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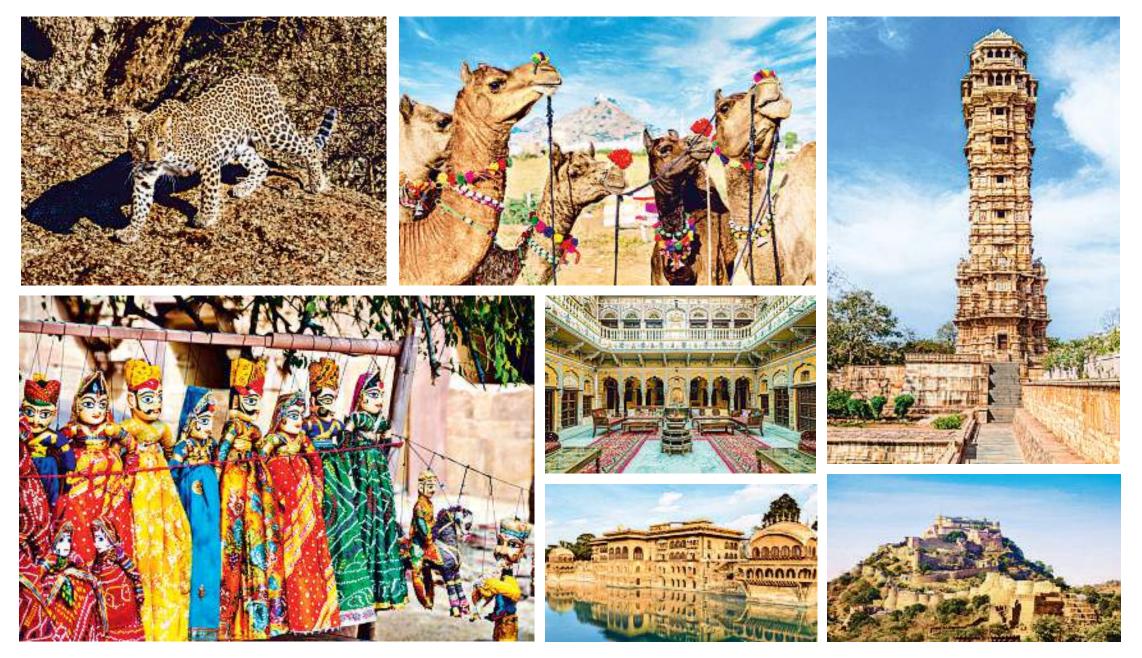




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Ashok Gehlot, Chief Minister, Rajasthan



Great exemption for tourism sector

Electricity at industrial rate instead of commercial, up to one third rebate on electricity bill

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General public is hereby informed that an unidentified person whose name, residence and family is unknown, about 30-35 years of age was found dead near Haiderpur Water Treatment Plant, Rohini, Delhi on 11.07.2022 at 11:34 PM. In this regard DD No. 127A, U/s 174 Cr.P.C., dated 11.07.2022, has been registered at P.S. K.N. Katju Marg, Delhi.

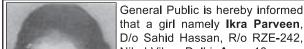
The description of the UIDB is as under:

Sex: Male, Age: About 30-35 years, Height: 5'7' Complexion: Sallow, Built: Medium, Face: Long, Hair: Black, Wearing: Black lining shirt and black pant and black slippers in feet.

If anyone has any information about this UIDB, kindly inform the SHO/K.N. Katju Marg, Delhi. SHO

> P.S. K.N. Katju Marg, Delhi Ph. No.: 011-27571162, 27571171

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED



DP/1677/RD/2022



Ikra Parveen Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped 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

P.S. Nihal Vihar. Delhi Fax: 011-24368639 DP/1996/OD/2022 Ph. : 011-25946700, 25946710, 7065036129

SEARCH FOR MISSING

General public is hereby informed that this man namely Sandeep, S/o Sh. Chand Singh, R/o H. No. 43, Village Sahapur Garhi Bhorgarh, Delhi is missing since 24.04.2022 at 12:00 PM from his house. In this regard a case vide DD No. 52-A dated 01.05.2022 has been lodged at P.S. Narela Industrial Area, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the missing man but no clue

has come to light so far. The description of the missing man is as

under:

Name: Sandeep, Gender: Male, Age: 39 years, Height: 5'10", Complexion: Sallow, Face: Oval, Built: Thin, Wearing: White colour Shirt, Blue colour Jeans and Slippers in feet. If anyone has any information regarding this missing man,

kindly inform to the following:

E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in Ph.: 011-24368638. 24368641 Fax: 011-24368639

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P.S. Narela Industrial Area, Delhi Ph. No.: 011-27787593, 27787594



NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Sealed tenders under two bid systems are invited from reputed and financially sound security agency for supply of security personnel. Tender documents can be purchased from IDPL, Gurgaon Plant from 22.07.2022 to 16.08.2022 between 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm on all working days except aturday on payment of Rs. 1000/- plus GST @ Rs. 18% i.e. Rs. 180/otal amount is Rs. 1180/- in cash or DD favouring IDPL Gurgaon Plant payable at Gurgaon. For complete details, please visit our website vww.idplindia.in. Sr. Personnel Executive

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY Tender Notice No. 09/2022 Dated: 14.07.2022 The undersigned, on behalf of the

President of India, invites E-tenders for the following work:

Description of Work: Supply of Electric Point Operating Machine IRS type 143 mm throw non trailable to operate on 110V DC complete with lock and detector slides and cable erminal box along with standard tool kit set for every 8 Point Machines conforming to RDSO Specn. No. IRS S 24/2002 (Amd. 1) & for Motor IRS S-37/82 Assy. Drg. No. RDSO S/ 108000 Motor Drg. No. RDSS/ 10910 with ground connection for IRS poir machine. (suitable for 60 Kg rails). Tender No. L8225662) (Qty: 42 Nos.

Last date for submission of bids: Up to 14:00 hrs. of 18.08.2022 For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in Senior Divisional Materials Manager Bengalur

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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

in the matter of OA. No. 128/2021/DRT-III

CANARA BANK (Erstwhile SYN. Bank)

Vs

D-1 M/s R.K Packaging (Through Its Partners), at Khasra No. 195, Daultabad

Road, Industrial Area, Near Toyota

D-2 Mohan Shyam (Partner / Guarantor

S/o Late Sh. Hardayal, R/o 57, VPO

Palason, Distt. Mathura, U.P.-281502. D-3 Kanhaiya Lal Sharma (Partner/

Guarantor) S/o Late Sh. Hardayal, R/o 57

VPO Palason, Distt. Mathura, U.P. - 281502.

Whereas the above named applicant has

nstituted 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 27-07-2022 at

Take notice that in case of your failure to

appear on the above mentioned day before

this Tribunal, the case will be heard and

Showroom Gurgraon, Haryana-122050.

Applican

Defendant

Tribunal (Procedure Rules) 1993

M/s R.K Packaging & Ors.

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CONCLAVE-NORTHCAP UNIVERSITY

Recently, NorthCap University Gurugram organized the 'CUET -Leadership Conclave 2022', with the objective to enable a comprehensive understanding of the CUET. A panel discussion was held, wherein eminent academicians shared their views on the various aspects of the entrance test including various aspects including syllabus, duration, preparation, cut-offs, doubts and addressing all related concerns. The event commenced with context setting by the moderator of the discussion, Dr. Vikas Nath, Director, School of Management and Liberal Studies, NorthCap University Gurugram, wherein he gave a brief overview of the test.



SESSION-SHARDA UNIVERSITY

Sharda Univ. organized a 2 day open house counselling session at its campus with the aim of establishing contact between students, parents & mgmt, During the program, subject experts counselled the student & provided them with course information. Apart from this, eligible female students got 50% admission fee waiver under Mission Shakti Scholarship on payment of semester fee on the same day Raieev Gupta Dir Admn said "the student often gets confused while choosing the course but this is a very important life decision which should be taken after careful consideration"



WORKSHOP-IMS GHAZIABAD

Carrying forward its endeavors to strengthen the entrepreneurial spirit of its budding managers, we are elated to share that under the leadership of Dr. Urvashi Makkar, Dir., IMS Ghaziabad, the Centre of Innovation & Entrepreneurship of the institute organized a Workshop on "Entrepreneurship & Innovation Dev." in association with Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, Enterprise Incubation Centre, recently for students of PGDM Batch 2022-24.



EVENT-AMITY

Amity School of Natural Resources and Sustainable Development (ASNRSD), Amity University Uttar Pradesh, has organized "Van Mahotsav" recently at its Noida campus. The week-long celebrations comprise of various interesting activities, with an aim to encourage the students, staff and faculty to protect and plant trees. Inaugurating the Mahotsav, V.K. Singh, IFS (Retd.), Former Deputy Director General, Northern Region, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi, said, "Planting trees is important but more important is protecting the trees which have already been planted.



CELEBRATION- DPMI

On the occasion of World Youth Skills Day. DPMI organized a Debate competition for the students on the topic- Online education vs Offline education. World Youth Skills Day is observed annually on 15th July to celebrate the strategic importance of equipping young people with skills for employment, decent work & entrepreneurship. The day is marked to emphasize on the need of continuous learning of new skills to stand special in a crowd of competitors in this era of Global competition. Students of DPMI took part in the debate competition with full enthusiasm & exchanged their views.



MoU-IP UNIVERSITY

IP University has signed a MoU with the leading Australian University - Murdoch University. This MoU was signed between the Registrar of IP University Manoj Kumar & Pro VC of the Murdoch University Kelly Smith at a function organised at Hotel Tai. New Delhi. The MoU is aimed at enouraging academic collaboration in the field of research, research training, teaching, curriculum & course design, training programmes.



CELEBRATIONS, EVENTS

CEREMONY - SHARDA UNIVERSITY

Sharda University organized a graduation ceremony for the Batch 2021-2022. About 500 students participated in the programme. Sharing her experience, PhD Scholar student Ms. Suraiya said "it has been 8 years in Sharda University but from the very beginning, we got a family like atmosphere. The management and professors were very supportive". Addressing the students, PK Gupta, Chancellor, Sharda University said "when students go outside the country they have to face many challenges. They try to understand the language, culture etc. of the country therefore we should support them &guide them".

RANKING-JAMIA HAMDARD

The Union Minister of Education, GOI Dharmendra Pradhan announced the annual rankings of education institutions under the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF)-2022 recently. It is a matter of great pride for Jamia Hamdard that it retains top rank



in Pharmacy institution category in NIRF-2022. Jamia Hamdard maintained the top position in Pharmacy for the fourth consecutive year. Jamia Hamdard is on 45th position in University Category and 74th in Overall Category. Its ranking in the 'Medical' category is 33. For the first time Jamia Hamdard has secured a place in top 100 'Management' institutions. Janab Hammad Ahmed, Chancellor and Prof. (Dr.) M. Afshar Alam, Vice-Chancellor, Jamia Hamdard congratulated Dean, School of Pharmaceutical Education & Research, Prof. (Dr.) Vidhu Aeri; Registrar, S.S. Akhtar; Director, IQAC and Research and Development Cell, Prof. (Dr.) Raisuddin and their core NIRF Team. all the faculty members. students and staff members for this big achievement



VISIT-UGI, GR. NOIDA

unavoidable reasons:

UCE, Gr. Noida students visited Industrial visit theme - Corporate Exposure of Journalism at CNN News 18 Channel, Noida. Students were excited for Industrial visit & corporate exposure & they have done Discussion & Debate on " Data Privacy Law 2021" with the Guest Vinit Goenka, Spokesperson, BJP Delhi, Khusboo, Lawyer, Kanishk Gaur, Cyber Security Professional, Dr. Urja, BE-CIL Noida, D.S. Bhadauria, UGI & others Students were present.



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 Sandeep software;

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10.30 A.M.

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Tribunal on this the 17th day of May, 2022 by order of the Tribunal DRT-III, Delhi

SEARCH FOR MISSING

General Public is hereby informed that a person (depicted in the photo), Namely: Harpreet Singh S/o Sh. Surender Saini R/o House No. C-19, Bhagat Singh Park, Siraspur, Delhi has been missing since 12.05.2022 from his house. In this regard a case vide DD No. 77A dated 13.05.2022 has

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General Public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male Namely Gopi S/o Unknown, R/o Unknown Age: 40-42 years, Height: 5'7". Complexion: Wheatish. Face: Round, Built: Thin, Wearing: Red &







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OPPONENT SINHA CONGRATULATES HER:WILL BE SWORN-IN AS 15TH PRESIDENT'Hope she is the Custodian of Constitution'on July 25 by Chief Justice of India N V Ramana

President-elect Murmu

TMC general secretary Abhishek Banerjee in Kolkata, Thursday. Partha Paul

Not consulted on Alva, so will skip V-P poll: TMC; not true, say Cong, CPM

ATRI MITRA & MANOJ C G KOLKATA, NEW DELHI, JULY 21

TAKING OTHER Opposition parties by surprise, the Trinamool Congress announced Thursday that it will abstain from voting in the vice-presidential election.

After an hour-long meeting at party chief Mamata Banerjee's residence, the party said it could not go with the NDA's Jagdeep Dhankhar but could not support the Opposition's Margaret Alva either, as it had "not been consulted" on her candidature.

The TMC announcement coincided with counting for the presidential polls, in which Opposition candidate Yashwant Sinha fared even worse than was feared against the NDA's Droupadi Murmu. While parties put up a brave face to the TMC's decision, saying the move was not unexpected, in private, leaders expressed shock. According to sources, Congress president Sonia Gandhi had herself spoken to Mamata twice before an-



President-elect Droupadi Murmu celebrates with her daughter Itishree in New Delhi on Thursday. PTI

Yashwant Sinha, securing 64.03

per cent of the total votes polled.

And the plan is to get 12 more

scribed the project as "an en-

deavour to better manage and

restore some of our most valu-

able yet most neglected ecosys-

tems and the species dependent

upon them". And yet, going by its

Action Plan finalised in January,

experts fear that these cheetahs

may not have a long-term future

on their own and will always de-

pend on translocations for ge-

Population Viability Analysis, the

cheetahs will have a long-term

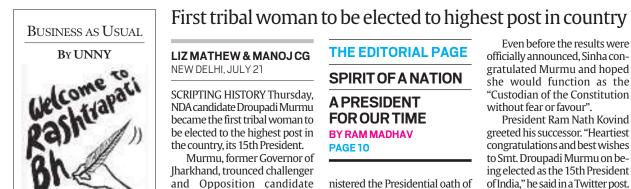
According to the project's

netic viability.

The Government has de-

cheetahs from South Africa.

The 64-year-old will be admi-



Cross-voting for Murmu bares cracks in Opp unity

LIZ MATHEW NEW DELHI, JULY 21

AS COUNTING of votes in the Presidential election concluded Thursday, it became clear that NDA candidate Droupadi Murmu's spectacular win had also been helped by some crossvoting. It was also proof of the division and confusion in Opposition ranks over thwarting the first tribal woman's bid to occupy the highest office in the country.

The ruling BJP claimed that 17 MPs from the two Houses of Parliament and 126 MLAs from states defied respective party lines and voted for Murmu. Many regional parties, despite their political reservations against the BJP, had indicated their willingness to see Murmu in Rashtrapati Bhavan.

She bagged 2824 of the total 4701 valid votes, leaving just 1877 votes for the Opposition's Yashwant Sinha.

Murmu secured 64.03 per cent of the total valid votes, less than what outgoing President Ram Nath Kovind got in 2017 --65.65 per cent of the total votes polled. But the divide and bitterness then was not so deep and **CONTINUED ON PAGE 4**

RELATED REPORTS

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Congress chief Sonia Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra leave for the ED office in New Delhi on Thursday. Amit Mehra

As ED questions Sonia, Cong alleges vendetta, rallies several Opp parties

Party holds protests across country; several leaders and MPs detained

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JULY 21 from

THE ENFORCEMENT Directorate (ED) Thursday questioned Congress president Sonia Gandhi for two hours in connection with an alleged money laundering case related to the National Herald newspaper.

The Congress alleged that the ED action was a "vendetta" and managed to rally several Opposition parties to jointly attack the BJP government over the issue.

This is Sonia's first such tryst with an investigating agency in her two-and-a-half-decade political career. Last month, the agency had

questioned Rahul Gandhi in the and same case for nearly 50 hours

In IIMs, few SCs, STs

admitted to PhD, pool

shallow over the years

EXPLAINED

over five days. Sonia, who is recovering from Covid-19, reached the ED office a little after noon along with her children Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra. Priyanka was allowed to stay in the ED headquarters so that she could be with her mother in case of any health issue. Rahul left coon after

soon after. As Sonia proceeded for questioning, several senior Congress leaders and MPs protested outside the AICC headquarters at 24, Akbar Road and were taken to different police stations. Most of the MPs and senior leaders, including Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, were taken to the Kingsway Camp police station and allowed to leave after Sonia's **CONTINUED ON PAGE 4**

given to understand that the TMC will support whoever the Opposition chose.

Leaders also admitted it was CONTINUED ON PAGE 4

SC allows abortion at 24 weeks: Can't deny it to unmarried woman

APURVA VISHWANATH NEW DELHI, JULY 21

UNDERLINING THAT a distinction in law between a married and an unmarried woman should have no bearing on the right to terminate a pregnancy, the Supreme Court Thursday allowed an unmarried woman whose relationship status changed during the pregnancy to terminate her 24-week foetus.

"We are of the view that allowing the petitioner to suffer an unwanted pregnancy will go against the parliamentary intent and the benefits under the Act cannot be denied to her only on the basis of her being unmarried.

The distinction between a married and an unmarried woman has no nexus to the object

sought to be achieved by the Parliament", the bench of Justices DY Chandrachud, Surya Kant and AS Bopanna said.

"Petitioner should not be denied the benefit merely on the ground that she is an unmarried woman," the bench said. The order, it said, would be subject to the final decision of a medical board constituted by the All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Delhi that the foetus can be aborted without any risk to the life of the woman.

The 25-year-old woman, a permanent resident of Manipur CONTINUED ON PAGE 4



office by Chief Justice of India NV

Ramana at a ceremony in the Ce-

ntral Hall of Parliament on July 25.

Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya with Anant Goenka, Executive Director, *The Indian Express*, and Kaunain Sheriff M, Special Correspondent, *The Indian Express*, at the Express Adda in New Delhi on Thursday. *Renuka Puri*



200 cr vaccine doses is story of Atmanirbhar Bharat: Mandaviya

ANONNA DUTT NEW DELHI, JULY 21

UNION HEALTH Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said on Thursday that the country's massive Covid-19 vaccination drive, which has delivered over 200 crore doses so far, tells an "incredible story" of in-house research and production. Speaking at the Express Adda,

Vice-President M Venkaiah

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said,

Naidu

"Heartiest

Speaking at the Express Adda, Mandaviya said: "This was an incredible story of Atmanirbhar Bharat because the research happened in India, manufacturing happened in India, and the administration happened... using all indigenous things, we have

MP forest staff get ready but why cheetahs may not roam free

reached the target of 200 crore. We have already administered the first dose to 98 per cent of people over the age of 18 years and second dose to 91 per cent. And, now the precaution dose is happening. Not only did we protect our country, we supported other countries as well. The vaccine might be (available) for \$20-25 in other countries, we provided it at \$3-4."

Asked why the Pfizer or Moderna mRNA vaccines were not available in India, the Minister said the Government allowed everyone to come and get their products registered as per laws. But, he said, when it **CONTINUED ON PAGE 4**

SOURAV ROY BARMAN NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE INDIAN Institutes of Management(IIMs) are far from meeting the reservation norms for Scheduled Caste (15%), Scheduled Tribe (7.5%) and Other Backward Classes (27%) in their PhD programmes, but data presented to Parliament by the Union Education Ministry reveal that though the percentage of applications accepted out of total received is similar across social categories, the pool of candidates from the socially disadvantaged classes has remained shallow over the years.

Between 2018-19 and 2021-22, the 20 IIMs received 1,636 PhD applications from SCs, and selected 50 (3.05%);403 from STs and selected 15 (3.72%); 3,110 from OBCs and selected 130 (4.18%). It was no different in the

level in about 15 years" in Kuno,

and that it would take "30-40

years depending on survival, re-

cruitment and supplementa-

tion" to reach the landscape-

tive measure works in the long

term, and regular imports con-

tinue from Africa, Kuno's chee-

tah population will still be far

from viable on its own even af-

In a nutshell, if every restora-

level carrying capacity of 36.

THE INTAKE of PhDs from SC, ST and OBC communities in IIMs has remained low over years. This has also impacted the social diversity among faculty in the country's elite B-schools since it is the pool of PhDs that can serve as a catchment area for recruitment to teaching positions.

Few from

backward

classes

general category: 13,669 applications received, 547 accepted (4%). Overall, the IIMs received 18,823 applications, and accepted 757 candidates (4.02%). **CONTINUED ON PAGE 4**

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L-G REJECTS DELHI CM'S SINGAPORE TRAVEL PLAN PAGE 6

JAY MAZOOMDAAR NEW DELHI, JULY 21

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ANCHOR

THE GROUND staff at Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh are busy stocking up on natural prey in each of the seven compartments of a sprawling 600-hectare fenced enclosure meant to house a founder population of cheetahs to be brought all the way from southern Africa. The first step in the ambitious

initiative starting August was formalised in a deal signed Wednesday between India and Namibia to fly in eight cheetahs.

future only in a population size of 50 or more — or if multiple smaller populations are interconnected (meta-population) to allow gene flow.

However, the project's carrying capacity estimate says that Kuno "holds potential to sustain up to 21 cheetahs" and "the potential cheetah habitat covering over 3,200 sq km Kuno landscape with restorative measures and scientific management could provide a prey base for up to 36 cheetahs".

According to the Action Plan, the new population is expected to reach the "carrying capacity



The fenced enclosure for the soft release of cheetahs in Kuno National Park, Madhya Pradesh. Cheetah Action Plan/MoEF ing population. But the Action Plan does not consider such dispersal safe even around Kuno.

"During the initial years of cheetah introduction (5–6 years) or population below 18–20 adult cheetahs, it may be prudent not to allow cheetahs to disperse into sink habitats of the landscape. If there are such instances, cheetah(s) would be captured and brought back to Kuno NP or translocated to other release sites," the Action Plan states.

Experts point out that what is being considered risky even in the periphery of a national park CONTINUED ON PAGE 4



ter four decades.

EXPRESS NETWORK 4

FROM PAGE ONE

President-elect Droupadi Murmu

congratulations to Smt Droupadi Murmu ji on being elected as the 15th President of India! Her wide experience in public life, spirit of selfless service and deep understanding of people's issues will greatly benefit the nation. My best wishes for a successful tenure."

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who along with BJP president J P Nadda called on Murmu at her residence around the time she crossed the halfway mark during the counting of votes, said on Twitter, "India scripts history. At a time when 1.3 billion Indians are marking Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, a daughter of India hailing from a tribal community born in a remote part of eastern India has been elected our President! Congratulations to Smt, Droupadi Murmu Ji on this feat."

"Smt. Droupadi Murmu Ji's life, her early struggles, her rich service and her exemplary success motivates each and every Indian. She has emerged as a ray of hope for our citizens, especially the poor, marginalised and the downtrodden. Smt. Droupadi Murmu Ji has been an outstanding MLA and Minister. She had an excellent tenure as Jharkhand Governor.

What is, however, striking in

the data is the small pool of can-

didates from the socially disad-

vantaged categories. For SCs, the

number of candidates applying

has hardly increased - it was

386 in 2018-19 and three years

later, it stood at 415. Similarly, for

STs - from 88 to 100; the pool

of OBCs has risen, but the base

continues to be small - it has in-

creased from 619 to 1.023.

Compare this with the base of

the general category, which was

3,103 in 2018-19, and stood at

Malghan, who teaches public

policy and tracks affirmative ac-

tion, says the question is not re-

ally about acceptance rates (per-

centage of applications accepted

per 100). "The central problem

is that IIMs have done virtually

nothing to attract a talented ap-

plication pool that is represen-

tative of India's diverse society,"

IIM Bangalore's Prof Deepak

3.799 in 2021-22

he says.

I am certain she will be an outstanding President who will lead from the front and strengthen India's development journey," Modi said. Speaker Om Birla said,

"Hearty Congratulations to Smt. Droupadi Murmu ji on being elected as the President

voice to hopes & aspirations of people is exemplary. I hope under your able guidance, people of our country will make a leading contribution in building a New India."

Murmu bagged 2824 of the total 4701 valid votes while Sinha managed 1877 votes. Of the 4754 votes, 53 votes were invalid. In terms of vote value, the NDA candidate logged 676803 of the total 1072377 and Sinha 380177. She secured 64.03 per cent

of the total votes polled. According to BJP leaders, she got more than expected votes -- additional 17 votes from Parliament and 104 from states

Sinha conceded defeat during the third round of counting and said his candidature had brought most Opposition parties on a common platform. He hoped that Opposition unity would continue beyond the Presidential election. "It must be equally evident in the elec-

tion of the Vice-President," he said on the day the Trinamool Congress decided to abstain from voting in the August 6 Vice-Presidential contest between NDA nominee Jagdeep Dhankhar and Opposition

of India. Your role in giving

Droupadi Murmu on her victory in the Presidential Election 2022. I hope – indeed, every Indian hopes – that as the 15th President of India she functions as the Custodian of the

Constitution without fear or favour. I join my fellow countrymen in extending best wishes to her," Sinha said in a statement.

nominee Margaret Alva.

"I heartily congratulate Smt

Thanking leaders of the Opposition parties for choosing him as their consensus candidate, he said, "I also thank all members of the Electoral College who voted for me. I accepted the offer of Opposition parties solely guided by the philosophy of Karma Yoga preached by Lord Krishna in the Bhagavad Gita

- "Do your duty without expectation of the fruits thereof." I have performed my duty conscientiously out of my love for my country. The issues I had raised during my campaign remain pertinent."While the counting of votes was underway in

shared the numbers in Rajya

Sabha on Wednesday in a writ-

ten response to a question raised

by CPI(M) MP V Sivadasan.

Among the total 757 students

admitted in PhD programmes

of the IIMs between 2018-19

and 2021-22, SCs account for

6.6%, STs 1.98% and OBCs 17.17%,

and the general category around

Ahmedabad received 200 PhD

applications from SCs between

2018-19 and 2021-22, of which

members have courted mass ar-

rest outside our party headquar-

ters in a show of collective soli-

darity with Congress president

Sonia Gandhi, a target of

'Vishguru's' political vendetta,"

said Congress general secretary

Jairam Ramesh. His colleague, P

Chidambaram, said the ED is not

higher than the Supreme Court.

'investigate' that will not be ex-

amined by the SC?" he asked.

What is it that the ED wants to

The Congress also vehe-

mently denied reports that ED

officials concluded the question-

ing at Sonia's request. "The ED

had no more questions after 3

pm. Despite Mrs Sonia Gandhi

offering to continue to be avail-

able for questioning, the ED con-

cluded the questioning today,"

said Chidambaram, a former

who currently resides in Delhi,

moved the top court after the

Delhi High Court last week de-

Delhi High Court, comprising

Chief Justice Satish Chandra

and

Subramonium Prasad, had ob-

served that it would "amount to

A two-judge bench of the

-WITH INPUTS FROM

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SREENIVAS JANYALA IN

Union minister.

Abortion

clined her plea.

killing the child."

Sharma

Among the top IIMs, IIM-

Parliament House, the BJP said Murmu would win with more votes than the party expected. BJP president Nadda said, "The response was much more than the expectation with which her candidature was announced. It means our thought process was right and the people accepted it."

The ruling party has projected her candidature as the BJP's move to empower women and tribals across the country.

"This step, a historic one, is an expansion of the BJP's thought process i.e. Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas. With the way the Padma awards were distributed and the appointments that have been made. the party has shown that we are empowering ordinary and humble citizens. Now we have ensured that a simple woman, who came up in life through hard ways and sheer hard work, despite her personal tragedies and difficulties, is elected to the supreme post in the country," a senior leader of the party said.

For the BIP, tribal votes are significant, especially in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh where Assembly elections are due later this year and next year.

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vival," he said.

Congress state president Adhir Chowdhury said: "The BJP is trying to tarnish the image of the Congress by calling Sonia Gandhi to the Enforcement Directorate office. All Opposition parties opposed it and published statements on that. Only the TMC and AAP did not. The TMC and BJP are now two sides of the same coin."

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In Delhi, Jairam Ramesh, the Congress general secretary incharge of communication, called the TMC move "unfortunate but not unexpected".

An Opposition leader said Mamata had told Sonia that she doesn't have a candidate and would support one on which the other parties agreed. "(NCP chief) Pawar also spoke to Mamata and she gave the same reply to him.'

Another Opposition leader said that Mamata did not come on the line on July 17, the day the Opposition met and picked Alva. "(TMC MP) Derek O'Brien was informed about the decision on the 17th. To say that they were not consulted is bogus," one leader said.

CPM general secretary Sitaram Yechury said that when Opposition parties met on July 17, they were told that the TMC had called a meeting on July 21 to take a decision on the matter. "It was informed that they will support the candidate on whom there is a consensus among Opposition parties."

For the Opposition parties, what makes the TMC "turnaround" even more bitter is the fact that it was on Mamata's initiative that they had rallied around the name of Yashwant Sinha as their presidential candidate.

In a sign of what might come next, National Conference vicepresident Omar Abdullah suggested his party too may reconsider its options. "Opposition unity is a bit of a chimera. Ultimately political parties will do what's in their own interest & that's as it should be. J&K saw this when we were left high & drv by "friends" in 2019. It's time for @IKNC to do (what) suits the party rather than waste time chasing ghosts," he tweeted.

do it," he said. Mandaviya, who also heads

He added that the govern-

ment is developing schemes to

support R&D in the sector, espe-

cially to aid medium and small

about the challenges faced by

India when it comes to procur-

ing fertilizers, with the prices

shooting up after the pandemic

and the Russia-Ukraine war. He

said the country is looking at a

subsidy burden of Rs 2.5 lakh

said the Government was plan-

ning a meeting with all state

health ministers called "Chintan

Shivir" for a healthcare frame-

work across 25 years -- to mark

the 100th year of Independence.

Union Minister for External

Affairs and Petroleum and

Natural Gas Hardeep Singh Puri

were among previous guests at

the Modi government was just

According to BJP leaders, 10

MLAs in Gujarat, 22 in Assam, 12

in Uttar Pradesh and 4 in Goa

three years into its first term.

Cross voting

the Adda.

Looking ahead, Mandaviya

The Minister also spoke

industries.

crore this year.

Experts have also questioned what they say is "misplaced prithe Chemicals and Fertilizers ority". "When cheetahs are un-Ministry of which the likely to achieve a self-sustain-Pharmaceutical department is a ing population, how will they part, said that although India help save other species and provides one in six generic pills used globally, there was a need habitats? All the ecological functions claimed as benefits from to promote research and develthe introduction of cheetahs opment to create proprietary from Africa could be met by products. "One muscular dystrotranslocating lions from Gujarat," said Ravi Chellam, phy medicine now costs Rs 16 crore, we will not get that much wildlife biologist and conservaeven if we ship two containers tion scientist. of generics," the Minister said.

The plan to secure the Asiatic lion as a back-up population in Kuno has been hanging fire since 1993. In April 2013, the Supreme Court shot down the cheetah project and set a six-month deadline for shifting a few lions from the isolated population in Gujarat's Gir national park. As Guiarat held on to its lions, the Centre revived the cheetah plan in 2017. Finally, in 2020, the Supreme Court gave the green signal for the move – but only "on an experimental basis".

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came to discussions on indemnity and sovereign guarantee, it was clear that the rules applicable would be the same for all vaccine manufacturers.

Union Minister Mansukh The Health Minister also Mandaviya was in conversation spoke about the threat of nonwith Anant Goenka, Executive communicable diseases, how Director, The Indian Express, and the Government's digital health Kaunain Sheriff M, Special mission will create easily acces-Correspondent, The Indian sible records while guarantee-Express ing privacy, and how the admin-The Express Adda is a series istration will support research of informal interactions organand development in the pharised by The Indian Express Group and features those at the

maceutical industry. Referring to the Centre's centre of change. work in medical education, Mandaviya said that while Affairs S Jaishankar, Union MBBS seats have increased from Minister for Road Transport and 48,000 to 97,000, the Highways and MSMEs Nitin Government is looking to start Gadkari, election strategist colleges with "good private hos-Prashant Kishor and Union Minister of Housing and Urban

pitals" having over 300 beds. On the threat of non-communicable diseases, he said: Screening is very important. (Prime Minister Narendra) Modi ii decided to start 1.5 lakh health and wellness centres across the country. Of them, over 1.2 lakh have already been made. We will ensure that tests for these diseases can happen there itself."

He also said that digital techcross-voted for Murmu. The denology can be used by doctors tails will be available only after from these health and wellness a thorough assessment of the centres to get specialist consultation near the patients' home. Pointing to mental health as a big challenge, especially after the pandemic, the Minister said that mental health services may be connected on e-Sanieevani the Government's telemedicine service - to be accessed by people from their homes without facing any stigma. Mandaviya said while the acclaimed Obamacare policy in the US covered 10 crore people, the Ayushman Bharat insurance cover caters to 50 crore people and has made healthcare accessible to those who might previously have refused surgeries because they could not afford it. He said that over 3 crore surgeries were performed with support from the insurance scheme last year. Mandaviya also spoke about the Government's next big project, Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM), under which accounts will be created for citizens to store their health records online while ensuring privacy. He said the Government has already recognised how digital technology helped during Covid when direct benefits were transferred even to daily wage labourers or those running roadside shops. Just like Jan Dhan accounts, 'one important part of ABDM is the Ayushman Bharat health account". Mandaviya said. "At present, we carry around our health data in files. We can create a digital platform that connects all health agencies where your digital records will be maintained. But there will be privacy. How? If I get a test at a lab, which becomes a part of the mission, the test result is still with the lab...but I can use the platform to access it. When a doctor asks for my history, I can just give them my account number and share an OTP so they can

MINUSCULE PROPORTION 3,110 PhD applications received Applications accepted 1.631 126 50 16 SC ST OBC

ety," he points out. members in your institute." The Ministry of Education

more than five years ago, the representation of the socially disadvantaged in PhD programmes, and in faculty positions, has hardly improved. In fact, all IIMs had, in December 2019, requested the Ministry of Education(then called Ministry of Human Resource Development) to exempt them

The government has been cognisant of this aspect for long. It has repeatedly stressed that IIMs were not exempted from (EWS). the reservation policy in admis-

can become prospective faculty than 10% of India's diverse soci-

Since this letter to IIM-A

from reserving faculty positions for SCs, STs, OBCs and the Economically Weaker Sections Prof Malghan also traces the

the general category. IIM Calcutta, meanwhile, accepted nine out of 219 applications from SC candidates; IIM Kozhikode (2 out of 298);

Lucknow (9 out of 78); Indore (4 out of 97). When contacted, IIM Indore Director Himanshu Rai said, "We follow the reservation norms. So the vacancies in reserved categories, if suitable candidates are not found, re-

main as such." Prof Malghan, however, questioned the practices of IIMs in implementing the reservation policy. "Reservations are defined as X% of some total number of seats. IIMs decided they can get away by not defining the base. You cannot have a 22.5% SC/ST quota if you do not know what the base is. It has to be 22.5% of some total number of seats." He said IIMs led by IIM-A claimed they were not able to determine in advance the total number of seats available in any

given year. An IIM alumnus, Anil Wagde, who is a party to an ongoing public interest litigation in

In IIMs, few SCs, STs admitted to PhD

brought in after the 2021 amendment to say that the legislation must be given a "purposive interpretation". For pregnancies between 20-24 weeks old, the opinion of two doctors is required – they would have to determine "if the continuance of the pregnancy would

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in the law that the petitioner be-

fore the Supreme Court falls in.

lenged Rule 3B before the Delhi

High Court. The court had issued

notice to the Central govern-

The Supreme Court also ob-

served that the Delhi High Court

had taken an "unduly restrictive

view" of Rule 3B. The Court re-

ferred to the MTP Act's use of

"woman or her partner" in an-

other provision that was also

ment on the plea.

The petitioner had also chal-

involve a risk to the life of the pregnant woman or of grave injury to her physical or mental health" or there is a "substantial risk" that if the child were born. it would suffer from such physical or mental abnormalities as to be seriously "handicapped",

before agreeing to terminate the woman's pregnancy. Explanation 1 under Section 3 of the MTP Act states, "where any pregnancy occurs as a result of failure of any device or method used by any woman or her partner for the purpose of limiting the number of children or preventing pregnancy, the an-

guish caused by such pregnancy may be presumed to constitute a grave injury to the mental health of the pregnant woman."

TMC

a blow to the Opposition camp, optics-wise. "It is a symbolic fight. It is not that the vice-president poll is going to be a close election. But the signal that the Opposition is divided will send a very bad message," a senior Opposition leader said.

Announcing the TMC decision, general secretary Abhishek Banerjee said: "We cannot support Jagdeep Dhankhar who, during his tenure as Governor here, undermined Bengal. You have all seen his mentality and his perspective on the state... On the other hand, Opposition parties chose Margaret Alva, but the

spouse – in the case of divorce vestigation recently. We are payand widowhood - it does not ing the price now with the vicepresidential election." envisage the situation for unmarried women. This is the gap

sions, including for PhD programmes. Linking admissions into PhD programmes to caste diversity amongst faculty, it said in a April 19, 2017, letter to IIM Ahmedabad, "As a medium term measure, you may focus on having more fellows from SC/ ST/ OBC categories so that they

poor representation of the marginalised communities in the faculty positions to their low intake in the PhD programmes. "The PhD program is the nursery for future faculty members. We are today in a situation where over 85% of IIM faculty members are drawn from less

two were accepted; 78 from STs of which two were admitted: and 2,617 from the general category, of which 75 were admitted. During the same period, IIM-B, accepted three out of 188 (none in 2021-22) PhD applications by SCs: none out of 52 by ST candidates: 80 out of 1.946 in

72%

the Gujarat High Court on the low representation of SC/ST OBCs in the PhD programme in IIM Ahmedabad, said: "Over the years, the intake has remained largely constant. The IIMs' argument that they do not know the number of seats available in advance does not hold water.'

Sonia

questioning was over. The party held protests in several states.

ED sources said Sonia was again summoned for questioning on Monday.

On Thursday, she was questioned by the same assistant director-level investigation officer who interrogated Rahul in the case. A woman officer was part of the questioning team.

The ED questioning of the Congress president found an echo in Parliament as well. where the Congress and other Opposition parties raised the issue by disrupting proceedings.

Several Opposition parties – barring the Trinamool Congress and the Aam Aadmi Party – came out in support of Gandhi by issuing a joint statement accusing the Modi government of carrying out "a relentless campaign of vendetta" against its political opponents and critics "through the mischievous misuse of investigative agencies". These parties were largely silent when Rahul was called for guestioning repeatedly last month.

The Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS) joined a meeting of Opposition parties called by the Congress at Leader of the Opposition Mallikarjun Kharge's Parliament chamber in the morning and was a signatory to the joint statement.

Sources in TRS said it was the party's strategy to stump Telangana Congress leaders who have recently stepped up attacks on Chief Minister K Chandrashekar Rao's government. Telangana Congress leaders led by state president A Revanth Reddy held protests in Hyderabad on Thursday.

"The Modi sarkar has unleashed a relentless campaign of vendetta against its political opponents and critics through the that this is being done to "hamischievous misuse of investigative agencies. Prominent rass" her. "All Congress MPs and CWC

leaders of a number of political parties have been deliberately targeted and subjected to harassment in an unprecedented manner. We condemn this and resolve to continue and intensify our collective fight against the anti-people, anti-farmers and anti-Constitution policies of the Modi sarkar that is destroying the social fabric of our society,' the statement said. The signatories include the

leaders of the NCP. DMK. SP. CPM. CPI. RSP. TRS, Shiv Sena, RJD, IUML, NC and the MDMK.

Incidentally, the Congress G23 leaders Ghulam Nabi Azad and Anand Sharma, besides Manish Tewari and Shashi Tharoor, were at the AICC headquarters in solidarity with Sonia. Sharma and Azad were missing when the party waged street protests last month after Rahul was called for questioning.

Addressing a press conference at the AICC headquarters, Gehlot accused the government of treating every Opposition party as its enemy.

"There are no enemies in politics. There should not be. But they consider the Opposition as enemies. Recently in Hyderabad, Modi spoke about regional parties... he talked about dynasties. They had been talking about Congress-mukt Bharat all along. Now their mantra is Oppositionmukt Bharat so that there is dictatorship in India. The country is moving forward in that direction," he said.

"The ED should have gone to nancy between 20-24 weeks for her residence to take her rean unmarried woman on the sponses to their questions," he grounds that her relationship said, citing precedent, and added status changed.

The woman had told the court that the pregnancy was a result of a consensual relationship, and that she wanted to terminate the pregnancy because her partner had refused to marry her. She also told the court that she feared stigmatisation as a single, unmarried woman.

The Central law on abortion The Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971 (MTP Act), allows termination of pregnancy for all women in the first 20 weeks on the opinion of a registered medical practitioner. However, only certain categories of women are allowed termination between 20-24 weeks under certain circumstances.

Rule 3B of Rules annexed to the MTP Act, which was amended in 2021, specify seven categories of women who are eligible for termination between 20-24 weeks. These are: survivors of sexual assault or rape or incest; minors; those who have a change of marital status during the ongoing pregnancy (widowhood and divorce); women with physical disabilities; mentally ill women; women carrying malformed foetus that has substantial risk of being incompatible with life; and women with pregnancy in humanitarian settings or disaster or emergency situations as may be declared by the government.

While the law recognises The HC bench said it cannot change in circumstances of the allow what the law prohibits -relationship status between a access to termination of pregpregnant woman and her

process of choosing her was not right. They decided her candidature without proper consultation.'

Referring to the claim by "a senior Opposition leader" that he tried to reach out to Mamata Banerjee, Abhishek said: "But that was after the decision on the candidate was taken. The way the Opposition candidate was decided without consulting a party which has 35 MPs. we have decided to abstain."

Abhishek said all party MPs were present at the meeting held on Thursday and had put forward their views. "Eighty-five per cent of our MPs are of the opinion (that we should abstain).

MPs of both Houses of Parliament vote for the vicepresident. Election for the post is to be held on August 6.

When asked whether this will dent Opposition unity, Abhishek said: "Opposition unity is not dependent on choosing presidential or vicepresidential candidates... or such polls... One has to rise above ego and self-interest. Opposition unity can be proved by fighting shoulder to shoulder on the streets... We welcome those (parties) which want to take on

the BJP on the streets like us." According to him, the TMC had proposed a few names and consultation was on. "But they (the other parties) suddenly called a meeting and the venue was changed to Sharad Pawar's residence. Then they chose a candidate... Margaretji has a very good equation with Mamata Banerjee. But president and vice-president candidates cannot be chosen going by personal equations."

The Congress and CPM dismissed the TMC's claim of not being consulted on the matter, while alleging a "hidden pact" between the party and BJP. CPM Bengal secretary Md

Selim said: "Some prominent TMC leaders' names were not included when the CBI filed a chargesheet in the coal scam in-

Uneetans

for now is unlikely to be ever feasible across long distances as human habitations and transport infrastructure separating future pocket populations of cheetahs will only multiply over time.

Wildlife Institute of India's Dr YVJhala, who is the lead author of the Action Plan, and Madhya Pradesh chief wildlife warden S Chauhan declined to comment on the project.

Veteran conservationist M K Ranjitsinh, who is one of the three members of the Supreme Court panel set up in 2020 to guide the project, said smaller cheetah populations would have to be "managed" as a meta-population under the Action Plan.

"We have to acknowledge the ground reality. Cheetahs will always wander around and we are looking at up to 50 per cent mortality. But in the absence of natural connectivity, cheetahs will be translocated from time to time from one population to another to maintain genetic viability. Most of our wilderness areas have become islands. Even tigers, for example, face the same crisis," Ranjitsinh told The Indian Express.

Offering a different perspective, a senior Forest officer in Madhya Pradesh said: "Habitat fragmentation is a universa problem but many tiger reserves still hold viable populations with 20 breeding females or more. Others have lost their numbers or connectivity or both over time. In the cheetah's case, we will create founder (new) populations with the knowledge that they will never become naturally viable. Is this worth it or not? That is a policy decision."

Conservationist Valmik Thapar said his experience from observing over 400 individual cheetahs in the African wild over the years convinced him that there was "neither the habitat nor the prey" for it to survive in India. "Forget long-term viability, they (introduced cheetahs) will need management intervention in every step for sur-

access the record," he said. "We have to change the mindset that it can happen only elsewhere in the world and not India. India can do it, India will

state-wise voting pattern.

With Sinha failing to get the expected votes, there is a question mark on Opposition unity. But leaders of Opposition parties pointed out that many among them had no choice except to stand with Murmu to protect their tribal support base. Murmu secured the support

of the entire House in Andhra Pradesh, Nagaland and Sikkim because Sinha drew a blank in these states. She even managed one vote from Kerala, a state where the BIP could not win a single seat in the Assembly or in the Lok Sabha polls.

In Telangana, a state where the BJP hopes to emerge as an alternative, the NDA candidate could manage only 3 votes while Sinha bagged 113 votes.

The number of invalid votes also came down from 77 in 2017 to 53 this election.

While the counting was on, BJP leaders claimed that Murmu would win the election with almost 70 per cent of the votes in the electoral college

But the BJP and allies losing power in key states like Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh and Tamil Nadu and the drop in its seat tally in Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra and Gujarat seem to have contributed to the fall in the votes for the NDA candidate. For example, in 2017, Kovind received 166 votes in Rajasthan which dropped to 75; in Tamil Nadu where its ally AIADMK was defeated by the DMK, it fell from 134 to 75; in Maharashtra, from 280 to 181; in Gujarat, it dropped from 132 to 121; in Madhya Pradesh from 171 to 146; and in Punjab where the AAP stormed to power, the NDA candidate could manage only 8 votes as against 18 in 2017.

In states like West Bengal where the BJP emerged stronger in the last elections, Murmu got 71 votes -- it was just 11 in 2017. In Karnataka, the tally went up from 56 to 150. In 2017. Kovind had the backing of 522 MPs while 540 MPs backed Murmu.

New Delhi

ALL STUDENTS RESCUED Tempo taking 21 kids home catches fire



Visuals from the spot show flames engulfing the tempo, rising several feet above it. Arnav Chandrasekhan

ARNAV CHANDRASEKHAR NEW DELHI, JULY 21

A TEMPO traveller that was ferrying 21 students of Bal Bharati Public School to their homes caught fire in the middle of the road in Rohini Thursday afternoon, police said, adding that quick action by the driver and locals ensured that nobody was injured. The blaze also spread

to other vehicles on the road and three cars were gutted. Police said they received a PCR call at 2.23 pm from Rohini Sector 7. The SHO of North Rohini went with senior officers to control the crowd, and three DFS fire tenders were dispatched. DCP

(Rohini) Pranav Tayal said, "All children in the vehicle were removed safely as the driver acted quickly to help them before the fire could spread.'

Meanwhile, school authorities stated that the vehicle was not part of the transport services provided by them. "We have four buses for which we are responsible. All four buses have returned, and all the children are safely home. The vehicle which caught fire can be seen to be a tempo traveller, which is not provided by the school," said principal Geeta Gangwani.

Recounting the incident, tempo driver Sanjay Solanki (32) said: "I was driving when I smelt something strange. I immediately got all children out of the vehicle.

It subsequently caught fire. Visuals from the spot show flames engulfing the tempo, rising several feet above it. Locals said they saw children running on the road and rushed to help the driver.

DFS chief Atul Garg said, "We ceived a call around 2.14 pm

fires are difficult to investigate." Police said legal action will be taken based on a report from authorities and DFS, adding that they also took note of Solanki's quick action. No FIR has been

egistered yet. Solanki added that he had

never had issues with the tempo before, and that it had been properly maintained: "I am not too bothered about the vehicle. Insurance will take care of it. The important thing is the children. My first thought was of their safety, it was my responsibility."

He said the kids, from class 8 to 11 who live in Rohini and surrounding areas, were dropped off by another driver. He said he has been ferrying students from Bal Bharati for four years.

The school also sent a message to parents telling them that the vehicle did not belong to them. "The school came to know of an incident where a tempo traveller has caught fire with students of BBPS Rohini. As per reports, all children are safe and have reached home. This is to place on record that the tempo did not belong to the school. It was not a school-run vehicle. This was probably a private arrangement by a group of parents. However, we will look into the matter for the safety of our students." stated the message.

According to a parent of a senior student, who also travels to and from the school in a private van, parents like them use van services because of long waiting lists for bus services due to limited seats. Another reason they cited was that the cost of engaging private vans comes up to be cheaper than bus fees and can be paid on a monthly basis. The school requires parents

who use van services to sign an undertaking stating they have checked that the vehicle has req-

Offline classes for all JNU students from Aug 3

New Delhi: Jawaharlal Nehru University will resume offline and protocol, prepared by the UGC and state/UT governments". At JNU, the School of classes for all students from August 3, according to an official

sity.

International Studies is continunotification issued by the univering to run classes in online mode. On the same day that the answer On Wednesday, in response to was submitted in the Rajya Sabha, a question in the Rajya Sabha by the Registrar issued an official no-Kerala MP Abdul Wahab, the tification stating that the univer-Ministry of Education submitted sity has decided to start classes in that out of 45 central universities, offline mode by August 3. "All stu-42 are running classes in the ofdents are hereby required to atfline mode. According to its retend the offline classes from sponse, JNU is one of the three August 3, 2022," states the notification. JNU had begun its reopencentral universities-along with Pondicherry University and ing with in-person teaching in Sikkim University—which is in the February. Last month, the JNU process of reopening "in a graded Students' Union protested the continuing online classes at the manner subject to adherence to SIS, demanding the commencethe guidelines/ standard operating procedures (SOPs) for safety ment of offline courses. ENS

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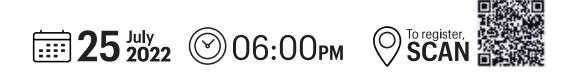
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Couple, relative held with 45 guns were to receive '30 more via foreign post'

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DAYS AFTER a Gurgaon-based couple and their relative were arrested for allegedly smuggling 45 handguns from Vietnam and Paris, investigating agencies found that the accused were also set to receive over 30 handguns at the Foreign Post Office (FPO) in Delhi, said airport officials Thursday.

On July 11, Jagjit Singh (41) and Jasvinder Kaur (31) were caught at IGI Airport with two bags filled with 45 handguns worth Rs 22.5 lakh. Customs officials said Jagjit's brother Manjeet had handed the bags to him and managed to escape. Later, the Special Cell arrested him at Dwarka with a pistol. DCP Suman Nalwa had said that Manjeet had also allegedly sent a consignment of pistols to India through the FPO.

Sources on Thursday said they have received part of the consignment – 30 pistols that were allegedly sent by Manjeet from Paris. "We are not sure how they managed to send the pistols through FPO. The trio is involved in smuggling and brought a consignment from Turkey. Prima facie, the pistols are functional. The accused were selling these for Rs 50,000 and more per piece," said a source.

While the couple is in custody of airport officials, Manjeet is being interrogated by the Special Cell. "He comes to India and allegedly meets dealers to sell guns. We are questioning him about his links to criminal gangs. The trio also has a shooting range and used the guns for this," said an officer.

Customs officials said they've found that multiple consignments of handguns were to be received at FPO in Delhi. "Based on our suspicions and early findings, we will interrogate Manjeet once the police remand period is over," said an officer.

In case of any enquiry contact at Tel. No. -011-23446399/ 23446376 or Email- igncaapplication22@gmail.com

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2. For details please contact Station HQ (ECHS Cell), Haldwani at Tele No 05946-282374. Last date of receipt of application is 06 Aug 2022 (Saturday). Interview will be conducted on 12 Aug 2022 (Friday) at 1030h onward at Military Station, Station Headquarters Haldwani. Candidates will bring original certificate/degree along with one certified copy including testimonials/ experience duly attested by a gazetted officer & medical fitness certificate is also required from Govt Hospital at the time of Interview. No TA/DA is admissible for the interview.

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2.	Last date/Time for submission of EOI Proposal through E-procurement Solution	:	11.08.2022 Upto 01:00 PM						
3.	Consultation with prospective organizations	:	26.07.2022						
4.	Date of opening of EOI Proposals	:	11.08.2022 Upto 04:30 PM						
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1. The timelines is indicative and may be rescheduled/ extended, if so required

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3. Website : https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in Dip/Shabdarth/0240/2223

Director, DWCD

Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Last Date of submission of online bid : 22.08.2022 by 11.00A.M to 01.00 P.M., E-Auction to be held on 24.08.2022 from 2.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M

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1.	E-Vijaya-now Bank of Baroda, Sitamarhi 1. Smt. Savita Kumari W/o Sri Rajesh Mahto (Borrower & Mortgagor) 2. Sri Rajesh Mahto S/o Bhola Mahto (Borrower) Both R/o Ward No. 21, Bhavdepur Mela Road, Naya Tola, Sitamarhi	All that part and parcel of the Property consisting of EMTD of Land at Survey No. 1896, 1898, Khata No. 52, Thana No. 253, Mauza- Maniyari, Anchal Dumra, Sub Registrar + PS+ Distt. Sitamarhi, Area- 4.00 Decimal and proposed Building to be constructed upon the said land, BIHAR in the name of Borrower Smt. Savita Kumari, W/o Sri Rajesh Mahto Area 04.00 Decimal. Bounded by North- Nij Manmokir no. haja, South- Main Road, East- Hissa Farikain, West- Digar Kharidar	Rs. 4,66,028.93/- as on (31.03.2021) plus Interest & Other Charges	24/08/2022 & 02:00 PM to 6:00 PM (with unlimited extension of 5 mins till sale is concluded	Rs. 5,40,000/- Rs. 54,000/- Rs. 20,000/-	Physical	From 01.08.202: to 15.08.202: & 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
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LAST 24 HOURS 28,435 PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL: 130 **OXYGEN SUPPORT VENTILATOR SUPPORT**

VACCINATIONS IN

Deaths 1 0 Total active cases in Delhi 27-yr-old woman dies after car hits pillar on Golf Course Road

ICU BEDS

Recoveries

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2,115

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Deaths

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DELHI TOTAL

19,46,313

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CASES

July 20

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21

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE GURGAON, JULY 21

A 27-YEAR-OLD woman, who worked in a private company in Noida, died after her car allegedly crashed into a Metro pillar on Golf Course Road in Gurgaon late Wednesday night, said police. Police have registered an FIR against unknown persons after her mother filed a

Police said the deceased has been identified as Ekta Kumar, a resident of an upscale condominium in Sector 42 on Golf Course Road. According to police, the incident took place around 1.30 am when the woman was returning home after meeting her friends.

A police officer said, "In the complaint, the victim's mother said that around 8 pm on Wednesday, her daughter had gone to a Supermart near Galleria market to meet friends and was returning around 1.30 am. The complainant said when her daughter was returning in



her Celerio car, a rashly driven

unknown vehicle hit her from

the side, due to which her car got

imbalanced and rammed into

pillar underneath sector 53/54

rushed to a private hospital by

passersby and was declared

dead on arrival. The victim's car

was completely crushed from

the driver's side and the win-

DSP's son and brother, who

clutched it before breaking

down. "My brother was an hon-

est, hardworking officer. No one

should have to bear this fate.

said Ashok Bishnoi. the DSP's

brother. Siddharth, the DSP's son

who returned from Canada

Wednesday night, said, "Being a

police officer is a thankless job...

DGP Agrawal said, "He was a

brave officer, who sacrificed his

life in the line of duty." On the

probe in the case, he said, "We

have arrested two accused. The

culprits, whether they are locals

or not, will not be spared. Strict

action will be taken against all

those involved in illegal mining."

has decided to conduct a judicia

enquiry into the case, said Home

Minister Anil Vij. The DSP's

brother also demanded a CBI en-

quiry into the circumstances

vision bench of Chief Iustice

Satish Chandra Sharma and

Justice Subramonium Prasad

that gates are being installed on

both sides of Flagstaff Road,

where Kejriwal's residence is lo-

cated. "60% of the construction

is complete. It will be completed

in next two days," he submitted.

MLA Saurabh Bhardwaj's peti-

tion seeking constitution of a

special investigation team for

The court was hearing AAP

leading to his death.

The Harvana government

if you see one, salute him.'

Police said the victim was

rapid Metro station."

The vicitm's car

body was handed over to the family after the post-mortem and the report is awaited." Police said they were verify-

tify the accused. The victim's

ing the circumstances that led to the incident. A case was registered against the unknown accused under IPC sections 279 (rash driving), 304 A (causing death by negligence) at sector 53 police station, said police.

The Golf Course Road to Cyber City stretch is among the most accident-prone stretches in the city accounting for more than 30 fatalities in the past three years, said police. In March, four employees of a restaurant were killed after a car had rammed into their motorcycles near Arjun Marg on Golf Course Road.

Following the incident, officials of traffic police, Gurugram Metropolitan Development Authority, NHAI and a team of road engineering experts conducted an inspection of the spot and announced that a safety audit of Golf Course Road would be conducted.

BRIEFLY – Ex-bouncer's death: Another accused held

New Delhi: Nearly a week after a 32-year-old man was thrashed to death allegedly by a group of fivesix men following a fight over parking space near Saket Metro station, police arrested a 21-year-old man in connection with the case. The deceased, Rohit Kashyap, worked as a club bouncer and as a

personal security officer (PSO) for a few years but was recently running a food cart in Saket. Initially, one accused was arrested, said police.

Assembly panel meets CS, MCD commissioner todiscuss waterlogging

New Delhi: The Delhi Assembly Petitions

visits, he also discusses subjects Hitting out at the decision

AFTER THE L-G returned the proposal on Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's foreign visit for a summit in Singapore, "advising" him not to go, the CM reiterated that it was not just a In a letter responding to the held on August 3-4.

MEAN POLITICS, SAYS SISODIA

L-G's decision, Kejriwal wrote: "It is a conference of mayors, city leaders, knowledge experts etc. Singapore government has chosen to invite the CM of Delhi... Human life is not compartmentalised into subjects mentioned in the three lists of the Constitution. If the visit of each constitutional authority in our country were to be decided on the basis of what subjects fall within the jurisdiction of that authority, it would create a funny situation and practical

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mayor's conference.

logjam. Then the Prime Minister would not be able to go anywhere because in most of his

which fall in State list and do not fall in his jurisdiction." and calling it "mean politics",

Deputy CM Manish Sisodia said Kejriwal did not agree with the L-G's "advice" and has written to the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) for clearance. The summit will be

"The Delhi CM was invited to Singapore for World Cities Summit by the government. It was said urban experts, business, governance leaders were coming for it. The Singapore government has written - 'your insights will enrich our discussions on how we can make our cities more liveable and sustainable'," he said. "Over the last 1.5-2 months,

the file was with the L-G. Now he's written what BJP leaders were saying since yesterday, that this is a conference of mayors and doesn't cover subjects under ambit of GNCTD, so it is advised that the CM should not go for it," he added.



CM Arvind Kejriwal

L-G rejects Kejriwal's Singapore visit

proposal, he hits back, seeks MEA nod

Sources in the L-G office said the World Cities Summit prima facie seemed to be a conference of mayors and, and did not "befit attendance" by a CM. "Having carefully studied the nature of the forum and profile of other attendees, as also the subjects being deliberated upon at the conference, the L-G pointed out that the conference will be covering different aspects of urban governance which in the case of Delhi are addressed by diverse civic bodies ranging from the NDMC, MCD and DDA apart from the GNCTD," said a source. "The L-G underlined the fact that GNCTD

does not have exclusive domain over issues corresponding with the theme of the conference and, hence, it will be inappropriate for a Chief Minister to be attending the same," the source said.

Sisodia said many things were to be discussed at the summit including Delhi's education system. health, electricity and public transportation: "The CM has written he does not agree with advice of the L-G. He has got the invitation to present liveable and sustainable model of Delhi before world leaders. If Singapore government or any other government has called Delhi government to present these things, how can anyone have a problem with it? This should be a matter of pride for the country. But such things are being done due to mean politics.'

"The CM has now decided that he will apply for political clearance with the Ministry of External Affairs... We are confident and hopeful that the central government will also see his point and

in Singapore," he added. Sisodia said earlier too, CMs from India have gone for such summits, not just from Delhi but other states too. complaint.

The External Affairs Ministry, meanwhile, received a request for approval for Kejriwal's visit to Singapore. The ministry said an "entry" on its portal for political clearance had come in the morning, MEA spokesperson Arindam Bagchi said the decision will be taken following due process.

give clearance for the same, and

that the Delhi model will be put

forward in front of world leaders

Delhi BJP chief Adesh Gupta meanwhile said: "Instead of politicising the issue of attending the mayors' meet in Singapore, Kejriwal should focus on resolving Delhi's problems."

in 2007 in New York.

In 2019, MEA had denied Keiriwal permission to attend the Copenhagen C40 World Mayors' Summit in Denmark. Former Delhi CM Sheila Dikshit had attended the same summit

dowpanes were shattered. DCP (East) Virender Vii said. "On the complaint of the victim's mother, we have registered an FIR and initiated a probe. We are checking CCTVs on the stretch near the Metro station to iden-

Hundreds attend last rites of DSP mowed down by truck in Nuh

PAVNEET SINGH CHADHA HISAR, JULY 21

HUNDREDS INCLUDING those from nearby villages, relatives, friends and police officers from the state turned up in Hisar's Sarangpur village Thursday afternoon to bid farewell to DSP Surender Singh Bishnoi, who was allegedly mowed down by a dumper truck during a raid to check illegal mining in Nuh district earlier this week

The DSP's last rites were performed with full state honours. followed by a two-gun salute, at his family's four-acre farm. Om Prakash, sarpanch, Sarangpur, said. "He was a brave officer... He will be buried here as is the custom in the Bishnoi community."

Police personnel folded the national flag that covered the DSP's coffin and Haryana DGP PK Agrawal handed it over to the



Jain feigning sickness, can't trust Delhi govt hospitals for a fair report: ASG to court

ANAND MOHAN J NEW DELHI, JULY 21

AAP MINISTER Satyendar Jain's medical condition report has emerged as the main bone of contention during his interim bail hearing in a case of alleged money laundering, as the Enforcement Directorate (ED) told a Delhi court that they do not trust Delhi government hospitals to give a fair report since they can be "managed by the accused".

Additional Solicitor General SV Raju made the submissions before Special Judge Geetanjli Goel on July 19, expressing his doubts over whether the hospitals will furnish a correct report by stating that Jain's photograph was "prominently displayed" on

have in the past argued that Jain suffered since he tested positive for Covid in 2020. They have also submitted that Jain "had suffered severe pneumonia during Covid

and had just managed to survive". The ASG said he does not even trust the jail hospital. "Jail hospital cannot be trusted to give the correct report and hospital can be managed by accused. Justice is not only to be done but seen to be done. Independent hospital should give correct report... accused is feigning sickness and tak-

ing advantage," he told the court. Jain's legal team denied the allegations levelled by the ASG and told the court that the minister does not hold any position right now. They submitted that the "accused has been admitted to LNIP as per the jail manual and



DELAYED

Traffic was hit at Barapullah flyover, during peak hours, Thursday. Abhinav Saha

In relief to buyers, 17 builders told to refund close to Rs 50 crore over delayed projects

Private Limited and one against

the websites of Lok Nayak Jai Prakash and GB Pant hospitals.

Stating that Jain was the minister of health and jails, Raju told the court that he has "serious doubt if the hospital would furnish a correct report or certificate regarding the medical condition of the accused in this regard" and submitted that the medical condition of the accused be assessed from an independent hospital such as RML, AIIMS, Safdarjung.

Jain was admitted to LNIP hospital on July 15. He was admitted once in June as well after a dip in his oxygen level. His lawyers

New Delhi: A 45-year-old man al-

legedly attacked his family with

a glass shard over a dispute over

milk for tea Thursday morning,

killing his 18-year-old daughter

and injuring his wife (42) and

two other daughters, aged 23 and

21, in Northeast Delhi, said police.

said teams had been assigned to

nab the accused and a case was

registered. "During treatment, the

18-year-old daughter succumbed

to injuries. One daughter (23) is

still under treatment while the

DCP (Northeast) Sanjay Sain

rules existing in this regard". Since the defence lawyers

sought adjournment and the fact that no latest medical report was available from the hospital, the court said it can't comment on genuineness of the accused's medical condition. "It is not the case that accused has been sent to hospital in violation of rules or jail manual," the court said while adjourning the matter for July 29. Jain has been in judicial cus-

tody since June 13. He is accused of having allegedly laundered money through four companies allegedly linked to him.

mother and the younger daugh-

ter(21) were discharged," he said.

his wife objected to this, scold-

Man attacks family over tea,

daughter dies of injuries

PAVNEET SINGH CHADHA GURGAON, JULY 21 IN A relief to homebuyers, the Haryana Real Estate Regulatory Authority (HRERA) Gurgaon on

Thursday said it has directed 17 developers to refund an amount close to Rs 50 crore to home buyers for delayed projects and for their failure to give possession of apartments and plots in the stipulated time period.

As per the orders, the authority said the refund be paid keeping allottee's right to seek compensation and expenses involved in legal proceedings.

In a statement, HRERA chairman Dr K K Khandelwal said, "The authority has ordered to refund deposited amounts to homebuyers after hearing both parties – builders and allottees – and finding builders guilty for non-delivery of units as per

Police sources said the accused had asked his wife to builder buyer agreements. The make tea. He then asked his builders should not take homedaughters to go buy milk as there buyers for granted. RERA has to was not enough at home. When protect their rights.

'The builders failed to coming him and telling him to buy plete projects and deliver the milk himself, he allegedly atpromised units to homebuyers tacked her with glass shards within stipulated time even from the window pane, sources after collecting good initial said. When his daughters tried amounts," added Khandelwal.

to save her, he allegedly attacked Officials said in July, nearly them too, sources added. **ENS** 300 matters were listed before

Behind the order

According to officials, the orders were given after multiple complaints had been received from disgruntled homebuyers, who had moved the Haryana Real Estate Regulatory Authority for refund of the amount paid by them to builders after losing hope in getting possession of their units.

the authority for adjudication and in 63 cases, the authority adjudicated the matter and allowed refund with interest at the rate of 9.7%. These adjudications pertain to 17 builders and refund amount is close to Rs 50 crore. officials said

In a statement issued Thursday, the authority said, "We adjudicated 23 complaints allowing a total refund of roughly Rs 19 crore. Among these, 11 complaints pertained to Raheja Developers Limited, which has to refund roughly Rs 12 crore. The other complaints include 9 against Ansal Housing and Construction Limited, two against Angle Infrastructure

Anant Raj Limited."

The statement further said. "The authority allowed refund of approximately Rs 9.5 crore, adjudicating complaints of 20 homebuyers which pertained to Orris Infrastructure Private Limited, International Land Developers Private Limited. Pareena Infrastructure Private Limited, M3M India Private Limited, Martial Buildcon Private Limited, Spaze Towers Private Limited, Imperia Structures Ltd. ALM Infotech City Private Limited.'

The authority has also allowed refund of nearly Rs 6.81 crore while adjudicating complaints against promoters Samyak Projects Private Limited, Vatika Limited, CHD developers Limited, DSS Buildtech Private Limited, and Experion Developers Private Limited, the statement said. V K Goyal, member, HRERA,

Gurgaon said, "The authority has directed respondent builders to follow the order. In case they don't, the complainant can approach the adjudicating authority for execution of orders." In all 300 matters, the home-

buvers largely wanted refund and that shows the callous attitude of promoters, the authority said

The national flag that covered the DSP's coffin was handed over to his son and brother on Thursday. Tashi Tobgyal

Vandalism outside CM residence: Chargesheet against 30, cops tell HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE DELHI Police Thursday told the Delhi High Court it has filed a chargesheet before a lower court against 30 persons in the case registered to probe the vandalism outside Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal's residence during a protest by the Bharativa Janata Yuva Morcha (BJYM) in March.

Delhi's Standing Counsel an independent probe in the (Criminal) Sanjay Lao told the di-

Committee met the chief secretary, MCD commissioner, NDMC chairman and PWD principal secretary to discuss the waterlogging issue. In a statement, the government said it was agreed before the committee that all executive engineers of different departments will submit a signed report on the status of desilting of drains in their respective jurisdictions by August 1.

Deputy CM suspends 4 labour dept officials

New Delhi: Deputy CM Manish Sisodia conducted a surprise visit to Labour Department office after receiving complaints regarding its functioning. Sisodia found irregularities in official records, a statement issued by the government said. He directed the suspension of four labour department officials with immediate effect. Along with this, a supervisory officer was issued a show cause notice. ENS

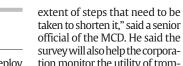
Angawadi workers hold protest against termination

New Delhi: A representative body of anganwadi workers held a protest on Thursday, demanding the reinstatement of workers who were served termination notices by the Delhi government for taking part in a strike and a hike in honorarium. PTI

AT BHALSWA, OKHLA & GHAZIPUR Every 3 months, drones to assess if Delhi's landfills are getting shorter

ABHINAV RAJPUT NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE MCD has planned to deploy drones to survey the height of the three landfills – Ghazipur, Okhla and Bhalswa — in the city every three months, senior officials said. "A report will be filed every three months on the height of landfills along with aerial photography and videos to ascertain the exact



tion monitor the utility of trommel machines placed at the sites. To dispose of mounds of legacy waste at Bhalswa, 44 trommel machines have been process-

ing 9,000 to 10,000 tonnes of waste daily. Till date, they have processed 25 lakh tonnes and flattened a 11-metre-high mound

and another of 12 metres will be flattened shortly, as per an MCD report. Similarly, 26 trommel machines are working at Okhla landfill which processes 7,000 tonnes of waste every day and have processed 17 lakh tonnes of legacy waste till date. The MCD has managed to reduce the height of mounds by 15 to 30 metres at some locations.

Ten trommel machines are working at Ghazipur landfill



MCD has processed 11 lakh tonnes of waste at Ghazipur landfill, so far. Archive

which process 4,000 tonnes of waste every day, and till date, MCD has processed 11 lakh tonnes of legacy waste and reduced the height of mounds at some locations by 12-18 metres at the site

The corporation has taken other measures as well, including subsidies on property tax to colonies engaged in waste segregation. It has also decided that inert material produced at the

New Delhi

three landfills will be provided to citizens free of cost to be used for filling low-lying areas.

A senior official of the civic body said the MCD is working in a time-bound manner to process the mounds of garbage at the landfills. "The MCD has deployed trommel machines at landfill sites which are processing legacy waste by biomining. This leads to the proliferation of inert material," he said.

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FROM THE GALLERY

5 QUESTIONS



ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT, SHIV SENA MP FROM MUMBAI-SOUTH, SPEAKS TO HARIKISHAN SHARMA ABOUT THE ISSUE OF **REDEVELOPMENT OF CHAWLS** IN MUMBAI

What was the issue you raised in the House?

I raised the issue of the redevelopment of BDD (Bombay Development Department) chawls. There are four complexes of BDD chawls - Naigaon, NM Ioshi road, Worli and Sewri. These were built during the British era. Now, these buildings are in dilapidated conditions and require redevelopment. While three chawls - Naigaon, NM Joshi Road and Worli – are built on Maharashtra Government land, the fourth -Sewri chawl is on land that belongs to the Mumbai Port Trust, which comes under the Central government. To develop the Sewri chawl, Centre's permission is required, which has not been granted till date.

What is the redevelopment plan?

As of now, there are about 16 buildings with very tiny rooms about 100 square feet in size. The people who are living in these buildings are very poor. Therefore, the state government had decided to redevelop those chawls with its own money and give a 600-square foot house to each eligible dweller of the chawl. The state government took this initiative several years ago, but the Centre has not given the required approval.

Have you raised the issue with the central ministry concerned?

Yes. The matter comes under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways and I have raised this on several occasions with ministry officials. When Nitin Gadkari was the minister, we raised this issue. We have also written to the current minister Sarbananda Sonowal.

How will you take this issue

Govt: No proposal to increase SC, HC judges' retirement age

APURVA VISHWANATH NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THERE IS no proposal to increase the retirement age of Supreme Court and High Court judges, Union Minister for Law and Justice Kiren Rijiju on Thursday told Parliament.

"The Constitution (114th Amendment) Bill was introduced in 2010 to increase the retirement age of high court judges to 65. However, it was not taken up for consideration in Parliament and lapsed with the dissolution of the 15 Lok Sabha," Rijiju said in a written reply to Rajya Sabha.

According to Article 124(2) of the Constitution, the age of retirement for Supreme Court judges is 65. As per Article 217(1) of the Constitution, High Court judges retire at 62. Initially, the retirement age of High Court judges was 60, which was later in 1963 increased to 62 through the 114th constitutional amendment

The idea of increasing the age of retirement for judges has been mooted for decades as a solution for dealing with mounting pendency of cases and judicial vacancies. It has also been discussed in the context of ensuring serving judges do not look for post-retirement jobs from the executive. Article 124(7) of the Constitution bars



Kiren Rijiju, Union Minister for Law and Justice, in Rajya Sabha on Thursday. UNI

judges of the Supreme Court from practicing before any forum, while for High Court judges, an amendment was brought in 1956 to allow practice before the Supreme Court and High Courts other than the one they served in.

In 1974, the 58th report of the Law Commission recommended bringing parity between age of retirement of judges of High Court and Supreme Court. In 2002, Justice Venkatachaliah Report - the report of National Commission to review the working

of the Constitution - also recommended that the age of retirement should be increased for judges of High Courts and Supreme Court to 65 and 68, respectively.

Attorney General for India K K Venugopal has been one of the vocal advocates of increasing tenure of the judges, and has consistently spoken about it at every farewell of Supreme Court judges since 2017. In 2021, the Supreme Court had refused to entertain a PIL seeking uniform retirement age for judges of High Courts and the top court.

SPREADING FAKE NEWS Govt: 94 YouTube channels, 19 social media accounts blocked in 2021-22

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE GOVERNMENT on Thursday informed Parliament it has blocked 94 YouTube channels, 19 social media accounts and 747 uniform resource locators (URLs) in 2021-22 for spreading fake news.

Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur, while responding to a question in the Rajya Sabha, said these actions had been taken under Section 69A of the Information Technology Act, 2000.

The government has strongly acted against agencies working against the sovereignty of the country by spreading fake news and

spreading propaganda on the Internet, he said. Thakur said in order to check the spread of Covid-19-related fake news, a dedicated cell of the fact-checking unit of the Press Information Bureau (PIB) was created on

March 31, 2020, to which people can refer information related to Covid for verification. The unit has responded to 34 125 a

LS functions briefly, takes up some issues; **Opp protest continues**

SAD's Harsimrat slams govt's MSP committee

LIZ MATHEW

NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE LOK Sabha functioned briefly on Thursday, even as the Opposition continued their protests over inflation, among other economic issues, and Congress MPs took up ED's summons to party chief Sonia Gandhi.

Barring a 15-minute adjournment, the House took up Question Hour, and a few MPs from BJP, YSRCP and Shiv Sena raised public issues during the Zero Hour, even though the Opposition was not present.

During Zero Hour, Akali Dal MP and former Union minister Harsimrat Kaur tore into the government over the decision to set up a committee on MSP for farmers without focus on legal guarantee to it, and for purportedly filling up the panel with officials and farm leaders who had backed the contentious farm laws that were withdrawn following a long agitation by farmers.

She alleged that the government has changed the committee's aim and intentions, which will spark further discontent among farmers

Earlier in the day, when the House met at 11 am, members of DMK, TRS and Left parties held up placards on inflation, especially critical of high fuel prices, while Congress MPs carried placards with Sonia Gandhi's picture and "Satyameva Jayate" written on them.

With Opposition MPs refusing to budge, despite Speaker Om Birla asking them to return to their seats, Parliamentary Affairs Minister Pralhad Joshi said the government is ready to discuss price-rise. "As soon as Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman is back at work (she is infected with Covid-19), the Speaker can decide the time for the debate," he said. Slamming the Congress, Joshi said, "Now

they have brought up the issue of someone being questioned by ED. Do they not think that law is equal for everyone?'

Infuriated, Congress MPs intensified their slogan-shouting.

INDIAN ANTARCTIC BILL, 2022



HARIKISHAN SHARMA NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE LOK Sabha on Thursday deferred a discussion on the Indian Antarctic Bill, 2022, after the government urged the Chair to take e Bill on another

tant Bill related to Antarctica. This is the first time this issue has come up for discussion. There are many important aspects. Therefore, can we take up this Bill another day?"

SAD MP Harsimrat Kaur Badal at

Parliament House on Thursday. PTI

Birla adjourned proceedings for 15 min-

Rajendra Agrawal, who was in the Chair,

Speaking on farm MSP, SAD's Kaur said

utes, and when the House resumed at 11.30

am, Congress MPs had left to protest outside.

took up Zero Hour and continued the pro-

while withdrawing the farm laws the Centre

had assured that a committee would look

into legalising MSP, one of the key demands

of the protesting farmers. However, she said, "the committee formed on July 12 has re-

moved this clause altogether and changed it

[plan and focus of the panel] to 'make MSP

Secretary, who was architect of the now-

withdrawn "black laws", has been made the

committee's chairman and that a NITI Aayog

Member (Agriculture), who had resolutely

defended the scrapped laws, is its member.

She alleged that all farmers' representatives

in the committee "vociferously" backed the

Kaur said the former Agricultural

nore effective and transparent'.'

Soon DMK, NCP and Left MPs also left.

ceedings until 1.10 pm.

contentious farm laws.

The Bill, he added, has already been introduced and is at the stage of consideration.

Agreeing that the Bill is important, and ll be good if it gets discussed 'There is a need to take sense of the House." "As the minister just said that the Opposition's presence in the House is almost nil, I need suggestions because the government' intention is that the Bill should not be passed without the Opposition," Mahtab said, and asked MPs present to express their views. BJP member P P Chaudhary said the Bill introduced by the government is very important. "We want all members, including the Opposition, to be present during a discussion on this Bill so that a meaningful debate can take place," he said. Criticising the Opposition for their absence, Chaudhary said: "They (Opposition members) should have been present. This is our main duty - to be present in the House and discuss such an important Bill. It is a matter of regret that they are not present. If they were in the House, the Bill would have been discussed." Mahtab said, "So the sense of the House, I understand, is to defer this Bill to a different date." He subsequently adjourned Lok Sabha for the day.

Union minister Anurag Thakur at Parliament House on Thursday. Anil Sharma

INDIA RANKED 150 AMONG 180 NATIONS Centre rejects Press Freedom Index report, questions methodology

While raising this issue in the House today (Thursday), I have requested the Prime Minister to consider the matter of redevelopment of Sewri chawl and ensure that the required permission is granted as soon as possible so that the state government can begin work. If the approval is not given, then I will write a letter to the Prime Minister.

Do you plan to raise the issue outside the House?

I had led a delegation of MLAs. corporators and representatives of residents from the area to meet the Shipping Minister in Delhi. If required, we will start an andolan (protest). But if we do that, then we would be called andolanjivi.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE GOVERNMENT on Thursday informed Parliament that it did not agree with the conclusions drawn by 'Reporters Without Borders' in the World Press Freedom Index, which ranked India at 150 among 180 nations in its 2022 report.

The report described India as "one of the world's most dangerous countries for the media". It stated that "journalists [in India] are exposed to all kinds of physical violence, including police violence, ambushes by political activists, and deadly reprisals by criminal groups or corrupt local officials".

In a written reply in Rajya Sabha, Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur said the government did not agree with conclusions drawn by the organisation for various reasons. These, he stated, include "very low sample size, little or no weightage to fundamentals of democracy, [and] adoption of a methodology which is

Thakur was responding to separate questions put up by Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge and Aam Aadmi Party member Sanjay Singh. The minister said the government is committed to ensuring the right to freedom of speech and expression

In his reply, Thakur also stated that the Press Council of India (PCI) has been set up under the Press Council Act, 1978, mainly to preserve the freedom of the press and improve the standards of newspapers and news agencies in the country. The PCI, the minister noted, looks into complaints filed "by the Press" regarding curtailment of media freedom. In response to Kharge's question on the arrest of journalists, the minister said the National Crime Records Bureau does not maintain data separately on attacks on journalists. Among others, the report had also mentioned that "supporters of Hindutva, the ideology that spawned the Hindu far-right. wage all-out online attacks on any views that conflict with their thinking"

able queries, Thakur said, adding that the PIB had also busted fake news and 875 posts thereof on its social media platforms.

In another reply to a question, Thakur said the government spent Rs 911.17 crore on advertisements in newspapers, television channels and web portals in the past three years.

He said that the advertisements were paid for by the Central Bureau of Communications from financial year 2019-20 till June 2022.

The government spent Rs 295.05 crore on advertisements in 5,326 newspapers in 2019-20, Rs 197.49 crore in 5,210 newspapers in 2020-21, Rs 179.04 crore in 6,224 newspapers in 2021-22 and Rs 19.25 crore in 1,529 newspapers in 2022-23 (till June), Thakur said. During the same period, the government had spent Rs 98.69 crore on advertisements in 270 TV channels in 2019-20, Rs 69.81 crore in 318 TV channels in 2020-21. Rs 29.3 crore in 265 news channels in 2021-22 and Rs 1.96 crore in 99 TV channels in 2022-23 (till June), Thakur added.

members were not present in the House.

The Bill was listed for consideration and passing on Thursday.

Raiva Sabha, too, deferred until July 25 the passage of a Bill so that Opposition members can participate in the discussion.

Bhubaneswar Kalita, who was in the Chair in the Upper House, accepted the request of MoS, Parliamentary Affairs, V Muraleedharan for deferring the passage of The Weapons of Mass Destruction and their Delivery Systems (Prohibition of Unlawful Activities) Amendment Bill, 2022.

In Lok Sabha, as soon as the House re-assembled at 2.15 pm after lunch, BJD's Bhartruhari Mahtab, who was in the Chair, called the name of Jitendra Singh, Union MoS (Independent Charge) Science & Technology and Earth Sciences, whose ministry has piloted the Bill.

Singh said, "Today, members are absent in a large number. The Opposition is also not present. I would like to suggest/request; the final decision will be yours. This is an impor-

Congress protests ED questioning of Sonia; Day after he called it 'quits', Khatik meets senior leaders among 349 detained in Delhi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JULY 21

AS MANY as 349 Congress members were detained outside the All India Congress Committee (AICC) headquarters in New Delhi Thursday as they protested against the Enforcement Directorate's (ED) questioning of party chief Sonia Gandhi in an alleged money-laundering case, said officials.

Senior leaders Shashi Tharoor, Ashok Gehlot, Sachin Pilot, Pawar Khera and Randeep Singh Surjewala were among those who were detained. Police said a total of 56 MPs were detained under the Delhi Police Act. Authorities were informed of the detentions and the detainees were released later.

The protesters broke the barricades and clashed with the police, who used water cannons in a bid to quell the protests.

Ahead of the protest, the Delhi Police stepped up security and restricted the movement of buses and other vehicles. Around 11.30 am, Sonia Gandhi reached the AICC office and soon left for the ED office for guestioning in the case related to the National



Congress MPs take out a protest march at Parliament, Thursday. Prem Nath Pandey

Herald newspaper.

Local staff, along with paramilitary forces, was deployed on all roads in the area. Around noon, when protesters and party leaders came out in support of the Congress chief, the police started pushing them towards the force's buses and detained them for allegedly violating norms and police orders. A group of AICC workers from Assam and other states who tried to enter the Akbar Road were stopped and water cannons were used on them.

Rajasthan CM Ashok Gehlot told the media: "This is shocking. They (police) are arresting me for being part of a dharna. Why is the BJP so scared of the opposition?"

Pilot said:"This is a blatant misuse of agencies against us. It is our right to protest. Why are we being pushed and stopped?" Tharoor and Khera also condemned the detentions.

Congress leader Kanhaiya Kumar said: 'We are not scared that our leaders are being questioned by the ED since there is no merit in the case. But the BIP is scared that people will start asking about inflation, lawlessness and unemployment."

Sagar Preet Hooda, Special Commissioner of Police (Law & Order), said: "Based on inputs from various sources, it was learnt that Congress members will stage protests. A letter addressed to AICC was sent to inform that large gatherings around Akbar Road, New Delhi cannot be permitted as prohibitory orders were in force. The protesters were requested to disperse. However, they did not pay heed and were then stopped and detained."

Meanwhile, similar protests were held in several cities, including Lucknow, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad, Jaipur, Bengaluru and Chandigarh.

CM Yogi, says he 'will continue to work'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE LUCKNOW, JULY 21

A DAY after sending his resignation to Governor Anandiben Patel and Union Home Minister Amit Shah, alleging anomalies in transfers and facing discrimination because he was a Dalit, Uttar Pradesh Minister of State for Jal Shakti Dinesh Khatik on Thursday met Chief Minister Yogi Aditvanath here and said that he would continue to work as a minister.

Sources in the BJP said that CM's office had fixed the meeting with Khatik a few hours after his letter to Amit Shah went viral on social media. Sources said that the party's central leadership also took cognizance of the issue and intervened. Khatik's senior minister and BJP state unit president Swatantra Dev Singh was also present in Thursday's meeting with Adityanath at the latter's official residence in Lucknow. The meeting lasted for about half an hour.

After the meeting, Khatik skipped mediapersons' questions about his resignation. "There is no problem. The government is working in the leadership of the respected chief minister," he said. Stating that he has the bless-



ings of the chief minister, Khatik added: "Zero tolerance par mukhvamantri-ii kaam kar rahe hain, aur karte rahenge. Aur aage hum bhi kaam karte rahenge. (The chief minister is working with zero tolerance policy and will continue working. I will also continue working.)" When asked about his complaints about the officers, Khatik said, "Whatever the issues I had, I have put up all that. Action will be taken on that... I have put up the issues before the chief minister.'

In the resignation letter that went public on Wednesday, Khatik had complained of being ignored by officials and facing discrimination because he was a Dalit, and alleged corruption in transfers. Reports that Khatik was set to quit surfaced Wednesday morning when his letter, addressed to Shah, went viral, in which he also complained of not being assigned any work, and said there was no place for a minister from the "Dalit samaj" and that he had failed to work for "Dalit society."

Sources in the BJP said that the party anticipated the political consequences of the allegations made in the minister's letter and therefore, both the party and CM Adityanath swung into a damage control measure.

BSP president Mayawati had grabbed the opportunity and tweeted. "Ignorance of a Dalit minister in the UP BJP cabinet is highly condemnable and unfortunate.'

Khatik was first inducted in the Adityanath Cabinet in September 2021, just before the Assembly polls. It was an acknowledgment of his value as a "man of the cadre", and as a prominent Dalit face from western UP as he was just a first-time MLA then. When he won from Hastinapur and returned to the Assembly, Khatik was again made Minister of State.

Meanwhile, SP president Akhilesh Yadav on Thursday alleged "massive loot" by ministers and bureaucrats in UP, claiming that the government's 'zero tolerance' policy against corruption had been exposed. WITHPTI





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STANDING IN SOLIDARITY

When the Congress held street protests for several days last month during the ED's questioning of Rahul Gandhi, two leaders - Ghulam Nabi Azad and Anand Sharma - were conspicuous by their absence. On Thursday, both Azad and Sharma, prominent faces of the party's so-called G-23 faction, reached the AICC headquarters to register their protest over the agency questioning Congress president Sonia Gandhi in the National Herald case. Also present were Lok Sabha MPs and G-23 members Manish Tewari and Shashi Tharoor. They, too, had missed the protests last month: while Tewari was down with Covid-19, Tharoor was abroad.

BEAUTIFICATION BEST LEFT

THE MPS of ruling NDA had attended special training sessions to learn about voting in the Presidential elections. But even after that, among 15 MP votes declared invalid were that of some NDA members. Overall, some of the invalid votes amused those who were in the counting room. One ballot paper, for example, had the name and identity card number of a senior Opposition MP on it, and it was suspected to be mischief by someone else. While some had marked both columns, there was a question mark and a signature in another one. In almost 10 cases, the votes became invalid because the number was put wrongly. The choice could be written in digit in any Indian script but some MPs insisted on thickening the line, some added a dot to it, while a few others "beautified" their writing. This has certainly disappointed those who trained the NDA MPs - because "they were categorically told not to do any 'soundareekaran' (beautification)," according to one NDA leader. The MPs were to put the figure 1 or 2 against their choice to cast their votes. In all, 53 votes of MPs and MLAs were declared invalid.

CAUGHT SHORT

A Parliamentary committee report on child labour has been delayed. The Standing Committee on Labour, Textiles and Skill Development, which is looking at the important issue of the prevalence and nature of child labour in the country, is in a fix. While most of the report has been completed, the committee is awaiting details from three states – Maharashtra, Telangana and Bihar - and the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights to complete and submit it. The standing committee has also faced problems in ascertaining the correct situation of child labour in the country, as the government does not have data on child labour, and it has had to depend on data from 2011 Census.

Kejriwal: 300 units

Leaders cut across party lines to greet Murmu

Sonia to Shah, Naveen to Maya, all welcome her to Rashtrapati Bhavan

her journey is a shining example

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla

said: "Your role in giving voice to

hopes & aspirations of people is

exemplary. I hope under your

able guidance, people of our

country will make a leading con-

tribution in building a New India.'

sage, West Bengal CM Mamata

Banerjee stated, "The country will

sincerely look up to you as the

Head of State to protect the ideals

of our Constitution & be the cus-

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cially when nation is plagued

Pinarayi Vijayan, stated:

"Congratulations to the 15th

President of India.... Hope that the

new President will be able to guide

our country forward by protecting

the democratic values upheld by

our Constitution, strengthening

the fraternal bonds of our people

In a tweet in Hindi, Harvana

CM M L Khattar said the victory

of Murmu, who has become "a

symbol of women's education,

valour and empowerment", is a

"unique example of India's vi-

eral secretary Sitaram Yechury

said, "As the custodian of the

Constitution of India, we look

forward to the protection and

strengthening of our constitu-

tional values and the character

of secular, democratic Indian

derlined Murmu's humble back-

government must cooperate

people's expectations are fulfilled

BSP chief Mayawati, too, un-

In his message, CPI(M) gen-

brant democracy"

Republic."

and overcoming challenges."

Her Kerala counterpart,

with so many dissensions."

In her congratulatory mes-

of women empowerment...'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JULY 21

A MONTH since the BJP-led NDA announced former [harkhand Governor Droupadi Murmu as its Presidential candidate, the leader from Odisha created history on Thursday. Cutting across party lines, political leaders congratulated Murmu, highlighting her rise from a humble background.

In a series of tweets in Hindi. Union Home Minister Amit Shah said Murmu has reached this highest position of the country after fighting against the odds. "Coming from a very humble tribal family, NDA candidate Droupadi Murmu's election as the President of India is a moment of great pride for the entire country," he stated.

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath said that her victory is "a living picture of immense public confidence in the all-inclusive and all-touching nature of 'New India', and the spirit of 'Ek Bharat-Shreshtha Bharat'.'

Congress president Sonia Gandhi stated, "I send my congratulations and best wishes to the President-elect Smt. Droupadi Murmu. I look forward to meeting her soon as well."

Naveen Patnaik, Chief Minister of Odisha, Murmu's home state, called it a proud moment for the entire country. He tweeted, "Congratulate the daughter of #Odisha, Smt #DroupadiMurmu on being elected as 15th President of India. It is indeed a very proud moment for everyone in Odisha that she has been elected for the highest office in the country. Her journey from a humble beginning to become the First Citizen of the country is indeed inspiring and



President-elect Murmu with PM Narendra Modi and BJP president I P Nadda, in New Delhi on Thursday, ANI



Droupadi Murmu after winning the Presidential election, in New Delhi, Thursday. Prem Nath Pandey

Celebrations galore in Murmu's hometown

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

RAIRANGPUR (ODISHA), JULY 21 AS NEWS of "Odisha's daughter" Droupadi Murmu winning the Presidential elections poured in, the entire state, especially her hometown Rairangpur, burst

into celebrations on Thursday. People gathered outside her residence in Rairangpur town in Mayubhanj district, as well as her

ground and stated, "...Now the in-laws' home in the district's with her keeping in mind the in-Pahadpur village, and played tribal tent of the Constitution so that music and danced to its tunes. Workers of the ruling BJD, which had pledged its support

to the NDA Presidential nominee, along with members of the public, were seen bursting crackers and distributing sweets near Biju Patnaik Golei Chhak in Rairangpur to mark the occasion.

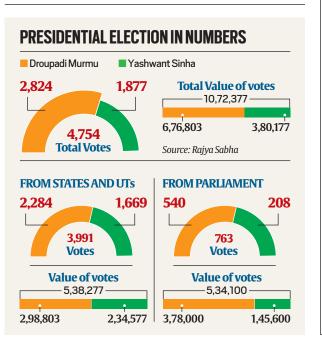
Celebrations were also reported from BJP headquarters in Bhubaneswar

Murmu will be the first tribal woman President of the country. A huge hoarding with a pic-

ture of Murmu tying a rakhi on the wrist of BJD president and Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik, has been put on display at different squares of the



Counting of votes underway at Parliament House on Thursday. Prem Nath Pandey



"Coming from a very humble tribal family, NDA candidate Droupadi Murmu's election as the President of India is a moment of great pride for the entire country, l congratulate her" AMIT SHAH UNION HOME MINISTER

"Heartiest congratulations to Smt Droupadi Murmu ji on being elected as the 15th **President of India!** Her wide experience in public life, spirit of selfless service and deep understanding of people's issues will greatly benefit the nation." **M VENKAIAH NAIDU**

VICE-PRESIDENT

"Congratulations and best wishes to Smt. Droupadi Murmu ji on being elected as the 15th President of India" **RAHUL GANDHI** CONGRESS LEADER

"It is indeed a very proud moment for everyone in Odisha that she has been elected for the highest office in the country" **NAVEEN PATNAIK**

ODISHA CM

"The country will sincerely look up to you (Murmu) as the Head of State to protect the ideals of our Constitution and be the custodian of our democracy..."

MAMATA BANERJEE WEST BENGAL CM

of free power if AAP gets Gujarat mandate

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE SURAT. JULY 21

DELHI CHIEF Minister and Aam Aadmi Party's national convenor Arvind Kejriwal Thursday said his party will provide 300 units of free and uninterrupted electricity in Guiarat if voted to power in the upcoming Assembly elections slated to be held later this year. He also assured that all pending electricity bills issued before December 31, 2021 will be waived.

"In the coming days, we will come to Gujarat again and make an announcement on the issue of power bills of farmers," said Keiriwal, who was speaking at a blood donation camp organised by Gujarat AAP at the Samast Patidar Samaj Wadi hall in Surat's Katargam.

The AAP chief also hit back at Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent remarks that "revadi culture" was "very dangerous" for the country, its development and



Delhi CM and AAP national convenor Arvind Kejriwal in Surat, Thursday. PTI

well-being. "Revadi is a type of prasad and we are delivering it in the form of good schools, hospitals and free electricity. Power bills of ministers and their friends are

waived, so we wanted to give free power to the public which is a basic necessity," Kejriwal said. He added, "While campaigning in West Bengal during the

Assembly election, Amit Shah had announced 200 units of free power and a similar promise was made even in Himachal Pradesh but they have not announced free power in Gujarat...'



KOLKATA, JULY 21 WEST BENGAL Chief Minister

Mamata Baneriee said on

at the Centre. Addressing a mega Martyrs' Day (Shahid Divas) rally at Esplanade in Kolkata to commemorate the death of 13 Youth Congress workers led by her in the 1993 police firing, Banerjee urged the Trinamool Congress workers to ensure that the party not only wins all seats in Bengal but also makes a foray in states like Assam, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh.

Claiming that it will be an "election for the BJP's rejection" in 2024, the TMC supremo said her

& ATRI MITRA

Thursday that the BJP will not get full majority in the 2024 Lok Sabha elections and more parties will join hands against the Narendra Modi-led government

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee at the rally at Esplanade in Kolkata on Thursday. Partha Paul party will help its friends in states The event, which was dislike UP. "The BJP will not get the rupted for half an hour due to full majority. I can challenge them on this. Others will join hands

Mamata at Martyrs' Day rally: BJP won't

get full majority in 2024 Lok Sabha polls

heavy rain, was held after two vears in the wake of Covid-19. (against it)," said the CM at the Targeting the BIP government

rally that witnessed a record footat the Centre over imposition of fall, bringing the city to a standstill. Goods and Service Tax (GST) on

several items and hike in prices of petroleum products, she showcased puffed rice (muri) and a replica of LPG cylinder from the stage. "Have they lost their mind? They have imposed GST on puffed rice. What will the people of Bengal eat? They imposed GST on sweets and curd too. Amader muri firiye dao noile BJP biday nao (Return us our muri or leave power)," she added.

Alleging that the BJP is on a spree to bring down governments in the states, the Trinamool chief said, "They brought down the Shiv Senaled government in Maharashtra. Now they will try this in Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh and then Bengal. But I want to tell them that do not think of Bengal even by mistake. There is Royal Bengal tiger here. They tried so hard in 2021. But I salute our workers who foiled their misadventure.

OPEN LETTER

Pasmanda Muslims want 'sammaan', not 'sneh': Ex-MP Ali Anwar Ansari to PM

SANTOSH SINGH PATNA, JULY 21

FORMER RAJYA Sabha MP and head of All India Pasmanda Muslim Mahaz (AIPMM), an apolitical body, Ali Anwar Ansari on Thursday wrote an open letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi thanking him for using the word 'Pasmanda (those left behind)' during the BJP's national executive in Hyderabad earlier this month. Anwar also questioned why backward Muslims had not been part of discussions earlier and why BIP thought of organising a 'sneh yatra' now.

> "It was a pleasant surprise to hear you talk about Pasmanda, but the Pasmanda Muslims want 'sammaan' (equality and dignity), not 'sneh' (affection). The term 'sneh' has a specific connotation: That the Pasmanda Muslims need 'sneh' denotes that they are an inferior lot requiring patronage from the ones

tained that the splitting of the who are superior," Ansari wrote. five-year chief ministerial tenure At the same time, Ansari quesbetween Baghel and Singh Deo tioned if "the sudden move" to take out a 'sneh yatra' for Pasmanda society had "something to do with vote-bank politics". "Isn't it aimed at pitting Muslims against one another? Pasmanda Muslims do not support any party blindly. No party should take them for granted," he said.

Stressing that AIPMM's fight has been within the constitutional framework, Ansari wrote: "It's not that we, as Pasmanda Muslims, are asking for some-



All India Pasmanda Muslim Mahaz head Ali Anwar Ansari

thing special separately; rather we, as Muslims, are demanding that the discrimination against us by the government be stopped forthwith. The same demand is also for our Christian Dalits. They are also being punished for being Christians. We have been of the firm belief since the very beginning that the Pasmanda Muslims alone cannot win this battle. We can succeed only with the help of Pasmanda Dalits of all religions and other progressive and justice-loving people.'

Anwar, who formed AIPMM in 1998, may not have been the first person to use the term 'pasmanda' but he is credited for widely using it. "There is no caste or religion by the name of Pasmanda. All the communities - Hindu, Muslim, Christian, Sikh, Buddhist and others - have people from Pasmanda, Dalit and Adivasi sections. Not only do we have a relationship of pain with these sections, but our DNA is also same. We have put the word 'Pasmanda' before the word 'Muslim' in our organisation's nomenclature..."

Baghel, Singh Deo power tussle rages as Congress fears fallout Despite enjoying an overbetween them after the party

GARGI VERMA RAIPUR, JULY 21

WHEN THE Monsoon Session of the Chhattisgarh Assembly got underway Wednesday, the BJP created an uproar raking up the issue of senior minister TS Singh Deo's resignation from the panchayat and rural development department, even as it also moved a notice for a no-confidence motion against the Bhupesh Baghel-led

Congress government. Armed with Singh Deo's July 16 letter to CM Baghel, resigning from one of his four portfolios, BJP MLAs, including Brijmohan Agrawal and Ajay

Chandrakar, held up the proceedings of the House.

The principal Opposition demanded an explanation from the CM on the issue, maintaining that there was a "constitutional crisis" in the state as a senior minister like Singh Deo has stated in his letter that he was being sidelined and expressed his no confidence in the Baghel dispensation.

"A minister has levelled allegations against the CM. As per constitutional arrangements, the cabinet and the executive are answerable to the legislature but the state government has failed on this front," the BIP's no-confidence motion notice stated.

whelming majority with 71

members in the 90-member state Assembly, the Congress government is increasingly getting cornered over the

protracted power strug-EXPLAINED gle between two of its satraps, Baghel and Singh Deo. Singh Deo's bid to

skip the initial sittings of the current Assembly session highlights his conflict with

Baghel. During the last monsoon session too, he had walked out of the Assembly after allegations were hurled at him by a Baghelaffiliated party MLA Brihaspati Singh, who had to later tender a

written apology to placate Singh Deo into returning to the House. While shedding the pan-

chayat portfolio, Singh Deo, in his four-page letter to the CM, did not mince words about his grievances. He cited "active non-cooperation" for funds to the department, appointment of a chief secretary-headed

committee to approve the works under the minister incharge's discretionary budget, and massive disagreements on key governance matters among the reasons in this regard.

Despite their denials, the rifts between Baghel and Singh Deo have surfaced time and again.

They have disagreed with each other regularly over various matters. In June, after Baghel unveiled a plan to "seek cooperation of the private sector for further strengthening health facilities" in rural areas, directing the industries department to prepare an action plan for grant/subsidy in this regard, Singh Deo told reporters that no discussion had been held by the cabinet on the issue.

It has been an open secret in the Chhattisgarh Congress that they are no longer "lai Veeru". the monikers given to them by the state party circles earlier. Their long-running rivalry could be traced to a purported informal power-sharing agreement

was discussed between them and the then Congress president Rahul Gandhi in mid-

stormed to power in the

December 2018 Assembly polls.

Congress sources have main-

December 2018. The CM's post was to be shared by the two contenders, with Baghel supposed to be holding it for the first twoand-a-half years, followed by Singh Deo

Baghel has, however, repeatedly denied any such agreement. FULL REPORT ON www.indianexpress.com

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BRIEFLY

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KARNATAKA 4 labourers die as wall collapses

on top of them Bengaluru: In a tragic in-

cident four labourers of Bihar died in Bengaluru after a compound wall of a warehouse of the building belonging to a private firm collapsed on a shed in Bengaluru rural on Wednesday midnight. The deceased are identified as Nilesh Kumar Saday, Shyam Kumar Saday, Manoj Kumar Saday and Mandu Das. According to police sources, around 12.30 am, the wall fell on of the shed where the labourers were sleeping. it was raining heavily. The labourers were asleep in the shed when the six feet compound wall of the warehouse fell on the shed. They were struck under the debris and the area got waterlogged due to heavy rain.

BIHAR

Man involved in propagating 'jihad' held: NIA

New Delhi: A "highly-radicalised" individual involved in propagating "jihad" against India has been arrested by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) from Bihar, according to an official. Ali Asgar alias Abdullah Bihari, a resident of Siswaniya village, was the seventh accused arrested in connection with a probe into the activities of the banned Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh (IMB) outfit, the official said on Wednesday. Asgar was arrested during searches conducted in Bihar's east Champaran area on Tuesday, an NIA spokesperson said. ENS

GUJARAT

Truck with stolen items tries to run over PCR van

Vadodara: A truck carrying stolen items allegedly tried

Inform if states, UTs complying to curb hate speech: SC to Centre

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE SUPREME Court on Thursday directed the Union Home Ministry to file a report within three weeks on whether states have complied with the court's earlier verdicts on curbing hate speech.

protests.

deal with such situations.

lynching and mob violence in

the country. It had issued several

directions to the Centre and state

governments to curb such violence including bringing a new

In Shakti Vahini v Union of

India verdict in 2018, in which

petitioners sought the court's in-

tervention in curbing honour

law, if necessary.

"As the first step, at least this information should be before us. Which states are proactive, which are not acting at all, which have acted partially..." the bench observed. The bench, comprising Justices A M Khanwilkar, A S Oka and J B Pardiwala, was hearing a batch of petitions seeking the top court's intervention in curbing hate speech and rumour-mongering.

The Jamiat Ulama-i-Hind is one of the petitioners, who have sought the court's intervention to curb hate speech in the wake killing, the top court ruled that any attempt by khap panchayof remarks by certain political ats, or any other assembly, to leaders on the Prophet, which scuttle or prevent two consenthad sparked widespread ing adults from marrying is absolutely 'illegal'.

"Considering the nature of The court was referring to earlier rulings in which, it said, it the issue and in the backdrop of had passed "preventive, correcthe general directions issued by tive and remedial" measures to this court...we request the Secretary, Home Department, In a 2018 ruling, Tehseen Government of India, to collate Poonawala v Union of India, the necessary information from the Supreme Court had condemned respective states/UTs," the court the "sweeping phenomenon" of said.

The bench asked the Home secretaries of states and UTs concerned to furnish requisite information within two weeks of receiving a communication from the Union Home Secretary to ensure the latter would be in a position to compile the necessary information and present it before court within the specified

time. It said the matter would come up for hearing after six weeks.

Appearing for the Centre, Additional Solicitor General KM Nataraj said they can collect information from various states and UTs as to what transpired there and what development

has taken place to comply with the apex court directives. The counsel appearing for the Election Commission of India told the bench that they have been impleaded as a party in one of the petitions, which has sought direction to the Centre to examine international laws and take effective and stringent steps to control hate speech and rumour-mongering in the country, The bench also told the EC not to treat the matter as adver-

sarial and asked it to step in. WITH PTI INPUTS

TN MINOR'S DEATH Top court rejects father's plea to choose doctor for second autopsy

ARUN JANARDHANAN CHENNAI, JULY 21

THE SUPREME Court on Thursday refused to entertain a plea by the father of the girl who died in a Tamil Nadu school last week, asking to be allowed to choose a doctor to be part of a team of experts to conduct a fresh postmortem. The girl's death had led to major protests and violence in the Kallakurichi district on Sunday.

"Why should we doubt independent experts?" the Bench of Justices B R Gavai and P S Narasimha asked the petitioner. On Tuesday, a Bench headed by Chief Justice N V Ramana had also refused to agree to the same

plea made by the father. The death of the girl who was studying at a private school in Kallakurichi district triggered several protests. One such protest turned into a riot-like situation, with protesters ransacking the school building and setting around 15 school buses and three police vans on fire. A deputy inspector general and around 50 jured in stone-pelting. Around 350 people were arrested for taking part in the violence. On Monday, the Madras High Court ordered a re-postmortem of the body.

DAY AFTER AMRITSAR ENCOUNTER

Moosewala's father visits hospital to identify 'killers'

Trying to trace car that dropped gangsters at village: police

KAMALDEEP SINGH BRAR AMRITSAR, JULY 21

A DAY after two men who were allegedly part of team that killed Sidhu Moosewala were gunned down in an encounter, the singer's father Thursday termed it as "the beginning of a long fight" even as a senior Punjab Police official said they wanted to catch alive the gangsters and had asked them to surrender. Punjab DGP Gaurav Yadav, meanwhile said, of the six shooters allegedly involved in Moosewala's murder, only one continues to be at large.

"We are on our job. The Punjab Police teams are after (sixth accused Deepak Mundi). He is the only shooter left now. We will soon give the result," Yadav said after he, along with Anti-Gangster Task Force chief Pramod Ban, briefed Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann about the encounter.

The DGP, however, refused to divulge further details about him. While two shooters were killed in the encounter, three were arrested earlier.

Meanwhile, Moosewala's father Balkaur Singh visited the Amritsar civil hospital to identify

NAGALAND KILLINGS SC stays proceedings against 30 Armymen ing of the FIR lodged by the

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE SUPREME Court has stayed criminal proceedings against 30 members of the 21 Para Special Force, including a Major, in connection with the alleged botched Army operation in Oting-Tiru area of Nagaland's Mon district in 2021 that claimed the lives of 13 civilians.

A bench of Justices Indira Banerjee and Ramasubramanian noted that previous sanction as required under Section 6 of the Armed Forces (Special 4 Powers) Act, s not been obtaine

The court also issued notices

The petitions sought quash-

to the Centre, Nagaland govern-

ment and others on two pleas

filed by the wives of Army offi-

cers named in the case.



Balkaur Singh, father of Sidhu Moosewala, at Amritsar civil hospital in Amritsar, Thursday. Rana Simranjit Singh

the bodies of the two shooters. at his son's vehicle. "The police did its action and I appreciate its work. It is just the Police killed Jagroop Singh Roopa beginning and it is a long fight," and Manpreet Singh alias Mannu Balkaur Singh told reporters out-Kusa in a nearly five-hour-long side the hospital morgue. encounter near the India-He, however, said the killing Pakistan border in Amritsar. They

of the two gangsters will not bring back his son, but asserted that the police action against criminals needs to continue.

Balkaur Singh, in a police complaint after his son was killed on May 29, had said that he had followed Moosewala with a gunman in a bullet-proof car and later witnessed unidentified men firing a volley of shots

Nagaland Police and the findings

of an SIT set up by the state gov-

charge sheeted at least 30 mem-

bers of the 21 Para Special Force in

the case. The charge sheet has

slapped charges of murder and

culpable homicide not amount-

ing to murder on the team of sol-

The Nagaland Police had

ernment

them. We are trying to trace it." Udupi ambulance accident: Driver lost control while avoiding cow

On Wednesday, the Punjab

were hiding in a building in

Bhakna village. Three policemen

and a journalist were also injured

had local support, Deputy

Commissioner of Police.

Amritsar, Mukhwinder Singh

Bhullar, said, "We have come to

know that a car had dropped

Asked if the two gangsters

during the operation.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE BENGALURU, JULY 21

INVESTIGATIONS INTO the speeding ambulance which crashed into a toll plaza in Karnataka's Udupi district, leading to the death of four people, has revealed that the driver lost control of the vehicle while trying to avoid hitting two cows.

diers. The case was re-registered by the State Crime Police Station The incident took place around 4.07pm when the ambuon December 5 against unknown lance carrying a patient named persons of the Indian Army under various sections of the IPC and in-Gajanan Nayak along with wife and relatives (a total of eight peovestigation handed over to a Special Investigation Team (SIT). ple in the vehicle) were heading to the hospital. The deceased have A case under various sections the IPC has been made out en identified as are Maniuna against 30 members of the op-Madeva Naika, Lokesh Naika, erations team of 21 Para Special Jyothi Naika and Gajanan Nayak. Force including two subedars, The ambulance driver Roshan

Rodrigues said, "I saw a cow

sleeping in the way. I applied

brakes and the vehicle toppled.'



SECURITY TALKS

National Security Advisor Ajit Doval Thursday held extensive talks with visiting British counterpart Sir Stephen Lovegrove with a focus on regional security, combating violent extremism and boosting overall defence and security cooperation. The situation in Afghanistan, Indo-Pacific and the Ukraine crisis figured in the talks, PTI reported. PTI

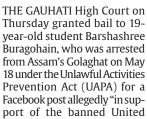
Assam student, held for FB post 'in support of ULFA-I', gets bail

TORA AGARWALA GUWAHATI, JULY 21



tent to wage war against the Indian government". The post, however, had made no mention of the banned outfit

Vadodara city police which was chasing the vehicle, injuring the van's driver Thursday. Police said that a tragedy was averted due to the presence of mind of the van driver who swerved the vehicle when the truck tried to run over it. The truck driver and a cleaner were arrested while three other accused escaped, police said. Police Inspector AS Karmur of Nandesari Police station said that a total of five accused, who have been booked in the case on Thursday, had committed theft at an auto garage in Vadodara taluka two days ago and were transporting the stolen items in the truck. ENS



Independent (ULFA-I)". Buragohain is likely to walk out of Golaghat district jail on Friday, her counsel Atul Dihingia said.

a bail bond of Rs 25,000.

Liberation Front of Asom-

"We argued that she had just the day before.

made a Facebook post and she was not connected to a banned organisation in any way,' Dihingia told The Indian Express, adding that the court had asked Buragohain to sign an undertaking that she would "refrain from making such posts in the future". She has been granted bail against



made a "specific call to indulge Sections 10 (penalty for being a member of an unlawful associin waging a war". Last week, following an outation) and 13 (punishment for unlawful activities) of the UAPA rage over her being in jail, Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa after the district police took suo Sarma claimed Buragohain was moto cognizance of a post updated on her Facebook profile arrested as she had shown inten-According to the FIR, a verse in Assamese by Buragohain – 'Swadhin xurujor dixe akou ekhuj, Akou korim rastro druh

tion of joining ULFA-I. "She was not arrested for writing a poem. It has been wrongly interpreted on social media. When the Golaghat police interrogated her, she said that she had intentions of joining the outfit (ULFA). If she had not been arrested, she would

have joined the ULFA. She is one of our own and it is our responsibility to save her," he had said.

Gyanvapi: SC to await Varanasi court order

ers.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE SUPREME Court on Thursday said it will wait for the Varanasi district court's decision on Gyanvapi mosque committee's application raising objections to maintainability of the civil suit filed by Hindu devotees before intervening in the matter. A bench comprising Justices

D Y Chandrachud, Surya Kant and PS Narasimha adjourned

the case to October 20.

that the commission was appointed ex-parte, that you were not given notice. Now we can pass a protective order, allowing you to raise all objections which you could have raised had notice been issued to you," Justice Chandrachud observed during the hearing. The apex court said all issues will have to be first argued before the district court.

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Gyanvapi-Shringar Gauri complex in Varanasi, where a 'shivng' is stated to have been found.

eight havildars, four naiks, six

lance naiks and nine paratroop-

The apex court said in its order: "The court has been apprised of the fact that the application under Order VII Rule 11 of the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, is being argued before District Judge, Varanasi, and the proceedings on the application are pending. In the above situation, further hearing of these proceedings shall await the outcome of the proceedings be-

The court also refused to hear two separate PILs seeking to worship the 'shivling' found in the Gyanvapi wazukhana and carbon-dating of the structure. One of the PILs was argued by advocate Hari Shankar Jain, who is one of the lawyers arguing for the Hindu side before the Varanasi district court.

Justice Chandrachud said, "Mr Jain, once you have filed a suit, you can't file a 32 petition [under Article 32] here. You go by the discipline of the proceedings.'

Shinde lifts stay on building car shed at Aarey

Cooperate with Ganesh mandals, Shinde tells admin, withdraws idol height curbs

YOGESH NAIK MUMBAI, JULY 21

CHIEF MINISTER Eknath Shinde has removed the stay on construction of a car shed in Mumbai's Aarey Milk Colony for Metro-3, said additional chief secretary and Urban Development Department head Bhushan Gagrani on Thursday.

The government has also told Mumbai Metro Rail the Corporation to mobilise contractors so that work can resume on the site. On Wednesday, the Urban Development Department and MMRC had a discussion on the matter, said officials.

Metro-3 will connect Navy Nagar and Seepz and the previous Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) government had dropped the Aarey Colony site for a car shed, opting for a 102-plot of land in Kanjurmarg.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

MUMBAI, JULY 21

AHEAD OF the upcoming Ganesh Chaturthi festivities, Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde on Thursday asked the administration to cooperate with Ganesh mandals and not make a fuss about rules. He also announced the withdrawal of the height restrictions imposed on Ganesh idols during the Covid-19 pandemic. Maharashtra has witnessed a muted Ganpati festivities for the last two years after the erstwhile Uddhav Thackeray-led government announced restrictions to curb the spread of Covid-19. The

festival will begin on August 31 this year. "Every year, Ganesh festival is celebrated through social commitment. Rules must be fol-



(One more step towards the sun

of freedom, Once again, I will

commit treason)" - was an im-

plicit endorsement of the ULFA-

I. The FIR also mentioned a larger

"criminal conspiracy" and "in-

Eknath Shinde

lowed. But the administration should not make much fuss about rules and cooperate with the mandals. Entire state will have identical rule books for the festival and the district collector will appoint a coordinator for the same," Shinde said at a press conference, which he attended along with Deputy Chief

Minister Devendra Fadnavis. Both held a meeting to review the law and order situation in the wake of the upcoming Ganpati festival, Dahi Handi and Muharrum. Announcing a slew of

sops for the Ganesh mandals, Shinde said there will be no restriction on the height of the idol this vear. Last two years, due to the pandemic, the government had fixed the height of idols at four feet. The CM also announced that

all permissions needed by mandals will be given under one window without any charges. "We have been under the menace of a pandemic for the last two years and could not celebrate our festivals with vigour. Therefore, the state government will cooperate in totality with Ganesh mandals to ensure that Ganpati and Dahi Handi festivals are celebrated with enthusiasm and energy." According to the announce-

ments, the new Ganesh mandals can be registered online with the charity commissioner without payment of any fee. There is also no need to take assurance deeds from the police. Directions have also been issued to withdraw cases against workers of Ganesh mandals in relation to sound pollution. In case of Dahi Handi. Supreme Court's directions that children below 14 years cannot participate in the festival will have to be followed. Asked about idols made of

Plaster of Paris, Fadnavis said that as per court order, a technical committee will be set up, which will have experts from MPCB, NEERI, IIT and other organisations. "We will ensure an environmentally-friendly way out." he added. He further said that the government was planning a dedicated place for idol sculptors in Mumbai.

DEEPTIMAN TIWARY NEW DELHI, JULY 21

BSF-BGB TALKS

WHILE ILLEGAL immigration from Bangladesh continues to remain a political issue in India, the Bangladesh border force chief told his Indian counterpart that the country's economy is growing steadily and that there is no need for its citizens to go to India to earn a living. He also asked India to ensure that Bangladeshi citizens are not harmed at the border and to curb the smuggling of arms and ammunition from India to Bangladesh.

The issues were discussed during the three-day Director General (DG)-level talks between the Border Security Force (BSF) and Border Guards Bangladesh (BGB) that con-

cluded on Thursday in Dhaka. "The 52nd Director General

Economy growing, no need to go

to India: Bangla border force chief

level coordination conference focused on curbing trans-border crimes and taking all necessary measures to ensure peace and tranquility along the border, while building upon the mutual trust and harmony among both Border guarding forces and countries...both sides appreciated each other's concerns and committed to settling different

border issues amicably through continued, constructive and positive engagements at all levels," the BSF said in a statement.

The BSF delegation was led by Director General Pankaj Singh and the BGB delegation was led by Major General Shakil Ahmed. BSF sources said that during the discussions, Singh expressed

his concern regarding illegal immigration, human trafficking

and numerous border violations by Bangladeshi nationals. He informed the gathering that the BSF had raised 15 anti-human trafficking units recently to combat illegal immigration.

In response, Ahmed said that Bangladesh was enjoying steady economic growth and thus illegal migration to India was only a remote possibility. He also expressed concern over the increasing arrests of Bangladeshi nationals by the BSF and asked it to bring down the killings of Bangladeshi nationals at the border to zero.

The BSF's DG, in response, told Ahmed that India did not discriminate between criminals on the basis of nationality.

In 2020-2021, Bangladesh had a per capita income of \$1,962 – higher than India's, which was \$1,935.

"One of your grievances is

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WORDLY WISE THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA IS NOT TO BE SOUGHT. IT IS TO BE OFFERED. - PRANAB MUKHERIEE

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SPIRIT OF A NATION

President-elect Murmu's journey mirrors the trajectory of the country's democracy, testifies to its uplifting possibilities

HE ELECTION OF Droupadi Murmu as the 15th president is a moment for India to savour and celebrate. In the end, it was not just that the BJP-led NDA, which selected her as its candidate for the post, had the requisite numbers. It was, more, that Murmu's candidature for the country's highest constitutional office was so compelling. The idea of the first tribal president, only the second woman to be elevated to the high office, drew support not just from the NDA, but also from fencesitters and, across the political lines, from several parties of the Opposition too. That the BJD supported Murmu, as did parties like the JMM, Shiv Sena and SAD, and that in a state like Andhra Pradesh where the BJP does not have a single MP or MLA, both the main parties, TDP and YSRCP, pledged their vote to her points not just to shifting political interests and alignments but also to the fundamental irrefutability of Murmu's candidature. This is a rare moment when woman and nation partake of and complete each other's story. President-elect Murmu's journey against odds mirrors the trajectory of her country's democracy and testifies to its uplifting possibilities.

The young girl who became the first to go to college in her village in district Mayurbhanj, in one of the poorest regions of the country; the school teacher who stepped tentatively into politics and began an arduous trek, from councillor in Rairangpur nagar panchayat to two-term MLA in the Odisha assembly and then minister in the BJD-BJP coalition government; the first woman governor of Jharkhand -President-elect Murmu has drawn an arc that is as vivid as it is inspiring. The office of president is circumscribed by its constitutional limits. As head of state, the president of India acts on the aid and advice of the elected council of ministers, and has been known to exercise discretionary powers only in extraordinary situations, as after an election in which no party has won a majority. And yet, at the same time, amid the swirl of political currents, and the tumult and polarisation in a large and diverse nation, the president can be a reassuring figure, embodying the essential stability, the continuous and unified core of the nation.

The presidential office will be burnished and enriched by President-elect Murmu's story. Just by being there, she will bring the highest office of the land closer to the country's most marginalised people. After she takes oath on July 25, it will be up to her to leave a legacy that does justice to the powerful promise of this moment of her elevation.

THE MSP CHALLENGE

Nothing much should be expected from panel constituted by government. But the farm problem remains, needs addressing

ARELY EIGHT MONTHS after repealing its three agricultural reform laws, the Narendra Modi government has constituted a committee to examine how to make the minimum support prices (MSP) for crops more "effective", "transparent" and "available" to farmers. The panel should ideally have been headed by a senior politician or agricultural economist, instead of a bureaucrat who was in charge both when the legislation was brought in and during negotiations with the farm unions demanding the rollback of the laws. The committee could also have had representation from the governments of Punjab and Haryana. That would have inspired trust, especially among farmers at the forefront of the agitation. The government has, as a concessions of sorts, invited the farm unions under the Samyukt Kisan Morcha to name three persons to be part of what is to be a 28-member committee. They have, predictably, rejected the offer.

That's unfortunate. The unions basically want the MSP to be made a legal entitlement.



A president for our time

President-elect Droupadi Murmu symbolises bridging of gap between the first citizen and the last

RAM MADHAV

THERE IS much to celebrate in the election of Droupadi Murmu as the 15th President of India in the Amrit Mahotsav year of independence. In Murmu, the country not only has a Santhal tribal woman as the head of the state but also a leader from one of the country's poorest regions. Her rise from the tribal lands of western Odisha to become the first citizen is a glowing tribute to the success of Indian democracy.

Murmu brings with her rich experience in public life. She is a well-educated woman from the family of a village headman. As a teacher and, later, as a people's representative - first as a councillor in the local municipal body and subsequently as a legislator and minister in the Odisha government -Murmu had brought development to a relatively backward region. She had also won the best performing legislator award.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's knack for spotting people with unique credentials helped Murmu become the first woman governor of Jharkhand in 2015. Her tenure as the governor of an Opposition-led state was noncontroversial, earning her the goodwill and support of the ruling party in the state, the JMM, in the presidential election.

In India's constitutional history of seven decades, there were a couple of occasions, mostly in the first couple of decades, when Presidents were elected unanimously. But if there was any other presidential contest that deserved consensus, it was Murmu's election. In any case, the odds were very much against the Opposition candidate, Yashwant Sinha. Had the Opposition demonstrated maturity, and had Sinha withdrawn from the contest even at the last minute, especially after several of the Opposition parties including the JMM, Akali Dal and Shiv Sena extended support to Murmu's candidature, it would have not only enhanced the prestige of the Opposition but also helped to improve the political climate in the country.

We are living in an era of extreme politi-

Murmu's election will naturally make hundred million tribals of India happy and truly empowered. But the real success of our democracy is when she is looked at as not merely a 'tribal President' but the President of the 1.3 billion people-strong Republic of India. For her election to symbolise the bridging of the gap between the first and last citizens of our republic, people should celebrate the occasion by installing her picture in every public space.

cal rivalry. We ended social untouchability in the country but have invented a new form of political untouchability. The days when a Vajpayee and a Nehru would praise each other, or a Vajpayee and a Narasimha Rao shared a healthy banter are fond memories now. At a town hall event during the 2008 US presidential election, when a Republican supporter made objectionable comments about Barack Obama, claiming that he was a Muslim and hence America was not safe in his hands, the Republican nominee, John McCain interjected and categorically told him that Obama was a decent man and America would be absolutely safe in his hands. That kind of sagacity is missing in the political discourse globally now.

Unfortunately, the discourse during the run-up to the presidential election in India was vicious. Presidential elections were cordial and low-profile events in the past. In 1967, Zakir Husain was the presidential candidate from the ruling party. The Opposition had fielded Koka Subba Rao, a retired Chief Justice of India. There was no campaign from either side. In fact, Zakir Husain was at the Michigan University delivering the convocation address until three days before the election. When asked about the campaign, Zakir saab quipped: "We in India only stand, and do not run."

But the presidential elections today are no less hectic and politically charged than the general elections. While Murmu maintained a dignified and low-profile campaign, the Opposition went ballistic from day one. Efforts were made to project the NDA candidate as someone who could not speak for herself – she was called a "murti" (statue) – and it was suggested that she would be a rubber-stamp. If anything, it displayed the innate classist temperament that continues to prevail in some sections of our society.

In his final address to the Constituent Assembly on November 26, 1949, the chairman, Rajendra Prasad, who later became the first President of India, called this mindset "sophisticated" when some members expressed doubts over the ability of Indian masses to use the right of franchise diligently. "Some people have doubted the wisdom of adult franchise... In my opinion, our village people possess intelligence and common sense. They also have a culture which the sophisticated people of today may not appreciate, but which is solid," he said.

It is another matter that the President of India is not equal in powers to the President of America although the same nomenclature was adopted. Both B R Ambedkar and Rajendra Prasad have clarified that it was more on the lines of the British monarch. Although the President is elected through an electoral college, he or she is a "Constitutional President", Rajendra Prasad had explained.

All the Presidents of India have understood the constitutional position and conducted themselves in office with great dignity and decorum. There were occasions when Presidents had acted as per their conscience but never violated the constitutional limits imposed on them. Rajendra Prasad's famous correspondence with Nehru where he disagreed with several aspects of the Hindu Code Bill is reference material for students of constitutional studies. Sadly, in the Opposition's criticism of Murmu, one finds the desire for a "confrontational" President rather than a constitutional one

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PRATIK DATTA

HURDLES TO RESOLUTION

Recent Supreme Court judgment may weaken the insolvency regime

Any law mandating the enforcement of MSP would require the private trade to pay this price irrespective of the market supply-and-demand dynamics. Alternatively, the government would have to physically procure the necessary quantities of the crops at their MSPs or simply pay farmers the difference over the prevailing market prices. The net result would be to either destroy the market (which is what forcing private players to buy at a state-dictated price will do) or government finances. The unions ought to be reasonable. The Modi government acceded to their primary demand of repealing the farm laws. By agreeing for a committee to look at ways to make the MSP "available" to farmers, it has also walked the extra mile.

As for the committee, nothing much should be expected. The reason is not just that it has too many members, but also the diffused terms of reference - from MSP to promotion of natural farming, crop diversification and micro irrigation. A more useful purpose would have been served by the committee undertaking a review of the farm laws themselves. While one can question the manner in which they were rammed through the Parliament, the laws weren't flawed in intent or design. India's agriculture can do with greater market orientation, value chain development and organised private player participation, along with a redirection of government spending from subsidies to investment. The laws, broadly, sought to bring about this much-needed transformation. Their tweaking, in the light of new developments and feedback gained from stakeholders, is well worth an exercise today.

GOODBYE BORIS

UK PM's last address to parliament was self-congratulatory. It hinted at a sequel

ORIS JOHNSON IS no Arnold Schwarzenegger. But he managed to use the latter's catchphrase with the same elan as he made his final address to parliament as the country's prime minister. Like the Terminator's iconic dialogue, Johnson's "hasta la vista, baby" was a bit cheeky – less a final farewell than the hint of a secuel.

Johnson was at his cutting best. He defended his government's performance in handling the pandemic, boasted about getting Brexit done and moralised about helping the people of Ukraine fend off the Russian invasion. Even though he received a standing ovation from the Conservative benches - many of the MPs were ministers who resigned and others who openly rebelled against Johnson - the prime minister did little to assuage rumours that Downing Street was running an "anyone but Rishi (Sunak)" campaign. When asked about the race for his successor, he replied, a bit sarcastically, "I'm not following this thing particularly closely".

Johnson did not address the Partygate scandal or the furore over him allegedly ignoring reports of sexual harassment about former deputy whip Chris Pincher: And for all the controversy he courted and far-reaching consequences of his campaign for, and then stewardship of Brexit, Johnson was the most popular British PM in over 30 years. In the 2019 election, he led the Conservatives to a voteshare that no party in the UK had seen since 1979. In some ways, it is a testament to the Westminster system that his popularity was not enough of a shield against his repeated acts of impropriety. Johnson first became PM not through a general election but because of the crisis of leadership in his party. Now, through a crisis of his own making, he has been ousted by it. But, given that the only opinion poll that matters - an election - had endorsed him, there's always the chance that he tries his luck at leadership again, "hasta la vista" notwithstanding.

JUDGES ENJOY CONSIDERABLE flexibility in statutory interpretation. Traditional law and finance literature suggests that such flexibility enables judges to close the gap between the law and the market. Equally, however, such flexibility may end up widening those gaps. This latter phenomenon played an important role in the demise of the Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act, 1985 (SICA), as Kristin van Zwieten has illustrated through his research. The same phenomenon may now come back to haunt the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC).

The Supreme Court recently passed an important judgment in Vidarbha Industries Power Ltd. v. Axis Bank. It held that the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) cannot admit an insolvency application filed by a financial creditor merely because a financial debt exists and the corporate debtor has defaulted in its repayment. Instead, the NCLT must consider any additional grounds that the corporate debtor may raise against such admission. This interpretation could fundamentally reshape a crucial innovation in the **IBC** framework

A critical element for any corporate insolvency law is the point of trigger. The law must clearly provide the grounds on which an insolvency application against a corporate debtor should be admitted. If there is any confusion at this stage, precious time could be wasted in litigation. That would cause value destruction of the distressed business. All stakeholders collectively would suffer. On the other hand, if the law is clear and litigation can be minimised, the distressed business

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that a financial debt exists and that the corporate debtor has defaulted, it may not admit the case for resolution if the corporate debtor resists admission on any other grounds. Corporate debtors are likely to use this precedent to the fullest to resist admission into IBC. The likely outcome would be more litigation and delay at the admission stage, enhancing the risks of value destruction.

could be resolved faster. Its value could be preserved. And all stakeholders collectively would benefit. Evidently, objective legal criteria for admission are critical for an effective corporate insolvency law.

The balance-sheet test is one method for determining insolvency at the point of trigger. This test, however, is vulnerable to the quality of accounting standards. That's why the Bankruptcy Law Reforms Committee did not favour this test in the Indian context. Instead, it recommended that a filing creditor must only provide a record of the liability (debt), and evidence of default on payments by the corporate debtor. This twin-test was expected to provide a clear and objective trigger for insolvency resolution. The hope was this would minimise litigation at admission stage, enabling quicker resolution of distressed businesses

The Supreme Court's latest ruling is likely to radically alter these expectations. Even if the NCLT is satisfied that a financial debt exists and that the corporate debtor has defaulted, it may not admit the case for resolution if the corporate debtor resists admission on any other grounds. Corporate debtors are likely to use this precedent to the fullest to resist admission into IBC. The likely outcome would be more litigation and delay at the admission stage, enhancing the risks of value destruction in the underlying distressed business. Unless the NCLT consciously constrains the use of its own discretion at the admission stage, the IBC may well end up like the SICA.

The SICA had established the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR)

as a specialist tribunal to ensure speedy resolution of distressed industrial companies. Belying all expectations of the law "on the books", the law "in action" soon acquired a notorious reputation for delays. The BIFR became a haven where companies could seek shelter from their creditors for years, with managers siphoning off assets in the interim.

To better understand why the SICA came to operate in this way, Van Zwieten compiled and analysed a dataset of 1,066 judgments. The study revealed a series of judicial innovations with the stated intention to facilitate rescue of distressed companies. An unintended consequence of this pro-revivalist judicial approach was to add significant delays in disposal of cases. It also resulted in improving the position of some stakeholders at the expense of others – particularly institutional creditors such as banks. The study concluded that the influence of courts appeared central to understanding how and why the SICA failed.

In all fairness, the Supreme Court has been extremely pragmatic in its interpretation and application of the IBC. Even in the recent ruling, the court has rightly cautioned that the NCLT should not exercise its discretionary power in an arbitrary or capricious manner. Yet, this decision may have opened a Pandora's box. Policymakers would be welladvised to take note before history starts repeating itself.

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JULY 22, 1982, FORTY YEARS AGO

NO-TRUST MOTION

BOTH LEFT AND right opposition groups plan to move a non-confidence motion against the government during the current session of Parliament. A tentative decision to this effect was taken at a lunch hosted by Democratic Socialist Party chairman H N Bahugana who has been trying to unite the Opposition after his return to Lok Sabha last month. Bahugana later told newsmen that the formal decision about it would be taken at their next meeting.

KUO OIL REPORT CONGRESS-I MEMBERS WATCHED silently

as half-a-dozen copies of the "authenticated record of the verbatim minutes" of a meeting of the Public Undertakings Committee were put on the table of the Rajya Sabha. Chairman M Hidayatullah did not prevent leaders of the Opposition from approaching the secretariat table and placing the papers on it. The document is purported to be about the committee's examination of the Kuo Oil deal. In the Lok Sabha, however, the Speaker withheld consent when Madhu Dandavate (Janata) sought to table a similar report. Hidayatullah promised he would look into the issue of privilege and into the committee record as soon as he returned to his chamber.

DEVI LAL SUSPENDED

LOK SABHA PRESIDENT Charan Singh has suspended Haryana Lok Dal leader Devi Lal from membership of the party and asked for his explanation on charges of anti-party activities. Charan Singh took the decision after consulting some senior Lok Dal leaders. He said there had been complaints against Devi Lal for some time and he had been contemplating action against him. In his notice to Devi Lal asking him why he should not be expelled from the party, the Lok Dal chairman has levelled charges of anti-party activities and working for the defeat of the Lok Dal candidates in the Haryana Assembly elections.





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THE IDEAS PAGE

A mixed bag of freebies

Prime Minister's comment on 'revdi' culture raises questions — how to define freebies, how to make distinction between merit and unwarranted subsidies. The answers are important for making policy



SUDIPTO MUNDLE

MANY IN INDIA have been lamenting for quite some time the culture of political populism and "freebies". The issue made headlines following the Prime Minister's recent speech calling for an end to this free "revdi" (freebies) culture. Curbing freebies may now be a policy priority. But freebies mean different things to different people. Disentangling this mixed bag is important for making policy.

Freebies typically conjure up images of free televisions distributed by the late J Jayalalithaa, free cycles distributed by Nitish Kumar or laptops distributed by Akhilesh Yadav. While these are the most highly visible and discussed freebies, they are fiscally insignificant compared to the much larger subsidies on food, fertiliser and petroleum. Though curbed in recent years, these "visible" subsidies in government budgets remain a major source of fiscal stress. Then there is a range of "invisible" subsidies, especially in state government budgets, not always recognised as such, but which are also very large.

Technically, a subsidy is the unrecovered cost of any service (or good) provided by the government. The deficit between the receipts and expenditure of a government department in providing a service is the unrecovered cost of providing that service, that is, a subsidy, even if not recognised as such in the budget. Examples include the unrecovered cost of providing public education, healthcare, irrigation, power, water supply and sanitation. It will be immediately evident that not all subsidies are equally undesirable. A final category of freebies is pure cash grants for poor households. These are discussed below.

Returning to subsidies, the total volume consists of all visible subsidies plus all the invisible subsidies implicit in the provision of social and economic services. In an exercise undertaken in 2020, the late Satadru Sikdar and I found that the volume of subsidies as a proportion of GDP comes down with rising per capita incomes, but very gradually ('Merit goods and the fiscal space for reviving growth', Economic & Political Weekly, February 1, 2020). The total volume of subsidies came down from 13 per cent of GDP way back in 1987-88 to a little over 10 per cent by 2015-16, almost 30 years later. This proportion is unlikely to have changed very much today given the slow pace of change. State governments provide the bulk of these subsidies, mainly for social services like education and health. The central government accounts for less than 30 per cent of total subsidies, provided mainly for economic



C R Sasikumar

rich. MGNREGA is the largest and longeststanding income support programme in India for the unemployed in rural areas. But it is often not regarded as such as it entails payment against performance of work. There are also pure cash grant schemes such as the PM-Kisan of the central government and some schemes now being piloted by a few state governments.

The usual complaint against such schemes is that they artificially raise rural wages, reduce the incentive to search for work, and that the poor blow up these freebees on liquor etc. Since MGNREGA and similar schemes in the states pay much less than the minimum wage, they obviously cannot raise rural wages beyond what is the legal minimum wage anyway. As for the somewhat patronising critique that such support will induce the poor to not search for work or binge on alcohol, there are now dozens of randomised control trials (RCTs) across the world, led by Nobel Laureates Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kramer, that disprove such beliefs. I should specifically mention the RCT conducted by the wellknown women's voluntary organisation SEWA in Madhya Pradesh. It showed that the very small cash support provided in the villages where the intervention was carried out was spent primarily on seeking better education for children, repairing dwelling huts and supplementing the very meagre diets of these poor households.

Hollowness of exam warriors

"For the PML-N, the wiser option may be to seek a fresh, clear public mandate, instead of completing the term. The sooner it makes the decision the better for

WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

Over-ambitious parents, exam-driven learning conspire against students' creativity



its future electoral prospects."

Avijit Pathak

EVERY YEAR AROUND this time, when the results of different board examinations come, a disturbing question haunts me. Is it that in the process of becoming "toppers", successful "exam warriors" have lost something truly valuable for leading a meaningful life? Or is it that we – overambitious parents reducing our children into some sort of "investment", and coaching centres selling them as fancy "brands" - have heavily pampered them, and made it almost impossible for them to realise that there is something more in life than what this market-driven age regards as measurable "success"? And in the age of instantaneity, who could prevent television anchors from projecting these youngsters as some sort of "gurus" advising their contemporaries on how to be "focused" and "successful"?

As I reflect on the deeper meaning of studentship, I feel like demythologising these "success stories". Yes, a student ought to have a sense of wonder in her eyes. It is only this wonder that can expand her horizon, activate her curiosity, and inspire her to enter the domain of science and poetry, history and geography, or music and carpentry. Likewise, with this wonder, a student ought to raise new questions — even disturbing questions that might unsettle the status quo.

However, the irony is the prevalent practice of education characterised by regimented schools and utilitarian coaching centres kills these two qualities quite early in the life of a student. How can there be wonder if right from nursery classes the children of the aspiring class are instructed to internalise that everything has already been decided for them — say, "A" means America, "I" is IIT, and "M" is MBA? Or, for that matter, how can they be encouraged to ask new questions relating to culture, ethics and modes of living, if they are con-tinually pressurised to believe in the narrative of one-dimensional existence - to live is to be hyper-competitive; to live is to defeat others, and go ahead, and to live is to worship money? It is sad that the pattern of education we have normalised does not allow a flower to bloom; instead, it is only about "strategic learning" and "success formula". No wonder, in a society that worships the visibility of "success", these heavily pampered "toppers" often lose a sense of humility, the ability to realise that everybody, including those who have "failed", has a story to tell. Yes, in the process of becoming "successful", the "toppers" - unless they are lucky to find immensely sensitive parents or some daring teachers – have already

been defeated. Recently. I was watching a television interview with a "topper" from West Bengal. Apart from following the school routine, he goes to seven private tutors; he spends almost 10 to 12 hours every day for his study, and he does not have many friends because he does not "waste" his time. I felt like crying. The system has killed his childhood, his wonderful adolescent days, and his joy and wonder. In his mental landscape, there is no tree that whispers, no river that tells a story, and there is no sunrise, no sunset. Is it that our "toppers" are becoming like robotic performers - measuring the "utility" of every fragment of a second for solving a physics numerical, or enhancing the speed of ticking "correct" answers in the OMR sheet?

Not surprisingly, I see absolute homogenisation or standardisation in their life-pursuits. Trust me, I have been waiting for quite some time: possibly one day a "topper" would enchant me through her dream: "Adoor Gopalakrishnan and Satyajit Ray fascinate me, I too wish to become a filmmaker"; or "Medha Patkar and Sunderlal Bahuguna inspire me, and I want to work for sustainable development and ecological balance"; or "Professor C V Raman and Professor S N Bose are my role models, and I want to become a scientist." No, it has not yet happened. Instead, almost like a parrot, a "topper", it seems, would repeat the tales of the same standardised ambition: "I want to become a doctor or an engineer or an IAS officer." This standardisation frightens me. It is really sad to see them without rebelliousness, without alternative imagination, and without the kind of madness that defies the pathology of normalcy.

What kind of society have we created! For us, religion is nothing but loud and demonstrative ritualism - a sort of identity marker; patriotism is a violent gesture towards the invented "enemies" of the nation; mainstream politics is devoid of the slightest trace of ethics, and gross inequality is normalised. As creative dissenters are sent to jail, everything is turned into its opposite: Vice into virtue, ugliness into beauty, or narcissism into humility. A society of this kind has to kill all emancipatory ideals and practices of education. No wonder, today Tagore's Shantiniketan is just like any other noisy and turbulent university; or, for that matter, it is difficult to spread Jiddu Krishnamurti's ideals of education and take it beyond the select elite centres of learning; and as Gandhi has been fossilised and museumised, none bothers to recall the pedagogic experiment he initiated in the Tolstoy Farm in South Africa.

The result is that Kota, the town in Rajasthan known for all that is ugly about our education system, is seen to be a site of salvation; Ed Tech companies with their magical "success manuals" hypnotise the middle class; and the assembly line of the "toppers" reveals the hollowness of this life-killing race.

Since MGNREGA and similar schemes in the states pay much less than the

services including food.

In the mixed bag of subsidies some are less warranted than others. From the total volume we separated out a very small number of "merit subsidies" which might be warranted in public interest. All governments have provided a food subsidy for poor households by bi-partisan consensus for decades. It has been increased by the present government as relief during the Covid-19 crisis. Then there is basic education and health services which have large benefits for society beyond the benefit accruing to the immediate recipient of the service, what economists call "externalities". Finally, we have separated out expenditure on water supply and sanitation, where again the benefit to society is much larger than that accruing to the immediate recipient of the service – for example, prevention of infectious diseases. These four missing appetite for deep fiscal reforms which could radically change the structure of central and state government finances.

"merit" subsidies account for only a third of

total subsidies. Thus, two-thirds of total sub-

sidies, about 6 per cent of GDP, are unwar-

ranted freebies which should be eliminated.

central and state governments could step be-

yond their business as usual budgets and take

bold measures to phase out these unwar-

ranted freebies, along with much of the tax

exemptions and concessions, which amount

to about 5 per cent of GDP, that would free up

huge fiscal space. This would enable a mas-

sive reduction in the combined fiscal deficit of

the Centre and the states, while at the same

time stepping up required expenditure on ed-

ucation, health and infrastructure. The myth

of restricted fiscal space simply reflects the

As explained in the article cited above, if

Finally, I turn to the question of income support schemes. There is a growing demand in many advanced countries, which already have large social security schemes, to provide a minimum "Universal Basic Income" for all. These demands are supported by global corporate leaders like Mark Zuckerberg as well as leading economists and think tanks across the ideological spectrum. Against that background, providing a small safety net for the poor in countries like India, which have no social security system, is the least that any caring government can do. Especially, when the government is foregoing much larger sums of revenue as tax concessions for the rich and banks are writing off vast sums of non-performing loans also provided to the

minimum wage, they obviously cannot raise rural wages beyond what is the legal minimum wage anyway. As for the somewhat patronising critique that such support will induce the poor to not search for work or binge on alcohol, there are now dozens of randomised control trials (RCTs) across the world, led by Nobel Laureates Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo and Michael Kramer, that disprove such beliefs.

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A half-hearted ban

To combat plastic pollution, consumer goods packaging must be targeted

Ashi Datta and Swathi Seshadri

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022, the Union government has banned identified single-use plastics (SUPs) as mandated by the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2021. The stated aim of this ban is to arrest plastic pollution by targeting low-utility high-littering SUPs.

Going by industry estimates, this ban would target only two-three per cent of the total plastic produced. In fact, the bulk of the problem can be traced to the plastic packaging of fast-moving consumer goods (FMCGs), which include sachets and packaging of products like chips, biscuits, and soap which the ban conspicuously excludes.

The global movement, Break Free From Plastic, in its brand audit in India in 2021, found that 70 per cent of the 1,49,985 pieces of plastic audited were marked with a clear consumer brand. The audit found that much of the plastic pollution was caused by products from the top brands. Analysts at Kotak Institutional Equities, which has released a report on the ban, claim that the current ban will not affect the FMCGs, but the restrictions on sachets/pouches/wrappers/laminated tubes could impact their profitability. In 2015, a report by FICCI and strategy consultants Strategy&, 'Plastic Packaging – the sustainable and smarter choice: Why banning plastic packaging in Indian FMCG is not a viable option', argued that banning FMCG packaging would affect the processed food industry to the tune of approximately Rs 90,000 crore per annum, amounting to 72 per cent of the industry.

The 2021 Rules treat SUPs generated by FMCG and non-FMCGs differently (except for the straws attached to packaged branded beverages). While there is a ban on non-FMCG SUPs, companies in the FMCG category have been allowed to go scot-free, since accountability measures like extended producer responsibility (EPR) are only introduced in a diluted form, allowing for the use of these toxic materials by paying a small fee and enabling a staggering transition over three years.

Plastic is a petrochemical. In India, it is produced from crude oil that is imported and then refined domestically. Therefore, the human, environment and climate costs are not limited to the disposal of plastics but extend

to their life cycle. The FICCI report describes the backward linkage in plastic production which includes petroleum intermediate producers, resin and naphtha producers (both raw materials to plastic polymer), pre-packaging manufacturers, plant and machinery, mould and additive producers. A ban on FMCG packaging would have a significant impact on this entire chain. Perhaps this is where the untold story lies.

The limited ban on some SUPs will not impact the big players who will continue to produce for the non-FMCG category. Those significantly impacted would be some of the 30,000 MSME units that manufactured the plastic products on the banned list. This, of course, is no reason to not ban SUPs. But it is pertinent to note that there has been no government hand-holding of these MSMEs to enable them to transition into another industry. For example, 12 days into the ban, the Delhi Pollution Control Committee has issued closure notices to 14 units manufacturing the banned SUPs and within the first nine days, total penalties of Rs. 1.37 crore have been levied. The absence of alternative forms of livelihood and employment will undoubtedly contribute to the employment crisis in the country. Many of the identified SUPs which are banned are used by small eateries, other small enterprises and street vendors. This ban will, therefore, largely impact the MSME and informal sector, both on the production and use side, leading business to be taken away from the informal to the formal sector — a trend that was set in motion by demonetisation and the GST regime and got intensified as a result of the lockdowns during the pandemic. If the government indeed wants to put its

If the government indeed wants to put its money where its mouth is, it should start by re-envisioning the retail system. The focus should be on moving away from the useand-throw economy to one which is designed for reusable and sustainable packaging. Such a system should be geared towards the smaller players, the end user and, fundamentally, the environment and climate.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

ROBUST DIPLOMACY

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'The art of Twitter diplomacy' (IE, July 21). Multilingual public diplomacy makes the exercise more effective, making the message more interpersonal. This frees diplomacy from the clutches of the elites, who interpret it based on their ideological convenience. It helps in shaping public opinion about a bilateral relationship in a more enduring manner. Cultivating goodwill among the populace makes relationships between two sovereign nations immune to changing regimes.

Sudip Kumar Dey, Barasat

CRUCIAL CHALLENGE

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Ranil's challenge' (IE, July 21).With the election of the new president, Sri Lanka has taken its first step toward stability.Though elected with the strong support of Rajapaksas' party SLPP, Wickemesinghe has the experience required to run a country. The most crucial challenge for the new administration will be winning the confidence of the people, given his weak stance against the Rajapaksas. Only time will tell how "objectively" the new president will do his job.

Dewang Ganesh Thosar, Raigad

MISREADING COURT

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'Gender of institutions' (IE, July 21). The author writes that the high court observed that the removal of *mangalsutra* by the wife will amount to mental cruelty. It

is crucial to point out that the Madras HC did not observe so in the case. On the contrary, the HC held that the removal of *mangalsutra* would not in itself amount to mental cruelty. Rather, the act in question coupled with other facts of the case showed that the spouses were past the stage of reconciliation. Court judgments are based on the circumstances of each case.

Ashutosh Srivastava, Gorakhpur

Burn-out

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Stokes' message' (IE, July 21). It isn't surprising to see England test captain Ben Stokes retiring from the ODI format. The pressure on cricketers is a cause for concern. Bilateral series, ICC tournaments and the T20 franchises of every nation do not leave them any breathing space. We can expect the number of dropouts from various series to escalate. Cricket boards need to come up with a solution.

Bal Govind, Noida

NEW PRESIDENT

THIS REFERS TO the report, 'Ranil elected Lanka President, calls for unity in face of crisis' (IE, July 21). Ranil Wicremesinghe assumes office at a time when Sri Lanka is in the midst of an economic crisis. Thankfully, Wicremesinghe has enough administrative and diplomatic experience that could prove helpful in bringing economic and political stability to the island.

Devendra Khurana, Bhopal



New Delhi

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BRIBERY CASE CBI files chargesheet against IAS officer

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THE CENTRAL Bureau of Investigation (CBI) Thursday filed a chargesheet against arrested Guiarat cadre IAS officer Kankipati Rajesh and a proprietor of a private firm in a bribery case at a CBI court in Ahmedabad. The central agency had ar-

rested K Rajesh, a 2011 batch IAS officer on July 14, for allegedly receiving "illegal gratification" in cases related to granting of arms licences, allotment of government land and regularisation



of encroached government land in the name of "ineligible beneficiaries" during his tenure as Surendranagar collector in 2021. Another arrested accused in the case is Rafiq Memon, propri-

etor of M/s Jeans Corner in Surat, who allegedly received bribe on behalf of Rajesh. According to CBI, it had found alleged evidence of K Rajesh receiving a bribe amount

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of Rs 98,000 and various gifts. "It was found during investigation that the alleged bribe money of Rs 98,000 was deposited in the account of proprietor on the directions of said public servant. The said amount was the part of bribe, which was demanded by the officer. It was also found that the said proprietor had prepared four fake invoices in the name of a private person claiming to have sold dress material." the CBI said.

"Investigation has also revealed that both the accused entered into a conspiracy where part of the alleged bribe demanded by the public servant

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was paid by other person into the account of the proprietor of said firm on the directions of public servant. It was also found that the accused created false documents/false electronic records to shield the public servant," the statement added. The CBI had booked K Rajesh

on May 20 after multiple raids were conducted at his Gandhinagar-based office, residence and his native place Rajahmundry of Andhra Pradesh. in connection with the allegations against him.

Rajesh is currently suspended and under judicial custody.

Howrah hooch toll rises to nine, prime accused held

Kolkata: The toll in the Howrah hooch tragedy rose to nine on Thursday with the death of two more persons. The death toll is likely to increase as at least over a dozen people are admitted in hospitals and the condition of several of them are said to be critical. officials said.

The prime accused in the case, Pratap Karmakar, who ran a hooch joint at Gajanan Basti under Mali Panchghara police station of Howrah, was arrested late Wednesday night. He was sent to police custody for 11 days by a court on Thursday. " So far, nine persons have died from drinking spurious liquor. The accused has been arrested and sent to 11-day police custody,' Commissioner of Police (Howrah) Praveen Kumar Tripathi said.

TO BE DECLARED FOREST AREA IN 15 DAYS After seer's immolation bid, Rajasthan agrees **to shut mining sites** 15-month stir over illegal stone mining called off

state government has an-

nounced that in the next 15

days, a notification will be is-

sued to declare Aadibadri and

Kankachal as forest land. Due

to this, about 2,500 people will

be rendered unemployed. But

they will be provided employ-

ment elsewhere and the gov-

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develop the place for religious

tourism. For this, the state gov-

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agreed, but Das did it (immola-

tion)." the District Collector said.

Das was referred to Jaipur from

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Following talks between the

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Wednesday.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE JAIPUR, JULY 21

THE RAJASTHAN Government has announced that hills of Aadibari and Kankachal in Bharatpur will be declared as forest land after a seer attempted immolation on Wednesday and his condition remains critical.

On Wednesday, seer Vijay Das had set himself on fire, with the police nearby rushing to save him by dousing the flames. Das and others have been protesting the alleged illegal mining in these hills, considered sacred by some, for nearly 15 months.

Another seer, Narayan Das had climbed atop a mobile phone tower demanding ban on the mining activities.

District Collector Alok Ranjan, however, claimed that the mines are all legal. "I would like to clarify that the mines – 11 in Kankachal and 34 in Aadibadri - were allotted between 2000 and 2018 and are legal," he said. on Thursday. Talking to The Indian Express, He, however, added: "The

former MLA Gopi Gurjar said: "Years ago, the government had declared the hills under the Braj 84 kos yatra but the administration slvlv reserved the front part of Aadibadri hill but permitted mining in the back. Imagine, if you protect my chest but cut off my back, how will I survive? And the blasting in the back part has even led to cracks in the temple at Aadibadri." While district authority has denied the charges, Gurjar alleged that there was "large scale" illegal

protesters and the administramining in the area. Meanwhile, BJP state president Satish Poonia also constivillage was called off late on tuted a five-member team under Alwar Lok Sabha MP Baba "We had talks with the Balaknath to present a fact-find-Sangharsh Samiti 3-4 times. And

ing report to him. Besides Balaknath, former minister Gajendra Singh and former MLA Rajkumari Jatav are the members of the team, according to a party spokesperson.

RAPE CASE Respond to plea seeking bail cancellation: HC to minister's son

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE DELHI High Court Thursday sought the response of the Delhi Police and a Rajasthan minister's son, who is accused of repeatedly raping a woman, on a plea by the victim seeking cancellation of anticipatory bail granted to the man.

Justice Yogesh Khanna issued notice to Delhi and the accused man on the woman's petition challenging a trial court's order granting him anticipatory bail and isted the matter for August 23.

Additional public prosecutor Amit Sahni appeared for Delhi and accepted notice in the matter.

The woman, in her plea, has sought cancellation of anticipatory bail granted to accused Rohit Joshi by a trial court here on June 9, on the ground that despite reasonable apprehension being raised by her in light of the threats already received by her, the additional sessions judge (ASI) failed to take into consideration this material aspect while passing the order. "Moreover, the ASJ failed to impose appropriate conditions on the respondent in this regard. Respondent no. 2 being the son of a sitting minister of the Rajasthan legislative assembly is a highly influential person who has the capacity to create hindrance in the investigating," the petition said.

4th Floor, Jeevan Tara Building, पत्रांकः छात्र/पी०जी०/2022/129 Parliament Street, New Delhi - 110001 सेवायोजन विज्ञप्ति Notice under section 19(4) of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and एस0एन0 मेडिकल कालेज, आगरा के सूपर स्पेशियलिटी विभागों मे Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rule 12 & 13 of the Debts Recovery सीनियर रेजीडेन्ट्स के पदों Fribunal (Procedure Rules) 1993 (Walk-in-Interview) के आधार पर चयन किया जाना है। इच्छुक n the matter of OA. No. 130/2021/DRT-III CANARA BANK अभ्यर्थी निर्धारित आवेदन पत्र के साथ अपने समस्त मुल शैक्षणिक Erstwhile Syndicate Bank) Applican प्रमाणपत्रों एवं अन्य सम्बन्धित मूल प्रमाणपत्रों तथा उनकी एक–एक

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D-1 ESS AAR Industries Through Its Partners, 2912, Ground Floor, 27, Ghara Kinari Bazar Chandni Chowk Delhi

D-2 Ritesh Garg (Partner) S/o Late. Sh. Satya Narain Gupta, R/o A-104, Exotica Elegance, Ahinsa Khand-2, Indirapuram hipra Sun City, Ghaziabad-201014. D-3 Satya Narian Gupta (Partner) S/o

Late Sh. Radam Chand Gupta, R/o A-104 xotica Elegance, Ahinsa Khand-2 ndirapuram, Shipra Sun City, Ghaziabad-201014.

D-4 Ayushie Garg W/o Sh. Ritesh Garg R/o Á-104, Exotica Elegance, Ahinsa Khand-2, Indirapuram, Shipra Sun City Ghaziabad-201014

Whereas the above named applicant has nstituted a case against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you ir ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in this Tribunal 27-07-2022 at 10.30 A.M.

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

Due to ongoing Pandemic situation, all the matters will be taken up through Video Conferencing and for that ourpose:

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i) Meeting ID and Password for the next late of hearing qua cases to be taken by Registrar/Recovery Officer-I/and Recovery Officer-II shall be available one day prior to he next date at DRT Official Portal i.e. drt.gov.in under the Public Notice Head

iii) In any exigency qua that, the Advocates itigants can contact the concerned officia at Ph. No. 23748469 Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the 25th day of May, 2022

by order of the Tribunal DRT-III, Delhi

कार्यालय मुख्य चिकित्सा अधिकारी, महोबा चिकित्सकों एवं विशेषज्ञ चिकित्सकों हेतु वॉक-इन-इन्टरव्यू के माध्यम से सीधी भर्ती की सूचना

destroyed during Portuguese rule

GOA FORWARD Party MLA Vijai Sardesai on Thursday accused the state government of trying to "rewrite history" in its assurance of rebuilding temples destroyed during Portuguese rule in Goa when the government had not notified any such monu-

Chief Minister Pramod Sawant, however, said the Archives and Archeology department would notify the list. "Invest in history for the love

rewrite history to meet your agenda. We have a rich past, whether we like it or not we have to live it and we don't have to search for something that may or may not exist," said Sardesai. He said that such exercises

E-TENDER PRESS NOTICE

The EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, CD-XIII, I&FC Department Govt. of Delhi, on behalf of

the President of India, Invites Online Percentage rate tender from the approved and

eligible contractors registered with IRRIGATION AND FLOOD CONTROL

DEPARTMENT. The contractors who are registered with other department and now

got their registrations verified from I&FC Deptt. Are eligible to participate in Tender

1. NIT No E.E/CD-13/Acs/2022-23/40-A (2nd Call) (IDNo.2022_IFC_226283_1) Major Head of Account: 2711(Revenue) Name Providing and preparation of design and drawing including proof checking of gates and gearing system for Madanpur drain out falling at RD 6677m of Mungeshpur drain, Regulator on Nangli Sakrawati drain

out falling into N.G. Drain and Two Nos. Bridge-cum-Regulators on Mungeshpur

drain out falling into N.G. Drain at RD om and into supplementary drain at its Off-

take point at RD 34500m. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 5,39,185/- Earnest Money (in Rs.) 10,784/-. Time allowed 30 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 25-07-2022 on 03.00 Hrs & 03.05 Hrs respectively. 2. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2022-23/52(ID No. 2022_IFC_226279_1) Major Head of Account: 2711(Revenue) Name of Work: Providing and laying of RCC Pipe NP-3

class and de-silting of water body bearing Kh. No. 896 at village Jaffarpur in

Najafgarh Block. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 29,77,830/- Earnest Money (in Rs.)

59,557/- Time allowed 60 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender

through E-Procurement System 25-07-2022 on 03.00 Hrs & 03.05 Hrs respectively. 3. NIT No. E.E/CD-13/Acs/2022-23/53(ID No. 2022_IFC_226281_1) Major Head of

Account: 4515- (Panchayat) Name of Work: Construction of boundary wall in Gram

Sabha Land bearing Kh. No. 1etc./418(5-17) at village Mundella Khurd in Distt.

South- West, Delhi. Estimated Cost (in Rs.) 21,35,158/- Earnest Money (in Rs.)

42703/- Time allowed 90 Days. Last date & time of receiving & opening of tender through E-Procurement System 25-7-2021 on 03.00 Hrs & 03.05 Hrs respectively.

I&FC Deptt Shall be scanned and uploaded to the etender website within the period

of bid submission. The original EMD should be deposited in the office of EE/CD-



Department. However, several nancial year 2022-23.'

way that cause "communal tening the Portuguese rule. Phaldessai said, "There is no

sites destroyed by the Portuguese and whether these

In his written reply, Archives and Archeology Minister Subhash Phaldessai stated, "List of religious/Heritage sites destroyed by the Portuguese is not

2 IAS aspirants held for 'cheating' MLAs

Pune: An young man and woman to the duo. Police are probing if any more

sion". Sardesai and Congress MLA Altone D'costa had asked for a "list of all religious and heritage

religious sites or deities were relocated and/or rebuilt, if not, the total budgetary provision made to rebuild temples".

available with Archeology

Goa govt says no list of temples

PANAJI, JULY 21

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of the past and don't try to

Pramod should not be undertaken in a

historians have published relevant research on this topic which is available in public domain. Budgetary allocation for restoration of temple is 20 crore for fi-

Chief Minister Pramod Sawant had announced earlier that a budgetary provision of Rs 20 crore had been made for rebuilding temples destroyed dur-

list [of destroyed temples] but there are several books and documents with the archives department." Naming several works of historians, he said the books were available in public domain. "These books were not written today or after the Chief

Minister made the announcement. They are in the archives, there is information. There is no manipulation of any kind.'

"Invitation of Bid forgrant of MiningLease" In exercise of the power conferred by Section 15of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and in accordance with the Jharkhand Miner Mineral Concession Rules, 2004 (Subsequent Amendments) and the Jharkhand Minor Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2017 (Subsequent Amendments) notified thereunder, Government of Jharkhand has identified a Stone block for the purpose of grant of MiningLeasein [Sahibgan]] District, Jharkhand, through electronic auction and here by invites bids in digital format only, frome ligible bidders. **MAYURA JANWALKAR**

इन/2022-23/1113 -:विज्ञप्ति:-

ात्यभाषाः मेशन निदेशक, राष्ट्रीय स्वास्थ्य मिशन, उ०प्र० लखनऊ के पत्र संख्या 10/एस०ग्रे0एम०ग्र्0/नियोजन/2012/2618 दिनांक 09.04.2018 के अनुपात में जनपद महोबा में राष्ट्रीय स्वास्थ्य मिशन उ०प्र० में संचातित विभिन्न कार्यकर्मों के अत्तर्गत रिवत्त संविदा पदों हेतु विशेषज्ञों/चिकित्स एम०बी०बी०एस०) की नियुक्ति वॉक–इन–इन्टरव्यू के माध्यम से की जानी है, जिसका विवरण निम्नवत है :–

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आवेदन हेत निर्देश:.

- जपरोक्त समस्त पदों पर वॉक—इन—इन्टरव्यू दिनांक 02.08.2022 को मध्यान्ह 01:00 बजे से सांय 04:00 बजे तक जिलाधिक महोदय महोबा के कार्यालय सभागार में कोविंड–19 प्रोटोकॉल का पालन कराते हुए सम्पन्न कराया जायेगा।
- इस्युक अभ्यर्थी बॉक-इन-इन्टरच्यू के समय नवीनतम बायोडाटा, समस्त वाछित मूल अभिलेख, रजिस्ट्रेमन की प्रति, दो नवीनतम रंगीन फोटोग्राफ तथा वाछित प्रमाण पत्रों की स्वप्रमाणित प्रतियों के 01 सेट के साथ साक्षात्कार में प्रतिभाग कर सकते हैं।
 यह पद पूर्णतया नियत मानदेय पर संविदा शर्तों के अधीन है तथा इस पर स्थायीकरण का कोई दावा स्वीकार नहीं होगा। भर्त
- प्रक्रिया के किसी भी स्तर पर रिक्त पदों की संख्या में परिवर्तन हो सकता है।
- पदों पर नियुक्ति एक वित्तीय वर्ष तक के लिए मान्य होगी, जिसे भारत सरकार से अनुमोदनोपरान्त आगे बढ़ाया सकता है। कोई भी पतिकल तथ्य पाये जाने पर चयनित अभ्यर्थी की संविदा समाप्त की जा सकती है
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DirectorMines

Department of Mines & Geology Govt.ofJharkhand

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Opening of Tender

17.08.2022

system for supply of the following items :-								
S. No.	Tender No.	Brief Description	Qty.	Closing Date				
1.	82220059E	Human Coagulation Factor VIII 500IU Recombinant	864 Nos	12-08-2022				
2.	82221208C	Empagliflozin 10mg	153000 Nos	12-08-2022				
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NORTHERN RAILWAY

Invitation of Tenders through E-Procurement system

Principal Chief Materials Manager, Northern Railway, New Delhi-110001, for and

on behalf of the President of India, invites e-tenders through e-procurer

been arrested in connection with a case in which four women BJP MLAs from Maharashtra were cheated after the man sought help for his mother's "illness".

The arrested suspects have been identified as Mukesh Rathod (25), from Lonar taluka of Buldhana district and Sunita Kshirsagar (24), from Aurangabad. Investigation into two numbers -- one used for calling the BJP MLAs and another for receiving online payment -- led police

service exams have public figures have been cheated in this manner. DCP(Zone 5) Namrata Patil said, "The two met in Aurangabad during preparations for competitive exams."

> The case has been registered under Section 419 of the IPC, which pertains to impersonation and provisions of Information Technology Act. The two were arrested on Wednesday. Police said, "Two teams were sent to Buldhana and Aurangabad, from where the two were arrested." ENS

SALUTE THE SOLDIER

MARTYRS ON 22ND JULY 1995

The Tagra Teyees family proudly remembers its Martyrs who in the true traditions of the Assam Rifles made supreme sacrifice while bravely combating terrorists in Puneja, Doda District, (J&K) on 22 Jul 1995. May the Almighty grant eternal peace to the souls of under mentioned martyrs. Their gallant action will continue to inspire us all :



Hav(Late) RAJENDER SINGH

RFN (LATE) KARNAIL SINGH

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COMMANDANT & ALL RANKS 23 ASSAM RIFLES 'TAGRA TEYEES' MARTYRS ON 22ND JULY 2020 Hav Tara Chand (02 Apr 1959-22 Jul 2000)



3 GRENADIERS proudly remembers the supreme sacrifice of this brave-heart. On this day, he laid down his life on the Line of Control in Jammu & Kashmir for the Nation, in the true traditions of the Indian Army. His courage and bravery would remain an abiding source of inspiration to us. May vour Soul attain Moksha. Commanding Officer and All Ranks 3 GRENADIERS



Gdr Dalip Singh (11 Aug 1978-22 Jul 2000) On this day we salute and pay homage to a gallant soldier who laid down his life for the Nation while protecting the territorial integrity of India, along the Line of Control in Jammu & Kashmir in finest traditions of the Indian Army. May your Soul attain Moksha.

Commanding Officer and All Ranks 3 GRENADIERS Gdr Prem Dass(12 Dec 1975-22 Jul 2000)



Today we pay tribute to the brave soldier made supreme sacrifice in the service of the Nation while fighting the terrorists in Kashmir. The Country and the 'Triumphant Third' are proud of this brave son of India. May your Soul attain Moksha

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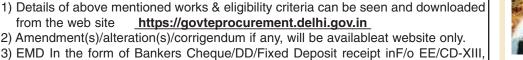
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Students take out a procession for Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof Samantak Das at Jadavpur University on Thursday. Partha Paul

Brilliant teacher and great human being: Jadavpur univ recalls a beloved Pro V-C European Languages, at Visva-

SANTANU CHOWDHURY KOLKATA JULY 21

STUDENTS, TEACHERS and alumni of Jadavpur University Thursday bade a tearful adieu to Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof Samantak Das, who was found dead at his south Kolkata residence a day before.

The body of Prof Das, who was loved and respected by colleagues, students, non-teaching staff and varsity alumni alike, was taken to the JU campus for paying final respects.

Arindam Banerjee, a former student of Das who flew down to Kolkata from Delhi said: "I never imagined that one day will have to drive the pilot car before the hearse. It is a very sad day for me to lose not only my former teacher but also my mentor. He was a brilliant teacher and

a great human being." The 56-year-old academician was found hanging from a ceiling fan with a karate belt tied around his neck, police had said. He is survived by his mother, estranged wife, son and two daughters. His first wife had died by suicide

In the early nineties, he joined the Department of English and Other Modern approach Das for a solution."

Boat dock collapses, TDP leaders rescued from river

SREENIVAS JANYALA HYDERABAD JULY 21

SEVERAL SENIOR Telugu Desam Party leaders, including former ministers, fell into the Godavari river in Konaseema district of

ters Devineni Umamaheshwara Rao, Pithani Satyanarayana, and Payavula Keshav, and former MLAs V Sivarama Raiu and oth-

ers. fell into the river when a safety gate of the landing stage broke and collapsed as too many

'Cut off', Lakshadweep sees protests, arrests and a government clarification

Ships to mainland down to two from seven due to combination of reasons; people protest, held

ARUN JANARDHANAN CHENNAI, JULY 21

A SEVERE transportation crisis in Lakshadweep has spiralled into protests and mass arrests by the administration, feeding into existing resentment against the Union territory administration led by Praful Khodabhai Patel.

On Thursday, following controversy over the arrests, the administration issued a statement saying these had primarily been carried out on account of violation of prohibitory orders, and to ensure peace. Blaming "false" and "fabricated" media reports, the statement said the administration "has been taking steps for the all-round development of islands by initiating various

Bharati University. In 2001, he became reader at the departschemes, policies, projects etc". ment and continued till January The protests stem from a

gradual easing out of ships running between the islands and mainland over the past couple of years, leading to a fall in their number from seven to two. Lakshadweep is an archipelago of 36 islands, 10 of which are inmade pro vice-chancellor of the habited. A large majority of its varsity and his tenure was 65,000 population study or work

scheduled to end in September this year. PLEA TO CANCEL PARTY REGISTRATION OVER 'NON-SECULAR' STATUS JU's Comparative Literature Department HoD Sujit Mondal recalled his association with Prof Das which from the days when he was a student at Visva-Bharati

University and was taught by Das. "He was a brilliant academic. He helped those who came from marginal sections and improved them academically," Mondal said.

2005. That year, he returned to

his alma mater to join as a reader

in comparative literature. He also

remained head of the depart-

ment (HoD) from 2007 to 2009.

Also, he completed his PhD from

JU in 2004. Last year, Das was

"He believed in Marxist ideology but he never took part in

party politics. He had friends from all walks of life and even referred to non-teaching staff as 'Sir'. He was also loved by the students," added Mondal.

Jadavpur University Teachers' Association president Partha Pratim Roy said, "He maintained good relations with everyone. If a student faced any issue he would

SOFIAHSAN NEW DELHI, JULY 21

THE DELHI High Court on Thursday told the Election Commission of India (ECI) that it should have passed a "proper speaking order" on the complaint alleging that Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) played fraud and committed forgery by "falsely" claiming to be "secular" in its application in 1989 seeking registration as a political party.

It rejected the ECI's argument that the Supreme Court has held that the poll panel does not have the power to de-register a political party.

Advocate Indira Unninayar, repre-



Protesters march to the secretariat in Kavaratti on Thursday.

on the mainland (mostly Kerala), or depend on it for essentials, requiring frequent travel.

The phasing out of ships happened due to various reasons, such as decommissioning, maintenance and repair. For instance, M V Minicoy and M V Amindivi, which used to operate to Beypore harbour in Calicut, were decommissioned, and services on this route are vet to be restored

The move has resulted in travel snarls in what is the

busiest time of the year, with many students headed out to ioin institutions.

Because of the rainy season, smaller boats are anyway not operational, leaving the islanders entirely dependent on ships. On Thursday, there was a

march to the Secretariat in Kavaratti, the capital, by protesters demanding resumption of ship services connecting the islands to Kochi.

Administrator Patel, a former Gujarat minister, is seen as indif-

told The Indian Express that while the people of Lakshadweep are "most peace-loving", the protesters were "misguided" and "encouraged by certain organisations'

politics" as he occupied a constitutional post, Patel added: "But what is taking place in the name of protests is a political stunt. Similar to the high rush of passengers in trains during peak seasons, the vacation season is to blame for the increased demand for services and the asso-

had already taken steps to resolve the issue. "The Shipping Corporation of India is now repairing a major ship (M V Kavaratti) after it caught fire. We

PRANAV MUKUL managed to efficiently facilitate AN AIR India-operated Boeing

Air India flight diverted after cabin pressure

loss; crew, plane

787 plane with around 260 people on board suffered cabin de-

pressurisation on Thursday, while

flying from Dubai to Kochi, ac-

cording to official sources. The air-

craft was cruising at 37.000 feet

when the issue occurred and saw

oxygen masks being deployed

with some of the passengers suf-

Civil Aviation (DGCA) is investi-

gating the incident. The regula-

tor has grounded the aircraft and

off-rostered the crew pending an

Following the depressurisa-

tion, the pilots descended the

aircraft to 10,000 feet. "The cap-

tain reported the pressurisation

loss to the Air India Integrated

Operations Control Centre, and

diverted the flight to Mumbai,"

a DGCA official said. There were

247 passengers and 11 crew

Air India spokesperson said in a

statement: "Flight AI 934 oper-

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NEW DELHI, JULY 21

the journey of people by prioritising travel of students and senior citizens," he said. Patel added that his administration was trying to bring

progress to an island that had "remained underdeveloped since Independence". "There weren't many options, even for drinking water. We have been taking aggressive steps to improve the island in my last oneand-a-half years in office," Patel said, adding that they had built schools, colleges, a polytechnic, a nursing institution, so that the

youth didn't have to travel to Kerala for studies. "In this brief amount of time, we have also begun admissions. Along with this, we have taken significant initiatives for tourism. sea protection walls, ice factories. and other things. Two significant airport expansion projects are now underway," Patel said.

In its statement Thursday, the administration said the protests were meant to "create a fear psvchosis against the government machinery" FULL REPORT ON

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पंजाब नैशनल बैंक CIRCLE SASTRA, ARRAH Above Bank of India, Near Peer Baba More, Ara, Bhojpur-802301 Email- cs8187@pnb.co.in POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Punjab National Bank, Circle SASTRA Ara, above Bank of India, Near Peer Baba More, Ara, Bhojpur-802301, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interes Act, 2002 and in exercise of Powers conferred under Section 13 read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated 08-04-2022 calling upon the Borrower M/S KISAN SEVA KENDRA, through its Proprietor Sh Jitendra Kumar Singh, S/o- Late Thakur Singh to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being Rs. 16,49,113.36 (Rupees Sixteen Lakh Forty Nine Thousand One Hundred Thirteen and Paisa Thirty Six Only.) within 60 days from the date of notice/date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the entire amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowe and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) or section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this 16th day of July 2022.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Punjab National Bank for an amount of Rs. 17,23,495.36/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Twenty Three Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Five and Paisa Thirty Six Only) as on 31.03.2022 and payable with future interest and expenses from 01.04.2022 until payment i

The borrower's /guarantor's /mortgagor's attention is invited to provisions of subsection (8) of section 13 of the Act in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Description of immovable property

All that part and parcel of the property Situated at Mauza- Baruna, Thana no.-113 Thana-Bihiya, Anchal Office- Bihiya, Khata No.- 54, Plot No.- 626, Area 12, Decimal, Plot No.- 622, Area- 1.75 Decimal, Plot No. 623 area 5 Decimal & Plot No. 626, Area- 12 Decimal, Total Area 18.75 Decimal, Registered Sale Deed no.- 7007, Dated- 27-10-2016. Owned by- Jitendra Kumar Singh. Bounded by : North- Nij Farik, South- Sadak, East-Ram Newaj Singh, West-Manoj vo Ramesh Singh Vagairah

Date : 16/07/2022

Authorized Officer Punjab National Bank

EC should have passed proper order on plea against SAD's registration: HC

The division bench of Chief Justice

Satish Chandra Sharma and Justice Subramonium Prasad said that no reasons for rejection have been assigned in the order passed in January 2008.

"Once a complaint of fraud was made, they were under an obligation to pass the order, keeping in view the complaint made," the court said.

senting petitioner Balwant Singh Khera, earlier argued that in its decision in the 'Indian National Congress

SAD chief Sukhbir Singh Badal

registration was obtained by playing fraud on the Commission.

In 2018, Khera had approached the court seeking quashing of ECI's 2008 rejection order, and also setting aside the registration of SAD in 1989. According to the petitioner, SAD was always a religio-political party, which maintained public alignment with Sikh religion by contesting elections to religious outfits.

The petition claims that SAD falsely undertook to be "secular" while seeking registration under Section 29A of The Representation of the People Act the provision requires the applicant to have rules and regulations that specifically mentions that it will bear true faith and allegiance to the principles of secularism.

The petition alleges that SAD subitted a "fabricated constitution" before the ECI, and a non-secular one be-

fore the Gurdwara Election

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Bank of Baroda

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Petition claims that SAD falsely undertook to be 'secular' while seeking registration

Following the court's observations. the counsel representing the ECI submitted that he would seek instructions on whether the poll panel can voluntarily recall the rejection order of 2008. Granting a week's time for this, the court listed the matter for next hearing on August 1.

"If they are ready to look into it, the matter ends. If they are not, we will decide," the court said.

Khera has been seeking cancellation of SAD's registration since 2004 In 2009, he also filed a criminal complaint before a court in Punjab's Hoshiarpur against SAD chief Sukhbir Singh Badal and other party leaders. Alleging that the party continues to contest both political and Sikh gurdwara elections, Khera has told the high court that the election panel failed to act despite the "fraud and forgery"

notice.

POSSESSION NOTICE

(FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

Saying he could not "discuss

ciated difficulties."

ferent to the sensitivities of the almost entirely Muslim-inhabited UT. In 2021, he was caught in controversy over a proposed cow slaughter ban, a decision to remove meat and chicken from mid-day meals and the closure of dairy farms citing financial loss. The matter is pending in the Supreme Court.

Rejecting the charges, Patel

The Administrator said they

Andhra Pradesh Friday when a boat dock collapsed but were were swiftly rescued.

TDP chief and former chief minister N Chandrababu Naidu, who is touring flood-affected districts in the Godavari region, had stepped on to a boat from the same dock in Razole just a few minutes before the mishap. Officials said former minis-

भारतीय पेंकेजिंग संस्थान ndian Institute of Packaging notice. Admission Open for INTENSIVE TRAINING COURSE IN PACKAGING (ITC) Course Duration 3 – Months (Full Time) Course Commences from 1st September, 2022 A IN PACKAGING THROUGH CORRESPONDENCE (DPC) Course Duration 18 Months Last Date for Admission 31st December, 2022 For more details, Please visit our website: www.iip-in.com submit application form through onlir Contact Details: Mr. Anil Moule (+91 9007898089), Ms. Sreeja Balaji (+91 8691853911) Indian Institute of Packaging E-2, MIDC Area, Andheri East, Mumbai-400 093 Tel: 91-22-69192242/3/4 FORM No.-15 BEFORE. THE LD. DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL AT PATNA O.A. No. 176 of 2022 Applicant: Bank of India, S.K. Nagar Branch, Patna Vs. Respondent/Defendant(s):....M/s Jubie Hospitality Pvt. Ltd. & Others SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES,1993. S 1. M/s Jubie Hospitality Pvt. Ltd. through its Directors, H/o Anil Kumar Singh, Gate No.77, Kurjee Pul, Sadakat Ashram, Patna-800001 Bundela Bhawan, Natraj Gali, Bakerganj, Opposite Kulharia House, Patna-4Defendant-2. 3. Ayush, S/o Uday Shankar, R/o 105, Bundela Bhawan, Natraj Gali, Natraj Gali, Bakerganj, Opposite Kulharia House, Patna-4Defendant-4. **. Smt. Usha Devi**, W/o Badri Prasad, R/o Bundela Bhawan, Natraj Gali, Bakerganj, Opposite Kulharia House, Patna-4.Defendant-5. Whereas the applicant has instituted an application under Section 19 of he Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against the defendants for recovery of a sum of Rs. 37,69,075/- (Rs. Thirty Seven Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand and Seventy Five only) up to 31/12/2021 together with current and future interest, costs and for ot eliefs. The above mentioned defendant/s is/are therefore hereby directed to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an advocate or duly authorised agent, in support of his/their defense to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **25th day of August, 2022 at 10.30 a.m.** (for noon) as to why reliefs prayed for should not be granted. S Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in vour absence. GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND THE SEAL OF THIS TRIBUNALS ON THIS THE 11th DAY OF July, 2022. (Pravin Kumar)

Registrar

Debts Recovery Tribunal

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people stood on it. Personal Security Officers (I) vs Institute Of Social Welfare' case, and NDRF personnel nearby the apex court said that the EC can rethrew life jackets and other floating devices to which the TDP leaders held on to until they

were pulled ashore. "We were all very lucky. Had the flood in the Godavari not receeded, we would have been swept away and drowned," former MLA V Sivarama Raju said.

view its order to register a party if such **Regional Office :** Krishna Honda Building, Akharaghat Road,

Muzaffarpur-842001

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorised officer of the BANK OF BARODA under the securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice calling upon the borrower(s)/Gurantor to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said

Commission.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers/Gurantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under sub section (4 of section 13 of the Act with rule 8 of the said rules.

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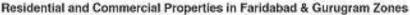
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It is for general information that I,Rajeshwari,W/o Joginder Singh,R/o-176,Singhal Pur-Village,Shalimar-Bagh,North-West Delhi, Delhi-110088, declare that name of my minor daughter Muskan aged-16-years has been wrongly-written as Muskan Sisodia in her educationaldocuments.The actual-name of my minor daughter is Muskan, which may be amended accordingly

0040623519-10 I,hitherto known as Vijay

Sharma Alias Vijay Laxm Sharma.D/o-Vilavati Ram Sharma,W/o-Virender Mohan Sharma, R/o.5-B, Block-CA,Shalimar-Bagh,Delhi-110088,have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Vijay Laxmi Sharma It is cerified that I have complied with other legal requirments in this connection

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I.hitherto known as Ram Kumar Baliyan alias Ram kumar, S/o-Sri Inderpal Singh R/o Flat no.173-C. Anukampa Apartment, Abhay Khand-IV,Indirapuram, Ghaziabad,Uttar Pradesh-201014, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Ram Kumar.

0040623523-1 I,Vikram Singh Chouhan,S/o-Sohan Singh Chouhan, R/o. B2-101.First-Floor.Unitech The Residences, Hero Honda-Road,Sector-33,Gurgaon (Harvana)-122001.have changed my minor daughter's namely Vanshika to Vanshika Chauhan. 0040623526-2

I,Saurabh Arora S/o Yash Mohan R/o-6/22,Old,Rajinder Nagar N Delhi-110060 changed my,minor daughter's name Amayra Arora to Alayina Arora.

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I,Rajender Gahlot,S/o Lakhbir Singh Gahlot, R/o S-60/25 Jal Vihar Lajpat Nagar-I, Delhi-110024, changed my minor son name Ansh to Ansh Gahlot.

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I,Rajender Gahlot S/o Lakhbir Singh Gahlot, R/o S-60/25 Jal Vihar Lajpat Nagar-I, Delhi-110024, changed my minor son name Vansh Gehlot to Vansh Gahlot.

SH.KISHORI LAL GAMBHIR.R/O.H-284.SECTOR **BETA-2, GREATER** NOIDA,G.B.NAGAR,U.P.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME, FROM RAJINDER KUMAR TO RAJINDER KUMAR GAMBHIR, FOR ALL.FUTURE PURPOSES

I.Premnath Gambhir S/o Melu Ram Gambhir.R/o B-5/20 21,Sector-3,Rohini, Delhi-110085, have changed my name

0040623516-2 I,Parlad Singh,S/O-Nasib

Singh.R/O-11C. Hig-flats.tower-3,pocket-A,sector-105,

I.Habeeb S/O. Hazi Salimuddin R/o,F-55, Gali No-6, Bhagirathi Vihar Phase-1, Gokapur Delhi 110094.have changed my name to Mohd Habeeb.

I,HAMIDA BEGUM, w/o SYED NAZIM ALI R/o-2581/3 IST-DARYAGANJ, DELHI-2, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO HAMEEDA BEGUM.

I,Gurpreet Anand R/o-6/5A, South Patelnagar.N.Delhi-110008, have changed my minor son's name Pratham Anand to Pratham Singh Anand.

I,Gulam Sakir Khan S/o Munney Khan R/o 2345, Katra Alam Beg, Ballimaran, Delhi-110006, have changed my name to Shakir Khan, for all future purposes.

0040623404-1 I.Girish Kumar S/o Jai Kishan Rohatgi R/o House.No-5695,Gali.No-81 Regar Pura Karol-Bagh Central.Delhi-110005, have changed my name to Girish Kumar Rohatgi.

I.Dinesh Kumar.S/O-Shri Amrit Lal R/O G-29/124-125,Upper Ground floor, Sector-3.Rohini.Delhi-110085.have Changed my name to Dinesh Mittal.

0040623523-2 I.Dev Harsh Attri.S/O-Banwari Lal Attri R/O.B-2(WO MAP)HQ WAC SUBROTO-PARK, NEW DELHI-110010, have changed my name, from Dev Harsh Attri to Devharsh Attri,Vide-affidavit dated-21/07/2022, before-Notary, New-Delhi.

0040623519-8 I,Babita W/o-Subhash Chander R/o R7-T-136F. Shukar Bazar.Uttam-Nagar.Delhi-110059, have changed mydaughter's name from Aaradhna to Aradhna Badola 0040623527-6

I,Ashu Devi W/o Vinod Bhati R/o

Bhati.

changed my name to Ashu

Singh Malhotra R/o-69

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future purposes.

I, Suruchi Goswami, D/o Satish

Goswami and W/o Prashant

Sri,Nagar,Colony Ashok

Ghanghola,post Mavcha.G.B.Nagar, have

I.Amrik Singh S/o Surender

Vihar.Road Delhi-110052, changed my name to Amrik Singh Malhotra. I.ANIL NAGPAL.S/0 KRISHAN LAL NAGPAL, R/o A-810, SHASTRI

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110052.Changed my name to I,RAJINDER KUMAR,S/O ANIL KUMAR NAGPAL. I, AKHILESH KUMAR PANDEY, S/o Om Prakash Pandey, R/o 2120, First Floor, Gali No.4, Chuna Mandi, Paharganj, Delhi-110055, have changed my name to AKHILESH PANDEY, for all

0040623526-3

Trikha, R/o V-708, Amrapali Zodiac Sec-120 Noida Prem Gambhir, for all purposes. Gautam Buddha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh-201301, have changed my name to Suruchii Trikha.

Noida,Uttar Pradesh,changed my name, from Parlad singh katal to Parlad singh, From now I shall be known by this name. 0040623519-9

I. Manoi Kumar Raiput, R/o III-F/869, Sector-3, Vaishali, Ghaziabad, UP-201010, have changed my minor Daughter's name from PARI RAJPUT to VAMIKA RAJPUT for all future 0040623513-1 purposes.

FLOOR SIR SYED AHMED ROAD

I, Madhu Bala Manchanda W/o Raj Kumar Manchanda R/o GH-9/184. Paschim Vihar. Delhi-110087, have changed my name to Madhu Manchanda for all 0040623523-4 purposes.

I, Kishore Kumar S/o Late M.R. Arya Residening at H.No.46, Type-5, Block-7, Floor-2, Lodhi Road Complex, GPRA New 0040623523-8

Delhi-110003, have changed the name of my minor son BHUMITRA KUMAR ARYA aged 14-years and he shall hereafter be known-as BHUMITRA ARYA.

> I, Happy Verma, S/o Sunil Verma, R/o 1102/A g/f, Gali No-22, S.B.S Colony, Karawal Nagar, Delhi-110094, have changed my name to Siddharth Verma.

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0070795576-1 0040623513-6 I, Babita, W/o-Subhash Chander, R/o RZ-T-136F, Shukar-Bazar, Uttam Nagar, Delhi-110059 have changed mydaughter's name, from Aakansha to Akansha Badola. 0040623527-5

I. Arvind Kumar S/o Shri Shyam Singh R/o HNo 434, Sector-11, Vasundhara, Ghaziabad, UP-201012, have changed the name of my son from VAVISHTHA TOMAR to YAVISHTH CHAUDHARY for all future purposes. 0040623453-1

I, Ariba Alvi, D/o Mohammad Sakhi Alvi, R/o J-3/32-B, 1st Floor, Khirki Extn., Delhi-110017, have changed my name to Areeba Alvi.

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I, Anoop Agrawal S/o Vijay Agrawal R/o H.No.-151, Illrd Floor, Bank Enclave, Opp.Lovely Public School, Laxmi Nagar, Delhi-110092, have changed the name of my minor son from Nischay Agrawal to Nischay Agarwal.

I, ADITYA SINGH S/0 SH.ARVIND SINGH, R/o-B-16-S, Delhi Police CGHS Mayur Vihar, Phase-1, East Delhi-110091, that my name have been wrongly written as ADITYA in my 0040623523-7 educational Certificate. (10thclass) actual name of my is ADITYA SINGH

0040623468-2

Sakuntla Devi W/O Sh. Devender Singh Dhamin R/O Vill Bhountari P.O. Marhmanley, Tehsil-Didihat Distt. Pithoragarh. Marhmanley, Uttarakhand-262501 I have changed my name SAKUNTLA DHAMIN to SAKUNTLA DEVI for all future purposes.

0040623437-1 I SIMMI DUTTA daughter of Late Sh. Prem Dutt resident of B-47, Second Floor, Ram Dutt Enclave, Uttam Nagar, New Delhi-110059 resident of have changed my name from SIMMI DUTTA to SIMMI SHARMA vide affidavit dated 11/5/2022 at New Delhi

I Raj Kumar Vij S/o Shri Birbal

R/o G-701, Amrapali Platinum,

0040623405-6

I.BRIJESH CHOUDHRY,S/O.JASHOR CHOUDHARY, ADD-124-D, LIG-FLATS, POCKET, A-2 MAYUR-VIHAR PHASE -3,EAST-DELHI.110096, changed my name to BRIJESH CHOUDHARY, for all, future Purposes.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

of this publication that my client namel nti Devi W/o Lt.Sh.Hetram R/o E-41

b) or any parase booth vitter Phase-1 Delhi a lick regard Lost report no. 877247/2021 lo PS- Crime Branch Delhi on dated 29.10.2 ly person(s) found these paper will return me to my client on above noted address a

aking any sale agreement or whatsoeve led as null and void. Further if any p

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, RAJEEVKATHURIA S/o LATE SH. SURESH KUMAR KATHURIA. Entire Second Floor & Third Floor K-90 Patel Nagar Delhi. Sale Deed dated 06.02.2015 executed by Sh. Praveenkumar Kathuria & Sh. Anii Kathuria both S/o Late Sh. BL. BehariLal Kathuria in tavour of Sh. SureshKumar regarding their ShareinEntire Second Enor & Third Enor (Mith Bord Birbhs)

egaronig their Sharein-Entire Second licor & Third Floor (With Roof Rights uild up on Property No. K-90, Situated tt West Patel Nagar, New Delhi area feasuring 254 Sq. Fts. duly registered the office of Sub Registrar II, New

Delhi, vide entry in book no. I, Jild n 22158, from pages 16 to 25,at Srl n 981 has been lost. Finder Contact Ambar Jain(Advocate) 9899972745

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NUTICE Be it known to all that my clients Sh. Sudarshan Singh Kandari Syo Bhagat Singh Kandari and Sh. Shakuntala Kandari Wo Sh. Sudarshan Singh Kandari both r/o L 1008, KDP Grand Savanna, Raj Nagar Extin, Ghaziabad have severed all relationship connection with their son Sh. Kanishka Kandari and have disowned and disinherited them of all their moveable and non-moveable property. Whosever deals with them in any manner shall do so at h isher own risk, cost and consequences. That my clients shall not be responsible for their acts under any circumstances.

Sd/- SAKSHAM BHAYAN

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject- Transfer of Ownershi

Subject-Transfer of Ownership in respect of property no. CIA 085/1 AC-13 in Carlton Estate. Gurugram and property no. DVF E5/8/Second Floor, DLF Valley Panchkula upon the death of Late Sh. Kajiash Chander Tuli 3/C Late Sh. Kallash Chander Tuli 3/C

Sh. Kailash Chander Tuli. Late Sh. Kailash Chander Tuli So Late Sh. L.D. Tuli Who was the co-owner of the subject cited properties as per record has deed on 11.09.2003 and 05.04.2017 respectively. Now Mrs. Indra Mohini Tuli W/o Late Sh. Kailesh Chander Tuli R/o 49-A, SFS (MIG) DDA Flats, Motia Khan, Pahar Ganj, New Delhi-110055, Intends to apply for the Transfer of the basis of being legal heir, If any person is having objection against the transfer of as above properties, he/she can submit objection in writing to DLF offices in Gurugram and Panchkula. Otherwise the above said properties shall be transferred accordingly and may not entertain subsequent claim if any. Kartik Wadhwa (Advocate)

ubsequent claim if any. Kartik Wadhwa (Advocate) Enr. No. D/9868/2021

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public is hereby informed that my client/s Ms. Chander Prabha W/o Mr. Vijender is the owner of IInd Floor of Prop. No. 1767/131, Old No. 126, atShanti Nagar, Tri Nagar, Delhi, Initially the Prop. was the name of Mr. Nathan

Old No. 126, at Shanti Nagar, Ini Nagar, Delhi, Initially the Prop. was the name of Mr. Nathan Singh Later on Mr. Nathan Singh Later on Mr. Nathan Singh subsequently his wife Ms. Shyama Devi thereafter his Son Mr. Bhupender Singh all died. Survivor Certificate of Late Mr. Nathan Singh & other was not obtained. Any person having any claim in respect of the above said mentioned property thereof by way of inheritance, transfer, mortgage or otherwise, whatsoever, an evidence to the undersigned on below mentioned address within 7 days from the date of publication hereof together with copies of all documents on the basis which claims area made, filing which any such fany will be deemed to have been waived and not binding on my clients.

Manoj Kumar, Advocate, Ch. No. 192, Tis Hazari Courts, (Civil Side) Delhi-110054 Mobile No. 9868581889

RECRUITMENT

on my clients.

20, OLD MARK

RAMESH NAGA

NEW DELHI-110015

any objection will contact to the competent court of law.

Advocat Office:-B-6/175, Sector-8, Rohin

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LOST & FOUND

I,Kaushal Kumar Gupta,S/o Gulzari Lal R/o House No.15, Ground Floor, Pocket-2, Jasola, New Delhi-110025, have lost my all original-documents Allotmentcum-Demand Letter & Shop Posession offer-Letter & NOC **Electric and Water Connection** & Shop Posession-Letter & Original Conveyance Deed of property bearing No.Shop No-103, Upper Ground-Floor, DDA Community Shopping Centre, Vijay Mandal-Enclave, New Delhi-110016.If anyone found the same please-send return or contact at-9810098568, Emailseema_84@hotmail.com 0040623526-8

LOST AND FOUND It is hereby informed to the General Public that, I, Mr. Chander Bhalla S/o Late Sh. Santsaran Bhalla R/o FF-20, Omaxe Square, District Centre Jasola. New Delhi-110025 have lost Jasola, New Delhi-110025 have lost the Original Provisional Allotment Letter No. **396727/KSB0033001** dated **11.11.2014** and Original Payment Receipt No. **2300004073** dated **11.11.2014** of Rs. **6,74,500/** issued by Jaiprakash Associates Limited in respect of Unit bearing No. **KSB0033001** in Kasablanca project, situated at Javnee Greens Norida on situated at Jaypee Greens, Noida on dated 15.07.2022. Any one finding the said documents is requested to kindly return the same to me or to the mpany.

Name: Mr. Chander Bhalla Address: FF-20, Omaxe Square, District Centre Jasola, New Delhi-110025 Phone No.: 8800660925 Email id:csbhalla@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE Its herety notified to the general public by this public notice that my client Mrs. Umila Devi W/o Shri Nanak Chand Fio 335, Kucha Kashgiri, Bazar Sita Ram, Delhi-110006, have snapped her all relations with her adopted son Mr. Vishal Yadav and his family and have disowned and debared them from all right, title and interest in her movable and immovable properties. If anyone deals with them in any manner whatsoever shall be doing hisher own risk and responsibility, my client shall not be responsibilit of the same. Saf-

is hereby given to the public at large y client SMT. SANTOSH SAHI (AGEL T 49 YEARS OLD), W/O SH. RAMESI R SAHI, R/O A-4, FIRST FLOOR UTTAM NAGAR, DELHI-110059, ha TI UTTAM NAGAR, DELHI-110059, has dall their relations from his son AFJUN til (AED ABOUT 30 YEARS), discomed debared him from all his movebale and lovable properties with immediate effect ause of disobedience and temperaments es with the son and atrocities committed me against my client. Any person dealing them shall be doing so that their own risk, and consequences. My client shall not be onsible in any manner for the same. Sql.

NAKUL GROVER (ADVOCATE) E.No. D-7131/1 Office At- G-22, Suneja Tower-1 District Center, Janakpuri New Delhi-11005

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is for the general public that my client Mr. Ram Prakash S/o Late Sh. Maidhan Dass R/o B-261 Sudharshan Park, near Mot Nagar, P.O Ramesh Nagar, New Delhi-110015, has severed all his relations with her daughter Smt Seema Rani Gupta W/o Sh Pawan Kumar Gupta and disowned her from all his movable & immovable properties due to their act of disobediences and ill treatment.



PLOT NO, 5, JHANDEWALAN, KAROL BAGH, NEW DELHI-05

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Online open Bids have been invited for organizing various cultural events by Academies/SKP/Department of ACL, GNCTD as under:

Sr.	Name of BID & Tender ID	Bid Start	Pre-Bid	Last Date of	Bid End	Opening of
No.		Date & Time	Meetin	receiving queries	Date & Time	Technical Bid
1	HIRING OF TENTAGE, FURNITURE,	20.07.2022	27.07.2022	26.07.2022 by	11-08-2022	12-08-2022
	SHAMIYANA ETC	at 11:00 AM	at 11:30 AM	11:30 AM	at 03:00 PM	at 11:00 AM
	(ID-2022_DSNSA_226294_1)					
2	HIRING OF AGENCY FOR VIDEO	20.07.2022	27.07.2022	26.07.2022 by	11-08-2022	12-08-2022
	RECORDING & PHOTOGRAPHY	at 11:00 AM	at 12:00 PM	11:30 AM	at 03:00 PM	at 11:30 PM
	(ID-2022_DSNSA_226294_2)					
3	HIRING OF STAGE LIGHT EQUIPMENTS	20.07.2022	27.07.2022	26.07.2022 by	11-08-2022	12-08-2022
	(ID-2022_DSNSA_ 226294_4)	at 11:00 AM	at 01:00 PM	11:30 AM	at 03:00 PM	at 12:30 PM
4	HIRING OF STAGE SOUND EQUIPMENT	20.07.2022	27.07.2022	26.07.2022 by	11-08-2022	12-08-2022
	(ID-2022_DSNSA_ 226294_5)	at 11:00 AM	at 1:30 AM	11:30 AM	at 03:00 PM	at 01.00 PM
5	SUPPLY OF BOARD, BANNERS AND	20.07.2022	27.07.2022	26.07.2022 by	11-08-2022	12-08-2022
	PANELS	at 11:00 AM	at 12:30 PM	11:30 AM	at 03:00 PM	at 12:00 PM
	(ID-2022_DSNSA_ 226294_3)					
6	HIRING OF TAXIS	20.07.2022	27.07.2022	26.07.2022 by	11-08-2022	12-08-2022
	(ID-2022_DSNSA_ 226294_6)	at 11:00 AM	at 02:30 PM	11:30 AM	at 03:00 PM	at 02:00 PM
7	HIRING OF BUSES	20.07.2022	27.07.2022	26.07.2022 by	11-08-2022	12-08-2022
	(ID-2022_DSNSA_ 226294_7)	at 11:00 AM	at 03:00 PM	11:30 AM	at 03:00 PM	at 02:30 PM
8	HIRING OF AGENY FOR PRINTING WORKS	20.07.2022	27.07.2022	26.07.2022 by	11-08-2022	12-08-2022
	(ID-2022_DSNSA_ 226294_8)	at 11:00 AM	at 02:00 PM	11:30 AM	at 03:00 PM	at 01:30 PM

THE SAID TENDERS CAN BE SEEN AND DOWNLOADED FROM THE WEB-PORTAL HITPS://GOVTPROCUREMENT.DELHI.GOV.IN FREE OF COST. INTERESTED PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS MAY VISIT THE WEBSITE OR MAY CONTACT ON PHONE:011-23635592 OR E-MAIL: DELHISANSKRITACADEMYTENDER@GMAIL.COM.

DIP/SHABDARTH/0238/22-23

SD/-SECRETARY, DELHI SANSKRIT ACADEMY, GNCTD

Directorate of Mines Department of Mines & Geology Government of Jharkhand Nepal House (Yojna Bhavan), Doranda, Ranchi - 834002,

Email: director-mines@jharkhandmail.gov.in **Notice Inviting Tender**

"Invitation of Bid for grant of Mining Lease"

In exercise of the power conferred by Section 15 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 and in accordance with the Jharkhand Miner Mineral Concession Rules, 2004 (Subsequent Amendments) and the Jharkhand Minor Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2017 (Subsequent Amendments) notified there under, Government of Jharkhand has identified a Stone block for the purpose of grant of Mining Lease in [Khunti] District, Jharkhand, through electronic auction and hereby invites bid sin digital format only, frome ligible bidders.

Terms and conditions, deadlines etc. for participating in the electronic auction are provided in the Tender Document. The Model Tender Document for the Mineral Block and Mineral Block Summary are available free of costin electronic formand can be downloaded from website of MSTC [https://www mstcecommerce.com/auctionhome/mmb/jharkhand/index.jsp] for the purpose of information only.Time lines, notification, updates and other details of the e-auction process are available on the website of MST C and the website of Department of Mines & Geology, Govt.of Jharkhand http://www.jharkhand.gov.in mines-geology

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		(Cubic meter)	MSTC website	website					
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Those interested and eligible for bidding can participate in the bidding only after online purchase of theTender Documenton payment of the tender fee of INR 25000.00 (Indian Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) plus GST as applicable (non-refundable), from the website of e-auction platform provider. The applicable GST should be paid by Reverse Charge Mechanism by the Bidder and the GST Paid Slip should be attached with the Bid Letter. After purchase of the Tender Document, eligible bidders can register themselve son the above-mentioned website. On successful registration, eligible bidder will obtain Login ID and password necessary for participation in the e-auction process. Sd/-

PR.NO.274249 Mines and Geology(22-23):D

Directorate of Mines

Department of Mines& Geology, Government of Jharkhand Nepal House (Yojna Bhavan), Doranda, Ranchi - 834002, Email: director-mines@jharkhandmail.gov.in

Director Mines Department of Mines & Geology Govt. of Jharkhand

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> VIKAS SHARMA (ADVOCATE) Ch. No. 467, Civil Wing Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-54 PUBLIC NOTICE

I.PRANAV KUMAR YADAV.S/O MOHINDER KUMAR YADAV, R/O 213,AHIR MOHALLA.NANGLOI.DELHI-110041.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO PARNAV KUMAR.

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INATIMALLS/0 SYED MOHAMMED ALI R/o-2581/3 IST-FLOOR SIR SYED AHMED ROAD DARYAGANT.DELHI-2, HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO SYED NAZIM ALI.

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LMohd Salimuddin S/o Mohd Karimuddin R/o, A-187, F/F, Kh.No-1/3/1. Gali.No-9.33.Futa Road Bhagirathi Vihar Mustafabad, Delhi-110094, have changed my name to Hazi Salimuddin.

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I.Meenakshi Goel alias Meenakshi Gupta W/o Sudhir Gupta R/o,III-H-76, Nehru Nagar, Ghaziabad, U.P.-201001, have changed my name to Minakshi Gupta for-allpurposes.

I,Kawaljit Kaur W/o-Late ManmohanSingh Sethi,D/o-Late Joginder SinghKohli R/o:K-52B,Fateh Nagar,New Delhi-18 Have Changed My Name to Kawaljeet Kaur Sethi, for all Purposes.

I,KAVITA D/O GURDEEP SINGH,R/O HNO.123/18. GALINO.15, MAIN MARKET, SANT NAGAR, BURARI, DELHI-110084.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME TO KAVITA CHADDHA.

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I,K MADHU KUMAR,S/O K HANUMANTHU.R/0.74-B. POCKET.C-1, DDA, JANTA-FLAT, MAYUR-VIHAR PHASE 3, EAST-DELHI, DELHI-110096, Changed my name to K MADHU.

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I,HITHERTO KNOWN AS RIDHI KASHYAP.D/O Sh.Rajeev Kashyap,w/o Tanuj Berry,R/o.B-187, greater-kailash-1, greaterkailash.south-delhi-110048, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as RIDHI BERRY.

MODIYA, MURTHAL KHAS. SONIPAT, HARYANA-131027, changed my name to SARITA.

I, SARITA DEVI ANTIL, W/0

I, SANDEEP ANTIL, S/0 RAVINDER SINGH R/o PANA MODIYA MURTHAL KHAS, SONIPAT,

HARYANA-131027, Changed my name to SANDEEP. I. Reeta Sharma W/o Aman Sharma R/o B-504, Kribhco

Township, Sec-35, Noida Distt-Gautambudhnagar declare that my name as Rita Sharma has been wrongly written in my daughter Aarohi Sharma's school records. My correct name is Reeta Sharma.

0040623460-1 I. Razia W/o Late Mukesh Khan. R/o S-3/410, Sudhar Camp, Kalkaji, New Delhi-110019 declare that in my minor son Mohammed Rehman's Passport No.R3179941 his father's name has been mentioned as Mukesh instead of Mukesh Khan. The correct name of my husband is Mukesh Khan which may be amended accordingly.

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I. Ravi Dutt Sharma R/o 156 Main Market Railway Road Site 4 Industrial Area Sahibabad have changed my minor son's name from Rajiv Kumar Kaushik to Rajeev Kaushik for 0040623513-3 all purposes. 0040623487-1

I, ROHIT, R/o Plot No 5-6-7-8, S/F Flat No 303, Om Namoh Apt, Bharat Vihar Extn. Block D. Dwarka Sec 14, Delhi -110078, have changed my name to ROHIT SAXENA.

I, Promod Bhushan Vigamal S/o Om Parkash, R/o-B-112, Malviya Nagar, Delhi-1100017, have changed my name to Promod Bhushan Permanently.

I, Nibha, W/o Abhinit Das, R/o KA - 28 (Ground Floor), Kaushambi, Ghaziabad-201010, have changed my name to Nibha Das. I shall be known as and using this name Nibha Das for all future purposes.

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Sector-119, Noida-201301, Gautam Budh Nagar, Uttar Pradesh have changed the 0040623519-5 name of my minor son from Aavush Vii alias Arnav Vii to Aayush Vij for all purposes. 0040623519-4

Neha Upadhavav W/o Shri Adarsh Kumar Tiwari, Resident of House No. A-442/11, Ground Floor, Block-A, Near Arpan Public School, Jaitpur Extn., Badarpur, New Delhi-110044 have changed my name from Neha Upadhayay to Neha Tiwari for all future purposes.

0040623439-1 Natalva Namrenko wife of

Mr.Krishan Mohan Lal Nayyar. R/O A-8, Asha Park, New Delhi-110018. I am the mother of master Neel Madhav alias Nandu. I hereby state and inform that my son Neel Madhav was born on 25.01.2006, and that Neel Madhav is the real and correct name of My son, and his nick name is Nandu. In some documents his name is mentioned as Nandu. Neel Madhav and Nandu are the one and same person.

I Biswajit Mondal S/o Ganesh Mandal R/o Ch 1061/B/1 Khasra 1151/3 Ward 7, Mehrauli, New Delhi dohereby declare that my name has been mentioned as Biswajeet in LIC policy 117162701 and my correctname is Biswajit Mondal. I affirm that Biswajit Mondal and Biswajeet is one person.

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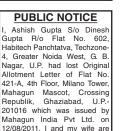
I.RA IFNDER KUMAR GAMBHIR,S/O SH.KISHORI LAL GAMBHIR,R/O.H-284,SECTOR BETA-2, GREATER NOIDA G B NAGAR, U.P. HAVE CHANGED MY NAME, FROM RAJENDER KUMAR GAMBHIR TO RAJINDER KUMAR GAMBHIR, FOR ALL, FUTURE PURPOSES.

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THIS WORD MEANS

HASTA LA VISTA

Schwarzenegger's Terminator said it in 1991. Boris Johnson has signed off with it. Where does the phrase come from?

RAGHU MALHOTRA NEW DELHI, JULY 21

BORIS JOHNSON, the outgoing UK Prime Minister, faced 'Prime Minister's Questions; for the final time in the House of Commons on Wednesday. He signed off with a flourish, saying, "Hasta la vista, baby", before walking out amid applause from Conservative MPs.

IN POPULAR CULTURE: Hasta la vista, which literally translates to "until the view" is a Spanish farewell that means "see you later", or "goodbye". The phrase, with the addition of a jaunty "baby" at the end, became entrenched in global popular culture after it was said by Arnold Schwarzenegger in Terminator 2: Judgment Day (1991). Schwarzenegger plays a cyborg called the T-800 Terminator, from a dystopian future, who is sent back in time to protect a teenager, John Connor. The Terminator becomes friends with John, who teaches him the phrase "hasta la vista, baby". In one of Hollywood's most iconic scenes, the Terminator repeats phrase in deadpan fashion before shooting the chief antagonist

"Hasta la vista, baby" is placed at #76 in the American Film Institute's '100 Years...



The scene in which the Terminator delivers the iconic line.

100 Movie Quotes', which lists the 100 most memorable quotes in American cinema. (Chosen and ranked by a jury of 1,500 experts in 2004, the lines are only from films released until that year.)

JOHNSON IN THE COMMONS: While Johnson attempted to end his final PMQ with a bang, it remains to be seen when, if ever, he is able to deliver on the promise of another iconic dialogue in the Terminator series - this one ranked at #37 in the '100 Quotes' list. In The Terminator (1984), where he plays a different cyborg, this one sent back in time to assassinate John's mother Sarah Connor, Schwarzenegger famously says: "I'll be back".

TELLING NUMBERS Crimes against SCs, STs: rise in cases, and trends by state

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CASES OF crime against Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes have risen progressively in the years between 2018 and 2020, according to figures tabled by the Ministry of Home Affairs in Lok Sabha on Tuesday. Minister of State (Home) Ajay Kumar Mishra tabled the figures, sourced from the National Crime Records Bureau, in a written reply to an unstarred question by Telangana MPs

and Manne Srinivas Reddy (TRS). Cases registered for crime against SCs rose from 42,793 in 2018 to over 50,000 in 2020, and of crime against STs from 6,528 to 8,272 in the same period.

The figures also detailed how many cases had resulted in chargesheets being filed, and how many were pending investigation at the end of each of these year (see charts).

EXPLAINED GLOBAL **Ranil and the Rajapaksas**

As President Ranil Wickremesinghe starts on the most difficult assignment of his long political career, his greatest challenge will be to convince Sri Lankans that he is not a proxy for the Rajapaksa clan.

NIRUPAMA SUBRAMANIAN NEW DELHI, JULY 21

AT THE end of 2018, Mangala Samaraweera, then the Media Minister in the tottering National Unity Government of Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe and President Maithripala Sirisena, made a remark that set off political ripples. As the government struggled to stay alive against the machinations of Mahinda Rajapaksa who was on the comeback trail and threatening to topple it, Samaraweera, who died last year, said: "... If we hadn't won, Mahinda Rajapaksa would never have been able to go overseas. He would have been arrested. Mahinda Rajapaksa should actually light a lamp and worship Ranil Wickremesinghe every day. If he likes, he can even hang my picture next to the Prime Minister's picture and worship. Because we saved him from becoming identified as an international assassin..." (newsfirst.lk)

Samaraweera, an arch political foe of the Rajapaksas, was unlikely to have intended this remark to go down as a "secret alliance" understanding between Wicrkremesinghe and the Rajapaksas. But long before then, in fact within months of entering office in 2015, Wicrkremesinghe was already seen as dragging his feet on the corruption investigations against the Rajapaksas. He appeared disinterested in the newly set up Financial Crimes Investigation Division, a separate unit in the police that had a mandate to investigate corruption cases. Nor was there much progress in the criminal investigation into the killing of journalist Lasantha Wickremtunge.

There were media reports too that the government had not followed up on inputs by western agencies on shipments of foreign currency notes out of Sri Lanka. Among civil society groups that had worked hard to put Sirisena-Wickremesinghe the "Yahapalanaya" (good governance) government in office, there was disappointment that the government had failed to proceed vigorously against the Rajapaksas as it had promised.

Sirisena, whose own political longevity depended on the government acting swiftly to put the Rajapaksas behind bars, also lost interest in keeping his rebellion against them



Then President Gotabaya Rajapaksa (right) greets Ranil Wickremesinghe, then Prime Minister, in May 2022 in Colombo. AP/PTI

alive, and decided that his own interests lay in burying the hatchet and accepting Mahinda's leadership again.

This is why Wickremsinghe's street cred has been so low. Just like his prime ministership, his win in Wednesday's presidential election was built on the back of the Rajapaksa family party's parliamentary numbers. In the eyes of many, this only deepens a discredited association, despite Wickremesinghe's efforts over the last few days to put distance between himself and the ousted dynasty. Very few would expect that despite his vast powers as President, he will hold Gotabaya, Mahinda or any of the other Rajapaksas accountable for their alleged misdeeds. Instead, the more widespread belief is that they will once again get a free pass.

Two decades ago, no one in Sri Lanka would have described Ranil Wickremesinghe as a stooge of the Rajapaksas.

Both Wickremesinghe and Mahinda Rajapaksa have been in Sri Lanka's public life through four decades, most of which coincided with a brutal ethnic conflict that claimed the lives of many of their colleagues. But they have little else in common. A fourthgeneration politician from southern Sri Lanka, Rajapaksa was an influential power centre in the Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP), but Chandrika Kumaratunga was still the party leader and President of Sri Lanka. Rajapaksa had to work his way to the top of the party.

Wickremesinghe came into the leadership of the United National Party (UNP) after the Tamil Tigers took out party leaders Ranasinghe Premadasa in 1993, and Gamini Dissanayake in 1994. After leading the UNP to its only election win – in the 2001 parliamentary polls - Wickremesinghe, a member of the Colombo upper class elite like Kumaratunga, was her Prime Minister. Their uneasy co-habitation government lasted just two years

After that Wickremesinghe lost a string of elections, including the 2004 parliamentary elections and a 2005 bid for the presidency to Rajapaksa. Soon, several UNP heavyweight defected to the SLFP.

As the country rallied behind the Rajapaksa war effort against the Tamil Tigers, there was

concern within the UNP at the leadership's failure to carve out political space among the Sinahla-Buddhist majority. Instead, Wickremesinghe, who had negotiated a ceasefire with the Tigers in 2001, was dismissive of the Rajapaksa military campaign. The haemorrhage in the UNP continued

after the military defeat of the Tigers. The UNP was trounced in the 2009 parliamentary elections, and although Wickremesinghe did not contest the 2010 presidential election, Rajapaksa won again, easily defeating the common opposition candidate, the former Army chief Sarath Fonseka.

As the UNP licked its wounds, Sajith Premadasa led a call from within the party for a change of leadership. It was the UNP's most serious crisis, but Wickremesinghe managed to get on top of it. What likely saved the day for him then was a dialogue initiated just then between the UNP, which was the main opposition party, and the Mahinda Rajapaksa-led government on proposed constitutional reforms. Rajapaksa held talks with Wickremesinghe, as if there was no leadership crisis in the party. The rebellion lost steam.

On Thursday, Wickremesinghe declared that "I am not a friend of the Rajapaksas. I am a friend of the people of Sri Lanka". Sri Lanka will be waiting to see how he substantiates that claim.

While the economic crisis looms large and will need all his attention, his political credibility - not high at the moment -- will depend on how he deals with the Rajapaksas. After his appointment as Prime Minister by Gotabaya, Sri Lankan media had reported the two had fallen out over cabinet appointments, and were not on the same page on several crucial matters.

Wickremsinghe will also be watched as to how he deploys the President's powers. The demand to abolish the executive presidency had much resonance during the threemonth-long aragalaya against the Rajapaksas. Wickremesinghe has promised to reform it, but it has been a feature of the Sri Lankan presidency that every President bar one - DBWijetunge in 1993 - has grown into the powers that it vests in them.

Kali Bein: why it matters, and effort to clean it

ANJUAGNIHOTRI CHABA JALANDHAR, JULY 21

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Why did Mann drink water from it?

The occasion was the 22nd anniversary of the cleaning project, which had started on July

member, with a handful of followers, without government help. They removed weeds, treated the water and spread awareness 16, 2000. The project has been slow for years among residents. Six years of hard work paid Every year, a large number of fish die because after having made remarkable progress in the off when then President API Abdul Kalam vis- of lack of oxygen in the polluted water.

progress since. Today, around 30 to 40 villages and towns have illegal colonies that are discharging untreated water into the Kali Bein.

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been admitted to Delhi's Apollo Hospital, days after he had drunk a glass of water directly from the Kali Bein, a holy rivulet in Sultanpur Lodhi. Why did he do so, and what is the significance of the rivulet in the Sikh religion?

What is the Kali Bein?

The 165-km rivulet starts from Hoshiarpur, runs across four districts and meets the confluence of the rivers Beas and Sutlej in Kapurthala. Along its banks are around 80 villages and half a dozen towns. Waste water from there as well as industrial waste used to flow into the rivulet via a drain, turning its waters black, hence the name Kali Bein (black rivulet). Dense grass and weeds grew on the water until a cleaning project started.

initial years. Nevertheless, when Mann drank water from it directly, it was a much cleaner Kali Bein than it was before 2000.

The Kali Bein is of great significance to Sikh religion and history, because the first Guru, Nanak Dev, is said to have got enlightenment here. When Guru Nanak Dev was staying at Sultanpur Lodhi with his sister Bebe Nanki, he would bathe in the Kali Bein. He disappeared into the waters one day, before emerging on the third day. The first thing he recited was the "Mool Mantra" of the Sikh religion.

How did the cleaning project start?

It was started by environmentalist Baba Balbir Singh Seechewal (now AAP Rajya Sabha MP), a former Punjab Pollution Control Board

ited the site in 2006 and praised them for their effort. The then Congress government in Punjab then announced that it would take up the project to stop the discharge of untreated water into the rivulet.

The government identified around 73 villages in three districts releasing sewer water into the Kali Bein. The project required every village to build a large pond to collect the sewer water, which would be processed in a water treatment plant and the water then used for irrigation. The land for the ponds was to be provided by panchayats.

What is its status?

The work for 18 villages was completed in 2006-07, but the project has made very slow

In many villages, land meant for ponds has been encroached. At some places, treatment plants are not working properly and are known to often discharge untreated water. Sewerage Board officials said these plants require funds.

At one stage, the project had become a role model for river cleaning missions. The 'Kali Bein Model' was cited as the blueprint for the National Mission for Clean Ganga. Uma Bharti, then Union Minister for Water Resources, River Project and Ganga Rejuvenation, visited the Kali Bein in 2015, and called it a "Guru Sthan" for the Ganga project. She sent leaders of around 500 village panchayats to observe the model and adopt it in their villages. The Delhi government too had announced that it would adopt the model for cleaning the Yamuna.

EXPLAINED YOUR MONEY For future dollar expenses, should you invest in US markets now?



George Mathew & SANDEEP SINGH

ASTHE rupee hit 80 against the US dollar this week, one of the big concerns among Indians who expect to spend in dollars in the future - on account of children's higher education, travel etc – is how they can hedge themselves against further depreciation of the currency, which would increase the rupee cost of these dollar-denominated expenditures. If that makes a case for taking exposure in US markets, there are various factors to consider here too - talks of recession, and the US capital market turning volatile amid high inflation and interest rate hikes. So, does it make sense to invest abroad now?

Why go for global diversification?

Over the last 11 months, the rupee has depreciated almost 10% against the dollar. What it means is that if an individual has to send \$10,000 for his child's education fee in August 2022, he or she will end up paying Rs 8 lakh compared to Rs 7.2 lakh last year.

Hypothetically, if rupee were to depreciate 20% over the next 10 years, it would increase the rupee cost of education by 20%. However, if one were to invest in international fund of fund schemes investing in the US, offered by domestic mutual funds, or direct equities or even in US debt, investors can clearly hedge themselves against the impact of depreciation.

"We believe the US dollar will always be stronger than the Indian rupee as traditionally India is a current account deficit economy and the US is a current account surplus economy. Also, there is a huge interest rate arbitrage between US and India," said Nasser Salim, Managing Partner at Flexi Capital, a boutique investment services firm.

Experts expect the dollar to strengthen further against all other currencies, and say it is important for retail investors to protect themselves against future depreciation in the rupee - especially if they plan any other major expenditure in dollars.

Besides, geographical diversification, es-

pecially in the US, allows investors to take exposure in high-quality multinationals, from whose growth they will benefit.

What are the overseas routes for Indian investors?

Three avenues are open.

DIRECT INVESTMENT: Under the LRS framework, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) permits resident individuals to remit up to \$2,50,000 per financial year for any permitted current or capital account transaction. Indians put \$746.57 million in equity and debt in 2021-22 as against \$471.80 million in 2020-21 by opening an overseas trading account with a broker.

IFSC PLATFORM: Indian investors are now allowed to trade in the stocks of 50 leading US companies through the NSE International Exchange, from March 3. Trading in US stocks will be facilitated through the NSE IFSC platform in GIFT City, Ahmedabad. This means domestic investors can purchase US stocks such as Amazon, Alphabet, Tesla, Meta Platforms, Microsoft, Netflix, Apple and Walmart. The NSE IFSC has announced the trading format of eight US stocks, and details about the remaining 42 will be announced later.

MUTUAL FUNDS: The most popular

route is fund of funds (FoFs), considered safe by investors: An Indian asset management company (AMC) floats a fund in India with permission from the regulator SEBI, and mobilises money from local investors to invest in an international mutual fund. "This is less risky as the Indian AMC doesn't need to monitor the performance of its overseas investment on a daily basis. Many Indian MFs have floated such FoFs for investing in overseas funds, which in turn invest in stocks listed on the New York exchange and Nasdaq," a fund manager said.

Foreign assets of mutual funds stood at Rs 20,865 crore (\$2.9 billion) at the end of March 2021, a big increase from Rs 5,808 crore in March 2020, according to the RBI. While the latest data is not available, fund houses estimate that overseas investments would have crossed Rs 50,000 crore (\$6.7 billion) as global markets had witnessed a bull run until December.

Overseas equity investments of MFs are largely concentrated in the US and Luxembourg.

What has changed for Indian investors?

Indians have started focusing on overseas investments over the last few years. Such investments, now almost touching \$7 billion (Rs 56,000 crore), are mainly in stocks listed on the New York Stock Exchange and Nasdaq.

However, this has been mostly in equities rather than debt instruments in the US, as interest incomes are lower than in India. Indian bonds and other debt instruments offer at least 3-4 percentage points more returns in the domestic market.

With the US economy facing turbulence, stocks there were also under selling pressure. The Dow Jones Industrial Average has plummeted nearly 13% since January.

Should you invest abroad?

The volatile economic scenario has raised a lot of concerns among those contemplating investing in US equities or debt. Investments should be made with a view to protecting against dollar appreciation and benefiting from the growth of US entities.

The principle of 'buy when price falls' may work in the US market where share prices of many top firms have fallen 10-15%. There could be more pain for the US economy. "We now forecast a mild recession in the US economy this year and expect 4Q to 40 real GDP in 2022 to decline 1.4%. followed by an increase of 1.0% in 2023," says a Bank of America (BofA) Research report.

With a sharper slowdown pencilled in and higher unemployment, the outlook is of inflation moderating somewhat faster than before. "We look for headline PCE inflation to move lower to 4.9% in 2022 and 2.5% in 2023. Our forecast puts inflation broadly in line with the Fed's 2% mandate by the end of 2024," BofA said.

Anyone looking at US equities should invest with a long-term horizon. "While debt investments in the US may make sense at this time or after a few months when the yields hit a high, following expected rate hikes by the Fed, equity investment can be done in a staggered manner," Salim said.

What's the RBI rule?

Indian mutual funds registered with the SEBI are permitted to invest within an overall cap of \$7 billion, the RBI says in its Master Circular issued on January 1, 2016. But with the MF industry close to breaching the limit, the SEBI had earlier this year asked MFs with overseas exposure to temporarily stop lumpsum purchases and switch in from other schemes with effect from February 2. While the RBI has not yet increased the \$7 billion cap, MFs are permitted to make overseas investment up to the limit.



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ENDANGERED SPECIES BELOVED MONARCH BUTTERFLIES ON LIST

The monarch butterfly fluttered a step closer to extinction Thursday, as scientists put the iconic orange-and-black insect on the endangered list. The group estimates that its population in North America has declined between 22% and 72% over 10 years, depending on the measurement method.

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An An at Ocean Park in Hong Kong in 2020

HONG KONG

An An, world's oldest giant male Panda, dies at 35

Hong Kong: An An, a bamboo-eating resident of Hong Kong's Ocean Park who was known for his feisty, playful nature and who had the distinction of being the world's oldest giant male panda in captivity, died on Thursday after experiencing health problems. He was 35 – or 105 in human years. The death, by euthanasia, was announced by the park on its Facebook page. The panda had struggled for weeks with food intake and physical activity, leading park officials, veterinarians and the China Conservation and Research Center for the Giant Panda to put him down.In the last few days of his life, An An was refusing solid foods and becoming more sedentary, officials said. NYT

CHINA

Progress made over early return of students from India: Beijing

Beijing: China said on Thursday that "progress" has been made in facilitating the return of thousands of Indian students stranded back home due to Beijing's Covid visa bans and efforts were on for "early return" of the first batch. Foreign Ministry spokesman Wang Wenbin said, "The departments in China and India have been in contact and made progress on this". PTI

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CABINET TO BE ANNOUNCED TODAY Ranil sworn in as Lanka President, says not a friend of the Rajapaksas

Protesters vacate last govt building, say will give Ranil time to act

> Gotabaya granted short-term visit pass: Singapore

Singapore: Singapore has granted a 14-day shortterm visit pass to former Sri Lankan president Gotabaya Rajapaksa as he entered the country on a "private visit" on July 14, the immigration authorities said. It added that he was granted a visit pass on arrival. Rajapaksa was issued a 14day visit pass when he arrived on July 14, according to a The Straits Times. PTI

reporters, he had said the past system of two opposing factions has only ruined the country.

The President's office said the new Cabinet will be appointed on Friday. Opposition Leader Sajith Premadasa had a discussion with President the Opposition's determination to provide constructive support to



Russian shelling pounded a densely populated area in Kharkiv, Thursday, killing at least three people and injuring 23 others. AP

Russia resumes gas flow to Germany

Spain, Portugal reject plan to limit gas use

ASSOCIATED PRESS BERLIN, JULY 21

NATURAL GAS started flowing through a major pipeline from Russia to Europe on Thursday after a 10-day shutdown for maintenance - but the gas flow remained well short of full capacity and the outlook was uncertain, which leaves Europe still facing the prospect of a hard winter. Deliveries through the Nord

Stream 1 pipeline under the Baltic Sea resumed at 40% of capacity. The German government announced that it would step up its gas storage requirements and take further measures to save gas.

But the gas deliveries that were arriving still weren't enough to resolve Europe's energy crisis, and officials suspect that Russia is likely to disrupt supplies further. German Vice-Chancellor said the reduced supply "speaks a clear political language and confirms that we can't rely on deliveries."

energy connections linking them to the rest of Europe and that they tions obligatory was a non-starter. use very little Russian gas compared to fellow EU members. They noted that there are scant

In Griner case, US must respect our law: Moscow

US basketball star Brittney Griner

Moscow: The spokesperson for Russia's Foreign Ministry lashed out Thursday at the US character-

ising basketball star Brittney

Griner's jailing on drug charges as

"wrongful detention," saying it

shows disrespect for Russian law.

she was arrested in mid-

February at a Moscow airport

after vape canisters containing

cannabis oil were found in her

luggage. Griner acknowledged

in court this month that she

had the canisters, but said she

had no intent to break the law.

She faces up to 10 years in

spokeswoman Maria Zakharova

said Thursday that the legalisation

of cannabis for medical and recre-

ational use in parts of the US has

no bearing on what happens in

Russian Foreign Ministry

prison if convicted.

Griner has been jailed since



Protester vacate the President's office in Colombo, on Thursday. AP

Rajapaksa ally Gunewardena favourite for PM choice

AGENCIES & ENS COLOMBO, JULY 21

"I am not a friend of the Rajapaksas, I am a friend of the people." President Ranil Wickremesinghe has told Sri Lankans, pledging to bring in the much-needed system change they are yearning for.

The 73-year-old veteran politician was on Wednesday lected as Sri Lanka's President by lawmakers and sworn in on Thursday as the 8th President, days after former President Gotabaya Rajapaksa fled the

country and then resigned. Wickremesinghe was sworn in at the Parliament complex be-



fore Chief Justice Jayantha Jayasuriya. The three military commanders and Parliamentary speaker Mahinda Yapa Âbeywardena were also present during the ceremony.

When asked how he will be different from the Rajapaksas as he is an old friend of theirs, Wickremesinghe said, "How am

I've been opposing them all this time," he said, adding that, "I am not a friend of the Rajapaksas, I am a friend of the people... I have worked earlier with (former president Chandrika) Kumaratunge," the President said.

cabinet, the sources said.

I an old friend of the Rajapaksas?

The President's office said the new Cabinet of Ministers will be appointed on Friday. It said the swearing-in ceremony will take place at the PM's Office at Flower Road. Meanwhile, sources close to Wickremesinghe said he will appoint an ally of ousted Rajapaksa dynasty as PM. He is expected to appoint Dinesh Gunewardena, a former foreign and education minister, as PM along with a new

Sri Lanka on Thursday, the protesters decided to vacate the President's Secretariat - the last captured building by the protesters at Agralaya. Pratibha Fernando, one of the key protesters at the building, said, "We have decided to vacate

AFTER

Wickremesinghe was sworn in

as the 8th Executive President of

Ranil

EXPRESS IN SRI LANKA

SHUBHAJIT ROY

COLOMBO, JULY 21

HOURS

the building and will give Ranil time to see what he does. While the protesters had vacated the President's and Prime Minister's residences and the Prime Minister's office earlier having captured them on July 9 - they were still camping at

secretariat at the Galle Face. Earlier in the day, Wickremesinghe had said the

views of the younger generation must be considered. Speaking to

newly elected



will forget about Ukraine: CIA chief THE CIA director says that President Putin of Russia believes that America will suf-

fer from "attention deficit disorder" and lose interest and resolve in the Ukraine war. William J Burns, the CIA director, said Putin is making a bet that he can succeed in the war.Over the rest of the year, he said, Putin believes he can "wear down the Ukrainian military" and then strangle its economy. "Putin's view of US is we always suffer from attention deficit disorder and get distracted," he said. But he argued that Putin has consistently misjudged both the Ukrainians' will to fight and

Western resolve to help. NYT

Putin believes US



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Italy heads to early election after Draghi's coalition fails

AGENCIES ROME, JULY 21

ITALY WILL hold a snap national election on Sept. 25 after Prime Minister Mario Draghi resigned following the collapse of his national unity government. It will be the first autumn national election for over a century in Italy, where

Who can lead Italy next? cated the center-left

OPINION POLLS have indi-Democratic Party and the right-wing Brothers of Italy party are neck-and-

neck. Brothers of Italy has

Berlusconi's and Salvini's

forces. If they stay teamed

WHO moves to roll out 1st malaria

vaccine in three African countries

WHO endorsed the vaccine

last fall as a "historic " break-

through in the fight against

malaria, but the Gates

Foundation told *The Associated*

Press this week it will no longer

mystified by that decision, warn-

ing it could leave millions of

African children at risk of dying

from malaria and undermine fu-

Some scientists say they're

financially support the shot.

vaccine's biggest backer.

long been allied with

where Draghi had tendered his resignation hours earlier.

Given the enormous challenges facing Italy - inflation, the war in Ukraine, the reforms needed to obtain European Union recovery funds and the continued threat of the pandemic – Mattarella said he hoped that despite the coming election, parties would be able

avert misery and disaster

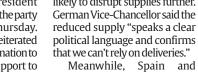


some rooms of the President's

FULL REPORT ON



Wickremesinghe during the party leaders' meeting on Thursday. Premadasa said he had reiterated



damages to

ex-royal nanny

London: The BBC said on Thursday it had agreed to pay "substantial damages" to the former nanny of Britain's Prince William and Prince Harry over the broadcaster's now muchcriticised 1995 interview with Princess Diana. The payout to Tiggy Legge-Bourke was over false claims made about her by BBC journalist to obtain the interview, in which Diana admitted to an affair and details of her failed mar-REUTERS riage.

GERMANY

Trees dedicated to Buchenwald victims felled

Berlin: The Buchenwald concentration camp memorial says that seven trees dedicated to the memory of victims of the Nazi camp in eastern Germany have been chopped down. The foundation that runs the memorial said it had filed a police complaint. AP

US

New York reports 1st polio

New York: New York health officials on Thursday reported a polio case, the first in the US in nearly a decade. Officials said the Rockland County resident is an unvaccinated adult, but they did not detail the person's condition. It appears the person had a vaccine-derived strain of the virus available in other countries and spread it. officials said. AP

the second half of the year is normally taken up with getting the budget law through parliament. Dissolving Parliament "is al-

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BLANTYRE (MALAWI), JULY 21

Organization announces the

next step in its rollout of the

world's first authorised malaria

vaccine in three African coun-

tries, concerns about its value

have come from an unlikely

source: the Bill and Melinda

Gates Foundation, arguably the

THE World Health

ways the last choice to make, esup, that could sweep the pecially if, as in this moment, there right into power. Giorgia are important tasks to carry to Meloni, who leads the completion,? President Sergio Brothers of Italy, is eager to Mattarella said in a brief speech at become first female PM. the presidential Quirinal Palace,

to give a "constructive contribution" on such issues, "in the superior interest of Italy."

Draghi, an unelected former central banker who has led a broad coalition for almost 18 months, handed in his resignation earlier on Thursday and was asked by Mattarella to stay on in a caretaker capacity.

ture efforts to solve intractable

On Thursday, WHO and Gavi

invited developing countries to

malaria vaccine in their coun-

tries. "If delivered to scale, the

vaccine will help to prevent mil-

lions of cases of malaria, save

tens of thousands of lives and en-

sure a brighter future for the con-

tinent," said Dr Matshidiso

Moeti, WHO's Africa director.

problems in public health.



COMIC-CON RETURNS IN FULL FORCE

A man dressed as A-Train from the TV series 'The Boys' with a one-year-old at the San Diego Convention Centre, which is back to its old extravagance after the pandemic, AP

Biden tests Covid-positive with mild symptoms

ASSOCIATED PRESS WASHINGTON, JULY 21

apply for funding to pay for the PRESIDENT JOE Biden tested positive for Covid-19 on Thursday and is experiencing "very mild symptoms," the White House said White House Press Secretary

Karine Jean-Pierre said Biden has begun taking Paxlovid, an antiviral drug designed to reduce the

severity of the disease. He was isolating at the White House and "continuing to carry out all of his duties fully," she said.

Biden's physician, Dr Kevin O'Connor, said Biden had a runny nose and "fatigue, with an occasional dry cough, which started yesterday evening." "Folks, I'm doing great. Thanks for your concern," Biden tweeted. He added that he was "keeping busy!"

Biden, 79, is fully vaccinated,

after getting two doses of the Pfizer coronavirus vaccine shortly before taking office, a first booster shot in September and an additional dose March 30.

Jean-Pierre described the president's symptoms as "very mild" and said Biden had been in contact with members of the White House staff by phone and would participate in his planned meetings "via phone and Zoom from the residence.'

Russia. "If a US citizen was taken in connection with the fact that she was smuggling drugs, and she does not deny this, then this should be commensurate with our Russian, local laws, and not with those adopted in San Francisco, New York and Washington," Zakharova said. AP

BUENOS AIRES BLOCKED USE OF GENDER-INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE IN SCHOOLS In Argentina, one of world's first bans on gender-neutral language

case in decades

many words are categorised as either masculine or feminine.

ANA LANKES BUENOS AIRES, JULY 21

INSTEAD OF "amigos," the Spanish word for "friends," some Spanish speakers use "amigues." In place of "todos," or "all," some write "todxs." And some signs that would say "bienvenidos," or "welcome," now say "bienvenid@s."

The changes, which had been informally adopted by teachers in schools across Buenos Aires, were a deliberate effort to include people who do not identify as male or female in a language where

Similar gender-neutral lan-

guage is being increasingly introduced across Latin America, as well as in other languages, including English and French, by supporters who say it helps create a more inclusive society.

But to some Spanish speakers, including many academics and politicians, the changes degrade a language spoken by a half-billion people around the world.

In Argentina, the tension has shifted from a war of public opinion to a battle over policy.

The city government in Buenos Aires, the nation's capital, last month banned teachers from using any gender-neutral words during class and in communications with parents. The



Students hold gender-neutral sign board in front of their school in Buenos Aires. NYT

reading comprehension.

The policy, among the first anywhere to specifically forbid the use of gender-neutral language, provoked a swift backlash. Argentina's top education official criticised the rule, and at least five organisations – a mix of gay rights and civil rights groups – have filed lawsuits seeking to overturn it.

Jaime Perczyk, Argentina's education minister, compared the measure to prohibitions against left-handed writing under the fascist dictatorship of Francisco Franco in Spain. "They thought they were correcting something, but it goes much deeper," he said, explaining that students use genderneutral language as a tool to fight sexist attitudes prevalent in Argentine culture.

Gender-neutral language has

scandalised linguistic purists. The Royal Academy in Spain, considered by many as the gatekeeper of the Spanish language, described the use of "e," "@," and "X" – which are used in place of the "o" and "a" that often signify a word's gender as "alien to the morphology of Spanish" in a 2020 report.

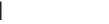
Last year, France's education minister recommended avoiding inclusive writing in the ministry's communications and in schools. A prominent French dictionary triggered outrage last October after it added, "iel," a gender-neutral singular pronoun.

The debate has also become part of an emerging culture war in Latin America.

Today, a new wave of activists is going further. Many transgender people want to erase grammatical gender terms altogether. Instead of using "queridos alumnos y queridas alumnas" ("dear students" in male and female form), they prefer, for example, to use "querides alumnes."

Argentina is a surprising place for such a heated debate on gender-neutral language because the country has largely embraced transgender rights. In 2012, it became one the first countries in the world to pass a law allowing people to change their gender on official documents without requiring the intervention of a doctor or a mental health therapist. NYT

city's education minister said such language violated the rules of Spanish and stymied students'



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SENSEX: 55,681.95 ▲ 284.42 (0.51%) NIFTY: 16,605.25 ▲ 84.40 (0.51%) NIKKEI: 27,803.00 ▲ 122.74 HANG SENG: 20,574.63 ▼ 315.59 FTSE: 7,235.29 ▼ 29.02 DAX: 13,204.17 ▼ 77.81

SECTOR WATCH TOURISM

Sustainable holiday: New policy looks for a green push

MIHIR MISHRA& **PRANAV MUKUL** NEW DELHI, JULY 21

WITH THE government forecasting that revenues from the tourism sector will rise about seven-fold by 2047, a new policy aims at making India a sustainable, touristfriendly destination through various green initiatives, skill development, and engaging with the private sector.

Top sources in the government said the tourism policy forecasts that the sector's contribution will grow to \$1 trillion by 2047 and the industry needs to prepare itself to make the sector sustainable. "From \$150 million cur-

rently, the industry is set to grow several times and the policy has a plan to keep the industry sustainable through various green initiatives as well as skill development and other initiatives," a government official added. When contacted, Tourism Secretary Arvind Singh said these aspects will require Cabinet approval. "There are various aspects in the tourism policy that have been discussed and it would require further approvals including from the Union Cabinet," he told The Indian Express

As part of the green initiative, hotels will also need to bring in changes to ensure that the impact on the environment is minimal, the official added. The hospitality industry has welcomed the focus on sustainability. "The Indian tourism and hospitality industry has certainly become more conscious of the benefits of sustainable tourism in the post-Covid era...," said Kush Kapoor, CEO of Roseate Hotels and Resorts.

Another government official said the sector would require training not only for people employed in the sector but also sensitising the tourists.

"Even today, residents at a

"There are various

aspects in the tourism policy that have been discussed and it would require further approvals including from the Cabinet"

ARVIND SINGH TOURISM SECRETARY

lot of tourism destinations have started to complain about filth and nuisances that some tourists create. We would not want to reach a level where these tourism destinations start to block tourists. This would also constitute sustainability that the policy talks about," said another government official.

Tourism industry says that sustainability will make the industry future-ready.

"Popular destinations such as Himachal, Leh-Ladakh and Uttarakhand are also concerned about preserving their local community, cultural fabric and the local biodiversity and ecosystems...," said Rajeev Kale, president-holidays, MICE, Visa at Thomas Cook (India) Ltd.

"The pandemic has created a new found sensitivity around sustainability and sustainable tourism has become a need of the hour. Customers are displaving increased concern towards the environment and newer trends around sustainable and regenerative travel are now emerging," said Daniel D'Souza, president-holidays at

SOTC Travel. The policy also talks about skill development and employment generation by the sector. "The other key component of the policy is to rope in people for creation of tourism infrastructure like homestays etc. Proposal also includes getting an MSME tag for the sector that would help fetch easier access to credit," said one of the two officials quoted above.

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AT 79.95 AGAINST US DOLLAR, 7 RISES 4 PAISE FPIs return with ₹1,799-cr inflow: Re, mkts get a boost

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, JULY 21

THE RUPEE recovered from Wednesday's close of 79.99 to close 4 paise higher at 79.95 against the US dollar on Thursday, following the overall weakness in crude oil prices and fresh foreign fund inflows. With foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) pumping money, the benchmark Sensex rose by 284 points to 55,681.95 and the NSE Nifty Index gained 84 points at 16,605.25.

With Thursday's gain, the Sensex has shot up by 1,921 points this week.

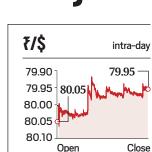
FPIs, who pulled out Rs 2.28 lakh crore since January, invested Rs 1,799 crore on Thursday, raising expectations that FPIs will start investing in India again at low levels. Further. oil prices fell by more than \$5 on Thursday after higher US gasoline stockpiles and an ECB rate hike stoked demand worries and returning oil supply from Libya eased supply concerns.

The rupee, which has plumbed the 80-level against

the US dollar, is unlikely to get any tailwind this

fiscal, a UBS Securities report said

The rupee has been under pressure amid concerns about



the interest rate normalisation path of the US Federal Reserve and the deteriorating growth environment which have led to a global flight to the dollar, while causing an exodus of foreign funds from the domestic markets.

"With support from FPI buying, the domestic market was able to withstand the downward pressure from global markets to close on a positive note. Global indices traded lower on rate hike worries as ECB in its meeting, raised rates while the Fed is expected to increase rates by 75 bps in the upcoming meeting scheduled next week. Even though a rate hike of this magnitude has already been factored in, the major driver would be their com-



mentary on future inflation and growth forecasts," said Vinod Nair. head-research, Geojit Financial Services

Asian shares were mixed Thursday as optimism over earnings was tempered by persistent concerns about inflation and the Chinese economy. Bank of Japan wrapped up a two-day policy meeting, and made no major changes.

European stocks slipped Thursday as investors had braced for the European Central Bank's first interest rate hike in 11 years, while Russia resumed sending gas to Europe through a key pipeline, dispelling investors' worst fears, said Deepak Jasani, head of retail research, HDFC Securities.

Oil falls 3% as rate hikes weigh on sentiment

GOLD

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REUTERS NEW YORK, JULY 21

OIL PRICES fell by over \$5 on Thursday on higher US gasoline stockpiles and after an ECB rate hike stoked demand worries, while returning oil supply from Libya and resumption of Russia's gas flows to Europe eased supply concerns.

Brent crude futures lost \$3.10, or 2.9 per cent, to \$103.82 a barrel by 11:43 am EDT. US WTI crude futures were down \$3.66, or 3.7 per cent, at \$96.22 after a 1.9 per cent drop. Both were down more than \$5 earlier in the session.

In the US, the Dow Jones fell 240.63 points, or 0.75 per cent, to 31,634.21, the S&P 500 lost 13.56 points, or 0.34 per cent, to 3,946.34.

8-YR EXPERIMENT WITH NEGATIVE RATES ENDS ECB's first rate hike in ll years: A faster than flagged 50 bps

OIL

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Note: Gold, silver rates at Delhi spot market, gold per 10g, silver per 1 kg; Crude oil (Indian basket) as of July 20

REUTERS FRANKFURT/JAPAN, JULY 21

RUPEE

O 79.95/USD

THE EUROPEAN Central Bank on Thursday raised interest rates by more than expected as concerns about runaway inflation trumped worries about growth, even while the euro zone economy is suffering from the impact of Russia's war in Ukraine.

The ECB raised its benchmark deposit rate by 50 basis points to zero per cent, breaking its own guidance for a 25 basis point move as it joined global peers in jacking up borrowing costs. It was the ECB's first rate

ncrease in 11 years. Policymakers also agreed to provide extra help for the euro zone's big debtor nations - Italy among them - with a new bond purchase scheme. Ending an eight-year experiment with negative interest rates, the ECB also lifted its main refinancing rate to 0.50 per cent, and promised another hike, possibly as soon as its September 8 meeting.

ECB President Christine Lagarde said a clear deterioration of the inflation outlook and unanimous backing for the antifragmentation instrument justi-



ECB President Christine Lagarde at a news conference after Thursday's monetary policy meeting. REUTERS

fied the bigger move. During her press conference, the yield

spread between Italian and German 10-year bonds widened to near the 250 basis point level.

BoJ retains easy policy

Meanwhile, the Bank of Japan on Thursday remained an outlier among central banks as it projected inflation would exceed its target this year in fresh forecasts issued Thursday, but maintained ultra-low interest rates with Governor Haruhiko Kuroda saving he had "absolutely no plan" to hike an implicit 0.25 per cent cap set for the bank's 10-year bond yield target.

Factors that will put 'Rupee unlikely to get any sure on current accou eficit (CAD): major tailwind this fiscal'

Higher

imports and

crude prices

may cause the

rupee to fall

further in the

medium term

Rising trade gaps Massive sell-off by foreign funds

4.5% Share of holdings in India pulled out Share of holdings by foreign funds since the

beginning of 2022, amounting to investments worth \$29 billion Forex reserves remain

reasonable at \$580 billion but down from the peak of \$642.4 billion in September 2021

Strong macroeconomic fundamentals have ensured that the rupee has not

underperformed compared to its emerging market peers

Source: UBS Securites/PTI

Rupee is trading near its equilibrium value, yet there is a risk of it depreciating more How did India impact in the near term as CAD remains high, which may more than double to 2.9 Netflix's financials? Netflix saw subscriber addi-

Why Netflix will introduce ad-supported version next year

SOUMYARENDRA BARIK NEW DELHI, JULY 21

AS NETFLIX lost 0.97 million subscribers during the three-month period ending June 30 - marka million new addiing the biggest ever quarterly drop in subscribers in its history, but below projections that it cent revenue growth over last vear. Netflix's average revenue could lose up to 2 million users - the video streaming giant has said it will introduce a cheaper, ad-supported version of its streaming service starting from next year, which it believes will boost its membership and aid in profit growth.

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per member (ARM) last year in APAC fell nearly 2 per cent due to price cuts announced in India. What is the status of ads on Netflix?

Netflix said it will introduce

a cheaper, ad-supported tier in the "early part of 2023". It had

earlier announced a partnership with Microsoft to sell and power its ads, and may roll out the ad-supported version gradually across markets,

tions in the year-ago quarter. starting with nations where "ad-While the region saw a 23 per vertising spend is significant".

What other measures is it taking to raise revenues?

From August, Netflix will ask users in Argentina, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras to pay more if they want to stream at more than one home.

Full report on www.indianexpress.com



tions in the Asia Pacific EXPLAINED (APAC) region, including India, as it added 1.1 million new members in the region in the June quarter, as against

BRIEFLY —

TCS ex-CFO Ramakrishnan no more

Innovation index

New Delhi: Karnataka, Telangana and Haryana were the top 3 among 17 major states in NITI Aavog's India Innovation Index 2021, which examines innovation capacities and ecosystems at the sub-national level. Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Bihar were ranked at the bottom of the index among major states.

Growth forecast

New Delhi: FICCI cut India's FY23 GDP growth forecast is to 7% from 7.4% earlier on geopolitical uncertainties, Asian Development Bank cut the projection to 7.2% from 7.5% on pandemic and war impact and inflation.

RBIMPC meet

Mumbai: The Reserve Bank of India(RBI) has postponed the meeting of its Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) by a day to August 3 due to administrative exigencies.

Boarding pass

New Delhi: The Aviation Ministry said airlines can't charge any additional fee for issuing boarding pass at check-in counters in airports. Airlines like IndiGo, SpiceJet and Go First charge passengers a ₹200 fee if they want a boarding pass at check-in counter.

SAT, NDTV case

New Delhi: The Securities Appellate Tribunal (SAT) reduced fines levied by Sebion NDTV and its promoters Prannoy Roy, Radhika Roy and RRPR Holding to Rs 5 crore from Rs 25 crore in a case of non-disclosure of a loan agreement. PTI

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU MUMBAI, JULY 21

FORMER TATA Consultancy Services (TCS) chief financial officer (CFO) V Ramakrishnan. known as Ramki in the Tata group circles, passed away in the early hours at his home in

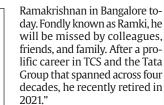
Bengaluru on Thursday. Ramakrishnan became the CFO in February 2017 and retired in April 2021. He worked with Tata Motors, Tata Elxsi and in the consumer electronics industry. He spent close to eight years at

TCS America and nearly 14 years at TCS as Vice President of finance and then the CFO



VENKATARAMAN RAMAKRISHNAN 1957-2022

In a statement, TCS said, "We are deeply saddened about the demise of our former CFO, V



"Ramki's invaluable contributions across his many roles left an indelible mark on TCS. He was above all a true gentleman who would always have a smile and a nice word for everyone. Today, TCSers have lost not just an esteemed leader, but a man who stood true to his values and lived his life with utmost humility."

Ramakrishnan was an alumnus of Chennai's Loyola College.

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	Mail: - <u>eetm10.dib@gmail.c</u>			
	NIT No.46/EE (1 Press	,	2-23	
S. No.	Name of work	Reserve price	Date of release of tender in e procurement solution	Last date and time for download & RTGS through e pro curement solution
1	Restoration of damaged sewer line at Jal Vihar ins Kilokari SPS under EE(M)-41 (AC-41 Jangpura)	side 4475940/-	2022_DJB_226352_1 19.7.2022	2.8.2022 upto 2.00 PM
2	Improvement of water supply in Janta Camp Bhairon M by replacement of damaged GI water line under EE(M) (AC-41 Jangpura)		2022_DJB_226352_2 19.7.2022	2.8.2022 upto 2.00 PM
3	Replacement of old damaged and rusted 250mm Clwater line at Gurudwara Road, Kotla Mubarak Pur un EE(S) II (AC-42 Kasturba Nagar) Re-invite		2022_DJB_226352_3 19.7.2022	2.8.2022 upto 2.00 PM
4	Consultancy for water distribution network, up- gradatic re-design/estimation of Shahpurjatt Village & DDA f under Greater Kailash Constituency AC-50 (Re-invite)		2022_DJB_226352_4 19.7.2022	2.8.2022 upto 2.00 PM
5	Repair and maintenance of North Pump House at Great Kailash -I under EE(M)-50 (AC-50)	ater 4942808/-	2022_DJB_226352_5 19.7.2022	2.8.2022 upto 2.00 PM
6	Strengthening of UGR by replacement of damaged roo UGR at LIG Flat Kalkaji BPS under EE(M)-50 (AC-50)		2022_DJB_226352_6 19.7.2022	2.8.2022 upto 2.00 PM
7	Engagement of labour for maintenance of water supply G.K. Constituency under EE(M)-50 (AC-50) (Re-invite)	/ in Item rate	2022_DJB_226352_7 19.7.2022	2.8.2022 upto 2.00 PM
8	Re-boring of 4 nos. tube wells i.e. 2 nos. in DDA Park Tra Camp, A-Block, 1 No. near Deepalya School, 1 no Navjeewan Camp near Pocket -4 in AC-51 Kalkaji (Re-inv	. in	2022_DJB_226352_8 19.7.2022	2.8.2022 upto 2.00 PM

Tesla takes U-turn on bitcoin, sells 75% of its holdings

REUTERS SANFRANCISCO, JULY 21

TESLA SAID it had converted approximately 75 per cent of its bitcoin purchases into fiat currency, adding\$936 million cash to its balance sheet.

CEO Elon Musk said the sale was made to increase liquidity when Tesla was uncertain about how long the COVID lockdown in

China would continue. Tesla has not sold any of its holdings of the Dogecoin cryptocurrency. "This should be not taken as some verdict on bitcoin," he said, adding that Tesla was open to increasing its cryptocurrency holdings in the future. Musk had said in May last year that Tesla would not sell its bitcoin.

Tesla's sale led to smallerthan-expected impairment charges caused by a decline in the



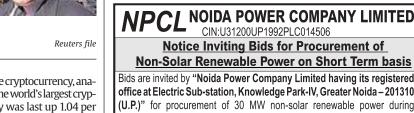
ELON MUSH CEO, Tesla

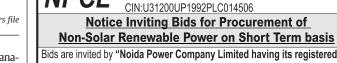
value of the cryptocurrency, analysts said The world's largest cryptocurrency was last up 1.04 per cent at \$23,494.57, after sliding as much as 0.5 per cent to \$23,268.92 on the news

The carmaker on Wednesday reported a smaller-than-expected drop in quarterly profit, helped by a string of price increases for its cars. which Elon Musk later said were "embarrassingly high" and



could hurt demand.





of ERP System at IGIDR

office at Electric Sub-station, Knowledge Park-IV, Greater Noida – 201310 (U.P.)" for procurement of 30 MW non-solar renewable power during 01.11.2022 to 31.03.2023 as per the Guidelines of Ministry of Power, Gol dated 30.03.2016. Bid Document is available or www.mstcecommerce.com

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: Gen. A.K. Vaidya Marg, Film City Road, Santosh Nagar, Goregaon(E)-Mumbai: 400065

Notice Inviting Expression of Interest (Eol)

works/services at Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research at Goregaon (E)

The bids are invited from reputed and qualified bidders for the below-menti

Fender documents shall be downloaded from our website: www.igidr.ac.in/tenders/

Corrigendum or addendum if any regarding the above EOI will be published on t nstitute's website on above link. No separate communication will be sent

GIDR reserves the right to accept or reject any proposals without assigning any reason

Name of Work

Appointment of Consultant for the implementation

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WWW.INDIANEXPRESS.COM THE INDIAN EXPRESS, FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2022

SEARCH FOR MISSING WOMAN



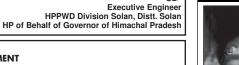
General public is hereby informed that one lady namely Pooja W/o Pintu R/o H.No. 24/29. D-block. Shahbad Dairv. Delhi. Age 32 years, Height 5'6", Complexion wheatish, Face round, built thin wearing blue colour saari and sleeper in feet has been missing since 27.04.2022 from the area of PS Bawana, Delhi. Sincere efforts

Kamla have been made by local police to trace out this lady but no clue has come to light so far. In this regard a case DD No. 122-A dated 05.05.2022 has been lodged at PS Bawana, Delhi

Any person having any information or clue about this missing lady may kindly inform to the following:

Website: http://cbi.nic.in	
Email: cic@cbi.gov.in	SHO
Fax: 011-23011334	PS Bawana, Delhi
Ph: 011-23014046, 23015218	,
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SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED



Deadline for

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05.08.2022 10 :30 AM

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General Public is hereby informed that one boy Namely: Raj Singh S/o Shyam Singh, R/o: Near Shiv Mandir, Vill. Singhu, Delhi, Age: 14 Years, Height: 5'9", Complexion: Fair, Face: Round, Built: Normal Wearing: White Colour Shirt and Blue Colour Jeans Pant & Shoes in feet has been missing/kidnapped since 11.05.2022 from his house. In this regard FIR No. 276/22, U/s 363 IPC, Dated 13.05.2022, has been registered at P.S. Alipur, Delhi.

Sincere efforts have been made by local **RAJ SINGH** police to trace out the missing/ kidnapped boy but no clue has come to light so far If anyone have any information about this missing/kidnapped boy please inform to the following:-Web-site : http://

Web-site : http://cbi.nic.in	SHO
E-Mail ID: cic@cbi.gov.in Fax: 011-23011334	P.S. Alipur, Delhi
DP/1984/0N/2022	Ph.: 011-27202265

PSPCL	Punjab State Power Corporation Limited					
•	: PSEB H.O. Building, The Mall, Patiala					
N: U40109PB2010SGC033813, Website: www.pspcl.in						

Contact Number: 96461-18773 Tender Enquiry No. Q-4007/22-23/PO-T/CE-MM

Chief Purchase Officer/MM, Central Purchase Organization, PSPCL nd Floor, Multistory Building, The Mall, Patiala, invites Short Term E Tender of 59 Nos. ISI Marked, EEL-2/Star-2, Three Phase 500 KVA Oi mmersed CRGO/Amorphous core, Copper wound, Distribution Transformers complete with fitting as per PSPCL specifications & conform ng to IS 1180 Part-1 (2014) & IS 2026 (with latest amendment)

For detailed NIT & Tender specification please refer <u>ttps://eproc.punjab.gov.in</u> from 22.07.2022 onwards. NOTE: Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online a ttps://eproc.punjab.gov.in.

C-282/22 15822/PB

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER					
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BERHAMPUR					
O-699 (E-Mail:- serwbpr2004@yahoo.com, Tel/Fax:- 0680-2404287)					
E-mai / E-despatch No. e-tender// 2852// RWC // BAM // Dated. 20.7.2022 1st Corrigendum to Bid identification No. Online Tender/25-2022-23/BPR					
The partial modification of building work vide above Identification has been made as follows.					
1 Date of availability of tender : 29.07.2022 to 12.08.2022 upto 3.00 PM instead of 18.07.2022 to 01.08.2022					
2 Last Date & Time of seeking tender clarification : 10.08.2022 at 2.00 PM instead of 30.07.2022 at 2.00 PM					
2 Date of opening of Technical Bid : 16.08.2022 at 11.00 AM instead of 02.08.2022 at 11.00 AM					
3 Date of opening of Financial Bid : Will be intimated later on.					
All other contents will remain unchanged.					
Sd/-					
Chief Construction Engineer R.W. Circle, Berhampur					
OIPR-25071/11/0044/2223					

Smart city Project). C/O Car parking with Oak land Tunnel on MRR via Lakkar 47838551 Bazar (SH:- C/O Building portion , WS & SI and C/O Septic ank etc). Under smart city Shimla he bidders are advised to note other details of tenders from the department website www.hptender.gov.in e executive Engineer reserves the right to accept/reject any tender/application or all tenders without assigning any reason 2634/HP कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय पत्रांक :--<u>श्रद्धि-पत्र</u> निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना 01SBD/2022-23 के SBDकी कंड़िका INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) 9 (C) एवं Instructions to Bidders (ITB) 4.5 (A) (c)Executed in one year the minimum quantities को निम Earth Work (Work) - 83,636.694 m - 96.733.735 m (ii) Sand Filter Work) Stone Chips Filter (Work) (iii) - 2187.533 m (iv) Concrete Lining PCC M-15 (Work) - 10.418.578 m (v) Boulder Masonry (Work) $-18.949\,\mathrm{m}^3$ 2. आमंत्रित ई—निविदाओं में वेबसाईट पर निविदा प्राप्त करने की अंतिम तिथि 23.07.2022 के स्थान पर 30.07.2022 अपराहन 05:00 बजे तक पढा जाय।

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NAME OF WORK

SUPPLY OF

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Construction of Commerce Block at Govt. Post Graduate Degree College at Solan (SH:- C/o civil works water supply and sanitary nstallation, rain water harvesting tank and site development."

mprovement of existing road from Circuit House at Chambagha m. 0/00 to 0/540 under MNP (SH:- Providing and laying Grade-I

"Improvement of existing damages road from Center Ware House Office complex to downward road going to Goddown area Km 0/0 to 0/340 under MNP (SH:- F/c in Km 0/090 to 0/130 & C/o PCC

Rivall at R.D 0/140 to 0/155, C/o road side drain in Km. 0/0 to 0/280 & C/o escential parapet in Km. 0/0 to 0/340 & P/L Gr.I, Gr.I & Gr.III in Km. 0/0 to 0/340."

nic tendering system from the eligible class of contractors regis

Name of Work

Construction of pedestrian path on Circular road in Shimla

Town (SH:- Construction of additional pedestrian path and

P/F W. Beam Metal Crash barrier Railings on KSC/MRR via

Chotta Shimla at RDs. 146/00 to 146/030, 146/270 to

146/440, 148/270 to 148/285, 148/405 to 148/430, 149/240

Construction of Sub way at MRR via RKMV Lakkar Bazar

Providing road Signs and road Safety furniture on varios

roads in Shimla Town Under "Himahcal Pradesh Transport

Construction of Sub way Near Himland Hotel on MRR via

Chotta Shimla between Rd.. 150/675 to 150/690 (Under

150/135 to 150/180,

150/810 to 150/835, 150/955 to 151/015)

Auckland Tunnel

150/165(Under Smart city project).

nfrastructure Development Funds).

rade-III and tarring in Km 0/00 to 0/540.

आंमत्रित ई—निविदाओं में हार्ड कॉपी जमा करने की तिथि पूर्व में 25.07.2022 के स्थान पर 01.08.2022 अपराहन 05:00 बजे तक पढ़ा जाय ।

. आमंत्रित ई—निविदाओं के तकनीकि BID खुलने की तिथि पूर्व में 26.07.2022 के स्थान पर 02.08.2022 अपराहन 02:00 बजे तक पढा जाय विश्वासभाजन . निविदाओं की अन्य सभी शर्ते यथावत रहेंगी।

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	HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORK DEPARTMENT INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)						
	xecutive Engineer Seraj Division HP.PWD Ja tronic tendering system, from the eligible class of						
Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Cost of Tender	Eligible class of Contractor	Starting date for downloading bid	Deadline for submission of bid
1	Construction of road from Kot Saraugi Jainshla to Banadhar road Km. 0/0 to 4/500 (SH;- F/C 5/7 mtrs wide in Km. 0/225 to 0/465)	19,96,052/-	39,900/-	500/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
2	C/o road from Kadaun Helipad to Bansdhar road in Km. 0/00 to 4/700 (SH;- ROFD in Km. 3/045 to 3/510)	14,70,961/-	29,500/-	500/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
3	Site Development of Hadimba Mata Temple at Bagsaid Tehsil Thunag Distt. Mandi (HP) (SH;- C/o R/wall at RD. 0/0 to 0/033 & 0/033 to 0/061) DC deposit	9,61,971/-	19,000/-	500/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
4	A/R & M/O Lehgala to shikwari road Km. 0/0 to 3/200 (SH;- P/L patch work in Km. 1/400 to 2/600)	9,83,669/-	20,000/-	500/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
5	A/R & M/O Katyandi Tandi Thunag road Km. 0/0 to 6/525 (SH;- P/L patch work in Km. 2/00 to 5/700)	9,64,299/-	20000/-	500/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
6	Construction of 30.00 mtrs span effective RCC Box Girder Bridge at Bakhli Khad on Janjehli Gadagusain road (SH;- P/L GSB, G- II, Tarring & V-shape drain in both side approaches at RD 0/0 to 0/300)	25,20,935/-	50418/-	2000/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
7	M/T on Galudhar Thachadhar road Km. 0/0 to 1/300 (SH; P/L G-III and M/T in km. 0/0 to 0/350)	9,90,250/-	19,900/-	500/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
8	M/T on Galudhar Thachadhar road Km. 0/0 to 1/300 (SH; P/L G-III and M/T in km. 0/350 to 1/300)	9,75,300/-	19,600/-	500/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
9	Construction of Rest House Building at bagachanogi Sub-Tehsil Bagachanogi Distt. mandi HP (HP) (SH; C.o Building portion , WS & SI, rain water harvesting syatem, Site Developmrnt and boundary wall etc.)	3,46,50,980/-	6,93,000/-	5000/-	Class-A&B	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
10	Providing and Laying paver block in Bus Stand Gadagusain Tehsil Balichowki Distt. mandi (HP) (SH; P/L PCC drain and grating work etc.)	30,15,285/-	60,300/-	2000/-	Class-C&D	27.07.2022 at 11.00 AM	05.08.2022 at 09.00 AM
	The bidder are advised to note other details of tenders from the department website www, hptenders.gov.in Executive Engineer Seraj Division HP.PWD 2637/HP Janlehi Distt Mandi H.P						

'ONE STATION ONE PRODUCT'

Applications are invited for 'One Station One Product' for setting up Stall/kiosk at Panipat, Pataudi Road, Meerut City and Rohtak stations.

The period for setting up of the stall/kiosk will be 15 days in four distinct spells, first spell on 23.07.2022 to 06.08.2022., second spell on 07.08.2022 to 21.08.2022., third spell 22.08.2022 to 05.09.2022. and fourth spell on 06.09.2022 to 20.09.2022.

- A token fee of Rs. 1000 for 15 days shall be charged for each spell separately.
- The following are the eligibility criteria for participant viz. a) Holder of Artisan/Weaver ID card issued by Development
 - Commissioner Handicrafts, Development Commissioner Handloom, or by the requisite state/Central Government Authority.
 - b) Individual artisans/weavers/craftsmen enrolled/registered with Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED)/National Handloom Development Corporation (NHDC)/ Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) etc.
 - Self Help Groups registered with PMEGP (Prime Minister's C) Employment Generation program).
 - d) Marginalized or weaker sections of Society.
- The applicant will have to submit an undertaking to the Station Superintendent indicating that no activity would be would be undertaken to adversely affect the train operations, passenger safety and image of the Railways.
- Application should be addressed to Station Superintendent and last date of submission of applications for the first spell will be on 22.07.2022 up to 13:30 Hrs, last date for submission for second spell will be on 05.08.2022 up to 13:30 Hrs. last date for submission for third spell will be 20/08/2022 up to 13:30 Hrs and last date for submission for fourth spell will be 04/09/2022 up to 13:30 Hrs. on and application will opened for each spell separately thereafter through Open lottery/Public draw on 22.07.2022 for first spell. 05.08.2022 for second spell, 20/08/2022 for third spell and 04/09/2022 for fourth spell.
- SS to make priority roster of all approved participants and priority will be established through a draw of lots conducted at the station in the presence of all approved applicants by the Station Manager/Sectional CMI.
- For any gueries applicant may contact Station Superintendent or CMI of the

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HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

E-Procurement Notice

INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

The Executive Engineer HPPWD Solan, Distt. Solan H.P. on behalf of Governor of H.P. invites the item rate bids, in electronic tende ing system from the eligible class of contractors registered with HPPWD for the works detailed in the table:

The bidders are advised to note other details of tenders from the department website www.hptenders.gov.ir

150/330 to 150/417

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HIMACHAL PRADESH

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

e-Procurement Notice **INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)**

The Executive Engineer, Shimla, Division No. I, HPPWD, Shimla-3, H.P on behalf of Governor of H.P invites the item rate bids, i

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बुण्डू / दिनांक—

एतद् द्वारा सूचित किया जाता है कि सिंचाई प्रमण्डल, बुण्डू द्वारा दिनांक–07.07.2022 को विभिन्न राष्ट्रीय एवं स्थानीय दैनिक समाचार पत्रों के माध्यम से ई—निविदा संख्या—WRD/E.E/IRR.DIV./BUNDU/NIT NO.-01SBD/2022-23 निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या—01 / 2022—23, PR NO. 273131 Irrigation (22-23) द्वारा आमंत्रित है



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verka THE PUNJAB STATE COOPERATIVE MILK PRODUCERS FEDERATION LTD. SCO 153-155, SECTOR 34-A, CHANDIGARH-160022. EPABX NO. 0172-5041812-66 www.verka.coop

NOTICE INVITING TENDER Section-A e Tenders are hereby invited for the purchase and supply of following items r Cost (Rs.) (Rs.) (Rs.) (Rs.) (Rs.) (Cost (Rs.) (Rs.) (Cost (Rs.) (Cost (Rs.) (Rs.) (Cost Contract Consignee/ Name of the Work Place of Tender Period/ Duantity Opening 1. Pest Control Services Technical bid Verka Gurdaspu 23.08.2022 04.08.2022 20.08.2022 Bairy at 11:00 AM 200/-20,000 up to 04.00 PM Ph. 81874-Financial bid 05.00 PM 220156-58 25.08.2022 at 12:00 PM 2. Job contract for the Technical bio Verka Patiala 30,000 to production & packing of 25.08.2022 Bairy Ph. 94170-24.08.2022 50,000 at 11:00 AM sterilized flavoured milk 75,000/- 08.08.2022 500bottles per up fo Financial bid 11.00 AM day or as 29281, 94170-29.08.2022 per demand 29018 at 11:00 AM 3. Operation, repair and Technical bio 35,000 fr maintenance of pouch filling 50,000 tirs 25.08.2022 24.08.2022 1143 at 11:00 AN machine, Tray washer & 75,000/--do-500/-08.08.2022 day or as up to **Financial bid** coding of pouches at Verkal per demand 11.00 AM 29.08.2022 PatialaDairy zt 11:00 AM Technical bid 25.08.2022 Loading/unloading of As par different materials at net 24.08.2022 require at 11:00 AM Verka Patiala Dairy -10-508/-25,000/-08.08.2022 up to 11.00 AM **Financial bid** 29.08.2022 21 11:00 AM

Bidders shall have to pay required Tender Processing fee through online mode only i.e. through debit/credit card for getting registered for e-tendering system. EMD should be made only through online node i.e. Credit/Debit card, NEFT/RTGS, Internet Banking: For participating in the above e-tender, the parties shall have to get themselves registered with our e-Tendering portal i.e. eproc.punjab.gov.in and get USER ID and Password well in time. For downloading tender through e-tendering, process flow, please contact e-Procurement help desk on given Nos. 0172-2970263, 2970284 Immediately so that process of timely registration and downloading the tender is completed in time by the date of tender opening. For additional details regarding e- tendering please visit website eproc.punjab.gov.in. Tender processing Fee is Non-Refundable.

Sr. Na.		Quantity	Consignoe/ Place of Tender Opening	Tender Cost (Rs.)	E.M.D (Rs.)	Date & time for sale of the tender	Last Date & Time for Submission al Tender	Date & time of spening bid
	Sealed tender for outsourcing of Milk Bar at MCC Patti & Milk Booth at DTO Office, Amritsar	2	Verka Amritsar Dairy Ph. 73555-99892, 73555-48163	200/- each	10.000/-	23.07.2022 from 12:30 PM	12.08.2022 up 50 1.00 PM	12.08.2022 al 02.30 PM
2	Sealed tander for hiring of vehicle for supply of fresh milk and milk products (local amy and beasroute)	z	-do-	200½ each	10.005/-	23.07.2022 from 12:30 PM	12.03.2022 up to 1.30 PM	12.08.2022 at 03:00 PM

Nepal House (YojnaBhavan), Doranda, Ranchi - 834002, Email: director-mines@jharkhandmail.gov.in

Directorate of Mines

Department of Mines & Geology

Government of Jharkhand

Notice Inviting Tender "Invitation of Bid for grant of Mining Lease"

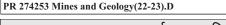
In exercise of the power conferred by Section 15of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act 1957 and in accordance with the Jharkhand Miner Mineral Concession Rules, 2004 (Subsequent Amendments) and the Jharkhand Minor Mineral (Auction) Rules, 2017 (Subsequent Amendments) notified thereunder, Government of Jharkhand has identified a Stone block for the purpose of grant of MiningLeasein [Dhanbad]District, Jharkhand, through electronic auction and here by invites bids in digital format only from eligible biders. Terms and conditions, deadlines etc. for participating in the electronic auction are provided in the Tender

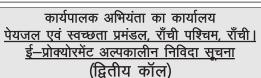
Document. The Model Tender Document for the Mineral Block and Mineral Block Summary are available free of cost in electronic form and can be downloaded from website of MSTC [https://www.mstee commerce.com/auctionhome/mmb/ jharkhand/index.jsp] for the purpose of information only. Timelines, notification, updates and other details of the e-auction process are available on the website of MSTC and the website of Department of Mines & Geology,Govt.of Jharkhand http://www.jharkhand.gov.in/mines-geology. The details of the mineral block are summarized below

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PAHARPUR STONE BLOCK	2.0 Acre (0.81 Hectare)	25181.00	12.08.2022	16.08.2022	17.08.2022

Those interested and eligible for bidding can participate in the bidding only after online purchase of the Tender Document on payment of the tender fee of INR 25000.00 (Indian Rupees Twenty Five Thousand only) plus GST as applicable(non-refundable),from the website of e-auctionplatform provider. The applicable GST should be paid by Reverse Charge Mechanism by the Bidder and the GST Paid Slip should be attached with the Bid Letter. After purchase of the Tender Document, eligible bidders can register themselveson the above-mentioned website. On successful registration, disible identified densities the Bidder and the GST Paid Slip should be attached with the successful registration, eligible bidder will obtain Login ID and password necessary for participation in thee-auction process.

Sd/-**Director Mines** Department of Mines & Geology Govt.ofJharkhand





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"Our team is the best, however can't say we will win all the gold medals"

Commonwealth

GAMES, 2022 6 DAYS TO GO

PRATYUSH RAJ NEW DELHI, JULY 21

WITH A WEEK to go for the start of the Commonwealth Games, Wrestling Federation of India president **BRIJ BHUSHAN** SHARAN SINGH is bullish about Indian wrestlers' chances, claiming they can win all 12 gold medals on offer across men and women categories. Luck, however, will play its part, Singh added.

In an interview with *The Indian Express*. the WFI chief talks about the lessons learnt from the Tokyo Olympics, the need to trust Indian coaches and whether he will be keen to take charge of the Indian Olympic Association, which is currently without a permanent president. EXCERPTS:

Do you think India can win all 12 gold medals at the Commonwealth Games?

In my opinion our team is the best in the CWG. However, you can't say we will win all the gold medals because someday, luck also plays a part. For example, what happened with Deepak Punia at the Tokyo Olympics (he lost the bronze medal bout in the final few seconds)... Vinesh Phogat was one of the sure shot medals. But nothing is impossible because we have got a solid contingent.

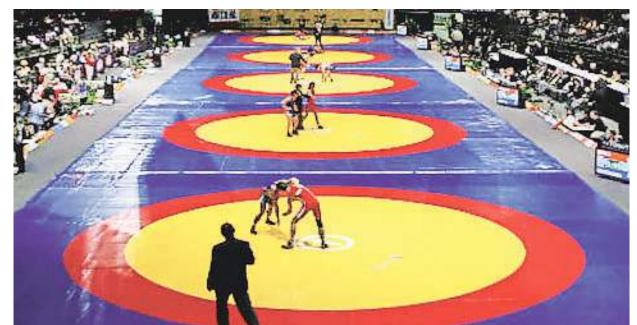
What is your general assessment after **Tokyo Olympics?**

I was a tad disappointed with the results of Tokyo. I was expecting four medals, including a gold. We only managed to achieve 50 per cent of our target. Everyone was happy with the two medals but not me. Vinesh not winning a medal was very unfortunate, and from Bajrang (Punia), we were expecting gold but he won a bronze. I was highly optimistic that we'll have one medal between Deepak and Sonam (Malik). I was sure about Ravi (Dahiya). I feel that Deepak was a bit unlucky, but then again, you can't blame destiny. It was our fault as well. Deepak not winning the medal is on us. If the foreign coach did not put pressure on him to spar before the bout, the bronze was secured.

After the Olympics, we made few changes. I have taken some tough decisions and was severely criticised for it.

The first significant decision I took right after the Tokyo Games was that we would

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OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis

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have trials for the Olympics. We have passed the rule in our the general body meeting. If you have won a quota, it doesn't mean that you are going to the Olympics.

World Wrestling Championships will be held in September. When will the trials be held? We will announce the date after CWG. Wrestlers

will need some time to recover Is there a plan for

grooming wrestlers at the junior level too, especially Greco-Roman? In the Asian cadet and

to achieve 50 per cent world cadet championship, of our target. Everyone we finished third in Greco-Roman. We never did well in was happy with the two the style because it was neimedals but not me." ther in the school games nor in the University games. In

India, those who were unable to compete in the freestyle used to take up Greco-Roman. Now, Greco-Roman is in the school games, but the most challenging part was to include it in the University Games. It was a tiring process; it took me two years to get it done. You will see positive results in Greco-Roman. It is improving

WORDLETT

Why are you so rigid about Indian coaches and are against foreign coaches?

We don't have foreign coaches for so many months now. We are winning medals at the Worlds in and women's men's freestyle and even in Greco-Roman. The foreign coaches don't have the magic wand. Who helped the likes of Sushil, Yogeshwar, and Ravi to win medals? All coaches

were Indian. We gave given one special coach to Bajrang, and he returned with a bronze. I am rigid about Indian coaches because they keep them focused. Our athletes need a guardian. I am not entirely against foreign coaches, but I don't want them at the venue. I am okay with the training and all, but I don't want them at the venue. If our wrestler wants them, only then

What is your problem with private bodies, like OGQ and JSW entering the sport?

That matter is settled now. We had a few conditions. First, the federation doesn't need

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a single penny from them, be it JSW or OGQ. Second, the federation and SAI will decide when and where the wrestler will train and who will be their sparring partners, not them . Third, till now, they were only focused on those who are medal contenders; those who have not won medals will be left at the airport. But now we have told them not to look only after our cream wrestlers. We will give them the list based on performances.

From table tennis to football, and hockey, courts are intervening in the functioning of sports bodies. What is your view on it, and if given a chance, would you run for the IOA chief?

There is a sport code for all the federations. I have one question: Committee of Administrators has become a norm nowadays in every federation, but they have never raised a finger towards the WFI, why? The reason is simple: we have followed the government's guidelines. It is the government that is taking care of our athletes, they are giving us the funds, and we must follow the guidelines provided by the government. There were issue in all these federations: they were not even conducting the elections

To answer your last part of the question, no, I don't want to become the IOA chief. Mai iahaan hun khush hun, kvunki mai sambha nahi pauga. Mere bas ka nahi hai (I am happy where I am. I won't be able to take the extra responsibility).

Increase in domestic cricket prize money, Deodhar Trophy culled

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DEVENDRA PANDEY

PRIZE MONEY for domestic tournaments, including the Ranji Trophy, will be increased by the Board of Control for Cricket in India. This was one of the decisions taken at the Apex Council meeting held in Mumbai on Thursday. Ranji Trophy winners get a cheque of Rs 2 crore. The decision to increase the prize money follows the windfall of Rs 48,390 crore from sale of IPL media rights

"The Apex Council has decided to give powers to office bearers to decide on the re-

The domestic calendar will see a change as the BCCI decided to drop the Deodhar Trophy, which was first held in 1973-74. The Deodhar Trophy is a list-A tournament which features three teams - India A, B and

A BCCI official said the reason for culling the tournament was the packed domestic schedule. The BCCI is set to conduct 1,773 domestic games this season, including agegroup tournaments.

Dhumal also attended.

As for the Ranji Trophy, the BCCI has decided to reintroduce the Elite and Plate group, like in the pre-Covid days. Thirty-two

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teams will be divided into four Elite groups of eight each, while six teams will be in the Plate group. The winners of the Plate Group final will get a spot in the quarterfinals of Ranji Trophy. A relegation system will also be in place.

The Ranji Trophy will begin in December and teams will play home and away.

The other tournaments during the domestic season will be the Irani Trophy (Rest of India vs Ranji Trophy winner), Vijay Hazare Trophy (50 overs) and Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy (20 overs). The BCCI officials felt that going back to the zonal format in Duleep Trophy will help improve the quality of the tournament. The Duleep Trophy in its current format consists of three teams - India Red, India Blue and India Green

DRS likely for Ranji Trophy?

The Apex Council discussed having DRS (Decision Review System) in the next season of Ranji Trophy game. A number of howlers by umpires has resulted in the BCCI mulling over introducing DRS in Ranji Trophy. "The BCCI has agreed in principle to have the DRS system in place for next season. If everything goes smoothly, the BCCI will have a DRS system for all live games," a BCCI official said.

that fintech company Paytm has requested

the BCCI to assign their India Home Cricket

Paytm and the BCCI runs from September

2019 to March 31, 2023. The company

had missed the July timeline to request

for reassignment of the sponsorship.

However, considering the "longstanding"

relationship between the two parties, the

signment and the board is considering it,"

the source added. In August 2019, Paytm

had extended its association as the title

"Paytm has request the BCCI for reas-

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BCCI will consider Paytm's request.

The current agreement between

title rights to Mastercard.

Byju's owes Rs 86.21 crore to BCCI

New Delhi: Indian cricket team's jersey sponsor Byju's allegedly owes Rs 86.21 crore as dues to the BCCI while title sponsor Paytm has requested the board to transfer its rights to a third party. It was only in April that the Edtech company and the BCCI had agreed on the extension of their partnership until the end of the 2023 ODI World Cup in India at a 10 percent increment. The issue was discussed by the BCCI Apex Council on Thursday. "As of today, Byju's owes dues of Rs 86.21 crore to the Board," a BCCI source said. Byju's first came on board back in 2019 when mobile manufacturer Oppo transferred the sponsorship rights to the online tutorial firm.

sponsor for international and domestic cricket matches in India by four years Paytm wants exit as sponsor with a winning bid of Rs 3.80 crore per In other development, it has been learnt match.

BY PETER VIDAL LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)



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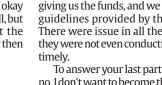
vised prize money," a BCCI official said.

'We couldn't find space with so many matches to be played during the domestic season which is scheduled to start from September this year," the BCCI official said. The Duleep Trophy to be played in a zonal format, Ranji Trophy to have Elite and Plate groups and the Decision Review System (DRS) likely to be in place for all Ranji Trophy Games, were the other key decisions taken at the Apex Council meeting.

The meeting on Thursday was the BCCI's first physical meeting post Covid-19. It was chaired by BCCI president Sourav Ganguly while secretary Jay Shah and treasurer Arun







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ACROSS 1 Style of writing suitable for circular letters?(5,4) 8 Frequently expressed as decimal(5) 9 Artillery associated with assault(7)10 Go over undulating track (6)11 Leave land untended (6) 12 Not easy to grasp by sailors on land (8) 15 Nobody is in doubt that air raid is over (3,5) 18 Went against the current trend?(6) 20 Antagonism causes me tiny trouble(6) 21 Touch on Zulu warriors coming to strange end (7) 22 The main part of the earth 23 They keep shops freshly smartened(9)

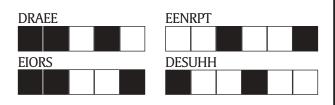
2 Make a speech to only half the electorate(5) 3 Hazel and Margaret in spicy combination(6) 4 It appears in a woman's secret birthright(8) 5 Torrid disposition of little Dickensian heroine(6) 6 An old Empire sofa (7)7 Not fine but outstanding (9) 11 A classic dream once in circulation(9) 13 Gave a shriek and scared me badly(8)14 One on a diet may turn out so (7)16 Undiscovered talent developed(6) 17 Concedes there are about a thousand approaches(6) 19 It is more impressive than a

birdie of course(5)

Solutions Crossword 4799: Across: 1 Members, 4 Opium, 7 Seat, 8 Drillers, 10 No thank you, 12 Common, 13 Spades, 15 Opening out, 18 Under age, 19 Wing, 20 Ernes, 21 Toughen. Down: 1 Mason, 2 Meantime, 3 Strike, 4 Oil company, 5 Idea, 6 Masters, 9 Man of parts, 11 Admonish, 12 Compute, 14 Knight, 16 Tag on, 17 Aden.

JUMBLED WORDS

Given below are four jumbled words. Solve the jumbles to make proper words and move them to the respective squares below. Select the letters in the shaded squares and jumble them to get the answer for the given guip. If it were not for ___, the ___ would break. - Thomas Fuller (5,.,5)



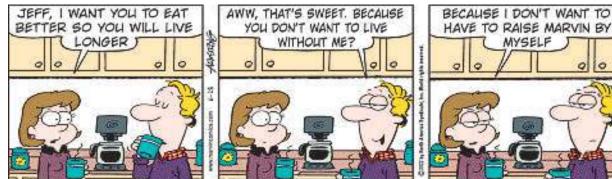
Answer: If it were not for **hopes,** the **heart** would break. - Thomas Fuller SOLUTION: EARED, OSIER, REPENT, HUSHED



CALVIN & HOBBES by Bill Watterson



MARVIN by Tom Armstrong



Difficulty Level 2s 4 Instructions To solve a Sudoku puzzle, 4 every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the 8 1 nine vertical columns, in 6 each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the 3 nine boxes. 2 **Difficulty Level** 1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy; 5 3s = Medium; 4s = Hard; 5s = Very Hard; 6s =

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and profitable but it's up to you to pick the offers that provide real rewards and avoid those which could lead you up a blind alley. It's all in the small print.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21) You are not known as an impatient or but you do have your belligerent side. It's not that I think arguments are wrong that I advise caution now, but since it looks as if you may go off at half-cock, you could actually make matters worse. Stay cool and make

things better.

secure your ends.

and personal grace are your biggest joint asset. Be

confident and realise that.

and a discreet wink, you can

wrap almost anyone around vour little finger.

Look forward

vour innate charm

intolerant person,

planetary influences tend to make you impulsive, reckless and liable to go over the top. SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22) You have some very

intense needs at the moment, like your desire to be understood for a start. You're also in an ambitious mood; self-

talking about commitments in the order of large purchases, domestic outlay and even property acquisitions. Overall, it's not a time for bargains. Your extravagant tendencies extend wind you up. towards partnership proposals, and a lavish gesture could

It's an uneven moment and you're

picking up mixed messages from close partners. Even if all is sweetness and light there are rumblings of discontent. If you are able. you must be flexible with people who deserve your consideration, but firm with those who do not.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23) You are currently

blessed with remarkable sensitivity and intuition. The only question is whether you can distinguish genuine perceptions from idle hopes, wishes and fears. This is not as easy as it sounds, especially as the facts seem to be shielded by a layer of fantasy.

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)

A colleague or business associate should be taken to

task although, if legal questions are on the agenda, vou may be motivated by the broad spirit rather than the precise letter of the law. In other words, vou're after justice rather than revenge

please take care. Any and all such devious actions may be about to blow up in your face. And that's precisely why you'd better play it straight. SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)

If you're undecided, then why don't you wait until after the weekend before taking a firm choice as to the next stage or phase of activity. Remember that current

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21) Business influences loom large. We're motivation is all very well, but you may pick up the wrong end of the stick. Don't take secret fears and worries too seriously. Your imagination is trying to CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20) CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

beyond immediate strains and see that with a flutter of your eyelashes

> AQUARIUS (Jan 21- Feb 19) You may feel pulled in two

directions, not necessarily a

bad thing. You'll re-examine your choices and review all outstanding options. Over the coming days, home and family, emotion and intellect, imagination and practicality will appear as rreconcilable. The truth, however, may point in a different direction.

PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20)

You may have become accustomed to being used as a sounding board for other people's complaints and problems. Possibly you should tell partners and colleagues to stop whingeing and get on with their lives. But do so in a way which doesn't offend

New Delhi



unnecessarily.



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ATP CANCELS 2022 EVENTS IN CHINA

The Shanghai Masters and three other men's tournaments in China will not be held this year due to COVID-19 restrictions in the country, the ATP Tour said on Thursday. "This marks the third year of cancellation for the ATP's China swing, typically hosted in September and October and last staged in 2019, prior to the pandemic," the men's governing body said in a statement..

After FIFA & FIH, now IOC warns India: 'Hold elections or face suspension'

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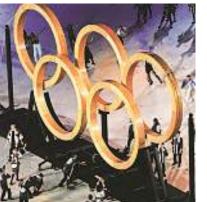
AMIDST GROWING fears of football's world governing body, FIFA, imposing a ban on the All India Football Federation (AIFF) and the International Hockey Federation (FIH) stripping the country of hosting rights of next year's World Cup, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) has threatened to suspend India due to governance-related issues.

In a letter, dated July 20, to all executive council members of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA), the IOC has said it will be forced to suspend the national body should it fail to organise its 'quadrennial elections within the coming weeks'.

The IOA's elections were originally scheduled to be held in December last year. However, they have been kept in abeyance due to an ongoing court case, in which it is accused of violating provisions of the National Sports Code.

While this will not have a bearing on India's participation in the Commonwealth Games, which begin on July 28, a suspension can impact the financial aid the federation and athletes receive from the IOC. Additionally, until the sanctions are lifted, India's athletes will not be allowed to compete under the tricolour in Olympic events.

The letter - signed by Director of Olympic solidarity and National Olympic Committee Relations, James MacLeod, and Director General of the Olympic Council of Asia, Husain Al-Musallam - stated: "Should the IOA fail to fulfill its obligations and be unable to organise its quadrennial elections properly within the coming weeks, the IOC will,



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unfortunately, have no other option but to consider appropriate protective measures vis-à-vis the IOA, including a suspension...

The IOC's threat comes at a time when the government acknowledged on Thursday that the country could be suspended from international football. The AIFF is currently being run by a three-member Committee of Administrators (CoA) appointed by the Supreme Court due to a logiam in drafting AIFF's constitution and holding elections.

The move could amount to third-party interference in the functioning of the AIFF, which would violate FIFA's rules and thus lead to suspension. FIFA has given the AIFF a deadline of July 31 to finalise its constitution and mid-September to hold elections.

"In the international world, nobody is immune to ban... FIFA has banned several prominent countries in the past due to issues

with their constitution and various other governance matters, including not having democratically elected bodies," sports ministry's joint secretary LS Singh said during the hearing, which got adjourned to July 28. "We are very much apprehensive and we would not like to see the prestige of our country put to any untoward position."

In May, the Delhi High Court suspended Hockey India's executive committee for not aligning its constitution with the National Sports Code and appointed CoA to run its affairs. Moreover, it struck down the position of Hockey India's life president and instructed veteran sports administrator Narinder Batra to step down as the president of the IOA, given that his election to the post was on the basis of his position as Hockey India's life

president. The IOC's letter comes days after Batra of-

ficially resigned as the IOA president. In its communication, the Olympic body expressed 'great concern' over the situation and noted the 'multiple legal proceedings... which have caused delays and created unnecessary complications so far.'

It has urged the IOA officials to 'review and solve this situation once and for all and confirm the date of IOA quadrennial elections without any further delay' to avoid suspension.

If IOC goes ahead and bans India, it will be the second time in a decade that such an action would have been taken against the country. In December 2012, the Olympic body suspended the IOA for similar reasons failure to comply with IOC rules in the election process - and it led to one of the most embarrassing situations in the country's Olympic history.

BRIEFLY — Para Shooting World Cup: India record best-ever finish

Munich: Paralympic medallist Singhraj Adhana won two gold on the final day as India produced their best-ever performance at the Para Shooting World Cup, finishing with 10 medals here. Singhraj's twin medals propelled India to the top of the medal table, their best performance since taking part in the competition for the first time in 2017. In total, India won six golds, three silvers and one bronze. France (11) and Ukraine (15), took the second and third place, having won 4 and 3 gold respectively. On the final day of the event, Tokyo Paralympic silver medallist Singhraj, who initially qualified in the fourth place, rode on his steady rounds of shooting to score 224.1 points and eventually clinched the gold. PTI

Twin delight for Tanisha in Taipei

Taipei: Talented Indian shuttler Tanisha Crasto registered straightgame wins to enter the quarterfinals of women's and mixed doubles competition at the Taipei Open Super 300 tournament here on Thursday. Parupalli Kashyap also entered the last eight round but Mithun Manjunath and Kiran George missed out after suffering narrow defeats in the men's singles second round. Tanisha and Ishaan Bhatnagar, seeded sixth, beat Chinese Taipei's Cheng Kai Wen and Wang Yu Qiao 21-14, 21-17 to enter the mixed doubles guarterfinals. Tanisha then combined with Shruti Mishra to get the better of local hope Jia Yin Lin and Lin Yu-Hao 21-14, 21-8 in a women's doubles second round tie. Kashyap prevailed 21-10, 21-19 over Chinese Taipei's Chia Hao Lee. **PTI**

Hooda's T20 playbook

His aggressive batting approach, shot mechanics suit the format; runs versus WI could help seal WC spot

SRIRAM VEERA MUMBAI, JULY 21

A VIDEO was put up on the Sony India twitter feed of an interaction between Virat Kohli and Deepak Hooda near the boundary, on what seems a training day at Birmingham. Kohli gestures a lean-forward motion at the crease. indicating his left shoulder and head. Hooda is all eyes and ears. Now, in Kohli's absence in the white-ball series in West Indies, Hooda is likely to get a longer run to show if he has the consistency. He showed his talent in the games he has got so far, and now against a better bowling attack, with a possible spot in the T20 World Cup squad up for grabs, it might well come down to how he performs in the extended series in the Caribbean. It might not be enough to stake a permanent claim, but it's a golden chance to keep a couple of seniors on their toes, let alone other youngsters. Who knows what can happen if he has a bumper series

Hooda's batting style is where the Indian team is heading towards this T20 World Cup. For a country that birthed IPL, Indian batting has been ironically anachronistic. Now, forced by the rest of the world, they seem to have adopted a more aggressive approach. Even Rohit Sharma, who used to prefer soaking up a few deliveries, tried to hit out from the start. They had Rishabh Pant open. Hooda opened. Ishan Kishan with the licence to blast out, Sanju Samson doesn't need any licence; he seems to know no other way but to let his bat flow. Even Kohli, who failed, showed intent to hit out in his brief knocks.

If Hooda can continue doing what he did, then it can't hurt his chances. At least, it gives a great opportunity for the Indian think-tank to groom a youngster who seems aware of the format's needs - like a young Suresh Raina seemed a natural fit in the ODIs and was groomed thus before the 2011 World Cup. Incidentally, after Hooda became the fourth Indian to hit an international T20 ton, Raina would tweet out: 'welcome to the club'. Hooda's backstory has been well-documented on these pages before. In the last season or two, it was about his tiff with Krunal Pandya which resulted in a shift away from Baroda, then a sparkling IPL where a patch-up happened between two, that facilitated a return to Baroda.



In some ways, Deepak Hooda's batting captures the evolution in modern T20. PTI

has seeped in so naturally. Hooda at times even laxing till the end. Nothing goes limp: not the

batsmen, create violence scientifically. The joy isn't akin to watching a Shahid Afridi wallop a ball but it's more an appreciation of a skill carefully constructed - or so it appears.

Set-up at crease

The set-up at crease too is all about how one can get the maximum mileage out of a potentially attacking shot. A slight knee flex, the back feet point to point, and the front foot is already opened up, feet facing down the pitch. He can and does adjust it after the ball is delivered, but if it's a short ball or one on the legs, he just opens that front foot wider (towards the leg side) and goes bang. Suryakumar is pretty similar. That approach also allows, just as it does to Suryakumar, the perfect base to play that half-pull half-swat both do superbly to backward square-leg. Suryakumar does it a tad better; both shuffle a touch to their right, and then crouch into an almost sitting position, and help the ball along up and over behind square on the leg side.

As if they were flinging a towel, a man stole onto their left shoulder. It's a cracking good shot - of imagination, dare, but also a carefully-constructed technique. Suryakumar almost hops to that back foot, shifting weight more decisively, and then holds his crouched position as the hands come across to do the rest. Like he did in that stunning first International six off Iofra Archer.

Their off-side hits over covers or the one over point is also pretty similar. In fact, the shot Hooda got out to after his ton could well have been played by Suryakumar. A tiny shuffle, and then down he went on his knee to a full ball well outside off, and let his hands flay at it, a whiplash of sorts, but there was a man prowling at deep point.

There were a few ticks visible in that Ireland series which seem to indicate where he will go with a shot. Occasionally, he does this threat of moving to the leg side and one can be assured that he would eventually move to his right to try to target an aerial hit over the off side. When he does to the spinners, he usually charges down the track.

KL Rahul tests positive for Covid, doubtful for WI T20s

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA PORT OF SPAIN (TRINIDAD), JUL 21



STAR INDIA batter K L Rahul on Thursday tested positive for COVID-19, which is likely to rule him out of the upcoming fivematch T20 series against the West Indies, starting

July 29 at Tarouba.

BCCI president Sourav Ganguly informed about Rahul after the Board's Apex Council meeting here.

Rahul on Thursday itself had addressed the candidates, who attended the Level-3 coach certification course at National Cricket Academy in Bengaluru.

Rahul, who underwent a hernia operation in Germany recently, was rested for the ODI series against the West Indies starting Friday at Port of Spain.

Ganguly also informed that a member of the Commonwealth Games-bound India women's team was also down with COVID-19. He, however, did not disclose the name of the player.

In Port of Spain, with rain playing spoilsport, the Indian team was forced to train indoors ahead of the first ODI of three-match series against the West Indies on Friday.

Led by the veteran Shikhar Dhawan, the Indian bowlers and batters sweated it out at the indoor training facility here as rain lashed parts of Trinidad.

"As we have just come from the UK, we thought that it would be nice to have an (outdoor) practice session. But it started raining. So, it's always better to have a knock in the indoor facilities rather than having no session," opener Shubman Gill said in a video

Aditi recovers for an even par start

Evian-les-Bains (France): Indian golfer Aditi Ashok recovered from back-toback bogeys to card even par 71 in the first round of the Amundi Evian Championship here. Aditi, extending her record of Major starts from 21 to 22 this week, started from the 10th and had bogeys on 12th and 13th, but pulled one back with a birdie on 18th. She came back to even with another birdie on second but a bogev on fourth meant she was once again par. A birdie on eighth ensured she was on par at the end. She is placed T-56 after the first round. PTI

Surya-like batting style

In some ways, his batting captures the evolution in the modern T20. If one were to list out its mechanics - the various terms like 'set-up at crease', 'shape', 'unweighting of bat', 'correct position', Hooda's style like Suryakumar Yadav's, can be shown as an example. Not that there is an absence of a naturalness, but that constructed idea of modern-day T20 batting

resembles a version of a taller Suryakumar Yadav. Suryakumar comes across as more natural, but that could just be a matter of confidence.

Perhaps, it's best to explain the Hooda way using a few shots he struck during his T20 ton in Ireland. There was a shot in the eighth over of the innings off the seamer Conor Olphert.

It was a length delivery around the off stump line, and even as he lofted it on the up, the effort to tick off a few batting parameters was noticeable. The shape, for starters: the high left-elbow that hold the body position together even after the contact with the ball, firm upper body and uprightness in the followthrough

Hooda, like the modern-day batsmen, likes to freeze that elbow at the end of the hand flow - not as a showmanship but to hold shape.

Hooda keeps pushing his hands through the shot, stretching it to its apogee, without rehands, not the upper body, not the head, and that shape is held.

Unlike say Shivam Dube, who was bracketed along with Hooda till the last season or two, Hooda has a way better pull shot option to the short ball. Dube's bat-flows to full balls are impressively fluid but he is yet to clear doubts about the short ball and India can't afford another young batsman with such worries (other is Shreyas Iyer, of course).

With the pull shot, too, Hooda's technique reflects the method that we've been talking about. It's not a mere letting go of oneself, like in the olden days, but a carefully thought-out crafted hitting. Hooda's pull resembles the shot of the stickman in the video game Stick Cricket. His body too goes through similar motions – a sense of firmness about it. One can almost break it up at various points, deconstruct it, and re-assemble it - like an animation artist might.

Or in other words, Hooda's, just like many

The performance analysts would have him covered by now, and this West Indies series should present a good indication of his confidence, skill, and evolution.

"If you don't have any option, then why don't you go there like a warrior. That's how I think, and things turned in my way. I'm happy about that," he would say about that hundred as an opener. ""I've never opened in an international game, but being a top-order batsman, vou have to cope up to the challenges and you don't have any option." A warrior, then is how he sees it.

It will need a lot of skills, game awareness, and a bit of that attitude if he wants to seize a world cup spot.

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posted by BCCI on twitter. "It was a good session as we got to do some specific things like playing underarm balls. I am feeling great and we all are really excited and really buzzed about these three ODIs. We feel that it would be a good series.' Dhawan along with other batters spent some time at the nets, while young pacer Arshdeep

Singh rolled his arms. Dhawan had earlier led India to Sri Lanka

for an ODI series last year.

Regular skipper Rohit Sharma, senior batter Virat Kohli, Rishabh Pant, star allrounder Hardik Pandya, Jasprit Bumrah, who led India in the rescheduled fifth Test against England, and Mohammed Shami have all been rested.

It has opened a window of opportunity for the likes of Ruturaj Gaikwad, Sanju Samson, Ishan Kishan to make their presence felt.

Jeruto claims 3000m steeplechase gold 'Best chance for Annu to win a medal'

REUTERS

EUGENE (USA), JULY 21

NORAH JERUTO set a World Championships record en route to winning the women's 3,000 metres steeplechase gold while China's Feng Bin outdid Olympic champion Valerie Allman in the discus final in Eugene, Oregon on Wednesday.

Jeruto, who switched allegiance from Kenya to Kazakhstan earlier this year, clocked eight minutes, 53.02 seconds, the thirdfastest time ever and more than five seconds better than previous winner Beatrice Chepkoech's mark in Doha in 2019.

Werkuha Getachew set an Ethiopian record for silver, while her compatriot Mekides Abebe took bronze.

"At the starting line, I was afraid of my friends from Ethiopia," Jeruto said of her competitors. "They are also champions like me so I was scared of them. I tried my best to win the race and it was not easy.'

In the women's discus final, Feng's 69.12metres opener, a personal best, was enough to secure her victory as Croatia's Sandra Perkovic took silver and American Allman



Norah Jeruto celebrates after winning the 3000m steeplechase. Reuters

finished with bronze. Reigning champion Yaime Perez ended in seventh place.

"I am so excited and I have to say all opponents did a very good job today," said Feng, who finished 17th in Tokyo last year. "I did

not expect this result coming to Eugene, I just wanted to show my best.'

Earlier on Wednesday, record-holder Sydney McLaughlin and fellow American Dalilah Muhammad set up a highly anticipated showdown in the women's 400 metres hurdles final, after winning their respective heats.

American Champion Allison advanced to the men's 400 metres final, as compatriot Michael Norman stormed to the fastest finish. World record-holder and twice world champion Wayde van Niekerk also sealed qualification. In the women's 400 metres, double Olympic champion Shaunae Miller-Uibo cruised to victory in her semi-final, while Dominican Republic's Marileidy Paulino, who won silver in Tokyo, also qualified for the finals.

The United States' relay hopes took a hit as 100 metres champion Fred Kerley pulled out of the 4x100 metres relay due to injury.

South Africa's Caster Semenya, who was competing in the women's 5,000 metres heats after being barred from competing in any race from 400 metres to a mile, failed to qualify for the finals after clocking a time of 15:46.12

ANDREW AMSAN NEW DELHI, JULY 21

JAVELIN THROWER Annu Rani reached her second World Championships final in Oregon after finishing 8th in the qualification round with a 59.60 metre throw in her third and final attempt. Only three athletes managed to achieve the direct qualification mark of 62.50m on Thursday.

The 30-year-old Uttar Pradesh athlete, taking part in her third World Championships, made the cut for the finals by virtue of finishing in the top 12. Annu, who created history in Doha by becoming the first Indian woman thrower to reach the finals, will need nothing short of a miracle to finish on the podium at Oregon. Although Rio and Tokyo Olympics silver medallist and season leader Maggie Malone, who has a personal best of over 67m, exited the field with a best throw of 54.19 in Oregon, there are quality throwers in the field for the finals.

Two throwers - Liu Shiying, the Tokyo Games gold medallist and Doha World Championships silver winner (63.86) and 2022 Paris Diamond League winner Haruka



This is Annu Rani's third World Championships. PTI

Kitaguchi (64.32) – have thrown better than Annu's lifetime best of 63.82m in the gualification round itself.

To reach anywhere close to the podium, it would require an extraordinary effort from Annu. But former coach Kashinath Naik, who has trained Annu for 5 years, believes that Annu has it in her and thinks this is her best

"You could see she was trying to conserve energy in the qualification round. She will surely come up with a much better throw in the finals and so will her competitors. But I know she is capable of hitting the 65m mark. She is a senior athlete now with a lot of experience, she should go for the medal," says an optimistic Naik who is a javelin coach at the Army Institute of Sports.

Annu, who has virtually no competition on the domestic circuit, first broke the national mark back in 2014 with two throws of 58.83m at the same competition. Since then no other woman thrower has entered the national record book apart from her. This is her NR progression: 58.83m and 59.53 in 2014, 59.87 and 60.01 in 2016, 61.86m in 2017, 62.34 and 62.43 in 2019, 63.24 a year later and 63.82 in 2022.

After the Tokyo Olympics low, where she managed a throw of just over 54 m and finished 29 out of 30 in the qualification round, Annu has slowly covered lost ground. At the 2022 Javelin Nationals in Jamshedpur in June, she rewrote the national record for the 9th time with a 63.82m throw. Annu has performed consistently this season hitting 60m plus range.

"Annu has improved a lot in the last couple of years. She is a much stronger thrower and I have learnt she has hit 65m plus throws in practice," says Naik who parted ways with Annu in 2018.

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