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Chief Justice of India N V Ramana at a farewell organised by the SC Bar Association in New Delhi on Friday. Courtesy: Supreme Court

Subject to conspiratorial scrutiny from day I joined... suffered in silence: CJI at farewell

ANANTHAKRISHNANG NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

OUTGOING CHIEF Justice of India NV Ramana said on Friday that he "was subjected to conspiratorial scrutinies" from the day he joined the bench till he reached "the highest possible position in the judiciary". "My family and I suffered in silence. But ultimately, the truth will al-

ways prevail," he said. Speaking at the farewell function organised by the Supreme Court Bar Association (SCBA) to mark his last day in of-

fice, CJI Ramana also spoke about the highlights of his tenure from filling up "nearly 20 percent" of the sanctioned strength of High Court judges to appointing more women judges and promoting social diversity. He also spoke about the need

to use "modern technological tools" and Artificial Intelligence (AI) to reform the functioning of the system

> "I am happy to inform that, thanks to my collegium judges and consulting judges, in the last 16 months, we could appoint 11 judges to the apex court and out of the 255 recommended for the various High Courts, 224 judges are already appointed. This amounts to nearly 20 per cent of

the total sanctioned strength of the High Courts...We got 15 new Chief Justices for various High Courts during the same period,' he said.

CJI Ramana, who took charge on April 24, 2021, said progress was also made in appointing more women judges and promoting social diversity on the Bench, adding that "this process is a reflection of the coherence CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

IN A massive setback to the Congress, veteran leader Ghulam Nabi Azad Friday resigned from the party and launched a blistering no-holdsbarred attack on Rahul Gandhi. Singling out Rahul, Azad said he had "demolished" the "entire consultative mechanism" in the party, sidelined all "senior and experienced" leaders and let a

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sycophants" run the party. He also called Rahul a "nonserious individual", and suggested his "PAs and security guards" among others took decisions for him

"new coterie" of "inexperienced

Azad is a member of the Congress Working Committee and a member of the Sonia Gandhi-headed political affairs Amid reports that the

Gandhis are keen that Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot take over as Congress president, Azad in his five-page damning letter





BEFORE BHARAT JODO, CONG JODO BY GHULAM NABI AZAD P11 Azad, a CWC member, was

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had called the ordinance a

"complete nonsense"

which should be "torn up

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excise... AAP's habit to

shoot & scoot: Thakur

That "one single ac-

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VHP objects, **Delhi Police**

Not yet time to drop caution on growth front, says Sitharaman

FE BUREAU MUMBAI, AUGUST 26

UNION MINISTER for Finance and Corporate Affairs Nirmala Sitharaman said on Friday that the International Monetary Fund's latest projection of a 7.4 per cent economic expansion for India in FY23 was broadly in sync with the Government's own assessment – but added that given the downside risks from external factors. it was not vet time to drop caution on the growth



Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman at the FE Best Banks Awards. Express P 17

were a clear sign that private investments were picking up on the promise of durable con-

The Union Minister also hinted at sustained support to exports, as "these are facing external headwinds", and steps to attract more foreign investment. "We(want to)draw in more(foreign) investments into India so that the growth momentum is not lost. We are definitely working on this," Sitharaman said.

Speaking on the issue of "freebies" promised by political the question of what constituted freebies, she was more concerned about the tendency to shift the burden onto "someone else", like the electricity discoms, instead of funding them out of **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

'Insulting, immature, childish': Azad is first to exit with gloves off for Rahul

part of the G-23. File

to Sonia, who is abroad for a

medical check-up, along with

Rahul and Privanka Gandhi

Vadra, said: "Unfortunately, the

situation in the Congress party

has reached such a point of no

return that now 'proxies' are be-

ing propped up to take over the

leadership of the Party.

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FROM SHARAD Pawar to Ghulam Nabi Azad, the Congress has seen the exit of many a veteran and leader since 1998 when the Gandhi family took control of the party. But what sets apart Azad's resignation is that his is the first time that a senior leader has put,

individual," serious whom the leadership tried to "foist" upon the party, Azad points to his "immaturity" and "childish be-

tion more than anything else haviour" in the context of his 2013 contributed significantly to the defeat of the UPA government in trashing of the ordinance brought by the Manmohan Singh govern-

Cong's reply: His DNA is modi-fied, remote in **Modi hands** MANOJCG

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26 STUNNED BY veteran leader Ghulam Nabi Azad's resignation and his attack on Rahul Gandhi.

the Congress initially questioned the timing of his decision, and then launched a scathing counter-attack, accusing him of being in cahoots with the BIP. Several Congress leaders, including its two chief ministers, Ashok Gehlot and Bhupesh Baghel, at-

tacked Azad. "It is most unfortunate and most regrettable that this has happened when Congress president Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and the entire Congress party organisation across the country is engaged in confronting, combating and fighting

the BJP on public issues of price rise, unemployment and polarisation," Jairam Ramesh, AICC general secretary in charge of communication, said at a press conference. The Congress had earlier

scheduled a press conference to be addressed by Ajay Maken, to target the AAP government in Delhi on the liquor policy. But it cancelled this, and a short statement was read out by Maken and Ramesh on Azad's resignation instead.

"The entire Congress party organisation... has been involved in preparing for the 'Mehangai Par Hallo Bol' rally in New Delhi on September 4 which would be **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

on record, such a strong and ment to negate a Supreme Court pointed critique of Rahul Gandhi

in a letter to Sonia Gandhi. Calling Rahul "a non-

says no to Munawar **Faruqui show**

MAHENDER SINGH MANRAL

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

A DAY after the Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) wrote to Delhi Police Commissioner Sanjay Arora seeking cancellation of a show by comedian Munawar Faruqui in the national capital, scheduled for August 28, the licensing branch of the Delhi Police has rejected permission. This comes after the central district police sent the branch a report that "the show will affect communal harmony in the area", it is learnt.

When contacted, JCP (licensing branch) OPM ishra confirmed that permission had been rejected after receipt of a report by the local (central) district police.

On August 23, the licensing branch had given permission to the applicant, Gursimar Singh CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

Speaking at an interactive session moderated by Financial editor Shyamal Express Majumdar before giving away the FE Best Banks Awards in Mumbai, Sitharaman said that





Hate speech: SC upholds HC order backing UP's no to prosecute Yogi

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AUGUST 26 THE SUPREME Court on Friday and CT Ravikumar, had reserved dismissed an appeal challenging the Allahabad High Court judgits order in the matter. ment upholding the UP govern-Writing for the bench, Justice Ravikumar agreed with the sub-

ment's refusal to allow sanction to prosecute Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath in a 2007 case for al-

DAN'S SHO legedly delivering an inflamma-- 10 tory speech. Adityanath was the BJP's Gorakhpur MP at the time. On August 24, a bench of Chief Justice of India N V IL Ramana, and Justices Hima Kohli

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Twin towers: rise and fall

Maharashtra, Goa... **BJP** topples govts, now after us: Kejriwal

GAYATHRI MANI NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

DELHI CHIEF Minister Arvind Kejriwal said on Friday that the case against his deputy, Manish Sisodia, was part of a "pattern" by the BJP to topple elected governments.

Speaking at a one-day special session of the Delhi Assembly, Kejriwal reiterated what he had tweeted a day earlier - that there is a new "serial killer" on the loose, a potshot at the BJP trying to bring down elected state governments. "Others form govern-

ments, they bring them down. They have trampled on citizens. People selected a government in states like Maharashtra and Goa, they toppled it... they are after

the people... the pattern is the same everywhere... First they



Arvind Kejriwal, Manish Sisodia Friday. Prem Nath Pandey

sent the CBI and ED after (Health Minister Satyendar) Jain, now CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

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LIZ MATHEW NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

DESCRIBING DELHI Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal as the "kingpin" and Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia as "an accused" in the AAP's contentious excise policy, which is now under the scanner of investigative agencies, Union

Minister Anurag

Thakur said on

Friday that the

party is not an-

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Anurag Thakur during the Idea Exchange. Abhinav Saha



BJP on the issue -

Responding to questions at The Indian Express Idea Exchange (detailed transcript to be published on Monday), the Minister of

Youth Affairs and Sports also said that Ghulam Nabi Azad, who quit the Congress on Friday, was an "honourable leader". Asked if the BJP would welcome Azad

Information and

Broadcasting,

into its fold, Thakur said: "He can **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

Year later, Afghan media struggles to survive: 'no law, only restrictions'



EXPRESS IN KABUL

NIRUPAMA SUBRAMANIAN AUGUST 26

SADIQA SHIRAZI knew what the Taliban thought about her journalism well before their takeover of Afghanistan. From 2008, as Shirazi, then running a TV and

radio station in Kunduz, focussed on stories about domestic violence, women's rights and their education, she and her husband started getting death threats. In 2015, during the five brief days that Taliban entered Kunduz, her television and radio station was destroyed, and stripped of all equipment.

Shirazi, who had fled to the Afghanistan capital at the time, decided to fight back. With funding help from donors, and a mostly women team of 15, she restarted Roshani radio, broadcasting programmes from 6 am to 2 am, including live Q&As with listeners

In 2021, Shirazi, her husband and eight-year-old daughter had already left for Kabul when the Taliban took over Kunduz. "They were calling my husband repeatedly, asking us to return, saying that they would not harm us," she said. But this time, Shirazi said, she knew there was no going back.

They always accused us of pushing an American agenda... There is no way to work as a journalist in Kunduz now." Shirazi told The Indian Express from Canada, where she is now trying to start life anew with her family. Her female team members have dispersed too, to Canada

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Need a media law, otherwise it will be difficult to define boundaries: Khpolwak Sapai, director of Tolo News

and Pakistan.

The handful of men who were in Shirazi's team are still operating the radio station. They have to go by the Taliban agenda. They have only Islamic programmes now," she said.

According to a report by the International Federation of Journalists which partners with the Afghan National Journalists Union, in the immediate aftermath of the Taliban takeover, of 400 media organisations, over 160 have had to shut down, of which nearly 100 are radio stations. For those that are open, the ground rules of what can and cannot be broadcast are laid

down by the new rulers. Two TV channels run by women for female audiences are among those that have shut down.

From 2003 to 2021, as Afghanistan tried to find its democratic centre even as foreign forces and Taliban fought for control, other than the education of women, the explosion of media was one of the more noticeable achievements. Many women ioined journalism as it was considered respectable work.

Since last year, with so many media houses no longer functional, more than 2,000 journalists are out of work, 70 per cent of them women, according to

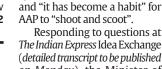
surveys by journalist associations, amid draconian rules for women at work. Many of these women were the only earning members of their family. A targeted attack in July 2021 against three women television journalists, killing them on the spot, set the stage for women to quit their jobs en masse when the Taliban took over in August.

There have been 120 detentions of journalists. 48 of them in Kabul alone. Newspapers are no longer printed and have all gone online.

"Afghans have no access to information on their own. We **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**







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CJI farewell

and determination of the judges to strengthen our institution, to further the goal of justice".

CJI-incumbent Justice U U Lalit, who will take over as the 49th Chief Justice of India on Saturday, acknowledged the work done during CJI Ramana's tenure. Iustice Lalit said that he "will strive hard to make the process of listing cases as simple and transparent as possible"; make the process of mentioning -- where lawyers bring urgent matters to the court's notice -- easier; and, ensure that there is at least one Constitution bench functioning throughout the year.

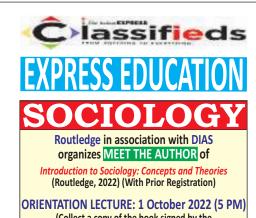
CJI Ramana, meanwhile, said the Indian judiciary" is not defined by a single order or decision" and "at times, it fell short of peoples" expectations" but he added that "most of the times, it has championed the cause of the people".

He recalled how the Supreme Court had restored due process in the Maneka Gandhi case (upholding personal liberty), which was said to have been sacrificed in the A K Gopalan case (which upheld preventive detention). He then referred to how the ADM Jabalpur decision (upholding suspension of fundamental rights) "which was seen as a death knell on personal liberty...stood rectified...in the KS Puttaswamy (Aadhaar case)

In this context, the CJI said "this institution never hesitated to remedy itself. Your hope upon the institution cannot be so weak that it is shattered with one perceived unfair judgment".

Speaking about attending public events almost every weekend during his tenure, he said the popular perception is that the Indian judiciary was "alien and quite distant to the general public". "My experience so far has convinced me that in spite of fulfilling its Constitutional mandate. the judiciary does not find adequate reflections in the media, thereby depriving the people of knowledge about the Courts and the Constitution. I felt it was my Constitutional duty to dispel these notions and bring the Court closer to the people," he said.

CJI Ramana said that "the is-



sues faced by the judiciary cannot the Finance Ministry doesn't have any plan to impose any charge for be looked at in isolation". "The judiciary is independent when it UPI (Unified Payment Interface) comes to adjudication of cases. services and that the concerns of service providers over cost recovbut with respect to finances or appointments, it is still dependent ery have to be met through other on the Government. To coordimeans nate and to get the cooperation "We see digital payments as a public good, people should be

from the Government, interaction is inevitable. But interaction does able to access these facilities freely, so that digitisation of the Indian not mean influence," he said. Earlier in the day, presiding economy becomes attractive for people and also through digitisaover a ceremonial bench in an event that was streamed live, CJI tion, we achieve a higher level of transparency... Therefore we still Ramana said, "I must admit that issues of listing and posting of think it's not time for charging it," matters is one of the areas on she said. The Union Minister said that if budgetary support to the

which I could not pay much attention. We were busy firefighting on a daily basis. All sides are equal contributors to this problem." The proceedings also saw

emotional moments with Senior Advocate Dushyant Dave breaking down while recalling CJI Ramana's contributions. His voice choking, Dave told the bench that the day CJI Ramana took over, he had written an article in The Indian Express that "everything was lost". "I was skeptical after what the court had gone through." he said.

"Your Lordship exceeded our expectations...I have no doubt that the kind of atmosphere, culture, power that you have given to this institution will be...strengthened further." he said.

the budget.

Political parties making electoral promises should make adequate budgetary provisions to take care of the expenditure, she said. "It is one thing to empower people and provide them assistance to make sure that they can come out of the mire in which they are, and be able to stand on their own. But it's totally a different thing when you talk about it in the sense of entitlement," the significantly to the defeat of the

ter Prime Minister Narendra Modi last month cautioned against the "revari culture" under which votes are sought by promising freebies. In multiple hearings, the Supreme Court also expressed concern over the "culture of freebies ahead of elections".

to fail because the Party has been so comprehensively destroyed that the situation has become irretrievable. Moreover, the 'chosen one would be nothing more than a puppet on a string'," he added. Significantly, Azad -- a prominent signatory to the letter 23 sen-

digital payment ecosystem was

found inadequate, it could be ad-

"This experiment is doomed

disqualifying convicted MPs and

dressed separately.

Azad quits

ior leaders had written to Sonia Gandhi in August 2020 calling for sweeping changes in the party -also mentioned the infamous symbolic tearing up by Rahul of an ordinance brought by the Manmohan Singh government to negate a Supreme Court order on

Sitharaman

MLAs. Azad argued that this single act had contributed significantly to the defeat of the UPA government in 2014. He called it "one of the most glaring examples" of Rahul's immaturity, adding that the "childish" behaviour "completely subverted the authority of the Prime Minister and the Government of India" That "one single action more than anything else contributed

Union Minister said. The issue gathered traction af-

paign of calumny and insinuation from a combination of the forces

of the right wing and certain unscrupulous corporate interests", Azad said. While attacking Rahul, the Congress leader lavished praise Sitharaman, meanwhile, said on Sonia, saying she as the president of the party played a "ster-

ling role" in the formation of both

UPA government in 2014... that

was at the receiving end of a cam-

the UPA I and UPA II governments. "However, one of the major reasons for this success was that as President you heeded the wise counsel of senior leaders, besides trusting their judgment and delegating powers to them. However, unfortunately, after the entry of Rahul Gandhi into politics and particularly after January 2013, when he was appointed as Vice-President by you, the entire consultative mechanism which existed earlier was demolished by him... All senior and experienced leaders were sidelined and a new all the important decisions were being taken by Rahul Gandhi or rather worse his security guards and PAs." he said.

Contrast Azad's outbursts to what Sharad Pawar, P A Sangma and Tariq Anwar had said in a letter to Sonia Gandhi on the foreign origin issue in 1999. They lavished praise on her, saying her "presence in the party gave it new life" even as they politely told her she should not aspire for the Prime Minister's post. Azad used the word coterie several times. Pawar, Sangma and Anwar, too, had hinted at this. It is another matter that Pawar launched a scathing attack on Sonia in his book which came out in 2015.

Azad is the fourth leader of the G-23 to leave the party after Kapil Sibal, Jitin Prasada and Yoganand Shastri. On Rahul, they had all been restrained. "I am no one to comment on what ails the Congress...You better ask those people who are giving me gyaan, they they should concentrate on what ails the Congress party, not abusing Jitin Prasada," Prasada had said when asked about the plight of the party.

"I have chosen to snap my ties with the Congress for reasons that I do not wish to talk about now... Now that I am not in the Congress party, I do not wish to say anything adverse, anything that is inconsistent with the culture of politics that we must embrace. Within the Congress, I could say what I wanted to say. Now that I am not in the Congress, I do not wish to criticise anybody in the Congress," Sibal had said.

Before Azad, only a few leaders had attacked Rahul in such a blistering fashion after they left. The first perhaps was Himanta Biswa Sarma, the Assam Chief Minister. And recently, it was Hardik Patel.

Azad's mention of the word coterie, however, is not new.

Pawar, in his book, "Life on My Terms – From the Grassroots to the Corridors of Power" had claimed that "self-styled loyalists of 10 Janpath" had scuttled his chances to become Prime Minister in 1991 citing his "young age." "Arjun Singh himself aspired to become prime minister and hoped to succeed (Narasimha) Rao soon. Anyway, once Sonia Gandhi had bought the coterie's 'bring Rao' argument in 1991, the tide turned against me," Pawar

Ironically, Azad had faced similar allegations once in the past. Ashok Tanwar, the former Haryana Congress president who left the party in 2019, had attacked Azad, then the AICC general secretary in charge of Haryana.

Cong's reply

Jodo Yatra," Ramesh said.

"So, at a time when every

Congressman and every

Congresswoman is involved in

ensuring that the rally is a success,

and... wants to be a Bharat vatri

and walk along with Rahul

Gandhi ... it is most unfortunate

and most regrettable... that we

have had to read this letter that

has been released to the press,'

Launching an all-out attack

soon after, Ramesh tweeted: "A

man who has been treated with

the greatest respect by the

Congress leadership has betrayed

it by his vicious personal attacks

which reveal his true character.

GNA's DNA has been modi-fied...

First Modi's tears in Parliament,

then Padma Vibhushan, then the

extension for residence. Yeh

sanyog nahi, sahyog hai (It's not a

coincidence, it's a collaboration)".

Azad's resignation letter were

"not factual" and its timing was

ment head, Pawan Khera, linked

Azad's resignation to the end of

his Rajya Sabha tenure. "As soon

as your Rajya Sabha term got over,

vou became restless, you cannot

stay without a post even for a sec-

ond. It is a challenging time, every-

one is fighting together and the

party is being strengthened un-

der Rahul Gandhi's leadership,"

he said, adding that the people

who had contributed to weaken-

that the party has been weak-

worker was aware of this "be-

trayal", Khera said "his (Azad's) re-

Modi". "We have seen the love be-

been manifested in this letter," he

The party's media depart-

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addressed by Rahul Gandhi. Twenty-two press conferences have been scheduled across the country on August 29. The launch

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Kejriwal

"It is very clear. Perhaps you they are targeting Sisodia," he said. Kejriwal also said the case against Sisodia was not meant to fight corruption but rather to satisfy one person's "lust for power". "The case filed against Manish Sisodia is completely fake... They (BJP) are saying it's a fight against corruption, but it is not... yeh kisi ek insaan ki satta ki hawas ki ladai hai (This is a fight for one man's lust for power)," he said. He added: "Yeh ladai ek aadmi

man's fight for selfishness)... On August 15, standing at Red Fort, he said, 'I am fighting against corruption, I need your support, my countrymen'... Sahab, if you were fighting against corruption, you

would not have had to ask the countrymen for support... This shows the countrymen are not with you... you are doing drama (nautanki)... I fought against corruption in Delhi, I never said 42 years, he got all the posts, all 'Delhiites, I need your support' ... the opportunities... Union min-People can see that you are not ister, AICC general secretary, chief fighting against corruption, you minister... The Congress never are fighting for your selfishness hesitated in giving him opportuand lust for power.'

nities," Gehlot said. Baghel said Azad was constantly trying to harm the party. "The party had given him full respect. He was made a cabinet minister and chief minister. His exit will cause no loss to the party," he said. Leader of the Opposition in Rajya Sabha Mallikarjun Kharge said Azad's remarks against Rahul were "not in good taste".

Yogi

Mukul Rohatgi, who was representing the UP government, that "the subsequent events" in the case "have rendered the present appeal into a purely academic exercise".

As such, the bench said, "we filed a fake case against him and do not think it necessary to go into searched his house for 14 hours. the contentions raised by both they raided every corner – from sides on the issue of denial of the kitchen to the bedroom to the sanction for prosecution and the toilet... They knocked on the legal pleas sought to be raised in walls, tore down the mattresses

EXPRESS AUDIO What to expect from web 3.0

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Host Nandagopal Rajan speaks to Rajan Navani, the CEO and Founder of JetSynthesys about what exactly web 3.0 is, India's unique positioning with regard to it, and the real world effects of its features.

both male and female employees

quit, some of them to go abroad,

some because their family mem-

bers did not allow them to leave

home. "As the only person here, I

had to keep the channel on, and I

had to hire new colleagues," he

television with woman presenter

Beheshta Arghand, which Sapai

said had made him hopeful. The

image made waves across the

world. But then the Taliban im-

posed a strict dress code, includ-

ing a face cover for women pre-

senters. For a few days, Tolo's male

presenters also wore a face mask

at the news channel who was

hired in Tolo's recent recruitment

drive, said she works in order to

motivate other women to do the

same. "The Taliban want to re-

move women from society. Going

on television is a way to give the

message that Afghan women still

exist, and to give women the con-

fidence that they can also come

Waheeda Hassan, a reporter

on air as a mark of protest.

money was used to fight the Puniab elections. Thakur said: "Proof is in the documents of the Delhi government. Why was there a deviation from the policy? They(the expert panel) had given a notice on October 25, 2021... what action was taken? There were clear recommendations that the manufacturer, retailer and distributor cannot be one. The commission(for the government) was raised from two to 12 percent. When poor people were running *ke swaarth ki ladai hai* (This is one away from Delhi (during the Covid lockdown), the Delhi government had given Rs 144 crore (in the form of waivers) to liquor vendors. It should have gone to the Delhi exchequer. Why were they refunded? If it was such a

said. It was an opportunity to inject fresh blood, Sapai said. The channel has recruited more women than it had earlier. It has 20 provincial correspondents, of whom eight are women, and 20 women in Kabul, working as reporters, presenters and camerapersons Looking back, Sapai said the first few weeks under the Taliban were perhaps easier. One Taliban spokesman even agreed to go on

drawn?' Thakur reiterated that the AAP pocketed the money" and "insulted the people of Delhi" by withdrawing the policy when it stopped yielding benefit.

good policy, why was it with-

Justifying the attack on AAP, Thakur said that as an elected representative and the representative of a political party, he has the Waving a copy of the New right to raise questions. "You have York Times, he said, "It was a to put the facts, when things are proud moment for the entire wrong, before the public from the country when the story (on Delhi right platform -- be it Parliament government's successes in the edor the street. I have no personal ucation sector) got published in fight -- as a representative of the party and elected member, I have a responsibility. The system will take steps," he said.

Afghan media

are mostly following our news dies'. "It hurts when anything through western media," said a journalist. "The national media is On the case against Sisodia, he doing self-censorship and the said: "They filed a fake case Taliban are monitoring everyagainst him saying he has comthing.'

He said that under the Constitution that was in operation until the Taliban took over, there was freedom of speech. "Based on that, there was a media law, and -- financial insecurity, physical seour own access to information law, and an oversight body to monitor access to information. It

out of their homes," Hassan said. At a provincial radio station, an innovative young broadcaster, who did not want to be identified, said she had found a way to talk about women's rights by invoking religion at the beginning of each programme. Despite the fightback, the senior journalist said Afghan journalism was now suffering from a triple whammy

curity, and lack of capacity. Faruqui Rayat, a resident of Vishnu Garden

have joined hands with those people who have scrapped Article 370 in Kashmir. Ho sakta hai kuch aapke unke saat madhur sambandh ho gaye honge (It is possible that you have a warm relationship with them). But I want to tell you one thing. You have written in the letter that it is time to unite the Congress. And in the same letter you are saying there is no need for Bharat jodo. Instead of uniting the Congress, I condemn the step that you have taken to divide the Congress," said senior party leader

said.

Digvijaya Singh. Gehlot said Rahul would have his own ideas on taking the Congress forward. "The party gave him every opportunity... be it Indira Gandhi or Sanjay Gandhi... they even went to attend Azad's wedding in Srinagar. From there it all started... they wanted to promote the young man... for the last

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coterie of inexperienced sycophants started running the affairs of the party."

Gloves off

2014," Azad wrote, because it "completely subverted the authority of the Prime Minister and the Government of India."

In his letter to Sonia, who is in the US with Rahul and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra for a medical checkup. Azad said Rahul had "demolished" the "entire consultative mechanism" in the party which had helped Sonia during her tenure as President and that he had sidelined all "senior and experienced" leaders and let a "new coterie" of "inexperienced sycophants" run the party.

Referring to the Congress's back-to-back defeats in the Lok Sabha elections in 2014 and 2019 and the string of losses in Assembly elections since then, he said "since the 2019 elections the situation in the party has only worsened.

"After Rahul Gandhi stepped down in a huff and not before insulting all the senior party functionaries who have given their lives to the party in a meeting of the extended Working Committee, you took over as interim president -- a position that you have continued to hold even today."

This was a reference to the CWC meeting in May 2019 in which Rahul attacked the senior leaders accusing them of not supporting him in his 'Chowkidar Chor Hai' campaign against Prime Minister Narendra Modi over the Rafale fighter jet issue and named senior leaders like P Chidambaram, Kamal Nath and Ashok Gehlot for putting the interests of their sons ahead of the party. He had accused the veterans of putting pressure on the leadership for securing tickets for their sons.

"Worse still, the remote control that demolished the institutional integrity of the UPA government now got applied to the Indian National Congress. While you are just a nominal figurehead, of the Bharat Jodo Yatra will take relation to the said issue".

The bench, however, said that place on September 7 in "we think it appropriate that the Kanyakumari; finalisation of that launch is also underway and 32 legal questions on the issue of press conferences have been sanction be left open to be considered in an appropriate case". scheduled across the country to project the message of the Bharat The petitioner, Parvez Parwaz,

had challenged the UP government's decision on May 3, 2017 -- two months after Adityanath took charge as Chief Minister for the first time -- denying sanction for prosecution.

Advocate Fuzzail Ayyubi, appearing for Parwaz, contended that the Allahabad High Court, which dismissed the plea on February 22, 2018, had not gone into the question of "whether the state can pass an order under Section 196 CrPC in respect of a proposed accused in a criminal case who, in the meantime, gets elected as the Chief Minister and is the Executive Head as per the scheme provided under Article

163" The High Court had found no procedural error in the probe or the refusal to grant sanction.

Rohatgi pointed out that a closure report had already been filed in the case after due investigation on May 6, 2017, and that the CD that formed the basis of the prosecution was found to be "tampered" with.

The Supreme Court bench, too, said in its order said that "it appears from the record that the forensic report of the CD which forms the basis of the prosecution was found to be tampered and edited as per the report dated 13.10.2014, submitted by the CFSL which position has not been disputed by the appellants herein". The case referred to an inci-

dent of January 27, 2007, when a ing the party were now saying person identified as Raj Kumar Agrahari suffered fatal injuries in a clash between two groups dur-Claiming that every party ing a Muharram procession. Parwaz, a former Gorakhpurbased journalist and activist, had mote control is in the hands of filed the case on September 26, 2008, claiming that Adityanath tween Narendra Modi and had delivered speeches seeking Ghulam Nabi Azad, it was also "revenge" for the death of the Hindu youth, and that he had seen in Parliament. That love has videos of the same.

and pillows like it happens in movies, but they found nothing," he said.

Kejriwal said that exactly a

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ried another one titled 'Modi's

India is where global democracy

against India gets published in an

international newspaper," he said.

mitted a scam in the excise pol-

icy... The truth is, there is no scam,

it was a transparent policy. They

Thakur

the NYT

take decisions on his own. And I feel that he has just left the party, he should be given some time to make decisions.'

Thakur has been at the forefront of the BJP's political attack on AAP on the excise policy, which has been withdrawn. Responding to a question, he alleged that the AAP has "eaten money" in the implementation of the policy and withdrew it when it stopped giving financial benefits. "I still say Arvind Kejriwal is the kingpin. I say it with responsibility. He is the Chief Minister. Who will take the responsibility when one of your ministers is accused?" Thakur asked.

"The AAP is a party of high and lows -- high on liquor, lies and deceit, and low on morals as well as on ethics. It has become a habit for them to shoot and scoot," Thakur, a Lok Sabha MP from Himachal Pradesh. said.

"Have I got answers to the five questions that we have raised on them over the liquor scam? I, as a BJP MP, have the right to ask questions on the liquor scam. But the accused in the scam, (Deputy Chief Minister) Manish Sisodia, and the kingpin of the liquor scam, Arvind Kejriwal, did not say even a word for the last five-seven days."

Asserting that both the BJP and its leaders will raise questions "when there is corruption", Thakur said: "When they are looting, we have to raise questions because there is corruption. Their first Health Minister (Satyendar Jain) is in jail, their Health Minister in Punjab (Vijay Singla) is in jail. The Excise Minister (Sisodia) is an accused. Despite the corruption they committed, they have lost all limits of decency because they are drunk on power. They are not answering the questions."

Asked about evidence to substantiate the allegations that AAP had benefited from the distribution of liquor licences and that the Tolo lost 90 per cent of its staff as

was the best in this region. But the Taliban scrapped all that as soon as they came. Now there is no law. Only a lot of restrictions." the journalist said.

Hundreds of journalists have fled to neighbouring Pakistan, hoping to get a visa to any third country from there, as most embassies in Kabul are still shut.

Tolo News of the Moby group, Afghanistan's most well-known channel, is one of the few media organisations that has staved afloat, Khpolwak Sapai, director of the channel, said it had not been stopped from doing any stories. 'The Taliban have said they

support free media with some conditions, such as not to do any stories against Islamic values, or national values. These can have wide interpretations, and it is creating a lot of confusion. We have conveyed to them that we need to have a media law, otherwise it will be difficult to define the boundaries," said Sapai.

On the day of the Taliban takeover on August 15, 2021, Sapai recalled that he had no anchors in the studio by 4 pm as everyone had left in panic. For most of the day, the TV channel put out repackaged versions of the previous day's news.

"Around 3 pm. we learnt (President) Ashraf Ghani had left the country. I had to be every careful with my editorial decision because of the panic that had already taken over Kabul due to the presence of Taliban in the western part of the city, and the fear of armed criminals in Kabul," said Sapai, who studied journalism in Kabul University in the 1960s, and described the last 20 years as the

best years for journalism in Afghanistan. A male presenter finally agreed to come to office, and the station broke the news that the President had fled. The channel got Taliban spokesman Zabiullah Mujahid to speak live and reassure the people that it would be a peaceful transition and no crimi-

nal elements would be allowed to take advantage of the confusion. But over the next few days,

in West Delhi, to organise a comedv show featuring Faruqui at Dr SPM Civic Centre, Kedarnath Sahni Auditorium, on August 28, from 2 pm to 9.30 pm.

On August 25, VHP Delhi president Surendra Kumar Gupta sent a letter to the police commissioner alleging that Faruqui "mocks Hindu gods in his shows" and blamed him for "causing the Bhagyanagar clashes (in Hyderabad)". Sources said Gupta also met senior officers in the central district Friday morning and filed a complaint at Kamla Market police station.

"Local police conducted an enquiry and submitted their report to the licensing branch in which they informed them that the show will affect communal harmony in the area and they should cancel permission. The licensing branch, after receiving the report from the central district, sent a letter over email to the organiser, informing them that permission had been cancelled," said a source.

VHP spokesperson Vinod Bansal had earlier told The Indian Express: "We want peace in the city. We don't want him to mock our Hindu deities. If police fail to do anything, we will stage protests across the city... We submitted the letter to the Delhi Police HQ and sent an email to the commissioner as well. We want him to take action."

This comes days after Telangana MLAT Raja Singh, who was suspended by the BJP and arrested by the state police for his remarks on the Prophet in a video posted on social media, had said his video was in response to a show held in Hyderabad by Faruqui.

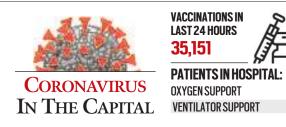
Faruqui has faced multiple protests in the past and has served a month in jail last year on charges of hurting religious sentiments during a show in Indore. His manager, Nitin Menghani, said he was aware of the VHP's complaint and was awaiting details from the organiser.

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GOVT HOLDS ONE-DAY SPECIAL SESSION Out of Assembly, BJP takes to streets 'delayed', L-G Saxena seeks report government schools. After filing



Police deploying water cannons for dispersing BJP workers in a protest near CM residence

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

FROM THE Delhi Assembly to the streets, BJP leaders in the national capital held protests demanding Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia's resignation from the Cabinet while the Delhi government conducted a oneday special session of the Assembly.

The assembly session itself began with slogans being exchanged between BIP and AAP MLAs, with the latter entering the Vidhan Sabha with slogans of "20 khokha 20 khokha" alluding to allegations by AAP of BJP offering Rs 20 crore to its MLAs to switch sides. The eight BIP MLAs hit back with slogans of

"dhoka dhoka" The session was adjourned for 10 minutes amidst this ex-

change of slogans. By 11.40 am, the BJP MLAs had been expelled from the assembly for the whole day after party leader Ajay Mahawar was

found to be live recording the the water cannons were used as session on his phone. While the the crowd was not dispersing. session continued inside the as-"We have many questions on sembly, the BJP MLAs protested their excise policy but they did outside with placards demandnot respond to any of them in the ing Sisodia's removal from the Assembly. They are running Cabinet, which stated: "Dismiss away from questions, they are

CM vs CM as Himanta,

Kejriwal spar online

the corrupt ministers Manish Sisodia and Satyendar Jain." "We wanted to discuss the excise policy and the scam done

by deputy CM Manish Sisodia... Where did they get money for election campaigning in Punjab, Goa, Gujarat. Instead of answering our questions, they removed us from the assembly for the whole day... They want to suppress the voice of the opposition... Sisodia has committed a scam worth Rs 1,000 crore in Delhi Excise Policy. Arrest Sisodia and dismiss him from the cabinet... Otherwise we will protest here at the Gandhi Statue," alleged BJP MLA from Badarpur

Ramvir Singh Bidhuri.

Later, in the afternoon, BJP

leaders including party's Delhi

chief Adesh Gupta, MPs Parvesh

Sahib Singh and Ramesh Bidhuri

and former Union Minister Vijay

Goel led workers in a protest

near Chief Minister Arvind

Keiriwal's residence, which es-

calated into police deploying

water cannons to disperse them.

A senior police officer stated that

running away from giving any answers on corruption. They called an Assembly session but it was just a 'propaganda session' for them," said Gupta.

Northeast Delhi BJP MP Manoj Tiwari also criticised the AAP over their MLAs' visit to Rajghat on Thursday, referring to them as "descendants of Goebbels".

"Through his life, Mahatma Gandhi *ji* considered several things as evil. Among these were also alcohol and intoxicants. But those who have done a scam of thousands of crores on alcohol, those trying to make Delhi sharaab nagri, those trying to push Delhi's children into alcoholism today go to Gandhi ji's memorial in Rajghat and sit. Delhi remembers well that Arvind Kejriwal, you once stood on Anna's (Hazare) shoulders for support and fooled Delhi. Now Delhi can never accept you standing on Gandhi ji's shoulders for support. And today Delhi is asking that those who have created a record by lying continuously, those who have even crossed the seema of dishonesty, descendants of Goebbels – are they even worthy of going to Mahatma Gandhi's memorial site?" he said.

Inside House, Sisodia keeps up attack on **CBI and Centre**

GAYATHRIMANI NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

CALLING THE CBI FIR filed against him completely "fake and fabricated", Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia Friday said the "BJP is acting like a serial killer to topple state governments".

Sisodia made the remarks at the one-day special Delhi Assembly session called by the Aam Aadmi Party amid a political slugfest between it and BIP, with the former accusing the latter of trying to lure its MLAs to switch sides and the latter questioning the Arvind Kejriwal government's excise policy.

Earlier, comparing Kejriwal and Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Sisodia said, "I've never seen such a Prime Minister who is this insecure. There is Arvind Kejriwal, the one chief minister who appreciates work and schemes introduced by the central government and learns from the good work done by other governments. While there is (the) Prime Minister, who is not letting others work, sends CBI and ED after leaders to destroy the state governments."

"I have not done a penny of corruption. The only thing I have done is development of schools and the education system in Delhi. But they could not digest this and are sending CBI and ED after me. Had Kejriwal been PM and I had been in the opposition doing such good work, unlike Modiji, he would have ... appreciated my work... shown interest to learn and implement it in other states. He would have not

sent CBI, ED after me. This is the difference between Kejriwal and Modi," Sisodia added.

Minister as a person with "small thinking" and said he is trying to "destroy the Delhi government as it is being praised all over the world".

Sisodia, who also holds the education portfolio, said, "Delhi government constructed 700 new school buildings, hired 19,609 teachers and improved existing schools. These government schools earlier used to be known as 'chidiyaghar school, jhuggi wale, khadde waale schools', now these schools have been developed and are being called 'IIT wala

Referring to the CBI raids and FIR against him, Sisodia said, "The Bharatiya Khoka Party is not here, it would have been good if they were here... on August 19, my family and I got ready to visit the temple. It was Krishna Jayanti and I received a message with a picture of a story published in the New York Times. I was just feeling happy and within five minutes I received a call saying CBI is here to search your house and an FIR has been filed against you in the Delhi Excise Policy."

completely fake and fabricated. I have been a journalist but never saw such an FIR filed completely on the basis of just 'sources'... On the morning of Janmashtami, when CBI came to my house, for a moment I thought, is getting published on the front page of the NYT a crime? They searched my house for 14 hours ... but they found nothing."

Probe into govt school classrooms

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

AMID THE ongoing tussle between the ruling AAP government and BJP, L-G VK Saxena Friday sought a report from the Chief Secretary over the delay of 2.5 years by the Vigilance Department in acting on the CVC inquiry report into construction of additional classrooms in Delhi government schools. The government did not respond to queries seeking comment.

The report, which allegedly found gross irregularities and procedural lapses in the execution of leged "irregularities" and "cost projects, was sent by the CVC to overrun" in the construction of additional classrooms in Delhi the Secretary, Vigilance, GNCTD

on February 17, 2020, seeking comments for investigation. Officials at L-G office said the

Lt-Governor has taken a serious

view of the "inordinate delay"

that appears to be an attempt at

covering up gross malpractices

pointing towards "corruption",

apart from violating the relevant clauses of the CVC manual. "The

L-G Secretariat had received a

complaint enclosing a copy of the

CVC communication sent to the

Directorate of Vigilance, GNCTD,"

This comes following a com-

plaint filed by Delhi BJP MLA

Vijender Gupta who in 2019 al-

said the officials.

a complaint, Gupta demanded a CBI probe into the construction of classrooms and action against Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia who holds the portfolio of Education. The report claimed, "The cost

of constructing classrooms escalated to Rs 326.25 crore, which is 53% higher than the awarded amount of tender. This escalated cost was utilised for construction of only 4,027 classrooms against the 6.133 that were to be constructed. In 194 schools, 1,214 toilets were constructed against requirement of 160 toilets with an extra expenditure of Rs 37 crore. Toilets were projected as classrooms by government."

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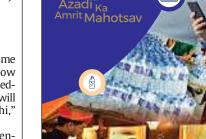


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EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

A TWITTER spat broke out between Delhi Chief Minister said Kejriwal. Arvind Kejriwal and his Assam counterpart Himanta Biswa Sarma Friday over the Assam government's reported decision to close some schools over poor results Firing the first salvo, Kejriwal quoted a news report on the said closure and wrote that the decision of the Assam government to close schools was not the solution. The report mentioned that 34 schools in the state were being closed down due to the nonperformance of students in the high school leaving exam.

"I will come to Assam. Tell me when can I come? You show your good work in the field of education. You come to Delhi, I will show you the work of Delhi,"



Dear Shareholders,

He also referred to the Prime

school, robot wala school'."

"I read the FIR and it was

"Closing schools is not the solution. We just need to open many new schools all over the country. Instead of closing the school, improve the school and make education right," the Delhi chief minister said in a Twitter post.

schools teach 65 lakh students, against your 1,000+ odd schools... We impart education in six mediums including 14 different tribal languages. Our diversity is something that we are proud of, cherish, and ensure to thrive through our unique education system. And yes, we do not have resources like that in Delhi..," he tweeted. "And yes, when you're in Assam, which you so desperately wish to, I will take you to our Medical Colleges, 1,000 times better than your Mohalla Clinic. Also meet our

bright Govt school teachers & students," he said in the tweet.

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Sarma responded by mentioning that the Delhi CM was commenting on something without doing homework on the subject. "Assam is 50 times bigger than Delhi. Our 44,521 govt

sparing out time from your busy schedules to join us today. The fiscal 2021-22 has been a year of recovery and transition for the Indian economy. After experiencing an unprecedented pandemic in FY 2020-21, the country's economy gradually opened supported with mass vaccination campaigns undertaken by the government and a further resumption in

businesses activities helped India gained momentum. Signs of continued economic revival could be evidenced in the healthy growth of indicators like total GST transaction, coal production, electricity demand etc.

I welcome you to the 23rd Annual General Meeting of IRCTC. As we gather

virtually once again, it is a pleasure and privilege for me to host you today.

We sincerely appreciate the trust and support you have shown in IRCTC all

these years. On behalf of the IRCTC Board of Directors, I thank you for

In the budget 2022-23, the government has enacted structural reforms for strengthening the country's economy that are in line with its long term goals. The massive ramp up of capital expenditure in key areas as well as emphasis on creating and developing infrastructure will deliver tailwinds helping the country to achieve the goals of overall development and prosperity in the long term.

After being the one of worst sufferers of the pandemic, the travel and tourism industry has finally shown signs of recovery, with a promising surge in travel in the second half of fiscal 2021-22. An increase in vaccine rollout, mass vaccination campaigns and the relaxations in inbound and outbound travel is helping the Indian travel and tourism industry to overcome the pandemic induced shock, current fiscal is likely to be a year of travel comprising of Domestic Travel, Revenge Travel and enhanced Corporate Trave

The rebound in travel and tourism has been more apparent on the online travel platforms. With a wider adoption of internet usage, there has been a boost in online ticket bookings covering diverse model of travel. The fiscal 2021-22 showed a further increased preference of customers for online bookings with increased dependence on online travel platforms and apps. The online travel booking platforms have become the preferred choice of the customers due to their seamlessness booking experience and user friendliness. As we move ahead, I believe, that more countrymen would be preferring internet for getting competitive prices of various travel and tourism products and with the changing consumer preferences, we are poised to seize the multitude of opportunities that lie in the near future.

Now I will come to the Financial Highlights

During the year under review, we registered a strong financial performance with a total income of ₹ 1,952.30 crores which increased from ₹ 861.64 crores in 2020-21. Our EBITDA stood at ₹ 953.56 crore over ₹ 272.74 crore in the previous fiscal. Our PAT grew to ₹ 663.69 crores from ₹ 187.02 crores in FY 21. Both EBITDA and PAT ended up at healthy margins of 48.84% and 34.00% respectively.

Considering the excellent performance of the Company, the Directors have recommended a final dividend of ₹ 1.50/- per share (₹ 120 Crores) for FY 22. subject to approval of shareholders in the Annual General Meeting. This is in addition to the interim dividend of ₹ 2/- per share (₹ 160 Crores) declared in February 2022 and paid to shareholders in March 2022. With this, the total dividend declared by the Company for FY 22, is ₹ 3.50/- per equity share of the face value of ₹ 2/- each.

I would now like to now move forward, and present to you the segmentwise performance of the company during FY22.

In the area of Internet Ticketing, I am delighted to inform you that an average of 11.44 lakh tickets were sold daily through IRCTC's website and Mobile App, which accounted for 80,43% of the total reserved tickets booked online on Indian Railways.

The Company touched a major milestone of achieving a record booking of 15.88 lakh tickets in a day on 21st March, 2022. IRCTC also launched various new products and services such E-ticket booking booking through AskDisha Chatbot and IRCTC BOB Loyalty Cobranded Credit Card on RuPay platform in collaboration with Bank of Baroda. Your Company also Integrated Bus booking facility in IRCTC Exclusive section of IRCTC Bail Connect Mobile App & IRCTC Website (www.irctc.co.in).

Coming to Tourism segment, I am pleased to report that IRCTC has diversified its tourism product offering for a greater market share. Your Company launched and operated a number of Land Tour Packages, Domestic Air Packages, Bharat Darshan, Pilgrimage Special Tourist Train, State Special Trains, customized travel packages, Deluxe tourist train and IRCTC Corporate Trains during FY 22. With full resumption of passenger train services by the end of 2021, IRCTC started the operation of Rail Tour packages and accordingly started the process of getting earmarked berths in the requested trains. During the year, your Company also operated "Ramayana Yatra" with AC Deluxe tourist train covering all major destinations of Lord Rama like Ayodhya- Sitamarhi-Janakpur-Varanasi-Pravagrai-Chitrakoot-Nasik-Hampi- Rameshwaram-Kachipuram-Bhadrachalam. With the aim to promote tourism in the inland waterways of the country, IRCTC has also signed an agreement with one of the leading river cruise liners in the fiscal. This has given our customers the opportunity of sailing to some of the best destinations of the country located near famous river beds.

With respect to Catering segment, as we all are aware that due to the Covid-19 pandemic, operations of regular Rajdhanis, Tejas, Gatiman, Vande Bharat, Shatabdis, Duronto, and Mail/ Express trains were under suspension during the entire FY 2020-21 and major part of 2021-22, and, only special trains were operated by Railways to facilitate movement of passengers. However, with the resumption of regular passenger trains and service of cooked food from November 2021 onwards, the Company has restarted the mobile catering operations in full swing. As on 31st March, 2022, Your Company provided Onboard Catering Services in 391 Trains and managed 180 refreshment rooms, 55 Jan Ahaars, 06 Cell Kitchens and 306 Food Plaza/Fast Food units. I am happy to convey that along with cooked food service, the food orders through E-Catering has also started picking up and an average of 24,813 meals per day were booked through -Catering during FY 22.

Your Company is also successfully operating eight Executive Lounges on pan India basis. These 'state of art' executive lounges have won admiration from the railway passenger fraternity for their impeccable décor, elaborate meal services and a host of other facilities offered to the passengers in transit during pre-departures and post-arrivals.

Recently, our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji made a visit to IRCTC's Executive Lounge at Varanasi Railway Station and interacted with IRCTC's officials about the facilities being provided to the passengers.

Your Company also plans to build a network of a well-planned chain of hotels that target the economy / budget travellers. Presently, Budget Hotels at Lucknow, Khajuraho and Kevadia are under construction and Company is exploring the avenues for setting up more such hotels at other locations and has approached several state governments for the same.

Talking About Rail Neer Packaged Drinking Water segment, the Company has 15 operational Railneer plants today located at Nangloi. Danapur, Palur, Ambernath, Amethi, Parassala, Bilaspur, Sanand, Hapur, Mandideep, Nagpur, Jagiroad, Maneri, Sankrail and Una, out of which plants at Amethi, Parassala, Sanand, Hapur, Mandideep, Nagpur, Jagiroad, Maneri, Sankrail and Una are operated under the PPP model. IRCTC commissioned its new Rail Neer Plant at Una, Himachal Pradesh and commenced commercial operations during FY21-22. To increase its market share and to meet the growing demand, your Company plans to setup new Rail Neer plants at Bhusawal, Vijayawada, Visakhapatnam, Bhubaneswar and Kota.

As a responsible corporate citizen, Corporate Social Responsibility is always our priority. The Company continues to involve in meaningful welfare driven initiatives through Corporate Social Responsibility that distinctively impact the quality of life by helping the underprivileged people. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, your Company prioritized response towards strengthening the health system. Your Company also extended its support to the downtrodden people affected by COVID-19 areas under CSR program. During the year 2021-22, the Company completely utilised the CSR Budget of ₹ 9.90 Crores towards CSR activities.

I would like to take this opportunity to express on behalf of the Board that we will not rest on our laurels. On the contrary, we will grab every available opportunity to further expand our market share and aim to focus and improve the quality of services offered in all segments.

I am convinced that we are well positioned to capitalize on future growth prospects despite the temporary disruption induced by pandemic. We are grateful for the support offered by our investors for making us among one of top 100 valuable companies on the basis of market capitalization as on 31st March, 2022.

On behalf of the Board, I want to assure you that we will leave no stone unturned in our efforts to evolve our approach to match the dynamics of the market. We are proud of our employees, for their dedication that has positioned us so well for the future. We also thank all our stakeholders. business partners, passengers and Government for their generous support that has enabled us to achieve our corporate objectives. Our shareholders as always, serve as a polestar steering us towards greater ambition and success

Thank You!!!

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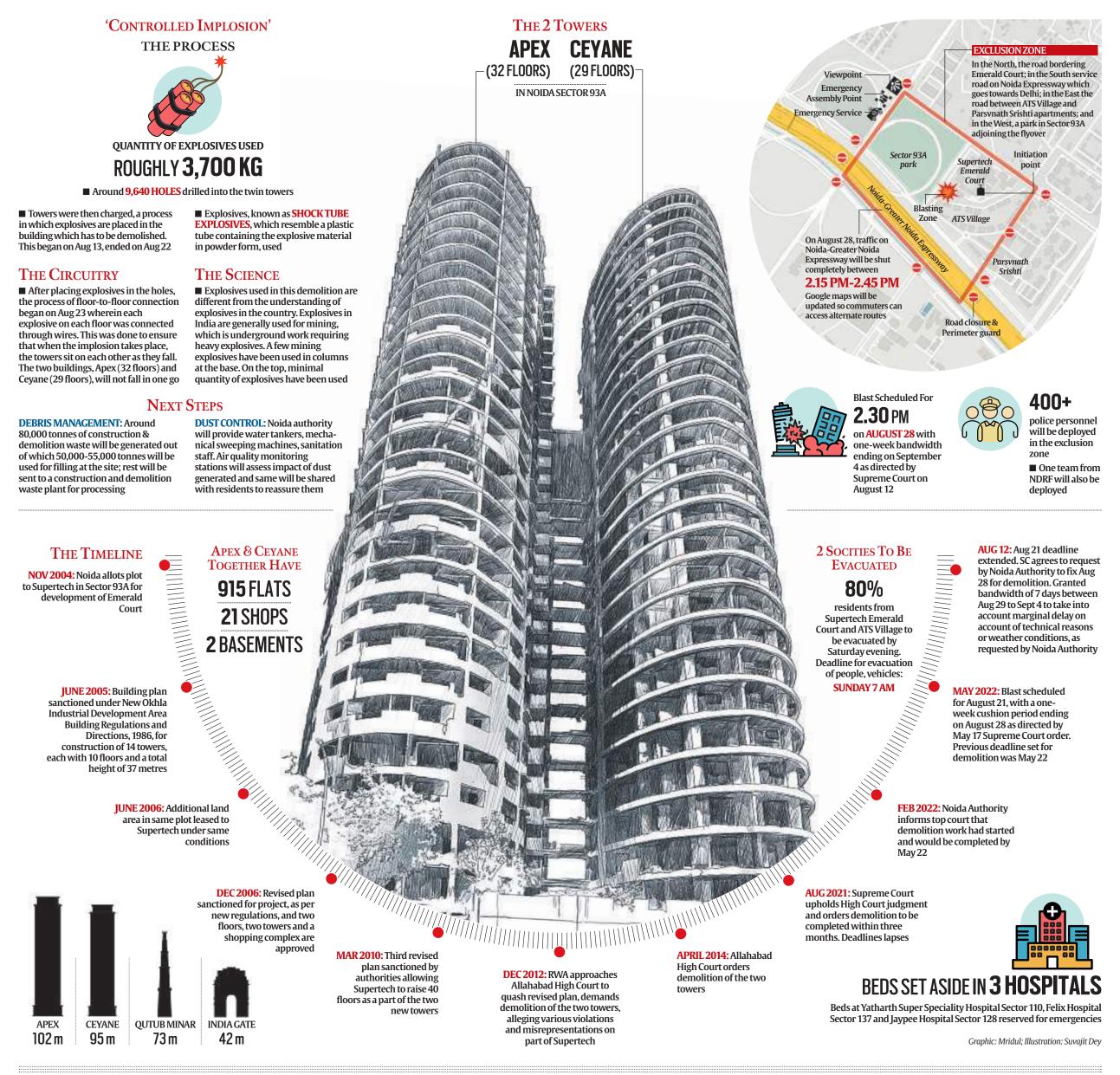


THE INDIAN EXPRESS, SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022

THE CITY D-DAY AT SUPERTECH PROJECT TOMORROW

Twin towers: Rise and fall

After weeks of preparation and anticipation, the Supertech twin towers in Noida will be brought down tomorrow. On Friday, a final round of checks was carried out by Edifice Engineering along with teams from Jet Demolition and Central Building Research Institute. A look at the size and scope of the project



Airspace around towers 'no-fly' zone Sealed windows, covered swimming pools: Those in vicinity prepare during demolition, final checks on

MALAVIKA PRASAD NOIDA, AUGUST 26

WITH TWO days to go for the Supertech twin tower demolition, a final round of checks was carried out by Edifice Engineering, along with teams from let Demolition and Central Building Research Institute (CBRI), Friday. The process will continue Saturday. The Ministry of Civil Aviation has declared a no-flying zone of one nautical mile airspace around the towers during demolition due to dust expected to emanate, as per the Noida Authority.

In a series of tweets, the CMO, Government of UP, said CM Yogi Adityanath has "directed to ensure strict compliance of safety standards... and safety of people residing in adjoining residential complexes should be ensured. In addition, environmental standards should also be taken care of.'

At the site Friday was Joe Brickman, managing director of Jet Demolition, the South African company partnering with Edifice for the demolition. "We are carrying out checks for the final day so there are no disturbances. It is one of the most difficult tasks; the building is strong and in the seismic zone. But we've designed the plan and implemented it to meet challenges. Edifice will be handling the debris, which will be cleaned up in three months."

Dr DP Kanungo, CBRI chief scientist, has meanwhile been carrying out checks along with his team. "Our main stress is instrumentation monitoring, as it is one of the largest demolitions in the country. We want to collect as much scientific data... as we can use it for future research. Our instrumentation monitoring plan... will capture the vibration, air pressure. We will get data by placing black boxes in the building on how it is falling, what is the velocity and acceleration of the fall; everything will be monitored," he said.

During a meeting of the Noida Authority Friday, it was stated that the UP pollution control board has installed manual ambient

air quality monitoring stations at six places, while anti-smog machines will be installed at 15 locations, and 50 water tankers will clean the footpath, flora and fauna near the site. Around 100 sanitation staff, along with four mechanical sweeping machines, will be deployed. Information/complaints can be registered with a control room on 0120-2425301.0120-2425302 and 0120-2425025.

DCP (Noida) Rajesh S and DCP (Traffic) Ganesh Prasad Saha also spoke on the preparations, including reservation of beds at three hospitals for any emergencies. Eight ambulances and four fire tenders will also be on call.

Rajesh S said 400 police personnel will be deployed along with one team from NDRF. According to Saha, entry of vehicles into the exclusion zone will be prohibited but people who are evacuating can do so until 7 am on Sunday and fresh traffic bulletins will be issued on August 28 along with regular updates on Google maps so commuters can access alternate routes.

MALAVIKA PRASAD NOIDA, AUGUST 26

TWO DAYS ahead of the Supertech twin towers' demolition, residents in the neighbouring Emerald Court have been preparing on their own. Supertech Emerald Court lies in the vicinity with only a nine-metre gap between Aster-2 tower and the twin towers.

"We've kept all our valuables in lockers and have taken down the TV from the wall," said Gaurav Saxena (38), resident of the society. A software engineer at HP in California, he has been working from home for the past two years and has been a resident at Emerald Court for the past 14 years with his mother, wife, daughter and brother.

Saxena said though the dust is unavoidable, he and his family have taken steps to protect their home. "We have placed plastic sheets around the balconies and we will be placing bubble wrap around glass windows



Gaurav Saxena, resident of Emerald Court, covered his balcony. Malavika Prasad

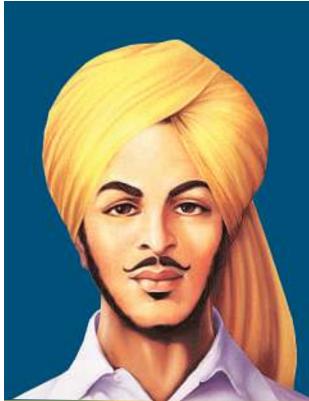
and doors to protect them from any damage that the blast can cause." The RWA has asked residents to place a sheet of paper outside their flat to imply the number of people in the flat and that nobody is inside, Saxena said. Electricity in the society will be turned off and residents have been asked to turn off



all electrical appliances and other equipment including LPG gas connection. Saxena lives in Aster-7, which is a little

away from the blast site, but a tour of the premises shows Aster-2 building is only a few metres away from the twin towers. "The swimming pool and tennis courts have been covered, and the green area inside the buildings will also be covered later today. We will be going to Nainital tomorrow to the homes of our relatives. There is an inconvenience; my daughter and wife have gone to my inlaws' place to ride the pollution and dust out. These issues, however, are temporary..."

Inderjeet, who lives with her two kids in Aster-2, will be leaving for her hometown in Meerut Saturday. "We have sealed windows and cleared things from walls. Humne is building ki digging se le karke finally is building ki demolition ki tayaari dekhi hai. We are happy about the demolition; it also serves as a lesson for all those builders who have carried out illegal construction."



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6 THE CITY

Safoora Zargar faces cancellation of admission at Jamia

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

ACTIVIST SAFOORA Zargar is facing imminent cancellation of her admission to Jamia Millia Islamia's department of sociology, which the university has attributed to "unsatisfactory progress" in her dissertation work. Zargar (29) is an accused in the main conspiracy case in the Northeast Delhi riots and was booked under the UAPA.

Since 2019, Zargar has been enrolled with the department of sociology in their integrated MPhil and PhD programme. She alleged the university is preventing her from submitting her thesis. As per the Jamia administration, this is because she did not complete her dissertation before the expiry of her third extension, which came to an end on February 6, 2022. The sociology department's Board of Studies has approved the cancellation of her admission based on the recommendation of her research advisory committee, which a source in the university has stated is "as per procedure".

Zargar alleged this is an attempt to "disrupt her education", and she has been denied extensions by the university to complete her MPhil: "Since December 2021, I've been made to run from pillar to post for extensions that are easily given to other scholars in the university... While UGC has granted five consecutive Covid extensions, I've been given only one. I was forced to apply for extension under the women scholar category, only to be denied after months citing 'unsatisfactory progress'. My emails to the Registrar and V-C remain unanswered. This is clear violation of guidelines laid down by UGC and points to malafide intentions of supervisor and department."

The university countered this, stating she had not applied for an extension as a woman scholar on time. In its response, it said MPhil dissertations are required to be submitted after three semesters and she was given the university's maximum provision of two semesters and an additional Covid extension of a semester in line with UGC guidelines.

KERALA TO DELHI

Navy Chief Admiral R Harikumar (right) with specially abled children of Different Art Centre, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, during an event called 'Empowering With Love' in New Delhi, Friday. Praveen Khanna

At GTB hospital, less invasive procedure for stroke patients

EXPLAINED

How it

works

ACCORDING TO GTB hospi-

tal Medical Director Dr

Subhash Giri, endovascular

procedure uses a minimally

invasive approach. Surgeons

make punctures into the ar-

tery with a needle and then

thread small flexible tubes

called catheters through the

blood vessels to reach the

damaged area. The lack of an

incision results in less blood

stroke. "The treatment from ad-

mission to discharge will be free

the number of beds will be in-

creased when the requirement

arises after a formal announce-

loss and faster recovery.

of cost," added Dr Giri.

be done next month

acute ischemic stroke.

ANKITA UPADHYAY NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

GURU TEG Bahadur (GTB) Hospital has become the first state government-run hospital to provide the procedure of endovascular intervention which will help patients with brain stroke and paralysis.

According to GTB hospital Medical Director Dr Subhash Giri, the service was started in July and five patients have been treated so far. "The neurosurgery depart-

ment of the hospital is providing state-of-the-art services to patients suffering from vascular emergencies like Atherosclerotic block, Aneurysmal Bleed / AVM Bleed/ Stroke by endovascular method. This is a highly specialised procedure and for the first time, a Delhi government hospital has this service," Dr Giri said. He added that this procedure

will help patients with brain stroke and paralysis. "If a patient comes within six hours of the stroke and paralysis, the endovascular intervention will be helpful," he added. The procedure will be con-

ducted by the neurosurgery department on patients suffering from vascular emergencies like aneurysmal bleed, AVM bleed,



directed tehsildars against executing any third party creation and sale/conveyance/lease deed at 18 real estate projects in Gurgaon, stating that the developers had failed to comply with terms and conditions of licences including clearing outstanding

dues or renewing the licences. Officials said as per directions issued by DTCP Haryana, the tehsildars concerned had been directed "not to execute any third party right creation and

Some developers had also failed to adhere to terms and conditions of the licence as well as bilateral agreements, and some had not renewed the licence, said officials

sale/conveyance/lease deed, and red entry in this regard be ensured in relevant revenue record of various licenced colonies (plotted, group housing and commercial) where the developer has not deposited the out-

Schoolgirl shot at in South Delhi: 2 held

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

A DAY after a 16-year-old student was shot at while she was on her way home, two men have been arrested in connection with the incident.

Police said three men had followed the girl on a motorcycle on Thursday, allegedly shot her in shoulder and fled. Police the one of them was a social media acquaintance of the girl, who she had stopped talking to. Her family alleged he had been stalking her.

Currently, 8 beds have been The girl's father said, "My kept for the procedure – four for daughter is still in the hospital, paralysis patients and four for but she is doing better now. brain stroke patients. Dr Giri said However, the incident affected her a lot and she is very scared. She was returning from school along with her mother, brother, ment of the service which will and two cousins. When they were a kilometre away from He said considering the high home, the accused shot at her."

percentage of stroke cases in He added: "My daughter had befriended a man on social me-India, high mortality and morbidity, it is the need of the hour to dia and had been talking to him for a few months. But after findstreamline endovascular interventions to give state-of-the-art ing out that he was a neighbour, care to patients suffering from she stopped talking. After this, he threatened her, forcing her to

rekindle the acquaintance. He even followed her and would linger near our house.'

But the matter did not end there, he added: "About a month ago, I complained to police after someone broke my windows with stones. I had CCTV footage of this, and I thought that the accused might be involved. But I did not want to give a complaint in writing and put my daughter in dan-

DCP (South) Benita Mary Jaiker said: "In this regard, a case under IPC sections 307 (attempt to murder) and 34 (common intention) has been registered against the alleged persons and an investigation is being conducted.'

The Delhi Commission for Women also took cognizance of the incident, issuing a notice to the Delhi police.

Maliwal said, "The incident is very shocking... Delhi Police should ensure strict action against stalking.'

standing dues on account of external development charges etc."

NOTICE ISSUED BY DEPT OF TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING

Some developers had also failed to adhere to terms and conditions of the licence as well as the bilateral agreements, and some had not renewed the licence, said officials

The public notice, put up at 18 locations, read, "General public is hereby informed that developer has not renewed the licence of this colony and failed to fulfil the terms and conditions of the licence. Therefore, the sale/purchase of any property will not be executed in this colony, and the tehsildar concerned has been informed accordingly. Hence, the general public is hereby requested not

to make any sale/purchase in this colony, failing which you will be held responsible for any damage or loss.

Heading home after

hotel shift, 24-yr-old

man run over by van

family

Amit Madholia, district town planner, enforcement, Gurgaon, said the directions were issued in compliance with the guidelines of the directorate.

"The enforcement team has pasted public notices at 18 licencees for awareness of the public. In these projects where the building was under construction, the construction work at the site has also been stopped immediately. The team will put up more notices at some other projects who had failed to comply with norms in the coming days," he said.

dent a few hours after his shift

had ended at 6 pm. They

said they were awaiting the

post-mortem report to deter-

mine possible assistance to his

home in Hari Nagar, his mother,

Santoshi Devi, was inconsolable

at the sight of her son's body.

Family and friends broke down

as relatives shouldered a

stretcher to carry him to the cre-

His uncle, Jabbar Singh, re-

called how the family learned of

the incident: "It was sometime

after midnight. One call made to

his number had gone unan-

swered, then police answered

the second call. They told us that

he was in a serious condition.

Later on, we found out he had

lost his life... It has been terrible

Singh, said: "He was always

cheerful... He worked in the

kitchen of a hotel near

Another uncle, Yashwant

to lose him so young.'

mation ground.

On Friday afternoon at his

BRIEFLY — Sukesh shifted

to Mandoli, 20 jail staffers shuffled too

New Delhi: The prison administration Thursday night shifted alleged Sukesh conman Chandrashekhar and his wife Leena Poulose from Tihar jail to Mandoli jail, DG (prisons) Sandeep Goel said. Hours later, the prison administration decided to reshuffle staffers at Mandoli and are sending around 20 staffers from Tihar to replace them, sources said. The jail administration shifted the duo days after the Supreme Court's direction in this regard.

HC orders teacher to hold extra classes after bullet found in his bag

New Delhi: Quashing an FIR registered against him in March 2019 following the recovery of a live bullet from his bag, the Delhi High Court has directed a government teacher to give extra classes for two hours each working day for a month to academically weak students in the school where he currently is posted. The Delhi resident was travelling from Delhi to Ranchi on March 23, 2019, when during the security check at the IGI Airport, a single cartridge was found in his bag. Since he could not produce any valid documents for the ammunition, police booked him under the Arms Act.

Surge in cases of hand, foot and mouth disease

New Delhi: An increase in cases of hand-footand-mouth disease (HFMD) has been reported in the past 3-4 weeks in Delhi-NCR, doctors said, adding that there was no reason to panic as it was a mild, self-limiting disease with no significant adverse effects. Compared to last year, doctors said, more cases are being reported this year during the monsoon season. ENS

THE H.P. STATE COOPERATIVE WOOL PROCUREMENT AND MARKETING FEDERATION LTD., BLOCK NO. 23, S.D.A. COMPLEX, KASUMPTI, SHIMLA-171009. Phone No.0177-2622837, Fax: 0177-2620981 Email- gmwoolfed-hp@nic.in Website - https://himachal.nic.in/woolfed E-TENDER NOTICE E-Tender No

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, PRAYAGRAJ E-Tender Notice No.JHS-N-W-36-22 Date: 24.08.2022 E-Tendering Tender Notice

Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer/ Jhansi, DRM's office Dhansi, for and on behalf of President of India invite sealed open Tender through on Line (E-Tendering) for the following works.

JHS-N-W-36-22

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26 A 24-YEAR-OLD man on a two-

They have sought a copy of the FIR, details of the complaint and action taken by police by August 30.

DCW chairperson Swati

wheeler was killed in an accident near Wazirabad village Thursday night. According to police, eyewitnesses said the man, Rahul Gusain, had fallen off his motor-

cycle after he swerved to avoid hitting a street dog which came in the way and was hit by a pickup van. He died on the spot due to head injuries, said police. Police said he had been working at a hotel near Karkardooma court for the past year.

DCP (North) Sagar Singh Kalsi said: "CCTV footage is being analysed. A case has been registered under IPC sections 279 (rash driving) and 304a (causing death due to negligence).

ARNAV CHANDRASEKHAR

Rahul is survived by his parents and elder brother. His father Chote Lal works as a cook at DDU hospital.

SALUTE THE SOLDIER

9 MADRAS (TRAVANCORE) All ranks of TRAVANCORE TERRORS pay homage to Sub VVK Prakasan who made the supreme sacrifice of his life on this day while fighting terrorists in Domana (J&K) 2008. Commanding Officer and all ranks cherish the memories of his brave deeds on

the 14th Anniversary of his martyrdom. Brave soldiers

Karkardooma. He got the job Sources from the hotel said after he studied Hotel Rahul had met with the acci-Management in Bengaluru." SUBEDAR VVK PRAKASAN

CANCELLATION OF E-TENDER NOTICE NO. 67/W-2/APDJ DATED: 05-08-2022 E-Tender Notice No. 67/W-2 APDJ dated 05-08-2022 is hereby cancelled on administrative cround. DRM (W), Alipurduar Jn

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Office of The Chief Engineer (Capital Zone) P.W.D Bhopal (M.P.) **Tender Notice**

NIT No. 15/ G. /1/Mis/C.Z/2019 (Year 2022) Bhopal, Data 18-08-2022 Online Tender for mentioned below are being invited. The Tender have been uploaded on the e-Procurement system of Public Works Department on the Porta https://mptenders.gov.in Tender details are as below:-

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| 1 | 2022_PWDRB_ 215012_1 | Sehore (Division Budni) | PLAN | Construction of Mandi to NeelKhanth Road (Narmda Parikrma Path) Length 5.00 Km | lst Call | 641.46 | EMD/All Document are to be submitted online only. |
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No.1671, totally measuring 2.1680 Hectares, out of this 0.2940 Hectare ie. 2940 Sq. Mts, Situated at Mauza Vipravali Tehsil Bah, Dist. Agra, Bounded on : East By : Gata No. 62,63,64,65, West By : Gata No. 1707 & Gata No. 1708, 1709, 1710., North By : Collage Gate, South By: Gata No.1708,1709,1710.

Schedule "B" Property: All that piece and parcel of the property Khasra No.1707, totally measuring 0.7230 Hectare ie.7230 Sg Mts Situated at Mauza Vipravali Tehsil Bah, Dist. Agra, property bounded on, East By: Gata No. 1671, West By: Gata No. 1714, Noth By: Gata No. 1708, South By : Gata No. 1706.

The Reserve Price of Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" Property will be Rs.2,07,23,365/- and the Earnest Money Deposit will be (EMD 10% of Reserve Price) Rs. 20,72,337/-.

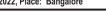
Known Encumbrances, if any : Nil.

Intending bidders should submit their EMD amount along with KYC documents (PAN Card and Aadhaar/Voters ID/Driving Licence) and Rs. 1,000/- being Non-refundable Tender fee by way of Demand Draft/Pay Order drawn on a Scheduled Bank, favouring "M/s. Varthana Finance Private Limited", payable at Agra before 5.00 p.m. on or before 13-09-2022 (Tuesday).

The Auction will be held at : M/s. Varthana Finance Pvt. Ltd., Block 57, Unit NO-14, 2nd Floor, Kaveri Centre, (Land Mark Telephone Exchange Building)Sanjay Place, Agra-282002., on 14-09-2022 (Wednesday) between 1-00 p.m. to 2-00 p.m.

For detailed terms and conditions of the Sale, please refer to the link provided in Company's website i.e.: www.varthana.com The prospective bidders may contact the Authorised Officer Mr. Mittin Kakkar - Phone No. 8685050505. Mr. Son Vir Singh Phone No. 9012210800 and Mr. Raman Arora - Phone No. 7827926395 for further details/information.

Date : 27-08-2022, Place: Bangalore



Authorised Officer, Varthana Finance Private Limited

BEFORE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- II, DELHI 4TH FLOOR JEEVAN TARA BUILDING, PARLIAMENT STREET, NEW DELHI- 110 001 Notice under Section 19(4) of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rule 12 & 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules) 1993. In the matter of O.A. NO. 489/2020 ICICI BANK LTD. ...Applicant Vs AJAY PRATAP AND ANR. ...Defendants **D-1. AJAY PRATAP** S/O. RAM VEER SINGH R/O. MIRZAPUR DANKAUR, GAUTAM BUDDHA NAGAR, UTTAR PRADESH- 203 201. D-2. SHAKSHI W/O. SH. AJAY KUMAR R/O. MIRZAPUR DANKAUR, GAUTAM BUDDHA NAGAR, UTTAR PRADESH- 203 201 Whereas the above named applicant has instituted a case against you and whereas it has been shown to the satisfaction of

the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in ordinary way. Therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in this Tribunal 26.10.2022 at 10:30 A.M.

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

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

(i) All the Advocates/ Litigants shall download the "Cisco Webex" application/software;

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

(iii) In any exigency qua that, the Advocates/Litigants can contact the concerned official at **Ph. No.** 23748469.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this the **10th day of** August, 2022.

By Order of The Tribunal







THE INDIAN EXPRESS, SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022 7 GOVT & POLITICS

FEW IN G-23 KNEW OF HIS EXIT DELHI CONFIDENTIAL AZAD'S NEXT MOVE: His own party



ROMANTIC NOVEL

SPEAKING AT the farewell event organised by the Supreme Court Bar Association in honour of outgoing Chief Justice of India NV Ramana, Solicitor General Tushar Mehta said he had "gathered from very reliable sources" that the CII, who is a connoisseur of Telugu literature, "is contemplating writing a romantic novel in Telugu after retirement". "I have stopped my research at that. I did not go into the roots what inspired his Lordship to contemplate writing that," the SG quipped. CJI Ramana said he "wants to correct" Mehta, adding: "Just like the IB (Intelligence Bureau) reports, your report that I am going to write a romantic novel is not correct. I may write some books on literature, I may write on historical events which took place while I was an advocate and so on..." IB reports are a part of the judges' appointment process.

INDIA CONNECTION

VISITING NEW Delhi with ex-Australian PM Kevin Rudd, former UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon on Friday revealed that he had started his career in the city 50 years ago. Addressing a gathering at the launch of a climate report, Ki-moon revealed his India connection saying that his son was born in New Delhi, and that his daughter, who works with the United Nations, is married to "an Indian boy". Ki-moon's son-in-law now works with the UN in China. "Maybe he will be responsible for bringing India and China together," joked the former UN Secretary General.

SERIAL HOPPER

FOLLOWING ITS emphatic victory in the 2021 West Bengal Assembly polls, the Trinamool Congress chose Tripura to expand its base. The Trinamool was aware that Subal Bhowmik, who was appointed to lead the party in the state, was known as a serial party-hopper, but the party didn't have many choices. Bhowmik, who had been gradually distancing himself from the Trinamool since the party fared poorly in the recent by-polls, was recently removed from the post. He is likely to return to the BJP fold during party chief JP Nadda's two-day visit to the state starting August 28.

DAY AFTER STAY ORDER

HC allows Karnataka govt to decide on use of Idgah Maidan

Polls approaching, will float J&K unit first, says veteran

MANOJCG, ARUN SHARMA & SOURAV ROY BARMAN NEW DELHI, JAMMU, AUG 26

GHULAM NABI Azad's exit from the Congress - two months after Kapil Sibal's departure – is vet another blow to the G-23, some leaders of which are planning to force a contest in the Congress presidential elections. Sources said only a handful of his G-23 colleagues knew about his exit plan. Others were as shocked by the news as those in the Congress

A para in his resignation letter gave a hint about Azad's plans. "Some of my other colleagues and I will now persevere to perpetuate the ideals for which we have dedicated our entire adult lives, outside the formal fold of the Indian National Congress," he wrote in the letter.

Late in the evening, PTI ouoted Azad as confirming that he will float a new party with a J&K-centric unit to start with. "I am in no hurry as of now to launch a national party but keeping in mind that elections are likely to be held in Jammu and Kashmir, I have decided to launch a unit there soon," Azad told PTI.

While the Congress put up a brave face, many leaders see a bigger crisis brewing. "We are perhaps not looking at a split. It could be death by a thousand cuts. Some more could leave. And what will play out in the election to pick Sonia Gandhi's successor cannot be predicted," one leader said.

Sources in the G-23 – or rather G-19 since four leaders have quit – did not rule out one of them contesting in the election of the party chief. "It could be even Shashi Tharoor or Manish Tewari. We don't know," one leader said. "It was unfortunate. When a

senior leader like him leaves the party... toh party ko nuksan hota his friend and former

Hooda told The Indian Express. His exit dealt a blow to the Congress in the Jammu region where it is struggling to find its feet after the entry of the BIP.

Within hours of Azad's resignation, two former J&K ministers of the Congress - G M Saroori and R S Chib - and four ex-MLAs/MLCs also quit the party. Former minister Jugal Sharma and ex-MLC Naresh Gupta said they, too, will go with Azad as he is the only one who can bring J&K "out of the present morass". Some other local leaders are expected to follow suit in the coming days.

Newly appointed PCC president Vikar Rasool Wani, an Azad loyalist who was believed to have been chosen to placate the senior leader, said his resignation will "certainly hit the Congress in J&K as many people will go with him". The leaders of the G 23,

meanwhile, spoke in different voices. Expressing "shock" over the development, senior party leader Anand Sharma said the situation could have been avoided had the Congress leadership carried out "serious introspection and course correction" based on conservations with the dissident leaders.

Former Maharashtra chief minister Prithviraj Chavan said this was a "classic example" of the working style of the "coterie" surrounding Rahul Gandhi who was at the receiving end of a fierce attack by Azad on Friday.

Senior leader Sandeep Dikshit, who was among the signatories of the G 23 letter, wrote to Azad that he feels that the group had "raised the banner of reform, not a banner of revolt".

Former Rajya Sabha deputy chairman and veteran Congress leader PJ Kurien, said the objective of G 23 was not to destroy but to act as a corrective force.

Congress Rajya Sabha MP Akhilesh Prasad Singh echoed Kurien, saying Azad's desertion time the party



Azad had been in the CWC for 37 years and was AICC in-charge of almost every state. PTI File

Ordinance row: Cong asks, 'Why were you silent then?'

MANOJ CG NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

GHULAM NABI Azad's claim that Rahul Gandhi's outburst in 2013 against the Manmohan Singh government over an ordinance led to the Congress-led United Progressive Alliance's (UPA) defeat in the general elections the following year has surprised many in the party, with the veteran leader's former colleagues asking why he did not speak his mind at the time. The government had brought the ordinance to negate a Supreme Court order on disqualifying convicted MPs and MLAs, but Rahul's criticism forced it to withdraw the ordi-

nance a week later. Azad was the Health Minister in the Singh-led Cabinet but remained silent like his other ministerial colleagues, leaving Singh to fend for himself and, according to an account, consider stepping down because of the lack of confidence in the government expressed by Gandhi who was nartyvice_r lent at the time

letter to Congress president the only member of the Cabinet, Sonia Gandhi on Friday, "One of the most glaring examples of this immaturity was the tearing up of a government ordinance in the full glare of the media by Rahul Gandhi. The said ordinance was incubated in the Congress Core Group and subsequently unanimously approved by the Union Cabinet presided over by the Prime Minister of India and duly approved even by the President of India.'

"This 'childish' behaviour completely subverted the authority of the Prime Minister and Government of India. This one single action. more than anything else, contributed significantly to the defeat of the UPA Government in 2014..." Azad said.

Before Rahul, Digvijaya Singh, Milind Deora, and M Veerappa Moily were the Congress leaders to have openly spoken against the government taking the ordinance route to save convicted lawmakers. The first beneficiary of the legislation would have been RJD chief Lalu Prasad. a ally At the time Moil

SERIES OF EXITS **FROM CONG SINCE 2014**

FORMER CHIEF MINISTERS

Amarinder Singh (Punjab); Vijay Bahuguna (Uttarakhand); Late Ajit Jogi (Chhattisgarh); SM Krishna (Karnataka); Narayan Rane (Maharashtra); Giridhar Gamang(Odisha)

FORMER UNION MINISTERS

G K Vasan (Tamil Nadu); Kishore Chandra Deo (Andhra Pradesh); Jayanti Natarajan (Tamil Nadu); Late Beni Prasad Verma (UP); Srikant Jena (Odisha); Shankersinh Vaghela (Gujarat)

STATE PRESIDENTS (FORMER AND . Serving)

Ashok Tanwar (Haryana); Rita Bahuguna Joshi (UP); Botcha Satyanarayana (Andhra Pradesh); Bhubaneswar Kalita (Assam); Ashok Chaudhary (Bihar); Sunil Jakhar (Punjab)

OTHER PROMINENT NAMES

Himanta Biswa Sarma (Assam); Pema Khandu (Arunachal Pradesh); N Biren Singh (Manipur); P C Chacko (Kerala); **Chaudhary Birender** Singh (Haryana), D Srinivas (Telangana), Manas Bhunia (West Bengal), Vishwajit Rane (Goa); Chandrakant Kavlekar (Goa); Kapil Sibal; Jyotiradtya Scindia (MP); Ashwani Kumar, R PNSingh, Jitin Prasada (UP). Sushmita Dev. Hardik Patel (Gujarat), Priyanka Chaturvedi (Maharashtra), Khusbhu Sundar (Tamil Nadu), Kuldeep Bishnoi (Haryana), Jaiveer

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE **BENGALURU, AUGUST 26**

WITHIN A day of a single-judge of the Karnataka High Court imposing a stay on the use of the disputed Idgah Maidan in south Bengaluru for activities other than pravers for Ramzan and Bakrid, and as a playground, a division bench of the Karnataka HC on Friday modified the order and granted powers to the state to decide on the use of the land.

A division bench of the Karnataka HC Friday modified the August 24 order on the basis of an appeal filed by the state. The order passed by the HC judge Thursday came at a time rightwing groups are demanding the use of the disputed Idgah Maidan

for Ganesh festivities this year. In its appeal, the Karnataka government told the HC on Friday that the Deputy Commissioner for Bengaluru had received five applications for use of the Idgah Maidan land on

August 31 (Ganesh Chathurthi) for a limited period "for the purpose of holding religious and cultural activities." The state sought a modification of the HC order of August 24 to allow it to take ac-

tion on the applications.

"The Indian society comprises religious, linguistic, regional, or sectional diversities. The Constitution of India itself fosters brotherhood amongst various sections of society. The principle of religious toleration is characteristic of Indian civilization." the HC division bench comprising acting Chief Justice Alok Aradhe and Justice S

Vishwajith Shetty said on Friday. "We, therefore, at this stage, in the peculiar facts of the case, modify the interim order and permit the state government to consider and pass appropriate orders on applications received

by the DC seeking use of the land in question for holding religious and cultural activities for a limited period from August 31 onwards," the HC said Friday.

constant exodus of leaders.

Azad is an unlikely rebel. His decision to leave the party after launching one of the sharpest ever attacks on the Gandhi family was

Haryana CM Bhupinder Singh needed him the most.

Azad wrote in his resignation was the petroleum minister and

a post and therefore you are speaking," he said.

which cleared the ordinance, to

senior leaders felt Rahul's open

criticism of the government was

unwarranted, they kept mum.

Many believed the remarks were

a blow to the image of the govern-

ment as well as that of Sonia

Gandhi, who was a part of the

Congress core group meeting that

At the press conference on

cleared the ordinance proposal.

September 27, 2013, Rahul rub-

bished the ordinance, calling it

"complete nonsense" that should

Ahluwalia, who was the Planning

Commission's deputy chairper-

son then, recalled that Singh

thought of stepping down after

Rahul's criticism. Rahul later ad-

chair Pawan Khera targeted Azad

Friday. "If you think it was wrong,

you would have thought it to be

wrong then also. Why were you

silent then? Now you don't have

Congress media department

mitted his words were wrong.

In a 2020 book, Montek Singh

be "torn up and thrown out".

While several ministers and

express reservation.

Known to be close to party bosses, now an unlikely rebel

MANOJCG NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

IN THE summer of 1977, when Ghulam Nabi Azad first came to Delhi after being appointed as a general secretary of the Youth Congress by Sanjay Gandhi, he could not withstand the torrid summer. His nose bled for several weeks and he told his colleagues that he is going back. Forty-five years later, he has severed his association with the party which is bleeding because of repeated electoral defeats and

much as a surprise as his decision to lead a band of leaders to write to Sonia Gandhi calling for changes in 2020. In fact, he was one of those leaders who have always been seen as having sided with the establishment and without break held key posts both in the organisation and governments.

Despite his closeness to the leadership and perhaps because of it, he spoke his mind, too, at times. And the leadership invariably listened, which is perhaps missing now. And that is his single biggest grouse.

For instance, when Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi renamed the education ministry as Human Resource Development Ministry and asked PV Narasimha Rao to head it in September 1985, Azad

went to Gandhi and told him that asking a veteran like Rao to head a ministry, the name of which no one can relate to, is a demotion.

But such interventions are rare as Azad always sided with the power centre in the party. From being the blueeyed boy of Sanjay Gandhi to a confidante Sonia

of Gandhi till some time ago, he has never rubbed the

Illustration: Suvajit Dev

before 2020. He has been a minister in all Congress govern-

leader the wrong way ments since the 1980s (the ones headed by Indira Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi, P V Narasimha Rao and Manmohan

Singh), when he entered Lok Sabha from Washim in Maharashtra

He had been in the Congress Working Committee for 37 years and he had been AICC in-charge of almost every state, a feat that has no parallel in the party. He began his political career in the mid 1970s and became the president of the J&K Youth Congress in 1975-76. He moved to Delhi in 1977 and became one of the close associates of Sanjay Gandhi with the likes of Kamal Nath and Ambika Soni, He became the national president of the Youth Congress in 1980.

And as he wrote in resignation letter, he was a member of the Congress Parliamentary board headed by Rajiv Gandhi as Congress president and later PV

opposition, there were 8 ZDE on

iOS that have been documented.

Similarly, in Android, there were

around 10 to 12 ZDE. It is for the

phone and device manufacturers

toget them (the devices) updated,"

Further, the minister said the

Centre had to withdraw the

Personal Data Protection Bill "as

it has become too complex and

creates a lot of compliance or

burdens on small companies".

"We are coming up with a new

comprehensive framework of

laws that will be the catalyst for

the 'India techade'. The current

IT Act is 22 years old. We are

coming up with a modern

framework of laws that will ad-

dress digital privacy," he said.

Chandrasekhar said.

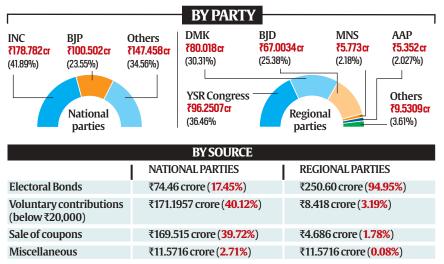
Narasimha Rao. His stints as state Congress president of Jammu and Kashmir in the early 2000s, Chief Minister of the state from 2005 to 2008 and Leader of the Opposition in Rajya Sabha from 2014 to 2021 is recent history.

Shergill.

His decision to lead a group of leaders seeking change in the party - an euphemism for opposition to Rahul Gandhi – was surprising as he has been fiercely loyal to the Gandhis. He sided with Rao when the prime minister took on the likes of Arjun Singh. He was close to Sitaram Kesri as well when the veteran was president of the party but sided with Sonia Gandhi when she decided to take the political plunge. Kesri was booted out. Under Sonia, Azad became more powerful.

POLITICAL PARTIES' UNKNOWN INCOME SOURCES

National and regional political parties earned ₹1,904.486 crore in FY21 of which ₹690.67 crore was from unknown sources, as per a report by the Association for Democratic Reforms. The following is the break-up of the unknown income sources



Source: Association for Democratic Reforms

After SC Pegasus remarks, IT Minister says Centre has lawful right to intercept

KAMAAL SAIYED SURAT, AUGUST 26

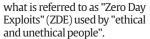
THE CENTRE has "lawful right to intercept" to curb terrorism and other activities, said Union Minister of State for Electronics and Information Technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar Friday. He added that the Centre was working on a new framework of laws to address digital privacy.

The statements came a day after the Supreme Court said the committee appointed by it to probe allegations of unauthorised use of Israeli firm NSO Group's Pegasus software for surveillance found no conclusive evidence on the use of the spyware in phones examined by it. However, to the apex court's re-



Rajeev Chandrasekhar in Surat on Friday. Express

marks that the Central Government did not cooperate with the probe, the minister noted that almost all phones and computers are vulnerable to



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"What I have come to know is that from the 29 mobile phones they have found, five have malware. We cannot find out which one of 12 ZDE is there, the hacker only knows it. It is difficult to pinpoint whose malware and what malware (is there). In the technology space... there are many ZDE that are being used by ethical and unethical people. The Centre has got lawful right to intercept ... in terms of national security to curb terrorism and other activities," Chandrasekhar, on a two-day tour to Surat since Thursday, told The Indian Express.

"The reality of technology today is that almost every phone or computer is vulnerable to ZDE

New Delhi

'Union', not 'Centre' in all govt orders New Delhi: A petition has been both in Android and iOS. When the Pegasus issue was raised by the

filed before Delhi High Court seeking that the government of India be directed to use "Union Government" or "Union" instead of "Central Government" or "Centre" in all orders, notifications, rules, executive actions and correspondences.

Petition in HC: Use

The division bench of Chief Justice Satish Chandra Sharma and Justice Subramonium Prasad on Friday asked the counsel representing the Centre to seek instructions and granted four weeks for it. The petition in particular challenges Section 3(8)(b) of General Clauses Act, which defines "central government".

The PIL was filed by 84-yearold Atmaram Saraogi. He was represented by Senior Advocate Gopal Sankaranarayanan before the bench. ENS



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Freebies: SC refers issue to **3-judge bench**

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

THE SUPREME Court on Friday referred petitions seeking ban on freebies distributed by political parties before elections to a three-judge bench which it said will look into prayers for reconsidering the top court's 2013 iudgment in S Subramaniam Balaji vs State case of Tamil Nadu. The 2013 verdict had held that

such promises of freebies cannot be termed corrupt practice.

A bench presided by Chief Justice of India NV Ramana said some of the parties had submitted "that the reasoning in the above judgment is flawed as it has not considered various provisions of the Representation of the People Act, 1951".

"It was also submitted that the judgment incorrectly implies that the Directive Principles of State Policy can override the Fundamental Rights under Part III of the Constitution, which is against the law settled by a Constitution Bench of this court in" the 1980 decision in Minerva Mills Ltd. v. Union of India case, it said.

"Looking at the complexity of the issues involved, and the prayer to overrule a judgment rendered by a two-judge bench of this court in S Subramaniam Balaji... we direct listing of these set of petitions before a three-judge bench after obtaining the orders of the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India," the bench, also comprising Justices Hima

GUJARAT

Journalist booked for report claiming CM's 'impending ouster'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE AHMEDABAD, AUGUST 26

A JOURNALIST associated with Indian masses" and "create haan evening newspaper in Rajkot tred between supporters of different politic

Kohli and CT Ravikumar, ordered. Hearing a petition filed by Advocate Ashwini Upadhyay,

who sought a ban on promise of freebies by political parties in the run-up to elections, the bench said it initially mulled setting up a committee to go into the issue and make recommendations. Subsequently, there were in-

tervention applications by some parties who contended that "all promises cannot be equated with freebies as they relate to welfare schemes...", it said.

The bench added that "at the same time, the worry raised by the petitioners herein, that under the guise of electoral promises, fiscal responsibility is being dispensed with, must also be considered".

Considering the arguments, it said in its Friday's order that "ultimately, it appears that the issues raised by the parties require an extensive hearing before any

concrete orders can be passed". The bench pointed out that "certain preliminary issues that may need to be deliberated upon and decided in the present set of petitions are...What is the scope of judicial intervention with respect to the reliefs sought in the present batch of petitions?...Whether any enforceable order can be passed by this court on these petitions?...Whether the appointment of a commission/expert body by the court would serve any purpose in this matter?...What should be the scope, composition, and powers of the said commission/expert body?'

rested two people in connection with the death of Haryana BJP leader and actor Sonali Phogat. Police said the accused, Sudhir Sangvan and Sukhwinder Singh, "intentionally gave the victim an

> obnoxious chemical substance in a liquid" hours before she died on Tuesday morning.

MAYURA JANWALKAR&

PANAJI, CHANDIGARH, AUG 26

THE GOA Police on Friday ar-

VARINDER BHATIA

Phogat's family have alleged that she could possibly have been murdered in an attempt to grab her property. She had assets worth around Rs 2.74 crore, according to her 2019 election affidavit. On Friday, Inspector General of Police Omvir Singh Bishnoi said: "Based on witness statements (and) CCTV footage, it was

partied with the deceased and videos show that a substance was forcefully given to the victim by one of the accused. When confronted, Sukhwinder and Sudhir confessed that they intentionally



Family members of Sonali Phogat take her body for cremation

in Hisar on Friday. Her daughter lit the pyre. PTI

Police had registered an offence of murder on Thursday following a complaint filed by



Hurriyat leader Mirwaiz Umar Farooq speaks to police personnel after being stopped from leaving his residence in Srinagar on Friday. Express

Police stop Mirwaiz from leaving residence for prayers

NAVEED IQBAL SRINAGAR, AUGUST 26

POLICE ON Friday stopped All-Parties Hurriyat Conference (APHC) chairman Mirwaiz Umar Farooq, who has been confined to his house for three years, from leaving his residence to offer prayers at Jamia Masjid at Nowhatta, days after Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha said the Kashmir head cleric was not un-

der house arrest. en the Mi have been made f out of his residence at Nigeen, posermon by the Mirwaiz and peolice officials present outside the ple are eagerly looking forward gate stopped him, citing security to seeing and hearing him". On Friday, Anjuman Auqaf expressed "strong disdain issues. "The Mirwaiz has threats against him. He has no security. He has been informed by the SP on against the authorities for once Friday as well," J&K Police ADGP again disallowing its incarcerated for Kashmir Zone Vijay Kumar told chairman and Mirwaiz-e-The Indian Express. Since there is Kashmir Moulvi Muhammad Umar Faroog to address the faithno provision as per the law for ful at the historic and central house arrest. Kumar clarified that "he is not under house arrest...he grand mosque after three years".

never was. He is allowed to visit the hospital. We are not allowing him to visit Jamia because of apprehensions related to law and order". Stating that even leaders are

sometimes not allowed to travel when there are "security-related threats", Kumar said, "He will have to give in writing that the public will not create a law-and-order situation at the Jamia Masjid."

On Thursday, the Anjuman Augaf, the body that oversees the functioning of the Jamia Masjid, had said that "all preparations he Friday

immediate superior, Balkishan

Thakur, and the owner of a two-

wheeler automobile agency in

Yamunanagar, Kavi Narula, for

his extreme step. As per details,

Sukhwinder was posted at the

Jagadhari branch of IFFCO-Tokio

in Yamunanagar and had joined

the insurance firm six years ago.

as Sukhwinder's wife Reena, 31,

his parents Sangat Singh, 65,

Mohindero Kaur, 61, and his two

daughters Ashu, 7, and Jassi, 5.

Reena worked as a contractual

employee with Saksham scheme,

The deceased were identified

"A large number of people who had come from across the Valley for the Friday prayers were once again deeply saddened. They expressed their anger and strongly protested against the illegal and arbitrary detention of Mirwaiz Umar

Farooq," the Anjuman said. Prayers at the Jamia Masjid have been allowed only sporadically over the last three years. The Anjuman termed his continued detention "condemnable" while highlighting a statement of Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, who in an interview with fore

Phogat's brother Rinku Dhaka. who accused Sudhir, Phogat's personal assistant, and Sukhwinder, his aide, of murder. The duo was detained on Thursday. Bishnoi said on Friday that the two had Rinku added, "We suspect that now been placed under arrest and would be produced before a mag-Sudhir and Sukhwinder muristrate within 24 hours. dered Sonali to grab her property.

Phogat's family said Sudhir was possibly just a "front man" and there could be a larger political conspiracy behind her death.

In his complaint, Rinku said Sudhir of Rohtak and Sukhwinder of Bhiwani met Phogat during her 2019 Assembly poll campaign.

"In 2021, a theft took place at him about the car's keys, he reher residence... After that, Sudhir fused to give it and went away". terminated her cook's services and started taking care of her meals the "obnoxious chemical" was himself. Three months ago, Sonali given to her, the accused took her called and told me that Sudhir had to the bathroom where she served her kheer after eating spent two hours and they have which she started shivering and given no explanation for this.

JUNKS PIL TO CHANGE BUILDING INTO MOSQUE If more places of worship allowed, no place will be left to reside: Kerala HC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, AUGUST 26

THE KERALA High Court on Holy Ouran that mosque is to be Friday rejected a petition seeksituated adjacent to the house of ing to change a commercial building into a Muslim place of member. Distance is not the criworship, observing that "if furteria, but reaching the mosque is ther religious places and reliimportant. In the instant case, 36 gious prayer halls are allowed in mosques are available within the Kerala without any guidelines, vicinity from the commercial there will be no place for citizens building of the petitioner. In such to reside".

The bench of Justice P V Kunhikrishnan was considering a petition of Noorul Islam Samskarika Sangam, Thottekkad, near Nilambar in Malappuram district, which wanted to change a commercial building into a place of worship. The petitioner had listed the Malappuram district collector, the district police chief, local station house officer, village panchayat and a local resident as respondents.

The judge said Kerala is exhausted with religious institutions and prayer halls. There are sufficient number of religious places and prayer halls for all communities in the state even as should ensure that there is no ilper the 2011 Census report far as the present case is concerned, there are about 36 mosques situated within 5-kilometre radius from the existing commercial building of the petitioner. Then why another prayer hall for the petitioner is a milliondollar question," the judge said.



Talking to The Indian Express.

When we reached Goa, we asked

her wallet. ATM cards etc. He said

they came to Delhi in a car that

was parked in a flat in Gurgaon.

We asked him about the flat's

keys to which he said those were

in the car and when we asked

The IGP said at 4.40 am, after

nity. "But, it is not stated in the

above verses of the Holy Quran

that mosque is necessary in

every nook and corner... It is not

stated in the "Hadees" or in the

every Muslim community

circumstances, there is no need

for another mosque in that vicin-

rate circular/order prohibiting

change of category of a building

to a religious place/prayer hall

except in inevitable circum-

stances and in the rarest of rare

ity," said the judge.

LAND FOR JOBS After mall search by CBI, firm says him about her articles, including no Tejashwi link

Bihar

Yadav

Deputy CM

Tejashwi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

TWO DAYS after Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Tejashwi Yadav dismissed links to an under-construction mall in Gurgaon that the CBI searched Wednesday, the construction firm too denied it had any association with Yadav.

The CBI had searched Urban Cube mall in Gurgaon's Sector 17 in connection with a "land-forjobs" case against former Bihar chief minister Lalu Prasad and his family.

On Friday, the company con-structing the mall, Whiteland Corporation Pvt. Ltd, said the CBI's allegation of the mall being connected to Yaday, as reported in the media, was a "false portrayal". It claimed "vested interests" were maligning its reputation.

A statement released by Whiteland said: "All the assets of the company have been lawfully acquired with only the legitimate sources of the company and are regularly audited as per the protocol. Whiteland Corporation Pvt Ltd is a growing Company with a stupendous track record of the management. We hope this matter is thoroughly investigated and only the correct information is circulated," it added.

MP dam breach: CM suspends eight engineers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE The judge directed that the chief secretary will issue a sepa-BHOPAL, AUGUST 26

> FIFTEEN DAYS after seepage in Karam dam created a flood-like situation in Madhya Pradesh's Dhar district, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on Friday announced suspension of eight engineers of the state's water resource department.

> The action comes after two Delhi's companies, ANS Construction and Gwalior's Sarthi Construction, associated with the construction of the dam were blacklisted after a fourmember nanel was co

cases after obtaining reports from authorities concerned. In the order, it should be clearly mentioned that the distance to the nearest similar religious place/prayer hall is one of the criteria while considering the application for religious places and prayer halls. The government

writing a news story claiming that Rajya Sabha MP and Union Cabinet Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Parshottam Rupala would replace Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel in Gujarat.

According to the police, an FIR has been lodged at Rajkot A Division police station against Aniruddh Nakum, the Raikotbased journalist associated with 'Saurashtra Headline-Assal Kathiyawadi' newspaper. The news report titled "Goodbye Bhupendraii, Welcome Rupala" was published under his byline on August 22.

The FIR has been lodged following a complaint by 'Babubhai Vaghera' from Rajkot city who is into the "construction business". Nakum has been booked under IPC Sections 505 1(b) for making, publishing or circulating any statement, rumor or report with the intent to cause fear or alarm to the public, 505 (2) for statements creating or promoting enmity, hatred or ill will between classes and 114 for offence committed when abettor present.

According to the FIR, the

news article was allegedly writ-

ten without any basis to create a

sense of anxiety among the

The slug of the report published on the front page of the newspaper on August 22 evening mentioned "Internal turmoil: Unimaginable twist in Gujarat BJP, CM Bhupendrabhai to go", the complaint reads. "Other lines mentioned in the report were, "Bhupendra government's weak performance report reaches Delhi", "to attract Patidar vote bank, BJP high command in mood for some great changes", "reports of workers being unhappy with Man kills five of family, dies by suicide state leaders", "CR Paatil proven false again" and "Rupala and

Mansukh in upcoming CM race". Aniruddh Nakum and the editor and owner of the evening newspaper had, without any basis, written a report, with the intention to spread rumour and create anxiety and hatred between supporters of different political groups, thereby creating disruption of public peace. The report has done the act of creating tension among people regarding political instability and creating hatred among people in the Saurashtra region and elsewhere in Gujarat (sic)," read Vaghera's complaint.

media last week had claimed that the Mirwaiz was not under detention and that there were no restrictions placed upon him.

> "Earlier, Union Home Minister Amit Shah had twice made similar statements in Parliament. However, on the ground, these claims are far from reality as was once again proved today [Friday] when Mirwaiz was forcibly stopped at the gate of his house.

> > Sangat Singh was the lambardar

Sukhwinder's daughters Ashu

and Jassi were both students of

DAV school, Ambala. Police said

they have booked Balkishan

Balana village, while

Quoting Quran verses, the iudge said the verses clearly highlight the importance of mosque to the Muslim commu-

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Nagaland gets

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CHUMOUKEDIMA, AUGUST 26

legal functioning of any religious places and prayer halls without obtaining permission from the competent authorities. The court said the govern-

ment and the local bodies should be vigilant while granting permission for religious places and prayer halls in future. Besides, the change of occupancy of existing buildings from one category to another shall not be allowed in normal cases.

to probe the incident. The committee was supposed to submit its report within five days. Those suspended on Friday were chief engineer CS Ghatole, superintendent engineer PJoshi, executive engineer BL Ninama, assistant engineer Wakar

Ahmed Siddiqui and sub engineers Ashok Kumar, Vijav Kumar Jathhap, Dashabanta Sisodia and RK Shrivastava SUICIDE BY SAMBHAL GANGRAPE VICTIM

Police say all 4 accused arrested, SHO among 2 suspended for laxity

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE SAMBHAL, AUGUST 26

TWO DAYS after a 16-year-old gangrape victim died by suicide in a Sambhal village, police claimed they have arrested all the four accused, while the investigating officer (IO) and the SHO concerned have been suspended for negligence.

The girl was found hanging by her mother at their house on Wednesday. The father of the victim had died in 2015.

The mother of the girl accused the police of negligence, claiming that only one of the four accused was booked initially in the FIR registered on July 15. According to the FIR, the alleged crime took place on June 5 and only one accused - Souvendra was booked for rape, trespass, kidnapping, criminal intimidation, and under the POCSO Act.

"I don't care if all the four accused have been arrested now. Why didn't the police do this on July 15? I lost my daughter because the police didn't do anything. The accused were roaming freely and would call and threaten to kill my daughter. They were never absconding. Had they been on the run, how did the police catch them

right after my daughter died?" said the victim's mother.

"I met the SHO as well but he asked us to settle the matter. How can I settle the matter? My daughter was gangraped and threatened," said the mother.

She alleged that they had named all the accused but the police booked only one. On July 24, the matter reached a court where the minor told the judge that she was gangraped by four men, after which the names of three others – Veeresh, Vipin, Jeenesh — were added to the FIR.

A second FIR for abetment to suicide was lodged on Wednesday after the girl died. "Since the FIR was lodged on July 15, the accused were pressuring my sister and our family to withdraw the case. Police kept pushing us to cremate the body even as we were expecting relatives. Policemen were standing behind us," said one of the brothers of the victim.

Sambhal SP Chakresh Mishra said, "The FIR was immediately registered. Later, the complainant named 3 other accused in a court. We added their names to the FIR, but they were absconding. We are verifying the threat allegations. There was no pressure for cremation... The policemen were standing far away."

TO ACHIEVE NET-ZERO EMISSIONS TARGET BY 2070 India needs \$10-tn investment from now: report

SAURABH PARASHAR

A 33-YEAR-OLD man killed his

elderly parents, his wife, and his

daughters, before dving by sui-

cide inside his Balana village res-

The man - who worked as

the branch manager of a private

insurance firm, IFFCO-Tokio

General Insurance – was identi-

fied as Sukhwinder Singh, who

police said left behind a two-

page suicide note, blaming his

idence in Ambala on Friday.

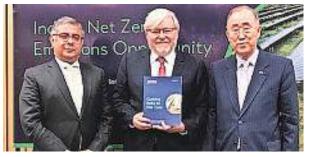
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INDIA WILL require an economywide investment of \$10.1 trillion from now if it is to achieve its netzero emissions target by 2070, according to a report released by former Australian prime minister Kevin Rudd and others in New Delhi on Friday

According to the 'Getting India to Net Zero' report, the investment required will be \$13.5 trillion if the target is to be met by 2050. The report also savs achieving net-zero by 2070 would boost annual GDP by up to 4.7% by 2036 and create as many as 15 million new jobs by 2047.

The report was released by



Australian ex-PM Kevin Rudd (centre), along with former UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon (right) and International Finance Corporation's Head and Director of Climate Business Vivek Pathak, in New Delhi, Friday. Express

Rudd, also the president of Asia Society Policy Institute,, former UN Secretary-General and

International

Global Green Growth Institute President & Chair Ban Ki-moon, Finance

Corporation's Head and Director of Climate Business, Vivek Pathak and former Indian for-

eign secretary Shyam Saran. India's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) targets set in 2015 are likely to be met early within the next few years through current policies, says the report.

The report said India could peak in emissions as soon as 2030.

"Further policies, especially to boost renewables and electrification, could make net zero possible by mid-century. Ending new coal by 2023 and transitioning from unabated coal power by 2040 would be particularly impactful for reaching net zero emissions closer to mid-century," it says.

On his visit to India, Rudd will meet Foreign Minister S

Bhupender Yadav and Renewable Energy Minister R K Singh.

would lead to greater benefits, increasing India's GDP by up to 7.3% and creating 20 million new jobs by 2032. The independent commission is about getting India, China, Indonesia to Net Zero. But as a pragmatic, I think it would be unjust to do this at the cost of development of some of these nations. So, the matter of equity needs to be considered. Also we need to accept and understand that the historical responsibility of emissions and climate change does lie with the West - and the transfer of finance and technology to developing countries is crucial in this challenge," said Rudd.

Jaishankar, Environment Minister

'Reaching net zero by 2050

Thakur and Kavi Narula for abetment under Section 306 of IPC, NAGALAND ON Friday got its besides registering a murder case second railway station after a against Sukhwinder Singh. gap of more than 100 years with Officers said Sukhwinder had the commissioning of a new fablamed Thakur and Narula for pressurising him to pay Rs 10 lakh,

the heart of the commercial hub of the state, was inaugurated in 1903. Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio flagged off the Donvi Polo Express from Shokhuvi Railway

> The Donyi Polo Express ran daily between Guwahati in Assam and Naharlagun in Arunachal Pradesh. The train service has now been extended till Shokhuvi, a few kilometers from Dimapur. Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh will be directly connected by train service with the extension of Donvi Polo Express till Shokhuvi Railway Station.

> "Today is a historic day for Nagaland. The State got the 2nd railway terminal passenger services after a gap of more than 100 years on Dhansari-Shokhuvi railway line," Rio tweeted.

The CM also requested railway officials to ensure that the Dimapur Railway Station got its due share of development so that it expands further and continues to serve not only the people of Nagaland but also those of Manipur and the neighbouring districts of Assam.

cility at Shokhuvi. Dimapur Railway Station, in failing which he might lose his job. He blamed Narula for pressurising him for doing his personal work. Station during the day.

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UKRAINE RETURNEES Top court seeks Centre's reply to students' plea

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

THE SUPREME Court on Friday sought response from the Centre and the National Medical Commission (NMC) on a plea by medical students who were forced to return from Ukraine due to the war situation seeking permission to continue their education in India

A bench presided by Justice Hemant Gupta will hear the matter next on September 5.

Taking up their plea, Justice Gupta pointed out that there are about 20,000 students and wondered if India has the capacity to accommodate all of them.

The counsel appearing for the students said they chose Ukraine because they could not get admissions in Government seats in India. The counsel said he is asking for only the final year students to be accommodated.

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26 IN ITS verdict dismissing the appeals by Facebook and WhatsApp against Competition Commission of India's order for a probe into WhatsApp's 2021 privacy policy, the Delhi High Court said the policy update placed the messaging

SOFI AHSAN

app users in a "take-it-or-leaveit" situation, virtually forcing them into agreement by providing a mirage of choice. The division bench of Chief

Justice Satish Chandra Sharma and Justice Subramonium Prasad had junked the plea Thursday. The judgment was made public on Friday. The Bench said WhatsApp oc-

cupies a dominant position in the market and has a strong lock-in effect which renders its users incapable of shifting to another platform despite dissatisfaction. The court said the same is exemplified

regions of Rajasthan, sometime

Prediction Thursday, the IMD said, "Conditions are likely to become

favourable for the withdrawal of

the Southwest monsoon from

In its latest Extended Range

around September 6-7.

by the fact that despite an increase in the downloads of Telegram and Signal when the 2021 policy was announced, the number of users has remained unchanged. The court, in the judgment

dated August 25, said that to ensure retention of its user base and to prevent any other disruptive technology from entering the market, data is utilised by tech companies to customise and personalise their own platforms so that its user base remains hooked.

WhatsApp's privacy policy

forced users to agree: Delhi HC

"When data concentration is seen through this prism, it does give meaning to the new adage that 'data is the new oil', and, as noted in the CCI Order dated 24.03.2021, it raises competition concerns because it prima facie amounts to imposition of unfair terms and conditions upon its users, thereby violating Section 4(2)(a)(i) of the Act," it said in the verdict. While ordering an investigation, the CCI last year had come to a prima facie conclusion that the conduct of WhatsApp in "sharing of users' personalised data with other Facebook companies, in a manner that is neither fully transparent nor based on voluntary and specific user consent" appears unfair to the users. A single-bench of the Delhi High Court on April 22. 2021 had dismissed the petitions filed by WhatsApp and Facebook against the CCI order. The companies appealed the decision.

The division bench rejected WhatsApp and Meta's argument that since the privacy policy is under challenge before the courts, including Supreme Court, the CCI probe can potentially lead to conflicting opinions. "The sphere of operation of both are vastly different. Neither this court nor the Supreme Court are analysing the 2021 policy through the prism of competition law," it ruled.

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LISTEN TO AZAD

Congress needs to acknowledge the truth of what his resignation letter says and act if it wants to rescue itself before it is too late

HULAM NABI AZAD'S letter, as he resigned from Congress on Friday, sharply and forthrightly locates the crumbling within. For him, there is also a clear and present culprit – Rahul Gandhi. Azad's now-erstwhile party colleagues have been quick to read motives in his decision. Their reaction is narrow and dispiriting. A leader who has worked in and for the party for five decades deserves to be heard, at the very least, with humility and respect. Of course, it is possible to lock horns with Azad's argument, after listening to it. There are several reasons for, and many sites of, Congress decline in times of BJP dominance. It can be contended that Azad's diagnosis is incomplete, that it ignores wider and structural reasons for the party's crisis that go beyond an individual. Congress diminishment can also be blamed, for example, on its inability to connect with the changing aspirations of the electorate, its refusal to learn any lessons in the face of the rising BJP behemoth. And yet, in this moment, none of those counter-arguments sounds credible, for two reasons. One, because the Congress has notched up such a long and formidable record of evading and obfuscating its own predicament. And two, because what Azad has pointed to is an inalienable part of the Congress shrinking.

Azad's letter is undeniably a significant moment not just in his own career, but also in that of the Congress. Not since Sharad Pawar walked out on the "foreign origin" issue, has a senior leader of similar prominence or stature articulated such a powerful critique of the party at the very top. In fact, Azad's critique is far more political than Pawar's - it is about the inner life of an institution, not identity. Azad's recurring use of the term "coterie", and his anger at the breakdown of consultative mechanisms within, is resonant. His flagging of the conduct of a leader who makes a public show of tearing into his own government's ordinance, relies on "inexperienced sycophants", steps down from party presidentship in a "huff", and controls the party through "remote control" and "proxies" is important not because all this is being said for the first time - it isn't - but because he is saying it. The fact is that the Congress's serial electoral losses, its inexorable ceding of space to the BJP and to the regional party, its incoherence on major issues and its inability to hold on to several of its young and ambitious leaders, all have something to do with the erraticness, lack of ideas or any real empathy or connect at its very top.

It has become increasingly clear that for there to be any Congress revival, its top leadership cannot be quarantined from the change. And that is why the Congress would be doing itself a grave disservice if it doesn't read and re-read Azad's letter. The party needs to acknowledge the truth of what he has said, and act on it, if it wants to rescue itself before it's too late.

TALK TO KATHMANDU

Delhi must reach out to Nepal, address its concerns on Agnipath. Gorkhas from Nepal are an inalienable part of Indian Army

HE AGNIPATH SCHEME for recruiting personnel for the armed forces has had a fallout in Kathmandu that Delhi cannot afford to ignore -- or leave unaddressed. The Indian Army recruits soldiers for its seven Gorkha regiments from ethnic Gorkha communities -- two-thirds from Nepal, and one-third from India. Until the last recruitment, this worked out to about 1,400 recruits from Nepal annually. Over 30,000 soldiers from Nepal serve in the Indian Army at any given time, and there is a 1.4 lakh strong community of Indian Army pensioners in that country. In a country battling massive unemployment, the annual inflow of Indian Army pensions and salaries is a vital injection of money into the local economy. Kathmandu was evidently taken by surprise when the Agnipath scheme — under which 75 per cent of recruits would be let go after four years with no pension benefits - was announced. Apart from the uncertainty about the numbers to be hired in Nepal, and the question of how the returnees would be absorbed back into the Nepali workforce, there is concern about the impact of the All Country All Class recruitment on ethnic Gorkha regiments in the Indian Army, and on Gorkha recruits. The Narendra Modi government must reach out, and address Kathmandu's anxieties. The recruitment of Gorkhas takes place under a 1947 tripartite treaty between the governments in India, Nepal and Britain. The Indian Army set August 25 as the start date for the recruitment, subject to approval from Kathmandu - in the past this approval has been granted routinely. This time, the government in Nepal has conveyed that the recruitment cannot go ahead for now as it needs to study the impact of the new scheme, which it has also described as a violation of the treaty - one of the terms of the treaty is that Nepali citizens must be allowed to serve long enough to be eligible for pensions. In a country where anti-India sentiments are high, the recruitment of Gorkhas has given a crucial institutional connect to the people-to-people relationship. When PM Modi visited Nepal in 2014, he highlighted the Gorkha link – Gorkhas are deployed at the LoC in Kashmir, and the LAC with China. PM Modi rightly said that India had won no war without the sacrifice of Nepalis.

Rekha Sharma

JUDGES MUST NEVER forget that sooner or later, they too will be judged. Of late, we have witnessed many who failed their oath of office and withered away unwept, unsung and unhonoured. Chief Justice of India N V Ramana, who retires on August 26, took over the reins of the Supreme Court in difficult times when the fundamental rights and civil liberties of the citizens were under threat as never before. Speaking against the government or its policies was treated as equivalent to speaking against the Indian state. People of all hues, including political opponents of the present dispensation, journalists, social activists, artists, and comedians, irrespective of their age or standing in life, were booked under the sedition law or the draconian Unlawful Activities and Prevention Act (UAPA), making it difficult - almost impossible - for them to obtain bail.

Judges at the district level, barring a few brave exceptions, treated the police version as the gospel truth. High courts were loath to interfere. Most people do not have the wherewithal to come to the Supreme Court. However, when journalist Siddique Kappan, who was apprehended on his way to cover the Hathras gangrape, approached the Supreme Court after spending over two years in custody he was sent back by the then Chief Justice. Even more shockingly, this was done with the observation that the court wanted to discourage petitions under Article 32 of the Constitution.

Against this background, Justice Ramana faced the onerous task of restoring the people's faith in the judiciary. To his credit, by and large, he lived up to what was expected of him – though he could have done much more. Soon after assuming charge, speaking from a public platform, he said that the "judiciary is an independent organ which is answerable to the Constitution alone, and not to any political party". It was a message to the political class that he was his own man. On another occasion, he said that "people are confident they will get relief from the judiAkil Kureshi was not elevated to the apex court invited several questions. That this happened with Justice Ramana at the helm — who is known for his

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ciary – they know when things go wrong the judiciary will stand by them". This statement held out the hope that the judiciary was there to protect the people. As Justice Ramana retires, it is time to look back, and see if he lived up to his own words. The answer isn't black or white.

A few highs & belied hope

CJI N V Ramana could have been more assertive

and reformist. But he leaves the Court better

The bench headed by Justice Ramana passed some laudable, and pro-citizen orders - the order in the Pegasus spyware case, for example. A batch of petitions was filed in the Supreme Court alleging that the government had purchased software that was infiltrating malware into the digital devices of its political opponents, some senior state functionaries and others. The issue rocked Parliament. and an entire session was washed out. The government was not prepared to divulge any information, citing national security concerns. The Supreme Court pulled up the government and observed that "the state cannot get a free pass every time the spectre of national security is raised, and that national security cannot be the bugbear that the judiciary shies away from". It appointed a committee overseen by a former judge of the Supreme Court to look into the matter. The committee has submitted its report.

Recently, Justice Ramana's bench also agreed to revisit the British-era sedition law as embodied in Section 124(A) of the Indian Penal Code. In the meanwhile, the bench urged the Centre and state governments to refrain from lodging FIRs under the said section. Given that the sedition law was being invoked by the police at the drop of a hat, this too was a welcome order. Again, had it not been for the CJI's bench, Ashish Mishra, son of a Union Minister for State who allegedly mowed down five persons under the wheels of his SUV, would not have been in jail. The same bench also halted the demolition drive in Jahangirpuri, launched by Delhi municipal authorities targeting a particular community, and ordered the authorities to maintain the status quo. Justice Ramana's tenure had its disap-

pointments too. The foremost among these was his failure to list cases of immense national and constitutional importance, such as the challenge to the abrogation of Article 370 of the Constitution, the Citizenship Amendment Act, Electoral Bonds Scheme, etc. By not listing these cases, he followed in the footsteps of his predecessors, giving the impression that he was shying away from hearing these matters. As a result, these cases appear to be dying a slow death.

The Registry of the Supreme Court was under intense attack. It was openly being accused of favouritism. No less a person than a former judge of the apex court lamented the issue. He said that he had seen cases involving big money, and fancy law firms being listed in four weeks, while those involving junior lawyers not being listed even for six months. While citizens were crying for justice, there were forces set to defeat even their access to that right. Given this state of affairs, one expected Justice Ramana to put in place some corrective mechanisms.

While Justice Ramana deserves to be complimented for appointing a large number of judges to various high courts, and nine to the Supreme Court, these appointments have come at a price. The fact that Justice Akil Kureshi was not elevated to the apex court invited several questions. That this happened with Justice Ramana at the helm – who is known for his fairness – is disappointing.

One does wish that he had been more assertive, forthright, and reformist. He would have also added lustre to his tenure had he taken suo motu notice of the release and garlanding of Bilkis Bano's rapists and the havoc played on the constitutional rights of the people by a recent judgment of the Supreme Court on the Prevention of Money Laundering Act. Yet, all said and done, Justice Ramana did try to change the face of the Supreme Court for the better.

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The message that the Nepal government is suspending the recruitment drive comes only days ahead of the Indian Army chief's customary annual visit to Nepal. It is still not too late to initiate consultations with the Nepal government on this matter and ensure that the 75-year-old practice of recruiting Gorkhas in the Indian Army continues into the future.

GOOGLE VS FAKE NEWS

The tech giant says it wants to inoculate people against harmful content online. Can it, really, and look who's talking

T MIGHT SEEM a bit like hiring the Big Bad Wolf to babysit Red Riding Hood, but hear the case out: Google, through its subsidiary Jigsaw, is launching a programme next week to tackle the scourge of disinformation in Poland, Slovakia and the Czech Republic on Ukrainian refugees. The programme, which essentially comprises 90-second clips designed to "inoculate" people against fake news and other harmful content online, is based on "prebunking". This is an emerging area of study which looks at whether people can be made resilient against misinformation if they are taught to identify manipulation in content. The idea being that they would be far less susceptible to fake news this way than if they are told that a certain piece of content is manipulated or fake.

Google has described the Jigsaw programme as a pilot study that can eventually be implemented more widely. Given how much real-world harm can be caused by content online, this attempt to stem the misinformation flow is welcome - even if that attempt turns out to be only as effective as a beaver dam in a raging river. Still, it should be remembered that the role of Big Tech in the dissemination of harmful content remains under a cloud, despite the work of whistleblowers like Frances Haugen and court cases around the world. Consider the furore that erupted in 2020 when the Global Disinformation Index revealed that Google had been running ads from organisations like Red Cross and Save the Children on Covid-19 conspiracy sites.

In the war against misinformation - a global affliction that has jeopardised elections, led to violence and ruined or changed relationships forever - all allies are welcome. But considering the role played by Big Tech, including Google, Meta (formerly known as Facebook) and Twitter, in shaping the smoke-and-mirrors world that the internet now is, a little scepticism - or "inoculation" as Google might describe it - is warranted.

AS THE WORLD copes with the repercussions of legacy emissions, there is growing pressure to achieve climate-compatible growth. Fiscal and monetary authorities will now have to be cognisant of the feedback from climate change to the economy and suitably adapt their policy responses. Exposure of assets to extreme weather events and loss of asset value due to a green transition are imminent risks to the financial system.

Yet, the inclusion of climate change in a central bank's policy response function is a widely contested issue. Some experts see no harm in the bank's internal assessment of the impact climate change would have on the economy but shy away from asking the bank to actively set a monetary policy based on such assessments. Others argue that climate change is a significant threat to financial stability and a central bank that does not address climate risk is "failing to do its job".

Central banks can guide the flow of finance by restricting the flow of credit to fossil fuel-dependent sectors. Central Banks adopt a range of best practices and approaches. For example, the Bank of Lebanon sets different reserve requirements for loans linked to energy savings. The People's Bank of China offers positive incentives to commercial banks for extending green credit and India includes renewable energy (RE) within priority sector lending.

The RBI has been measured yet receptive in addressing the concern. In 2021, it joined the Network for Greening Financial System. a voluntary group of 116 central banks that promotes the exchange of best practices on green finance. In July 2022, it released a disRBI's past research papers also indicate growing acknowledgement of risks to the financial system. In 2021, an RBI research paper demonstrated that extreme weather events can elevate inflation — as was demonstrated by wheat prices this year. In 2022, RBI estimated the exposure of Indian banks to green transition.

cussion paper that covers the issue of climate risks and sustainable finance. The paper seeks to understand preferred approaches to identification and disclosure of exposures to climate-related risks, frameworks for management of risks and capacity building within the banking sector.

Heeding the shift, RBI's paper indicates interest in understanding the degree of physical and transition risks. While at the same time it reflects that RBI prefers to tread carefully by assessing the preparedness of the system rather than indicate its own approach to what a central bank can do. The RBI's approach is reasoned since acknowledgement of risks is a double-edged sword. Not recognising the risks hints at complacency whereas preempting all such risks through regulation means that the already stressed loan books will be aggravated. The paper, therefore, allows the RBI to respond based on existing practices and a better understanding of the risk profiles of banks.

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Both reports indicate that there is a need for further comprehensive risk assessment to be carried out. To add to this, the risk to public borrowing from declining fossil fuel revenue also needs to be established. While the wheels are turning within RBI, disclosures and risk assessment frameworks are a starting point. It remains to be seen what macro and micro-prudential regulations RBI will introduce. Moreover, the scope of discussion in the paper remains limited and without a general narrative on the central bank's role. It does not detail the various instruments such as capital requirements for fossil fuel-based lending by banks or credit guidance a central bank can work with to ensure the greening of the financial system.

The RBI's consultation paper shows the bank's inclination to address risks from climate change. It indicates that regulatory changes are in the offing yet their direction remains unknown. Moreover, it leaves to the imagination if climate change will be a key consideration for monetary policy. A point that needs due consideration is that a full assessment of macro-risks from disinvestment from fossil fuel-based assets requires a clear identification of the horizon for phasing down fossil fuels across sectors. While these are not in the remit of the RBI, it is a precondition for comparability of risk assessment carried out by financial institutions thus forming the basis for regulation. The release of the paper is therefore only the beginning and requires an overall net zero plan for the disclosures to be used objectively.

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AUGUST 27, 1982, FORTY YEARS AGO

WORLD BANK'S REPORT

INDIA'S INVESTMENT PROGRAMME will rely more on external resources in the eighties than in the seventies because of the likelihood of persistent current account deficits in the coming years, according to the World Bank's annual report. The report added, "With concessional aid flows declining, the task of adjusting India's external position has become at once both more complicated and more pressing."

Assam Talks Progress

A NEW ELEMENT was introduced in the

Assam talks with the suggestion that the ticklish question of detecting foreigners should be left to quasi-judicial tribunals functioning at the assembly constituency level. This formula, which aims at delinking the process of detecting aliens from government agencies, was mooted by the Janata Member of Parliament, Ravindra Varma. The government spokesman and the Assam student leaders maintained a stony silence on the formula.

BLACK MONEY

FOR THE FIRST time, the government has decided to quantify the black money in circula-

tion. It has asked the Delhi-based National Institute of Public Finance and Policy to take up the study. The institute will not only fathom the magnitude and growth of the menace, but will also study the causes of black money generation.

BHINDRANWALE FLEES

SANT JARNAIL SINGH Bhindranwale, who was accused by Punjab Chief Minister Darbara Singh of hatching a conspiracy to kill him. has left Guru Nanak Niwas in the Golden Temple premises where he was staying after the arrest of his close associate, Amrik Singh.





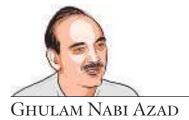
WHAT THE OTHERS SAY

"Waiting for full clinical trial results might leave the booster well behind the curve if the virus mutates into a new variant. The trade-off — a booster that is currently relevant, with less clinical trial data — seems reasonable."

- THE WASHINGTON POST

Before Bharat jodo, Congress jodo

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Hon'ble Congress President,

I JOINED THE Indian National Congress in Jammu and Kashmir in the mid-1970s when it was still taboo to be associated with the party, given its chequered history in the state from August 1953 onwards - the arrest of Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah being the nadir of its political myopia. Notwithstanding all this, inspired from my student days by the ideals of Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Lal Nehru, Sardar Patel, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad. Subhash Chandra Bose and other leading lights of our freedom struggle, and subsequently, at the insistence of the Late Sanjay Gandhi, I agreed to shoulder the responsibility of the presidentship of the Jammu and Kashmir Youth Congress in 1975-76. I was already serving the INC as a Block General Secretary since 1973 after completing my post-graduation from Kashmir University.

Ihaye had the honour of serving as a Union minister in the Indira Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi, Narasimha Rao and Manmohan Singh governments from 1982 to 2014. I have also had the opportunity of serving as a General Secretary in the AICC with every president of the INC since the mid-1980s. I have also been a member of the Congress Working Committee continuously for nearly four decades, both in an elected and nominated capacity. I have been the AICC General Secretary in-charge of every state and Union Territory of the country at one point of time or the other over the last 35 years. I am happy to state that INC won 90 per cent of the

states that I was in charge of from time to time. I am recounting all these years of selfless service just to underscore my lifelong association with this great institution that I also served recently as the Leader of the Opposition in the Rajya Sabha for seven years. I have spent every working moment of my adult life in the service of the INC at the cost of my health and family while undoubtedly, as the president of the party, you played a sterling role in the formation of both the UPA-1 and UPA-2 governments.

However, one of the major reasons for this success was that as president, you heeded the wise counsel of senior leaders, besides trusting their judgement and delegating powers to them. Unfortunately, after the entry of Rahul Gandhi into politics and particularly after January 2013 when he was appointed as vicepresident by you, the entire consultative mechanism which existed earlier was demolished. All senior and experienced leaders were sidelined and a new coterie of inexperienced syco-

phants started running the affairs of the party. One of the most glaring examples of this immaturity was the tearing up of a government ordinance in the full glare of the media by Rahul Gandhi. The said ordinance was incubated in the Congress Core Group and subsequently unanimously approved by the Union Cabinet presided over by the Prime Minister of India and duly approved by the President of India. This "childish" behaviour completely subverted the authority of the PM and the Government of India. This one action, more than anything else, contributed significantly to the defeat of the UPA government in 2014, which was at the receiving end of a campaign of calumny and insinuation from a combination of the forces of the right-wing and certain unscrupulous corporate interests



a brainstorming session in Panchmarhi in October 1998. Subsequently, there was another such session in Shimla in 2003 and then again in Jaipur in January 2013. I had the privilege of chairing the working group on organisational affairs on all three occasions. Regrettably, none of the recommendations of these retreats was ever properly implemented. In January 2013, at Jaipur, I had proposed with the assistance of others members of the Committee, a detailed action plan to revitalise the party in the run-up to the 2014 Lok Sabha elections. That action plan was duly approved by the CWC. These recommendations were supposed to be implemented in a time-bound manner. Unfortunately, they have been lying in the storeroom of the AICC for the past nine years.

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THE IDEAS PAGE

Under your stewardship since 2014 and subsequently that of Rahul Gandhi, the INC has lost two Lok Sabha elections in a humiliating manner. It has lost 39 of the 49 assembly elections held between 2014-2022. The party only won four state elections and was able to get into a coalition situation in six instances. Unfortunately, today, the INC is ruling in only two states and is a very marginal coalition partner in two others.

Since the 2019 elections, the situation in the party has only, worsened. After Rahul Gandhi stepped down in a huff and not before insulting all the senior party functionaries who have given their lives to the party in a meeting of the extended Working Committee, you took over as interim president. A position that you continue to hold for the past three years.

Worse, the "remote control model" that demolished the institutional integrity of the UPA government now got applied to the INC. While you are a nominal figurehead, all the important decisions were being taken by Rahul Gandhi or rather, worse, his security guards and PAs.

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tive manner we were abused, humiliated, insulted and vilified in a specially summoned meeting of the extended CWC meeting. Unfortunately, the situation in the Congress Party has reached such a point of no return that

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now proxies are being propped up to take over its leadership. This experiment is doomed to fail because the party has been so comprehensively destroyed that situation has become irretrievable. Moreover, the chosen one would be nothing more than a puppet on a string.

Unfortunately, at the national level, we have conceded the political space available to us to the BJP and state-level space to regional parties. This all happened because the leadership in the past eight years has tried to foist a nonserious individual at the helm of the party. The entire organisational election process is a farce. At no place anywhere in the country have elections been held at any level of the organisation.

Handpicked lieutenants have been coerced to sign on lists prepared by the coterie that runs the AICC, sitting at 24 Akbar Road. At no place in a booth, block, district or state was an electoral roll published, nominations invited and scrutinised, polling booths set up and elections held. The AICC leadership is squarely responsible for perpetrating a giant fraud on the party to perpetuate its hold on the ruins of what once was a national movement that fought for and attained the Independence of India. Whether the INC deserves this in the 75th year of India's Independence is a question that the AICC leadership must ask itself.

You are aware of my extremely close personal relationship with your family — the late Mrs. Indira Gandhi, the late Shri Sanjay Gandhi and your Late husband. In that spirit, I have great personal regard for your individual trials and tribulations which shall remain intact.

Some of my colleagues and I will now persevere to perpetuate the ideals for which we have dedicated our entire adult lives outside the formal fold of the INC, for all the reasons mentioned above, especially since the INC has lost both the will and ability under the tutelage of the coterie that runs the AICC to fight for what is right for India. In fact, before starting the Bharat Jodo Yatra, the leadership should have undertaken a Congress Jodo exercise across the country. It is, therefore, with great regret and an extremely leaden heart that I have decided to sever my half-a-century-old association with the INC and hereby resign from all my positions including the primary membership of the Indian National Congress.

Slowing justice, the committee way

The Pegasus case frames CJI Ramana's legacy: Great expectations only to be met with greater disappointment



Apar Gupta

A DAY BEFORE the retirement of Chief Justice N V Ramana, the Supreme Court listed the Pegasus case for hearing before his bench for examining the reports submitted by a technical committee constituted last year. In the midst of the hearing the Chief Justice took the reports on record, unsealed them and read out some portions and then adjourned the case. Later at night, a three paragraph order was released without any operative directions and the reports were resealed. These events have sharpened public cynicism on the possibility of fixing accountability for the use of Pegasus and the role of the Court.

The first strand of a lack of trust in the Court comes from a broader assessment of how it negotiates the process and progress for sensitive cases. It stems from a wider institutional critique of how a range of issues that concern India's democratic framework and fundamental rights are jettisoned. Here, it almost seems that the SC lacks confidence in its own power and tentatively assesses the response of a muscular executive branch. Take, for instance, the course of the Pegasus case. It took the Court four hearings over two weeks to issue a pre-admission notice to the central government. As per the transcripts made available by court reporters, these four hearings are instructive regarding the failed attempts by the Court to solicit the cooperation of the Union government. For instance, the only written pleading by the Union government till date is a limited affidavit of three pages on August 16, 2021. When examined by the Court, the Chief Justice remarked, "...you don't want to take a stand...". It was another matter, that he also stated to the Solicitor General, "We cannot compel you to do something you don't want to." This is exactly what the Union government ended up doing.

It set the stage for the second ground of pessimism when the SC on October 27, 2021 constituted a committee of technical experts monitored by retired Supreme Court Justice R V Raveendran. As a court romantic, writing in these pages I had expressed hope that if the committee conducted its proceedings fairly and transparently it could lead to a clear factual determination given the evasiveness of the executive. Here, the Court had expressly noted that central and state governments are "directed to extend full facilities" some expert witnesses. There was a conspicuous absence of any such testimonial statements by state or central government functionaries. Further, in response to a question on its website — "Will your final report be in the public domain?" — the answer provided was, "The technical committee's report will be submitted to the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India".

This final report was submitted by the committee in August in a sealed cover. After its submission, the case was first tentatively listed for hearing on August 12, which came to be deleted and shown as being listed on September 2. This obviously did not happen with the Court listing the case on August 25. These slight delays may be attributable to the heavy caseload in the final few days of a chief justice. However, they do show judicial priorities. The Court has chosen to provide extensive time for hearing a petition concerning "freebies" announced as poll promises by political parties.

This is a quibble when compared to the oral remarks made when select portions of the report were read out. The findings of the committee were announced in summary without disclosing material particulars such as that of the 29 devices examined, five showed signs of a malware that could not be confirmed as Pegasus. Further, the Court remarked that as per the report the government failed to cooperate with the committee. In retrospect, it would have been astounding for a technical committee to obtain evidence and testimony from the government given the failure of the SC. The final material remark was the Court's response on the com-mittee requesting withholding the public disclosure of the report claiming that it contains information that may create security problems and that the persons who had deposed requested confidentiality. To be clear, the chief justice indicated that a redacted version of the report may be published after the Court has reviewed its contents. However, as per yesterday evening's order, the report has been resealed and kept in the custody of the Secretary General of the Supreme Court of India. Yesterday's oral observations have led to a media maelstrom with headlines that attack the victims of Pegasus, fueled by a press conference conducted yesterday by the former Minister for Information Technology, Ravi Shankar Prasad, who called the Pegasus case part of a "motivated campaign" by "opposition parties, so-called intellectuals, some NGOs and a section of the media" against the Prime Minister. How are the petitioners in the case, the press and experts expected to rebut ad-hominem allegations without the public disclosure of the report?

While there may be far more detailed evaluations of Ramana's term, when viewed specifically from the perspective of the Pegasus case it represented great expectations only to be met with greater disappointment. Given the Pegasus case is pending it is hoped that remedial measures are undertaken, contents of the report are released and clear directions are issued to the government enforcing the writ of the Supreme Court of India.

You may recall that after you took over as the Congress president after dethroning Sita Ram Kesri. the Congress leadership had met for unleash its sycophants on us and got us attacked, vilified and humiliated in the crudest manner possible. At the direction of the coterie that runs the AICC today, my mock funeral procession was taken out in Jammu. Those who committed this indiscipline were feted in Delhi by the general secretaries of the AICC and Rahul Gandhi personally.

Subsequently, the same coterie unleashed its goondas to physically attack the residence of a former ministerial colleague, Kapil Sibal, who incidentally was defending you and your kin in the courts of law for your alleged acts of omission and commission.

The only crime committed by the 23 senior leaders who wrote that letter out of concern is that they pointed out both the reasons for the weaknesses in the party and the remedies thereof. Unfortunately, instead of taking those behaviour completely subverted the authority of the PM and the Government of India. This one single action more than anything else contributed significantly to the defeat of the UPA government in 2014, which was at the receiving end of a campaign of calumny and insinuation from a combination of the forces of the right-wing and certain unscrupulous corporate interests.

The writer, a former Union minister and Leader of Opposition, resigned from the Congress Party on August 26. This article is an edited excerpt of his resignation letter to Congress president Sonia Gandhi. Full text available on indianexpress.com and even the correspondence from the committee to them would be coordinated by the court registrar. Its role became more important when the SC on December 17, 2021 restrained a similar committee, constituted by the West Bengal government and headed by retired Supreme Court Justice M B Lokur.

But doubts soon began to emerge. While the committee created a website and published a methodology, inviting submissions and devices for study through a public notice, the video recordings for depositions made available were only of victims and

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DEATH OF PRIVACY

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Private, public' (IE, August 26). The criticism of Finland's Prime Minister for simply partying with some people is quite surprising, considering the fact that the location of the controversy is the "progressive" West. Having said that, it'll be prudent for those holding public office to remain vigilant in the age of social media, which has sounded the death knell of privacy.

Vijai Pant, Hempur

FOCUSED MEASURES

THIS REFERS TO the report, 'Govt to chalk out winter pollution action plan' (IE, August 26). This is a timely step in the right direction. However, NCR extends up to 150-km outside Delhi in some states. It seems inconceivable that industries that far would affect pollution levels in Delhi. The authorities need to take focused measures and ensure that while addressing the pollution problem, the economic and industrial activities which, with great difficulty, have now gained some momentum in post COVID times, are not adversely affected by a one-size-fits all approach. Rahul Gaur, Gurgaon

VAGUE VERDICTS

New Delhi

THIS REFERS TO the article, 'August 25, in court' (IE, August 26). The new CJI's appointment, followed by listing crucial cases for hearing, evokes hope in the judiciary. However, it has been observed that the apex court, while engaging with contentious issues, often gives ambiguous verdicts. Exhausting delays and vague verdicts dampen the confidence of common people.

Devendra Awasthi, Lucknow

A FAIR TRIAL

THIS REFERS TO the report, 'PM security breach: Panel set up by SC says SSP failed to act' (IE, August 26). There is no doubt that the SSP Ferozepur failed to discharge his responsibilities. He did not take the steps needed to ensure a strong deployment of security along the PM's route, even though he was aware that agitating groups were trying to blockade the PM. One hopes that the probe panel has investigated the matter in a free and fair atmosphere.

Sanjay chopra, Mohali

WAY FORWARD

THIS REFERS TO the editorial, 'Chief and Justice' (IE, August 26). As he completes his tenure, CJI N V Ramana has shown the way forward. By making as many as 250 recommendations for the appointment of judges to the high courts, he has displayed a sense of urgency to fill up judicial vacancies. The elevation of three women judges to the SC during his tenure, one of whom could even grace the top post of the CJI, bodes well.

Ravi Mathur, Nodia



Why Pegasus did not fly

Opposition contrived outrage on an issue which turned out to have no basis

ON JULY 18, 2021, a consortium of journalistic organisations from several nations, including one Indian portal, released a report which alleged that a spyware, Pegasus, targeted over 50,000 phone numbers worldwide and over 300 mobile phone numbers in India. This report sparked outrage across political and legal circles in India. Several opposition leaders viewed this as an opportunity to settle their political scores and wasted no time in hurling all sorts of accusations at the Centre. However, at the very outset, two aspects were strikingly unusual about this report, which claimed to be the culmination of a long investigative effort.

Firstly, it would be the most obvious course of action that when such grave allegations are raised, a detailed analysis is to be carried out to substantiate such allegations. In this case, although journalistic organisations claimed that more than 50,000 phone numbers were allegedly targeted by the Pegasus spyware, forensic tests were only carried out on 37 such phones. The question as to why forensic tests were apparently conducted on such a small number of phones remains unanswered. Further, the organisations involved failed to publish any details as to how such forensic tests were carried out. Rather, they merely expected

one to believe that simply because telephone numbers were listed on a database, each and every phone number was subject to the spyware. Secondly, even the timing of these reports raised questions — they appeared a day before the Monsoon Session of Parliament in 2021.

Despite these glaring inconsistencies, several writ petitions came to be filed in the Supreme Court of India seeking an independent probe into the matter. During the court proceedings, although the Union of India's hands were tied by the constraints of national security, it proposed the constitution of a committee of experts that would dive deep into the allegations raised regarding the usage of the Pegasus spyware. However, the Court rejected such a proposal on the ground that justice must not only be done, but it must also be seen to be done. Ultimately, considering multiple factors such as the impact on fundamental rights and the seriousness of the allegations levelled, the Court was compelled to get to the root of the matter. Hence, it appointed an expert committee whose functioning would be overseen by a retired judge of the Supreme Court.

Almost six months after the committee was appointed by the SC to probe the allegations in the Pegasus matter, it submitted its re-

port to the Court on August 2. After examining this report, a three-judge bench led by the Chief Justice of India stated that no Pegasus spyware was found in the 29 devices examined by the committee. And, although there was some malware found in five of the devices submitted, the committee concluded that such malware too could not have been linked to Pegasus.

Aspersions were immediately cast on the functioning of the three-member expert committee as it issued a finding which was contrary to what the petitioners had sought. However, to dispel such aspersions and to uphold the rule of law, it is necessary to remind ourselves of the procedure adopted by the Court to appoint this committee in the first place. In its order dated October 27, 2021, the Court stated that it did not rely upon any government agencies while constituting this committee. Rather, it shortlisted expert members based on information collected independently as its objective was to select people who were not only free from ideological prejudice but were also independent and competent.

Therefore, what we observe is that initially, the Court accepted the prayers sought by the petitioner and appointed an independent committee to probe the Pegasus matter. Moreover, the Court took due care and consideration to ensure that the committee operated free from any government influence. Ultimately, it was this very committee which comprised of experts in the field of cyber security, digital forensics, networks, and hardware which concluded that out of the 29 devices submitted, Pegasus spyware was not found in any of them.

Although this turn of events indicates that the Pegasus issue is as good as closed, this whole episode raises two larger concerns. First, there exists a tendency to jump the gun on issues when one possesses limited information and to follow it up with unsubstantiated allegations and off-the-cuff remarks. Wouldn't it be more appropriate if we let the law take its course? Second, in these times where there exists a constant need to score political brownie points, the focus is often steered away from the larger issue at hand, that is, the vulnerability of tech platforms. Wouldn't it serve us better if we stay focused on the core issue and continue to strive for an open, safe, and accountable internet instead of indulging in needless political mudslinging?

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Paddy dwarfing: Punjab agri varsity decodes mystery, blames virus first reported in China

ANJU AGNIHOTRI CHABA JALANDHAR, AUGUST 26

WEEKS AFTER a mystery disease hit the paddy crop causing "dwarfing" of the plants in Punjab and Haryana, the scientists at Punjab Agricultural University (PAU) decoded the mystery blaming it on 'Southern Rice Black-Streaked Dwarf Virus' (SRBSDV), named after Southern China where it was first reported in 2001.

The is the first time that SRB-SDV has been found in Punjab, the experts at the Ludhiana-

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| क्रमांक ए.६(५)वित्त.साविलेनि/2016 दिनांक 27.04.2020 वे कार्यालव में प्रस्तुत करना होगा अथवा कार्यालव मू मु.अ./वि.स./परिषग्र2021-229(-6-63 दितांक 65.01.2022 विविदा शर्ते 1. निविदा शर्ते किसी पी दिन कार्यालय दिवस में NIB Code :- PWD222381696 | देखों जा सकती है। | | | | | | | | |
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NORTHERN RAILWAY Tender Notice Invitation of Tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement Systems) N.I.T. No S.N. 18-(A,B,C,D)-22-23/WE Repair/restoration to working condition the existing fire-fighting arrangement and annual maintenance contract of fire-fighting system for two years at Rail Bhawan in the s/o SSE/W/RE under ADEN/E-III/NDLS. upply & maintenance of Indoor well developed ornamen potted plants, average ht. 1' to 5' (#) on hire basis at Residence cum Camp Office of MOSR(D), 2, Safdarjung Lane, New Delhi in the S/o JE/Hort./SOJ under ADEN/Hort/NDLS for one year. Name of wor в with its location Repair to flooring doors windows latrine, bathroom & kitche Repair of nooming users withows raining, batmooring Attention etc. for Type IV, IV special & type V officers flats at P.K. Road colony in the section of SSE/W/P.Ganj under ADEN/E-I & supply of building materials, manhole covers, GI pipes & G.I fittings, sanitary fittings drainage items, CP fittings, commercial boards etc. in the section of SSE/W/P.Ganj under ADEN/E-I. Renovation of table tennis room and other miscellaneous wor in S.P. Marg railway club in at Marg Railway Colony in the section of SSE/W/S.P. Marg under ADEN/E-II. Rs. 9999872.85 А Rs 7039656.00 в Approx. Cost Rs. 15499963.97 С D Rs. 8135192.51 Rs. 200000.00 Α в Rs. 140800.00 EMD Amoun С Rs. 227500.00 D Rs. 162700.00 24 Months Completion в 12 Months period of Work c 06 Months D 06 Months

Stunted and normal plants collected from the same field

based university said, adding that the incidence of stunting was more pronounced in early sown paddy crops, irrespective of the variety. As per the scientific re-

ports, the SRBSDV is transmitted by white-backed plant hopper (WBPH) in a persistent circulative and propagative manner.

University Vice-Chancellor Dr Satbir Singh Gosal, said that a team of scientists, including Dr Gurvinder Singh, director, Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Punjab; Dr P P S Pannu, ADR (NR&PHM), Dr A S Dhatt, director of research, PAU, Dr G S Mangat, ADR (Crop

the presence of SRBSDV in the Improvement), and Dr Mandeep analysed samples." said Dr Dhatt. Singh Hunjan, principal plant To further confirm it, PAU scipathologist, managed to decipher entists said the molecular marker the mystery behind stunting in amplified DNA fragments from rice in the shortest possible time. the samples sequenced.

Dr Dhatt said it was in mid-

July that PAU started receiving

complaints of stunted paddy

plants. "The samples were col-

lected from different districts and

analysed for the detection of dif-

ferent rice pathogens, including

nine viruses and one phyto-

plasma. The laboratory analysis

was carried out using PCR-based

molecular markers on all diseases

of rice. These markers indicated

AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE DEPARTMENT, HARYANA, PANCHKULA **CANCELLATION OF E-TENDER**

Reference Tender id-2022_HRY_233710_1

This is in reference to the e-tender notice published on 11-08-2022 in various newspapers for hiring agency for the execution of IEC activities is hereby withdrawn due to administrative reasons.

Director General Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Haryana, Panchkula

NORTHERN RAILWAY

| Pri an | Invitation of Tenders through E-procurement system Tender Notice No. Inj. Medicines Dated: 25.08.2022 Principal chief materials manager, Northern Railway, New Delhi - 110001, for and on behalf of the President of India, invites e-tenders through e-procurement system for supply of the following items:- | | | | | | | | | |
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| S No | Tender No. | Brief Description | Qty. | Closing Time | | | | | | |
| 01 | 82220059F | Human Coagulation Factor VIII 500IU Recombinant | 864 Nos. | 19.09.2022 | | | | | | |
| 02 | 82221208D | Empagliflozin 10 mg | 153000 Nos. | 19.09.2022 | | | | | | |
| 2.1 | Note-1. Vendors may visit the IREPS website i.e. www.ireps.gov.in for details. 2. No manual offers will be entertained. 2176/22 SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE | | | | | | | | | |

Department of Horticulture & Food Processing Uttar Pradesh 2-Sapru Marg, Udyan Bhawan, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh: 226 001 Email: dirhorti@rediffmail.com/ dirhortiuttarpradesh@gmail.com Phone: +91-522-4044414 Website: http://uphorticulture.gov.in

Ref. No. 159 /IT cell/Hi-tech Nursery/2022-23 Dated: 25 August 2022 **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

Selection of Agency for development of 150-Hi-tech Nursery at various designated locations in Uttar Pradesh on turnkey basis

Department of Horticulture & Food Processing, Government of Uttai Pradesh invites e-bids from agencies of national and international repute for development of 150-Hi-tech Nursery at various designated locations in the state on turnkey basis.

Eligible Bidders are invited to submit their Bids in accordance with the terms specified in the RFP. The RFP Document may be downloaded from https://etender.up.nic.in. RFP document related to work will be available for download on the above website from 31.08.2022 to 16.10.2022, Duly completed RFP Document shall be submitted on or before 17th day of october 2022 upto 15:00 Hrs by e-tendering mode only.

Department of Horticulture & Food Processing, reserves the right to cancel any or all the e-Bids or annual the Bidding process without assigning any reason thereof.

For any clarifications, the Bidders may contact:

KARNATAKA SC relaxes iron ore mining limit for Bellary, 2 other dists

29,2011, prohibited all mining ac-

tivity in Bellary, followed by

Chitradurga and Tumkur on

August 28, 2011. By order dated

September 23, 2011, the court di-

rected disposal of accumulated

iron ore through e-auction con-

ducted by the Monitoring

Committee and also constituted

a Special Purpose Vehicle to take

after considering petitions, which

said the e-auctions conducted by

the Monitoring Committee had

received poor response and sale

of iron ore even at the reserve

price is dismally low, had allowed

the "already excavated stock" to

be sold directly without resort-

ing to e-auction, and also permit-

also urged the court to lift the ceil-

Though the mine operators

ted their export.

On May 20 this year, the court

mitigating measures.

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

THE SUPREME Court on Friday relaxed the iron ore mining limit for Bellary, Chitradurga and Tumkur districts in Karnataka, stating that "conservation of the ecology and the environment must go hand in hand with the spirit of economic development" and noting that the situation in the state had "vastly changed" since the time a ban was imposed on mining in these districts in 2011.

A bench presided by Chief Justice of India N V Ramana allowed raising the ceiling for Bellary from the existing 28 MMT to 35 MMT and for Chitradurga and Tumkur districts collectively from 7 MMT to 15 MMT.

Acting on reports of rampant illegal mining, the court on July ing limit for production of iron ore

8 yrs after probe, Punjab VB seeks to know action taken against officials with permanent residency

NAVJEEVAN GOPAL CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

EIGHT YEARS since the then Shiromani Akali Dal led dispensation in Puniab ordered a Vigilance Bureau (VB) inquiry in September 2014 against serving government officials who had obtained permanent residency or Green Card, or immigration abroad. the investigating agency has now sought to know the action taken against such offi-

supplies department, has fled to Canada where he had obtained permanent resident status several years ago, but did not reveal it to the department. Singla was recently booked by the VB in connection with the alleged irregularities in the tendering process for lifting grains in Ludhiana in which Congress leader and former food and civil supplies minister Bharat Bhushan Ashu was arrested earlier this week. On August 20,

Puniab Food and Civil Supply This comes after it was found Minister Lal Singh Kataruchak that Rakesh Singla, a deputy director in state's food and civil dismissed from service Singla for hiding his Canada PR status and going abroad without taking ex-India leave.

for mining leases in these districts,

the court decided to take the opin-

ion from the Oversight Authority

its report expressed inability to

express its firm opinion in the

matter in view of the conflicting

reports submitted by court-ap-

pointed Central Empowered

Committee (CEC) and the

that the state of Karnataka, the

Ministry of Steel, Karnataka Iron

and Steel Manufacturers

Association and the mining

lease holders were all in agree-

ment that the changed situation

on ground warrants a complete

The bench said the views of

www.indianexpress.com

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removal of the ceiling limits.

both sides merit consideration.

The court also pointed out

Monitoring Committee.

The Oversight Committee in

before deciding the issue.

The VB is now probing how many times Singla visited Canada to keep his PR status intact, sources in the agency said.

tor Varinder Kumar in a letter to Principal Secretary (Vigilance) office on August 22, while referring to 2014 probe, sought to know "about decisions/action taken by administrative de-

partments against 130 officials who during service obtained PR and green card abroad for self employment".

Office of Principal Secretary, Vigilance, is administrative authority of the investigating agency. During its inquiry in 2014, the VB had written to 114 departments, out of which 29 provided the information, 55 replied there was no such case in their department, six did not respond, and 24 provided had "partial information'

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12060 (F1), 14164 (F1, F2 & R1) - 19.10.2022 at 11:30 am. 15116 (F1 & F2), 20938 (F1 & R1) - 20.10.2022 at 11:30 am

- 12286 (F1), 14004 (F1), 14006 (F1) 22806 (F1) 21.10.2022 at 11:30 am. 12190 (F1), 12406 (F1), 12618 (F1), 14033 (F1) 27.10.2022 at 11:30 am
- 22463 (F1), 22472 (F1, F2 & R1), -28.10.2022 at 11:30 am 14507 (F1, F2 & R1), 22485 (F1) 31.10.2022 at 11:30 am
- 12566 (F1), 22168 (F1, F2 & R1) 01.11.2022 at 11:30 am
- nportant notes: . For more information, requirement and various aspects regarding these e Auction

terested bidders are advised to visit https://www.ireps.gov.in/html/helpdesk. earning_centre.html. (e-Auction leasing section). Earnest Money Deposit (EMD): 5% of the total contractual bid value to be

posited online during the auction. EMD of the successful bidder will be retair ecurity Deposit. 3. Railway Administration reserves the full and absolute rights to short terminate thes

nontracts at any point of time and/or for taking any decision regarding the iscontinuation/continuation of these contracts with modified/additional terms and onditions depending upon the continuation/discontinuation of these trains 2190/2022 Serving Customers With A Smile



LUDHIANA, AUGUST 26 BARELY HOURS before the 90-day deadline to file charge sheet, the Punjab police Friday presented a 1,850-page charge sheet in a Mansa court against 24 people booked in the singer Sidhu

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

MOOSEWALA MURDER

Punjab Police

file charge sheet against 24 accused

Moosewala murder case. Mansa SSP Gaurav Toora told the court that 36 people had been named in the FIR. However, so far, the charge sheet was produced in the name of 24 people only. Supplementary charge sheet can

also be produced for more culprits in the coming days, the SSP said. Out of the 36 people named in the FIR, five were added on Thursday night. A total of 20 people have been arrested so far,

while two - Manpreet Singh Monu and Jagrup Singh Rupa were killed in a police encounter in Amritsar's Bhakhna village.

The office of VB chief direc-

www.indianexpress.com

Include chapter on sexual abuse in school, HC directs CBSE, Kerala

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM, AUGUST 26

The Kerala high court on Friday directed CBSE and the state government to issue necessary and appropriate orders to all schools in Kerala's territory to include a prevention-oriented programme on sexual abuse as a mandatory part of the curriculum from the next academic year.

The bench of Justice Bechu Kurian Thomas directed the state and the CBSE to form a committee of experts to identify the mode and methodology for imparting an age-appropriate prevention-oriented programme on sexual abuse. The

committee should submit its recommendations within six months and the orders to implement the programme should be issued from the next academic year. The court made the directions while considering an application for regular bail in a case of alleged rape of a 15-year-old girl. While considering the anticipatory bail application of the alleged accused, a 22-year-old youth, on June 8 this year, the court suo moto impleaded the state, CBSE, and the Kerala State Legal Services Authority (KELSA), The court said that considering the lack of appropriate measures to impart awareness on sexual crimes in schools, it was of the opinion that certain directions are required to be issued. The judge said, "adhering to the objectives of statutes relating to sexual offences and abstaining from sexual crimes is a necessity in a civilised society. As children grow up to be future citizens, this civic sense, if imbibed by them during their school years, will hold them in good stead throughout their life...Awareness of statutory provisions relating to sexual offences and other allied matters is to be made part of the curriculum, to be taught at regular intervals." The judge said that awareness sessions about the pernicious effects of sexual offences may help in reduction of such crimes.



| Date and time for submission | Closing date of tender | | | |
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| of tender and opening of tender | on 20.09.2022 at 15:00 hrs. | | | |
| Website particular notice board location | | | | |
| complete details of tender can be seen | Above tender available on website | | | |
| and address of the office from where | i.e. www.ireps.gov.in | | | |
| the tender form can be purchased etc | | | | |
| 128-W/269/OET/22-23/WE/NIT/18 A,B,C,D Da | ted: 23.08.2022 2186/2022 | | | |
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| S. N. | Tender No. | Brief Description | Quantity | Tender Value | Earnest Money |
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| 1 | TM225116 | Hydraulic Hose. Details of description, make and quantity as per tender document. [Acceptable Make: Soni, Aeroquip, Parker or Superseal only] | As per Section IV of tender document | 67,16,274/- | 1,34,400/- |
| 2 | TM225120 | Nut and Washer. Details of description, make and quantity as per tender document. [Acceptable Make:TVS, LPS, UNBREKO Only] | -do- | 4,19,452/- | 8,400/- |
| 3 | TM225121 | Flexible Copper Cable. Details of description, make and quantity as per tender document. [Acceptable Make: Plasser or LAPP India only] | -do- | 2,45,557/- | 5000/- |
| 4 | TM225123 | Valve. Details of description, make and quantity as per tender document. [Acceptable Make: Plasser or Schraderonly] | -do- | 20,35,752/- | 40,800/- |
| 5 | TM225124 | Crown & Tail Pinion. Details of description, make and quantity as per tender document. [Acceptable Make: Plasser or Equivalent] | -do- | 39,77,827/- | 79,600/- |
| 6 | TM225115 | Gear Oil. Details of description, make and quantity as per tender document. [Acceptable Make: SHELL or Equivalent Branded] | -do- | 2,49,735/- | 5000/- |
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NOTICE: Nomination for the non-official members of the State Mental **Health Authority**

The Health Department, Government of Bihar invites applications from eligible individuals for nomination as non-official members of the State Mental Health Authority to be constituted under the Mental Healthcare Act. 2017.

The applications in the prescribed format for the below mentioned positions are available on the website of Bihar Health Department https://state.bihar.gov.in/health. and shall be submitted for the following categories under sub-section (1) of Section 46 of the Act.

Copy of the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017 and subsequent Rules/ directives framed thereunder or guidelines issued from the Govt. from time to time are available in the Acts and Rules section on the official website of Health Department, Govt of Bihar: https://state.bihar.gov.in/health.

| S.No. | Category | Number of |
|-------|---|-----------|
| | | Post |
| 1. | Mental Health professional under clause (h) of sub section (1) of section (46), as defined in item (iii) of clause (r) of sub- | 01 |
| | section (1) of section 2 of the Mental Healthcare Act. 2017 having at least fifteen years' experience in the respective field. | |
| 2. | Psychiatric social worker having at least fifteen -years of experience in the field as defined in the clause (i) of subsection (1) of section 46 of Mental Healthcare Act, 2017 | 01 |
| 3. | Mental health nurse having at least fifteen years of experience in the field of mental health as defined in the clause (k) of subsection (1) of section 46 of Mental Healthcare Act, 2017 | 01 |
| 4. | Persons representing persons who have or have had mental illness as defined in the clause (I) of subsection (1) of section 46 of Mental Healthcare Act, 2017 | 02 |

Eligibility Criteria:

1. The applicant shall be an Indian National;

2. The applicant shall not be exceeding the age of 67 Years.

Term of office, allowances etc. of non-official member of State Mental Health Authority will be as per the provisions mentioned in the Mental Healthcare Act, 2017 (Section 47) and corresponding rules.

How to apply:

Applications for the respective positions mentioned above; in the prescribed format can be downloaded from recruitments section of the website of the Health Department, Govt. of Bihar-https://state.bihar.gov.in/health.

The respective applications need to be filled along with required certificates/ documents and submitted through e-mail on mental-health-bih@gov.in.

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Last date for receipt of applications is 10/09/2022.



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Gorkha soldiers at attestation parade in Shillong in May. Ministry of Defence

Why Nepal has put on hold Gorkha recruitment under India's Agnipath scheme

MAN AMAN SINGH CHHINA CHANDIGARH, AUGUST 26

NEPAL HAS postponed scheduled rallies to recruit Gorkha soldiers for the Indian Army under the Agnipath scheme.

Why has it taken this decision?

The Nepalese government is of the opinion that this new way to enter the Indian military is not covered under the Tripartite Agreement signed by Nepal, India, and the UK in 1947, soon after India's independence. Reports from Nepal say the government in Kathmandu feels that it must first approve the Agnipath scheme and, for that, political consultations must be held with all parties. It has requested the Indian Army not to hold the recruitment rallies — which were scheduled to begin on August 25 — until these consultations are completed.

What is the Tripartite Agreement?

The governments of India, Nepal, and UK signed the agreement regarding the future of Gorkha soldiers who were serving in the Indian Army. As per this agreement, four regiments of Gorkha soldiers — 2nd, 6th, 7th, and 10th — were transferred to the British Army, while the remaining — 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8th, and 9th — remained with the Indian Army. A new Gorkha Regiment, the 11th Gorkha Rifles, was raised by India soon after Independence.

The agreement also provides for the terms and conditions of Nepal-domiciled Gorkha soldiers in the Indian Army, and for their post-retirement benefits and pensions.

An interesting historical aspect of Gorkha troops is that Pakistan, at the time of independence, and China, soon four regiments to two, viz., 1 Royal Gurkha Rifles and 2 Royal Gurkha Rifles. The British Army uses the term 'Gurkha' while the Indian Army uses 'Gorkha'.

Are Nepalese Gorkhas in foreign armies mercenaries?

No. As per the 1949 Geneva Convention, which gives the officially agreed definition of a mercenary, soldiers serving in sovereign armies are not considered mercenaries. In addition, Gorkha soldiers from Nepal serve side by side with Gorkha soldiers who are born and brought up in India.

How has the recruitment of Gorkhas changed over the years?

There have been attempts to reduce the dependence on Nepal for Gorkha soldiers in the Indian Army and to strike a balance between India- and Nepaldomiciled troops. A pure Indian Gorkha battalion was raised in 2016. This unit, 6th Battalion of the 1st Gorkha Rifles (6/1 GR), was raised in Subathu, Himachal Pradesh.

The ratio of Nepalese domiciled soldiers and Indian domiciled soldiers in a Gorkha battalion ranges from 60:40 to 70:30, though this will change in the future. A change was made in the recruitment rules for Gorkha Rifles recently after the Army decided that soldiers hailing from Kumaon and Garhwal regions of Uttarakhand will also be eligible to serve in Gorkha Rifles.

How important is it for Nepal that Gorkhas serve in the Indian Army?

Gorkhas serve in the Indian Army? The remittances they send home has a major socio-economic impact. A research paper from 2020 titled 'The Gurkha Recruitment, Remittances and Development' by Ratna Mani Nepal of Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, notes that remittances from Gorkhas serving in foreign armies has "significantly contributed to social modernization in the isolated villages, while the financial remittances spurred entrepreneurship development thereby contributing to regional development".

Chhattisgarh's forest 'by mistake'

SIMPLY PUT

The state has sought to take back land that it says was given to its Forest Department 'by mistake'. There is a history to this argument going back decades. Are forests forever, as the SC ruled in 1996?

JAY MAZOOMDAAR NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

THE UNION Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has objected to the transfer of thousands of hectares of land without following due process by Chhattisgarh from its Forest to the Revenue Department for setting up industries and for building road, rail, and other infrastructure.

While the Chhattisgarh government has described these areas as non-forest land that were earlier given "by mistake" to the Forest Department, the Environment Ministry has warned that the land in question is "undemarcated protected forests", which cannot be used for non-forest purposes without clearance under the Forest Conservation (FC) Act, 1980.

Forests in law

Broadly, state Forest Departments have jurisdiction over two types of forests notified under the Indian Forest (IF) Act, 1927: Reserve Forests (RF), where no rights are allowed unless specified; and Protected Forests (PF), where no rights are barred unless specified. Certain forests, such as village or *nagarpalika* forests, are managed by state Revenue Departments.

The FC Act, 1980, applies to all kinds of forests, whether under the control of the Forest or the Revenue Department, and it requires statutory clearance before forests can be used for any non-forest purpose such as industry, mining, or construction. In 1976, forests were included in List III (Concurrent List) under the Seventh Schedule of the Constitution.

Chhattisgarh case

The recorded forest area in Chhattisgarh covers 44.21% of its geography. The state government says it is constrained by the limited availability of land, particularly in the tribal regions, for development works.

Therefore, in May 2021, the state Revenue Department sought a field survey to identify non-forest land — parcels smaller than 10 hectares with less than 200 trees per hectare — "that had been included by mistake" in "Orange Areas" under the Forest Department.

This March, Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel announced that over 300 sq km of



Forest conservation aims to protect a range of diverse ecosystems, including scrubland, grassland and so-called wasteland. *Archive*

"Orange" area in the Bastar region had been handed over to the Revenue Department.

Orange, a grey area

Under the *zamindari* system, villagers used local *malguzari* (livelihood concessions) forests for firewood, grazing, etc. When *zamindari* was abolished in 1951, *malguzari* forests came under the Revenue Department. In 1958, the government of undivided Madhya Pradesh notified all these areas as PFs under the Forest Department.

Through the 1960s, ground surveys and demarcations of these PFs continued — either to form blocks of suitable patches to be declared as Reserve Forests, or to denotify and return to the Revenue Department. For this purpose, Madhya Pradesh amended the IF Act, 1927, in 1965 — when forests figured in the State List — to allow denotification of PFs. The areas yet to be surveyed — undemarcated PFs — were marked in orange on the map.

Since 2003, a case has been pending in the Supreme Court on rationalising these orange areas that have remained a bone of contention between the two Departments.

Policy jam

The transfer of PFs to the Revenue Department continued until 1976, when reports of illicit felling in Revenue areas prompted Madhya Pradesh to seek a fresh survey to shift quality forest patches back to the Forest Department. But before this survey could be undertaken, the new govern-

en ment that came to power in the state in 1978 switched the focus to settling encroachments.

The FC Act came in 1980, and required central clearance for non-forest use of forest land. This led to a situation where the rights of lakhs of villagers, including those settled by the government through *pattas*, remained restricted.

In 2020, a task force set up by Madhya Pradesh to resolve the deadlock recommended that *patta*-holders should not be considered encroachers since they were given land by government officials, and they "should be settled after obtaining permission from the Government of India" with a cut-off year of 1976.

After MP was split

Carved out of Madhya Pradesh in 2000, Chhattisgarh inherited its share of 'orange' areas. Ranked second after Orissa in implementing the Forest Rights Act, 2006, the state has settled over 26,000 claims since 2019. The logical next step, say officials who declined to be quoted, was to find land for the economic development of the tribal belt. Chhattisgarh did not seek central clearance to transfer over 300 sq km to Revenue, they claim, because it did not have to.

In December 1996, the SC defined 'forest' after its dictionary meaning, irrespective of the status of the land it stands on. It also defined forestland as any land thus notified on any government record irrespective of what actually stands on that land. To meet this broad definition, Madhya Pradesh in 1997 framed a "practical yardstick" — an area no smaller than 10 hectares with at least 200 trees per hectare — to identify forests in Revenue areas for handing over to the Forest Department.

As the process continued until 2007 — after Chhattisgarh had come into existence state officials claim, some non-forest areas also came under the Forest Department as part of 2,328 sq km added to the "9,954 sq km original Orange Areas of 1950s" inherited from Madhya Pradesh. These non-forest areas, they claim, are now being identified and returned to the Revenue.

Does this hold?

First, a senior official in the Environment Ministry said, the nature of vegetation changes over time. After so many years, a visual survey cannot determine if a particular piece of land did not meet the definition of forest at the time when it was brought under the Forest Department.

Second, the official said, once brought under the Forest Department, whether mistakenly or otherwise, an area gets the status of forestland as per the 1996 SC order, and hence comes under the FC Act, 1980.

The other view is that Chhattisgarh, thanks to the 1965 amendment to the IF Act, can still denotify PFs unilaterally. It may also vest management of any land with any department since the state owns all land within its boundaries. But if the stated purpose is non-forest use — building industries and infrastructure — the state will anyway require central clearance under the FC Act, 1980.

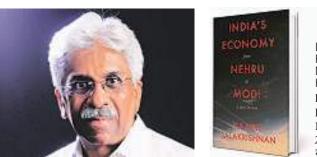
What happens now

Clearance for non-forest use of forestland under the FC Act requires giving back twice the area for compensatory afforestation (CA) from Revenue to Forest. That would defeat the very purpose of the state government's action.

However, conversion of Forest to Revenue land has been exempted from CA under exceptional circumstances in the past. For example, when enclaves were moved out of forests, the SC allowed those to be resettled at the edge of the forests, in the absence of suitable Revenue land, as revenue villages. It will be a stretch, though, for such considerations to apply on thousands of hectares meant for industries.

An economic history of independent India

HARISH DAMODARAN



actually generated savings. At the inauguration of a second plant of Hindustan Machine Tools in 1962, Nehru took pride in its having been funded by the "surplus" from the first. As regards the private sector, it wasn't about suppression as much as the recognition of weak "animal spirits" among entrepreneurs in the uncertain post-Partition environment under a new political entity. They wouldn't, at any rate, have invested in long-gestation projects.

after the 1962 war, had also requested Nepal for Gorkha soldiers in their respective armies — this was turned down by Nepal's government.

The largest body of Gorkha troops serves in the Indian Army. In the UK, their presence has been reduced from

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WERE THE Nehru years a wasted era for the Indian economy? Did the ostensibly Soviet Union-inspired planned development model – which channelled resources towards multipurpose river-valley projects, mines, fertiliser plants and capital goods (machine tools, heavy electrical, transport equipment, iron and steel), as opposed to consumer goods – result in economic stagnation?

Not really, according to the new book by Pulapre Balakrishnan. Annual GDP growth averaged 4% during the Nehruvian period (1950-1 to 1964-5), compared to 0.9% over the last half-century of the British Raj (1900-1 to 1946-7). Per capita GDP growth, too, accelerated to 1.9% against 0.1%. That gap would have been even more had population risen at 0.8% a year (the average for 1900-47) and not at 2% (for 1950-65).

But the turnaround wasn't limited to overall GDP. All three sectors of the economy

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- agriculture, industry, and services - registered higher average growth during the Nehru years over the preceding period. In short, the early years of independent India were a time "when the economy decisively broke out of the shackles imposed on it by colonialism (in addition to dislocations from the Partition)", says Balakrishnan.

The author, a professor of economics at Ashoka University, takes on two major criticisms of the Nehruvian economic strategy. The first is that it ignored agriculture — when the INDIA'S ECONOMY FROM NEHRU TO MODI: A BRIEF HISTORY BY PULAPRE BALAKRISHNAN Permanent Black 272 pages; ₹895

sector grew faster than the population, in contrast to the per capita output decline recorded during the Raj. Agriculture would also have benefited from the Bhakra-Nangal, Hirakud, and Nagarjuna Sagar dams (Balakrishnan forgets to mention the world-class state farm universities at Pantnagar, Ludhiana, Bhubaneswar, and Hyderabad established in this period).

The second criticism is the creation of public sector "white elephants". Balakrishnan argues that public sector undertakings during Nehru's time, far from being a drain,

The economy's slowdown happened after Nehru. Average GDP growth fell to 3.4% from 1965-66 to 1971-72 and to 3.1% during the subsequent seven years. It had partly to do with droughts (in 1965, 1966, and 1972), wars (1965 and 1971) and the forex crisisinduced 36.5% devaluation of June 1966. But much of this period also coincided with Indira Gandhi's measures such as nationalisation of banks and coal mines, the MRTP Act, and vertiginous income tax rates.

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Lumpy Skin Disease: Viral outbreak that is killing cattle across India

GOPAL KATESHIYA RAJKOT, AUGUST 26

TWELVE STATES and Union Territories, including Gujarat, Rajasthan, Punjab, and Jammu & Kashmir, are battling the outbreak of Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD), a serious viral infection in cattle. Since the first case was reported on April 23 in Kutch, Gujarat, over a million heads of cattle have been infected around the country, and 46,943 have died, according to figures compiled by the central government's Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying until Friday.

The LSD virus, prevalence

LSD is caused by the lumpy skin disease virus (LSDV), which is a virus of the capripoxvirus genus in the poxviridae family. Sheeppox virus and goatpox virus are the other members of the genus capripoxvirus. The LSDV mainly infects the cow and its progeny, and the Asian water buffalo. According to a 2021 report of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), LSD outbreaks occur as epidemics

several years apart. There is no known reservoir of the virus; it is also not known where and how the virus survives between epidemics, the FAO report said.

The report said that after being restricted for long to sub-Saharan Africa, the virus has spread to the Middle East and Turkey over the past decade. From 2015 onward, it has infected cattle in southeastern and Eastern Europe and in Russia.

The virus in India

LSD entered India, Bangladesh and China in July 2019. Since then, outbreaks of the disease have been reported from 20 Indian states and UTs, including Assam, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, and West Bengal.

There were small outbreaks in Gujarat's Kheda and Anand in 2020 and 2021, which the state animal husbandry department controlled by treating the infected cattle and giving goat pox vaccine to healthy animals. But this year has been very different.



Buffaloes have been largely safe, however. As of Friday, the largest numbers of LSDinfected and dead animals were in Rajasthan — 7.33 lakh and more than 31,000 respectively — followed by Punjab (1.25 lakh and more than 10,000) and Gujarat (1 lakh and 4,000 respectively). Government officials said the actual numbers of both infections and deaths could be much higher many dairy farmers and cattle herders may not be reporting cases, or they could be consulting private veterinarians. earlier this month. Nirmal Harindran

Spread, symptoms

The LSDV spreads through blood-sucking vectors like ticks, mites, and mosquitoes, and also through contaminated water, fodder, and feed. Mosquito and housefly infestations reach their peak during the monsoon, and veterinary scientists and government officers blamed the very wet July for the spread of the infection in western India. Scientists have been advising that in-

fected animals be isolated; however, the large numbers of stray cattle makes this task difficult, and has possibly been contributing to the rapid spread of the disease.

LSDV attacks the circulatory system of an animal and causes vasculitis or inflammation of blood vessels and lesions in organs like liver, lungs, spleen, lymph nodes etc, Prof R M Patel, head of the department of medicine at the College of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry (CVSAH), Dantiwada, said.

The epidermis, or outer surface of the skin, gets separated from the inner layer, leading to the formation of lumps or nodules on the animal's body. Fever, increased mucus secretion, and loss of appetite are among the other symptoms.

Autopsies carried out by Prof Patel's team on eight carcasses in Kutch and Banaskantha found that the virus had caused necrotising vasculitis, or the death of tissues, and fibrosis in various organs, leading to death.

Also, the nodules may burst due to outer pressure or friction as the skin covering them is very thin. The open wounds make the animals susceptible to secondary bacterial and protozoal infections.

Risk to indigenous breeds

As per the 2019 livestock census, the bovine population of Gujarat is 2.60 crore, including 1.49 crore cattle (1.14 crore indigenous breeds and 35.19 lakh exotic breeds) and 1.10 crore buffaloes. The indigenous breeds include Kankrej, Gir, Sahiwal, etc., and the exotic/ crossbreeds are Jersey and HF cows.

Kankrej, which is known for being resistant to diseases and parasites, has been the worst hit. However, Prof D V Joshi, dean of CVSAH, Dantiwada, said that this could also be due to the larger population of this breed in the state. The infection has also spread among Gir, which is an important breed in Junagadh, Amreli, and Jamnagar.

Economic impact

In cases of aggravated symptoms, cows stop producing milk and pregnant cows suffer miscarriages. Valamji Humbal, vice-chairman of Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF), that markets dairy products under the brand name 'Amul', said that cow milk collection has gone down by around 5 per cent in August in Kutch, the worst affected district in Gujarat.

New Delhi

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PERSONAL

It is for general information that I, Balvinder Singh Kalsi, S/o Ajit Singh, residing at,84,Baldev-Park,Krishna Nagar, East-Delhi-110051, declare that name of mine and my-minor son has been wrongly-written as Balvinder Singh and my minorson Harman Singh(13Years)name as Harman in his School-record and his aadhar-card and birth certificate.The actual-name of mine and my-minor son are Balvinder Singh Kalsi and Harman Singh respectively, which may be amended accordingly.

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It is for General information that I, Bhawna Rampal Ex wife of Sh. Dinesh Taneia D/o Rajesh Rampal R/o C20 Y-1 Dilshad Garden, Delhi-110095 declare that I got divorce from my husband Sh. Dinesh Taneja wide court decree No-HMA No 816/2022 dated 06/06/2022. further I am staying with my father Sh. Rajesh Rampal dated 10/06/2022. Now I want to give the guardianship of my minor son namely ANNHAD, age about 11 years to my father Rajesh Rampal and he shall henceforth be under the guardianship of Raiesh Rampal in future for all purposes.

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I,VINEY BHARADWAJ,S/O DHARAMVEER BHARDWAJ ADD HOUSE.NO-57 MOHALA PIPAL WALA BADLI-VILLAGE DELHI-110042, Changed my name to VINEY BHARDWAJ. 0040629009-1

I.Urvashi.D/o-Rai Kumar Verma

Address.H.no-wz-40,street.no-1 near-C.R.P.F,Camp-old sahibpura tilak-nagar delhi 110018, changed my name to Urvashi Verma.

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I,Tapas Kumar,S/o-Shanti Lal,R/o 1FF,Plot No 3,2nd Floor,Ramkrishna Vihar,GT Road,Sahibabad,Ghaziabad-201005, have changed my name to Tapas for all purposes.

0040629012-4 I.Shubha Singh.W/O Yashvant

Kumar, R/O D-109, Green Valley Apartment,Sector-18,Rohini,Delhi-110089. declare that the name of mine has been wrongly-written as Shubha Kumari in mypassport. The actual-name of mine is Shubha Singh.

0040629008-7 I,Satyabir S/o Suraj Bhan R/o A-69.Shish Ram Park.Uttam Nagar.New Delhi-110059.have changed my name to Satyabir Singh for all purposes.

0040629012-6 I.SUDERSHAN MALHOTRA,W/0-Vinod Malhotra, R/o.A-298,Govindpuram, Ghaziabad(UP)have changed my name to POONAM MALHOTRA. 0040629049-2 I, TANNU D/O MOHAN LAL, R/O

H.NO A-4/209 SECTOR-20 POHINI DELHI-110086 HAV CHANGED MY NAME TO 0040628671-3 TANYA.

I,Navya Saxena D/o Sandeep Saxena R/o Flat.No.3 G Deepa-Apartments 10. Patparganj,Delhi-110092,have changed my name to Sia Saxena.

0040629008-6 I,Mubarak,S/O-UMMAT ALI,R/o H.No.2,GALI.NO. -7,SHIV VIHAR,VIKAS NAGAR,UTTAM NAGAR, NEW DELHI-110059, have changed my name from Mubarak to Mubarak Ali.Mubarak and Mubarak Ali are now the one and same person only.

I,Mohit Kataria,S/O-Ved Parkash Kataria, R/O 169, First Floor.Sharda Niketan.Pitam Pura, Delhi-110034, have changed my minor daughter name from Advika to Advika Kataria for all purposes.

I,Meena Kumari,w/o Randhir Singh,R/o-B-99,D-Block,Baba Haridas nagar, Najafgarh Delhi,have,changed my name to Meena, for all purposes. 0040629049-3

No.10, Sarojni Park, Shastrichanged my name to Kamal 0040629008-2

Janakpuri, Delhi-110058 Triman Singh Chadha.

Sattar, R/o-632, Raikot Road.Pehlwan Hospital,Malerkotla (R), Malerkotla, Punjabsame Person.

Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-Rakhi instead of Riya.

I.Bhure Saifi s/o Mohd Wazeer, R/o. H.No.173, Garima-Garden, Sahibabad Ghaziabad-201005, Uttar Pradesh, have changed my name to Mohd Bhoore, permanently.

0040629049-5 I,Amit Gupta S/o-Purshotam Dass Gupta R/o A-105, Chander Nagar, Ghaziabad, U.P. 201011, have changed my name to Amit Kumar Gupta.

I.Alpna and alpna Nain.w/o Inderjit singh R/o-643, Sector 15. Sonipat.have changed my name to Alpna Antil, for all purposes.

I,Aashu Goyal D/o Vinod Goyal 0040629008-4

Noida(U.P) have changed my name to Shakun Juyal for all purposes.

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I,Kamal Kumar,S/o Dhan Raj,R/o H.No.110,Street Nagar, Delhi-110031, have Kumar Bhawnani.for all purposes.

I,Herjinder Singh R/o-WZ-374/1 Street No.21, Shiv Nagar, changed my minor-son's name from Triman Chadha to 0040628953-1

I,Heman Sattar,W/o-Abdul 148023.have changed my name From Kulveer Sattar To Heman Sattar For all Future Purposes.Both are one and

0040629012-5 I,Durga Prasad,R/o-4/10.Double Storev.Tank

110005, inform that in my daughter's school record her name has wrongly written as 0040629012-3

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0040629049-4 R/o A 37.Vishwash Park.Uttam Nagar, Delhi-110059, changed my name to Shivanya Goyal.

I,Shakuntia Dhoundiyal W/o R.P. Juyal R/o F-71, Sector-20

I, KAKKAKOODUNKEL JOSESEPH, S/o Joseph Kakkakoodunkal, R/o B-1201 Magnlia Grand Kingston, Sector-75, Gautam Budh Nagar, UP-201301, have changed my name to KJ JOSEPH for all future purposes.

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0040628930-1 I, Hiresh at 347, Challera, Noida have changed my name to Hiresh Chauhan for all purposes by Affidavit Dt: 25.08.22.

I, Hemant Kumar Jaggi, declare that my Son formerly known as Akshit Jaggi is now known as Akshiv Jaggi (Passport No. S3819508). I hereby confirm that Akshit Jaggi & Akshiv Jaggi is the same person. 0070801237-1

I, Dinesh Goel S/o Jagdish Chand Goel R/o-C-2/59. 2ndfloor, Ashok Vihar, Phase-2, Delhi-110052, have changed my name to Dinesh Kumar

0070801227-1 I, Chandar Pal Singh S/o Bhanu Prakash R/o-RC-62, Dharam Vihar, Khora Colony, Ghaziabad-201001 have changed my name Chandra Pal Singh to Chandar Pal Singh for all future purpose.

0070801235-1 I, Bhavana Aujla, R/o Jalvayu Towers, Tower H. Flat no 516. Gurgaon, Haryana-122011, have changed my minor Daughter's name from Pear Sharma to Pearl Singh for all purposes.

0070801239-1 I. Anurag Sharma S/o. Anil Kumar Sharma R/o-H.No.112, Pratap-Nagar, Jail-Road, Hari-Nagar, New-Delhi-110064, have changed my-minor daughter's name Pihu Sharma to Evanva Sharma, D.O.B.-10.12,2020.

0040629015-2 I, Amiruddin S/o, Sarajuddin R/o,Z-16-B, DDA-Flats, New-Ranjit Nagar, Patel Nagar, New Delhi-110008,that my-father's name is wrongly-written inmy 10th-Class certificate as Sirajuddin instead-of correctname Sarajuddin.

0040629015-3 I, Harinder Singh S/o Kanwar Bahadur Singh R/o C-77. Unchepar Fazalpur Mandawali, Delhi-110092 have changed my name to Harinder Singh Rathore for all purposes. 0040628938-1

I Vijander Kumar Goyal S/o-Rajbir Singh Goyal R/o-C-42, Pink Apartment, Sector-13, Rohini, Delhi-110085 have changed my name to Vijander Kumar Goel for all purposes.

0040628940-1 Suman W/o Ram Kumar R/o H. No.C-180, Peeragarhi Camp, Shakur Basti, New Delhi-110056 have changed my name to Seema

0040628990-1 Smita Mittal D/o Sh. Ashwani Mittal W/o Mr. Samarth Salem R/o C-79, Ganesh Nagar, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi-110018 have changed my name to Smita Mittal Salem for all purposes. 00406

0040629044-2

I, APPALASWAMY NAIDU, FATHER OF, RAMKUMAR NARMALA.R/O-SMO.N-79 CAMERO-COMPLEX SUBROTO-PARK NEW-DELHI-110010,HAVE CHANGED MY NAME,FROM APPALASWAMY NAIDU TO NARMALA APPALASWAMI NAIDU.VIDE-AFFIDAVIT. DATED 26/08/2022,BEFORE NCT-0040629015-10 DELHI.

It is for general information that I.Neetu W/O-Neerai Juneja, R/O. House. No: 269-270,1st-Floor,Pocket-18,Sector-24,Rohini,Delhi-85, declare that name of mine has been wrongly-written as Neetu Madaan in my educational-documents. Also, the name of my father has been wrongly-written as Ashok Kumar Madaan in my educational-documents. The actual-name of mine and my father are Neetu and Ashok Kumar respectively, which may be amended accordingly. 0040629049-8

LOST & FOUND

I, MANOJ KUMAR KHANNA, S/O K.C. KHANNA, R/O 51-C, DDA-LIG-FLAT, SATYAM-ENCLAVE, JHILMIL DELHI 110095.THAT MY LOST ORIGINAL-ALLOTMENT CUM-DEMAND-LETTER, ORIGINAL-POSSESSION-LETTER AND ORIGINAL-SITE POSSESSION-LETTER AND OTHER-DOCUMENTS ISSUED BY DELHI-DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN **RESPECT OF PROPERTY.NO.51-**C. DDA LIG FLAT SATYAM ENCLAVE JHILMIL DELHI IN THE NAME OF SH. K C. KHANNA VIDE FILE.NO. LO/10(52786/LIG/NP/JM. PLEASE FINDER-CONTACT MR.MANOJ-9971878070.

0040629009-10

Lost my original property papers Allotment Letter, **Demand Letter Final** Instalment No-5, Site Possession, DDA Possession, NOC for Electric and Water Connection of my DDA Flat No-474, First Floor, Block-G-17, Pocket-GH-13, Paschim Vihar, Delhi-110087, Finder may Contact-Rajesh Kapoor S/o-Madan Kapoor at above noted address. 0040628941-1

LOST & FOUND

Nageshwari Devi H-96 Beta2 r/o Noida Greater inform that the original transfer deed of H-96 beta 2 G. Noida is lost. If lfound please contact 9650632502

MARRIAGE NOTICE

MARRIAGE NOTICE lo. DUBA/Corn.434/WR/2022-(145 DATED: 25/08/2033 MR; NISHANT PARMAR; 5/6 NAVEEN WAMAP; RESIDENT OF BLOCK C 4 D FLKI NO 2 C IANAK PURE DELHIPIS: 110058 OBLINLINDIA; PRESENT ADDRESS RUAT 213. RED RESIDENCE, SPORT OTY RUBAL LIKE: AND MISS, JOAMITA TAURO DAUGHTER OF JOHN BAPTIST SALDAMHA: RESIDENT OF 701/A SHILPIN NEW SAIBABA NAGAR BORSAPRDA ROAD KRNDWALI WEST PUBLIC NOTICE My Client Devi Singh S/o Late Sh Mavasi Ram and Smt. Vimlesh W/c Sh. Devi Singh R/o H.No.709, Gali No Deep Chand Marg, Sangam Viha ew Delhi-110062 both have severe all relation and disowned their daughte Smt. Veena W/o Hansraj, R/o 1027 Jagatpura, Kachchi Basti, Jaipu Rajasthan along with her daughter Devyanshi from their movable and movable properties due to their nisbehaviour and bad habits. If any ody dealing with them in any manner 1 future will do so at their own risk & nsequences. Teiaswini Verma (Advocate Ch. No. 269 Saket Court New Delhi-17

PUBLIC NOTICE iis is to inform the general public that m ents RAJKUMAR VIG and ASHA VIG, bot R/o K-42 A. Second floor. Kalkaii. Delhi-110019 disown their son RAHU VIG, his wife SAIJAL NARULA and the daughter PRAKSHI from all the mmovable and movable property an severed all their relations with them due neir misbehaviour and misconduct. N clients will hereby not be responsible anyway for any of their acts and the consequences. Anybody dealing wit hem in any manner will be solel sponsible for the consequences SARBJEET SINGH BAWA & ASSOCIATES (ADVOCATES) Enrl. No. D-1006/1995 Ch. No. 869, Lawyers Block, Saket Court, New Delhi, Mob:- 9810498758

PUBLIC NOTICE

render Gakhar S/o Lt. Sh. Pran N wife Smt. Shashi Gakhar both resid Garden, New Dehi-110027 have severed a their relations, disowned and disinherited the Son Mr. Sachin Gakhar and daughter-in-Ja Mrs. Anstu Shama, from all their movabil immovable properties, bark account, busines and other assets, as they have becom disobedient, disloyal and disrespectful to m client and have been acting against the interson sealing with they and Mrs. Assh Sharma, shall be doing sa this' hert their ow hashown to be held responsibile in any manne shall not be held responsibile in any dimense shall not be held responsibile in any dimense

Amit Arora, Advocate on behalf o my client Mr.Rakesh Kumar s/o Mr.Om Prakash Guota n/o 20 Vec Samwarkar Block, Shakkar put Delhi 110092 is bringing to th notice that my client has purchases property no. A-113, Ground floo and First floor, Swasthya Vihar Delhi-110092 if any person ha objection related to the property seli/mortgage then he can raise th objection on or before 5th or

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that m client Sh. Manik Malhotra S/o Sh. I. K. Malhotra i currently residing at E-702 Central Park-1, Sector-42 Gurgaon, Haryana. My client's mother Mrs Swatantar Malhotra passed away on 09.12.2019. M Client is the legal heir of Fla No. 402, Tower-11, Vipu Greens, Sohna Road havin area of 1895 Square Feet. M Client's mother was the co owner of the said property. any other claimant has any right in the aforesaid property or has any objections, he/she may contact the undersigned or the concerned Tehsil within 30 davs from the date o ssuance of this notice Adv. Vishesh Chaudhar (Senior Legal Associat

PUBLIC NOTICE uri Shankar S/o Sh. Hem Ra 17-D/504, Vasundhara R/o 17-D/504, Vasundhara Ghaziabad, UP, have purchased a Groperty bearing No. R0230H1019 Project Up Country, Yamuna Express Way. I have lost the original allotment letter of the above said property. I have request M/s Supertech Ltd. tt such the dunicate allotment lette sue the duplicate allotment lette of the said property, if anybody o ancial institutions ha objection, he/she may contact to M/s Supertech Limited office Plo Sector-96 Noi 1303 UP, Within Fifteen Day.



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PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE General public is hereby informed tha my clients Sh. Gurbux Rai Kapur and his wife Smt. Tripta Kapur, R/o.B-7/8 My clientes Kavita Garg W/o Shi Satish Garg R/o H.No-10 Ga No-1 Second Floor Govind Pur 12. Safdarjung Enclave, New Delhi-29 has severed all their relations and social ties forthwith with their son Kamal Kapur forever & has disowned and debarred him from inheriting all their movable & immovable properties. Kalkaji New Delhi-110019 m client has debarred from their a moveable and immoveable properties and have broken the all relation from their son namel as they have no control over their said Akshay Garg & his wife Ree son. Anyone dealing with their said so in anyway shall be doing so at his own risk, my clients shall in no way be held Arora due to their misbehavio and bad conduct. My clientes wi responsible for any of the acts, deeds and things of their said son in any not be responsible for their an acts. Manoj Kumar (Advocate Ch.No.676 Saket Courts New Delhi-17

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SE/Substation Design/TS Organization, C-1 Shakti Vihar PSPCL, Patiala invites E-tender for Manufacture, Testing, Supply & Delivery of 116 nos. 66 KV Potential Transformers. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to https://eproc.punjab.gov.in from 29.08.22 (09:00 AM onwards) NOTE: Corrigendum & addendum, if any will be published online

at https://eproc.punjab.gov.in.. C-327/22 16596/PB

कार्यालय प्रबन्ध निदेशक पश्चिमांचल विद्युत वितरण निगम लि० विक्टोरिया पार्क, मेरठ

गल्पकालीन ई−निविदा सूचना : निविदा संख्या पविविनिलि/मे/मु/11/सिडान वाहन/2022-23 के अन्तर्गत बाह्य एजेन्सी के माध्यम से पश्चिमांचल विद्युत वितरण निगम लि0, मुख्याल मेरठ पर तैनात अधिकारियों के प्रयोगार्थ, 04 नं0 सिडान वाहून, डीजल चालित, वाहून चालव सहित (मॉडल 03 वर्ष से पुराना न हो), वाणिज्यक पंजीकृत, रखे जाने हेतु, ई–टेन्डरिंग द्वार दिनांक 09.09.2022 अपराह्न 12.00 बजे तक अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा ऑमन्त्रित हैं। निविद में यदि कोई संशोधन अथवा निविदा खुलने की तिथि में विस्तार होता है, तो इसकी सूचना/विस्तृत जानकारी ई–टेण्डर वेबसाइट www.etender.up.nic.in पर तथ www.pvvnl.org वेबसाइट पर उपलब्ध करायी जायेगी। हस्ता./–अधीक्षण अभियन्त (मु0) कृते प्रबन्ध निदेशक। राष्ट्र हित में बिजली बचायें "बिजली चोरी की सूचना हेल्पलाईन नम्बर पर दें : 1800–180–3002 (मेरठ), 1800–180–8752 (लखनऊ)"पत्रांक : 147 दिनांक : 26.8.2022

NORTHERN RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE

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-procurement system for supply of the following items:

| S. No. | Tender No. | Brief Description | Quantity | Closing Date |
|-----------|----------------|--|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| 01 | 07223685 | PUSH TYPE FLUSHING VALVE | 10935 NOS | 21.09.22 |
| 02 | 02221505 | V DEEP GROOVE AXLE PULLEYS COMPLETE SET | 658 NOS | 23.09.22 |
| 03 | 07220210 | BEARING FOR ANTIROLL BAR OF LHB COACHES. | 10184 NOS | 26.09.22 |
| 04 | 09223043A | HIGH PERFORMANCE ANTI CORROSION EPOXY COATING | 14824 KGS | 26.09.22 |
| 05 | 07221583 | 203 MM AIR BRAKE CYLINDER WITH SLACK ADJUSTER | 1897 NOS | 27.09.22 |
| 06 | 07220250 | RUBBER PAD/METAL SHIM FOR PRIMARY SUSPENSION FOR FIAT BOGIE | 9971 NOS | 06.10.22 |
| 07 | 07221966 | SEALED WINDOW GLASS UNIT | 3447 NOS | 24.10.22 |
| for de | etails.2) No M | nay visit the IREPS website i.e. <u>www.</u> /lanual offer will be entertained. . 38/2022-2023 Date: 26.08.2022. | <u>ireps.gov.in</u> 2187/2 | 2 |

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कार्यालय अधीक्षण अभियन्ता दक्षिणांचल विद्युत वितरण निगम लिमिटेड विद्युत नगरीय वितरण मण्डल, मथुरा अल्पकालीन ई—निविदा सूचना ई—निविदा सख्या 46/EUDC(M)/ 2022-23 वि०न०वि०ख०प्र०, मथुरा के क्षेत्रान्तर्गत "<u>पूर्ण जमा योजना</u>" में आ0डी0 कॉम्प्लैक्स, नरहोली चौराहा, मथुरा पर 550 कि0वा0 भार का नवीन विद्यत संयोजन निर्गत करने हेतु <u>"टर्न-क</u> आधार पर विद्यतीय कार्य। निविदा खुलने की दिनांक एवं निविदा से सम्बन्धित अन्य सभी विवरण ई—प्रोक्योरमैंट पोर्टल https://etender.up.nic.in एवं निगम की वेबसाइट www.dvvnl.org पर नब्ध है। अधीक्षण अभियन्ता विद्युत नगरीय वितरण मण्डल, मथुरा उपलब्ध है। पत्रांक 2237 / वि०न०वि०म०(म०) / विज्ञापन / दिनांक—25 / 08 / 2022 राष्ट हित में बिजली बचाये **CHITTARANJAN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS** E-TENDER NOTICE \odot E-tenders are invited for and on behalf or the President of India for the following works: [A] Tender Notice No.: CLW DKAE-WC-570-EQUIP-66. Sl. No. (01). Tender No.: CLW-DKAE-WC-570-EQUIP-66. Name of the work: A par f equipment mounting work in 66 nos WAG-9H locomotive at ELAAU/Dankun Tender value (Rupees): 71,26,468.00 (Rupees Seventy One Lakhs Twenty Six

RAVINDRA KUMAF

(ADVOCATE)

Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty Eight) only. Cost of tender document (Rupees) 5,000.00 (Rupees Five thousand only) Earnest Money/Bid Security (Rupees) 1,42,500.00 (Rupees One Lakh Forty Two Thousand and Five Hundred) only. Period of completion: 12 (twelve) months [B] Tender Notice No.: CLW-DKAE WC-570-E70CAB-64. Sl. No.: (01) Tender No.: CLW-DKAE-WC-570 E70CAB-64. Name of the work: Cab furnishing activities and E-70 pane mounting & its complete connection activities in 64 nos. WAG-9H locomotive at ELAAU/Dankuni. Tender valu (Rupees): 1,06,79,937.61 (Rupees On Crore Six Lakhs Seventy Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Seven and Paisa Sixt One) only. Cost of tender documen (Rupees): 5,000.00 (Rupees Five thousand only). Earnest Money/Bid Security (Rupees): 2,03,400.00 (Rupees Two Lakh Three Thousand and Four Hundred) only Period of completion: 12 (twelve) mo NOTE: For BOTH SI.No. [A] & [B] (i) Complete details can be seen in the Railways website www.ireps.gov.in (ii) Contact Number: 03212-230003 (iii) Date of closing of tender submis 14.09.2022 at 12:00 hrs.

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September 2022 to me.

Amit Aron Advocati Centact-9717148885 PUBLIC NOTICE

I, SANGEETA VOHRA,W/O SUNIL VOHRA, ADD-15/74, GROUND-FLOOR, SUBHASH NAGAR, WEST DELHI-110027.Changed my name to DOLLY. For all, future Purposes. 0040628671-2

I,SAROJINI,MOTHER OF,RAMKUMAR NARMALA.R/O.SMO.N-79,CAMERO COMPLEX SUBROTO PARK, NEW DELHI-110010.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME, FROM SAROJINI TO NARMALA SAROJINI, VIDE-AFFIDAVITDATED 26/08/2022, **BEFORE NCT-DELHI.**

0040629015-9

l, (Rajesh) born on (28 Jan 1973) residing at (House. No.184 Gali No 158 Swantantar Nagar Phase-2, Narela North West Delhi - 110040), have changed my name to (Rajesh Dahiya) vide affidavit dated (20 Aug 0050203152-1 2022)

I,Renu Bansal D/o Narsingh R/o B-88A, Gali.No.11,Shashi Garden, Delhi-110091, have changed my name after marriage to Renu Aggarwal, for all future purposes. 0040629008-5

I,Rafat Imam,D/o Ghafoor Imam,W/o Mohd.Wasiuddin R/o T1-601, Tata Primanti, Near.Tatvam-Villas, Sector-72, Gurgaon(Haryana)-122001, have changed my name to Rafat Wasi, for all Purposes.

0040629049-1

I,RADHA RAWAT,W/O RAJESH SINGH RAWAT, R/o-S-17, South Pandav Nagar, Ext, Delhi-110092, have changed the name of my, minor son, from HAARDIK RAWAT to HAARDIK SINGH RAWAT, for all, future 0040629049-7 purposes.

I,Pravinder Kapoor S/o Chandra Prakash Kapoor R/o-111, Pocket-13, Sector-20 Rohini Delhi-110086, changed my name to Pravindra Kumar 0040629008-1 Kapoor.

I,Pawanpreet kaur,W/O Kawal Preet Singh R/O,B-2 134,B-2 Block, Janakpuri West, Delhi-110058.have changed my minor-son's name Pratham Singh To Pratham Pal Singh. 0040629008-3

I,AMIT DAFTARI,S/O AKHIL MANIKCHAND DAFTARI.R/O 216.BAZAR ROAD DAFTARI DENTAL CLINIC POST SELOO PRABHAG.NO-15, WARDHA MAHARASHTRA HAVE CHANGED MY, NAME TO AMIT AKHIL DAFTARI.

I. Yogesh Kumar Saini s/o Dharmendra Kumar Saini r/o 259, Unchi Dankaur, NOIDA, GBN, UP-203201 have changed my name to Yogesh Saini.

0040628955-1

I, Renu S/O Phool Singh, R/o Nathupur (56), Nathupur, Sonipat, Haryana, 131029, have changed my name and shall hereafter be Known as Anikat. 0070801243-1

I, Nilam Tiwari, W/o Manoj Kumar Tiwari, Residence 12/15, Ashok Road, Shipra Suncity, Indirapuram, Ghaziabad-201014, have changed my name Neelam Tiwari to Nilam Tiwari for all future purpose. Nilam Tiwari and neelam Tiwari both are same person. 0070801233-1

I, Mayank, S/o Rajender Sharma, R/o B-228, Jain Colony, Barwala, Delhi, have changed my name to Mayank sharma for all future purposes. 0070801232-1

I, Manish S Chaturvedi, S/o Suresh Chander Chaturvedi.

R/o AE-216, Avantika Chiranjiv Vihar, Ghaziabad, U.P.-201002. Manish S Chaturvedi and Manish Kumar Chaturvedi are Same Person. 0070801230-1

I, Km. Shivani, R/o A4-1004, Saviours Greenisle Crossing Republik, Ghaziabad, UP-201016. have changed my name to Shivani Tyagi. 0070800830-1

I, Kavita W/O-Suheb Khan R/O.Plot.No.C-33, first floor.Bhagwati-Vihar.Block-V. Sector-C,Uttam Nagar,New Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Kavita Khan,permanently. 0040629015-4

I Ram Singh Bisht R/o D-84, Raipur Khurd Colony, New Delhi do herebydeclare that 0040628931-1 my name mentioned as Ram Singh in LIC policy 114237221.My correct name is Ram Singh Bisht. I affirm that Ram Singh Bist and Ram Sigh is one person. Ram Devi W/o Jagat Raj R/o C-280, JJ Colony, Shiv Vihar, D.K 0040629009-3 Mohan Garden, West Delhi-110059, have changed my name to Jayanti. 0070801221-1 I Monika Arora W/o Pradeep

Kumar Arora R/o House No. 292-293, II Floor, Street no.10, Main Faiz Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi-110005 have changed my name from Monika to Monika Arora for all future purposes.

0040628935-1

I Dirij Dhar S/o Mithan Lal Dhar R/o-140, Ashoka Enclave, part-1 Sector-34 Faridabad, Haryana have change my name to Dheeraj 0040628985-1 Dhar Bakade Ganesh Amrutrao S/o Sh. Amrutrao Bakade R/o 1119. Third Floor, Lane 2, Sector-C-1, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi have changed my name to Ganesh A Bakade for all purposes.

0040628928-5

Ayushi Ganesh Bakde D/o Sh. Ganesh A Bakade R/o 1119, Third Floor, Lane 2, Sector-C-1, Vasant Kunj,New Delhi have changed my name to Ayushi Ganesh Bakade for all 0040628928-4 purposes.

APARNA D/o Sh. JAI PRAKASH R/o 106 Bhupani More, Bhaskola Post, Sec 89 Faidabad 121002 do hereby declare that my name mentioned as APARNA RANI in LIC policy 114238493. My correct name is APARNA.I affirm that APARNA and APARNA RANI is one person.

I,SATISH K BEHERA,S/O-MADHABA BEHERA, R/O. RZF-1/102, FLAT.NO.A1, SHIVAY-APARTMENT-MAHAVIR ENCLAVE, GALI.NO.1, NEW-DELHI-110045.HAVE CHANGED MY NAME, FROM SATISH K BEHERA TO SATISH KUMAR BEHERA.VIDE-AFFIDAVIT. DATED.26/08/2022,BEFORE NCT-DELHI. 0040629015-11

0040629044-1

NUMBAI PIN: 400067, MAHARASHTRA, NDIA-PRISINTADDRESSFLAT 213 RED RESIDENCE, SPORT CITY, DUBAL UNE. ABOVE MENTIONED INDIAN INFOMALS ARE PRESENTER RESIDING IN THE UNE IWE GIVEN NOTICE OF INTENDED MARRINGE BETWEEN THEM UNDER THE OREIGN MARRINGES ACT, 1968. F ANY ONE HAS ANY OBJECTION TO THE ROPOSED MARRIAGE HE/SHE SHOULD FILE THE SAME WITH THE UNDERSIGNED ACCORDING TO THE PROCEDURE LAND DOWN ONDER THE ACT/RULES WITHIN THIRTY DAYS FROM THE DATE OF UBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE (Tadu Namu) (Marriage Officer) Consulate General of India P.O.BOX:737, DUBAI (UAE) FAX NO.0097143970453 Email.cons1.dubai@mea.gov.in, cons3.fubai@mea.gew.in Homepage:www.cgidubai.gew.in PUBLIC NOTICE Re: Third Floor Portion with Roo Rights (Said Floor) built on Property bearing No. 244, area measuring 12 sq. yds., situated at Hakikat Nagar Delhi (said property) Dein (sad property) NOTICE is hereby given to genera public that our clientess, Mrs Chancha Rani W/0 Shri Vijay Vohra R/o 244, 3rc Floor, Hakikat Nagar, Kingsway Camp Deihi-11000, has informed us that she is the owner of aforesaid floor vide sale deed executed by Smt. Ritu Mehndirätts in ber favour in reservet of afait floor huil in her favour in respect of said floor buil on said property. The said Sale Deed is registered with the concerned Sub registered with the concerned Sut Registrar of Assurances, as Documer No. 7971, in Book No. 1, Volume No. 353 on pages 129 to 135, on 13.06.201 (SRO-VI-A). In this connection, ou clientess has further informed us that th said floor was purchased by Smt. Rit Mehndiratta from Mr Parvinder Khann vide Sale Deed dated 07.11.2008 registered as document no. 13188 Book No.1, Volume No. 2069, pages 170-179 on 15.11.2008 The said Sale Deed, in original, (hereinafter calle the "said document') has bee st/misplaced and is not traceable. A FIR to this effect has also been lodge our clientess with Crime Brand elhi Police, vide LR No. 723506/202 dated 25/08/2022. If the aforesaid original document (the said document) is found or has been found by any person, the same ma be returned and delivered to th be returned and delivered to in undersigned at the address mentione herein below. Further, if any persor body, institution is having any clair and/or objection in respect of th said floor, he/they may raise his their objection/c in writing with neir objection/s, in writing, wit documentary evidence, by Registere AD Post, to the undersigned at th address mentioned herein below withi 7 days of publication of this notic Otherwise, after expiry of 07 days from the date of publication of this notice, no objection shall be acceptable. eneral Public may also take note that ny deal or transaction done to nybody on the basis of the sai ocument shall be illegal and no inding on our clientess. The person oing so shall be liable to be prosecuted advante level.

under the law. Amit Kumar Khurana, Advocate,

For M/s Intellective Law Offices, A-74, Lower Ground Floor, Defence Colony, New Delhi-110024

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नई दिल्ली, मंगलवार, अगस्त 23, 2022/भाद 1, 1944 च. 3799] NEW DELHI, TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2022/BHADRA 1, 1944 No. 3799]

> MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS NOTIFICATION New Delhi, the 23rd August, 2022

S.O. 3973(E).-In exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereinalter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building (widening/four lane with paved shoulder/Six laning etc.,), maintenance management and operation of NH 334B in the stretch of land from Km. 0.000 to Km. 45.07 in the district of SONIPAT in the state of HARYANA, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under subsection(1) of section 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority, namely, District Revenue Officer Sonipat in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the Competent Authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections.

Any order made by the Competent Authority under sub-section (2) of section 3C of the said Act shall be final

The land plans and other details of the land to be acquired under their notification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the Competent Authority.

SCHEDULE

Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling NH 334B in the stretch of land from NH 334B in the district of SONIPAT in the state of HARYANA.

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| 5 | 18//4/1 Min | Private | Non Agricultural | 14.0000000(Marla) | 0.0354108 |
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'HOLD ME CLOSER' ELTON JOHN, BRITNEY UNITE ON NEW SINGLE

The pop icons collaborate for the first time, creating a slinky, club-ready single that sees them take old sounds and fashion to something new. The track is produced by Andrew Watt, who has worked with Ed Sheeran, Eddie Vedder and Ozzy Osbourne.



Donald Trump

Trump files

UNITED STATES Affidavit shows concerns about

14 OF the 15 boxes recovered from former President Donald Trump's Florida estate early this year contained documents with classification markings, including at the top secret level, according to an FBI affidavit released Friday. The 32-page affidavit, even in its heavily redacted form, offers the most detailed description to date of the files being stored at Trump's Mar-a-Lago property long after he left the White House. It does not, however, provide new details about the 11 sets of classified records recovered during the August 8 search but instead concerns a separate batch of 15 boxes retrieved from the home in January. AP

ETHIOPIA Seven killed in

Tigray air strike

An air strike killed at least seven people in the capital of Ethiopia's northern Tigray region on Friday, medical officials there said, the first such attack after a four-month old ceasefire collapsed this week. The officials said three children were among the dead but a a federal government spokesman denied any civilian casualties. The air strike on Mekelle took place two days after fighting broke out again between the national government and Tigrayan forces on the border of the Tigrav and Amhara regions. Tigrai Television, controlled by the regional authorities, blamed the federal government for the REUTERS strike.

WORLD - 'This is a catastrophe': UK households face fuel poverty as energy bills set to jump 80%

SOARING COSTS: HOW EUROPE IS TRYING TO SOFTEN THE BLOW

heating and eating, countries are taking steps to shield consumers. A look at a few:

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Source: Reuters

With Europe facing massive increase in energy bills, forcing many to choose between

All home energy

EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Has asked countries to

possible mandatory cuts

reduce gas demand by

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IN UK, FAMILIES TO SPEND 10% OF INCOME ON ENERGY 10.1

PAUL SANDLE & KATE HOLTON LONDON, AUGUST 26

BRITISH ENERGY bills will jump

80% to an average of \$4,188 (INR 3.34 lakh) a year from October, the regulator said on Friday, plunging millions of households into fuel poverty and businesses into jeop-

ardy unless government steps in. Ofgem CEO Jonathan Brearley said the rise would have a massive impact on households across Britain, and another increase was likely in January as Russia's move to throttle European supplies drives wholesale gas prices to record levels.

"This is a catastrophe," Britain's leading consumer rights champion Martin Lewis said, warning people would die this winter if they refused to cook

POWER SUPPLY RESUMES

Capping an increase in 10.0 regulated electricity costs Home + vehicle at 4% 8.0 6.0 **GERMANY**

Income tax payers to receive one-off energy price allowance of 300 euros. Families to get onetime bonus of 100 euros per child DENMARK

Cash handout to the elderly and other measures totalling \$439 million

FRANCE

IAEA mission to visit Zaporizhzhia nuclear station

AP & REUTERS KYIV, AUGUST 26

A MISSION from the UN's International Atomic Energy Agency is expected to visit the Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant soon after it was temporarily knocked offline and more shelling was reported in the area overnight, Ukrainian officials said on Friday

Fire damage to a transmission line at Europe's largest nuclear plant caused a blackout across the region on Thursday and heightened fears of a catastrophe in a country still haunted by the Chernobyl disaster in 1986.

The plant resumed electricity supplies to Ukraine on Friday after one of its six reactors was reconnected to the Ukrainian grid, state nuclear company Energoatom said, according to Reuters.

Lana Zerkal, an adviser to Ukraine's energy minister, told Ukrainian media on Thursday evening that logistical issues are being worked out for the IAEA



The plant in Ukraine is Europe's largest. AP

of recklessly firing on the facility. "Despite the fact that the

Russians agreed for the mission to travel through the territory of Ukraine, they are now artificially creating all the conditions for the mission not to reach the facility, given the situation around it," she said, offering no details. There was no comment from

Moscow to the claims. The atomic agency's head,

Rafael Mariano Grossi, also said Thursday he hopes to send a team to the plant within days.



A family leaves flood-hit Jamshoro in Sindh on Friday. Reuters

8th cycle of monsoon; normally the country has only three to four cycles of [monsoon] rain," the minister said during a press conference in Islamabad. "Pakistan is under an unprecedented monsoon spell and data suggests the possibility of re-emergence of another cycle in September," she food or heat their homes.

Brearley said the government response needed to match the scale of the crisis. A proposal by the opposition Labour Party to freeze energy prices could cost around 60 billion pounds a year - almost as much as the Covid pandemic furlough scheme.

The pressures are being felt across Europe but in Britain, which is particularly dependent on gas, the price rises are eye-watering.

An annual average bill of 1,277 pounds last year will almost triple to 3,549 pounds this year and leading forecaster Cornwall Insight said prices were likely to rocket again in 2023. It expects bills to peak in the second quarter at 6,616 pounds and households could pay around 500 pounds a month for energy next year, a higher sum than rent for many. REUTERS

Flood toll 937, Pak declares emergency, seeks world help

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2020

The bloc also aims

capacity by November 1

to refill gas storage

facilities to 80% of

Climate change minister says almost 30 million residents are now without shelter

SAJJAD HUSSAIN ISLAMABAD, AUGUST 26

PAKISTAN HAS declared a national emergency as rain-induced floods have so far killed 937 people, including 343 children, and left at least 30 million without shelter.

Sindh Province reported the highest number of deaths as 306 people lost their lives due to floods and rain-related incidents from June 14 to Thursday, according to National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA). Balochistan reported 234

deaths whereas Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Punjab Province recorded 185 and 165 deaths, respectively. The country's southern part

remains inundated at the moment, with 23 districts of Sindh being declared "calamity-hit", the newspaper reported.

Minister for Climate Ch

sponse According to the senator, flash floods caused by heavy rains had swept away bridges and communication infrastructure in various areas of the country. "Almost 30 million people are without shelter, thousands of them displaced and have no

'INFRINGEMENT' Moderna sues Pfizer, BioNTech over Covid jab technology

Lawsuit filed in the US and Germany

DANIEL TROTTA AUGUST 26

MODERNA IS suing Pfizer and its German partner BioNTech for patent infringement in the development of the first Covid-19 vaccine approved in the United States, alleging they copied technology that Moderna developed years before the pandemic.

The lawsuit, which seeks undetermined monetary damages, was being filed in US District Court in Massachusetts and the Regional Court of Dusseldorf in Germany, Moderna said in a news release on Friday.

"We are filing these lawsuits to protect the innovative mRNA technology platform that we pioneered, invested billions of dollars in creating, and patented during the decade preceding the COVID-19 pandemic," Moderna Chief

Executive Stephane Bancel said. Moderna, on its own, and the partnership of Pfizer and BioNTech SE were two of the first groups to develop a vaccine for the novel coronavirus.

Just a decade old, Moderna, Cambridge, based in Massachusetts, had been an innovator in the messenger RNA (mRNA) vaccine technology that enabled the unprecedented speed in developing the Covid vaccine. An approval process that pre-

viously took years was completed in months, thanks largely to the breakthrough in mRNA vaccines, which teach human cells how to make a protein that will trigger an immune re-

US law agency recovers \$286 mn in stolen pandemic loans abuse, assault

Moderna. others develop their own vac-

and BioNTech to respect its intelwould not seek damages for any activity before March 8, 2022.

'You Indians...': Texas woman held for racial

EXP counts MODERNA HAS accused Pfizer-BioNTech of appropriating two types of intellectual property. One involved an mRNA struc-

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ture that Moderna savs its scientists began developing in 2010 and were the first to validate in human trials in 2015. The second alleged infringement involves coding of a protein that Moderna says it developed while creating a

Allegations

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had also been working in this field when it partnered with the US pharma giant Pfizer.

The US FDA granted emer-

REUTERS

vaccine for the coronavirus that causes MERS. Germany-based BioNTech

gency use authorisation for the Covid-19 vaccine first to Pfizer/BioNTech in December 2020, then one week later to

Early in the pandemic, Moderna said it would not enforce its Covid-19 patents to help cines, particularly for low- and middle-income countries. But in March 2022 Moderna said it expected companies such as Pfizer lectual property rights. It said it

UNITED KINGDOM Truss' Macron remark slammed

BRITAIN'S PM hopeful Liz Truss came under fire Friday over her remarks about French President Emmanuel Macron. The Foreign Secretary said the "jury is out" on whether Macron is a "friend or foe" of the UK and that if she becomes the PM she will "judge him by deeds, not words". The Opposition Labour Party accused Truss of a "a woeful lack of judgement" as it would be seen as an insult of one of "Britain's closest allies". Macron himself responded by accusing the Cabinet minister of PTI "grandstanding".

PATRICK KINGSLEY

ALLALONG the Dubai waterfront,

Nuseir Yassin kept bumping into

fans. An Egyptian tourist asked for

a photograph. A yacht club man-

ager from Zimbabwe stopped for

a chat. A group of Filipinos gasped

2020. Everyone except for some

"That's him!" one shouted as

DUBAI, AUGUST 26

and called after him.

catchphrase.

team to come to the Zaporizhzhia plant, occupied by Russian forces and run by Ukrainian workers since the early days of the war.

Negotiations over how the team would access the plant are complicated but advancing, he said on France-24 television. Zerkal accused Russia of try-

Meanwhile, Ukrainian officials said an area close to the ing to sabotage the visit. Ukraine has alleged that Russia is essenplant came under a barrage of tially holding the plant hostage, shelling overnight, amid mountstoring weapons there and ing concerns that a conflict near launching attacks from around it, a working atomic plant could while Moscow accuses Ukraine cause serious damage

Sherry Rehman said on Thursday that a "war room" has been set up by Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif at NDMA, which would spearhead relief opera-

tions across the country. She said that the incessant "monstrous" rainfall had "made it hard to carry out relief operations, especially helicopter sorties".

"Pakistan is going through its

was quoted as saying by the daily.

Senator Rehman, who compared the current situation with the devastating 2010 floods earlier this week, said the current situation was worse than that.

"The water is not only flowing from the north as in 2010, but it is equally or more devastating in its sweep and destructive power," she added.

Stressing the need for relief from international donors, the minister said that the need for shelter and relief was dire as per what the provinces had conveyed. Sindh has asked for one mil-

food," she said.

lion tents and Balochistan has demanded 100,000 tents, she said, adding that all tent manufacturers had been mobilised and external donors also approached. PTI

called on Turkey's judges and

FATIMA HUSSEIN WASHINGTON, AUGUST 26

Administration.

proceeds

million.

THE US Secret Service said on

Friday that it has recovered \$286

million in fraudulently obtained

pandemic loans and is returning

the money to the Small Business

It said an investigation initi-

ated by its Orlando office found

that alleged conspirators sub-

mitted Economic Injury Disaster

Loan applications by using fake

or stolen information and used

an online bank, Green Dot, to

conceal and move their criminal

Green Dot to identify roughly

15,000 accounts and seize \$286

those to come are a direct and

necessary response to the un-

precedented size and scope of

pandemic relief fraud," said

Kevin Chambers, director for

COVID-19 fraud enforcement at

the Justice Department.

The agency worked with

"This forfeiture effort and

WASHINGTON, AUGUST 26

FOUR INDIAN-AMERICAN women have been racially abused and smacked by a Mexican-American woman in the US State of Texas who hurled racist slurs at them that they are "ruining" America and should "go back to India".

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

The incident took place on Wednesday, August 24, night in a parking lot in Dallas, Texas. The woman, who has now been arrested, is seen in the video identifving herself as a Mexican-American and assaulting a group of Indian-Americans.

"I hate you Indian. All these Indians come to America because they want a better life," Esmeralda Upton is seen saying in the video.

The video shows her telling the group of women to "Go back to India. You... people are ruining this country," the CBS News reported. The video has now gone viral and sent shock waves among the Indian-American

community across the US. The video shows Upton using racial slurs, and at one point

physically smacking at least two of the women. The person who posted this video wrote, "this incident occurred in Dallas, Texas after my mom and her three friends went to dinner".

The mom is seen contesting the arguments made by the Mexican-American woman and requesting her not to make racial slurs. At one point in time, the Mexican-American woman, who says she was born in the United States, is seen assaulting the mom and her other friends as well.

why are you here," she shouted

rested Esmeralda Upton of Plano on Thursday afternoon. She has been charged with assault, bodily injury and terroristic threats and held on a bond of \$10,000.

Pop star Gulsen arrested over joke on religious schools

ASSOCIATED PRESS ANKARA, AUGUST 26

TURKISH POP star Gulsen has been arrested on charges of "inciting hatred and enmity" with a joke she made about Turkey's religious schools, the country's state-run news agency reported.

The 46-year-old singer and songwriter, whose full name is Gulsen Colakoglu, was taken away from her home in Istanbul for questioning and formally arrested

late Thursday. She was then taken to a prison pending trial.

The arrest sparked outrage on social media. Government critics said the move was an effort by Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan to consolidate support from the conservatives ahead of elections in 10 months. The charges were based on a

joke Gulsen made during an April concert in Istanbul, where she quipped that one of her musicians' "perversion" stemmed from attending a religious

The singer-songwriter is a household name in Turkey

school. A video of the singer's comment began circulating on social media recently, with a hashtag calling for her arrest.

Gulsen - who previously became a target in Islamic circles due to her revealing stage outfits and for unfurling an LGBTQ flag at a concert – apologised for the offence the joke caused but said her comments were seized on by those wanting to deepen polarisation in the country.

Kemal Kilicdaroglu, leader of Turkey's main opposition party,

prosecutors to release Gulsen. "Don't betray the law and justice; release the artist now!" he wrote on Twitter. The spokesman for Erdogan's Justice and Development party,

known by its Turkish acronym AKP, appeared however, to defend the decision to arrest the singer, saying "inciting hatred is not an art form." "Targeting a segment of society with the allegation of "perversion"...is a hate crime." AKP

spokesman Omer Celik tweeted.

A social media star of a changed region: An Arab from Israel in Dubai

he received from two Jewish Israelis. But he has also praised Israel as a place of religious tolerance, called out Arab racism, and refused to pick sides between Israelis and Palestinians because both are "doing something wrong," he said in one video. His ambivalent position has

led some Palestinians and Arabs to boycott his shows and projects. And while the criticism sometimes stings Yassin, he says it's ultimately more important to him to build empathy between Israelis and Palestinians.

"This is my opportunity, and I don't want to squander it." NYT

of his fellow Palestinians.

When the UAE forged diplomatic relations with Israel in 2020, it redrew the geopolitical contours of a region in which Israel had previously been shunned. On a practical level, it allowed Israeli citizens to live and work in Dubai.

in Israel. Yassin was one of the first Israeli passport holders and perhaps the most promi-

Yassin hurtled home on a scooter. "See you tomorrow!' said another, quoting Yassin's In Dubai, everyone seemed happy to see Yassin, 30, a social media star who moved here in

A Palestinian born and raised

nent - to take advantage. Yassin's move helped attract new funding for his tech and production companies, allowing him to quadruple the number of his employees to 120 – and helping lift his social media fol-

lowing to nearly 60 million.



Fans stop for a selfie with Yassin in Dubai. NYT

He built that vast global fan base by posting thousands of short, lively videos on Facebook. But Yassin's move to Dubai,

as well as his videos that deal with the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, have dented his popularity among the people he knows

He is among the roughly 20 percent of Israelis who descend from the Palestinian Arabs who didn't flee or weren't expelled in the war surrounding Israel's formation in 1948. That has given Palestinian citizens of Israel, as many refer to themselves, a complicated identity. Some have thrived in the Jewish state, becoming judges, lawmakers and government ministers.

best: his fellow Palestinians.

spread discrimination and feel a solidarity with the Palestinians living under occupation in the West Bank, under blockade in Gaza and as refugees elsewhere in the Middle East.

Yassin deals with this complexity by embracing the idea of a mixed identity, acknowledging both his Palestinian background and his Israeli citizenship – a stance that can anger both sides.

"Right now, I actually call myself Israeli-Palestinian," he said in a recent interview in Dubai. "Saving I'm both Israeli and Palestinian is an amazing middle finger to anybody that doesn't like the other country.'

It's Yassin's stance on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, though, that has attracted the most controversy, particularly from Palestinians.

His posts have criticised Israeli police violence and the segregated

New Delhi

nature of Israeli society - and captured on camera a racist outburst

AP

"If life was so great in India,

while inserting the f-word and suddenly started assaulting the four Indian women. Plano Police Detectives ar-



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Request for Expression of Interest

EOI Notice No.: AIWTDS/316/2022/ 84

Name of Project: Assam Inland Water Transport Project (AIWTP)

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Assignment Title: "Expression of Interest (EOI) for Greening the Passenger Ferry sector in Assam'

The Government of India has obtained financing from the World Bank towards cost of the Assan IWT Project. Under the project, State Project Director, Assam Inland Water Transport Developmen Society (AIWTDS) invites Request for Expression of Interest from Nationally/Internationally reputed individual/firm/organization for the aforesaid assignment. Complete documents of the EOI shall be available on website http://iwtdirectorate.assam.gov.in & www.aiwtdsociety.in. Intending bidders are required to download the detail EoI from the above websites or may contact Assam IWTD Society by email dir.iwtds-as@gov.in. The last date and time of submission of proposal through email is on 16/09/2022 at 14:00 HRS(IST).

In this connection a Stakeholder meeting is scheduled on 2nd September'2022 at 9-30 am at office of the Assam Skill Development Mission, Opposite ISBT, Garchuk, Guwahati, Assam Interested persons are may attend the meeting physically or may seek for virtual meeting link by sending an email to dir.iwtds-as@gov.in.

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E-auction for lot will start at 12:00 hrs on

Government of Himachal Pradesh Jal Shakti Department NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

Online bids on items rate basis are invited by the Executive Engineer, JSV Division Rohru Distt Shimla (H.P) on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh, in electronic tendering system in two covers for the under mentioned work from the contractors/firms of appropriate class enlisted with Himachal Pradesh JSV Department. Which shall be opened on 03.09.2022

| Sr. No | Description Name of Work | Estimated Cost | Earnest money | Time | Cost of form |
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| | Providing functional tap connection (FHTC) to village Badiyara and its surrounding area in G.P. Kulgaon Tehsil Chirgaon Distt Shimla (HP). (SH: - C/O RCC intake chamber, site development for various civil structure, sanitary protection, R/wall, wire crate embankment, RCC ancher blocks 25 Nos, Delivery Tank 65000 Itr .Sump well 65000 Itrs, RCC filter. Bed, sector Tank 30000 Itr, sector tank 100000 Itr, Sector Tank 27000 Itr, C/O pump house cum attendant quarter, C/O septic tank, Laying & Jointing GI, pipe line distribution system of various dias 20 mm to 65 mm dia =21300 rmt, Supply & errection of pumping machinery & providing laying jointing of APIX-42 pipe 80 mm dia =1200 and GI pipe line = 600 rmt. Of Rising main). Tender ID 2022_HPIPH63858_1 | 1,43,59,304/- | 176093/- | 1 Year | 1500/- |
| | Providing LWSS to various Villages Jaunii ,Redhi, Kateli,Dungsa abble and its Surrounding area in G.P. Bhaloon and Summerkot Tehsil Rohru Distt. Shimla (H.P) (SH:Development of site for various structures , C/O RCC Intake chamber =5No , C/O RCC S/T =5No. of 10,000 liters capacity each , C/O RCC S/T Tank =2Nos. of 17,000 liters capacity each and S / Tank 2No 31,000. liters capacity , Sanitary protection around the all civil structures and laying and jointing of (Light) class G.I. pipes for distribution network) under SCSP Tender ID 2022_HPIPH_ 63860 _1 | 1,30,53,825/- | 163038/- | 1 Year | 1500/- |

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THE INDIAN EXPRESS, SATURDAY, AUGUST 27, 2022 17 ECONOMY

SENSEX: 58,833.87 \$ 59.15 (0.10%) NIFTY: 17,558.90 \$ 36.45 (0.21%) NIKKEI: 28,641.38 \$ 162.37 HANG SENG: 20,170.04 \$ 201.66 FTSE: 7,488.63 \$ 8.89 DAX: 13,274.50 \$ 2.54

FOLLOWS ACQUISITION OF ESSAR STEEL IN 2019 BY AM/NS INDIA Fed's Powell sees inflation **Essar, ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel in** fight lasting 'some time', \$2.4-bn pact for infrastructure assets warns of economic pain

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

ESSAR GROUP on Friday announced the signing of a \$2.4-billion (Rs 19,000 crore) pact to sell certain ports and power infrastructure assets to ArcelorMittal Nippon Steel (AM/NS). These assets are captive to the operations of the Hazira steel plant in Gujarat. The steel unit, which belonged to Essar, was taken over in 2019 by AM/NS via the IBC (Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code) route. The Ruias-led firm said the

deal also envisages a 50:50 joint venture between Essar and AM/NS for building a 4 million

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA

ADANI GROUP on Friday launc-

hed its Rs 31,000-crore open offer

to buy 26 per cent more stake

from public shareholders of Swiss

firm Holcim's two Indian listed

firms ACC and Ambuja Cements.

announced that it had clinched a

deal to acquire a controlling stake

in Holcim Ltd's businesses in India for \$10.5 billion. Markets regula-

tor Sebi granted approval for the

open offer last week. The open of-

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crore if fully subscribed.

In May, the Adani Group had

NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

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tonne a year LNG import terminal at Hazira. Separately, AM/NS India said in a statement that the deal cov-

ers port assets in Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha, as well as two power plants at Hazira and an electricity transmission line. After acquiring Essar Steel for around Rs 42,785 crore in 2019,

AM/NS India had claimed that the acquisition had given it the right to the licence of port operations. But Essar Bulk Terminal, part of the Essar group, had opposed it, saying that the Hazira port was not part of the bankruptcy process. The matter went to the courts where it was being argued. The signing of the agreeEXPLAINED Port & power

> THE TRANSACTION, one of the largest M&A deals in the country post pandemic, covers port assets in Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh and Odisha, as well as two power plants at Hazira and an electricity transmission line.

the fight between the two.



ment on Friday brings closure to AM/NS said the deal covers a

25-million tonne per annum capacity jetty at the all-weather, deep draft bulk port terminal at Hazira, captive and adjacent to the steel plant. It also includes a 16 million tonne all-weather, deep draft terminal at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, along with an integrated conveyor connected to AM/NS India's 8 million tonne a year iron ore pellet plant in the port city.

A 12 million tonne deep-water jetty at Paradip, Odisha, along with a dedicated conveyor that handles 100 per cent of pellet shipments from AM/NS India's Paradip pellet plant, is also part of the deal.

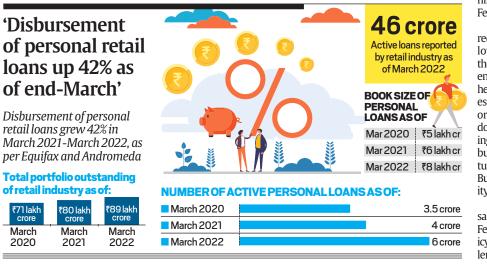
The deal also includes a 270

MW multi-fuel power plant at Hazira, which has a long-term power purchase agreement with the adjacent steelmaking facility. A 515 MW gas-based power plant, along with allied land, is also part of the transaction.

A 100-km Gandhar to Hazira transmission line, connecting AM/NS India's steelmaking complex with the central electricity grid, is also part of the deal. "The transaction is expected

to be funded only by AM/NS India," the statement added. With this deal, Essar will con-

clude its planned asset monetisation programme and complete the debt repayment plan of \$25 billion. FE



HOWARD SCHNEIDER & **ANN SAPHIR** JACKSON HOLE, AUGUST 26 AMERICANS ARE headed for a

painful period of slow economic growth and possibly rising joblessness as the Federal Reserve raises interest rates to beat 40year high inflation, Fed Chair Jerome Powell warned Friday about what is in store for the world's biggest economy.

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In a speech kicking off the Jackson Hole central banking conference in Wyoming on Friday, Powell said the Fed will raise borrowing costs as high as needed to restrict growth, and would keep them there "for some time" to bring down inflation that's running at more than three times the Fed's 2 per cent goal.

"Reducing inflation is likely to require a sustained period of below-trend growth. Moreover, there will very likely be some softening of labor market conditions," he said. "While higher interest rates, slower growth, and softer labor market conditions will bring down inflation, they will also bring some pain to households and businesses. These are the unfortunate costs of reducing inflation. But a failure to restore price stability would mean far greater pain.'

As that pain increases, Powell said, people should not expect the Fed to dial back its monetary policy quickly until the inflation problem is fixed. **REUTERS**



OIL

Note: Gold, silver rates at Delhi spot market, gold per 10g, silver per 1 kg; Crude oil (Indian basket) as of August 25

(Right to left) Jerome Powell, chair of the US Federal Reserve, Lael Brainard, vice chair of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, and John C Williams, president and CEO of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, at Teton National Park where financial leaders are gathered for the Jackson Hole Economic Symposium outside Jackson, Wyoming, US. Reuters

At 6.3%, rise in US consumer prices moderates in July

Washington: US inflation eased last month as energy prices tumbled, raising hopes that a surge in prices increases may have peaked.

increase of 6.8 per cent in June, biggest jump since 1982. Energy prices made the difference in July: They dropped last month after surging in June.

According to Commerce Department report on Friday that is closely watched by the Fed, consumer prices rose 6.3 per cent in July from a year earlier after posting an annual

So-called core inflation, which excludes volatile food and energy prices, rose 4.6 per cent last month from a year earlier after rising 4.8 per cent in June. AP

Twitter stonewalls Parliamentary panel queries, gets a week to respond

In two separate regulatory filings, Ambuja Cements and ACC have submitted their letter of offers for the open offer, launched by the Adani family group's Mauritius-based firm Endeavour Trade and Investment. As per the revised schedule submitted by date, Adani Enterprises Ltd ICICI Securities and Deutsche said VCPL has received a reply on behalf of NDTV and Equities India, managers to the open offer, the tendering of shares RRPR over the Warrant opens from August 26 and will Exercise Notice dated August

end on September 9, 2022. In May, the Adani Group had made an open offer at Rs 385 per nuin Coments and Rs 2,300 per share for ACC. For Ambuja Cements, it had made an open offer to public shareholders to acquire up to 51.63 crore equity shares, representing 26 per cent of the expanded share capital, ag-11,259.97 crore.

assertion New Delhi: Adani group on Friday rejected NDTV's assertion that Sebi's nod is necessary to acquire interests in RRPR, saying the promoter

rejects NDTV's

Adani group

entity is not a part of Sebi's order that restrained Prannoy and Radhika Roy from accessing securities market. Terming the contentions

raised by RRPR as "baseless, legally untenable and devoid of merit", Vishvapradhan Commercial Private Ltd (VCPL) said the holding firm is "bound to immediately perform its obligation and allot the equity shares" as specified in the Warrant Exercise Notice. In a regulatory up-

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to questions from the panel. At the end of the hearing, the committee is learnt to have given the company a week's time to

moned Twitter for a hearing on send written submissions. In a whistleblower complaint filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission earlier this week. Zatko accused Twitter of not disclosing to users that "it was believed by the executive team that the Indian government had succeeded in placing agents on the company payroll". He also alleged that the company permitted an "I government agent direct unsupervised access to the company's systems and user data". In February last year, the Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY) notified the Information

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US wants India to join coalition on Russia fuel price cap

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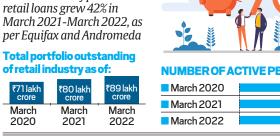
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Mumbai: Forex reserves fell \$6.687 billion to \$564.053 billion in the week ended August 19, as per RBI data. FCA fell \$5.779 billion to \$501.216 billion and gold reserves by \$704 million to \$39.914 billion. Special Drawing Rights fell \$146 million to \$17.987 billion and India's reserve position with the IMF by \$58 million to \$4.936 billion.

Labour meet

New Delhi: The Labour and Employment Ministry said it will come out with roadmaps on 4 themes discussed in a two-day conference of labour ministers and officials of states and UTs concluded at Tirupati on Friday.

Air India pay

New Delhi: Air India said it will restore salaries that were cut in the wake of Covid from September 1. PTI

US, China deal

Hong Kong: The Public Company Accounting Oversight Board said it inked a pact with Chinese regulators, taking a first step toward inspecting and investigating registered accounting firms in China and Hong Kong. The US audit regulator said it was the most detailed and prescriptive agreement the regulator has ever reached with China. **REUTERS**

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IRCTC withdraws tender on data monetisation

SOUMYARENDRA BARIK NEW DELHI. AUGUST 26

INDIAN RAILWAYS' catering and ticketing arm Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) has withdrawn a controversial tender – which proposed hiring a consultant to monetise a bulk of its passengers' data - since the government has withdrawn the data protection Bill.

The tender had alarmed activists who said it could lead to a violation of privacy of people who have used IRCTC's services since it sought to analyse data points like their names, contact numbers, addresses and even "login/password" credentials. In a notification to the stock exchanges on Friday, IRCTC said it was withdrawing the tender since the Centre has withdrawn the "Personal Data Protection Bill, 2018". Full report on www.indianexpress.com

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It's Three Thousand Years Too Long

SHALINI LANGER

DJINN MEETS George Miller meets Arabian Nights, Three Thousand Years of Longing is not so much about longing as just being long. Admittedly not 3,000 years long, but really overstaying its welcome somewhere between its beginning as a promising exchange of science vs myth, reality vs fantasy, and its limp end as yet another love story where it's a universal truth well-acknowledged that a woman in possession of a serious degree and solemn glasses must be in want of a man.

Here, the woman is a professor of narratology, Dr Alithea Binny (Swinton), who isn't just an authority on a field such as that, but also who gets called for seminars to places such as Istanbul to talk about the same. On one of her many

lonely but content morn-**THREE THOUSAND** ings, as she is waiting for her **YEARS OF LONGING** breakfast at an Istanbul hotel, out pops a djinn from a ***

trinket she has picked from Director: George Miller Cast: Tilda Swinton, Idris Elba

Miller (Mad Max) is at his best here, imagining the creature as something distinctly other-worldly, made of wispy smokes and shiny gold dust. As that djinn eventually takes the shape of a more modest, though jarringly pointy-eared, Elba, Alithea commendably holds her own. True to all that she has learned from her

the Grand Bazaar.

readings about the past and her knowledge of the present, she repeatedly tells the djinn that she can't be tempted into asking for the fabled three wishes. All wishing stories turn out to be cautionary tales about being

careful what one asks for, she tells him. And so, the djinn proceeds to tell her stories, starting with the Queen of Sheeba and Solomon 2,500 years ago, to a dissolute prince some hundreds of years ago, to a girl who could, in our times, have been Einstein (a 'wizard' in his own right, as the film tells you).

Miller is adept at whipping up these fantastical worlds and keeping us entranced there. This saves the film when some of its enchantments veer towards bizarre caricatures of the mystical Orient.

They also seem a diversion from where the film should actually be, in the interplay between the world of realism as exemplified by Alithea and the world of chance as shown by the djinn. Miller and daughter Augusta Gore, who have adapted a short book for the screenplay of the film, clearly don't trust their own storytelling enough to

not constantly pull away.

The point, such as it is, of everyone needing love and company – be it a djinn trapped for centuries in a bottle, or a woman wrapping herself in the loneliness of her own choosing (of course, not of her own choosing)

- is obvious from the start. The transfer of the setting in the latter half from a Turkish hotel room to Alithea's very English, very serious home back in London, sadly underlines the metaphorical even more as the literal. One mystery is solved though: can you have a serious conversation while in a bathrobe? Well, now you know you can, almost for the entirety of a film's length. Guess, when in Turkey, make the best of bathrobes.

Crime, Punishment and Home-grown Wisdom

CANNY LAWYER Madhav Mishra, played by Pankaj Tripathi, is back again. It's fitting that he headlines Criminal Justice, now in its third season, because he lifts it. From the occasional clunkiness and staginess, and from the inevitable stretches a series can fall into when it is trying to fill in 40-odd running time of an episode.

Still, the series, produced by Applause

by the attention his sister is showered upon, both at home and outside. Mukherjee's former husband (Gaurav Gera) puts in a solid turn as a father who stands by his besieged son. A drug-fuelled party clandestinely attended by both youngsters ends in tragedy: she is dead, and he is accused of her murder.

Enter Madhav Mishra, armed with his desi home-grown wis-

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His light-hearted inter-

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versary (Shweta Prasad

Basu) reminds us how

language can be divisive,

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LIGER ★

Director: Puri Jagannadh, Cast: Vijay Deverakonda, Ananya Panday, Ramya Krishnan, Ronit Roy, Chunkey Panday

A Punch to the Brain

SHUBHRAGUPTA

SO, FIRST off, in case you were wondering, 'Liger' is what you get when a lion and a tiger mate. Got it? Not really? Never mind, here's a ready reckoner of what to expect from the new Vijay Deverakonda flick, directed by Puri Jagannadh, made in Hindi and Telugu.

Ready? Here you go. A kickboxer adorned by a series of boxer shorts and a bronzed, muscled chest, has a couple of markers – a mother (Krishnan, still in her shouty Bahubali mode), and a stutter. The mom is a latter-day Mother India-type, full of fire and brimstone; the speech impairment may make Liger a slow speaker, but there's nothing wrong with his cross-breed stripes. He jabs and kicks, feints and lunges, as he readies himself for his big break, which will allow him and his mentor (Roy) to make India proud in the global arena.

That was the nutshell. Breaking it open, the age-old themes of fierce-mother-lovingson twinning with macho chest-thumping sporty patriotism is used to roll out a cringe-

want first: character upon character dissing the stutterer for, wait, stuttering (yes, that's right), or the romantic interest who is all set to compete for the most vapid, vacuous female character (Panday) in recent times, or a mother who roars louder than her son? It boggles the mind that filmmakers still think today's audiences are willing to swallow utter rubbish in the name of entertainment. Where do they live?

Don't get me wrong. There's nothing more pleasurable than a masala movie done right. But there's nothing new or fresh about the ingredients that go into the making of this film: mixed martial arts, snarling boxers, tough-as-nail trainers, and the hero who will pulp everyone single-handedly, have been around for years. This excuse-for-a-plot is filled with all kinds of outlandish situations; the treatment is beyond pathetic.

The insensitive poking-fun-at-the-guywho-stutters is downright distasteful (at one time, he's called a 'stammering buffoon', in the English subtitles), and the creation of the leading lady is not just a sexist misfire, it is positively Neanderthal. Who in their right minds will have a female character say, 'guys

heroine simper at this line? Anyone heard of misogyny?

You feel bad for Roy, who can, given a chance, be a treat. Last seen, he was comprehensively wasted in the terrible Shamshera. Here, he is stuck in the cliched mode of the flint-eyed teacher who has the best interests of his student at heart. Ditto for Chunky Panday, who used to be the best thing in his bad '90s movies. What is he even doing here? Can someone give these guys roles worthy of their talent?

The action, in the ring, is about the only thing that seems to have been shot with focus, but it is creakingly unoriginal. Other bouts are shoved in at random intervals to show off our hero's moves: one includes a bevy of female Krav Maga experts (don't ask), and another takes us to a ranch (told you, don't ask), where Liger gets to face off with his idol, MMA artist Mark Anderson (Tyson hamming it up happily).

Deverakonda, never straying too far from his Arjun Reddy character, is all hot-eyed and limber and loose-limbed, and makes us watch. But to have a character praise his performance as 'full paisa-vasool'? Basically,

STREAMING WATCH LIST BY ALAKA SAHANI



FATHER STU NETFLIX

Based on a true story, Father Stu stars Mark Wahlberg as Stuart Long, a boxer-turned-Catholic priest suffering from inclusion body myositis. The honest and funny biographical drama is written and directed by Rosalind Ross. When an injury ends his boxing career, Long moves to LA, dreaming of stardom. Surviving a motorcycle accident leaves him wondering if he can use his second chance to help others find their way, leading to the realisation that he is meant to be a Catholic priest.

BOBLE FLAMBEUR MUBI

Jean-Pierre Melville's 1956 movie Bob le flambeur is regarded by many as a precursor to the French New Wave. This heist gangster film features Roger Duchesne as Bob. After Bob loses all the money in gambling, he plots to regain his wealth by breaking into the vault of the Deauville casino.



HOUSE OF THE DRAGON DISNEY+HOTSTAR

Based on George RR Martin's book Fire and Blood, the 10-episode series is the turbulent story of the House of Targaryen, set 200 years before the events that unfold in the widely popular Game of Thrones. The series promises to take the audience into the world of Westeros and explore the Targaryen family - the all-powerful dragon riders who are the seemingly invincible rulers of the seven kingdoms. The new episode drops every Monday at 6.30 am.

ANANYA PRIME VIDEO

Entertainment in association with BBC Studios, remains engaging. The horrific murder of a young girl, a teenaged lad in the dock for the crime, complex modern-day iterations of nuclear families, and the inter-cutting between legal proceedings and cop procedures,

overlaid with Mishraii's good cheer, was enough to keep me with it. Drugs can kill. So can

green-eyed jealousy, and apathy. Over eight

episodes, the web series touches upon the rampant use of party drugs among, well, youngsters who party hard; the overarching impact of social media on our lives; and the difficulties of parenting teenagers in today's hyper-connected, Instagram-saturated times. Swastika Mukherjee and Purab Kohli are the upwardly mobile Ahujas, co-parenting teen social media star Zara and her stepbrother Mukul, insecure

CRIMINAL JUSTICE 3 Director: Rohan Sippy Cast: Pankaj Tripathi, Swastika

Mukherjee, Purab Kohli and Gauray Gera Streaming on: Disney + Hotstar

and how privilege can be countered. Being'Hindi medium' doesn't make our Mishraji any less of a vakeel: to be a good human being, says he, is as important as to be on the winning side. Some of these dialogues are on the nose, but Tripathi is selfaware, and we move right along on the path of discovery. Yes, the killer is found, and yes, the series manages to keep it a surprise till almost near the end.

When is season 4 coming?

fest of mammoth proportions. What do you look at girls from bottom-up', AND have the that's Liger high-fiving Liger. Seriously?

All the Drama Behind the Politics

ARUSHI JAIN

THE POLITICS in Bihar has inspired the scripts of many filmmakers. However, writers Subhash Kapoor. Nandan Singh and Umashankar Singh are among those few who have got the tone and the mood of Bihar politics right. No matter how much those involved in the making of the show deny, Maharani draws heavily from significant events in the history of Bihar.

In the first season, Rani Bharti (Huma Qureshi), who was forced to become Bihar's chief minister after her husband Bheema Bharti (Sohum Shah) was bedridden, got her husband arrested in the fodder scam.

Now, in her attempt to be righteous and free Bihar from 'jungle raaj', she has made many foes, including her husband Bheema and political rival Naveen Singh (Amit Sial). But she is not bogged down by hatred or

competition. She has become a lot more confident, commanding deference from everyone, whether they are eager to dole it out or not. She has no trouble expressing anger when incompetent ministers do not do their job or are involved in criminal activities.

Meanwhile, she has also not lost touch with her human and emotional side as she showcases

MAHARANI SEASON 2 Director: Ravindra

Gautam Cast: Huma Qureshi, Sohum Shah Streaming on: SonyLIV

affection towards her kids and sorrow and shame when a model is raped, and a mother loses her son.

Though the focus of this 10-episode series remains gawaaran Rani Bharti and how she grows from a homemaker to a sensible, poised and whip-smart politician, the creators also tackle topics like reservation, caste and religion. It takes a couple of episodes to warm up to Rani's world, but once you

are in it, it's

difficult to

look away.

A Marathi language drama directed by Pratap Phad, Ananya is based on a popular play. The film revolves around Ananya (Hruta Durgule) whose life falls apart after an accident that leads her to a disability. But she fights against all odds and abandonment to achieve the impossible.



LOSTOLLIE NETFLIX

A patchwork rabbit with floppy ears and fuzzy memories embarks on an epic quest to find his best friend - the young boy he desperately loves. Lost Ollie, created by Shannon Tindle, is a miniseries based on William Joyce's book Ollie's Odyssey.

BEN STOKES: PHOENIX FROM THE ASHES PRIME VIDEO

Academy Award-winning director Sam Mendes has created a documentary series that examines England cricket captain Ben Stokes' World Cup (2019) victory, his Headingley's crease heroics along with the most challenging moments from his personal and professional life. The series captures the allrounder's career of great highs and lows, including his battle with mental health.

Solid and thought-provoking, sharper than the first season

FIRST THINGS first. Delhi Crime Season 2 is just as effective as season 1. In a couple of respects, it is even better. Because it is sharper. It addresses the problem of being too soft on its own in the first season: in the new season, directed by new entrant Tanuj Chopra, that assessing gaze is much less indulgent. No, not all

cops are on the side of the angels. And no, they are not infallible, either. It is also better because it is tighter. There's no time wasted by way of introductions; we know the main characters, and because we were invested in them, we greet them like people we know.

That was one of the big pluses of the first season, this creation of interesting men and women who are in charge of law and order in rough-tough Delhi. It's good to have them back. Shefali Shah. as DCP Vartika Chaturvedi, who leads from the front, Rajesh Tailang as Bhupender Singh, her able wingman, Rasika Dugal as Neeti Singh, fast learning the ropes of her job, Adil Hussain as the political top cop whose moral fibre has still not frayed completely, and a bunch of others.

I have to say I was sceptical about this season. Very few crimes can be worse than the December 2012 bestial gang-rape and murder of a young woman, known to us as Nirbhaya. How would the new season top

that one?

Choosing to focus on a series of murders of senior citizens (based on the writings of former police commissioner Neeraj Kumar), with the specific MO of Tailang and Adil Hussain the dreaded 'kachcha-baniyan' Streaming on: Netflix gang which used to be active in

the '90s, was the right choice. It provides not just blood and gore, of which there is plenty, but also an examination of the underlying reasons why some perfectly ordinary humans turn into pitiless killers.

The domestic diversions of the hard-working cops (no sleep, little money, leave cancelled, no family life) are also better meshed in this



time around. Vartika's pesky young daughter is safely sent away for higher studies, so is not able to create unnecessary diversions. Neeti's armyman husband (Akash Dahiya) doesn't know how to deal with his wife's long hours at work; he isn't a bad guy, but he is helpless in the face of his traditional upbringing. Bhupender is finding it hard to find a good match for his daughter, because of his profes-

sion. That's real, too. All the performances, especially from the trio of Shah, Dugal and Tailang, are top-notch.

Here are some of my niggles. The 'bad' cop is a little exaggerated. The harsh treatment meted out to the tribal community, whose members are rounded off on mere suspicion and dumped in the lock-up, goes on for too long. The point of class and privilege, and that

certain tribes still continue to be seen as criminals is, however, worthy of being raised, and we see one cop at least treating them with empathy, even if it comes a little late. We see a cop driving pillion without a helmet. Ooh. Was that deliberate, or an oversight?

But these are minor things. The degree of authenticity, despite the compulsion of leaving us on a cliffhanger at the end of each episode and a few contrivances, is admirable. The breakthrough comes just at the right time, and the denouement is powerful. Watch out for a striking turn by Tillotama Shome, who throws a manic curveball into the proceedings. One of the most haunting scenes in the series belongs to her, as she walks into an empty flat, and looks out of the window, swinging from the sill. Which part of the Capital is her eye on? The one where she comes from, or the one where she wants to go?

And, keeping real-life firmly in view, both the criminal and the law enforcer have to pay a price. Delhi Crime 2 stays solid, smart, and thought-provoking. SG



DELHICRIME SEASON 2 Director: Tanuj Chopra Cast: Shefali Shah, Rasika Dugal, Rajesh

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Stokes and **Foakes centuries** put England in command

REUTERS

MANCHESTER, AUGUST 26

CENTURIES BY England skipper Ben Stokes and Ben Foakes gave the hosts a commanding first innings lead after they declared at 415 for nine, with South Africa trailing by 241 runs at the close on the second day of the second test on Friday

The tourists, who lead the three-match series 1-0, reached 23 without loss in their second innings with Sarel Erwee on 12 and Dean Elgar on 11 but they face a tough task as the Old Trafford pitch favours seamers and spinners. Stokes and wicketkeeper-batsman Foakes had put on a 173-run partnership for the sixth wicket after South African quick Anrich Nortje struck twice to remove England's overnight batsmen during an outstanding opening spell in the morning session.

Jonny Bairstow fell one run short of his half century, with Nortje adding reverse swing to his top pace and the Yorkshireman edging to Erwee at first slip.

Another fine delivery ended the solid contribution of 38 from under-scrutiny England opening batsman Zak Crawley, with Nortje's perfect line inducing an edge to keeper Kyle Verreynne.

That meant England were on 147-5, still four runs behind South Africa's first innings total. But Stokes and Foakes then batted positively before lunch to begin building the lead.Stokes showed his intent by hitting spinner Simon Harmer over mid-wicket for six, while Keshav Maharaj had an Ibw decision against Foakes go in his favour only for it to be overturned on review.After lunch Stokes brought up his half-century by hitting Simon Harmer over mid-on onto the England dressing room balcony but he kept his aggression in check for most of his innings.

Stokes accelerated to his 12th test ton, reaching the landmark in 158 balls, before he found the leading edge off Kagiso Rabada and was caught by Elgar at cover. There were cameos from Stuart Broad (21), Ollie Robinson (17) and Jack Leach (11) but Foakes ended unbeaten on 113 after his second career test century and his first on home soil

On Thursday, after being bundled out for 151, South Africa had given themselves a glimmer of hope by taking three England wickets, including that of the prolific Joe Root.England, who had won the first four Tests of their international summer against New Zealand and India, had suffered their first setback of the Ben Stokes-Brendon McCullum dispensation with an innings defeat inside three days at Lord's.

Brief Score: SA 151 & 23/0 vs England 415/9 decl (Ben Foakes 113 not out, Ben Stokes 103; Anrich Nortje 3/82).



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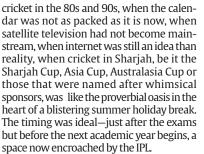
SANDIP G DUBAI, AUGUST 26

IT TAKES barely an hour from Dubai, even during peak traffic along the Sheikh Mohammed Bin Zayed Road, to reach Sharjah. Thousands commute on this route that connects the offbeat brother next door that's Sharjah to the slick metropolis that is Dubai. Sharjah exists in the past—the state's ruler has meticulously preserved the remnants of the old port city; Dubai throbs in the future, like the skyscrapers that pierces its skies. Sharjah is laid-back: a dry state, with strict sharia laws and vigour for arts and galleries thanks to the state's heiress; Dubai is bustling, its ambition matched only by its ceaseless quest to become the perfect globalised city-state in the world.

Metaphorically, thus, the distance is more than the 39 kilometres that geographically distances them. The cites, two of the venues of the Asia Cup, evoke distinct feelings in the subcontinent's cricket consciousness too. Shariah is no longer the premium cricket stadium of the Emirates, matches stopping by rarely, more out of a homage to its past magnificence than a reflection of its present insignificance. Abu Dhabi and Dubai, more so the latter, are the shining beacons of Emirates cricket. In reality, both have been revelling in this status for the best part of the last two decades. Sharjah, its cricketing glory long departed, is more like a forgotten venue that suddenly leaps into the calendar during a multi-team tournament or a domestic league, just because there are not enough stadiums to accommodate the games in the country.

The schedule for this Asia Cup aptly portrays the disparity-Dubai hosts all the headline games, from the India-Pakistan league game to the final, besides five of the six superfour games. India are not scheduled to play any game at this venue of multiple heartbreaks and immortal triumphs; Pakistan would encounter a qualifier, and Sri Lanka face-off Bangladesh.

But for most of the audience, cricket in the Emirates means just one place: Sharjah. More so for those who grew up watching



No other cricket venue has hosted as many limited-overs games as Sharjah has; 240

ODIs and 25 T20Is. (R) Suryakumar Yadav during a training session. Sportzpics/BCCI

The venue evokes a blizzard of nostalgia like few others in the world, a thread of romance few others could whip up. The sights and sound were unique-blazing sunshine that made bright hues appear brighter, broad smiles that adorned the faces of ten thousands who braved the heat to cheer their teams, those rare spotting of actors and underworld dons, adding to the allure and intrigue, the hyper-excited commentary of Tony Greig, or the sardonic wit of Geoffrey Boycott or the very embodiment of a English uncle in Henry 'earrings' Blofeld.

As was the multitude of varying emotions it has generated, or those that it still generates. It could be that no other venue has hosted as many limited-overs games as Sharjah has-240 ODIs and 25 T20Is that it is automatically bound to produce so many wide-ranging emotions and gifted several unforgettable matches, moments and individual performances. But still, few other venues could match its range or the penchant

for drama and theatre. Be it the sheer rapture of Sachin Tendulkar desert-storming Australia, or the haunting agony of Javed Miandad despatching Chetan Sharma's last into the stands for a last-ball heist, or the anger that Aaqib Javed fuelled when he took a controversial hat-trick, or the brutal splendour of a Sanath Jayasuriya carnage or the marvel of Wasim Akram spell.

ASIA CUP: AUG 27 TO SEPT 11

A tale of two desert cities

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The heyday of Asian cricket unfolded in Sharjah-the city has seen the best Asian cricket had to offer in white-ball cricket—back in the day when India, Pakistan and Sri Lanka were all more or less equal forces and Bangladesh was a surging force. The gulf is wider this time in the Gulf-Pakistan and India are evenly matched, at least in personnel, but Sri Lanka are in transition, Bangladesh have flat-lined and Afghanistan are struggling to make the next leap. Shariah would have to contend with the lower rung of the Asian teams. The disparity is as wide as the cultures of Sharjah and Dubai, or how the cities exist in the consciousness of the cricket audience. Dubai inhabits the opposite spectrum-

the pragmatic other of Sharjah, a city that is perennially hurtling towards the future. There is no time for nostalgia or sentiments, but rather purpose and business. Unlike the Sharjah stadium, which had just a concrete block and a couple of tents with the grass playing area leased from the local football club when it started hosting international games, the Dubai stadium was born ready, an ultra-modern stadium with world-class



amenities, perched at the heart of the four billion dollars Sports City Complex, a shrine to the sporting pilgrimage that has a 60,000seat main multi-purpose stadium, a 25,000capacity cricket ground, a 10,000-seat indoor arena and 5,000-seat hockey venue, apart from sporting academies run by Manchester United and golf coach Butch Harmon and a sport-themed shopping mall.

Like a chain of expensive hotel, it's ready all the time. Just book, check in and when the engagement is over, check out. It grants refuge to all, like it has to several migrants across the subcontinent for decades. For 13 years, it was home for Pakistan cricket. Its talisman Babar Azam has played more international games in Dubai than anywhere else. For IPL, it has been the go-to venue in times of distress, come polls or pandemic. For English and Australia teams touring the subcontinent, it has been the acclimatisation chamber. There are all types of surfaceshundreds of tons of soil have been imported from England, Australia and Pakistan so cricket teams can practise playing on foreign surfaces.

But for Indian cricket fans, Dubai ushers in a certain coldness, an unfamiliarity even (India have played just 6 Odis and five T20s). There is no Sharjah-like warmth, or memories or moments, or nostalgia and sentiments, that burst forth like a water balloon pricked, but just an endless stretch of concrete wasteland, the emotional distance longer than it takes you to drive from Dubai to Sharjah.

India, Pak could face off three times in Asia Cup

AN INDIA-PAKISTAN encounter is the most-talked-about contest in any big cricket tournament, let alone the Asia Cup which is often a low-profile event otherwise.

And the organisers of the Asia Cup have made every attempt to cash on the eyeballs and the passion this match-up generates. If everything goes according to (their) plan, India and Pakistan can end up playing each other as many as three times over the next fortnight.

Even the International Cricket Council keeps India and Pakistan in the same pool at big events to ensure there's a match between them early in the competition. And that's what will happen on Sunday in Dubai.

With Hong Kong the third team in their pool, there's every likelihood of India and Pakistan making it to the Super Fours where every team plays the other three.

And if the two teams end up being the top two in the Super Fours, they will clash in the final as well, a lucrative scenario for organisers and a mouth-watering one for fans. ENS

SCHEDULE

AUG 27: Afg vs SL, Dubai AUG 28: Ind vs Pak, Dubai AUG 30: Afg vs Ban, Sharjah AUG 31: Ind vs HKG, Dubai SEPT 1: Ban vs SL, Dubai **SEPT 2**: Pak vs HKG, Sharjah FOLLOWED BY SUPER 4 GAMES

Wasim ruled out

Karachi: Pakistan suffered another setback on the eve of the Asia Cup when young pace bowler, Mohammad Wasim junior, was also ruled out of the tournament with a left side strain. The Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) confirmed that Hasan Ali who was dropped for the continental tournament because of indifferent form has been named as replacement for Wasim junior. PTI

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis **CROSSWORD 4831 DAY TODAY BY PETER VIDAL** THINK AND FOR PERSON ON SIGN A EARTH WHO HAS ABSOLUTELY NO BUSINESS BUYING ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20) LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23) RKET HAS The air seems to be thick with volatile You have learned to turn the spotlight on STOCKS IS BUYING STOCKS! to areas of your life feelings, so please understand that which have been ignored for far too long. The personal situations are still 0 subject to sudden changes best way to achieve the contentment you deserve is to



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| 8 | Council saying evil is peculiar? | 3 | They meet in the centre of the ring (5) |
| 9 | Stop with the Spanish officer | 4 | A metal machine operator in America perhaps |
| 10 | Accurately defined new | | (6) |
| | recipes(7) | 5 | She's no hard leftist |
| 11 | Music for a man to perform | | (7) |
| | (5) | 6 | Dispute arrest |
| 12 | Having the edge? (6) | | (32) |

7 He contributes to the liquid 14 Trouble with a colour that's much admired (6) assets of a bank

(5,5)

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18 Play pluckily(5)

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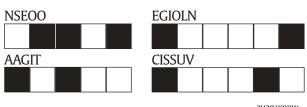
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Solutions Crossword 4830: Across: 1 Sleigh, 4 Simple, 9 Madonna, 10 Earns, 11 Earth, 12 III will, 13 Part company, 18 Proverb, 20 Relic, 22 Layer, 23 Average, 24 Sheath, 25 Stasis. **Down**: 1 Samuel, 2 Eider, 3 Gunshot, 5 Ideal, 6 Portion, 7 Easily, 8 Haricot bean, 14 Anodyne, 15 Perfect, 16 Spills, 17 Screws, 19 Egret, 21 Loads.

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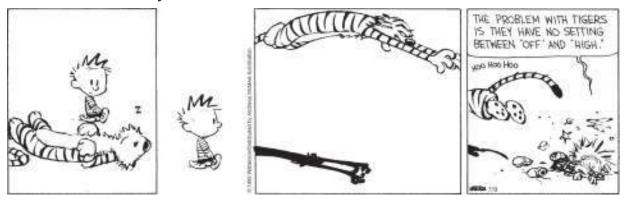
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Milton Berle Answer: If evolution really works, how come mothers only have two hands? SOLUTION: NOOSE, TAICA, LECION, VISCUS



CALVIN & HOBBES by Bill Watterson



MARVIN by Tom Armstrong







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Within a few days, events may come to an unexpected halt. When this happens, please don't let your confidence suffer.

TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21) Faureans who are

travelling can afford to thank their foresight, mainly because the best possibilities seem to lie far from home. All intimate and romantic plans will be subject to sudden change, unless each and every detail has been worked out.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21) Once again it's your financial situation which is at issue. Given that major questions have been answered, today is the ideal moment for an outrageous shopping spree. There's nothing

You need to take a little time to protect yourself and ensure that others are in no position to undermine your self-confidence. If they should try, see that they don't succeed. Aside from such questions, your social stars are certainly promising.

CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)

I'd like to say that all the uncertainty and

confusion of the past

is at an end, but I

planetary positions can't - not just yet. However, if only you could alter your attitudes you would see just how well off you really are. It's quite possible that change is for the good, and that a small loss now paves the way for a big gain later on.

LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)

major ambition.

There's a cosmic drama taking place involving a whole set of planets, one which reflects an inner dilemma in your own existence.

Beneath all the flotsam and jetsam of daily life lies a whole level of hope, certainty and determination to succeed in a

VIRGO (Aug 24 - Sep 23)

Financial costs are a minor consideration. Much more important is your social life, including relations with lovers, children and completely new friends. Not everyone has been kind to you, but perhaps they were under

most of it and put your feet up? PISCES (Feb 20 - Mar 20) Even though financial stars are now less significant than before, you

must try and look ahead because innovative schemes could well prove to be moneyspinners. In finance, as in love, long-term bets are best. You should also take apparently wonderful promises with a pinch of salt.

are still using finances as a lever, both to push yourself forward and to assist others. Today. though, generous gestures may conflict with the basic feeling that your interests must come first. SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22)

diversify your activities and

broaden your interests. You

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)

You have various

methods by which you can achieve your

personal goals, You

as well.

have assets and talents which other people could benefit from

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)

Hopefully you've got

sufficient credit.

to do but spend, spend, spend.

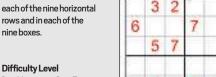
The current strident will have a considerable impact on your personal affairs over the months to come. You are about to be thrust into the limelight, mainly because other people will be appealing for your help. Go ahead and do what you know to be right.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21- Feb 19) The Moon is in a friendly sector of your chart, indicating that yours is one of that group of signs

sharing welcome emotional influences. Yet you may have to take second place just for a while, as partners hog the limelight. Why not make the

pressures of their own. Take your pleasures gladly and try something new.

New Delhi



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Mettle proven, medal guaranteed

India's doubles pair of Rankiredy-Shetty continue its dream run, ensuring a first-ever Men's Doubles World Medal for India

SHIVANI NAIK AUGUST 26

MAKING THE reigning World Champions look pretty pedestrian playing at home when defending their title, would count as one of the lesser gloats for Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty after their sensational 24-22, 15-21, 21-14 victory over Japan's Takuro Hoki - Yugo Kobayashi.

Ensuring a first-ever Men's Doubles World Medal for India, and importantly for themselves, is, of course, the bigger boast.

Hoki-Kobayashi also had silver from the 2019 edition at Basel, and had emerged from the pandemic isolation in the 2021 season with four titles from five finals, plus the World's gold. They didn't make Japan's contention for the Olympics, which the home shuttlers spectacularly botched, and had just the Malaysia title in 2022. But seeded second, and with a blitzy game with reliable defense to their credit, the duo had started as favourites in the guarterfinal going for their third World's medal

Yet, in what evokes memories of India's Summer slam of badminton, the Thomas Cup triumph, Satwik-Chirag have raised hopes of going the distance at the Tokyo edition, with this win over the World No 2. Shetty reckoned the Thomas Cup title - where the doubles success was pivotal to wins - still sits a little higher than Friday's win. But should the individual World title come their way, it will count as equal to the dream team triumph.

Satwik-Chirag's success comes from their insatiable appetite to prove they are amongst the world's best after a few seasons of dawdling in the Top 10, when they ran the biggest names close. Then they wanted to be that big name themselves. So, in rolled the ambitious 2022 season where the India Open title didn't mean that the Thomas Cup was a step too far. Where the Thomas Cup miracle marvel didn't imply the Commonwealth Games couldn't be won. And where the CWG triumph was no excuse to not peak for the World's. The 2022 summer came as a package



Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty after their 24-22, 15-21, 21-14 victory over Japan's Takuro Hoki - Yugo Kobayashi.

- the duo wanted to win everything, polish off the buffet. Hoki-Kobayashi stood no chance in the decider, given how at home the Indians felt in Tokyo, where they had missed out at the Olympics despite playing like the op names, even beating the best.

And so when the Friday sun rose in Tokyo, the Indians couldn't wait to turn up and push out the home hopes. Satwik was eager as ever to scalp the bigger name. But it was in Chirag Shetty's uncharacteristic calm that India found its winning totem, the centred axis. Chirag believed this Japanese pairing was beatable. Such instincts are based not on rankings, but a thorough homework of playing styles and conditions. India's super-smart coach Mathias Boe, who broke down several Asian pairs with his astute analysis as a player, had pinpoint instructions. Keeping the Japanese mobile and busy and not affording them an inkling of the shuttle trajectory with nice loopy puzzles was the plan. Like a thermostat regulates heat, the Indians kept a check on the pace. Placement got them points and a 11-5 lead in the opener as the poking Hoki was harried and hassled kept occupied in pursuit.

Then, the Indians got drawn into flatter, faster exchanges - never a good omen as with the tables turned, errors came in a heap. Twice, the returns went long and twice the smashes crashed into the net, a sign of being jostled. The Japanese levelled at 14-all.

Then came the moment of magic. Satwik snapped his strings and hopped out to pick a new racquet. Chirag was in the zone by then at 18-17, and sent back two on either flank, allowed the returning Satwik to give those new strings a thwack, and then finished off with a

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flying sideways cross for 19-17. Still, the Japanese resistance was only just needled into action, so they levelled at 19-all.

Amidst wondering how Chirag was keeping it together so coolly, Satwik erred in the net.19-20. Chirag had his back, troubleshooting with a steep dunk knowing the flat exchange baiting by Japanese was well and truly done. 20-all. Chirag would bring his share of error at 22-all. He would make amends himself with another downer from midcourt before celebrating with an angry yelp as the next

The roar was premature, and a mistake of blood-rushing proportions. So buzzed were the Indians and so convinced was Chirag that more of the "neeche maar" would tug away the second set for them, they got carried away and dragged into a decider after the Japanese won from the worser side, 21-15. Hoki had more decibels, Kobayashi the more pertinent footfalls - arching defense and sturdy defense on court. It's in the decider that the Indians took anything the Japanese would do, out of the equation. The Indians who are comfortable at the slow shuttle Western express highway pace of shuttle traffic - it moves, but don't count how long you stare at a passing hoarding ever in Bombay - hit the liberating sea-link, with a minimum speed limit enforced.

Upping their aggression, with Chirag now as proactive as he stayed poised, the Indians had yet another 11-5 lead. Uncluttered through Boe's gameplans that saw them begin to bully the Japanese now, the two kept the shuttle discipline - hands held high to

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catch the shuttle early, and the bird sent right down promptly to avoid any parallel game hysterics. The Japanese never led, never recovered, and peacefully seemed to be handing over the crown for keepsakes, hopefully for a Sunday coronation.

The Chirag leap of faith

The story goes that on a vacation at Mangalore with his family, Shetty got a call from his Mumbai coach Uday Pawar that the then All England champ Mathias Boe was in town, and he could maybe spar with the Danish Olympic medallist. Chirag, then 15, took a late bus out of the seaside city alone and turned up for practice at the Goregaon Sports Club. That was the first time Chirag Shetty took charge of his career.

Over the years, the soft-spoken man has prevailed in convincing administrators that Boe ought to work longer with the Indians. During Covid lockdowns, the local ward office and police station got a request to allow Shetty to train at Goregaon stadium.

Noone opposed it, but Shetty's restlessness to get on with training had impressed the stunned officials. Some of his biggest disappointments, Chirag has nursed himself back to feeling normal by immersing in practice and urged by his father to become more decisive. 'How else do you learn?" his dad says recalling that bus ride decision.

He's worked on crouching lower at the net to improve his game, and erase predictability of the combine by adding variations with his swivel serve and racquethead angles, even as Satwik's intuitive calm bearing steered them forward in early years. What was a smart, tall, aggressive pairing has taken a year to turn intimidating.

It's come from his implicit belief in Boe who he knows has won at the highest level, and can do the backroom abacus for the pair to execute on the shop floor. With the Thomas Cup came the fearlessness and a self-belief that will be hard to put down by just wearing a badge of world ranking. Satwik-Chirag covet Top 3 position. After Friday's result they look like they are playing like one.

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Chopra wins Diamond League, books final berth

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE NEW DELHI, AUGUST 26

Olympic champion and World Championships silver medallist Neeraj Chopra returned to com-

petition in style by winning the Lausanne Diamond League. He also sealed his spot in the Diamond League final to be held in Zurich in the first week of



September. Friday was the first time Chopra finished first in a Diamond League event and he will now get a chance to be a Diamond League champion in the javelin throw.

Chopra's first attempt of 89.09 metres, his third-best throw ever, earned him 8 points for finishing first. In total, Chopra - who participated in two Diamond Leagues (four events had the javelin throw) - stayed in fourth place with 15 points. The top six athletes qualify for the final.

Chopra's second attempt was 85.18 metres after which he fouled his third, fourth and fifth attempts. In his final throw, Chopra produced 80.04 metres.

But by then, he had sealed his spot in the finals. Chopra has been targeting the 90-metre mark and it could be just a matter of time before he achieves the target. The final in Zurich will provide him one last opportunity this year after which he will likely end his season.

Chopra had skipped the Commonwealth Games after suffering a groin strain in his fourth throw at the World Championships. But his opening throw in Lausanne showed that he was close to his best on return. Chopra's national record stands at 89.94 metres which he registered at the Stockholm Diamond League. The Diamond League events have no medals and athletes are given points based on where they finish. Czech Republic's Jakub Vadlejch, who was leading the points table with 20 before Lausanne, didn't have a great outing. His best throw on the day was 84.56 metres.

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Despite 0-5 record, Indians upbeat

SHIVANI NAIK AUGUST 26

THE REASON why Indian badminton circles are buzzing with a whiff of a World title final this weekend, is how Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty have warmed up to Tokyo. The remarkable Indians, only just hitting their prime, have actually lost five times to Malaysian semifinal opponents Aaron Chia and Soh Wooi-Yik, without ever winning any match in return. But a combination of prevailing conditions - slow-ish shuttles and the Malaysians' own demons associated with semifinals have led to the bubbling belief that Saturday could be the much-anticipated re-

with a formidable defence. In short, the Malaysians like to rush their opponents, crowd them with speed. The laidback shuttle - though Friday got faster on the middle two courts - aids the Indian game better, based as it is on strokes - angles, length, variations, the works - rather than raining down smashes.

The Indian defence isn't too shabby, but the slower conditions will give them that extra second to get composed and react as the shuttle travels back a little less like a rocket. It opens up the game for the Indians, who dictated play in totality in the decider on Friday against the Japanese defending champions similarly blitzy.

So, while the Malaysians can't help hunting the shuttle, to smother it, Indians will

tional weakness of having never gone onto seal a big title, despite hitting the high notes in 2018. To be sure, Aaron-Soh are Tokyo Olympics bronze medallists. But they spectacularly faltered in the CWG individual semis, settling for bronze to great rancour back home, and don a millstone of botched five semis in tournaments this year. They are yet to win an Open title, and it's an area where Satwik-Chirag hold the edge - they embrace the big fight, and have a mean smashing game to kill off shuttles and not crumble under the weight of expectations.

The Malaysians had spoken earlier of a poor start to the Worlds and adjustment woes, looking to go back to simpler times of the 2018 Nanjing Worlds when they weren't

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winner, gave them the lead.

versal. A turnaround where not only do Satwik-Chirag upturn the 0-5 head-to-head score, but also avenge their defeat in the team event at the Commonwealth Games. But also where Indian doubles itself takes off into the stratosphere, which can only happen with a World title final.

Satwik-Chirag are Thomas Cup champions, they've won a bit on the circuit too. But singles triumphs routinely overshadow their pathbreaking achievements, be it CWG gold or India Open title. They are adored by India's badminton faithful for their talent and exciting style of play. At the Worlds, they are craving the sort of magical reverence Leander Paes-Mahesh Bhupathi achieved in 1999 - by winning the biggest summer titles of tennis at the French Open and Wimbledon.

Satwik pioneered a piggyback, instead of Indian tennis' chest bump, when the medal was assured. But now, the shuttle duo needs a date with the Sunday final. And a scythe at the 0-5 unflattering history.

So, here's how it might actually happen. Aaron-Soh have a fast-paced, power game

work the bird with this luxury of micro-seconds in defence, and variety in their own attacking options. Chirag would do well to recall the loss against the same Malavsians at the CWG, where he allowed excitable nerves to be seduced into trying to out-hit the hithappy Aaron-Soh. To his credit, Chirag checked himself immediately, cut down on erratic striking for cheap points and has been a picture of calm at Tokyo. He's trusted Satwik to hold his end of the bargain, not been impatient, and done more than the heavy lifting in defence. "If opponents see that Indians are enjoying themselves, then half their fight will be broken," reckons India's doubles Olympian Sumeeth Reddy, who senses a chunky medal coming the doubles way, better than the assured bronze. "Their confidence makes them

very intimidating to face," he notes. Cause for optimism

What's perhaps got Indians rubbing hands in anticipation is how the Indians stack up against Aaron-Soh in big occasion matches. The Malaysian long yearning for a title in singles continues. But Aaron-Soh carry an addi-

coming undone under pressure of getting Malaysia its ever-elusive medal. Badminton's like Indian cricket in Malaysia, and the questions on their temperament have hounded them all the way, though they looked calm in their commanding win against the Koreans in the quarters. "That Malaysian mental block makes it interesting," Reddy says. Think South Africa and World Cup semis, that's how dire the burden has become for the Malavsians. The Indians have been relentless - not con-

tent with semis; they have voiced their appetite for gold. The Thomas Cup set high standards where a bronze - even their maiden one - might not satiate them enough. "Satwik and Chirag are great unassuming guys. They'll put their heads down and work towards the bigger medal," Reddy assures.

India's former Malaysian and Indonesian coaches put Satwik-Chirag through some pretty disciplined physical workouts, and the duo factored in the peaking for the Worlds even as they were playing easier matches for the CWG gold. Knowing that the bigger gold was three weeks away was the key.

FIFA lifts ban on AIFF, decks cleared for hosting women's U-17 World Cup

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THE WORLD football's governing body Fifa has lifted the ban on the All India Football Federation (AIFF), paving the way for India hosting the U-17 Women's World Cup in October. Fifa had earlier suspended the AIFF, citing third-party interference and putting the Women's World Cup on hold.

"The Bureau of the FIFA Council has decided to lift the suspension that was imposed on the All India Football Federation (AIFF) due to undue third-party influence," the game's governing body stated in a press release on Friday.

It added: "As a consequence, the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2022[™] scheduled to take place on 11-30 October 2022 will be held in India as planned."

The decision to lift the ban came on the heels of the Supreme Court of India disband-

ing the Committee of Administrators (CoA), the appointment of which by the court was construed as a third-party interference by Fifa. The Fifa statute allows only elected administrations to govern the game.

The Supreme Court had appointed a three-member CoA after removing Praful Patel as the AIFF president on May 18, for not holding elections due in December 2020.

On August 15, Fifa suspended AIFF. On August 22, the Supreme Court terminated the CoA, handing over the Federation's dayto-day affairs to its acting secretary general Sunanda Dhar.

'The day-to-day management of the AIFF shall be looked after by the AIFF administration led by the Acting Secretary General exclusively, resulting in the termination of the mandate of the CoA appointed by the Supreme Court," stated the court order.

On Friday, Fifa said: "The decision was taken after FIFA received confirmation that the mandate of the committee of adminis-

trators that was set up to assume the powers of the AIFF Executive Committee had been terminated and that the AIFF administration had regained full control of the AIFF's daily affairs. FIFA and the AFC will continue to monitor the situation and will support the AIFF in organising its elections in a timely manner.'

Asked about this, former India captain Bhaskar Ganguly, a member of the erstwhile CoA, told The Indian Express: "It's still not clear to me why the ban was imposed and why it has been lifted now. Maybe, you have to read between the lines. We drafted the new AIFF constitution as per the National Sports Development Code and our aim always was to hold the elections at the soonest. By the way, when Fifa had launched the tickets for the Women's U-17 World Cup, the AIFF was under the CoA. Anyway, as a former footballer, I'm only concerned about the development of Indian football."

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