDA in Guntur District vide Tender Notice Nos.07/CTO-I/APTIDCO/2020-21, Dt:27.05.2022 (2nd call) on E-Procurement Platform **http://tender.apeprocurement.gov.in** for any other particulars please contact CTO-I during office working hours.

R.O. No.1102PP/CL/ADVT/1/1/2021-22 **Sd/-27.05.2022 Managing Director, APTIDCO, Vijayawada**

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

Soniya Bano

General Public is hereby informed that a girl (depicted in the photo), **Namely:** Soniya Bano **D/o** Sayad Asraf Ali **R/o** House No. A-2/57, Gali No. 13, Ishwar Colony, Phase-05, Aya Nagar, New Delhi has been missing/kidnapped since 12.10.2021 from the area of P.S. Fatehpur Beri, New Delhi. In this regard a case vide FIR No. 439/21 U/s 363 IPC dated 13.10.2021 has been registered at Police Station Fatehpur Beri, New Delhi. Her physical description is as under:-
Age: 13 Years 5 Months, **Height**: 4'1", **Complexion**: Fair, **Face:** Long, **Built:** Thin, **Hair:** Long & Black, **Wearing**: Green Colour Suit & Salwar and Chappal in feet.
Any person having any information/ Clue about this missing/kidnapped girl, may inform SHO, Fatehpur Beri, New Delhi at E-mail Id-**cic@cbi.gov.in** or website: **http://cbi.nic.in**

Phone:
011-24368638, 24368641
Fax No. 011-24368639
DP/210/SD/2022

SHO
P.S. Fatehpur Beri, New Delhi
South Distt., Delhi
Ph. No. 011-9999777974, 26659511

GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER, KAMENG BASIN
DEPARTMENT OF HYDRO POWER DEVELOPMENT, BOMDILA
PRESS NOTICE FOR e-TENDERS

The Superintending Engineer, Kameng Basin, Department of Hydro Power Development, Bomdila, for & on behalf of the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, invites lump sum fixed tender for supply, erection, testing & successful commissioning of Electro Mechanical equipments complete on turnkey basis from approved and eligible manufactures / EPC firms for the following work.

NIT No.	Name of Work	Estimated cost (Rs. In lakhs)	Earnest Money (Rs. In lakhs)	Cost of bid document (Rs. In lakhs)	Performance Security and Security Deposit	Start & Closing date for Online bid submi-ssion	Time for comple-tion
No. SE/ KB/ HP D/W- 59 (NIT) /2022-23/ 201-08 Dated 19/05/ 2022	C/o Shyaro SHP (2 X 1500 KW) (SH: Planning Designing, Drawing, Supplying, Erection Testing & Commissioning Complete on Lump Sum fixed Tender on Turnkey Basis)	1480.00	2% for Non APST (Rs. 29.60 Lakh) & 1% for APST. (Rs. 14.8 Lakh)	0.015	5% of the contract value and 2.5 % of the contract value	24/05/22 at 1100 hrs. and closing 06/06/22 at 14.30 hrs.	15 (fifteen) months

Other details can be obtained through URL, **https://arunachaltenders.gov.in**

Superintending Engineer,
Kameng Basin,
Dept. of Hydro Power Development,
Bomdila (A.P.)
Dated Bomdila the 19th May, 2022

DIPR/ARN/0621-23

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(See Section 82 Cr. P.C.)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused Person Namely **Rajeev Sharma** S/o Shyam Lal R/o D-308, Ext.-2, Nangloi, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 325/2022 U/s 395/452/34 IPC** registered at P.S. Mundka, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon that the said **Rajeev Sharma** could not be found and where it has been shown to my satisfaction that the accused **Rajeev Sharma** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Rajeev Sharma** is required to appear before the court to answer the said complaint on or before **18.07.2022.**

By Order
Sh. Milan Goel
Metropolitan Magistrate-03,
Room No. 292, 2nd Floor,
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

DP/1846/OD/2022
(Court Notice)

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

See Section U/S 82 Cr. P.C.

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CHELSEA SALE COMPLETED

Roman Abramovich has completed the sale of Chelsea and related companies to an investment group led by Todd Boehly and Clearlake Capital, the Premier League club said on Monday, ending a three-month process to sell the club. **REUTERS**

BRIEFLY

10m air rifle teams in medal rounds

New Delhi: The Indian women's and men's 10m air rifle teams reached the medal rounds of their respective events in the ISSF World Cup in Baku, Azerbaijan. The women made it to the gold medal match against Denmark. The men's team will take on Croatia on the same day, for a shot at bronze. Elavenil Valarivan, Ramita and Shreya Agrawal, first topped the qualification stage one of the women's 10m air rifle team event with a combined effort of 944.4 across 90 shots. Then, they came second in stage two behind Denmark, to make the title round. The trio shot 628.6 to Denmark's 629.2 after all three team members attempted 20 shots each. In the men's 10m air rifle team competition, the Indian trio of Rudrankksh Balasaheb Patil, Dhanush Srikanth and Paarth Makhija finished third in qualification stage two to make it to the bronze medal match. **PTI**

Sreeshankar jumps 7.95m, wins gold

New Delhi: Tokyo Olympian Murali Sreeshankar clinched his second gold medal of the season with a jump of 7.95m at the Venizeleia-Chania 2022 athletics meet in Chania, Greece. The 23-year-old from Kerala, who holds the national record of 8.36m set last month, finished ahead of Frenchmen Jules Pommery and Erwan Konate, who secured the silver and bronze medals with jumps of 7.73m and 7.71m respectively on Sunday. Sreeshankar had won the gold at the 12th International Jumping Meeting in Kallithea, Greece with an effort of 8.31m. He had logged 8.14m and 8.17m at the season-opening Indian Open Jumps Competitions in Thiruvananthapuram before breaking his own national record at the Federation Cup in Kozhikode. **PTI**

Lewandowski set to leave Bayern

Warsaw: Robert Lewandowski's time at Bayern Munich appears to be over. The Poland striker, who has been linked with a move to Barcelona, said at a news conference ahead of his national team's training camp that a transfer would be the best outcome for all sides. "As of today one thing is certain, that my story with Bayern Munich is over and after everything that took place in recent months I cannot imagine further good cooperation ... I am aware that the transfer will be the the best solution for both parties," said Lewandowski, whose contract with the Bavarian club runs for another season. **AP**

Cash award for IPL ground staff

Mumbai: The BCCI on Monday announced a prize money of Rs 1.25 crore for the curators and groundsmen, who worked during the IPL. "I'm pleased to announce a prize money of INR 1.25 crores for the men who gave us the best games in #TATAIPL 2022. The unsung heroes - our curators and groundsmen across 6 IPL venues this season," BCCI secretary Jay Shah said in a tweet. **PTI**

Tragedy, turmoil and turn

Rashid Khan, the Afghan and Gujarat Titans leg-spinner, has endured personal loss and psychological trauma to become the best slow bowler in T20s

SRIRAM VEERA
MAY 30

Gujarat Titans vice-captain Rashid Khan holds the IPL Trophy during the team's victory parade in Ahmedabad. (Below) Khan in the final. *Nirmal Harindran/ Sportzpics*

"EVEN IF you give me poison, I will drink it," Rashid Khan's mother mutters from the sick bed. She had wanted salt, and other prohibited items, as she lay suffering from Covid-19 at their home in Afghanistan. Rashid had offered to make orange juice instead, and she had brought up the poison.

Rashid gets the juice, and retires to his room. He wondered why that day she wanted to eat all the things she shouldn't be touching. A cry from his sister jolts him and he rushes downstairs. The mother looks at him and "her head just dropped". Until then, he had no inkling that his mother was in any mortal danger. For a couple of months, he had been beside her bed, massaging her legs through some nights. Once at 4am, she woke up startled to find him pressing her legs.

"You haven't slept?" "No, I shall soon get some sleep, you sleep now," Rashid would say. "That day, the blessings she gave me …" Rashid says in a poignant chat with Neroli Meadows in her podcast *Ordineroli Speaking*. "She died in front of my eyes" in 2020.

Her final look has stayed with Rashid to this day. Two days after her death, he woke up, told his younger brother lying beside him to "take care of mother" while he went to the washroom. "There I realised what did I just do?" The two had been very close, once he had even had an 11-hour video call with her. To this day, he says he can't sleep properly. He would wake up with a jolt, with an image of his mother. Her love, her voice …

Noise of bombs

Another sound keeps Rashid awake at times. The noise of a bomb. He was in his teens in an U-19 camp when an ear-splitting explosion woke him and his teammates in the room, in the middle of the night. "There was debris all around us, dust …" Rashid thought the place they were staying was under attack and someone would soon arrive at their room to "shoot us down". He locked the room and sat tight. Someone came knocking to inform them that the blast was not in the building and all the young boys sat at the ground from 1 am to 8 next morning. "The sound of the blast. It never goes away; it was a different sound and I never heard that kind of sound in my life. Whenever something bad happens back home (in Afghanistan), I do think about it."

When he was young, Rashid's parents wouldn't allow him to go out on the streets to play as they were afraid that he would be caught at the wrong place at the wrong time. "Fight has broken out. Guns. That's why my parents were very careful about me." A young Rashid spent most of his time indoors till he went to Pakistan to study. It's an apprehension that tails him even today. "People love sports stars back home but only fear is if I am caught at the wrong place at the wrong time." The fear is if he gets in the crossfire of some violent event directed at someone else.

Another void

Eighteen months before his mother died, Rashid was playing in Australia when he heard his father wasn't well. He couldn't believe it as he had spoken to him for half an hour a couple of days ago. "I asked him what shoes he wanted". Rashid hadn't seen his father in a really long time as he was globetrotting and the father was at their village. He asked his brother to place a video call so that he could see his father but he was "in the ICU and I couldn't even see him". In an hour's time, when he was at training, a call came with the dreaded news.

Rashid's world spun out of control and it was his mother who nurtured him through that crisis, constantly talking to him. He talks in the podcast about how his life was so sheltered compared to his parents, who when young had kept moving around the country during the war, lost a few close ones, and wanted their kids to be safe. "Their stories were scary, like in movies. They are the strongest people I have ever known".

Earning respect

Jos Buttler is in the form of his life, four violent tons in just this IPL season, and yet when he faces Rashid in the final, just as he did in their previous encounters, he adopts *ahimsa*. A tap, a nudge, a poke and slowly the aggression and intent are sucked into the evening sky, and the game turns. The plan, not unwise, is not to give any wicket to Rashid. That he still manages to take out Devdutt Padikkal is his mastery. Just 18 runs came in four claustrophobic overs; it would have been 14 had it not been for a misfield in the covers that conceded a boundary.

Off the field, Rashid wants to make friends. His social media posts show him cooking at team hotels for his teammates, be it in the IPL, BBL or PSL. However, there isn't a more intimidating spinner in the world right now. Others tempt or strangle, Rashid bosses the batsmen. He can give the octopus, supposedly the creature with the best camouflage skill on the planet, a complex. He is the true innovator of our times. Imaginative spinners flick out the carrom ball, contort wrists, run in angles - window dressing basically; Rashid transformed the soul of his art. Throughout history, the palm facing the sky meant a googly. It was the one constant in the leg-spinning world; Rashid can bowl a leg- break or a wrong'un with that grip. Bowlers traditionally bowled the googly with a high-arm action; Rashid collapses his

knees, gets the arm lower, and contorts it out to bewilder the batsmen further. Unable to fathom, even as good a batsman as Buttler chose to play him off the pitch. Wait, see what it does, tap it away.

The innovation isn't just in his bowling. In the post-AB de Villiers world, if there is one batsman who still manages to come with a new shot, it's Rashid.

There is a short-arm jab he plays to length deliveries, a mutant version of the swat-flick, a swat-punch more like, and crowds in Melbourne and Sydney have gasped as the white ball lands amidst them in the BBL. On his Instagram once, a batting video popped up. The ball is really full, a yorker almost, and Rashid bhai is tapping it between his legs. As the unknown figure shooting the video cracks up, the signature smile lights up Rashid's face.

The spell to Babar

Not many batsmen have been able to consistently take him down. There have been exceptions like Shane Watson who has managed to land his monstrous slog-sweeps and Rashid's face was quite a sight those times. Dent in pride, an air of supercilious anger about it, as if he couldn't fathom how he was hit. Not many spinners can genuinely possess that; he has earned his right to that haughty emotion.

At last year's T20 World Cup, his spell to Babar Azam is worth a re-look. Azam was in the form of his life but Rashid tied him down, embarrassed him into a self-destructive provocative reply to take him out.

A series of googlies, that included an LBW verdict overturned after Babar took the DRS, was followed by a couple of big-spinning leg-breaks that shook him up.

Next over, another such leg-break produced a chance but it was grassed. Ultimately, off the last ball of his last over, Babar, who had been most restrained that tournament, fell to his ego. He went for a big slog-sweep but missed the slower googly and was bowled.

Rashid can do that to the best. Hence the likes of Buttler prefer to nod their heads in respect and walk away. All through that spell to Babar, as he often does, Rashid would chatter away with the batsman, smiling often. The smiling, genuinely friendly, devilish tweaker.

The love for his country sparks brightly in Rashid and he says in the podcast how he is driven by the fact that his performance brings "some happiness" in fans' lives, so that they can "forget something bad that happened". He runs a Rashid Khan Foundation that supports Afghan children.

His burning desire is to play at home in Kabul. "You see in the IPL how the crowd reacts when an Indian player comes. I want that feeling." On the morning after a sweet triumph in the world's largest cricket stadium in Ahmedabad, Gujarat Titans' official handle tweeted him, "This wasn't a dream na, Rashidbhai?" Rashid replied, "*Nahi nahi Sach hai, Jagoooo!*" (No, it's reality, Wake up!"). He hopes one day it will be him tweeting that question after tormenting a team on a wintry Kabul morning in front of adoring screaming fans.

If and when it happens, it will be some sight. Short-cropped boyish hair, a smile to light up a country, and the dreaded right-arm whirring over with the palm facing the Afghan sky.

'Ashwin needs to bowl more off spin'

Ahmedabad: Ravichandran Ashwin is a legend in his own right but he still needs to think about improvement and bowl the conventional off-break deliveries more frequently, feels Rajasthan Royals Director of Cricket Kumar Sangakkara. "Ash (Ashwin) has done a great job for us," Sangakkara said at the post-match press conference. "Even for Ash, being a legend in terms of what he has achieved on the cricketing pitch, there will be a lot of improvements and thinking to do, especially with his off-spinners and bowl more of it," Sangakkara commented about the team's oldest member, who could manage only 12 wickets in 17 games this season. **PTI**

LEARNING ON THE JOB

Gorgeous batsman, calm leader: The evolution of RR captain Samson

SANDIP G
MAY 30

BEFORE THIS IPL, Sanju Samson was all about gorgeous bat-swings, a signature chuckle, and a gobsmacking talent. After this season, he will be known as a man with substance, a captain who always remained calm, had an ever-present smile, and inspired Rajasthan Royals to reach the final.

In character, he couldn't be more different from the first Royal, Shane Warne, who took the team all the way, but there is a similarity. Warne needed that triumph to prove to Australians that he was the best captain Australia never had. Samson needed this season to prove that he is more than just a pretty batsman.

When Samson meditated on captaincy, after he was installed as Rajasthan Royals skipper last year, he reminisced about his early days with the franchise and found his captaincy philosophy.

"We didn't win any titles, but enjoyed playing together, enjoyed each other's success and there was warmth. I wanted to bring the same atmosphere into my team," he tells Basil Joseph, the brightest young director in the Malayalam film industry, in the 'Sanju and Basil Show'.

Some of the speeches of former captain Rahul Dravid rang between his ears. "He often spoke of the higher purpose of life. His words had a hypnotic power to hold our attention for a long time. But as much as his speeches, he was so caring and understanding. That's the atmosphere we are trying to create in Rajasthan," Samson says.

At the same time, he does not blindly imitate Dravid's ideals, or anyone else's —MS Dhoni is the other big influence in his life. "I am different from Dravid or Dhoni, or anyone else. So, I try to be as natural as I am. Primarily, I try to assess the mood of the team," he explains.

The outlines of Samson's captaincy ideas are getting well defined, the rhyme and rhythms more tuneful and steadily, the structures and syntax in place, he is setting a Sanju template of leadership, based on the ideals of collectivism, free-spiritedness and hard work. They made things happen, bent games and scripts with their will, scrapping the self-

Former India captains Rahul Dravid and MS Dhoni have been influences but Rajasthan Royals' Sanju Samson wants to be his own man. *Sportzpics*

implosive ways they were prone to in the previous two seasons.

There are times when Samson has to back players going through a rough patch. Sometimes even during a single innings, like Rahul Tewatia in the staggering smash-and-grab job against Punjab Kings last year. "He was missing ball after ball, but I just kept telling him that it was just a matter of connecting one ball, even though I was beginning to get tense. But I thought, if the captain does not support a player, who would?"

Proving doubters wrong

Thus, eliminating the scepticism that drummed when Samson was appointed captain — questions ranging from whether leadership would burden him or whether he would crumble, or whether he was indeed capable — he has, more than blending into the new role, notched up a gear or two.

As if captaincy made his life and career more meaningful. He has been more influential with the bat than ever before, his consistency better than both Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli, his hitting rate a leap ahead of Sharma, Kohli, KL Rahul and Rishabh Pant. He has cracked the elusive balance between being aggressive and consistent. He jokes: "It's simple, you look to hit seven of the 10 balls for a six. Not everything works out every time, but that's how it works out in this format," he tells Basil.

A happy player makes for a happy captain and a happy captain makes for a happy team. To stretch the line, a happy, talented team is often a winning team. Though Jos Buttler was their superman of the season, match-winning contributions came from a variety of avenues. Samson himself, besides Devdutt Padikkal, Yashasvi Jaiswal and Shimron Hetmyer racked runs; Yuzvendra Chahal was their standout bowler, but Trent Boult, Prasidh Krishna and Ravichandran Ashwin all stamped their quality at various junctures.

At all times, Samson seemed like a captain in control — neither too laid-back nor hyper-aggressive. He does not seem to over-advise his bowlers, sets them the fields they want, but often chips in with an observation or insight.

He, thus, has found groundswell of support from coach Kumar Sangakkara and senior players like "Jos bhai", Ashwin and Chahal. "He is a very soft-spoken, very reserved individual. He has shown a lot of passion and hunger to take on this testing role of captaincy. Wicket-keeping, captaining and being the best batter in your side along with Buttler is not an easy kind of role to fill but he has done it really well this season," Sangakkara added.

Buttler admires his authenticity, Chahal his composure and Ashwin, who Samson calls "annan (elder brother)" his attitude.

Comfortable in his own skin

Samson has never been this composed. A setback would be enough to set him down an alley of negativity. He was distraught and thought of quitting the game when he failed to get a break in Kerala. The Kolkata Knight Riders stint went awry. Later, accusations that he freezes in big games flustered him. There were run-ins with the Kerala board, an odd outburst or two as well.

But the air of responsibility has changed his persona. He smiles more often, talks more often, jokes more often. Thus, the last two seasons have been his second coming-of-age story, and the most enjoyable phase of his career.

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Advantage Djokovic in the twilight zone

As Nadal and his great opponent ready for Chapter No 59 of their rivalry, night scheduling of the quarters could tilt scales in the Serb's favour

NAMIT KUMAR
NEW DELHI, MAY 30

Novak Djokovic leads the head-to-head 30-28 against Nadal, going into their 59th face-off. *File*

FOLLOWING THE conclusion of his third-round victory at Roland Garros this year, Novak Djokovic was clear in his preference for the scheduling of a potential quarterfinal clash against Rafael Nadal. "All I'll say is that Rafa and I might make totally different requests," the Serb said.

The scheduling of the biggest showpiece tennis match of the year has come into question considering it can be hugely significant in declaring a favourite. Djokovic would prefer the slower and cooler conditions of the night, while Nadal would rather play in the day. In fact, the Spaniard does not believe clay-court tennis should be played at night at all. "I don't like night session on clay. I am very clear with that," he told reporters following his third-round win last week.

Part of the reason for the 13-time French Open champion's dominance on clay is that his playing style heavily favours hot summer conditions. The Spaniard's topspin-heavy groundstrokes bounce very high off the clay-courts under the sun at ferocious speeds and allow him to construct the points at his own pace. At night, however, humidity sets in and moistens the surface. The ball picks up the moisture and does not bounce as high, curbing Nadal from using his groundstrokes to dictate proceedings from the baseline. This is likely to allow Djokovic to move up to the baseline and use his own flatter groundstrokes and varied arsenal to take time away from his rival.

Even during Djokovic's famous four-set semifinal win over Nadal last year, the Serb trailed 0-5 in the first set, but as the sun set, Nadal – who was also struggling with a chronic foot problem – was not able to find much purchase on his groundstrokes, allowing the Serb to take control of the match.

The rivalry

The 2022 Roland Garros quarterfinal will be the 59th edition of what is already the longest open-era rivalry in men's tennis. Djokovic slightly edges the head-to-head 30-28, but Nadal has won seven of their nine previous meetings at the French Open, and 19 of their 27 matches on clay.

The pair is also embroiled in the Grand Slam race that has dominated the narrative in men's tennis in recent years. Nadal holds the all-time record with 21 Majors at the moment, and Djokovic and Federer are right behind him with 20.

Nadal's remarkable 20 match unbeaten streak and his start to the clay season were both derailed due to a rib injury. His third-round loss in Rome also saw the chronic foot problem resurface, coming into Paris without a single clay title for the first time in his career.

Both have had hugely contrasting buildups to Roland Garros. Djokovic's unvaccinated status did not allow him to play much before the clay season. After reaching the final in Belgrade and semifinal in Madrid, he picked up his first trophy of the year at Rome, peaking just in time for the second Major of the year. He is yet to drop a set in Paris so far.

Nadal's remarkable 20 match unbeaten streak this year and his start to the clay season were both derailed due to a rib injury. His pain-ridden third-round loss in Rome also saw the chronic foot problem resurface, coming into Paris without a single clay title for the first time in his career. The Spaniard sets up the quarterfinal after an over four-hour-long fourth-round encounter against Canada's Felix Auger-Aliassime that forced him to produce his best tennis.

The fact that the pair are at odds even for the scheduling of their quarterfinal encounter, not willing to lose even an inch of ground to the other, shows how closely fought this rivalry is. And while the scheduling favours Djokovic, the match is still in the balance, especially considering the 2020 Roland Garros. The event took place in October's winter conditions – an outlier due to the COVID-19 pandemic – and the final was played under the roof due to rain, despite which Nadal dominated Djokovic 6-0, 6-2, 7-5 to win the title without dropping a set.

Crosscourt exchanges

More often than not, the crosscourt exchanges between Nadal's lefty forehand and Djokovic's backhand – two tennis weapons that are as celebrated as the men that wield them – provide plenty of highlight-reel moments, and set the tone for the match.

Nadal is usually the aggressor, particularly on clay. While facing a right-hander, the Spaniard likes to use his aggressive court-positioning and heavy forehand to push his opponent further away from the court on their backhand side, opening up positions to either hit an inside-out forehand or thunder one down-the-line. Against Djokovic in particular, this also allows him to stop the Serb from using his backhand to dictate the rallies.

But Djokovic's defensive skills have gained legendary status, and few can replicate his redirection of pace on the backhand side. The Serb's court coverage allows him to not be at too much of a disadvantage when Nadal is powering crosscourt forehands, and he is able to absorb pace and play down-the-line backhands. Djokovic's ability to find the angles to test Nadal's backhand from both wings – which was on full display during last year's semifinal – is also a huge strength. Much like the rest of their rivalry, the margin for error is very fine for both players' baseline strategies.

EXPLAINED

Why Nadal's second serve matters

SINCE THE conditions may not favour Rafael Nadal's groundstrokes in particular, the Spaniard may well be looking at employing an aggressive strategy on serve to win as many free points as possible.

Nadal's second serve has played a role in his domination at Roland Garros. Prior to the start of the tournament, he had won 58.9% of points with it at the French Open throughout his career, significantly higher than the tournament average of 49.42%. His second-serve speeds have been significantly higher than Djokovic's at the French Open so far, a strategy which has been more successful. Nadal's average second-serve speeds at the tournament stand at 154 km/h, as opposed to Djokovic's 142 km/h. The Spaniard has won 75 points on it, as compared to Djokovic's 52.

India eye an outright win against South Korea

Jakarta: Defending champions India would look for an outright win against South Korea in their final Super 4 round-robin league match to book their place in the final of the Asia Cup men's hockey tournament here on Tuesday.India had almost clinched a spot in the title clash on Sunday before Razie Rahim turned out to be Malaysia's saviour with a hat-trick in an enthralling 3-3 draw in their second 'Super 4' encounter.

India had earlier defeated Japan 2-1 in their first match on Saturday.

As the Super 4's table stands, South Korea with a goal difference of +2 (5-3) are on top with India (GD) of +1 (5-4) are placed second.

Japan with two defeats are out of the reckoning while Malaysia (GD) 0 (5-5) have an outside chance if they can beat Japan by a comprehensive margin (minimum 2 goals) provided India and South Korea match ends in a draw. But come Tuesday, the Indians would look to avoid the permutations and combinations with an outright win over the Koreans.

However, it would be easier said than done as the Koreans looked a completely different side in the Suer 4s, having drawn 2-2 against Malaysia and then beating Japan 3-1. The Indians too upped their game by leaps and bounds after their first two pool games. India not only achieved an impossible task of beating hosts Indonesia by more than 15-goal margin in their last pool match to qualify for the Super 4s but also eked out a close 2-1 win over Japan, who defeated them 2-5 in the preliminary stages. **PTI**

UPSET OF THE DAY

New kid in town: Teen Rune dumps Tsitsipas out of French Open

REUTERS
PARIS, MAY 30

Dane Holger Rune has improved more than 350 places in the world rankings in the past 15 months.

TEENAGE SENSATION Holger Rune out-muscled world number four and last-year's French Open finalist Stefanos Tsitsipas 7-5 3-6 6-3 6-4 on Monday to move into the quarter-finals with his biggest Grand Slam win to date.

The Dane, who has improved more than 350 places in the world rankings in the past 15 months, joins fellow 19-year-old Carlos Alcaraz in the last eight, the first time two teenagers made that stage at a Grand Slam since 1994.

"I have an unbelievable feeling. I was so nervous in the end," said a beaming Rune, playing in his first French Open. "I was very nervous. I told myself to keep at it and play my plan. I mean it is so great to still be here. Part of the tactic to play as aggressive as possible when he gets shorter balls he attacks them. I really liked playing the drop shots and it worked out pretty good so I am happy."

Fourth seed Tsitsipas, hunting for his first ever Grand Slam, started well and broke the Dane to go 3-1 up when Rune's drop shot was not short enough and the Greek whipped a cross-court winner past him. Rune, however, broke him twice, clinching the set with a disputed line call that went in his favour.

Tsitsipas did not lose his composure and saved three consecutive break points in the very first game of the second set, powering back to seal it.

He did slip up though midway through the third when two double faults and two unforced errors handed Rune a key break and the teenager went 2-1 up in sets when Tsitsipas did well to return a Rune smash but then fired a topspin forehand into the net.

The Dane succeeded in getting Tsitsipas out of his comfort zone on the baseline, sending his tall opponent to the net with drop points and stretching him wide off the court with deep cross-court balls.

Rune had three break points at the start of the fourth which the Greek saved but the teen made amends on his opponent's next two service game to open up a 5-2 lead with a scorching backhand down the line.

He did show some nerves in the end as Tsitsipas fought back to 5-4 and even had break points but Rune made sure of his big win on the first match point just as the clock ticked past the three hour mark.

"You do have this in the back of your head, having kind of changed a little bit that equipment, playing with something that has helped you a lot last year get to a pretty good result, finals for the first time," said Tsitsipas.

"It kind of stays back in your head that maybe I shouldn't have done that."

Tsitsipas lost last year's final against Novak Djokovic after being two sets up.

Rune may be relatively unknown, having won his only tour title this month, but the powerful 19-year-old has shot up the rankings, jumping more than 350 places in the last 15 months to reach world number 40 at the start of the French Open.

The 23-year-old Tsitsipas, the world number four who has yet to win a Grand Slam, declined to reveal what the equipment changes were.

"You feel like there have been a few changes in terms of equipment and stuff like that," Tsitsipas said.

"I wouldn't put all of the blame on the equipment because it's something that I chose for my personal progress and getting better," he said.

Players in Paris have been using different string tensions for different playing times, especially with the introduction of an evening session being played in chilly conditions, depending on the temperature and humidity.

Tsitsipas did change rackets midway through the game on a sunny day but refused to elaborate when asked about the changes to his equipment.

"I would prefer not to talk about it, please," said the Greek. "I don't want to answer that."

KEY RESULTS:
Men's Singles (Fourth Round) Casper Ruud (8), Norway, beat Hubert Hurkacz (12), Poland, 6-2, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3; Holger Rune, Denmark, beat Stefanos Tsitsipas (4), Greece, 7-5, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4; Andrey Rublev (7), Russia, beat Jannik Sinner (11), Italy, 1-6, 6-4, 2-0, ret.
Women's Singles (Fourth Round): Daria Kasatkina (20), Russia, beat Camila Giorgi (28), Italy, 6-2, 6-2; Veronika Kudermetova (29), Russia, beat Madison Keys (22), United States, 1-6, 6-3, 6-1; Jessica Pegula (11), United States, beat Irina-Camelia Begu, Romania, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3; Iga Swiatek (1), Poland, beat Zheng Qinwen, China, 6-7 (5), 6-0, 6-2.

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EXTRACT OF STATEMENT OF AUDITED STANDALONE AND CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND YEAR ENDED 31.03.2022

(₹ in Crore)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Standalone				Consolidated			
		Quarter Ended		Year Ended		Quarter Ended		Year Ended	
		31.03.2022 (Audited)	31.03.2021 (Audited)	31.03.2022 (Audited)	31.03.2021 (Audited)	31.03.2022 (Audited)	31.03.2021 (Audited)	31.03.2022 (Audited)	31.03.2021 (Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	9,870.37	9,672.29	38,545.40	37,744.87	18,853.18	18,148.72	76,261.66	71,656.10
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax and Exceptional items)	3,200.08	2,793.82	12,227.65	10,207.31	5,445.92	5,005.50	23,382.22	19,890.73
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax after Exceptional items)	3,200.08	2,793.82	12,227.65	10,207.31	5,445.92	5,005.50	23,382.22	19,890.73
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after Tax (after Exceptional items)	2,609.45	2,326.61	10,021.90	8,444.01	4,295.90	3,906.05	18,768.21	15,716.20
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	2,496.45	2,372.72	10,202.73	8,534.21	3,919.31	3,954.63	18,889.78	16,264.09
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face value ₹ 10/- each)	2,640.08	2,640.08	2,640.08	2,640.08	2,640.08	2,640.08	2,640.08	2,640.08
7	Other Equity (As per Audited Balance Sheet as at 31st March)	NA	NA	56,710.20	49,753.04	NA	NA	69,036.16	58,127.40
8	Securities Premium Account	2,776.54	2,776.54	2,776.54	2,776.54				
9	Net worth	59,350.28	52,393.12	59,350.28	52,393.12				
10	Paid up Debt Capital/ Outstanding Debt	3,20,128.13	3,25,094.50	3,20,128.13	3,25,094.50				
11	Net Debt Equity Ratio	5.38	6.13	5.38	6.13				
12	Earnings Per Share (EPS) (Face value ₹10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)*								
	(a) Basic EPS (in ₹)	9.88	8.81	37.96	31.98	12.14	11.07	53.08	44.50
	(b) Diluted EPS (in ₹)	9.88	8.81	37.96	31.98	12.14	11.07	53.08	44.50

* EPS for the quarters is not annualised.

Notes:
1. These audited financial results have been reviewed & recommended by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved and taken on record by the Board of Directors of the Company in their respective meetings held on 25.05.2022. The same have been audited by Joint Statutory Auditors of the Company viz. Prem Gupta & Company, Chartered Accountants and Dass Gupta & Associates, Chartered Accountants in terms of Regulation 33 & 52 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.
2. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarter and Year Ended Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 & 52 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly Financial Results is available on the Stock Exchanges' websites www.nseindia.com & www.bseindia.com and on the Company's website www.pfcindia.com.
3. The Board of Directors of the Company has recommended final dividend @ 12.50% on the paid up equity share capital i.e. ₹1.25 /- per equity share of ₹ 10/- each for the financial year 2021-22, subject to the approval of the shareholders at the ensuing Annual General Meeting. The Company had also paid interim dividend of ₹ 10.75 /- per equity share of ₹ 10 /- each during FY 2021-22.
4. For other applicable disclosures as required under Regulation 52(4) of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, refer detailed format of the financial results filed with the stock exchanges (www.nseindia.com & www.bseindia.com) and on the Company's website www.pfcindia.com.

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