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## Death halts tigers' translocation

Upset at newly-shifted big cat's death by poaching, NTCA reviews safety in tiger reserve

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

The ambitious project to repopulate Odisha's Satkosia Tiger Reserve by translocating big cats from outside the State has gone haywire after one of the relocated tigers died, most probably due to poaching, while the other, a Royal Bengal tigress, has been kept in captivity following public outrage that it killed two people.

Unhappy at the State Government's failure to protect the big cats and sensitise the community towards wildlife, the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has now kept the translocation plan in abeyance till the "environment becomes conducive for the big cats" in the tiger reserve spread over four districts — Angul, Cuttack, Nayagarh and Boudh.

NTCA ADG Anup Nayak told *The Pioneer*, "Following the mishapening at the reserve we are reviewing the safety situation in the tiger reserve. We cannot allow the big cats to be translocated from other States and meet the fatal end."

"The death of the male tiger shows that sufficient steps were not taken to protect the animal. Also, the State Government must answer why the tigress had strayed outside the forest even though she was under constant observation of the forest officials."

The tigress had to be tranquillised and kept in a zoo after the villagers in the vicinity alleged that she had maulled

locals and their cattle. Nayak said there are reports that the move to bring the big cats has met with violent protests from members of local communities on the outskirts of the reserve as they apprehend their safety and that of their livestock.

The body of MB2, the male big cat which was shifted from Madhya Pradesh's Kanha tiger reserve in June this year, was found in Raiguda range on Hindol-Narsinghpur border — the core area of Satkosia Tiger Reserve (STR) in Angul district a few days ago.

Nayak said the exact reason of radio-collared MB2's death is yet to be ascertained, but preliminary report suggests that it could have died of infections after it was caught in a snare trap laid by poachers.

The body was found by officials who were searching for MB2 after there were no signals from his radio collar for days. The tiger's death came just a few weeks after the tigress which was brought from Bandhavgarh Tiger reserve in MP in August was tranquillised and kept under observation in an enclosure. This was after villagers in the vicinity of the reserve alleged that she had killed two persons.

The tigers' fate has put a question mark on the NTCA plan to translocate three pairs of tigers from Madhya Pradesh to Odisha. This was the first ever inter-state tiger translocation in India. So far the tigers have been shifted from one reserve to another within

the State itself, like for instance in Rajasthan where big cats were translocated from Ranthambore tiger reserve to Sariska tiger reserve.

Odisha has three tiger reserve — Satkosia, Sunabeda and Simlipal. According to the 2016 tiger census, Odisha has 40 Royal Bengal Tigers — 13 males, 24 females and three calves. The relocation is part of a tiger recovery programme to shore up the floundering population of tigers in Satkosia where tigers vanished due to biotic pressure.

Conservationist Biswajit Mohanty, who had been opposing the relocation plan since beginning, feel it is bound to happen as though the poor prey base in Satkosia has shown a recovery in the core area, it is not enough to sustain a significant tiger population.

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Carcass of tiger MB2 inside Satkosia Tiger Reserve

## 3 tiger cubs mowed down by train in Chandrapur

PTI ■ NAGPUR

Three tiger cubs were found killed after being hit by a train in Maharashtra's Chandrapur district on Thursday, officials said.

Chief Conservator of Forests SV Ramarao said while two cubs were found dead in the morning, another dead tiger cub was found half a kilometre away in the evening. The cubs, around six

months old, were apparently hit by Balharshah-Gondia train between Chandrapur and Nagbhid stations around 7.30 am, said Rishikesh Ranjan, general manager of the State-run Forest Development Corporation of Maharashtra.

Pug marks of a tigress, which could be the cubs' mother, were found in the vicinity, said Ramarao.

## Cubs of murdered Avni spotted alive in Maharashtra forest

AGENCIES ■ NEW DELHI

The orphaned cubs of a man-eating tiger Avni killed in a State-sanctioned hunt have been spotted in a forest in Maharashtra and could be rescued and rehabilitated, officials said on Thursday.

The mother was shot dead in early November after being accused of killing more than a

dozen villagers, capping off one of the country's most high-profile tiger hunts and angering conservation activists.

The months-long search deployed 200 hunters using paragliders, infrared cameras, sharpshooters on elephant back, and even Calvin Klein fragrance to lure the big cat.

Maharashtra forestry department's AK Mishra said the cubs are "healthy and are surviving".

## CAPSULE

### EC REMOVES MIZORAM CEO AFTER PROTESTS

New Delhi: Accepting the demand of some civil society groups, the Election Commission on Thursday removed SB Shashank as chief electoral officer of poll-bound Mizoram and appointed IAS officer Ashish Kundra in his place. P5

### 'SUPER-EARTH' FOUND ORBITING A STAR

London: Astronomers have discovered a frozen 'super Earth' orbiting the closest solitary star to the Sun, a breakthrough that could shine light on our nearest planetary neighbours. P12

### DELHI AIR QUALITY IMPROVES AFTER RAIN

New Delhi: Delhi's air quality fell in the 'poor' category improving slightly from severe on Thursday as light showers brought down the pollution level slightly, authorities said. The overall air quality index was recorded in poor category, according to Central Pollution Control Authority (CPCB) data. P3

### KHAFSHOGI MURDER: 5 OFFICIALS FACE DEATH

Riyadh: Five Saudi officials face the death penalty for the murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi, who was dismembered inside the kingdom's Istanbul consulate, but Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman was not involved, the prosecutor said on Thursday. P12

## Wages of sin: Fashion designer killed by staffer Tailor and two accomplices surrender at police station at night

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Annoyed at unpaid wages, three men allegedly killed a fashion designer and her domestic help in South Delhi's Vasant Kunj Enclave on Wednesday night. After murdering her and her servant, they ransacked the entire house and looted cash and jewellery, and fled the spot. However, around 2.45am they themselves went to Vasant Kunj South police station to surrender. They reportedly told the police that they feared that the police will trouble their family if they ran away.

They confessed to their crime and told the police that the bodies were lying in a flat of Vasant Enclave, following which officials rushed to the spot to verify the details.

Police recovered the bodies of 53-year-old Maya Lakhani, who ran a boutique called Tulsii Creations in Green Park, and her domestic help, 50-year-old Bahadur, a Nepalese national, with multiple stab wounds in the bungalow. The bodies were lying in a pool of blood.

"The accused looted jewellery and ransacked the house after killing the two. It is estimated that the incident took



Three accused Rahul Anwar (24), Rahmat (24) and his friend Wasim (25) arrested in connection with the killing of fashion designer Maya Lakhani (inset) at Vasant Kunj on Thursday

place between 10 pm and 11.30 pm on Wednesday," Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) Southwest district Devendra Arya said. Identified as Rahul Anwar (24), the master tailor who worked with Lakhani, his cousin Rahmat (24) and his friend Wasim (25) have been arrested for murders, said Arya.

The tailor, with the help of two of his relatives, killed Lakhani as she had not cleared his dues. When she cried for help, her servant came to her rescue but he too was stabbed to death.

"One of the accused Rahul Anwar was working as a tailor at the deceased fashion design-

er's workshop and was staying in her home for the last three years. He committed the crime with two of his relatives in an attempt to loot," Joint CP Ajay Chaudhary said.

A case has been registered and the three accused have been arrested, the DCP added. Continued on Page 4

## Suspended by ABVP on fake degree, Ankiv quits as DUSU chief

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi University Students' Union (DUSU) president Ankiv Baisoya on Thursday tendered his resignation from the post on the advice of the Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), which suspended him from the organisation over his fake degree controversy.

The ABVP has suspended Baisoya from the organisation till enquiry in the "fake degree case" is complete. The rival National Students' Union of India has criticised the ABVP claiming that the decision was taken under pressure ahead of the High Court hearing.

After Baisoya's election as the DUSU president, the Opposition party claimed that he submitted a fake bachelor's degree to fight elections.

"The moment ABVP won DUSU elections by 3:1, NSUI and other student organisations started raising questions on the authenticity of Baisoya's previous degree and his admission to the DU. Keeping in mind students' struggle, emotions and expectations and in order



to maintain the genuineness, the ABVP asked Baisoya to resign from his post and also removed him from all the responsibilities of the organisation till DU completes its verification process," said ABVP spokesperson Monika Chaudhary.

The High Court is hearing the case on a plea of NSUI student leader Sunny Chillar, who has sought from the court that Baisoya's election be set aside after news reports said the registrar of Thiruvalluvar University had "unambiguously and unequivocally" declared Baisoya's certificate "fake and forged".

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## Fadnavis calls for celebration after receiving report on Maratha quota

PNS ■ MUMBAI

A head of a fresh round of agitation threatened by the Maratha Kranti Morcha from November 25 to demand reservations for their community members, Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Thursday indicated that his Government would come out with a formal announcement about reservations for Marathas in Government jobs and educational institutions on December 1.

"I request all of you to prepare yourselves for celebrations on December 1," Fadnavis said, while addressing a public rally at Ahmednagar in western Maharashtra.

Fadnavis' announcement came hours after Maharashtra State Backward Class Commission (MSBCC) member-secretary DD Deshmukh submitted the Commission's voluminous report on the socio-economic status of the Marathas to State Chief Secretary DK Jain.

On August 7, the Bombay High Court had set November 15 as deadline for MSBCC to submit its report to it. Detailed report on P7

## Bengal BJP urges Shah to subdue NRC rhetoric

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

Weeks after senior BJP leaders demanded an Assam-like National Register for Citizens (NRC) in Bengal and in the wake of an intensified political campaign by Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee highlighting the anti-Bengali venom that laces the NRC regime, the State BJP unit has asked its national leadership to tone down the NRC rhetoric, at least till the next year's general elections, sources say.

According to inside sources, the State BJP has written to party president Amit Shah to go slow on NRC as the idea was creating large-scale apprehensions among the people. In fact, State BJP president



Dilip Ghosh on Thursday clearly said the State leadership was more in favour of the Citizenship Bill than the NRC. "I think once the Citizenship Bill is tabled and enacted, the NRC will not be required because that will provide enough evidence of a person's citizenship credentials," Ghosh said. Continued on Page 4

## K'taka jumps on statue bandwagon for Mother Cauvery

₹1,200 crore 125-foot statue of Goddess Cauvery aimed to boost tourism in State

KESTUR VASUKI ■ BENGALURU

The politics of statue has infected Karnataka as the JD(S)-Congress coalition Government is mulling a proposal to build 125-foot high statue of Mother Cauvery at world famous Brindavan Gardens, adjoining the Krishna Raja Sagara (KRS) that too will be developed on the lines of Disney land.

The whopping ₹1,200 crore project includes increasing the height of the KRS dam to around a 12-storey building, while the Goddess Cauvery will stand atop a museum complex on the "amusement park" spread in 300-400 acres.

However, the State Government will not spend any money on the public-private partnership project and the cost would be borne by the construction company.

According to Water Resources Minister DK Shivakumar, the proposal was tabled in the Assembly during the Budget Session and was passed in the Budget Bill. On Wednesday Shivakumar along with Tourism Minister SaRa Mahesh held a meeting with officials from the water resources and the tourism departments to discuss the blueprint. A certain fixed amount will be paid to the Government on yearly basis as



revenue generated from the earning from tourists. Shivakumar said, "It is not a statue per se, it is an amusement park. We want to showcase the heritage and culture of

Mysore to rest of the country. It is still in planning stage and features can be changed." The BJP criticised the Government for calling it an amusement park. BJP

their duplicity is seen, hypocrisy is in their DNA." At present, the Government earns ₹6 crore from the KRS dam annually. After development, the income may rise up to ₹300 crore, and the State Government's share will be ₹30 crore a year.

Chief Minister HD Kumaraswamy in his first-ever Budget presented on July 5 had proposed to bring back the grandeur of Brindavan Gardens and KRS dam by developing it on the model of America's Disneyland with public-private participation. Global industrialists are eager to invest in the project, Kumaraswamy, who also holds Finance portfolio, had said in his Budget speech, while providing ₹5 crore to prepare the detailed project report.

# SUV spins out of control: Girl dies, 8 injured

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In an accident that shocked the national Capital on Wednesday, a 16-year-old girl died and eight other persons were injured when a 65-year-old retired professor from Hansraj College of Delhi University reportedly lost control and his Fortuner car rammied into five vehicles near Meera Bagh traffic signal in Delhi's Outer district.

The accident occurred late evening on Wednesday when a retired professor, one Kamal Kumar Beharai, allegedly lost control of his Fortuner and rammied into five vehicles - a scooter, one motorcycle, one rickshaw and one mini bus before coming to a halt.

According to police, he was driving fast and lost control of the car at the time of applying break.

The vehicle lost its balance and rammied into the vehicles. The 16-year-old girl iden-

tified as Seema Das was walking along with her sister when they were run over by the Fortuner. The 16-year-old died on the spot, and her sister sustained grievous injuries. The deceased, along with eight other, was injured. They were taken to Sahgal Hospital.

Deputy Commissioner of Police (Outer) Seju P Kuruvilla said that once the retired professor Kamal Kumar Beharai is discharged from the hospital, he will be taken into police custody. "The other injured persons are out danger," he added.

The vehicle was badly damaged after the accident and was seized for further investigation, police said. Police said they are checking the CCTV cameras installed in the area to understand what exactly happened.

They said they will question Kumar after he recuperates and also ask for his medical test to ascertain whether he was drunk at the time of the accident.

# Dancer who took to snatching to splurge on girlfriends held

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

A 21-year-old dancer who turned to snatching in order to satisfy his addiction to liquor and cigarettes and to splurge on his three girlfriends, was arrested during patrolling by Southeast district's Govindpuri police on the intervening night of Wednesday and Thursday.

The accused, identified as Rohan Gill (21), was caught red-handed when he was fleeing after snatching money from an auto driver. The incident occurred midnight when the auto driver was waiting for passengers at Govindpuri Chowk, Ravi Dass Marg and counting his money.

"Meanwhile, Rohan came to him and asked for a bidi. Then, he snatched his purse and ran away. The complainant, then, raised an alarm and nearby patrolling 'Raftar' motorcycle squad arrested the accused," Deputy Commissioner of Police (Southeast) Chinmoy Biswal stated.

"During sustained interrogation, Rohan disclosed that he joined S.M Dance Academy in Kalkaji and completed a one year professional Dance Training Course. After this, he



joined a dance troupe and soon became the lead performer of his troupe. He started performing in events and parties," said the DCP.

"While performing in events, he started consuming liquor and cigarettes in parties and events. Rohan used to stay outside his house during nights and disclosed that he has three girlfriends.

In order to splurge on his

girlfriends and to get easy money for his expenses, he started committing petty thefts and snatching in the area," he said.

Two cases of snatching and ten cases of theft were solved with his arrest. He was earlier arrested in December 2017 by Amar Colony police station, March and April 2018 by Okhla Industrial Area and Kalkaji police stations," DCP added.

# Man driving scooty crushed to death

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In an incident reported from East Delhi's Kalyanpuri area, a 48-year-old scooty driver was crushed to death after it was hit by a speeding school bus.

The incident occurred at around 7am on Wednesday.

## Fatal accident

police revealed Thursday.

According to police, the deceased was later identified as Rajesh Kumar (48) a resident of Block-15, Kalyanpuri area. The deceased was reportedly killed on the spot. "He was killed on the spot after his head was crushed by the wheel of the school bus," said a senior police official.

The driver of the speeding school bus has been arrested, police said.

The accused has been identified as 42-year-old Aloknath. He is a resident of Trilokpuri.

Police said that the bus involved in the accident has been seized. "We are further investigating the matter," said a senior police official.

# Four transgenders detained for vulgarity on Signature Bridge

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police on Thursday detained four transgenders after a video of them taking their clothes off on the newly constructed Signature Bridge in the Delhi went viral.

Police have registered a case of obscenity in public against the four persons. "We have detained four transgenders and are questioning them in connection with the incident," said the senior police official.

"The exact date and time of the incident is being ascertained. The security on the bridge has been tightened following claims that there weren't any police personnel deployed on the overpass," said the senior police official.

The iconic bridge has become a popular hangout spot and embroiled in yet another controversy ever since its opening. Only a few days

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ago, some men were seen pulling off dangerous stunts while taking selfies by climbing upon the boundary of the bridge.

The Government has reportedly also planned 'safe selfie spots' to be developed in the second phase of construction that is scheduled to begin this week, as per a Hindustan Times report. The police have reportedly written to Municipal Corporation of Delhi in order to ask them to install caution boards warning people against clicking selfies dangerously. Meanwhile, Delhi Traffic Police has started issuing challans to motorists for traffic violations.

# Hunar Haat credible brand to redeem Modi's commitments

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

'Hunar Haat' has become a 'credible brand' to fulfil Prime Minister Narendra Modi's commitment to 'Make in India', 'Stand up India', 'Start up India', said Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, Union Minister of Minority Affairs while opening Hunar Haat at 38th India International Trade Fair (IITF) on Thursday.

"The employment oriented programmes of the Government such as 'Hunar Haat' have significantly boosted the rich traditional heritage of master artisans," the Minister said.

As per a statement released by his ministry, Hunar Haats across the country over a period of one year have been able to provide employment opportunities to over 1, 50,000 arti-

sans and other people associated with them.

"Hunar Haat has been successful in providing national and international markets and employment opportunities to master artisans and craftsmen," he said.

The statement said that the Hunar Haat at Pragati Maidan is offering an array of handicrafts and handloom such as ajarakh, bagh print, bandhej, copperware, ceramic products, among others.

Later in the day, Minister of State for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Giriraj Singh opened the pavilion of the ministry.

During inauguration ceremony, he said, "The quality manufacturing and inclusive growth of village industries plays a key role in the devel-

opment of the country."

The Union Minister of State also inaugurated the Khadi Pavilion set up by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC).

Later, the Minister also clicked photographs with the statue of Mahatma Gandhi (Selfie with Gandhi) which is one of the main attractions in the pavilion.

As per some senior officials, around 50 MSME entrepreneurs are displaying their products at the pavilion, this time.

Apart from them, other schemes of the ministry are also exhibited in the pavilion.

Besides this, women entrepreneurs, SC and ST entrepreneurs from North-Eastern States and minorities are participating in the Fair.

# SIT seeks death for 2 in anti-Sikh pogrom

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Special Investigation Team (SIT) on 1984 anti-Sikh riots on Thursday sought death penalty for two persons convicted by a court here, saying that it was part of a "genocide" against members of a particular community and fell under the rarest of rare category of cases warranting the capital punishment.

Additional Sessions Judge Ajay Pandey reserved for November 20, the order on the quantum of punishment to be awarded to Naresh Sherawat and Yashpal Singh for killing Hardev Singh and Avtar Singh in Mahalpur area of South Delhi during the riots.

It was the first conviction in the cases, reopened by the SIT, set up in 2015. The Delhi police had closed the case in 1994 for want of evidence. However, a SIT on the riots reopened it.

The SIT demand was opposed by the counsel appearing for the convicts who sought life imprisonment for his clients, the minimum for the offence of murder.

During the proceedings, the public prosecutor for SIT, Surinder Mohit Singh, said that it was "brutal murder of two innocent young persons aged around 25 each. It was a planned murder since the accused were carrying kerosene oil, sticks etc." It was not the only incident in Delhi and around 3,000 people were killed, he added.

"People from only one community were targeted. It was a genocide. The incidents had an international ramifications and it took almost 34 years to get justice. A signal should go to the society to deter them from committing such horrible crimes. This is the rarest of rare case which calls for death penalty," Singh said.

However, the demand was opposed by advocate O P Sharma, appearing for the convicts, who said that the attack was not deliberate or planned but a sudden flare up.

"The Prime Minister of the country was shot dead by her own bodyguards, belonging to a particular community. What could be more wrong than that? She was warned and suggested to change her guards. Still she kept them.

But she was betrayed and brutally killed. The present case was a sudden flare up. There was no pre-planning," the defence counsel said.

However, his submission was opposed by senior advocate H S Phoolka, who appeared for the victims. "Every Sikh condemned the act of the assassination of the Prime Minister. It was tragic. But does that mean that Sikhs be killed? Does that give licence to kill?"

"Father of the nation, Mahatma Gandhi, was killed by Nathuram Godse. But did anything of that sort happen against anyone? The accused were leading the mob. The whole world is watching that how we treat such cases," Phoolka said.

Later, as the convicts were being taken to the lock up inside the Patiala House Courts premises after the proceedings, BJP MLA Manjinder Singh Sirsa slapped one of the convicts-Yashpal Singh. Slogans were also raised against both the convicts. However, the police separated Sirsa, his supporters and the convicts. The case was lodged on a complaint filed by Santokh Singh, a brother of Hardev Singh.

The Delhi police had closed the case in 1994 for want of evidence. However, an SIT formed in connection with the riots reopened the case. The court on Wednesday had convicted the

two accused-the first conviction in the cases reopened by the SIT.

The court held both the accused guilty under various sections including 302 (murder), 307 (attempt to murder), 395 (dacoity) and 324 (voluntarily causing hurt by dangerous weapons or means) of the IPC.

Of the 650 cases registered in connection with anti-Sikh riots in Delhi, 267 were closed as untraced by the Delhi Police. Of these 267 cases, five were later taken up by the CBI. The SIT also scrutinised the records of 18 cancelled cases.

The SIT found 60 cases appropriate for further investigation. It filed "untraced report" in 52 cases in the last one-and-a-half years.

Out of the eight cases being investigated, chargesheets have been filed in five and three, in which senior Congress leader Sajjan Kumar is an accused, are pending investigation.

## PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING TENDERS

The Executive Engineer South Building (M) PWD, P.T.S. Malviya Nagar, New Delhi invites on behalf of President of India online Percentage Rate Item Tender/bid from approved and eligible contractor of CPWD those of appropriate list of MES, BSNL and other state Govt. Departments dealing with buildings and roads and other experienced contractors who satisfy the criteria of execution of similar works for Following work:-

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# Woman attempts suicide over strained marital relation

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In a shocking incident, a 30-year-old married woman reportedly tried to commit suicide by allegedly setting herself ablaze in her in-laws house at Dwaraka's Shyam Enclave locality in Deen Pur village. Police allege that she took the extreme step due to marital issues with her husband, police said Thursday. The woman survived, but she sustained burn injuries in her legs and stomach.

According to police, the incident was reported at around 11:50 am on Thursday. The victim was staying with her husband and in-laws at Shyam Enclave locality in Deen Pur. When police reached the spot, the woman's family was also

present in their residence.

The victim allegedly poured kerosene on herself and then set herself ablaze. The woman got married three years ago and police disclosed that the victim and her husband were having some issues in their marriage and the husband was living separately for the past one month.

She was taken to Safdarjung Hospital where it was ascertained that the woman sustained about 20 to 25 per cent burn injuries on her legs and stomach, police said.

The sub-divisional magistrate has been informed about the incident, police said. Police said further investigation is underway to ascertain the cause behind taking such an extreme step by the woman.

# ICMR changes logo to add Devanagari script

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) changed its logo to add Devanagari script in it on Thursday. The dot and the Devanagari script in the exterior reflect the Indian roots of the Council, said officials.

Prof (Dr) Balram Bhargava Secretary, Department of Health Research and Director General, ICMR said, "This new identity is more than a change of symbol; it is a symbol of change. The new identity portrays ICMR's commitment to be responsive to the emerging health challenges through three fundamental differentiators Innovation, Professionalism and People."

According to some officials, the round and softer lettering depicts care and solidarity with science while the straight line imparts strength, professionalism and efficiency. "ICMR has 26 institutes and regional medical research centres, laboratories and field stations across India. Increasingly, we felt that there was a need for uniformity of the ICMR brand across its institutes to embody its values and vision," said Dr Chandher Shekhar, the Additional Director-General, ICMR.

The logo has also been adopted to bring uniformity among its centres across the country. Along with ICMR headquarters all its institutes will have a similar brand identity change.

endure over time.

"My father, who was an architect, focused on photographs of buildings. While I also take architectural photos, I am fascinated as well by portraits of the people of India," Juster said at the event.

Reflections of India: More than 50 Years Apart" will run from November 15 through December 6 at the American Center, 24 Kasturba Gandhi Marg, and is free to the public.

He further said, "My

# Edu officials to attend classes to identify loopholes in teaching

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Officials of the Delhi Government's education department will now be attending classes in its schools which have recorded poor performances in their jurisdiction to identify if the teaching there is poor or not up to standard," a senior Directorate of Education (DoE) official said.

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# American envoy opens Unique photo spectacle

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Reflections of India: More than 50 Years Apart", a unique photo exhibition was inaugurated by America's envoy to India, Kenneth I Juster at the American Centre in Delhi on Thursday. The photographs juxtaposing various architectures in India over a period of 50 years were taken by Juster and his father.

"The exhibition is a combination of photographs that my father took in 1966 and that I have taken in 2017 and 2018," Ambassador Juster said at the event.

father was an avid photographer and the source of my passion for photography." The exhibition consists of 24 photographs of individuals, life in India, and several famous landmarks. Some photographs by the duo including those of Humayun's Tomb, Safdarjung's Tomb, and the Paresnath Jain Temple in Kolkata.

These photographs juxtapose the same scene taken over fifty years apart, in 1966 and today. These photographs detail how India's landscape has changed even as some of its monuments

endure over time. "My father, who was an architect, focused on photographs of buildings. While I also take

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architectural photos, I am fascinated as well by portraits of the people of India," Juster said at the event.

Reflections of India: More than 50 Years Apart" will run from November 15 through December 6 at the American Center, 24 Kasturba Gandhi Marg, and is free to the public.

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Sd/- Chief Judicial Magistrate Dimapur, Nagaland.

# Delhi's air quality improves to poor

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

For the first time since Diwali, Delhi's air quality was registered in the 'poor' category on Thursday, an improvement from 'very poor' the day before, after rains lashed the city washing away the pollutants.

However, authorities warned that the condition may slip back to the "very poor" range from Saturday. The overall air quality index (AQI) in the national capital on Thursday was recorded at 213 which fall in the 'poor' category, according to data provided by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).

Two areas of the city recorded 'very poor' air quality, 26 areas recorded 'poor' air quality while seven areas recorded 'moderate' air quality, it said.

On Thursday, the PM2.5 (particles in the air with a diameter of less than 2.5 micrometres) level was recorded at 105, while the PM10 (particles in the air with a diameter of less than 10 micrometres) was recorded at 191 in Delhi.

The EPCA has recommended curbs on non-CNG private vehicles to tackle rising air pollution, but experts say banning all private vehicles without a proper strategy and



alternatives "is bound to create issues".

According to pollution watchdog the CPCB, 25 areas in the national capital registered poor air quality and 11 registered moderate air quality on Thursday.

The PM2.5 (particles in the air with a diameter of less than 2.5 micrometres) level was recorded at 95, while the PM10 (particles in the air with a diameter of less than 10 micrometres) was recorded at 177. An AQI between 0 and 50 is considered 'good', 51 and 100 'satisfactory', 101 and 200 'moderate', 201 and 300 'poor', 301 and 400 'very poor', and 401 and 500 'severe'.

The Centre-run System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting (SAFAR) said air quality improved significantly following sufficient rainfall on Wednesday night due to

wash-away effect.

"Surface wind speed moderately increased but pollution level declined faster than expected. Still weather conditions are not completely favourable except sporadic rain. This implies that the air is lighter and free path increased to allow faster dispersion," it said.

"In addition to cleaning of air by rain, it also tends to suggest that accumulative emission loading is relatively less. Stubble fire is almost negligible.

The AQI is likely to remain in the 'poor' range on Friday but slip back to the 'very poor' range thereafter," SAFAR said.

Delhi's air quality has been oscillating between 'very poor' and 'severe' after Diwali due to explosion of fire crackers.

But after rains since

## AIIMS to provide wearable sensors to school-going asthmatic children

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In order to study the exposure of asthmatic children to air pollution in nation's capital, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) will provide wearable sensors to school going asthmatic children which will monitor the exposure to air pollution, both indoor and outdoor.

"These high-quality sensors will give us data on how much a child is exposed to air pollution while they are in school, travelling, or are at home. This will help us assess its impact on their health," said Dr Karan Madan, Assistant Professor, Pulmonary Department, AIIMS.

According to Dr Madan, these pollution sensors are lightweight, easy to strap around the waist and will generate a comprehensive data on their air pollution exposure

throughout the day. In addition to the wearable sensors, a sensor will also be placed at the home of a child and one at the school, he added.

"These belts will provide us with real-time pollution exposure information and will get uploaded on the central information server which is recording the pollution levels," he said further.

In addition to this, Dr Randeep Guleria, Director, AIIMS said that the sensors will be given to a child for a week and if feasible will be given for longer periods.

"It will help us study how the changing levels of pollution impact and affect the health of a child and also establish a connection between the indoor and outdoor pollution," he said.

The screening and enrolment of children for the study has already begun, said Dr Madan.

"It will be a two-way process - we are identifying the children from among those who come our clinic seeking treatment for asthma, and also are identifying schools where we can go and conduct the study, likely to be completed within two years," he said.

The study is being conducted in collaboration with IIT-Delhi, University of Edinburgh, Imperial College of London, and Sri Ramachandra University in Chennai.

The study is funded by the Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Ministry of Science and Technology, and the Medical Research Centre, the United Kingdom.

Delhi's air quality fell in the 'poor' category Thursday as light showers brought down the pollution level slightly in the national capital, authorities said.

## Light showers fail to dilute lethal impact of pollution

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Despite the light showers in Delhi, pollution in the city is creating a menace. After respiratory and cardiovascular diseases, hospitals in the city are now busy treating patients coming with the complaints of red and itchy eyes, suggest doctors across the city.

According to the doctors, apart from itchy and watery eyes, patients these days are flooding in with dry eyes and ocular allergy.

"Due to increasing pollution, there is increase in the incidence of dry eye and ocular allergy. This is causing discomfort even in normal eyes and aggravates the eye complaints in eyes that are prone to dryness and allergies. If care is not taken immediately, some of these eyes can have reduced vision due to this problem as well," said Dr Rajesh Sinha, Professor of Ophthalmology, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).

As per some doctors, their

outpatient departments (OPDs) have seen approximately 30% rise in the number of patients.

"We are observing an increase in number of patients coming to us with complains of redness, itching, watering in the eyes. Patients with pre-existing dry eyes are experiencing exacerbation due to high pollution. We are observing an increase of almost 30% in number of patients coming to us with eye related problems," said Dr Ikeda Lal, Ophthalmologist, Sir Ganga Ram Hospital.

Similarly, Dr Ashu Agarwal, Senior Consultant Ophthalmologist, Indraprastha Apollo Hospital has seen 20 to 25 per cent rise in the hospital.

"Over the past 2 to 3 weeks, there has been an increase in the number of patients presenting complaints of irritation, burning sensation, watering and redness due to rising pollution," said Dr Ashu.

Amidst this, the doctors are suggesting some preventive measures to their patients.

## Capital finally gets full-time real estate regulator

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi has finally got a full-time real estate regulator under RERA with Lt Governor Anil Bajjal appointing retired IAS officer Vijay S Madan to the post.

Until now, the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) Vice-chairman was the interim regulator under the Real Estate Regulatory Act (RERA), 2016.

Delhi has already notified provisions of RERA which protects the interest of home-buyers.

Speaking at a workshop on RERA, held by the Housing and Urban Affairs ministry here, Bajjal said, "I am glad to inform the ministry and the Minister that yesterday, we have appointed a whole-time regulator."

Madan, a former Director General in the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), has been appointed as the chairperson of the Delhi Real Estate Regulatory Authority for a term of five years.

Gyan Prakash Srivastava and Ramesh Chandra have been appointed as members of the regulatory authority.

The Act was enacted by Parliament and States were given powers to notify their respective rules and appoint regulatory authorities.

## SDMC's horticulture department introduces mechanical appliances

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The horticulture department of South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC) has introduced mechanical appliances in all its parks, nurseries and green waste management centres to make its area free from green waste.



The Standing Committee Chairperson Shikha Rai inaugurated the new shredder-chipper, leaf picker machines and other mechanised equipments at a nursery situated in GK Part-1.

Rai said that the new machines like shredder chipper, leaf picker, hedge trimmer, brush cutter and pole pruner will make the work of maintenance including pruning and beautification in parks quick and smooth. The newly procured machines have been distributed to all the four zones for further deployment in parks and nurseries, she said.

Rai further stated that around 40 ton green waste is being generated per day in SDMC area. With deployment of new machines, the management of the maximum quantity of green waste would be possible in an efficient manner, Rai said.

The Director Horticulture Dr Alok Singh (SDMC) said the new machines can shred the larger quantity of dry leaves and other green waste and the chipped and shredded material is immediately fit to be used as manure in parks. The dry leaves collected from the gardens and road sides with the help of new leaf picker machines are being brought to nurseries and green waste management centers for shredding, Dr Alok said.

## LG tells Delhi Police to train officials in soft skills

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Lieutenant Governor Anil Bajjal directed the Delhi Police to train its officers in soft skills to improve public interface on Thursday.

Bajjal also instructed the force to set up its own online portal for receiving and monitoring public grievances. The directions were issued at a meeting on the issue of law and order, chaired by the L-G. The meeting was attended by Police Commissioner Amulya Patnaik and other senior officers of the force.

Bajjal said specially designed/task oriented post-paid feedback forms should be used by police so as to have an objective assessment which could form the basis of further modification as per the needs

of society, the statement stated.

Delhi Police made a detailed presentation in this regard and informed L-G that it has established a structural mechanism for complaints resolution at police headquarter, sub division and police station level.

There is a specialised vigilance unit established in every district for handling complaints against police personnel, it said.

L-G was further informed that public facilitation desks have also been set up in police stations to assist public. In the meeting, he was informed by police officers that a WhatsApp mobile number '9910641064' is also available for the public to send images, audios and videos of any corrupt practices.



The L-G further said that public grievances redressal is an important aspect of policing which requires review and monitoring of grievances on a continuous basis at all levels.

He stressed that that efforts should be made to resolve all the complaints in time.

## Govt to construct civic facilities in unauthorised colonies

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Thursday said the Government will construct roads, sewer, storm water drains, and water pipelines simultaneously across all unauthorised colonies in the national Capital.

Kejriwal was on a visit to North East Delhi's Kanjhawala village along with Health Minister Satyendar Jain to inspect the development work of two model colonies-selected by the Delhi Government --to test the concept of constructing all four systems (water pipelines, sewer, stormwater drains and roads) together.

"We will take up the work of constructing roads, sewer, stormwater drains and water pipelines in a single time frame in all unauthorised colonies of Delhi," Kejriwal said.

He said that as per the concept, there will be no drains on the roads, instead, all

the stormwater and household water will go directly in the underground pipelines, recharging the water table.

The Delhi Government officials also demonstrated how the system will work in Kanjhawala's Punjab Khor village by releasing water on the roads to test whether the water gets absorbed.



## Capital's power demand set to soar this winter

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Peak power demand in the national Capital this winter is expected to go up to 6,300 MW and the discoms in the city are gearing up to ensure that adequate electricity is available in this period.

Tata Power Delhi Distribution (Tata Power-DDL) expects a peak demand of approximately 1500 MW this season. A total of 1650 MW of power is available from long term sources to manage winter power demand, stated a release issued by the discom.

Sanjay Banga, CEO of Tata Power-DDL said that the discom has entered into the power banking arrangements with different states including Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh. Under the arrangement, Tata Power-DDL exports power to these states during the off peak winter months and the same is imported back by it during the summer months of May to September. The arrangement ensures non-stop supply to consumers, he said.

Meanwhile, BSES official said that the peak power demand in BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. (BRPL) and BSES Yamuna Power Ltd (BYPL) areas had reached 1,888 MW and 1,136 MW, respectively, during last winter. "This year, it

is expected to reach 1950 MW and 1225 MW for BRPL and BYPL respectively. Besides long-term arrangements, BSES discoms are also using advanced techniques like Banking and Backdown to dispose of surplus power and making arrangements to get power during summer months," the statement said.

"In case of any unforeseeable contingency, BSES discoms will buy short term power from the exchange which is available at economical rates," it added.

The company said that for taking care of the summer demand and to optimally manage the winter surplus, BSES discoms export and bank surplus electricity with other states.

"BRPL will bank between 300 MW and 400 MW with states like Himachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Manipur and Jammu and Kashmir. On its part, BYPL will return around 200 MW to states like Himachal Pradesh, from whom it had taken the quantum during the summer-months," a BSES official said.

To better meet present day demand, BSES said it uses a mix of in-house advanced statistical forecasting models and state-of-the-art weather forecasting solutions, including artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning.

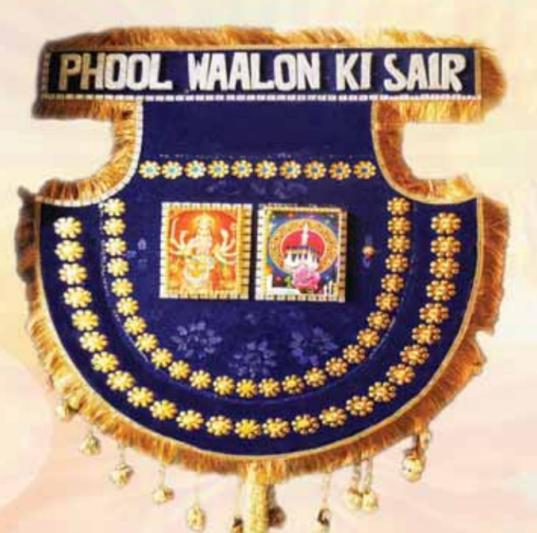
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# JeM men moving from Punjab to Delhi: Intel report

## Counter-Intelligence warns police

**Chandigarh:** The Punjab Police is on alert after its counter-intelligence wing on Thursday informed that six to seven Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) terrorists are "planning to move towards Delhi" from the State. Police commissioners and district police chiefs have been put on alert following the input, according to a letter issued by the Punjab Inspector General of Police (Counter Intelligence) office.

The letter stated that "according to an input, a group of 6-7 JeM terrorists are reportedly in Punjab, India (possibly in Ferozepur area) and are planning to move towards Delhi from Punjab side." The letter has been sent to all police officials in Punjab. They have been asked to set up checkpoints at all important routes, conduct strict vehicle inspection and take suitable counter measures for all sensitive locations, it stated. The letter stated that police areas along the India-Pakistan border have been asked to coordinate with the Border Security Force (BSF). **PTI**

# JD(U) suspends absconding ex-Minister Manju Verma

**Patna:** The JD(U) said on Thursday that it has suspended former Bihar Minister Manju Verma, facing arrest under the arms act following recovery of ammunition from her home during a CBI raid in connection with the Muzaffarpur shelter home sex scandal. JD(U) State president Vashishtha Narayan Singh said the party suspended the absconding leader from its primary membership on November 10 in keeping with the policy of zero tolerance for crime and corruption. "We have always taken a tough stance whenever any member of our party is found to be involved in any criminal or corruption case. Nothing new in that," he said. Singh was replying to

queries about Verma, a two-time MLA from Cheria Bariarpur constituency in Begusarai district, evading arrest despite an arrest warrant and warnings issued by the Supreme Court to surrender. Verma had stepped down as social welfare Minister in August after media reports indicated close links between her husband Chandrashekhar Verma and prime accused in the sex scandal case Brajesh Thakur. A few days later, the CBI raided her Patna residence besides her in-laws home at Cheria Bariarpur from where a cache of ammunition was seized. A case was then registered against her. She moved an application for anticipatory bail before a Begusarai court which was turned down and a similar

plea was rejected by the Patna High Court. Her husband surrendered before a Begusarai court on October 29. The Supreme Court earlier this week rapped the Bihar police for failing to arrest the former Minister and directed the DGP to appear before it in person on November 27 if she was not nabbed by then. Police are conducting raids in Bihar and Jharkhand for her arrest. Over 30 girls were allegedly raped and sexually abused at a Muzaffarpur shelter home and the issue was first highlighted in an audit report submitted by the TISS to the social welfare department of Bihar Government. An FIR was filed on May 31 against 11 people, including Thakur, who was running the shelter home. **PTI**

# 'Enough is enough', says SC over tardy approach to fill up vacancies in lower courts

**New Delhi:** "Enough is enough", said the Supreme Court on Thursday expressing displeasure over tardy approach of different High Courts and State Governments in filling up vacant posts for judges in lower courts and providing proper infrastructure for them. A bench headed by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi on its own had taken note of over 5,000 vacancies for judicial officers and directed all the 24 High Courts and 36 States and UTs to apprise it of remedial measures. On Thursday, it took stock of the situation in Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Chhattisgarh, Delhi and the NE States. "We want our judges. We want our judges to function. We want courtrooms, infrastructure and man power (support

staff) for them. They say that there is pendency. Enough is enough...", said the bench, which also comprised Justices S K Kaul and K M Joseph. "Some part of the problem has to be dealt with. We will show them (Government) that there is not adequate courtrooms, staffs and residences for judges," it added. The top court was particularly critical of the lack of progress in States like UP, Delhi and Bengal. In day-long hearing, the bench first perused the responses of the UP Government, UP Public Services Commission (UPPSC) and the Registrar General of the Allahabad HC on vacancies, the recruitment process and the aspects relating to man power and infrastructure for the judges. **PTI**

# India refits Maldivian Coast Guard ship

**New Delhi:** India on Thursday handed over to Maldivian Coast Guard one of its ships after carrying out major refit on it, the Indian Navy said. Maldivian Coast Guard Ship (MCGS) Huravee successfully completed her refit at Naval Dockyard, Visakhapatnam, and the ship was formally handed over to the island nation, a Navy spokesperson said. The handing over of the ship comes two days before Prime Minister Narendra Modi pays a day-long visit to Maldives to attend the swearing-in ceremony of new Maldivian president Ibrahim Mohamed Solih. Modi's visit is seen as an indication of an attempt by New Delhi to mend bilateral ties, which nosedived during the outgoing Abdulla Yameen Government. **PTI**

**कानपुर विद्युत आपूर्ति कम्पनी लिमिटेड 14/71, सिविल लाइन्स "केसा हाउस" कानपुर, अल्यकालीन ई-निविदा सूचना** अधोहस्तताक्षरकर्ता द्वारा ई-निविदाये पृथक-पृथक दो भागों में निम्न सामग्रियों हेतु केस्को ई-निविदा वेबसाइट [www.kesco.co.in/https://etender.up.nic.in](http://www.kesco.co.in/https://etender.up.nic.in) पर आमंत्रित की जाती है। ई-निविदाये प्रपत्र पूर्ण कर निविदादाताओं द्वारा वेबसाइट पर खुलने की तिथि के अपराह्न 12:00 बजे तक अपलोड की जा सकती है। उक्त ई-निविदा उसी दिन 15:00 बजे से 17:00 बजे तक वेबसाइट पर सार्वजनिक रूप से खोली जायेगी। उक्त तिथि को अवकाश घोषित होने पर निविदाये अगले कार्यदिवस में नियत समय पर खोली जायेगी। ई-निविदा घनराशि का भुगतान ऑफ लाइन/ बैंक ड्राफ्ट/ आरटी0जीएस0 (खाता सं0 628805018266 आईएफ0एस0सी0-ICIC0006288) के रूप में, केस्को कानपुर के पक्ष में देय होगी। ई-निविदा प्रपत्र निविदा खुलने की तिथि पर दिये गये समय से दो घण्टे पूर्व तक वेबसाइट से डाउनलोड किया जा सकता है। वेबसाइट पर निविदा प्रपत्रों के साथ यूटी0आर0 की स्कैन प्रति अपलोड करना अनिवार्य है। ई-निविदा के प्रथम भाग में घरोहर घनराशि का भुगतान ऑफ लाइन एफ0डी0आर0/ बैंक गारण्टी के रूप में स्वीकार किया जायेगा जो कि केस्को कानपुर के नाम पर देय होगी एवं निविदा प्रपत्र के प्रथम भाग में निर्धारित फी0व्यू0आर0 एवं तकनीकी अभिलेख होंगे तथा निविदा के द्वितीय भाग में दरें एवं व्यवसायिक शर्तें होंगी, बिना घरोहर घनराशि के तथा सशर्त निविदाये खोली/स्वीकार नहीं की जायेगी। **निविदा सं0 27/18-19 पात्र फर्म** मूल निर्माता/अधिकृत विक्रेता/ अनुभवी आपूर्तिकर्ता **विवरण** टेम्पल्ट प्रूफ पॉलीकार्बोनेट सील की आपूर्ति हेतु घरोहर घनराशि (रू0) 80000/- **निविदा घनराशि रू0 में (जीएसटी0 के साथ)** 5900/- **ई-निविदा अपलोड करने एवं खोलने की तिथि** 07.12.2018 उपरोक्त ई-निविदा की पूर्ण प्रक्रिया केस्को की ई-टेन्डरिंग वेबसाइट [www.kesco.co.in/https://etender.up.nic.in](http://www.kesco.co.in/https://etender.up.nic.in) के माध्यम से की जायेगी। तकनीकी योग्यता पूरा न करने वाले निविदादाता के निविदा पर विचार नहीं किया जायेगा। सामग्री क्रय की मात्रा घट पास सकती है। अधोहस्तताक्षरकर्ता के पास बिना कोई कारण बताये किसी एक अथवा समस्त निविदाओं को स्वीकृत/अस्वीकृत करने का पूर्ण अधिकार सुरक्षित होगा। (मनीष कुमार गुप्ता) अधिशासी अभियन्ता (भण्डार क्रय) पत्रांक-888 दिनांक 15.11.2018 राष्ट्रहित में विजली बचाये

# Government mulls gold hallmarking mandatory: Consumer Affairs Min

**New Delhi:** The Government is planning to soon make hallmarking mandatory for gold jewellery sold in the country, Food and Consumers Affairs Minister Ram Vilas Paswan said on Thursday. The hallmarking of gold, which is voluntary in nature at present, is a purity certification of the precious metal. The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), under the Consumer Affairs Ministry, is the administrative authority of hallmarking. "BIS has set standards for hallmarking of gold jewellery in three grades of 14 carat, 18 carat and 22 carat. We are going to make it mandatory soon," Paswan said at a BIS event organised to commemorate World Standards Day with a theme on 'Global Standards and the fourth Industrial Revolution'. Paswan, however, did not specify the date of implementation of the mandatory gold

hallmarking, but stressed on the need to adopt the standards in the interest of consumers. India has 653 (rpt) 653 BIS-recognised assaying and hallmarking centres; and maximum of them are located in Tamil Nadu, followed by Kerala. As four industrial revolution would be of smart technologies, the Minister said the BIS has a challenge to speed up the work in setting standards to ensure the country is not lagging behind in this area. Paswan launched the revamped website of BIS and the pre-standardisation report on smart manufacturing. Minister of State for Consumer Affairs C R Chaudhary too emphasised that the need of the hour is to discuss setting of standards for new smart technologies like artificial intelligence that are being embraced by the industry. **PTI**

# Top India, China Def officials agree to maintain border peace

**Beijing:** A year after the Doklam standoff, top defence officials of India and China have agreed on the importance of maintaining peace in the border areas while implementing the consensus reached between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Xi Jinping at Wuhan. The ninth annual defence and security dialogue on November 13 was held over a year after the 73-day military standoff in the Sikkim sector. The talks were held between the two defence delegations headed by Defence

Secretary Sanjay Mitra and China's Deputy Chief of Joint Staff Department of the Central Military Commission Lt General Shao Yuanming, a press release by the Indian Embassy here said on Thursday. Asked about the outcome of the defence and security dialogue, Chinese foreign ministry spokesperson Hua Chunying said the two sides have exchanged ideas on the management of border affairs and upholding peace and tranquility. "We believe the two sides

will try to follow the consensus between the two leaders to ensure peace and tranquility at our border areas and ensure stability of our bilateral ties," she said. At the talks, both sides agreed on enhancing defence exchanges and interactions at different levels between the two militaries, the press release said. After the talks, Mitra called on Chinese State Councillor and Defence Minister General Wei Fenghe on Wednesday, the release said. Mitra was accompanied

by senior officials of the ministry of defence and Indian Army, Navy and Air Force. The annual dialogue did not take place last year following the tense standoff between the two militaries at Doklam, which was triggered by the Chinese PLA's plan to build a road close to the narrow Chicken's Neck corridor connecting India's northeastern states in an area also claimed by Bhutan besides China. The standoff ended when Chinese troops stopped the road construction after which

both countries stepped up efforts to normalise relations leading to the informal summit between Modi and Xi at Wuhan in April this year. The defence dialogue was also held ahead of the 21st round of border talks between the Special Representatives of the two countries in the Chinese city of Dujiangyan on November 23-24. National Security Advisor Ajit Doval and Chinese State Councillor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi are the designated Special Representatives for the border talks. **PTI**

# Wages of sin...

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Police said Lakhani had set up a tailoring workshop in her home. During interrogation, the three said they had hatched a conspiracy to kill her. Anwar claimed Lakhani had not paid him for a couple of months and would pay in piecemeal. He was annoyed and hatched a plan 10 days ago to kill her, a senior police officer said. Anwar had been working under Lakhani for close to three years, he said. "After committing the crime, the accused said, they stole valuable items, including

# Death...

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"Satkosia had poor prey base earlier. However, there is recovery in the last four years in the core area. But as a tiger landscape it cannot sustain more than four to five tigers that too only if they stay in the core area and do not stray to the buffer zone. The area has 102 villages in both core and buffer zones. There are villages surrounding it on all sides. At least 50,000 cattle enter the park everyday," Mohanty said. Relocation of tigers at

jewellery, from the house and left in Lakhani's car, said an officer privy to the investigation of the grisly twin murders. Police said the accused had four knives with them which they had purchased from a weekly Sunday Bazar in Vasant Kunj. After killing Lakhani and her domestic help, the accused went to a pond behind Rangpuri Pahari area in Vasant Kunj to discreetly dispose of the knives and their clothes that had blood stains. The accused thought police would trouble their families if they ran away. So, they decided to surrender, the senior officer said. Police said Lakhani was single and had been living in Vasant Kunj for several years. "Lakhani's sister lives in Gurugram and her brother in Goa. We have informed them regarding the incident and a case has been registered," said the DCP adding that the crime scene has been preserved and the bodies sent for a post-mortem examination and further investigations are in progress.

# All-party...

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"The Government is duty-bound to implement the Supreme Court order allowing women of all ages into the temple. We will not make any amendment in the Supreme Court verdict delivered on September 28," Vijayan told reporters after the all-party meeting. The CM said the Government is willing to set apart certain days exclusively for women to worship at the temple. "Beyond that we will not do anything to dilute the court

verdict," said the CM. Chennithala accused Vijayan of creating troubles at Sabarimala. "This is not good either for the CPI(M) or the people in Kerala," said the Leader of the Opposition. Sasikunara Varma, head of the Pandhalam Royal Family, said though the talks with the CM was cordial, there was no consensus because of the intransigence of the latter. "We will have a meeting with the priests and then decide the future course of action," said Varma. The Kerala Government is deploying nearly 1,000 women cops at Sabarimala as

part of beefing up the security around the temple. Services of women cops from Tamil Nadu and Karnataka too have been requested and it is expected that they would take position by Saturday morning. Interestingly, leaders of various Hindu organisations told this newspaper that they would lay siege to the temple to prevent the entry of women to the sanctum. The 2018-19 festival season in Sabarimala Temple is going to be a season of tension and turmoil because of the intransigence of the anti-Hindu Marxist Government," said BJP chief Sreedharan Pillai.

that it is advisable not to issue direction/orders prohibiting the use of the word 'Dalit' in all circumstances," the order said. PCI chairperson C K Prasad, while replying to a question on the issue of the use of the term 'Dalit' during a media interaction, noted that the Bombay High Court directed the I&B ministry to consider issuing such a directive. "The order of the Bombay High Court was forwarded to us. The Council discussed that and has taken a decision that to prohibit the use of the word 'Dalit' in all circumstances will not be advisable. Maybe in a given case the use of the term 'Dalit' may be necessary, and therefore we have said absolute prohibition is not feasible, it is not advisable," he said. **PTI**

# Italian agents forced religious conversions: Yogi

**Jashpur:** Uttar Pradesh Minister Yogi Adityanath on Thursday stoked a controversy by making a veiled attack against former Congress president Sonia Gandhi, saying "agents from Italy" facilitated religious conversions of local tribals when the party was in power in the State. Addressing a campaign rally here for the second phase of Assembly polls in Chhattisgarh, Yogi said, "Italy se ayatit sauda-gar" (agents imported from Italy), undertook "anti-national" activities like conversion of tribals in the State. **PTI**

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# Suspended...

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Chillar has also alleged that DU was "deliberately delaying" the verification process as no fresh polls would be held for DUSU presidency in case Baisoya's election is set aside over the fake degree issue after expiry of the two-month period. However, the Opposition party AISA and NSUI claimed that the ABVP and the varsity are playing 'game' with the students as the time limit for the re-election has been crossed. "ABVP made Baisoya resign after the 60-day time period for re-election is over. After Baisoya's resignation, the ABVP will still retain the presidential post as Shakti Singh, current DUSU vice-president, will take over," said AISA Secretary Madhurima Kundu. On the other hand, the NSUI Delhi State president Akhay Lakra said, "This is clearly a decision under pressure by the ABVP and in light of the upcoming HC order on October 20, when it is near certain that Baisoya would have been disqualified anyway. However, it is an attempt of ABVP to retain the DUSU presidency as the time period for the re-election has crossed. NSUI demands fresh elections. If DU administration continues to show itself to be servile to the interests of the ABVP, we will pursue this matter in court." According to Lyngdoh Committee guidelines on university elections, if a post fell vacant within two months of declaration of results, fresh polls would be held, his plea has said.

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# SUMMONS TO AN ACCUSED PERSON

**TO,** Shri Rajbir, C/o Smt. Geeta Rautela, RZ 43 Gali No.2, Veer Nagar, West Sagar Pur, Niyar Kali Mata Mandir, Delhi. **You are hereby summoned to appear in my court on the 12th Day of December 2018 at 10.30 AM O'clock in person or duly instructed pleader as to answer the charge in connection with the above noted case without fail. Dated this 8th day of November 2018.**

# SEAL Chief Judicial Magistrate Dimapur, Nagaland.

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# Bengal BJP urges Shah to subdue...

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Incidentally, senior BJP leader and party's observer for Bengal Kailash Vijayvargiya had earlier said that "the NRC will definitely be conducted in Bengal if the BJP comes to power here as it is also facing severe infiltration issues." Ghosh's statements came almost in tandem with renewed attack from Mamata who called the BJP a party of riot mongers that was more involved in creating religious and linguistic divide among the people so as to capture power in Bengal. Criticising the Chief Minister for "backing the infiltrators" he wanted to "ask Mamata Banerjee why she is siding with the infiltrators". Attacking the Trinamool Congress leaders for playing vote bank politics he said, "Unfortunately some people are more concerned about indulging in appeasement policies and vote bank politics than the progress of the nation."

Meanwhile, once again upping the ante on the BJP for dividing the people along religious and linguistic lines Mamata told a congregation of Matua community (a large part which migrated from Bangladesh to Bengal and even Assam) in North 24 Parganas how the BJP was throwing out the Bengalis out of Assam and Biharis from Gujarat and Maharashtra besides creating a division within the Matua society. Bengal has about a lakh Matua voters in North 24 Parganas and Nadia. "They are unnecessarily harassing a great majority of people who are Indian citizens. They are threatening to throw these citizens out of the country though they have genuine identity cards, caste certificates or similar documents," Mamata said attacking the BJP and assured "you all not to get scared as no one can snatch your citizenship." Mamata was addressing the Matua

community — at Thakurnagar in North 24 Parganas — on the 100th birth anniversary of the community's religious head Binapani Devi. Aware that the BJP was trying to take out a slice of Matua vote by offering tickets to some of Binapani Devi's family members, Mamata said none had done so much for the community as her Government did. "Now we will set up a Matua University in the name of the Matua religious head Guruchand-Harichand Thakur," Mamata said adding the Government would also construct two huge gates identifying the Matua headquarters. Incidentally Prime Minister Narendra Modi had also promised a great deal for the Matuas during his pre-electoral campaign in 2014 but "they have done nothing for you save giving lip service," Mamata said.

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RERA REGISTRATION

# Maharashtra tops States

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In a move to regulate real estate sector and to protect homebuyers from fraudster real estate developers, as many as 33,750 projects and 26,018 property agents have been registered under the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA) in the country. Maharashtra tops the list of States with 18,392 projects registered.

It is followed by Uttar Pradesh with 2,514 projects, Haryana, 1,214, Punjab, 602 and Uttarakhand, 221. Delhi has 23 projects registered.

As per the Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry's data there are 3,873 projects registered by northern States, which is approximately 11 per cent of total 33,750 projects registered pan India. If Uttar Pradesh is excluded, the percentage of 'projects registration' of rest of northern States will be 4.03 per cent.

Besides projects, Maharashtra also tops in the list of registering of property developers/agents. It has registered 17,188 property agents under the RERA followed by Uttar Pradesh of 2121 agents, Punjab of 1,267 agents, Haryana of 494 agents, Uttarakhand of 204, Delhi of 65 and Chandigarh of 60.

Meanwhile, speaking at a



workshop on RERA — a new era of transparency and accountability in Real Estate — 2 years of implementation and Way Ahead", the Union Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) Minister Hardeep Singh Puri on Thursday categorically stated that the Government will not amend any provision of RERA and warned States against tweaking rules of the centre's real estate law, asserting that it will lead to "harsh consequences". RERA, which protects the interest of home buyers, was enacted by Parliament and States were given powers to notify their respective rules and appoint regulatory authorities.

As per the Ministry's data there are 28 States and Union Territories (UTs) have notified except the six north eastern States and West Bengal. "There

are 27 States that have established the Authority, out of which 14 States are interim. All the States of northern region have established permanent Regulatory Authorities except Himachal Pradesh, Delhi and Chandigarh," an official of MoHUA said.

In a related development, Delhi has finally got a full-time real estate regulator under RERA with Lt Governor Anil Bajjal appointing retired IAS officer Vijay S Madan to the post. Until now, the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) vice-chairman was the interim regulator under the Real Estate Regulatory Act (RERA), 2016.

Puri also pointed out that till the year 2016, there was no regulator for real estate and construction sector, which is the largest employer after agriculture and housing. He said,

in a landmark move, the Central Government, in the form of RERA, gave the real estate sector its first regulator w.e.f. from 1st May, 2016.

Puri also said that the "full benefit" of the Real Estate Regulatory Act (RERA) will be realised only when the its provision is implemented in letter and spirit. "We will not tweak RERA," Puri told reporters on the sidelines of a workshop on the real estate law, organised by his Ministry amid growing demands from builders to change rules.

Puri said the States which have made its own rules by tweaking provisions of the RERA, will have to "fall in line, otherwise, the consequence is very harsh".

There are some States who have watered down the provisions of central legislation. Asked about several homebuyers not being delivered their houses by developers on time, the Union Minister said, "We will not hesitate from naming and shaming (of those developers not delivering flats on time)." At the workshop, attended by associations of home-buyers, builders, banks and other stakeholders, Puri said Uttar Pradesh, Haryana and Punjab need to take suitable action so that their rules are line with the RERA.

AFTER PROTESTS AGAINST MIZORAM CEO

# EC removes SB Shashank, Ashish Kundra takes charge

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of Mizoram SB Shashank was removed on Thursday by the Election Commission, days before the State goes to polls, following widespread protests against him. Ashish Kundra, a 1996 batch IAS officer, will be the new chief electoral officer (CEO) of the State.

The order came after some civil society groups in Mizoram demanded Shashank's ouster over a row on allowing Bru voters lodged in Tripura relief camps to exercise their franchise from there. The protesters had asked Shashank to quit by November 5 and leave the state after the principal secretary (home), Lalnimawia Chuango, was removed following the chief electoral officer's complaint against him.

"The Election Commission of India in consultation with the Government of Mizoram hereby nominates Ashish Kundra as the chief electoral officer for the state of Mizoram with immediate effect," a notification issued by the EC said. Mizoram goes to the polls on November 28. The EC in its order further stated that Shashank shall be attached

with the Commission with immediate effect and until further orders.

The EC's move was welcomed by the civil societies that had spearheaded a movement to seek the poll officer's ouster. "We welcome anybody as state CEO, except Shashank, who was working against the interests of the Mizo people by making an all-out effort to register Bru voters in the Tripura relief camps without following established procedures," Vanlalruata, chairman of the NGO, Coordination Committee said.

Shashank had accused Chuango of interfering with the revision of electoral rolls of Bru refugees from Mizoram, who have been living in relief camps in Tripura since ethnic violence drove them away in 1997. Most Mizos, including the State Government, are opposed to the Election Commission's proposal for allowing Brus to vote at their camps and want them to return to Mizoram for that.

The protests had forced the Election Commission (EC) to send a senior official for talks with the apex body leading the stir while accepting the "broad contours" of its resolution on

the CEO and Bru refugees submitted to a poll panel delegation.

After thousands of people gathered outside Shashank's office in Aizawl on Tuesday to seek his removal ahead of the November 28 assembly polls, an EC team comprising Jharkhand CEO Lalbiakthanga Khiangete, EC director Nikhil Kumar and EC secretary S.B. Joshi held talks with the Mizoram NGO Coordination Committee, an umbrella organisation of non-Government organisations and civil society groups. After the visits, the poll panel had asked the Mizoram Government to suggest names for the CEO's post.

Shashank reportedly sought the deployment of additional Central Armed Police Forces (CAPF) in the state. This did not go down well with the committee.

Earlier this month, Chief Minister Lal Thanhawla wrote to Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the issue. "... As people have lost faith in him (Shashank), the only solution for the smooth conduct of the Assembly elections 2018 would be removal of CEO S B Shashank from office forthwith," he said.

# SC to hear CBI Director Alok Verma's plea today

New Delhi: The Supreme Court is scheduled to hear on Friday CBI Director Alok Verma's plea challenging the Government's order divesting him of his duties and sending him on leave in view of allegations of corruption against him.

A three-judge bench, headed by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi, is also likely to consider the report of the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC), placed before it in a sealed cover, with regard to the probe into the allegations of corruption against Verma.

The bench is also likely to consider the report of acting CBI Director M Nageswara Rao also filed in a sealed cover in the court with regard to the decisions taken by him from October 23-26.

Besides the plea filed by Verma, the court is also seized of the PIL filed by NGO Common Cause, which has sought a probe by special investigation team against CBI officers.

The court has issued notices to the Centre, CBI, CVC, special CBI Director Rakesh Asthana, Verma and Rao asking them to respond to it by November 12. PTI

# Def procurement happening speedily but with 'due diligence intact'

## Can't compel armed forces to buy from Indian firms: Sitharaman

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In an effort to give a boost to Indian defence industry and maintain operational preparedness of the armed forces, defence procurement has been simplified and is happening speedily but with "due diligence intact," Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said here on Thursday. However, the domestic manufacturers have to convince the armed forces of the quality, purpose, usefulness and the relevance of their product, she said.

Making this point, the



Minister said she cannot compel armed forces to buy equipment from them and it was up to the domestic companies to convince the forces that their product was "good enough." Addressing the Indian Defence Conclave 2018 organised by the Defence Innovators and Industry Association, she said "the armed forces who actual-

ly use the equipment should be convinced.

It is not necessary that the armed forces will have to be bound by me or forced by me or compelled by me to buy it (from an Indian company)... I cannot say that to them."

The Minister also lauded her predecessors Manohar Parikkar and Arun Jaitley, say-

ing they had not only simplified defence procedure but also ensured transparency. Steps were taken to make the procurement procedure less cumbersome, she noted. "Procurement has simplified. Procurement is happening with due diligence intact, but it is happening speedily," the Defence Minister said.

Her comments come in the backdrop of the controversy over the ₹58,000 crore Rafale deal with the Opposition, primarily the Congress, alleging corruption and demanding that the price details be made public. The Government has vehemently denied the charges of corruption and said any disclosure of price would be violation of the secrecy clause and would give an advantage to adversaries.

Sitharaman also urged defence manufacturers to get

out of the mindset of looking at the India market alone. "I appeal to you all to get out of that mindset. There are several other countries which are buying (defence equipment) that do not have the capacity to produce. They never had a history of attempting to produce defence components. Look at markets outside. Make in India is not just for making in India," she said.

The Minister assured the gathering that the Government will make sure the industry gets every possible help to export their products. To encourage domestic defence manufacturers, she said, several items have been removed from the list that was earlier reserved for ordinance factories and defence public sector undertakings. She also said the government's 'Make in India' project is not just on paper and that orders have been placed.

NATIONAL HERALD BUILDING LEASE

# AJL gets breather after HC order to keep status quo till Nov 22

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The publisher of the National Herald newspaper, who was ordered by the Centre, to vacate its headquarters at 'Herald House' building by November 15, got a last minute breather on Thursday when the Delhi High Court directing status quo till November 22. However, the court did not stay the eviction notice, issued by Urban Development Ministry, which started eviction proceedings in the morning. Meanwhile, the Governor gave CBI sanction to prosecute former Haryana Chief Minister Bhopinder Hooda for the alleged illegalities in the allotment of land in Panchkula for the National Herald newspaper.

In its petition in Delhi HC, the Associated Journal Limited (AJL), publisher of National Herald alleged that the proceedings by the Urban Development Ministry were being initiated for the purposes of "scuttling the voices of dissent" and the voice of the largest Opposition party in the country, a reference to the Congress.

Without naming the BJP, the AJL's lawyer and Congress leader Abhishek Singhvi further alleged that the order issued under pressure and directives from the ruling party at the Centre is vitiated by malafides, bias and had "oblique political motives". Singhvi said that the Government's actions were purely politically motivated and based on BJP Subramanian Swamy's petition.

Singhvi pointed out that the Centre has started eviction proceedings in the Herald House and argued that it is unfair when the matter is seized with the court. This was refuted by Solicitor General Tushar Mehta and the court asked Singhvi to ask his clients to verify the submission. After a few minutes, Singhvi on instructions told the court that he has photographs of the two officials and said that their names were — Gopal Rastogi and K R Rana.

While Mehta said the matter would be looked into, Justice Sunil Gaur said, "they (L&DO) cannot take possession like this. They have to proceed under the Public Premises

(Eviction of Unauthorized Occupants) Act, 1971". Later Mehta gave an oral assurance it will maintain status quo till November 22.

Former Haryana Chief Minister Bhopinder Singh Hooda said that he was a victim of "political vendetta" and has done no wrong in the case involving allotment of a plot of land in Panchkula to AJL. Hooda made the remarks on media persons' query on reports that Haryana Governor Satyadev Narayan Arya gave sanction to prosecute him in the AJL case.

"I have been maintaining that I am a victim of political vendetta," Hooda told reporters on the sidelines of a Congress workers' meeting. The case of cheating, corruption and criminal conspiracy, registered

by the Haryana Vigilance Bureau against Hooda and AJL for irregularities in allotment of a plot of land in Panchkula to the firm had been taken over by the CBI last year. Congress veteran leader Motilal Vora is also made as an accused in the CBI case along with Haryana Government officials.



Union Finance Minister Arun Jaitley, WSBI president Heinrich Haasis and president of WSBI Isidro Fairn during the 25th World Congress: 'Sustainable Retail Banking: Making Globalisation Inclusive for All' in New Delhi on Thursday PTI

# India hosts agriculture summit to boost agri produce trade

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

To increase agricultural produce trade in Asia and the Pacific countries, India hosted a two-day meet of the general assembly of Network for Development of Agricultural Cooperatives in Asia and Pacific (NEDAC) to chalk out a strategy for regional trade. NEDAC also adopted a new constitution on Thursday.

While inaugurating the assembly Parshotam K Rupala, Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare and Panchayati Raj, said, "Realising the need to enhance the farmers income to address agrarian distress and promotes farmers welfare Prime Minister has embarked on a mission for doubling farmers income by 2022." He further said that the cooperatives have exhibited better performance and are living success stories to enhance pro-

duction and better returns to produce from market through collective action. He added that the India is determined to improve productivity of agriculture products and use resources effectively and improve trade for farmers.

To establish marketing linkages among cooperatives in the ASEAN countries for possible business undertaking of their agricultural products, Sundeep Kumar Nayak, Managing Director of National Cooperative Development Corporation said India has hosted the event with an objective to increase trade between cooperatives of two or multiple countries. "Through this, we will be able stimulate the capabilities and training human resources at all levels and accelerate development through a more efficient utilisation of human, physical and financial resources available," Nayak said.

# NE States to be ODF by Dec 2018

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

While Sikkim has already taken lead in becoming the first Open Defecation Free (ODF) in the country, the other States from the Northeast region have committed to make the region ODF by December end this year.

This was decided at a regional review meeting of the North Eastern States — Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and Sikkim held in Guwahati in Assam recently.

The workshop comprised discussions on sustaining ODF status, solid and liquid waste management (SLWM), and rural water supply. Teams from Key aspects of sustainability



such as geo-tagging, verification of ODF villages, conversion of dysfunctional toilets, IEC expenditure, Swachhagrahi engagement were reviewed.

Speaking on the occasion, Parameswaranlyer, Secretary, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation emphasized the importance of the joint effort

being made by the Central and State SBM teams towards sustaining gains made under the program so far.

He spoke about the importance of continued focus on behavior change communication and periodic verifications to ensure that the safe sanitation habits and practices devel-

oped over the past few years are sustained in the future as well.

The teams from the ODF States of the region spoke about efforts to sustain their ODF status. Sikkim highlighted the solid and liquid waste management initiatives being undertaken in the first ODF State of the country.

Non-ODF States committed to declaring themselves as ODF by December 2018. Assam shared highlights of "Mission Sambhav", under which more than one lakh pit digging activities were initiated on a single day during the Swachhata Hi Seva fortnight.

Akshay Rout, Director General, Special Projects from the Ministry pointed to the criticality of the sustainability phase of SBM and the necessi-

ty for the managers for regular monitoring.

V Radha, Joint Secretary from the Ministry spoke about the need to increase the coverage of household water supply connections by taking up community-managed, low cost schemes.

Since its launch in October 2014, the Swachh Bharat Mission, the world's largest sanitation program, has changed the behaviour of hundreds of millions of people with respect to toilet access and usage. About 300 million people have stopped defecating in the open since the Mission began, down from 550 million at the beginning of the programme to about 200 million today, according to the Government data.

# BJP expels 64 rebel leaders ahead of MP Assembly polls

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The rebel candidates denied tickets in Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan may impact results of many constituencies in two States as the BJP has expelled 64 of them in MP and working overtime to seek withdrawal of as many of them from the electoral fray.

After inducting several fresh faces in Madhya Pradesh to fight anti-incumbency in the Assembly polls, the BJP is facing problem of dissidents and has so far expelled 64 of its rebel, including former Ministers Sartaj Singh, Ram Krishan Kusmaria and former Gwalior mayor Sameeksha Pandey. A total of 2,932 candidates filed nominations out of which 578 were rejected and 538 withdrew their papers for the November 28 poll in the State.

Kusmaria has been an MP thrice and has also served as a Minister in the Shivraj Singh Government between 2008 and 2013. The BJP had sent its central leader Prabhat Jha to salvage the situation but he could not succeed in his efforts.

For the Congress, Xavier Meena, a former Minister from

Jhahu is a key dissident in Madhya Pradesh. Congress has been able to restrict the rebel numbers by succeeding to have a chunk of them withdraw their nominations.

In Rajasthan, ahead of the December 7 Assembly elections, the BJP's Nagaur MLA Habibur Rahman rejoined the Congress after a decade. BJP's Dausa MP Harish Chandra Meena, former DG police, also joined the Congress. Meena had joined the BJP in 2014. Meena joined the Congress in the presence of former Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot and Sachin Pilot, whose father Rajesh Pilot held the Dausa constituency.

Meena's elder brother Namo Narayan Meena is a senior Congress leader who was defeated by Harish Meena from Dausa.

BJP is locked in a tough electoral battle with the Congress in both the states and deployed all its key leaders led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and party president Amit Shah to override the incumbency factor. It is estimated that at least 30 to 40 seats in MP could be a touch and go affair on account of 'rebel' candidates presence.

# Didi steps up attack on BJP over NRC

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

The State BJP has written to party president Amit Shah to go slow on NRC as the idea was creating large-scale apprehensions among the people. In fact, State BJP president Dilip Ghosh on Thursday clearly said the State leadership was more in favour of the Citizenship Bill than the NRC. This came in the wake of Mamata Banerjee stepping up attacks on the BJP.

"I think once the Citizenship Bill is tabled and enacted, the NRC will not be required because that will provide enough evidence of a person's citizenship credentials," Ghosh said.

Incidentally, senior BJP leader and party's observer for Bengal Kailash Vijayvargiya had earlier said that "the NRC will definitely be conducted in Bengal if the BJP comes to power here as it is also facing severe infiltration issues."

Ghosh's statements came almost in tandem with renewed attack from Mamata who called the BJP a party of riot mongers that was more involved in creating religious and linguistic divide among the people so as to capture power in Bengal.

Criticising the Chief Minister for "backing the infiltrators" he wanted to "ask Mamata Banerjee why she is siding with the infiltrators". Attacking the Trinamool Congress leaders for playing vote bank politics, he said,



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"Unfortunately some people are more concerned about indulging in appeasement policies and vote bank politics than the progress of the nation."

Meanwhile, once again upping the ante on the BJP for dividing the people along religious and linguistic lines Mamata told a congregation of Matua community (a large number of whom migrated from Bangladesh to Bengal and even Assam) in North 24 Parganas how the BJP was throwing out the Bengalis out of Assam and Biharis from Gujarat and Maharashtra besides creating a division within the Matua society.

Bengal has about a lakh Matua voters in North 24 Parganas and Nadia.

"They are unnecessarily harassing a great majority of people who are Indian citizens. They are threatening to throw these citizens out of the country though they have genuine identity cards, caste certificates or similar documents," Mamata said, attacking the BJP, and assured "you all not to get scared as no one can snatch your citizenship."

Mamata was addressing the Matua community — at Thakurnagar in North 24 Parganas — on the 100th birth anniversary of the community's religious head Binapani Devi.

Aware that the BJP was trying to take out a slice of Matua vote by offering tickets to some of Binapani Devi's family members, Mamata said none had done so much for the community as her Government did.

"Now we will set up a Matua University in the name of the Matua religious head Guruchand-Harichand Thakur," Mamata said adding the Government would also construct two huge gates identifying the Matua headquarters.

Incidentally Prime Minister Narendra Modi had also promised a great deal for the Matuas during his pre-electoral campaign in 2014 but "they have done nothing for you save giving lip service," Mamata said.

# 'Gaja' intensifies into severe storm, landfall on TN coast forecast

Chennai: Cyclone 'Gaja' intensified into a severe cyclonic storm on Thursday and was expected to cross the south Tamil Nadu coast post-midnight, with the Government machinery put on high alert in vulnerable districts.

The storm which lay over the south-west Bay about 285 km from here and 225 km east of Karaikal in neighbouring Puducherry, was very likely to cross the coast between Cuddalore and Pamban around Nagapattinam by this evening or night after weakening into a cyclone, the Met office said.

At the time of landfall, wind speed of 80-90 kmph gusting up to 100 kmph and heavy rain were likely along the region, it said.

The Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Authority, in a tweet, said as per the latest updates #GajaCyclone is likely to have landfall between 8 pm and 11 pm tonight in all probability in Nagapattinam district, about 300 km from here.

There was no significant rainfall so far Thursday in most of the districts expected to be affected by the cyclone. Chennai witnessed sporadic spells of rain.

So far, 1,313 people have already been shifted to relief centres in Nagapattinam district and efforts are on to evacuate all those living in low lying areas to relief centres in the vulnerable districts, the government said.

A holiday has been declared for educational institutions in seven districts, including Nagapattinam, Tiruvallur, Cuddalore and Ramanathapuram, and the government has advised private firms, and establishments to send back their employees early so that they could reach their homes before 4 pm.

As the sea was rough, police have been advised to intensify efforts to bar people from going near the beaches to witness the cyclone or click selfies.

Four teams each of National Disaster Response Force personnel have been deployed in Nagapattinam district while two teams of the state disaster response force in Cuddalore district, officials said.

The State disaster management authority has released an animated video aimed at creating awareness on the do's and don'ts during cyclone. The government has announced helpline numbers 1070 (state-level) and 1077 (districts) for those who may need assistance.

PTI

# 2 terrorists held in Poonch part of LeT module: SSP

PTI ■ JAMMU

Two terrorists, who were arrested from Poonch district of Jammu & Kashmir, were part of Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) module and had come to the town to ferry weapons to the Kashmir Valley, a senior police officer said on Thursday.

Senior Superintendent of Police, Poonch, Rajiv Pandey said a special investigation team (SIT) headed by a sub-divisional police officer (SDPO) was formed to probe the case.

Auqib Ahmad Bhat and Shabir Ahmad Dar, both hailing from Pulwama district of south Kashmir, were arrested during a joint operation by police and the Army in Mendhar area of the border district on Wednesday.

Two AK-56 rifles, two magazines, 60 rounds and four hand-grenades were seized from their possession.

"Prima facie, it was established that they were part of LeT module and were assigned the task to shift weapons from Poonch to the Kashmir Valley," the SSP told reporters.

Presenting the arrested persons before the media persons, he said preliminary investigations revealed that they were not in the district to carry out any terror activity. "They are associates of terrorists and their only motive was to shift the weapons from Poonch to Kashmir," Pandey said.



Security personnel with two suspected terrorists and weapons seized from Jaran Wali Gali area of Mendhar after a joint search operation in Poonch on Thursday

**'Prima facie, it was established that they were part of an LeT module and were assigned the task to shift weapons from Poonch to Kashmir Valley,' the SSP told reporters**

However, he said Poonch Police was in touch with its counterparts in the Kashmir Valley to probe the arrested persons' involvement in terrorism.

The SSP said police received specific information about movement of some suspected persons and accordingly established checking points which led to the arrest of the duo from Jaran Wali Gali and

the recovery of the weapons, including four hand grenades, which were kept in a specially built cavity in the vehicle at their disclosure.

"A case was registered against them and a special investigation team headed by SDPO Mendhar Neeraj Padyar has been formed to probe the case thoroughly," he said.

The SSP said from where the weapons had come was yet to be ascertained.

He said security agencies are on high alert in the district and have not lowered their guard.

"The combing operation is going on in rural and forest area. We are conducting operation in every inch of Mendhar sub-division and elsewhere," Pandey said.



Traders from different regions attend the annual Pushkar Camel Fair in Pushkar on Thursday. The annual livestock fair is one of the largest in the world

## CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

The Executive Engineer, Parliament Works Division-I, CPWD, I.P. Bhawan, New Delhi on behalf of President of India invites Online Percentage rate bids (CPWD-7) from approved and eligible contractors of CPWD for the following works:-

1. NIT No.235/EE/PaWD-I/18-19 Name of Work: A/R & M/o to MP's flats/bungalows under Sub-Div-II of PaWD-I during 2018-19 (SH: Misc. repair and renovation work in bungalows of Purana Quila Road and Mathura Road) Estimated Cost Rs.28,50,700/- Earnest Money Rs.57,014/- Period of completion Two Months Last time and date of submission of tender is 15:00 P.M. on 22-11-2018.
2. NIT No.236/EE/PaWD-I/18-19 Name of Work: Repair/Renovation to MP's Bungalows under Sub Div-V of PaWD-I dg. 2018-19 (SH: Renovation of toilets in various flat of Meena Bagh, Humayun Road, Lodhi Garden & Bapa Nagar) Estimated Cost Rs.25,37,120/- Earnest Money Rs.50,742/- Period of completion Two Months Last time and date of submission of tender is 15:00 P.M. on 22-11-2018.
3. NIT No.237/EE/PaWD-I/18-19 Name of Work: Repair/Renovation to MP's Bungalows under Sub Div-V of PaWD-I dg. 2018-19 (SH: Renovation of toilets in various bungalows of Lodhi Estate) Estimated Cost Rs.27,08,936/- Earnest Money Rs.54,179/- Period of completion Two Months Last time and date of submission of tender is 15:00 P.M. on 22-11-2018. The tender forms and other details can be obtained from the website [www.tenderwizard.com/CPWD](http://www.tenderwizard.com/CPWD) or [www.cpwd.gov.in](http://www.cpwd.gov.in)

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### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR EMPANELMENT OFFILM MAKER/AGENCY/COMPANY/PRODUCTION HOUSE OF J&K WITH THE DIRECTORATE OF TOURISM, JAMMU FOR YEAR 2018-19.

E.O.I. No.14 of 2018 Dated: 13/11/2018

Directorate of Tourism, Jammu intends to make TVCs/AVs/Short-Films/Docu-drama/Documentaries on different tourist destinations and of tourism products for the year 2018-19 to promote Jammu as a prominent independent tourist destination covering various aspects of State tourism like monuments, wildlife, ecotourism, hill stations, shopping, fairs and festivals heritage, resorts, cuisines and handicrafts covering the captivating beauty, diversity and spirituality of Jammu in such a way that it offers the viewers a cherish-worthy and engaging experience about Jammu on the rates approved by Department of Information and Public Relation, J&K.

Pursuant to the above, E.O.I is invited from registered Production House/Film Maker/Agency/Company in J&K for the production of TVCs/AVs/Short-Films/Docu-drama/Documentaries and other related works.

S.No. 1, Name of work :- Empanelment of Production House/Film Maker/Agency/Company for Production of short films to promote Jammu Tourism.

Name of Division :- DDT (Pub) Jammu

Cost of document (In Rs.) :- Rs. 200/-

Earnest Money (In Rs.) :- 10,000/-

Time and date of opening of E.O.I :- 26.11.2018 at 11:00 hrs.

Who can apply :- Registered Film Maker/Agency/Company/Production House of J&K having a prominent media presence and minimum experience of making 03 films/AVs/Short-Films/Docu Drama/documentaries during last 03 years in J&K.

1. The Bidding documents can be downloaded from the website <http://ktenders.gov.in> from 10:00 Hrs on 13<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2018 upto 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov, 2018 till 14:00 hrs. Bid documents contain qualifying criteria for bidder, terms and conditions and other details.

Sd/- (Er.S.K.Attri) KAS Deputy Director Tourism Publicity, Jammu

DIPJ/3711-P/18 Dated: 14.11.2018

## Omar: NC open to participate in Assembly polls in J&K

PTI ■ SRINAGAR

National Conference leader Omar Abdullah has hinted his party would participate in Assembly polls in Jammu & Kashmir if fresh elections to the State legislature are announced in the near future.

"You got the control of a handful of towns & cities because NC & PDP stayed away (and the Congress did such a poor job of putting up a fight). Do you really think we will give you a walkover in the Assembly polls?" Abdullah wrote on his Twitter handle on Wednesday.

He was responding to BJP national general secretary Ram Madhav, who had asked the National Conference and the People's Democratic Party if they would participate in Assembly polls if held in the near future.

"On one hand, they (NC and PDP) say they will not take part in elections to safeguard Article 35A, on the other, they demand dissolution of assembly and fresh elections. Tomorrow if assembly elections are held, will you will fight or go by your boycott?" Madhav said at a function in Kathua on Tuesday night.

NC and PDP did not participate in urban local bodies elections held in the State last month after a gap of nearly 13 years due to the legal challenge to Article 35-A of the Constitution, which guarantees exclusive residency rights to people of the State only, before the Supreme Court.

### हरियाणा सरकार TENDER NOTICE

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2	IRRIGATION DEPTT., JHAJJAR	INTERNAL CLEARANCE OF RAIYA MINOR RD 0 TO 28500 +9 OTHERS WORKS	CLOSING DATE 19.11.2018	6.97 LACS	etenders.hry.nic.in TENDER NO 6803-16/A DATED 08.11.2018	xen-wsijr.irr@gov.in 7015684187
3	PWD B&R KARNAL	CARRYING OUT SURVEY GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION AND PREPARATION OF GADS, BOQ, DETAILED DESIGNING, WORKING DRAWING, DETAILED ESTIMATES & CNIT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF M.L. BRIDGE	13.11.2018 28.11.2018	7 LACS	<a href="https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	pwd-eeepdkarnal@hry.nic.in 0184-2251029
4	PWD B&R NARAINGARG	PROVIDING WIDENING AND STRENGTHENING OF LINK ROAD BHLIPURA TO RUKHANI IN AMBALA DISTT (ID 162) CM ANNOUNCEMENT CODE 23376	19.11.2018 18.11.2018	114.69 LACS	<a href="https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	pwd-eeepd-naraingarg@hry.nic.in 01734284035
5	PWD B&R, KARNAL	WIDENING & STRENGTHENING WITH WBM + BM +PC RD 0 TO 400 & 400 TO 1700 ON KALWHERI APP ROAD (ROAD ID -7224) KM 0 TO 2.200 IN KARNAL DISTRICT	02.11.2018 18.11.2018	78.66 LACS	<a href="https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	pwd-eeepdkarnal@hry.nic.in 0184-2251029
6	PWD B&R, KARNAL	WIDENING & STRENGTHENING WITH WBM + BM +PC RD 0 TO 1000 & C&B RD 1000 TO 1100 ON HKD ROAD TO ANJANTHALI ROAD (ROAD ID -7432 ) LENGTH KM 1.100 IN KARNAL DISTRICT CODE NO 23301	14.11.2018 05.12.2018	37.40 LACS	<a href="https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	pwd-eeepdkarnal@hry.nic.in 0184-2251029
7	PWD B&R, NUH	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVT. DEGREE COLLEGE AT FEROEZPUR JHIRKA IN NUH DISTT	15.11.2018 17.12.2018	1190.30 LACS	<a href="https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	01267-271237
8	FOREST DEPTT., PANCHKULA	NUKAD NATAK, SHORT DRAMA / SKIT IN 22 DISTRICTS OF HARYANA	14.11.2018 29.11.2018	EMD 50000	<a href="https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	ctsfamb@karnal.com 9416376656 0172-2563861
9	FISHERIES ,DEPARTMENT	EXCAVATION & PRE-CAST C C LINING WORK OF PONDS AT NATIONAL FISH SEED FARM, JYOTISAR (KURUKSHETRA) +11 NO. OTHER WORKS AT DIFF GOVT. FISH SEED FARMS IN HARYANA	15.11.2018 28.11.2018	85.24 LACS	<a href="http://www.harfishb.gov.in">www.harfishb.gov.in</a>	fisheries.haryana@gmail.com 7982484936
10	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGG, YAMUNA NAGAR	PLANNING DESIGNING CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLING TESTING, COMMISSIONING, STARTING UP, STABILIZATION AND O & M FOR 5 YEAR OF 0.20 MLD PACKAGE TYPE SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT BASED ON SBR TECHNOLOGY INCLUDING ALL CIVIL, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, PIPING AND INSTRUMENTATION WORKS COMPLETE IN ALL RESPECTS AT BHOOT MAIRA DISTT YAMUNA NAGAR	16.11.2018 30.11.2018	74.50 LACS	<a href="https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	Executive Engineer, Division No.2,Yamunanagar
11	PT. DEEN DAYAL UPADHAYAYA UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES KARNAL AT KUTAIL	PROCUREMENT OF PHYSIOTHERAPY EQUIPMENT FOR COLLEGE OF PHYSIOTHERAPY	16.11.2018 30.11.2018	1 LACS	<a href="https://krpmc.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://krpmc.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> in KCGMC/Proc/2018/12151 dated 14.11.2018	uhskarnal2018@gmail.com 0184-2266254
12	HARYANA STAFF SELECTION COMMISSION,PANCHKULA	E-TENDER FOR BIOMETRIC ATTENDANCE WITH DEVICE AND MANUAL BIOMETRIC ON THE ATTENDANCE SHEET & OMR ETC., VIDEOGRAPHY, CCTV CAMERA, JAMMER AND, PHYSICAL SCREENING TEST(PST) AND PHYSICAL MEASUREMENT TEST (PMT)	15.11.2018 07.12.2018	1 LACS	<a href="http://www.hssc.gov.in">www.hssc.gov.in</a> HSSC/E-TENDER/03/28/2018	secretaryhssc01@gmail.com 6280407291

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1	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE, FARRUKH NAGAR	ESTIMATE FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREET LIGHT FOR ONE YEAR (09*12=11.88)	CLOSING DATE 26.11.2018	11.88 LACS	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in/mcgep/app">https://etenders.hry.nic.in/mcgep/app</a> Tender No-2018/HRY 71862_1	9467388174 secymcfarrukhnagar@gmail.com
2	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, HISAR	SPECIAL REPAIR WITH MASTIC OF ROAD FROM PARSHURAM CHOWK TO GANDHI CHOWK HISAR + 2 OTHER WORKS	30.11.2018 05.12.2018	40.92 LACS	<a href="https://mchisar.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">mchisar.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 105028, 105031, 105105	xenmchisar@gmail.com
3	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, YAMUNANAGAR-JAGADHRI	CONSTRUCTION OF PITS FOR COLLECTION OF DUNG (GOBAR) & CONSTRUCTION OF TANKS FOR COLLECTION OF WASTE WATER FOR DIARY COMPLEX DARIYA FOR COMPOSTING + 1 OTHER WORK	15.11.2018 21.11.2018	49.22 LACS	<a href="https://mcyntn.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://mcyntn.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 105148, 105150	9818656867 xen.mcyntn@gmail.com
4	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, YAMUNANAGAR-JAGADHRI	PATCH WORK AND POT HOLES REPAIR IN VARIOUS POINT IN WARD NO. 08 TO 20 YAMUNANAGAR + 2 OTHER WORKS	15.11.2018 22.11.2018	40.60 LACS	<a href="https://mcyntn.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://mcyntn.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 105142, 105143,105145	9818656867 xen.mcyntn@gmail.com
5	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GURUGRAM	REPAIR OF EXISTING DRAINS AND LAYING OF RCC NP3 PIPE DRAINS, PROVIDING & FIXING SFRC DOUBLE ROAD GULLY SIZE 1448MM * 457 MM AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO IN THE BALANCE AREA OF SECTOR-59 GURUGRAM, UNDER MCG + 2 OTHER WORKS	09.11.2018 26.11.2018	116.06 LACS	<a href="https://mcpurgaon.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://mcpurgaon.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 104676,104680,104681	ec5@mcg.gov.in
6	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GURUGRAM	CONSTRUCTION OF BOUNDARY WALL & BARBED WIRE FENCING AT NEAR HOUSE NO. 49, POKET-A, IN SECTOR-39,(WARD NO.28) UNDER MCG.	20.11.2018	3.65 LACS	<a href="http://mcpurgaon.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">http://mcpurgaon.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No EE-III&IV/MCG/F-6/2018/48717 DT.05.11.2018 EE-III&IV/MCG/F-6/2018/49538 Tender No-104425	9821395203 ee3@mcg.gov.in
7	HVPNL PANCHKULA	PROCUREMENT OF BOLTLESS C-TYPE WEDGE CONNECTORS FOR I. TARANTULA-TARANTULA CONDUCTOR (2400 NO.) II. ZEBRA-ZEBRA CONDUCTOR (7700 NO.)	17.11.2018 01.01.2019	2.80 LACS	<a href="http://www.hvpng.org.in">www.hvpng.org.in</a> Tender No QPD-1153,NIT NO 1005 DT.14.11.2018	0172-2583789 cpro@hvpng.org.in
8	HVPNL PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL ODSG FOUNDATIONS,ODCT AT 220 KV SUB-STATION LULA AHIR, (R-8)	CLOSING DATE 05.12.2018	20.46	<a href="http://www.hvpng.org.in">www.hvpng.org.in</a> Tender NO-12/CWR/HVPN/2018-19	0172-2583789 pro@hvpng.org.in
9	HVPNL PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF RADIATOR FOUNDATION,OIL TANK FOUNDATION, SURFACE DRESSING & SPREADING OF CRUSHED BAIRI AT 220KV S/STN. UNISPUR.(CIVIL WORKS).	19.11.2018	7840 FOR GENERAL 3920 FOR REGISTERED SOCIETY	<a href="http://www.hvpng.org.in">www.hvpng.org.in</a> Tender No 21/2018-19 Dated 18.11.2018	0172-2583789 cpro@hvpng.org.in
10	HVPNL PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF ODSG FOUNDATIONS, ODCT AND OTHER ALLIED WORKS AT 132 KV SUB-STATION KANINA, (R-8)	05.12.2018	21.66	<a href="http://www.hvpng.org.in">www.hvpng.org.in</a> E-Tender Enquiry No-11/CWR/HVPN/2018-19	0172-2583789 pro@hvpng.org.in
11	MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BAHADURGARH	PROVIDING AND INSTALLATION OF 07 MTR. STREET LIGHT POLL ON JHAJJAR ROAD TO SECTOR ROAD ALONG WITH ITI BAHADURGARH CITY + 3 OTHER WORKS	27.11.2018 28.11.2018	69.84 LACS	<a href="http://etenders.hry.nic.in">etenders.hry.nic.in</a> Tender No 784, 785, 786, 787	9466279801 mcgarh@gmail.com
12	HARYANA TOURISM CORPORATION LIMITED	RE-TENDER FOR 33RD SURAKSHIND INTERNATIONAL CRAFTS MELA FOR HIRING OF AGENCY FOR PROVIDING WALKIE-TALKIE/WIRELESS SETS + 17 OTHER WORKS	16.11.2018 03.12.2018	EMD-8.1 LACS	<a href="http://haryanaturism.gov.in">haryanaturism.gov.in</a> Tender No Htc-2018/SKMA/Agencies	haryanaturism@gmail.com 9216400446
13	UHBVN PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF CEMENT CONCRETE INTERLOCKING PAVER BLOCK ROAD AT 33KV S/STN.DIKADLA	14.11.2018 28.11.2018	7.16 LACS	<a href="http://www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 26/CCR/2018-19	xencivilhbvnrohtak@gmail.com 0172-2565625
14	UHBVN PANCHKULA	ANNUAL BUILDINGS MAINTAINANCE AND REPAIR OF 33 KVS/STN. UNDER "OP" CITY DIVN. PANIPAT	14.11.2018 28.11.2018	5.69 LACS	<a href="http://www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 27/CCR/2018-19	xencivilhbvnrohtak@gmail.com 0172-2565625
15	UHBVN PANCHKULA	1 NOS. JEEP/BOLERO WITH HARD TOP WITH DRIVER	29.11.2018 30.11.2018	6000	<a href="http://www.uhbvn.org.in">www.uhbvn.org.in</a> NIT no 51/XEN/SH/2018-19 Dt 14.11.2018	0184-2268351 xenopubhbvnrohtak@gmail.com
16	HARTRON	PURCHASE OF 170 NOS. 15 PROCESSOR BASED COMPUTERS + 1 OTHER WORKS	16.11.2018 10.12.2018 & 07.12.2018	2 LACS	<a href="http://www.harttron.org.in">www.harttron.org.in</a> Tender No/Harttron/HW/2018-19/46, 2018-19/47	agmprocurement@gmail.com 0172-2720113

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MARATHA RESERVATION

Maha Govt to make announcement on Dec 1

Make preparations for celebrations on Dec 1, CM Fadnavis tells people at a public rally

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Ahead of a fresh round of agitation threatened by the Maratha Kranti Morcha from November 25 to press for reservations for their community, Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis on Thursday indicated that his Government would come out with a formal announcement about reservations to Marathas in Government jobs and education on December 1.

"We have received a report from the Maharashtra State Backward Class Commission (MSBCC) on the socio-economic status of the Marathas. I request all of you to prepare yourselves for celebrations on December 1," Fadnavis said, while addressing a public rally at Ahmednagar in western Maharashtra.

Fadnavis' announcement came hours after MSBCC member-secretary DD Deshmukh submitted the

Commission's voluminous report on the socio-economic status of Marathas to State Chief Secretary DK Jain.

On August 7, the Bombay High Court, which is hearing a bunch of public interest litigations seeking reservation and directions to the MSBCC had set November 15 as deadline for MSBCC to submit its report to it.

Confirming the receipt of the report on Marathas from the MSBCC, Jain said: "We have received a report from the MSBCC on the economic, social and economic status of the Maratha community. We will study the report and table it before the State Cabinet for a decision to be made on the basis of recommendations made in the report."

The MSBCC, headed by Justice (Retd) NG Gaikwad, had over the past few months held a series of public hearings and perused more than two lakh documents, letters, affidavits placed before it.

Official sources said that the chief minister would make a formal announcement about reservations to Marathas during the winter session of the Maharashtra Legislature beginning on November 19.

Currently Maharashtra has 52 per cent reservations in jobs and educational institutions. Of the total 52 per cent reservations, SCs and ST communities account for 13 and 7 per cent, respectively, while OBCs have 19 per cent per cent reservations, VJNT. Together, Special Backward Class and Nomadic Tribes account for 13 per cent.

Sources said that the MSBCC had in its report recommended reservations to Marathas without disturbing the quota already set aside for the OBCs.

Marathas, who have been agitating under the aegis of Maratha Kranti Morcha, for reservations in jobs and education across the state for the past two years, account for more than 30 per cent of Maharashtra's nearly 11.25 crore population.

Reacting to the chief minister's announcement about the state government's plans to come out with reservations for Marathas, former Chief Minister and Maharashtra Congress chief Ashok Chavan said: "We fully support Maratha reservation. The Government should take immediate action to guarantee Maratha reservation."

Slamming the BJP-Shiv Sena alliance Government for delaying the implementation of reservations to various communities, Chavan said: "The Congress had granted Maratha reservation in 2014, but the BJP-Sena Government failed to protect this reservation in court. More than 40 people have lost their lives in this agitation. If the Government had taken action earlier, these 40 lives could have been saved. There is no need to delay this decision further."

"We have given 16 per cent reservation to the Marathas. It is to be seen how much the BJP-Sena Government will provide for," former Chief Minister Prithviraj Chavan said. Leader of the Opposition in the State Legislative Council Dhananjay Munde of the NCP asked the State Government to announce reservations before the start of the winter session of the Maharashtra Legislature.

It may be recalled that on November 14, 2014, the Bombay High Court had stayed an ordinance promulgated by the previous Congress-led Government ahead of the October 2014 State Assembly polls extending 16 per cent reservations to

Marathas and five per cent to Muslims, saying that they were not in conformity with the law laid down by the Supreme Court in three cases.

However, a HC bench, headed by the then Chief Justice Mohit Shah, had subsequently allowed reservations to Muslims in educational institutions, on the ground that their educational achievements were "abysmally low" and that there was a need to draw them into the "mainstream of secular education".

On its part, the BJP-led saffron alliance Government - which came to power after the October 2014 Assembly polls - subsequently moved the apex court challenging the stay granted by the high court on an ordinance promulgated by the previous Congress-led DF Government.

However, the Supreme Court rejected the State Government's petition.

The matter came back to the high court after advocate Vikas Patil filed an intervention petition in the Supreme Court on the issue.

The apex court directed the high court to hear the bunch of petitions pending before it.

Vibrant Gujarat roadshow to be held in Delhi today

NAYAN DAVE ■ GANDHINAGAR

In the run-up to the ninth edition of Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit (VGGS) to be held in January 2019, the Gujarat Government is hosting a roadshow in New Delhi on Friday.

The roadshow at the national Capital for the Gujarat Government's flagship biennial event for attracting investments would be attended by Chief Minister Vijay Rupani and other senior officials. The roadshow on Friday would be first out of six to be held at Delhi. During the event, the Rupani and others would meet leaders of trade and industries in the Capital and showcase investment opportunities in Gujarat.

In order to promote the event senior-level delegations have already visited across the globe and organised 24 roadshows in different countries. The Summit will be held from Jan 18-20 next year. Gujarat Government will hold such road shows in Mumbai, Pune, Bangalore, Kolkata and Hyderabad.

During the road shows, the State Government would showcase Dholera Special Investment

Yatra to spread awareness on Patel's contributions

Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani on Thursday flagged off the Ekta Rath Yatra Phase II from Ahmedabad to spread the knowledge about the contributions of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel in uniting 562 erstwhile princely States in India post-Independence.

Speaking on the occasion, Rupani said the world's tallest statue, the Statue of Unity, has been built to spread the message. About 25,000 people are visiting the site of the statue daily. It has emerged as a pilgrims centre. Had there been no Sardar Patel, we would have to apply for visa for going from Somnath temple to Gir lion sanctuary (Junagadh).

Sardar Patel had also reconstructed the Somnath temple.

He called upon the people to rise above regional, communal, religious and linguistic parochialism and imbibe the ideals shown by Sardar Patel as the most befitting tribute to the Iron Man of India.

Rupani said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had revived the stories of sacrifices and valour of illustrious sons of India like Mahatma Gandhi and Sardar Patel, Dr Ambedkar, Veer Savarkar, Shyamji Krishna Verma. In phase-1, 59 Ekta Rath had fanned out across the state to cover 171 talukas in 33 districts from October 20 to 29 last. Nearly 16-lakh people joined these Yatras.

emphasised on manufacturing sector, this time focus is on trade and service sectors. VGGS was conceptualised by former Chief Minister, Prime Minister Narendra Modi. First VGGS was organised in 2003.

Geelani released from house arrest

KHURSHED WANI ■ SRINAGAR

The Governor's administration in Jammu & Kashmir on Thursday relaxed restrictions on the movement of separatist leader Syed Ali Shah Geelani to travel to his native village in north Kashmir's Sopore. Geelani has been held under house arrest since 2015 since he returned from New Delhi after spending winter months there.

His close aide Masarat Alam Bhat who was arrested after Geelani's arrival in Srinagar was charged under the Public Safety Act (PSA) for the 37th time.

Geelani, 89, heads a faction of Hurriyat Conference and constitutes three-member Joint Resistance Leadership (JRL) that leads separatist campaign in the embattled State. A spokesman of his party said that Geelani traveled to Dooru village of Sopore, 55 kilometers

from here, to meet his eldest daughter whose husband died after a prolonged illness on Tuesday. Geelani has been under house arrest since 2015. A contingent of police and paramilitaries guard his house in Hyderpora locality of uptown Srinagar and mostly prevent visitors to enter the premises. Geelani has not been allowed to offer Friday congregational prayers in a local mosque for the past five years, the spokesman said.

Geelani was allowed to move out of his residence a day after his close aide and Muslim League chief Masarat Alam Bhat was booked under PSA for the 37th time consecutively. Bhat was arrested in April 2015, just 40 days after his release from 5-year imprisonment. He was arrested on charges of rais-

ing anti-India and pro-Pakistan slogans on Geelani's in a public rally on Geelani's arrival from New Delhi.

The PSA is a law that allows the authorities to detain a person for a period of six months without bail.

Meanwhile, the National Investigation Agency (NIA) extended the judicial remand of the chairperson of all-women organization Dukhtaran-e-Millat (DeM) Aasiya Andrabi and her two associates, Nahida Nasreen and Sofi Fehmeeda till December 4.

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BHIMA-KOREGAON RIOTS CASE

Chargesheet against 10 persons, including 5 activists

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

The Pune police on Thursday finally filed the first chargesheet before a special court in Pune against 10 persons in the Bhima-Koregaon riots case, accusing them, among other things, of conspiring to kill Prime Minister Narendra Modi and overthrow the democratically elected Government in the country.

In their chargesheet filed before a Special Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) Court in Pune ten weeks after the same court extended a 90-day deadline for filing the chargesheet by another 90 days, the Pune police named Sudhir P.

Dhawale, Rona J. Wilson, Surendra P. Gadling, Shoma Sen, Mahesh S. Raut as among the 10 persons. They were arrested from various parts of the country on June 6.

The five other accused named in their 20-page chargesheet as the absconding accused by the Pune police are M alias Milind Teltumbde from Yavatmal, Prakash alias Navin Alias Ritupan Goswami from Assam, Manglu, Dipu and Kishan Prashant Bose, all owing allegiance to the banned CPI (Maoists). The chargesheet stated that these five accused had gone "underground" in various parts of the country.

The ten accused named in the first chargesheet in the

Bhima-Koregaon case have charged under various relevant sections of the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA), 117 (abetting commission of offence), 120-b (conspiracy) read with 34 (common intention), 121, 121 (A) (Waging or attempting to wage a war, or abetting waging of war, against the Government of India) 124A (sedition), 153 -A (wantonly giving provocation with intent to cause riot.) and 505 1b (statements conducing public mischief) of Indian Penal Code (IPC)

The chargesheet stated that the five arrested activists - Dhawale, Wilson, Gadling, Shoma Sen and S. Raut - were

linked to the CPI (Maoists) which carried out subversive activities through underground means. Human and civil rights organisations like Indian Association of People's Lawyers (IAPL), Anuradha Ghandi Memorial Committee (AGMC), Kabir Kala Manch, all of which set up legally, were supporting the outlawed CPI (Maoists)

According to the chargesheet, accused number two Rona J. Wilson had colluded with Shoma Sena and Prashanto Bose, secretary of the outlawed CPI (Maoist)'s Eastern Regional Bureau, along with other underground activists hatched a conspiracy to kill the Prime Minister of India.

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**e-NIT No. 59 OF 2018**  
**DATED 13.11.2018**

For and on behalf of the Governor of Jammu and Kashmir State, e-tenders are hereby invited from original manufacturers or their authorized dealers having proper authorization of the manufacture to quote against this tender for the supply of "Hospital Equipments" (as indicated in the detailed SBD and BOQs). The downloaded of NIT shall start on 13.11.2018 at 1500 hours. Tenders shall be submitted online on J&K State e-Procurement Portal [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) before 06.12.2018 up to 1800 hours.

A pre-bid conference shall be held on 19.11.2018 at 1500 hours in Conference Hall at PHQ, Gulshan Ground J&K, Jammu to clarify the queries of prospective bidders if any. The intending bidders should attend said conference to clarify matters related to this tender enquiry if any.

The tenders (technical bids only) will be opened online on 08.12.2018 at 1100 hours at Police Headquarters Gulshan Ground J&K, Jammu.

Detailed tender documents (SBD) with terms and conditions are available on J&K State e-Procurement Portal [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in).

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For Director General of Police  
J&K -Jammu

No: DIP/K-3845-NB/18  
Dated: 15.11.2018

**SEARCH FOR MISSING**

General public is hereby informed that one person (depicted in the photo), **Name** : Mohd. Tamanna S/o Mohd. Hanif R/o Village Harpurwa, PS bazpatti, Distt. Sitamarhi, Bihar **present R/o** H.No. A-373, Amar Puri, Nabi Karim, Delhi has been missing since 20.10.2018 from his residence at Nabi Karim. In this regard a vide DD No. 78-A dated 02.11.2018 lodged at PS Nabi Karim, Delhi. His physical description is as under:-

**Age** : 30 Years, **Height** : 6'7", **Complexion** : Shallow, **Face** : Round, **Built** : Medium, **Wearing** : Red colour shirt and grey colour pant and Hawai Chappal in feet.

Any person is having any information/clue about this missing person, may inform SHO, Navi Karm, Delhi at E-mail : [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) or website: <http://cbi.nic.in>

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No. D-1851/WD/4541/318/02/AE/EEC-4/DUSIB/2018-19 Dated: 12.11.2018

**PRESS NOTICE FOR INVITING E-TENDERS**

The Executive Engineer C-4 DUSIB invites on behalf of DUSIB online percentage rate bid on two bid system for the under mentioned work :-

**NIT No. 57 /EEC-4/ DUSIB/2018-19**  
**E-Tender No. 2018\_DUSIB\_161864\_1**  
**Name of work :- Pay & Use JSC (Revenue)**  
**Sub Head :-** Up-gradation of Jan Suvidha Complex in JJ Cluster Rakhli Market Zakhira including provisions for additional 8WCs and 2 Baths. (PMS:9989).

**Estimated Cost** :- Rs. 25,14,121/-  
**Earnest Money** :- Rs. 50,300/-  
**Tender Cost** :- Rs. 500/-  
**Period of Completion** :- 120 days

**Last Time and date of submission of bid** : 26.11.2018 at 15:00 Hrs  
The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website (<https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>)

**Executive Engineer C-4, DUSIB**

**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified female 50 years of age whose name, residence and family is unknown, was found dead in the drain DDA Park, A-B Block, Saraswati Vihar, P.S. Rani Bagh, Delhi on 06.11.18 at 12:38 pm. In this regard a vide has been registered with **DD No: 16A, dated 06.11.18 at P.S. Rani Bagh, Delhi**. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to identify the deceased female but no clue has come to light so far.

The description of the UIDB is as under:

**Sex:** Female, **Age:** 50 years, **Height:** 5'2", **Face:** Round, **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Built:** Medium, **Wearing:** Yellow colour Suit, Brown Colour Printed Salwar and Blue colour Slippers in Feet.

If anyone has any information about her relatives, kindly inform the SHO/ Rani Bagh, Delhi.

**SHO**  
**P.S. Rani Bagh, Delhi**  
Ph.: 011-27015329, 27015793

DP/8473/NW/18

**SEARCH FOR KIDNAPPED/MISSING**

General public is hereby informed that five persons namely

- Sunita**, W/o Prem Kumar, Age 50 years, Complexion Wheatish, Height Not known, Face Oval, Wearing Salwar & Kurti;
- Shilpa**, W/o Ravinder Kumar, Age 29 years, Complexion Wheatish, Height 4'5", Face Oval, Wearing Salwar & Kurti;
- Shristi**, D/o Ravinder Kumar, Age 09 years, Complexion Wheatish, Height 3', Face Oval, Wearing T-shirt;
- Ritika**, D/o Ravinder Kumar, Age 06 years, Complexion Wheatish, Height 3', Face Oval, Wearing Not known and
- Kartik**, S/o Ravinder Kumar, Age 2½ years, Complexion Wheatish, Face Oval, Wearing Not known, all R/O B-4/351, Sector-8, Rohini, Delhi have been missing/kidnapped from the area of P.S. North Rohini, Delhi since 31.05.2018. In this regard a D.D. No. 33-A, Dated 03.06.2018 has been lodged at Police Station - North Rohini, Delhi.

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

**SHO**  
**P.S. North Rohini, Delhi**  
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Extract of Standalone Un-Audited Financial Results for the Quarter Ended on 30th September, 2018 (Rs in Lakhs)

PARTICULARS	QUARTER ENDED 30.09.2018 Un-Audited	HALF YEAR ENDED 30.09.2018 Un-Audited	CORRESPONDING QUARTER ENDED 30.09.2017 Un-Audited
Total Income from operations	36459.11	72343.93	37626.35
Net Profit/(Loss) for the Period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	55.36	113.19	30.40
Net Profit/(Loss) for the Period before Tax (after tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	55.36	113.19	30.40
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	33.77	76.60	30.40
Total Comprehensive Income for the Period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)	33.77	76.60	30.40
Equity Share Capital	3345.63	3345.63	3345.63
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the Previous Year	-	-	-
Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)			
1 Basic :	0.10	0.23	0.10
2 Diluted :	0.10	0.23	0.10

**NOTES:**  
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly/Half Yearly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/Half Yearly Financial Results are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange <https://www.bseindia.com> and on Company's website <http://regententerprises.in> on behalf of the Board of Director For Regent Enterprises Limited

Sd/-  
**Vikas Kumar**  
Director  
Din:05308192

Place: New Delhi  
Date: 14/11/2018

Note: The Company has sent letters for Compliance to SEBI Circular no. SEBI/HO/MRSD/DP/IR/CIR/P/2018/73 dated April 20, 2018 and SEBI Notification No. SEBI/LD/NRO/GN/24 dated June 8, 2018, the same letter were sent to 3067 Shareholders who hold physical shares out of which approx. 700 courier has not been received by the shareholders till the date due to various reasons, thus shareholders of the Company are requested that kindly update their address or detail with the Company.

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**NEW DELHI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**  
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**E-Procurement Tender Notice - III<sup>rd</sup> Call**

Tender ID : 2018\_NDMC\_161933\_1

Subject: 9-B Suspense Stock during 2018-19.

SH: Supply and Stacking of GT Cover with Frame, GT Cover Only Manhole Cover with Frame & Manhole Cover only in NDMC Civil Store.

**Estimated Cost** : Rs. 22,27,025/-  
**Date of release of tender** : 14.11.2018  
**Last date/time for receipt of tenders** : 26.11.2018 upto 04.00 PM

Further details can be seen at <https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>

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**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male, **Age:** Approx 28-32 years, **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Height:** 5'6", **Face:** Oval, **Built:** Thin, was wearing White Check Shirt & Light Blue colour Underwear and barefoot, was found at MG Marg Near Rajghat Bus Depot, Public Gate Side Darya Ganj. In this regard a **FIR/DD No. 264/18, dated 12.11.2018, has been lodged at P.S. Darya Ganj, Delhi**.

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

**SHO**  
**P.S. Darya Ganj, Delhi**  
Ph.: 011-23279331, 23274683

DP/5859/CD/18

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**STORES DEPARTMENT**

**e-AUCTION SALE DURING DECEMBER, 2018 FOR P-WAY & OTHER VARIOUS SCRAP**

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Public e-auction for disposal of P. way scrap, rail scrap & other various scrap material will be held in **DECEMBER, 2018** as per program given below:-

DECEMBER 2018	DEPOT	DEPOT OFFICER IN CHARGE	CONTACT NO.
05.12.2018	18.12.2018	Mahalaxmi	Deputy Chief Material Manager- Mahalaxmi 022-24929571 09004495750
07.12.2018	19.12.2018	Pratapnagar	Deputy Chief Material Manager - Dahod 02673241295 09724090455
08.12.2018	20.12.2018	Dahod	Deputy Chief Material Manager - Dahod 02673241295 09724090455
12.12.2018	22.12.2018	Sabarmati	Deputy Chief Material Manager-Sabarmati 09724093770
10.12.2018	24.12.2018	Mumbai Central	Sr.Divl. Material Manager, Mumbai Central 09004499003
11.12.2018	21.12.2018	Ahmedabad	Sr.Divl. Material Manager - Ahmedabad 09724093750

For detailed information please contact the concerned Depot Officers. **Note:-** 1. Railway reserves the right to withdraw any lot from e-Auction. 2. e-Auction will start at as per scheduled time. 3. e-Auction catalogues will be available on site [www.irregg.gov.in](http://www.irregg.gov.in) e-Auction portal. 4. In case of any assistance required regarding e-Auction, digital signatures, Registration procedure and participation, please contact above mentioned depot Officer. 5. All payment transactions shall be done through the online payment gateway. (No. S438/e-Auction/2018-19 Dated 12.11.2018)

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## Gaping hole

Since Delhi is land-locked, it needs a comprehensive action plan at the neighbourhood level to contain pollution

Nothing could be a sadder comment on our tolerance levels than the fact that we smile at clear skies after a spell of rains and breathe easy at Delhi's official air quality dipping to "very poor" from the "very severe" category. Looks like we have renegotiated our terms of endurance rather than those of our healthy survival and choose to work around everything else but our comfort zone. Which is why we should collectively ponder why the Environment Pollution (Prevention and Control) Authority has turned alarmist, suggesting that all non-

CNG vehicles be kept off the road in cycles or all road users follow the odd-even scheme, depending on the density of pollutants despite the season. EPCA chairperson Bhure Lal has asked the CPCB to discuss options with the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) task force and revert as early as possible. Although stubble burning, the main culprit of the pollutant overload, is on the wane now, industries have been reined in on waste and effluent discharges and commercial diesel trucks regulated, there has not been a significant or substantial dip in air quality indices. This drives home the point that we desperately need to address the elephant in the room, vehicular pollution. According to EPCA, vehicles contribute 40 per cent of the total emission load in Delhi and around 30 per cent of emissions in the NCR. What's even more worrisome is that unregulated private vehicles have led to a sharp spike in nitrous oxides and particulate matter, those that have direct impact on our respiratory comfort zones and cause premature infant deaths and health epidemics. So that needs immediate redressal, therefore.

Given Delhi's woeful lack of viable public infrastructure — even the Metro is overstretched and the CNG bus fleet is bursting at the seams — any restriction overburdens the daily commuter, both in terms of cost and productivity. Alternate transit and encircling routes, that some world cities have worked on assiduously, need to get off the drawing board now so that their incubation time can be minimised. Curbs need to be all-pervasive and though diesel cars have been demonised enough, there needs to be a clampdown on private two-wheelers that are as carbon-spewing. Paris, too, has not exempted motorcycles. Apart from a rationed plan, that could include tagging of vehicles according to fuel type, year of make or odd-even number plates, equal emphasis needs to be given on ensuring enforcement and compliance of their maintenance norms. And learning lessons from Beijing, where emergency protocols have been in place sparing school buses, office shuttles, collective travel and medical transport, what has worked most is the insistence on green norms and denying violators vehicle insurance for a year. Meanwhile, the rollout of electric and hybrid cars has to be incentivised and backed up with allied infrastructure if it is to appeal to the family buyer. But since that process has just about got a governmental push and auto-makers are readjusting their moves, there is a gaping hole of an eco-friendly mass public transport that needs to be augmented immediately, not just in Delhi but in NCR. Since Delhi is land-locked unlike coastal metropolises that are geographically blessed with natural air dispersal cycles, it needs a comprehensive and contiguous action plan of its immediate neighbourhood to contain pollution. Micro-climate management simply won't work in this clouded scenario. Of course, there is the other issue of de-scaling the Delhiite's aspiration, which has so far prided itself on riding on cars. Would we limit our vehicle buys to two per family? Could we go for self-imposed curbs and see luxury in sharing green transport? Could we let go of our swanky bigness and make a virtue of going sociably micro? Point is there is no time to make a call. We just have to make good of available circumstance.

## Rajasthan rumble

Congress can smell a win in the State Assembly poll. So, it's balancing internal power structures to avert a last-minute mishap

Rajasthan Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje, as her political opponent and Congress State unit chief Sachin Pilot put it on a television show a couple of days ago, is the only BJP leader who has managed to get the better of her national party president. His reference, of course, was to the open secret that Amit Shah and the BJP top brass were contemplating a change of leadership in the State earlier this year given the pretty strong anti-incumbency mood there but Vasundhara Raje was having none of it and she eventually prevailed. That, however,

may be the last major political victory for her this year. For, the ground reports are getting quite unambiguous — the Congress looks like it's on the comeback trail in Rajasthan, helped in no small measure by a coherent poll campaign, led by former Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot and Pilot with former Union minister CP Joshi too given due respect, which seems to have succeeded in leveraging the anti-incumbency sentiment against the BJP Government. Sensing the wind, BJP leaders including a couple of sitting legislators have joined the Congress which has also got its caste/community social coalition right this time around with only the Rajput community and the urban middle-class and trading communities seemingly not wildly keen on it though here too the Vasundhara administration does draw some flak.

The Congress has got wide acceptance in the OBC, Gujjar and Brahmin communities (projecting Gehlot, Pilot, Joshi would have helped) and has made sizeable gains among the Jats after their agitation against the State Government demanding reservations. The Meena community is being assiduously wooed by the Congress and the minority vote seems headed their way too. But the Congress has become adept at snatching defeat from the jaws of victory in recent years, not least because of internal dissensions and sabotage. To prevent precisely such a situation from coming to pass, the leadership has adopted the ploy of announcing, in advance of the issuance of its official list of candidates, that both Gehlot and Pilot will be contesting the Assembly poll. There is no word yet on CP Joshi, another contender for the chief ministerial chair, most likely as a compromise candidate if the two dominant factions led by the former Chief Minister and the PCC president get recalcitrant in the event of a Congress win at the hustings. While the party has been careful not to let this decision appear as counting their chickens before the eggs have hatched, it does show that the leadership is not fooled by the surface bonhomie on display. It augurs well for the party that is getting hard-nosed about its internal power dynamics. Now, for the little task of actually winning the election!

# Missing inclusivity

Truth has been a major casualty in modern-day conversations and the Trump saga exemplifies the global implications of power mixed with ignorance, bravado and stereotypes



BHOPINDER SINGH

US President Donald Trump is a Presbyterian Protestant, with a self-confessed affinity to the rites of the Holy Communion to 'feel cleansed'. He follows a long tradition of White Anglo-Saxon Protestants (WASPs) as Presidents of the US which was broken by the 'half-WASP' Barack Obama and the Roman Catholic, JF Kennedy in recent times. Given the mass immigration of multi-cultural and multi-religious populace, the US had become a melting pot of the most diverse, inclusive and 'accepting' profundities.

The constitutional segregation of the Church and the State notwithstanding, religious identity has played a part in the functioning of participative democracy in the US. The relevance of 'moral values' amongst candidates, a euphemism for religiosity amongst the 71 per cent Christian population, is unmistakable, especially during electioneering. The ethno-cultural-religious pattern of the polity has veered and demarcated certain preferences along political party lines — yet the fate of the six per cent minorities (Muslims, Hindus, Jews, et al) along with that of the self-declared 23 per cent population with no-religious-affiliation had remained progressively 'inclusive' till recent times. By 2017, the second biggest democracy (after India), had slipped from being rated as a 'full democracy' to a 'flawed democracy' as per the Global Democracy Index.

While even the likes of the widely accepted and transformational, Barack Obama, had to reassert and reiterate his 'practicing Christian faith and status', the societal and governance discourse had remained essentially civil and 'accepting'. While the world was witnessing religious extremism, Obama made assuaging statements like, "empowered by faith, consistently, prayerfully, we need to find our way back to civility. That begins with stepping out of our comfort zones in an effort to bridge divisions." However, the advent of Donald Trump on the US center-stage had regressed the narrative, and early signs of the same were visible in run-up to the Presidential elections with the inelegant allusions made in the name of the fallen US soldier, Captain Humayun Khan.

Soon the electoral success of Donald Trump was marked by his signing of the Executive Order 13769 (titled Protecting the Nation from Foreign Terrorist Entry into the United States) that was infamously known as the 'Muslim ban'.

The spirit behind Trump's actions militated against the Immigration and Nationality Act of the US which stated, "No person shall receive any preference or priority or be discriminated against in the issuance of an immigrant visa because of the person's race, sex, nationality, place of



birth, or place of residence." The pettiness extended to various symbolic acts like the doing away of the Eid-celebration Iftar dinner at the White House, a tradition that was started in 1996 by the Democrat, Bill Clinton but duly retained by Trump's fellow-Republican, George W Bush, for eight years of his Presidency.

Donald Trump's ignominous status along with perceived notions and stereotypes of people of certain religious denominations is unprecedented in recent times. During a Republican fundraiser by people of Indian-origin preceding the elections, that he had stated incredulously, "I am a big fan of Hindu and I am a big fan of India. Big, big fan." Shockingly, the still-to-be-elected President of the USA had earlier admitted that he wasn't aware that India also had a large population of Muslims, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists et al.

The existence of over 260 proud Indians (approximately 20 per cent of minority-faiths amongst the 1.3 billion Indians) had escaped the knowledge of the man who was poised to hold the most powerful office in the world.

Today, Donald Trump is still holding sway with acute ignorance intact, as he tweeted post the Diwali celebrations at the White House, "Today, we gathered for Diwali, a holiday observed by Buddhists,

RELIGIOUS EXTREMISM IS A GLOBAL REALITY AND ALL MAJOR RELIGIONS ARE COMPLICIT IN FANNING SENTIMENTS. THE ONUS IS ON THE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP TO BREAK THE MONOPOLY OF THE SUPREMACIST AND REVISIONIST FORCES BY SEGREGATING RELIGIOSITY FROM GOVERNANCE

Sikhs, and Jains throughout the United States and around the world. Hundreds of millions of people have gathered with family and friends to light the *diya* and to mark the beginning of a New Year."

Expectedly, the embarrassing omission of the 'Hindus' in the Diwali tweet was roasted and his spin-doctors went on the overdrive to attribute the mistake to a lame 'out of sequence' posting issue, and then proceeded to delete the initial tweet and re-tweet a more correct, "It was my great honour to host a celebration of Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights, in the Roosevelt Room at the @WhiteHouse this afternoon. Very, very special people!"

Donald Trump's ignorance and whimsically flippant behaviour should be a warning to those who get carried away by any specific rant of his, which might resonate temporarily with the sensibilities of the person or a nation, at that moment. Even though India and Indians are not amongst his pet-peeves (Pakistan certainly is), yet India has not been spared his boorish and churlish insinuations and sarcasm. The ostensible 'good friend' of Prime Minister Narendra Modi had mocked his Indian accent, routinely accused India as the 'tariff king' and true to the patent falsehood threatened with reciprocal tariff on the 'thousands and thousands' of

Indian motorcycles getting exported to the US. Today, even strategic allies, like Canada, Mexico, NATO nations et al, are insulted with impunity, as was recently witnessed with Trump's undignified, personalised and factually-incorrect attack on French President Emmanuel, while on French soil, as the France was in the midst of observing the somber anniversary of the worst terrorist attack in France.

Religious extremism is a global reality and all major religions are complicit in fanning sentiments. The onus is on the political leadership to break the monopoly of the supremacist and revisionist forces by segregating religiosity from governance — especially in the big democracies like the US, which ought to be a lodestar, for those suffering under intolerance, bigotry or dictatorship.

Truth has been a major casualty in modern-day conversations, and the Trump saga exemplifies the global implications of power mixed with ignorance, bravado and stereotypes. The US in particular, and the world at large needs statesmen who speak the language of inclusivity, probity and progress without pandering to the subliminal dark-instincts that are easy to rouse, but dangerously difficult to control once unleashed.

(The writer, a military veteran, is a former Lt Governor of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Puducherry)

## SOUNDBITE

Pakistan can't handle its own country. How will it manage Kashmir? The Valley is a part of India and shall remain so.

Home Minister —Rajnath Singh



Undeclared war between Afghanistan and Pakistan must end. Talks between the Taliban and Afghan Government are needed.

Afghan President —Ashraf Ghani



I am not for censorship on digital platforms. We are in fact fighting against censorship even in films.

Proudcer —Ritesh Sidhwani



Kerala CM and DGP will be responsible if there is an attack on me and my colleagues ahead of our visit to Sabarimala.

Woman activist —Trupti Desai



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Temporary respite

Sir — Supreme Court's refusal to stay women's entry into Sabarimala temple has come as a good news for those who believe in gender equality. It means the law of the land as of now allows women of all ages to enter the temple. At least, now the die-hard protesters should not prevent women from visiting the temple. They are most likely to be disappointed if they pin their hopes on the Supreme Court's nod for an open court hearing of a raft of review petitions.

The Court is least likely to overturn the judgement pronounced with so much reasoning and conviction. When the constitutionally guaranteed right and 'public opinion' conflict, the choice for the apex court is obvious. The young women who registered online for *darshan* at Sabarimala should not be blocked on their way to the temple during the two month-long Mandala-Makaravilakku season. The joy of worship should not be denied on the ground of gender.

G David Milton Maruthancode

### Nehru and his undermined legacy

This refers to the editorial, "Nehru's legacy" (November 15). India lost Gandhi in 1948 and Sardar Patel in 1950 and then former Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, was standing tall among our great leaders. Nehru could have easily followed the crooked path of becoming a dictator like his contemporaries in other countries and undermined our democratic institutions and the Constitution. But he never did it. Rather he always treated the opposition leaders with honour.

Nehru served India as a Prime Minister for 17 years and strengthened — democracy, secularism, socialism and unity — the four pillars of our Constitution. His death even made a young leader in the Opposition in Atal Bihari Vajpayee say, "The loss to Parliament is irreparable. Such a resident may never grace Teen Murti again. That vibrant personality, that attitude of taking even the Opposition along,



that refined gentlemanliness, the greatness we may not again see in the near future." Indeed, Jawaharlal Nehru has become more relevant now as a role model in democratic institution-building. Agree or not, whatever we are today, both good or bad, we owe in great measure to this man.

Sujit De Kolkata

even a novice to confirm that the Rafale deal is shrouded with many mysteries and unanswered questions, there can be no doubt that the judges would have understood the murky deal much better and would deliver a fair judgement.

Shalini Gerald Chennai

### Et tu, Dassault?

Sir — Whatever said and done, Dassault's CEO Eric Trappier's hurried statement refuting the charge that he was covering up for the Narendra Modi Government appears to be well-orchestrated, that too, particularly when it had been voiced on the day when the Supreme Court was slated to hear the alleged Rafale scam case.

The Dassault's CEO seems to be well-tutored to defend the deal and save the Narendra Modi Government. This is also inevitable for Dassault lest they lose such a big deal.

Anna Mary Yvonne Chennai

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### Unanswered questions

Sir— There can be no second opinion that the BJP Government is in a sticky wicket as far as the Rafale deal is concerned. At the outset, the statement made in such a hurry by the CEO of Dassault, Eric Trappier, defending the Indian Government, particularly on a

day when the matter was being taken up by the apex court for discussion, raises many questions.

All along, the Government was refusing to announce the purchase price of the Rafale jets saying it would lead to a security breach as the neighbouring enemy states would be able to find out the capabilities of the Rafale jets once the price

is made public.

Now, it has come to light that most of the security norms including obtention of guarantees by the French Government have been given the go-ahead by the Indian Government.

Doesn't all these tantamount to the dilution of security to cover thousands of crores of tax payers' money? While all this would lead

**FIRST COLUMN**

## The emerging New India

There are a few who look beyond the traditional paradigm of idolising political leadership and evaluate leaders based on what they deliver



NAVNEET ANAND

Damu Tirkey is a passionate young man. Attached to a political social outfit, he works tirelessly for tribal welfare across 501 villages in Sundargarh district. Belonging to the Oram tribe, he takes immense pride in the fact that Prime Minister Narendra Modi got a village Pitamahal, a back of beyond habitation in Odisha's Sundargarh district without even any access to roads, wired, and electrified. First time in 70 years, when I met him early this week, Tirkey pointed out to me three gram panchayats that he was aware of where electricity had reached for the first time since Independence — Chhatam, Budham and Pankadihi. While the first two villages belong to Rajarangpur block, the third one falls under Gurundia block, and these have been electrified under the Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana (DDGUYJ). Little wonder global energy watchdog, the International Energy Agency (IEA), termed India's electrification of every village as the greatest success story of 2018. "In particular, one of the greatest success stories in access to energy in 2018 was India completing the electrification of all of its villages," said the agency's latest World Energy Outlook 2018, adding that India was a "star performer" in terms of achieving a huge milestone of providing power to all her villages. In fact, countries, like Indonesia and Bangladesh, have also achieved commendable electrification rate of 95 per cent (up from 50 per cent in 2000), and 80 per cent (up from 20 per cent in 2000), respectively.

The IEA report said that over 120 million people worldwide gained access to electricity in 2017 alone. It further said that since 2000, more than 900 million people have gained access to electricity in developing countries in the Asian continent with 91 per cent of the region getting electrified by 2017 compared with 67 per cent in 2000. Of this, about 61 per cent of this progress has been reported from India only, making a "remarkable progress towards its target to deliver universal electricity access." In keeping with his Independence Day promise of electrifying all Indian villages, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on April 28 this year, announced that the country had achieved its target of providing electricity to all its 597,464 census villages. Praising the "political effort over the last five years" that significantly accelerated the progress of electrification, IEA report termed this milestone as "one of the greatest achievements in the history of energy."

The Government had launched the ambitious ₹75,893 crore Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana programme to connect India's 18,452 unelectrified census villages, and on August 15, 2015, Modi had said that it would be achieved by May 2018, in 1000 days. While this was achieved ahead of time, the Government is now working to ensure that power lines are connected with major institutions and administrative centres of every village as well as every household in the country. The Pradhan Mantri Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya) programme is designed to facilitate free electricity connections to about four crore households in rural and urban areas. The programme also aims to provide Solar Photovoltaic (PV) stand-alone system for unelectrified households located in remote and inaccessible villages/habitations, where grid extension is not feasible. The scheme was launched in October 2017, and so far, just about 64 per cent of the targeted three crore households have been electrified. About one crore households still remain to be electrified.

There are many States which have achieved 100 per cent household electrification, while some continue to make efforts in that direction. Arunachal Pradesh with 75 per cent, Meghalaya with 77 per cent, Uttar Pradesh with 80 per cent and Assam with 83 per cent figure at the bottom even as States like Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Bihar, Kerala, Telangana, Punjab, Jammu & Kashmir, Goa and Puducherry report 100 per cent household electrification. That many in India were deprived of this basic need seven decades after Independence certainly doesn't tell a great story. The IEA also praised India's success in enabling access to liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) to the poor households. "In India, 50 million free LPG stoves and initial refills have been provided to poor households via Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana since 2015, and the Government has set a target of providing LPG connections to 80 million households by 2020," it said.

Tirkey represents an aspirational and emerging New India that places a huge premium on progress and development. He looks beyond the traditional paradigm of idolising political leadership and evaluates leaders based on what they deliver. Unaware of the global applause that the DDGUYJ has earned, Tirkey said that people like him have begun to see the difference on the ground.

(The writer is a strategic communications professional)

THE VIOLENCE AND PERSECUTION BY MILITARY AND VIGILANTES THAT RESULTED IN DRIVING 700,000 ROHINGYA TO BANGLADESH IS WITHOUT EXCUSE.

—US VICE PRESIDENT MIKE PENCE

**POINTCOUNTERPOINT**



OF COURSE, PEOPLE HAVE DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW BUT THE POINT IS THAT YOU SHOULD EXCHANGE THESE VIEWS AND TRY TO UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER BETTER.

— MYANMAR'S DE FACTO LEADER AUNG SAN SUU KYI

# Indigenous modernity

Nirmal Verma is one of those ultimate littérateurs who relentlessly put colonial modernity to thorough scrutiny in most of his creative works in order to explore the idea of India in its entirety



SACHIDA NAND JHA

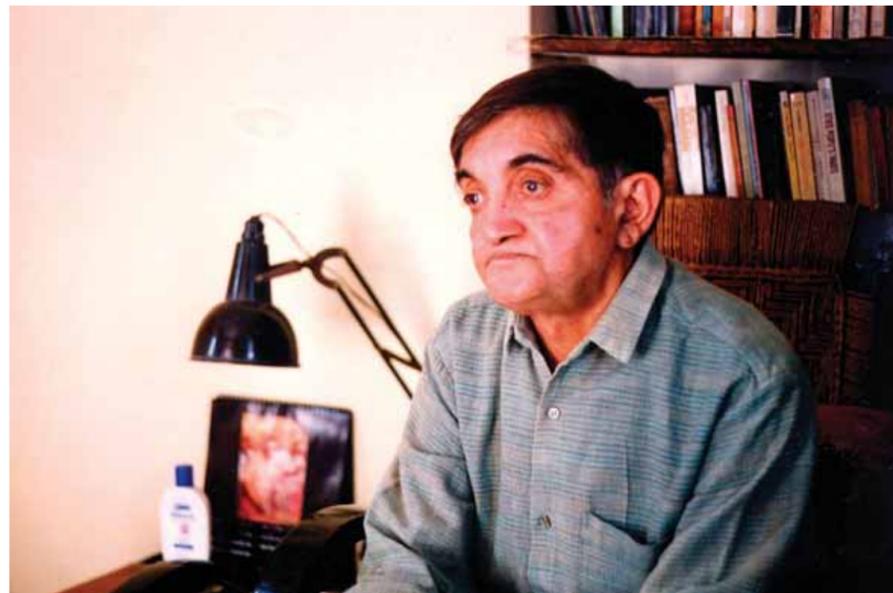
Remembering the legendary Indian writer, Nirmal Verma, necessarily encourages one to revisit some of his literary works which turn out to be completely mesmerising. Indeed, it is akin to doing a literary pilgrimage. Such a pilgrimage is particularly significant for the fact that he appears to never ever lose sight of the sanctity of his native roots, cultural moorings and indigenous traditions even in the face of an aggressive onslaught of various forms of all-encompassing but counterproductive western modernity. As a matter of fact, he is one of those ultimate littérateurs who relentlessly put colonial modernity to thorough scrutiny in most of his creative works in order to explore the idea of India in its entirety.

The irreconcilable incompatibility between Indian way of conceptualising, planning and strategising about the vagaries of human life and the unavoidable pulls and pressures of Western modernity is so effectively embodied in different essays written in Hindi and compiled in such collections as *Shabda Aur Smriti*, *Kala ka jokhima*, *Dhalaan Se Utarte Hue*, *Bharat Aur Europe* : *Pratishruti Ke Kshetra*, *Kala, Smriti, Akanksha*, *Shatavdi ke Dhalte Varahon Mein*, *Adi, Ant aur Aarambha*.

In the very first collection, the figure of Gandhi appears time and again. Emphasising the re-awakening of nationalist consciousness embedded in the persona of Gandhi, Verma tries to make an assessment about the idea of India in connection with its relationship with Europe. What he finds out is the fact that the best of indigenous thoughts and sensitivities don't carry the kind of ruptures which we witness in the form of deep-rooted alienation of modern life. The second collection, *Kala ka jokhima* talks about the role of art in the making of modern world, whereas the third collection, *Dhalaan Se Utarte Hue* mentions certain kinds of fissures and contradictions which expose the hollowness of so-called modern civilisation.

In the fourth collection, *Bharat aur Europe*, Verma looks at basic assumptions behind the intellectual and philosophical traditions of India and Europe respectively. He is basically pre-occupied with the task of evaluating what India and Indians found and lost when they came in contact with European culture and civilisation. The ways in which we have been dissociated with our own traditions, and the manner in which we have made certain attempts to keep those invaluable traditions intact, are some of the major concerns of the essayist. All the issues and concerns are addressed with a definite objective to foreground the essential Indianness of we, the people of India.

The Indianness of post-colonial Indian mind is his genuine concern. And it governs his engagement in myriad ways with the questions of politics, religion, culture, literature, history, secularism and Marxism. He does not construct any theoretical premise or rigid conceptual framework to make sense of the issues revolving around the already cited questions of contemporary India. His focus is on exposing those tendencies, sometimes subtle and surreptitious, that make us think and feel that West is the way forward to look for the



VERMA KEEPS SEARCHING CONSISTENTLY FOR THE CIVILISATIONAL ROOTS OF THE NATION. ITS ENCOUNTER WITH COLONIAL MODERNITY AND THE CONSEQUENT DISTORTIONS OF OUR COLLECTIVE CONSCIOUSNESS WITH A VIEW TO HIGHLIGHT THE NEED TO DISCOVER FIRST AND THEN RECOVER AND FOREGROUND OUR OWN AUTONOMOUS AND INDIGENOUS MODERNITY

resolution of all those problems we face today.

The deep imprints of colonial mindset, which generated an evidently infectious impact on our thought process, and made us in turn subservient to the Western ways of thinking, evoke sharp responses from Verma. He indeed wishes to get rid of those prejudices and assumptions that have been responsible for putting chains on our own style of thinking, behaving and living life with our own terms. Efforts to erase the traces of cultural and intellectual colonisation define and decide the quality of discussions and deliberations about East-West encounter in his essays.

For his first collection of short-stories, *Parinde*, Verma was declared to be the harbinger of a new literary trend called 'Nai Kahani' in Hindi literature. It opened up several opportunities to express his yearning for a liberating, fulfilling and satisfying existence, which was extremely difficult to find in a modern set-up. The kind of irreparable grief caused by the partition of a newly independent nation state aggravated further by disillusionment with the ideals and aspirations created during the freedom struggle and subsequent deepening of colonial temperament in various ways and numerous places of postcolonial India triggered the creative expressions of an entire generation of writers, of whom, Verma proved to be the major voice. Abandoning old narrative techniques and already exhausted subjects of short story writing, he went on to delve deeper into the complexity of contemporary realities with new sensibilities and even newer idioms producing highly captivating content in an enabling form.

His succeeding collections of short-stories such as *Jalti Jhadi*, *Pichhli Garmiyon Mein*, *Beech Bahas Mein*, *Kavve Aur Kala Pani*, which brought him Sahitya Academy Award and the last one, *Sukha*, are marked by a con-

necting thread which so evocatively invokes the issues of alienation and depression primarily caused by the imperatives of modernity. Deeply disturbing experiences of the emergent middle class which suffer rather miserably in some ways because of their illusion about the nature of modern life generate radically different indigenous sensibilities than seen before in the works of Verma.

European experiences led to the transformation of Nirmal Verma's mindset in a huge way. But they did not succeed in making him think and feel that his own culture and civilisation are inferior to those of Europe. Instead, he does not forget to tell us that we have legitimate reasons to harbour serious misgivings about the adequacy and effectiveness of the idea of progress embedded in the notion of Western modernity that wrecked havoc on humanity through the two world wars alongside creating irrevocable ruptures in human relations as is amply clear from the hollowness between man-woman relationships and increasingly entrenched sense of alienation, destructive self-centeredness, self-exile, frustrations and disappointments so inseparably interlinked with modern life and experiences of humankind. The moral of the story is that the socio-political and cultural manifestations of modernity have been categorically put into the bar of judgement.

Whether they are essays, short stories or novels written by Verma, he does not seem to subscribe to any particular ideological persuasion which essentially obstructs the articulation of the nuanced perception of the existing complex realities in the outside world. In the very first novel, *Ve Din*, memory plays a central role in a modern milieu. The image of scattered, disintegrating, self-obsessed Europe in the aftermath of the Second World War is thoroughly scrutinised by an almost entirely Indian perspective. The second

novel, *Lal Teen Ki Chat*, reflects the acute loneliness of the protagonist, Kaya who is totally caught in a cynical world full of isolation. Such explanations of loneliness and isolation are aimed at presenting a scathing critique of what is often called the modern life.

The third novel, *Ek Chithda Sukh*, is an attempt to find an answer to the question of what is happiness. The desire for happiness leads one to the realisation that it is indeed an illusion. It is an endless wait as we never ever get to have a real sense of happiness in modern world order. The fourth novel, *Raat ka Reporter*, revolves around the self-centeredness of a journalist who deal with those circumstances which led the masses to severe kinds of disappointment with modern forms of democracy and development. The fifth novel, *Antim Aranya*, chooses to discuss the recurrent theme of loneliness along with issues of death and depression. It offers us an innovative approach to look at the relationship between life and death and also the conditions which lie in between so as to undermine the supremacy of material possessions and underline the primacy of spiritual fulfillment.

In his travelogues, diary-writing and even selections of nine prominent works of world literature for their translations into Hindi, he exhibits tremendous consistency in terms of doing a stringent critique of the Western modernity. And India always remains at the core of his creative pursuit. So, he keeps searching consistently for the civilisational roots of the nation, its encounter with colonial modernity and the consequent distortions of our collective consciousness with a view to highlight the need to discover first and then recover and foreground our own autonomous and indigenous modernity.

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# Corruption and abuse of power

Harassment of citizens by officials will stop only when courts decide not to merely restore the rights of citizens but also demand damages be paid by the ministry, department or agencies involved to the citizen or citizens concerned



PRABHU GUPTA

The Ministry of External Affairs was ordered recently by the court to renew the passport of an Indian citizen who'd been in Canada on a work permit. His passport renewal had been held up for two years, putting his job and his residence status in Canada at risk, apparently because the Ministry suspected that he might in some way be involved in acts against "the public interest." That is the code language for saying that the man might have terrorist links or be involved in hawala type transactions. The latter possibility can be eliminated in the blink of an eye — the man would not be working as a lorry driver if he was making money from

hawala transactions.

So is he a terrorist? Does he have — or did he have — terrorist links? There are only three possible answers: The first is that he is a threat to the security of the nation. But if the man has terrorist links, two years is indeed an inordinately long time to investigate that. Indeed, one has to ask the much more serious question: Are some of our officials really so incompetent as to fail to come to a conclusion after two years of investigating such a serious matter?

Shouldn't the officials be proceeded against for dealing with the security of the nation in such a cavalier manner?

The second is that the man was thought to be a threat, but he isn't. If so, why did the officials not only declined to renew his passport for so long, but also offered in court what they clearly thought was a good reason for refusing renewal? Further, why did they ask the court for permission to continue avoiding renewal of his passport? The



third is that the man was never was a threat. If so, what we have is a common and simple matter of bribe-seeking — a bribe which the man refused (for whatever reason) to pay.

Perhaps the bribe demanded was so large as to offend him suf-

ficiently to cause him to pursue an expensive and long-winded case in court. I simply don't know as I am not acquainted with the person in question and have no means of contacting him.

What I do know is that use of the law to harass ordinary citizens

in our country; it is so common as if it is almost normal. We hardly give it a thought when we see a driver stop by the police on the highway. We know he was not been speeding. We also know that he had been stopped officially for a 'licence check'. But in reality, he was of an unfortunately lottery daily bribe collection by the policemen.

We hardly bother when we hear that a slum-dweller's family has had their jhuggi pulled down. After all, aren't jhuggis illegal anyway? A huge series of bribes need to be paid to allow any jhuggi settlement to come into existence and continue to thrive. For the slums to be cleared out, clearly, a rather bigger set of bribes has now come into play — perhaps from some construction company. Even so, rather than reacting with outrage, many middle- and upper-class people merely dismiss the matter: "Good riddance to jhuggis."

However, we do react, even if subconsciously, when we are ourselves asked for a 'consideration' in order to have something done,

whether that is the admission of a child in a school, a relative in a hospital, an application for a job, or the provision of a properly due service by an official.

Can anything be done to stop this kind of extortion? In the case of the example quoted at the beginning of this article, the Ministry did not dispute that the denial of the passport had put his residential status in Canada in jeopardy and denied him two whole years of work and earnings.

Harassment of citizens by officials will stop only when courts decide not to merely restore the rights of citizens, as in this case, but also demand damages be paid by the ministry, department or agencies involved to the citizen or citizens concerned.

(The writer is Independent Board Member, Board Consultant; Keynote Speaker Executive Director, Relational Analytics Ltd, Cambridge, UK; and Honorary Chairman, Career Innovation Company, Oxford, UK)



## NO PROSPECT OF GOING BACK

The Rohingya must have the right to return home. But they must be able to do so safely and of their own volition. That is not the case now. Until that time comes, Bangladesh must be given all the support it needs to host them; and forced repatriations must be opposed as unconscionable and unacceptable.

(The Guardian editorial)

# FinMin plans offer for sale of GIC, New India Assurance

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Finance Ministry on Thursday said it is planning to come out with a share sale offer of two recently listed insurance companies — GIC and New India Assurance.

State-owned reinsurer General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC) was listed on the bourses in October last year, while New India Assurance Company Ltd made its stock market debut in November last year.

The Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) Thursday invited expression of interest (EOI) from merchant bankers and selling brokers for managing the offer for sale (OFS) of GIC and New India Assurance.

Merchant bankers, who can bid singly or as a consortium, can apply for assisting the



Government in the stake sale process by December 7, 2018, said the EOI floated by DIPAM. General insurer New India Assurance had raised ₹9,600 crore in the initial public offer (IPO) and had priced its shares at ₹770-800 a piece.

At 1515 hours, shares of New India Assurance were trading at ₹220.20 apiece, up 0.30 per cent over last close on the BSE.

Reinsurance company GIC

has fixed the price band at ₹855-912 for its IPO last year, through which it raised ₹11,370 crore.

Shares of GIC were trading at ₹309.75, down 0.21 per cent over previous close on the BSE.

So far in current fiscal, the Government has raised over ₹15,200 crore through PSU stake sale. The budgeted disinvestment target for the fiscal is ₹80,000 crore.

# Air India eyes ₹800 cr from sale of over 70 properties

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Loss-making national carrier Air India plans to mop up ₹700-800 crore by selling over 70 residential and commercial properties spread across the country, a senior airline official said on Thursday.

This fresh bid is a part of the airline's real estate assets monetisation plan approved by the then UPA Government in 2012. As per the plan, Air India had to the garner funds to the tune of ₹5,000 crore between April 2014 and March 2021, with an annual target of ₹500 crore from FY13 onwards.

The properties, which are spread over 16 cities pan India, will be e-auctioned through the state-run auctioneer MSTC.

"We are expecting to raise about ₹700-800 crore by e-auctioning of these over 70 properties, which comprises both residential as well as commercial. Some of these properties are those which we put up on the block earlier but could not get a buyer," the official said.

Last month, Air India had put 14 properties on sale, in cities such as Mumbai, Kolkata, Chennai, Bengaluru, Pune and Amritsar.

Air India's debt burden stands around ₹55,000 crore, besides huge accumulated losses. According to its audited accounts, the airline's total losses stood at ₹47,145.62 crore in 2016-17.

# Rebirth of a classic

**Classic Legends Limited revives the Jawa brand, introduces three new products**

KUSHAN MITRA ■ MUMBAI

Jawa, a Czech brand that won its way into the hearts of Indian motorcyclists in the 1960s until the advent of Japanese commuter four-stroke motorcycles killed the brand. But thanks to Classic Legend Limited, Indians will be able to enjoy the Jawa brand again. Launching three new products, the Jawa, Jawa 42 and factory-custom 'Perak' the brand hopes to make a big bang when their products hit the Indian roads in early 2019.

However, the rebirth of the brand does not mean the motorcycle will feature ancient technology, instead a modern 293cc liquid-cooled engine will do duty on the Jawa and Jawa 42 producing 27 horsepower. The Perak will have a higher displacement 334cc version of the same engine with 30 horsepower. The motorcycles will be priced at between ₹1.55 lakh to ₹1.89 lakh.

Speaking at the launch, Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group and an investor in Classic Legends said that it was rare to get the opportunity to resurrect a legend. Incidentally, Mahindra Two-Wheelers is the contract manufacturer for Classic Legends.

Anupam Thareja, Founder, Classic Legends believes that the Jawa brand will appeal to young millennials as well. "An idea how much people are anticipating this brand is the response we got for dealerships. We have signed on 105 dealerships in 71 cities across India.



There are already some 70 Classic Jawa clubs in India engaging 40,000 people. I think there is a great opportunity in this market."

Classic Legends is also bullish about other brands, Thareja revealed that talks were on revive the Yezdi brand as well and the company also has the brand rights to BSA, the classic British brand.

"Obviously we are going after nostalgia but are main appeal to customers will be our honesty and authenticity."

However, with Royal Enfield launching their new 650cc twin-cylinder motorcycles earlier this week to rave reviews and at an aggressive price point below Rs 3 lakh, Classic Legends has a problem on its hands even before the first production motorcycles leave the line. However, the company's management feels that there is enough space for two players and brands in the Indian market.

# Telecom sector reaches 5 lakh mobile tower mark

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Telecom companies have completed installation of 5 lakh mobile towers in the country till date with a total investment of ₹10.44 lakh crore, industry body COAI said Thursday.

"COAI...Congratulated the telecom industry on the landmark achievement of installing 5 lakh mobile towers, taking the total BTS count to over 20 Lakh," the industry body said in a statement.

A mobile tower can house several base stations (BTS) of different telecom service providers.

"The telecom industry has been closely working with the government in building a well-entrenched communication infrastructure and till date, the industry has invested ₹10.44 lakh crore to this end," the statement said.

According to the data shared by the industry body, the sharp growth in expansion of mobile tower was fuelled by 4G BTSs.

# HAIER BRINGS A NEW ERA OF SMART HOME SOLUTIONS IN INDIA

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Haier — a Home Appliances & Consumer Electronics maker — opened a first of its kind experience store in Lajpat Nagar, New Delhi. Spread across 3,000 sq. ft. area, this experience store showcases advanced products from Haier to help consumers make their lifestyles future-ready.

Its U+ smart living operating system gives a sneak peek into a connected world where home appliances are synced and interconnected with each other.

# NHAI to get ₹10,000 cr: Gadkari

**MUMBAI:** Overwhelmed with the response for the first tranche of highway projects under the toll-operate-transfer (TOT) model, union minister for roads and highways Nitin Gadkari Thursday said he expects the second tranche to fetch over ₹10,000 crore. The maiden bundle of nine

highway projects under TOT was a huge success, which was over subscribed and had fetched NHAI ₹9,681 crore.

"We are positive that the second round will also get a similar response. I personally expect it to fetch ₹10,000 crore, more than what we got for the

first tranche," Gadkari told reporters here. The minister was in the megapolis here to attend the road show organised by the ministry and NHAI to attract investors for the second tranche of highway projects of 586 km under toll-operate-transfer (TOT) basis. **PTI**

# SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed that this boy (depicted in the photo) namely: **Arjun Kumar, S/o Shri Ram Raj, R/o H.No. A-2/12 & 13, Near Munni International School, Mohan Garden, Delhi,** has been missing/kidnapped from **08.10.2018**. In this regard FIR No. 577/18 u/s 363 IPC dated **14.10.2018** has been registered at **P.S Ranhola, Delhi**. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the person but no clue has come to light so far.

His physical description is as under:-  
**Sex:** Male, **Age:** 12, **Height:** 4' ft., **Complexion:** Shallow, **Face:** Round, **ID-Mark:** Mentally weak, **Wearing:** Yellow T-Shirt-Blue colour Jeans and plastics chapple in feet.  
Any person is having information or clue about this missing/kidnapped person may kindly inform to the following:-  
**SHO Website:** <http://cbi.nic.in> **P.S. Ranhola, Delhi**  
**E-mail:** [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) **Ph. No.-011-28363001, 28363002**  
**Tel. No.:** 011-24368638/24368641 **Mob. No. 7065036128**  
**Fax No.:** 011-24368639 **DP/1562/OD/18**

# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Ashok Kumar S/o Deep Chand Sharma R/o V.P.O. Karala, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence FIR No. 213/13 u/s 420/34 and FIR No. 167/13 u/s 420 IPC P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Ashok Kumar** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Ashok Kumar** absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Ashok Kumar** accused of FIR No. 213/13 u/s 420/34 and FIR No. 167/13 u/s 420 IPC is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **21.12.2018**.

By Order:  
**Sh. Anurag Thakur**  
Metropolitan Magistrate (North-West)-02,  
Room No. 113, 1st Floor,  
Rohini Court, Delhi

# SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

General public is hereby informed that a girl namely **Rinky, D/o Bhagwan Dass, R/o B-10, Kamruddin Nagar, Near Pond, Nihal Vihar, Delhi** has been missing/kidnapped since **06.10.2018** from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard a case vide **FIR No. 652/18 u/s 363 IPC, dated 16.10.2018**, has been registered at **P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi**. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped girl but no clue has come to light so far. The description of the missing/kidnapped girl is as under:

**Name:** Rinky, **Gender:** Female, **Age:** 15 years, **Height:** 5', **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Oval, **Wearing:** Light Pink colour Suit, Black colour Salwar and Yellow colour Relaxo Slippers in Feet.  
If anyone has any information regarding this missing/kidnapped girl, kindly inform SHO/ Nihal Vihar, Delhi.

E-mail : [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) **SHO**  
**Ph.:** 011-24368638, 24368641 **P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi**  
**Fax:** 011-24368639 **DP/1558/OD/18**  
**Ph. No.:** 011-25946700, 25946710

# PUBLIC NOTICE FOR THE LOSS OF SALE AGREEMENT

Notice is hereby given to the Public at large that the DEED OF SALE dated 24th August 2007, executed between Dr. Anil Mohan Perpetuo Socorro Da Costa (THE VENDOR), in favour of M/s Manas Realty Project Pvt Ltd (THE PURCHASER) for the property being addressed at:

- "PREDIO URBANO OU CASAS DE MORADA COM SUA PATIO QUINTAL" described in the land registration office of salcete under no 27511 of Book No. 70 New Series, registered in the Revenue Office (Matriz) under no. 871.
- "BENZOUXALEM NOVO" alias "BENZOUXALEM NOVO" described in the land registration office of salcete under no 6727 of Book B 17 of New Series, registered in the Revenue Office (Matriz) under no. 870 &
- "BENZOUXALEM" alias "MALPEAZOIXALEM" described in the land registration office of salcete under no 7025 of Book B 18 of New Series, registered in the Revenue Office (Matriz) under no. 867.

The aforesaid three properties are adjoining each other and are surveyed under survey no. 208 sub division 3 totally admeasuring 5225 sq meters. Along with a residential house bearing no. 817 in the said property.

Portion of the property "Valadra" described in the land Registration office Salcete under no. 10085 New Series and inscribed in the Taluka Revenue office (matriz) under no 94 and survey no. 210 sub-division 3 situated at Asona ward of Benauiim village, admeasuring 192 sq. meters.

All situated at Asona ward of Benauiim Gram Panchayat Salcete Taluka, Salcete Sub-District of District of South Goa has been lost which is duly registered vice registration No.1583 reg stered at Book No. I Volume No. 2888 from Page No. 85 to 118 with the sub registrar. All the people are hereby informed to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the said missing document. If anyone has already carried out or being carried out kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mention address within 7 days from the present.

Sd/-  
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Manas Realty Project Pvt Ltd  
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# EXTRACT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018

Sr. No.	PARTICULARS	Quarter Ended 30.09.2018	Half Year Ended 30.09.2018	Quarter Ended 30.09.2017
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
1	Total Income from operations (net)	3,574.42	7,010.67	2,868.06
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	39.33	143.42	30.81
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before Tax, after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	39.33	140.80	30.81
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/ or Extraordinary items)	25.78	124.01	30.81
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period after tax and other comprehensive income (after tax))	25.78	124.01	30.84
6	Equity Share Capital	2,216.00	2,216.00	2,216.00
7	Earnings Per Share (of ₹10/- each, not annualised)			
	Basic	0.12	0.56	0.14
	Diluted	0.12	0.56	0.14

**NOTES:**

- The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and other Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly Financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange websites, [www.nseindia.com](http://www.nseindia.com) and [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com) and on the company's website [www.barakcement.com](http://www.barakcement.com)
- The above financial statements have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in requirement of Regulation 33 of SEBI (LODR) regulations, 2015.
- Subsequent to introduction of Goods and Service Tax (GST) w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017, Revenue is required to be disclosed net of GST. Accordingly, the figures of Revenue from operations for the six months ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 is not comparable with the figures of six months ended 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017.
- Figures of the previous period have been regrouped and reclassified to conform to the classification of current period, wherever considered necessary.

By Order of the Board  
For **BARAK VALLEY CEMENTS LIMITED**  
Sd/-  
**(Kamakhya Chamaria)**  
Vice Chairman and Managing Director  
Place : New Delhi  
Date : 14.11.2018

# GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) DIVISION REASI

**SHORT NOTICE INVITING TENDER**  
Short E-NIT No. 20 of 2018-19 Dated : 12-11-2018

Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Reasi on behalf of Governor of J&K State, invite tenders by e-tendering mode from approved and eligible contractors with J&K State Govt./CPWD and Railways upto 1800 Hrs on 27-11-2018 for the following work.

- S. No. 1 :- Name of Work :-** Construction of road from Govt. High School PHC Panassa Km Ist RD0-1000., **Name of Division :-** PWD (R&B) Div. Reasi, **Estimated Cost (in lacs) :-** 11.04, **Cost of document (in Rs.) :-** 600/-, **Earnest Money (in Rs.) :-** @ 2% of the Estimated cost, **Time Allowed for completion :-** 30 days, **Time & date of opening of tender :-** 28-11-2018 (1200 hours), **Class of Contractor :-** A, B, C & D
- S. No. 2 :- Name of Work :-** Construction of Hall for Wrestlers near Kalka Temple at Kalka Hills Reasi., **Name of Division :-** PWD (R&B) Div. Reasi, **Estimated Cost (in lacs) :-** 9.83, **Cost of document (in Rs.) :-** 600/-, **Earnest Money (in Rs.) :-** @ 2% of the Estimated cost, **Time Allowed for completion :-** 60 days, **Time & date of opening of tender :-** 28-11-2018 (1200 hours), **Class of Contractor :-** A, C, D
- S. No. 3 :- Name of Work :-** Construction of VIP Suit at Panassa [G. Floor & F. Floor] Including Boundary Wall., **Name of Division :-** PWD (R&B) Div. Reasi, **Estimated Cost (in lacs) :-** 47.90, **Cost of document (in Rs.) :-** 600/-, **Earnest Money (in Rs.) :-** @ 2% of the Estimated cost, **Time Allowed for completion :-** 90 days, **Time & date of opening of tender :-** 28-11-2018 (1200 hours), **Class of Contractor :-** A & B
- S. No. 4 :- Name of Work :-** Construction of road from PMGSY road to Hospital at Arnas by way of 100mm thick RBM, 150mm thick WBM, 75mm thick WMM, 25MM thick & 01 No 0.90 H.P Culvert. R/wall, B/wall & Pacca Drain in stretches Km Ist RD 0-600., **Name of Division :-** PWD (R&B) Div. Reasi, **Estimated Cost (in lacs) :-** 34.90, **Cost of document (in Rs.) :-** 600/-, **Earnest Money (in Rs.) :-** @ 2% of the Estimated cost, **Time Allowed for completion :-** 60 days, **Time & date of opening of tender :-** 28-11-2018 (1200 hours), **Class of Contractor :-** A & B

1) Date of Publishing from 12/11/2018  
2) The Bidding documents can be downloaded from the website <http://jtenders.gov.in> from 0900 Hrs on 12/11/2018 to 27/11/2018 (1800Hrs)

No. DIP/J-3689-P/18 Sd/- Executive Engineer,  
Dated:- 13.11.2018 PWD (R&B) Division, Reasi

# ZEL JEWELLERS LIMITED

REGD. OFFICE : E-5, South Extension, Part-II, New Delhi-110 049  
CIN: L74899DL1994PLC058832 Website: [www.rkjewellers.in](http://www.rkjewellers.in)  
Landline: (91)-11-26252416 Email ID: [zeljewellers@yahoo.co.in](mailto:zeljewellers@yahoo.co.in)

Extract of Un-Audited Standalone Financial Results for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018 (Rs. in Lakhs)

PARTICULARS	3 Months Ended 30.09.2018	3 Months Ended 30.09.2017	6 Months Ended 30.09.2018
	Un - Audited	Un - Audited	Un - Audited
Total Income from Operations	408.14	331.72	1039.08
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	14.67	27.56	22.39
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	14.67	27.56	22.39
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	10.70	20.67	16.43
Total Comprehensive Income for the Period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) For the Period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	10.70	20.67	16.43
Equity Share Capital (In Qty)	35,50,000	35,50,000	35,50,000
Earnings Per Share (of Rs.10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)			
Basic	0.30	0.58	0.46
Diluted	0.30	0.58	0.46

**NOTES:**

- The above is an extract of the detailed format of the Unaudited Financial Results for the second quarter ended September 30, 2018 filed with the Stock Exchange under regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Unaudited Financial Results for the second quarter ended September 30, 2018 is available on the Stock Exchange website ([www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com)) and Company's website ([www.rkjewellers.in](http://www.rkjewellers.in)).
- The Company has adopted Indian Accounting Standards (IND AS) prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013 read with relevant rules there under, with effect from April 1, 2017 and accordingly these financial results have been prepared in accordance with Ind-AS notified under the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 as amended by the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) (Amendments) Rules, 2016.

For and on behalf of Board of Zel Jewellers Limited  
Sd/-  
**Rohan Sharma**  
Managing Director  
DIN:01390042  
Place: New Delhi  
Date: 14/11/2018

# Business Corner

## BIS ORGANISES SEMINAR ON INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) organised a seminar on "International Standards and the Fourth Industrial Revolution" in New Delhi, the seminar was held to celebrate the World Standards Day 2018.



Each year, ISO decides a theme of the World Standards Day based on a current aspects of standardization. The theme of this year "International Standards and Industrial Revolution 4.0" is very relevant as the industry is embracing new technologies for automation along with artificial intelligence making use of advanced communication modes.

## MOTHERS ON WHEELS — OUT TO HEAL THE WORLD

Four mothers who set out on their adventure of travelling from New Delhi to London by road to spread love across the world returned home on 15th Nov 2018. Madhuri Sahasrabudhe, Sheetal Vaidya, Urmila Joshi and Madhavi Singh took off on their journey and mission on the Sept 10th 2018 and arrived in Delhi after spreading the word on the importance of love, covering 22 countries and 22,000 kilometres in total on their 'Mothers on Wheel' trip.



## POSOCO ORGANISES ANNUAL CULTURAL MEET

Power System Operation Corporation Limited (POSOCO) organised the Annual Cultural Meet and Handicraft Exhibition-2018 at Mumbai recently.



The event was inaugurated by KVS Baba, CMD, POSOCO by lighting the lamp. Bharati, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Power, all Board Members, Senior Officials and employees from all five Regional Load Despatch Centres, National Load Despatch Centre and Corporate Centre with their family members were present on the occasion.

## SNEHA SCHOOL CELEBRATES CHILDREN'S DAY

Children's Day was celebrated in SNEHA School, patronised by NLC India Limited on 14.11.2018, in commemoration of consummate love which Late Punditji enlivened all through his life that touched and transformed the lives of millions of children in Independent India.



## NMDC LIMITED CELEBRATES ITS 61ST FOUNDATION DAY

NMDC Limited celebrated its 61st Foundation Day at Head Office, Hyderabad and in all its major production projects and Units as the Corporation was incorporated on the same day in 1958 and has completed 60 years of excellence. Incidentally, NMDC is celebrating Diamond Jubilee Year by organising many mega events such as National and International Seminars, Marathons, Cultural Programmes.



# Exports grow 17.86 pc in Oct due to base effect; trade deficit widens

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Federation of India Export Organisations (FIEO) said that exports in October last year were even lower than that of September this year.

Base effect is responsible for the high growth in October, it said. Sharing similar views, Engineering Export Promotion Council of India (EPEC) said that high growth in October has come about on the back of a favourable base effect.

FIEO President Ganesh Gupta demanded for augmenting the flow of credit as the sharp decline does not augur well for the sector.

The sectors which recorded healthy growth in October includes petroleum (49.3 per cent), engineering (8.87 per cent), chemicals (34 per cent), pharma (13 per cent), and gems and jewellery sector (5.5 per cent). On the other hand, exports of several agri commodities recorded negative growth and that includes coffee, rice, tobacco, cashew and oil seeds.

# CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

The Executive Engineer (E), Electrical Division-I, CPWD, Gate No. 6, Jalebi Chowk, North Block, New Delhi (Ph : 23092312 & E-mail: [deleeeed1.cpwd@nic.in](mailto:deleeeed1.cpwd@nic.in)) on behalf of the President of India, hereby invites online item rate tenders from "the Registered contractors of CPWD in appropriate class of Composite Category" for the following work:-

**NIT No. 167/EE(E)/ED-1/2018-19, Name of Work:** MOEI & fans i/c Security lights at L&M Block & Plot No. 108 (E&W), New Delhi. (SH-Providing services to attend the elect. Complaints). **Estimated Cost:** Rs. 15,15,636/-, **Earnest Money:** 30,313/-, **Period of completion:** 12 (Twelve) Months, **Last time and date of submission of bid:** 22.11.2018 upto 3:00 PM.

The Bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website [www.tenderwizard.com/CPWD](http://www.tenderwizard.com/CPWD). The Press Notice is also available on [www.eprocure.gov.in](http://www.eprocure.gov.in).

**PUBLIC NOTICE**



**ICICI Bank Limited**

Registered Office: ICICI Bank Tower, Near Chakli Circle, Old Padra Road, Vadodara- 390007, Gujarat.  
 Corporate Office: ICICI Bank Towers, Bandra Kurla Complex, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400051  
 Branch Office: ICICI Bank 2nd Floor, Videocon Tower, Jhandewala Ext, New Delhi- 110055

A notice is hereby given that the following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non Performing Assets (NPA). The notice dated were issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses as provided to the bank by them, that in addition thereto for the purposes of information of the said borrowers enumerated below, the said borrowers are being informed by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Nitin Budhiraja, Anju Budhiraja, 158-159, 3rd Floor Pkt 21, Sec 24, Rohini, Delhi A/c No:- LBDEL0002066051	Flat No. B-1812A, 18th Floor, Gardenia Gateway, Plot No. 10, Sector 75, Noida	09-Oct-2018, Rs.3897884.2/-	31/05/2018
2.	Manish Kumar, Savita, No 8/ 164, Mehram Nagar, Delhi Cantt, Delhi A/c No:-LBGUR0003253960	Unit No.1803, 18th Floor, Tower No. C, Mascot Manorath, Plot No. Gh-4B/1, Sector 16, Greater Noida West	09-Oct-2018, Rs.3924942/-	30/04/2018
3.	Anuja Nand Thakur, Gini Thakur, No 501/ 3, Flat No 4 Ward No 5, Houz Khas, Mehrauli, Delhi A/c No:-LBGUR0003143828	Flat No. A-2005, Misty Heights, Situated At Plot No. Gh-01, Sector Adjoining Techzone Iv, Sport City, Greater Noida	09-Oct-2018, Rs.3527750/-	30/11/2017
4.	Ranjana Kumar Jaiswal, Sima Kumari Chowdhary, E 105 ,ground Floor, Ganesh Nagar Pandav Nagar Complex, Delhi A/c No:-LBDEL0002335047	Flat No. G-05, Tower C, Ground Floor, Mascot Soho Manorath, Gh-4b/1, Sector 16, Greater Noida West, Distt Gautam Budh Nagar, Up	09-Oct-2018, Rs.3152249/-	30/04/2018
5.	Ajiaz Ashraf, Gazala, R-18a 4th Floor, Jogabai Extention Hari Masjid, Battla House Jamia Nagar, Delhi A/c No:-LBDEL0002356662	Flat No. 1906, Tower C, 19th Floor, Mascot Soho Manorath, Gh-4b/1, Sector 16, Greater Noida West, Gautam Budh Nagar, Up	09-Oct-2018, Rs.3081274/-	30/04/2018
6.	Rakesh Kumar,kanta Dayal, Rzb 115 Gali No 7, Old Maholi Road Rajnagar, Part 1, Palam Colony, Delhi A/c No:-LBDEL0002388795	56, Block-b/1 4th Floor Pocket-4, DDA LIG Sector-34 Rohini, Delhi	09-Oct-2018, Rs.1256262/-	30/11/2017
7.	Sushil Kumar Tiwari, Rachna Tiwari, A-11001 Ebony Green, Crescent Park Shahpur, Bamheta Nh-24, Lal Kuna , Ghaziabad A/c No:-LBND00002389161	Flat No. C-1905, 19th Floor, Tower C, "Mascot Soho Manorath", Situated at GH-4B/1, Sector 16, GB Nagar, Greater Noida West	09-Oct-2018, Rs.3113824/-	30/04/18
8.	Akash Parmar, Sapna Parmar, F 406 Parsuanath Prestige, Sec-93 A G B Nagar, Noida A/c No:-LBND00002260084	Flat No. K1-1601, Kumar Imperial Greens, Situated at GH-01/B, Sector 16, Greater Noida West	09-Oct-2018, Rs.4436310/-	30/04/18
9.	Narendra Pal Madan, Neelam, flat No-533, 1, Vaishali, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh, Ghaziabad A/c No:-LBDEL0001322009	House No. 3 F/ 182 Sec-3 F Vaishali Ghaziabad 201010	09-Oct-2018, Rs.1643484/-	28/02/2018

The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (where ever applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of issuance of notice U/s. 13 (2), failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of issuance of notice U/s. 13 (2) dated mentioned above as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

Date : 16 Nov, 2018  
 Place: Delhi/NCR  
 Sd/-  
 Authorized Officer  
 ICICI Bank Limited

**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**



General public is hereby informed that an unknown dead body was found at **Park Near Yamuna Pusta, Kashmiri Gate, Delhi**, dated 4.11.2018. In this regard a **DD No. 17-A dated 4.11.2018**, has been lodged at **P.S. Kashmiri Gate, Delhi**.

The Description of the dead body is given as under: **Name: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Sex: Male, Age: 50 Years, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Shallow, Wearing: White Shirt and Black Lower.**

Sincere efforts have been made by the local Police to trace out the dead person but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone having any information about this dead person, please inform undersigned.

SHO  
**P.S. Kashmiri Gate, Delhi**  
 Ph: 011-23968730, 08750870123  
 DP/9343/N/18

**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**



General public is here by informed that an unidentified person (depicted in the photo) name: **unknown** residence and family is **unknown** about 25 years of age was found dead at Infront of Gate No.1, Hindu Rao Hospital, Delhi on **11.11.2018**. In this regard **DD No. 15-A, dated 11.11.2018** has been registered at Police Station **Subzi Mandi, Delhi**.

His physical description is as under-  
**Sex: Male, Age: 25 years, Height: 5'7" ft., Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Black Jacket, Black & Khaki Checkdhar Pant.**

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

SHO  
**P.S. Subzi Mandi, Delhi**  
 Ph. No. - 011-23823161  
 Mob. No. - 8750870126  
 DP/9348/N/18

**Emaar MGF Land Limited**

CIN:U45201DL2005PLC133161  
 Registered Office : 306-308, Square One, C-2, District Centre, Saket, New Delhi-110017  
 Email ID- company.secretary@emaarmgf.com Website -www.emaar-india.com

**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018**  
 (Rs. in million)

S. No.	Particulars	Half Year Ended	Half Year Ended	Year Ended
		September 30, 2018	September 30, 2017	March 31, 2018
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
1	Total Income from operations	12,111.79	6,439.92	13,638.32
2	Net Loss for the period/year (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(2,308.79)	(3,394.31)	(7,241.01)
3	Net Loss for the period/year before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(2,308.79)	(3,394.31)	(7,241.01)
4	Net Loss for the period/year after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(2,308.79)	(3,394.31)	(7,241.01)
5	Total Comprehensive (Loss) /Income for the period/year [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(2,297.17)	(3,398.22)	(7,231.61)
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	912.62	9,126.20	9,126.20
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	(31,760.68)	7,040.70	3,207.29
8	Net Worth	(30,848.06)	16,166.90	12,333.49
9	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	57,072.92	57,913.59	60,056.63
10	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares	-	-	-
11	Debt Equity Ratio	(1.85)	3.58	4.87
12	Loss Per Share (in Rupees) (Basic & Diluted)	(3.37)	(3.72)	(7.93)
13	Capital Redemption Reserve	-	8,610.25	8,610.25
14	Debtenture Redemption Reserve	738.13	738.13	738.13
15	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	0.07	(0.25)	(0.31)
16	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	0.14	(0.25)	(0.31)

**Notes:**  
 1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of half yearly financial results filed with the stock exchange under regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulation, 2015. The full formats of half yearly financial results are available on the website of the stock exchange www.bseindia.com and on the Company's website www.emaar-india.com.  
 2. The above financial results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their meeting held on November 14, 2018.  
 3. Ratios have been computed as follows:  
 (i) Debt Equity Ratio = Paid up Debt Capital/Equity, where,  
 \* Equity represents issued, subscribed and paid up share capital and other equity  
 \* Paid up Debt Capital represents long-term and short-term borrowings excluding deferred payment liabilities and finance lease obligations.  
 (ii) Interest Service Coverage ratio = Earnings before finance costs, tax and depreciation / finance costs.  
 (iii) Debt Service Coverage ratio = Earnings before finance costs, tax and depreciation / (finance costs + net principal repayment of paid debt capital during the period/year).  
 (iv) Net worth represents Equity.  
 (v) Paid up equity capital represents issued, subscribed and paid up share capital.  
 4. The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) vide its order dated July 16, 2018 had approved the Scheme of Arrangement between the Company and MGF Developments Limited and the same has been filed with the Registrar of Companies on July 31, 2018. The Scheme is effective from the appointed date of September 30, 2015 ("the Appointed Date"). Accordingly, all the assets, rights, powers, liabilities and duties of the demerged undertaking were demerged from the Company from the Appointed Date.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors of Emaar MGF Land Limited  
 Sd/-  
 Hadi Mohd Taher Badri  
 Managing Director  
 DIN - 08101869  
 Date : November 14, 2018

**SHRI GANG INDUSTRIES AND ALLIED PRODUCTS LIMITED**

CIN: L0112UP1989PLC011004  
 Regd. Office: A-26 UPSIDC Industrial Area, Sikandrabad, Bulandshahar, Uttar Pradesh-203205  
 Website: www.shrigangindustries.com, Email ID: secretarial@shrigangindustries.com

**Unaudited Financial Results for the Quarter and Six Months Ended September 30, 2018**  
 (₹ in Lakhs)

S. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended	Half year ended	Quarter ended
		30.09.2018 (Unaudited)	30.09.2018 (Unaudited)	30.09.2017 (Unaudited)
1	Total income from operations (net)	161.03	427.90	407.82
2	Profit / (Loss) from ordinary activities (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(87.57)	(200.33)	(118.89)
3	Profit / (Loss) before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(87.57)	(200.33)	(118.89)
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax	(87.57)	(200.33)	(118.89)
5	Equity Share Capital (Face value of Rs. 10/- each)	793.00	793.00	793.00
6	Reserve (excluding Revaluation Reserves as per balance sheet of previous accounting year)	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Earnings per share (Face value of Rs. 10/- Each) Before and After Extraordinary items - Basic & Diluted (*) Not Annualized	(1.11)*	(2.53)*	(1.50)*

**Note:**  
 1. The above results were adopted by the Audit Committee in their meeting held on November 14, 2018 and later on approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on November 14, 2018.  
 2. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results filed with the Bombay Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly and Half Yearly Financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange website at www.bseindia.com and company's Website at www.shrigangindustries.com  
 3. At present the company operates only in one segment- Vanaspati & Refined Oils. The company is establishing a Distillery and Bottling Plant for IMFL & Country Liquor at Sanchi, Dist. Hardoi, Uttar Pradesh which is under implementation.  
 4. Previous year figures have been regrouped/ rearranged to make them comparable to the current period.

By order of the board  
 For Shri Gang Industries And Allied Products Limited  
 Sd/-  
 S.A. Rahman,  
 Whole Time Director  
 Place : New Delhi  
 Dated: November 14, 2018

**Eastern Coalfields Limited**  
 (A Subsidiary of Coal India Limited)

**E - TENDER NOTICE**  
**Name of Area :** Kunustoria Area, ECL, **Tender No. & Date :** ECL/HQ/GM(C)/e-Tender/18-19/144 Date : 10.11.2018. **Name of Work :** Construction of RCC Boundary wall (Length 1165 Mtr) at Bansra Railway Siding under Kunustoria Area ECL. **Updated Estimated Amount :** ₹ 1,54,05,849.64. **Bid submission start date & time :** 20.11.2018 at 12:00 Hours. **Bid submission end date & time :** 05.12.2018 at 17:00 Hours. **Tender opening date & time :** 07.12.2018 at 12:00 Hours. For details : [www.easterncoal.nic.in](http://www.easterncoal.nic.in)  
**VISIT US AT : [www.easterncoal.nic.in](http://www.easterncoal.nic.in)**

**Aro granite industries Ltd.**  
 (CIN: L74899DL1988PLC031510)  
 Regd. Office: 1001, 10th Floor, DLF Tower A, Jasola, New Delhi 110025  
 Phone: 91-11-41696169 Fax: 91-11-26941994  
 E mail: investor@arogranite.com Website: www.arogranite.com

**NOTICE FOR LOSS OF SHARE CERTIFICATES**  
 Notice is hereby given that the following Share Certificate(s) issued by the Company are reported to have lost/ misplaced/ stolen and the Registered Holder(s) thereof/ Claimants have applied to the Company for issue of duplicate Share Certificate(s):

Sl.No	Name	Folio No	Certificate No	Distinctive No	Shares
1	Mayana Shah Jointly with Rupal Shah	10106	32688 51871	3168701-3168800 7585597-7585646	100 50

Any person(s) who has/ have claim(s) in respect of above mentioned Share(s) should lodge such claim(s) in writing supported by valid documents with Registrar & Transfer Agent, M/s Alankit Assignments Ltd., Alankit Heights, 1E/13, Jhandewalan Extn., New Delhi 110055, Tel:- 23541234, 42541234; Fax: 41543474 within 10 days of publication of this Notice. Thereafter no claims will be entertained and the RTA will proceed for issuing duplicate Share Certificate(s) in lieu of Original Share Certificate(s).

For and on behalf of  
 Aro granite industries limited  
 Sd/-  
 Sabyasachi Panigrahi  
 Company Secretary  
 DATED: 15.11.2018  
 PLACE: New Delhi

**SEARCH FOR MISSING**



General Public is hereby informed that a female **Poonam Kumari D/o Pancham Rakwar R/o H.No. E-140, Jhuggi Chitra Vihar, Preet Vihar, Delhi** has been missing since 26.08.2018 from the area of P.S. Preet Vihar, Delhi. In this regard a **DD No. 9A dated 15.09.2018** has been lodged at PS, Preet Vihar, Delhi. The description of missing female is as under :

**Name:** Poonam Kumari, **Father's Name :** Pancham Rakwar, **Age :** 20 years, **Height :** 4'10", **Face :** Round, **Complexion :** Fair, **Built :** Normal, **Wearing :** Black and White Gown (Frock) & Black Colour Pajami.

If anyone having any clue/information, kindly inform the undersigned at following phone numbers.

SHO  
 Website : <http://cbi.nic.in>  
 e-mail : [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)  
 Fax : 011-24368639  
 Ph. : 011-24368638, 24368641  
 Ph. : 011-22510291  
 DP/6461/ED/18  
 8750870622

**CORPORATE MERCHANT BANKERS LIMITED**

CIN: L74899DL1994PLC061107  
 Registered Office : UG-24, Vishwadeep Tower, District Centre, Janak Puri, West Delhi-110058  
**Standalone Unaudited Financial Results for the quarter ended September 30, 2018**  
 (Rs. In Lakhs)

Sl No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended	Quarter Ended	Year Ended
		30.09.2018 (Unaudited)	30.06.2018 (Unaudited)	31.03.2018 (Audited)
1	Total Income from operations (net)	2.56	5.56	19.86
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	0.36	0.38	6.52
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	0.36	0.38	0.79
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	0.24	0.27	0.56
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	0.24	0.27	0.56
6	Equity Share Capital	330	330.00	330.00
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	-	-	6.59
8	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) (a) Basic (b) Diluted	0.01 0.01	0.01 0.01	0.02 0.02

**Note:** The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly/Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/Annual Financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange Website ([www.mseil.in](http://www.mseil.in)) & ([www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com)) and Company's website ([www.cmbi.co.in](http://www.cmbi.co.in)).

For CORPORATE MERCHANT BANKERS LIMITED  
 Sd/-  
 Parme Venkateshwar Reddy  
 Director  
 DIN: 06446233  
 Date : 14.11.2018  
 Place : New Delhi

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

General public is hereby informed that undersigned on behalf of YES Bank Ltd ('Bank'), is going to mortgage the Property situated at Entire Ground Floor of plot of land measuring 180 sq. yards bearing no. 154 situated at Kailash Hills, New Delhi owned by Shri Naveen Jain S/o Padam Chand Jain R/o Agarwal Complex, Gast Ka Tazia, Lashkan, Gwalior 474001, MP ('Owner') who has purchased it from Renu Mehta.

The undersigned on behalf of the Bank hereby gives this Public Notice that the aforesaid owner have offered to mortgage the said Property in the favour of the Bank for securing the total loan amount of INR 20 MM along with interest etc payable by M/s Naveen Jewellers. The said owner has submitted photocopies of the following chain documents of the said property instead of its original or verification of its original:-

1. Perpetual Lease deed no. 6816 dated 12.12.1984 executed by Governor General in favour of Smt. Grace Thomas.
2. GPA no. 20721 dated 14.10.1987 executed by Smt. Grace Thomas in favour of Pradeep Mehta.
3. Agreement to Sell (Notarized) dated 14.10.1987 executed by Smt. Grace Thomas in favour of Renu Mehta W/o Sh. Pradeep Mehta.
4. Receipt by Smt. Grace Thomas for payment received from Renu Mehta dated 14.10.1987
5. Conveyance Deed no. 434 dated 12.03.1999 executed by DDA in favour of Renu Mehta.

As the Owner have not received the originals of the above mentioned documents from the previous owner/seller and also the previous owner has not shown such original of such chain documents, therefore, the same are not being deposited with Bank so this present notice.

If any person, institution has or claims to have any right, title, interest or claim, whether by way of gift, mortgage, charge, lien, maintenance or to claim partition including as a member of the HUF or in any other manner or reason in respect of the said Property including the Original of the said Title documents, is required to notify us at the address given hereunder in writing whatever right, title, interest or claim, as aforesaid, which he/she has or claims to have within 7 (Seven) days from the date of publication of this Notice and in the event of the undersigned not receiving notification of any such right, title, interest or claim from any person within 7 days, We, at YES BANK Limited shall accept the mortgage created by said owners on the basis of title documents submitted by them and no claim shall be entertained thereafter under any circumstances.

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**EXTRACT OF THE STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2018**  
 (Rs. In Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended		Half Year Ended		Year Ended
		30-9-2018 (Unaudited)	30-9-2017 (Unaudited)	30-6-2018 (Unaudited)	30-9-2017 (Unaudited)	31-3-2018 (Audited)
1.	Total Income from operations (Net)	294.19	278.29	45.57	339.76	483.44
2.	Net Profit/(+)/Loss(-) from ordinary activities after Tax	(8.29)	(241.85)	(69.86)	(78.16)	(336.31)
3.	Net Profit/(+)/Loss(-) for the period after Tax (after extra ordinary items)	(8.29)	(241.85)	(69.86)	(78.16)	(336.31)
4.	Equity share capital (Face value Rs. 3/- each)	2,426.67	2,426.67	2,426.67	2,426.67	2,426.67
5.	Reserves excluding revaluation reserve as shown in the audited balance sheet of previous year.	-	-	-	-	(3,847.99)
6.	Earnings per share (before extra ordinary items) (face value Rs.3/- each) a) Basic (Rs) b) Diluted (Rs)	(0.014) (0.014)	(0.305) (0.305)	(0.089) (0.089)	(0.104) (0.104)	(0.427) (0.427)

**NOTES:**  
 1. The Above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly Financial Results are available on the website of BSE Ltd at [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com) and on Company's website at [www.meyerapparel.com](http://www.meyerapparel.com).  
 2. The above unaudited financial results for the 2nd quarter and half year ended September 30, 2018 have been viewed by the audit committee and thereafter approved by the Board of Directors at their Meeting held on November 14, 2018  
 3. The above unaudited financial results have been subject to limited review Report as furnished by the Statutory Auditors and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company as required under regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosures Requirements) Regulations, 2015

For and on behalf of the Board  
 Sd/-  
 (Gajender Sharma)  
 Whole-time Director  
 DIN:08073521  
 Place : New Delhi  
 Dated : November 14, 2018

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# Indian-origin Minister leads resignations in fresh Brexit jolt for PM Theresa May

**PTI ■ LONDON**  
**E**mbattled British Prime Minister Theresa May's leadership was in jeopardy and faced a possible vote of no confidence after Brexit Secretary Dominic Raab, Indian-origin minister Shailesh Vara and two other ministers resigned Thursday from her divided Cabinet over UK's "half-baked" divorce deal with the European Union.

Minutes after Vara stepped down as Northern Ireland minister, Prime Minister May was hit by a bigger blow as her Brexit Secretary Dominic Raab resigned from the Cabinet saying he "cannot in good conscience" support the draft of the withdrawal agreement with the 28-member bloc.



Hours after a spate of resignations, prominent Brexititeer Jacob Rees-Mogg directly challenged May in the House of Commons. He later submitted a letter of no confidence in her leadership of the Conservative Party.

Vara, Conservative Party MP for North-West Cambridgeshire, who has been a minister in the Northern Ireland Office since January, said, "We are a proud nation and it is a sad day when we are reduced to obeying rules made by other countries who have shown that they do not have our best interests at heart."

# KHASHOGGI KILLING

## Five Saudi officials face death penalty

**AFP ■ RIYADH**  
**F**ive Saudi officials face the death penalty for the murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi who was dismembered inside the kingdom's Istanbul consulate, but Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman was not involved, the prosecutor said on Thursday.



The announcement follows growing international outcry over the killing of Khashoggi, a Washington Post columnist and critic of the Saudi rulers who was last seen entering the consulate on October 2 to obtain paperwork for his marriage.

Ahmed al-Assiri, gave the order to repatriate Khashoggi — and "the head of the negotiating team" that flew to the Istanbul consulate had ordered his murder, the spokesman said.

After repeated denials, Saudi Arabia finally admitted in mid-October that Khashoggi had been murdered at the compound, but blamed it on a "rogue" operation.

Turkey on Thursday said the Saudi statement over the murder of journalist Jamal Khashoggi was "insufficient" and insisted that the killing was "premeditated."

Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying told reporters at a daily briefing that it would be "problematic" if the diplomats were attempting to put pressure on local authorities in the northwestern region of Xinjiang, where the detentions have taken place.

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# Afghan officials: Taliban kill 30 policemen in Farah province

**Kabul:** A blistering overnight attack by the Taliban on an Afghan police outpost in western Farah province killed 30 policemen, Afghan officials said on Thursday. It was the latest in a series of brutal and near-daily Taliban assaults on the

military and police forces, Government and other installations throughout the country. The resurgent Taliban, who in recent years have taken over nearly half of Afghanistan, did not comment on the attack in Farah.

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UNAUDITED STANDALONE FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018			
(All amounts in Indian Rupees in lakhs unless stated otherwise)			
Sr. No.	Particulars	Six months period ended September 30, 2018 (Unaudited) (refer note 2)	Six months period ended September 30, 2017 (Unaudited) (refer note 2)
1	<b>Income from operations</b>		
	(a) Revenue from real estate operations	7,118.58	3,147.77
	(b) Other Operating revenue	243.71	39.19
	<b>Total income from operations</b>	<b>7,362.29</b>	<b>3,186.96</b>
2	<b>Expenditure</b>		
	(a) (Increase) decrease in project work in progress	3,282.65	(854.03)
	(b) Project approval charges	53.06	436.09
	(c) Cost of land/development rights	74.92	4,200.00
	(d) Employees cost	858.80	868.92
	(e) Depreciation and amortization expense	74.92	96.73
	(f) Subcontractor, material and labour charges	850.31	1,460.52
	(g) Other Expenditure	684.13	649.09
	<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>5,803.87</b>	<b>2,657.32</b>
3	<b>Profit/(loss) from operations before other income, finance costs (1-2)</b>	<b>1,558.42</b>	<b>2,943.42</b>
4	<b>Other income</b>	368.52	124.49
5	<b>Profit/(loss) from operations before finance costs and exceptional items (3+4)</b>	<b>1,926.94</b>	<b>3,667.78</b>
6	<b>Finance costs</b>	2,287.52	1,599.49
7	<b>Exceptional items</b>	-	-
8	<b>Profit/(loss) from operations before tax (after exceptional items) (5-6-7)</b>	<b>(360.58)</b>	<b>(945.36)</b>
9	<b>Tax expense</b>	-	-
	Current tax expense	-	75.13
	Adjustment of tax relating to earlier periods	-	-
	Deferred tax expense/(credit)	524.37	(13.57)
10	<b>Net Profit/(loss) for the period (8-9)</b>	<b>(884.95)</b>	<b>34.10</b>
11	<b>Other Comprehensive Income/(loss) (net of tax)</b>	(12.98)	(22.55)
12	<b>Net Profit/(loss) for the period (10-11)</b>	<b>(907.93)</b>	<b>11.55</b>
13	<b>Paid-up equity share capital (face value of Rs.10 per share)</b>	0.93	0.93
14	<b>Paid-up preference share capital (face value of Rs.10 per share)</b>	300.00	300.00
15	<b>Paid-up debt capital/ outstanding debt (refer note 10)</b>	4,600.00	4,600.00
16	<b>Net worth (refer note 10)</b>	27,638.15	35,102.29
17	<b>Debiture redemption reserve (refer note 13)</b>	18.86	18.86
18	<b>Capital redemption reserve</b>	321.70	321.70
19	<b>Earning Per Share (EPS) (not annualised)</b>		
	Basic (in Rs.)	(9,560.65)	(19,087.94)
	Diluted (in Rs.)	(9,560.65)	(19,087.94)
20	<b>Debt: Equity Ratio (refer note 10)</b>	0.99	0.56
21	<b>Debt: Service Coverage Ratio (refer note 10)</b>	0.58	0.32
22	<b>Interest: Service Coverage Ratio (refer note 10)</b>	0.87	0.57

**NOTES:** (1) The above financial results for the half year ended September 30, 2018 have been reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee and approved by Board of Directors of the Company at their meeting held on November 14, 2018. The statutory auditors of the Company have carried out a limited review of the financial results for the half year ended September 30, 2018. The Company's debentures are listed and traded, Regulation 52 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) 2015 is applicable to the Company. (2) The financial results of the Company have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles of Indian Accounting Standards ("IND AS") as prescribed under section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 (read with relevant rules there under). (3) In line with the provisions of Ind AS-108 "Operating Segments" and basis the review of operations being undertaken by the senior management, the operations of the Company primarily fall under real estate business, which is considered by the management to be the only reportable operating segment. (4) CR-SIL has reassigned CRISIL BBB- negative ratings from CRISIL BBB-(SO) ratings for Company's redeemable non-convertible debentures vide letter dated: May 07, 2018. (5) Paid up Debt Capital represents: (a) 4,600 Series A Fully Paid, Rated, Listed, Secured, Redeemable, Non-Convertible Debentures of Rs. 100.00 each amounting to Rs.4,600 lakhs. The proceeds have been utilized for the purpose as mentioned in the prospectus and there is no material deviation in the utilization of the proceeds. (b) 2,900 Series B-2,900 debentures of Rs. 100.00 each amounting to Rs. 2,900 lakhs issued by the Company and pertaining to the Mall undertaking, that have been transferred to Euthonia Developers Private Limited (the Resulting Company), pursuant to Composite scheme of arrangement as approved by the Honourable High Court of Punjab and Haryana vide order dated March 31, 2017, and accordingly, the same has not been included in Paid up Debt Capital under Note 5. The Company's management and the Resulting Company's management are currently in the process of completing procedural formalities with the Debenture Trustee and the Stock Exchange for effecting the transfer of such debentures to the Resulting Company and believe, no further adjustments are required in this regard in these financial results. (6) The Series A Non-Convertible Debentures are secured by way of first ranking exclusive charge over Amritsar MIP project land, receivables from sale of Amritsar MIP project and Falehabad project, insurance receivables- Penguin and Ambrose, the escrow accounts and monies lying to credit thereof. (7) Ind AS 115 Revenue from Contracts with Customers, mandatory for reporting periods beginning on or after April 1, 2018, replaces existing revenue recognition requirements. The application of Ind AS 115 has impacted the Company's accounting for recognition of revenue from real estate projects. The Company has applied the modified retrospective approach to contracts that were not completed as of April 1, 2018 and has given impact of Ind AS 115 application by debiting retained earnings as at the said date by Rs. 7,853.92 lakhs (net of tax) pertaining to recognition of revenue based on satisfaction of performance obligation at a point in time. Accordingly, the figures for the comparative previous periods have not been restated and hence, the current period figures are not comparable with previous period figures. Due to the application of Ind AS 115 for the half year ended September 30, 2018, revenue from operations is higher by Rs. 4,600 lakhs and net loss after tax is lower by Rs. 520.159 lakhs than what it would have been if erstwhile standards were applicable. Similarly, the basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share for the current period is lower by Rs. (8,373.51) per share. (8) Next due dates for repayment of interest and principal of non-convertible debentures (NCDs):

S.No.	Name of Series	Type	Previous Due date of payment	Next Due date of payment	Amount (Rs. in lakhs)
1.	Series - A	Interest	November 12, 2018 (Paid)	November 12, 2019	657.80
	Principal along with premium on redemption	Not Applicable	November 13, 2025*		9,515.00

\*As per the terms of issue of 4,600 Series A-NCD, these are redeemable after 10 years from the deemed date of allotment i.e. November 13, 2015. However, the Company has the option to redeem these debentures at any time after the expiry of 3 years from the deemed date of allotment. (9) There is no investor grievance pending or received during the period under review. (10) Ratios have been computed as follows: (a) Debt equity ratio = paid up debt capital/equity, where "Equity" represents issued, subscribed and paid up share capital, equity component of compulsory convertible preference shares and reserves and surplus. \*Reserves and Surplus includes securities premium, retained earnings and other reserves. \*Paid up debt capital represents long term and short term borrowings excluding deferred payment liabilities. (b) Interest service coverage ratio = Earnings before finance costs, tax and depreciation/finance costs. (c) Debt service coverage ratio = Earnings before finance costs, tax and depreciation/finance costs + principal repayment of paid up debt capital (as defined in (a) above) during the period. (d) Net worth represents Equity.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2018			
	Notes	September 30, 2018	March 31, 2018
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>Non Current Assets</b>			
Property, plant & equipment	3	1,287.01	1,313.39
Capital work in progress		-	30.75
Investment property	4	-	-
Other intangible assets	5	5.77	6.54
Rights in development properties		133.10	133.10
Deferred tax assets (net)	6	2,490.59	249.06
Tax assets (net)	7	267.60	267.12
<b>Financial assets</b>			
Loans	8	993.37	43.39
Investments	9	1,224.90	1,224.90
Other financial assets	10	866.88	211.35
Other non current assets	11	228.98	228.98
		7,498.18	3,708.58
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories	12	62,530.18	51,359.45
<b>Financial assets</b>			
Trade receivables	13	3,858.32	8,529.96
Cash and cash equivalents	14	1,159.15	5,510.46
Bank balances (other than cash and cash equivalents)	14	830.61	2,013.93
Loans	8	1,349.30	800.00
Other financial assets	10	1,865.26	2,634.65
Other current assets	11	4,948.13	4,298.21
		76,440.95	75,134.66
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>83,939.13</b>	<b>78,843.24</b>
<b>Equity and liabilities</b>			
<b>Equity</b>			
Equity share capital	15	0.93	0.93
Instruments entirely equity in nature	15	300.00	300.00
Other equity	16	27,337.22	36,089.04
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>27,638.15</b>	<b>36,389.97</b>
<b>Non-current liabilities</b>			
<b>Financial Liabilities</b>			
Borrowings	17	25,520.08	26,607.90
Other financial liabilities	20	428.37	392.30
Provisions	18	-	-
		25,948.44	27,000.20
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
<b>Financial Liabilities</b>			
Borrowings	17	3,606.74	3,305.23
Trade payables	19	-	-
-total outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises		-	-
-total outstanding dues of creditors other than micro enterprises & small enterprises		3,057.78	3,464.90
Other financial liabilities	20	1,551.81	1,247.78
Provisions	18	272.74	144.79
Other current liabilities	20	21,863.69	7,290.37
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>30,352.56</b>	<b>15,453.07</b>
<b>Total equity and liabilities</b>		<b>83,939.13</b>	<b>78,843.24</b>

\*to the extent of information available with the management. (12) During the year 2018, the Company received a demand for Rs. 1,440 lakhs from Municipal Corporation, Amritsar towards the levy for Change in Land Use Fee (CLU fees) in relation to Company's retail mall at Amritsar. The Company filed a writ petition with the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana challenging the levy of CLU fees by the Municipal Corporation, Amritsar. Pending the disposal of said writ petition by the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana, the Company had deposited Rs. 1,260 lakhs (net of Rs. 180 lakhs recovered from another party as their share of the said demand) under protest pursuant to directions by the Hon'ble High Court. The Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana vide its order dated March 3, 2018 had adjudicated that the basis of levying CLU fees is untenable and the amount collected from the Company is liable to be refunded with simple interest @ 9% per annum from the date of collection by the authorities till the date of payment. Subsequently, the Municipal Corporation had preferred a Letters Patent Appeal (LPA) against the order of the Hon'ble High Court with Hon'ble High Court on May 12, 2018 and the same had been disposed off in favour of the Municipal Corporation, Amritsar. (13) During the year 2010, as per the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana, the deposited sum was refunded back to the Company. However, the Company had furnished a Bank Guarantee for securing the above sum in favour of the Registrar of the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana with the condition that if the Municipal Corporation of Amritsar succeeds in the LPA filed in the aforesaid Hon'ble High Court, the Company shall pay the amount to the Municipal Corporation of Amritsar with the same rate of interest which has been awarded by the single bench in its order dated March 03, 2010. As mentioned herein above, the aforesaid LPA was disposed off in favour of the Municipal Corporation, Amritsar against which the Company has preferred a Special Leave Petition (SLP) in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India which was admitted and against which the Company had issued notices to both the parties and restrained the Municipal Corporation from enforcing the bank guarantee. Subsequently, the Company in compliance of the order passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on August 18, 2017 had deposited a sum of Rs. 200 lakhs consequent to which the amount of bank guarantee furnished by the Company in favour of the Registrar of the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana had got revised to Rs. 1,240 lakhs. (14) Based on expert legal inputs, the management is confident of obtaining favorable orders from the said Court in its favour. Further, in accordance with the "Facilitation and Collaboration Agreement" and "Termination-cum-Settlement: Deed" entered into with the landowners, the liability in relation to the "Change of Land Use" is to be borne by the landowners. Accordingly, while finalizing these financial results, no provision has been considered necessary at this stage. (15) Debenture redemption reserve is created to the extent of availability of profits as per section 71 of the Companies Act, 2013. Due to non-availability of sufficient profits, debenture redemption reserve has not been created in the current period financial results.

## China says foreign concerns over Muslim rights unwarranted

**AP ■ BEIJING**  
**C**hina said on Thursday that 15 foreign ambassadors exceeded their diplomatic roles by issuing a letter expressing concern about the incarceration of hundreds of thousands of members of the country's Muslim minorities in re-education camps.

Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying told reporters at a daily briefing that it would be "problematic" if the diplomats were attempting to put pressure on local authorities in the northwestern region of Xinjiang, where the detentions have taken place.

## Chaos in Sri Lanka Parliament over PM crisis

**PTI ■ COLOMBO**  
**S**ri Lanka lawmakers on Thursday exchanged blows and threw objects at each other, leaving at least one of them bleeding, as MPs loyal to President Maithripala Sirisena surrounded the Speaker in his chair after Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa, who lost a floor test, demanded fresh elections to resolve the raging political turmoil.

Trouble erupted when Speaker Karu Jayasuriya agreed to a request from ousted premier Ranil Wickremesinghe's United National Party (UNP) that a vote be taken on a statement made by Rajapaksa demanding fresh polls.

## 'Super-Earth' found orbiting Sun's nearest solitary star

**PTI ■ LONDON**  
**A**steronomers have discovered a frozen 'super Earth' orbiting the closest solitary star to the Sun, a breakthrough that could shine light on our planet's nearest planetary neighbours.

The potentially rocky planet, known as Barnard's star b, is a 'super-Earth' and orbits around its host star once every 233 days, said researchers from Queen Mary University of London in the UK.

The findings, published in the journal Nature, show the planet lies at a distant region from the star known as the 'snow line'.

This is well beyond the habitable zone in which liquid water, and possibly life, could exist, researchers said. The planet's surface temperature is estimated to be around minus 170 degrees Celsius, meaning it is likely to be a frozen world which is uninhabiting to Earth-like life, they said. However, if the planet has a substantial atmosphere the temperature could be higher and conditions potentially more hospitable. "Barnard's star is an infamous object among astronomers and exoplanet scientists, as it was one of the first stars where planets were initially claimed but later proven to be incorrect.

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**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR Half year ended on 30th September, 2018**  
 (₹ in Lakhs except EPS data)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Half Year Ended 30/09/2018 (Unaudited)	Half Year Ended 30/09/2017 (Unaudited)
1	Total Income From Operation	2.13	-14.76
2	Net Profit for the period (before tax and exceptional items)	(2.44)	(22.49)
3	Net Profit for the period before Tax (after exceptional items)	(2.44)	(22.49)
4	Net Profit for the period after tax (after Exceptional items)	(2.44)	(22.49)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	0.00	0.00
6	Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs.10/- each)	41.95	41.95
7	Reserve (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	1038.01	957.95
8	Earning Per Share (EPS) (of Rs. 10/- Each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) not annualised		
	(a) Basic	(0.58)	(5.36)
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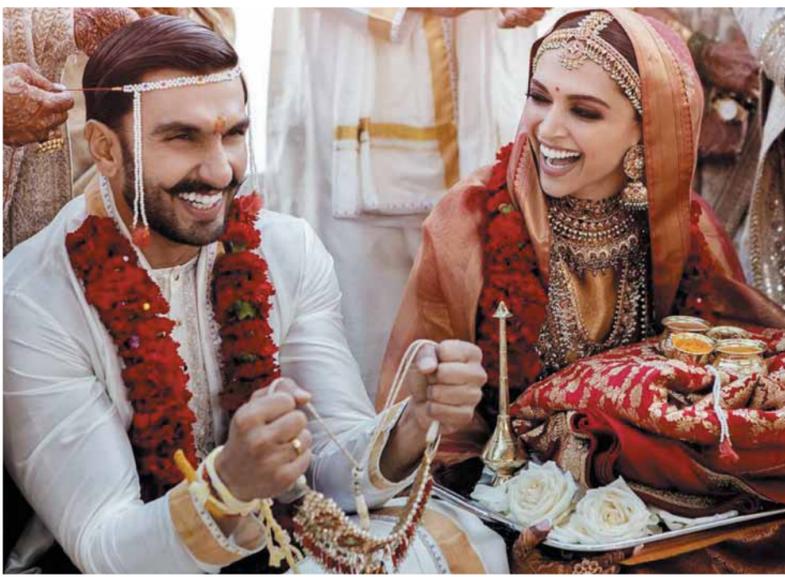
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Tour operators say that given its dreamy location, the rich tapestry of history and its provenance as a retreat of the Romantic poets, Indians are now heading to Lake Como like never before. By TEAM VIVA



The couple at their Konkani wedding on November 14 and (below) the Sindhi one on November 15

# THE LAKE WHICH REVIVES LOVE

It wasn't that Indians weren't aware of Lake Como in Italy. But what Isha Ambani's engagement and Ranveer-Deepika's wedding at villas there have done is to make it the next aspirational benchmark on our social calendar.

"After Ranveer and Deepika's wedding, Indians are discovering Lake Como in Italy as a ceremonial destination. The place was already quite popular among elite Indians and this wedding will give it a fillip. As November marks the end of the season at Lake Como, we are already receiving inquiries for the fresh season starting from March 2019 and also for the weddings and engagements in 2020-21. Going by the trend, the place will soon become a favourite for

weddings, unions and vacations with the unique spectacular villas and historical hotels, sophisticated atmosphere, delicious food options and proximity to international airports," says Karan Anand, Head, Relationships, Cox & Kings.

The interest in Italy as an event destination has been gathering pace, especially after the wedding of cricketer Virat Kohli and actor Anushka Sharma in Tuscany last year. As Manmeet Ahluwalia, Marketing Head, Brand Expedia, enunciates, "Italy has been a popular destination among Indian travellers and continues to attract them with tempting food, awesome architecture, diverse scenery and amazing art. The privacy of its mansions and villas has made it a preferred des-



FROM MAY TO OCTOBER, THE ESTATES SEE A WEDDING EVERY WEEKEND — ENGLISH, AMERICAN, RUSSIAN AND INDIAN — AND COMMAND A STEEP LOCATION FEE

ination for honeymooners and people travelling with their family and friends from India. We have also seen a year-on-year increase of 35-40 per cent in bookings from India. Destinations like Rome, Venice, Florence, Naples and Milan have traditionally been popular among travellers. However, celebrities choosing Tuscany, Lake Como, Lake Iseo and Amalfi Coast as their wedding destinations are also likely to increase the tourist footfall in these destinations in the future."

Of all destinations, Lake Como has acquired exclusivity by virtue of its history, cultural soirees and more recently as a holiday hideaway of Hollywood biggies like George Clooney and Robert De Niro. And then there were the Bond films with wide angle sequences choreographed on the lake with azure waters that is fringed by woods of the thickest green, fairytale castles, rolling estates and the sun-kissed hills. Once the retreat of the Milanese aristocracy, famous artists, philosophers, scientists and writers made it their home away from their homes in the city. The Romantic poets sought inspiration and revival in its salubrious climes. English poet PB Shelley, who lived by Lake Como for many months while attempting recovery from consumption, then described it as the "most beautiful lake I have ever seen." American novelist Mark Twain called it a "heaven of quiet rest."

The landscape, the tranquility, the connection to heritage and the natural elegance continue in boutique properties and waterfront homes, which have drawn solace-seeking Hollywood celebrities. And it is this little *cul de sac* of medieval repose with wisteria wraps that has made Lake Como a glamorous destination. The estate owners have only upped expectations by customising comforts, services, boat rides and even arranging spectacles. From May to October, the estates see a wedding every weekend — English, American, Russian and Indian among them — and command a steep location fee. Ranveer and Deepika reportedly spent ₹1 crore for their four day jamboree on security and ₹4 crore on private yacht services.



KUSHAN MITRA



## Kerb this madness

Indian drivers and riders get the blame for most of the accidents and deaths on Indian roads. But our road designers and builders deserve their share of the blame too



Last week there was a horrendous accident in Delhi where an allegedly drunk driver hit the kerb, crossed the median and smashed into another car, killing one and grievously injuring another. Now, while the blame for this accident, prima facie should lie with the driver who smashed through the kerb, especially if the allegations of being drunk are true, there is another factor in play over here. That is the poor design of the road median in India. The fact that Indian city planners feel that a one-foot kerb is enough to stop a speeding motorcycle let alone a car is one that is wrong. Far from stopping the vehicles, the kerb design makes most accidents worse by often launching the vehicle into oncoming traffic at a height.

Whenever one travels to the developed world, you see the pavements on the side of the road are at short heights. And on the median, even if it has trees or other beautification, there is the standard metal barrier protecting vehicles from going over into the other lane, in most cases by absorbing the energy of the impact. In India, roads are poorly designed, often by the whims of local politicians. While the construction of Indian highways has improved markedly in the past few years, a recent study said that a large chunk of the Delhi-Jaipur highway, one of India's best, was unsafe. But newly-constructed roads despite

their flaws are better than older ones. The Eastern Peripheral Expressway around Delhi had gaps in barriers and slow-moving traffic but after access control things have improved.

Construction does not mean that during construction things improve, often they get worse. The state of the Delhi-Panipat highway currently under construction is downright dangerous. And even in cities like Delhi, poor planning and the desperate need for *jugaad* solutions have made road construction sites dangerous. The stretch under RTR Flyover on Outer Ring Road, itself the best example of poor planning, is often closed at night with traffic diverted onto the oncoming lane with no lights, warning or traffic dividers. Not even plastic ones. And this is a stretch where heavy commercial vehicles regularly operate at night. Accidents and deaths are inevitable.

It is mighty easy to blame the driver in cases like that. And shoddy police work condemns the drivers to be "inebriated" even if they're not. The lack of proper metal barriers and dividers and the absence even of low-cost solutions like wire-barriers have made things quite difficult for the Indian driver making them take the blame in instances that they should not. It is high time that authorities realised that roads share an alarmingly high proportion of the blame.

## Trend Blazer

### Big B writes to Neena Gupta

Actor AMITABH BACHCHAN wrote a personalised note to veteran actress NEENA GUPTA after watching her latest film *Badhaai Ho* as he was highly impressed by her performance.

Neena took to Instagram to share a snapshot of the letter and captioned it:

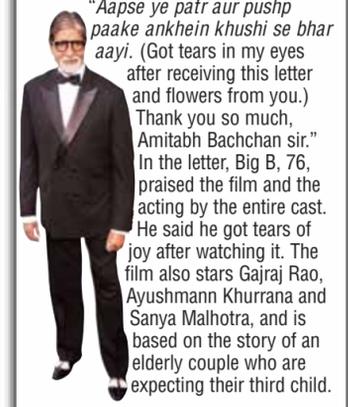
"Aapse ye patr aur pushp paake ankein khushi se bhar aayi. (Got tears in my eyes after receiving this letter and flowers from you.) Thank you so much, Amitabh Bachchan sir." In the letter, Big B, 76, praised the film and the acting by the entire cast. He said he got tears of joy after watching it. The film also stars Gajraj Rao, Ayushmann Khurrana and Sanya Malhotra, and is based on the story of an elderly couple who are expecting their third child.

### Stan Lee's last message for fans

After the demise of comic book legend STAN LEE, his social media handlers shared an emotional video clip which has Lee's final message to his fans.

"I love my fans so much. I cannot describe my love for them. Sometimes at night, I am sitting here and thinking What's it all about? And then I get a letter from a fan or I read something, who really care about you. That's the reason I care so much about them as they make me feel so great," Lee said.

Known for co-creating Marvel's beloved superheroes like Spider-Man, The X-Men, The Fantastic Four, the Hulk, Iron Man, Thor, and Doctor Strange. Lee died at the age of 95 after suffering from pneumonia.



# And thereby hangs a tale

SHAGUNA GAHILOTE, festival director of Kathakaar, the storytelling fest, tells SAIMI SATTAR what it takes to be a raconteur

It is one thing to read about Shivaji in a comic strip and visualise him within laid down references and contexts. But when a storyteller describes the valour of the Maratha warrior and the way his sword cut through the enemies like lightning, you embed a picture of him in your mind forever. That's why folk ballads like Maharashtra's Powada can popularise history and weave fantasy from our mythic traditions.

While the stories have been told over the years, it is only now that the content is being re-interpreted by a fresh breed of storytellers who have stiff competition from digital content and are trying their best to wear away an audience that hardly has any time to look up from their phone even while they are eating. Kathakaar, India's only oral storytelling festival, which involves raconteurs from all over the world, has been plodding on for the past eight years and its latest edition is being held at the Indira Gandhi Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) from November 16-18. The three-day event, organised by IGNCIA in collaboration with Nivesh, will witness immersive storytelling sessions focussing on India's rare art forms as well as native tales from Africa, the UK, Greece, Poland, Russia and Iran.

Shaguna Gahilote, festival co-director, says, "At a time when even adults find it difficult to leave their phone, we ask the parents to bring their children minus the phone in the evening session. Once the storyteller starts telling a tale, you should see the expressions on their faces. Both children and adults are so involved. The connection that you make with people, if you can tell a story well, is amazing. They are looking at the performer but they are lost as they are visualising the story. It is playing on their imagination and they are building on it. If you start storytelling in school, you build on communication and improve it."

Interestingly, the festival over the years has seen the audience span from ages eight to 80. And Shaguna says that in the long run this would ultimately revive and encourage reading habits among children. "We started the festival in 2010 around the same time as the Right to Education was introduced where in every annexure it was mentioned that all schools should have a library with books and newspapers. As part of UNESCO, we had been building libraries in underprivileged schools but not all children would run up and grab the books. Some would, out of curiosity but would not read them. Someone had to read out the books to them to make



it interesting." It was this realisation that led to a lot of brain-storming where she realised that there was no written word at one point of time. "We heard so many stories that were really ancient. These were oral stories that are told all over the world whether it is Russia, Africa or Europe," she adds.

So along with her sister, she decided to get on board people who could tell stories well. "Of course, we needed very good storytellers to get the audience involved. And then you could tell them that if you want to find the story again, you can read it in that book. We knew that children are more likely to go back to books in this manner rather than when they are pressurised to do so. A book becomes almost like a box where they can pull out these stories. It is getting children to read and if they read well, they will do maths and science better and when that happens, they are more likely to stay in school. It is a full circle and storytelling is at the beginning of it," says Shaguna.

However, while initially the storytellers' festival started with the aim to preserve the old folk tales, somewhere along the line it also became a celebration of storytelling. "There are so

many varied formats and forms in India. There is drama and performance. This gives the Indian storytellers an equal platform with the international ones as well. It also boosts their confidence as there is a newer audience coming in. Moreover, the next generation is more likely to pick it up and take storytelling further," says she.

When the Gahilote sisters started out, it was initially difficult to get audience even though parents are always looking for activities to do with children. "We started with an audience of 250 people. It has grown slowly over eight years by word-of-mouth publicity and now we see footfalls of up to 10,000 plus for three days," she says.

Getting the right people to tell the stories lies at the heart of the festival. "We are looking at brilliant performers. A lot of people tell you or write to you saying that they do storytelling, including publishers, who say that my writer also has that skill. But often they are just reading from a book. Storytelling is no less a performance art. It is a stand-up, theatre, singing, playing a musical instrument all rolled into one to hold the audience," she says.

Variety is of the essence. "We look

for different stories that have not been told. Sometimes we get storytellers who tell Indian tales that are an adaptation. We get puppeteers from Kerala and also the Pandhwani." One of the highlights of the festival will include Sadhguru, founder of Isha Foundation, turning into a storyteller during a session with singer-songwriter and musician Mohit Chauhan who is also the patron of the festival.

Filmmaker Imtiaz Ali and actor Pankaj Tripathi will share their favourite tales and journey into the world of films and storytelling. Noted theatre artist Danish Hussain will present an adaptation of *Qissa Urdu Ki Aakhri Kitaab Ka*, originally written by Pakistani poet Ibn-e-Insha. Shaguna herself will dramatise the story of Mahatma Gandhi to mark 150 years of the Indian independence leader's birth anniversary. International storytellers include Godfrey Duncan, the man behind the storytelling revival in UK, Michal Malinowski, who has helped keep the art alive in Poland and Xanthe Gresham, an Oxford University alumnus. They will narrate tales from Africa, Iran, Poland, Greece and India. Indian storytellers include the Phad storytellers from Rajasthan, Pandavani by the powerhouse Ritu Verma and more.

However, the festival tries to break out of the mould of the "moral of the story". As Shaguna says, "Good folk tales or Panchatantra stories have social messaging in the end. But when every thing has a message, no one will like it. There are hidden messages and the audience is intelligent enough to decode it."

So while relating a popular tale from England about a boy who goes shopping alone as his mother is unwell, Shaguna does not state the underlying message. "While selecting a pup, he picks a three-legged one and when the salesperson says that it's useless, he raises his trouser to reveal a wooden leg. He says that he would understand the pup better. There is empathy involved but I never use the word. I do not have to ingrain it."

Of course, the storytelling for children and adults is a bit different. "Sometimes completely different tales are told in the evening. If there is an entirely adult audience, you can even do a very sensual telling of the story which is never done in the morning session. Or maybe the same tale is told to both while obliterating gory details for children. *Vikram Betal* is a nice easy tale for a child but may be when telling it to an adult, it can be related how he bled to death or how he was killed," she says.



## COUNTER-TOP COMEDY

Knives, cooking and acrobatic feats lit up characters from a Korean act, says TEAM VIVA

At a time when food seems to dominate our feeds as a lifestyle imagery, a Korean show has combined a pop-up idea with a live act to birth a new medium of entertainment. *Cookini Nanta*, a non-verbal comedy from Korea that makes use of kitchen tools as musical instruments, sort of like stomping with knives, had the city in thrall recently. So it was a story of cooks who have to cram for a big wedding after their mean manager (Yohan Hwang) asks them to prepare a grand banquet at a few hours notice. To add to the frenzy, the manager's mischievous nephew (Junghwan Hyun) joins the kitchen to learn how to cook, thereby messing up everyone's synchronisation. They chop together, striking the cutting boards with knives and use salt shakers as maracas to produce rhythmic and percussive sounds.

The result is an interactive and entertaining family show. Explains Changhwan Ko, who played the head chef, "The show is full of acrobatics, magic tricks and comedy. That is why it's fun to watch. *Nanta* means to strike relentlessly, which connects to the story of the performance, where cheerful rhythms combine the modern beats and Korean folk music (*samul nori*)."

As the show has been running for more than 20 years, its overbearing manager says, "The original story and episodes still continue to this day. But over the years we have incorporated several slight changes on directing. We have opted for the non-verbal format so that it is easily understood by the contemporary audience and enjoyed by the people of any age group."

Asked how a non-verbal play was written, read and comprehended, he told us, "The non-verbal play is written as usual plays or musical performances. But we then convert them according to the ease of emotional expressions since they don't have lines. In order to present a character's emotions through multiple expressions and movements, the acting is mostly physical and exaggerated. This brings in a comic element. The audience can easily understand, relate themselves to the situational context and enjoy the performance in that way."

The artists start practicing at least six months before with drums, knives, fire and pots before presenting a choreographed flow. Practice is the only key to success. The perfection in rhythm and synchronisation is the result of their hard work. The show has been running in South Korea since 1997 and has toured in over 314 cities of 28 countries across the globe. It even had a year-long run in Broadway, a prestigious claim for an Asian production with no dialogue.

CHEFTALK

# 'WOMEN NEED TO STOP PULLING EACH OTHER DOWN'

Chef GARIMA ARORA tells ASMITA SARKAR about the link between India and Thailand she's trying to build through her cuisine



nobody knows how to use them. We like to give the guest from any city flavours that they have never tasted before. During the meal it is possible that you are eating ingredients or flavour combinations for the very first time in your life. This is our signature. We do a strawberry and caviar dish mixed with a herb like lemon and *puđina* (mint) that is found only in the northern part of Thailand. The guests are always extremely surprised by the combination but it is one of our hot-selling dishes," she said. They also have a large collection of wines and as the meal progresses so does the wine pairing with the food. When asked if she thought of her restaurant as a follower of the school of thought of slow food, she said that while she wasn't sure about categorising it, her menu definitely made for thoughtful and deliberate eating.

After the #MeToo movement in Hollywood, multiple stories from the hospitality sector in the West have come to the fore. When asked about policies at her restaurant, Chef Garima said that they were very strict about workplace safety. Staff members are encouraged to report incidents of harassment by peers or guests that take place right away. "I take this very seriously. Any sort of misbehaviour within the staff or even from the guest towards my staff, is never accepted. And my staff has clear instructions that the minute it happens, they should let us know so that we can take immediate action. We don't wait," she said, adding that 50 per cent or more of her staff are women.

She believes that women need to stop pulling each other down and then they can help each other up. "If we don't support each other and don't pave the way for the next generation what's the point of it all," she said.

Did she face any harassment because of her ethnicity or gender? She doesn't deny facing difficulties but said that she doesn't know if her gender or being brown had anything to do with it. "I have worked with amazing chefs who have been particular about protecting their staff and taking care of them. I have not directly had any bad experiences but that's not to say it doesn't happen," she said.

The chef, who has two homes — one in Mumbai and one in Bangkok — understood what made the latter city, as well as that part of the world, so special while working there. She says that the warm hospitality and the friendships she has built have left a beautiful mark on her. Her biggest takeaway from Ramsay's kitchen was humility and learning to keep her head down and working, which is what you need to do in the beginning of your career, she believes. "Sometimes youngsters don't understand that you have to put in the hours and go through the grind," she said.

In an industry where there are no holidays and you're cooking when others are partying, there is no way to survive it if you think of it as drudgery. "If you come into work and look at the clock to see when you're going to get home you won't last a month. It's just something you do and it's not just work," she said.

Fueled with passion and skill, Chef Garima Arora, who started her own restaurant GAA in Bangkok, a dinner-only fine dining restaurant serving world cuisine, has become the first Indian woman to receive a Michelin star.

The coveted recognition in the culinary world came as a surprise to her on October 30. And more than two weeks down the line, it is yet to sink in. Garima's story is a classic tale of what resilience and willingness to traverse boundaries for dreams can lead to. She was in her early twenties and fresh out of journalism school, when she decided that if she wanted to pursue her dream of becoming a chef it made sense to start early since the profession requires long hours and physical strength. Between mid-2000s to now, she's covered the entire arc from studying at Le Cordon Bleu to working in Gordon Ramsay's kitchen to starting her own restaurant after a few months at Chef Gaggan Anand's restaurant Gaggan in Bangkok.

And this is just on the professional front. On the personal, she also navigates the challenge of a long-distance marriage as her husband works and lives in Mumbai while she's in Bangkok. No one can dispute that her dreams are made of hard work and sacrifices. "My dad has always been a huge influence in my life. From him, I learnt that cooking was actually fun. As a youngster I spent a lot of time with him in the kitchen and I think that stayed with me," she said.

But cooking in Paris at Le Cordon Bleu gave her a worldview that a home kitchen obviously did not provide. "Leaving India you have so many things different. Just in terms of ingredients, flavour combination that we don't have, that was something innovative for me. I studied classic French food and that gives you a very different perspective on cooking," she said.

When asked what the name of her restaurant meant, she replied like a proud mama that it was derived from her name. Opening a restaurant in Bangkok was unplanned in a way, she said. She was offered a job at the Gaggan Anand group and after a few months their investors asked if she would want to open her own restaurant. "It was by chance that I moved here. I was supposed to go to India but I am happy here which is why I stayed back," she said. A truly global individual, her life has taken her across the world and back.

Her restaurant serves two menus, the vegetarian one with 10 items and the non-vegetarian one with 14. "The idea is to find and explore the connection between India and Thailand through flavours and techniques. The smaller meal lasts about two hours and the long one lasts for around 2.5 hours," she said. The evening begins with smaller dishes and then goes on to the main ones. "We look for unique ingredients. We work with the indigenous parts of Thailand and the North Eastern part of India, that is our primary concentration. So many ingredients get lost because

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Photo: Asmita Sarkar

## The northern platter

From Kashmir to Lucknow with a pitstop in Delhi, the capital is abuzz with festivals to keep you warm. By A SARKAR

The *sitar* played throughout the night at the Indus Express in Taj Vivanta Dwarka while I gorged on some authentic Kashmiri cuisine. In *wazwan*, a traditional Kashmiri platter with 36 dishes, it is the *goshtaba* that usually is the centrepiece but this evening it was the *Roganjosh* that stole the show. The chicken was wiped clean off the bone by those sitting at the table. The first time that I had a *goshtaba* was in 2016, from a tin can that I bought at a general store in Jammu. It was no DIY *goshtaba* but the entire cooked dish in a can. The freshness was questionable but that was my first tryst with the cuisine of Kashmir. The sour taste of the curd based gravy was miles apart from the Lucknawi and Delhi food that I had eaten thus far.

Along the way, I have eaten mutton kebabs and *rogan josh* at a Kashmiri friend's house but nothing quite as exquisite as the one that Chef Sewa Singh from Vivanta Dal View, Srinagar had prepared.

The mutton *seekh*, *butt haakh saag*, *rajma*, *rogan josh* and *goshtaba* along with a flavoured *Guchhi pulao* and *missi roti* from the *wazwan* made me feel that I was at a wedding in Kashmir.

The evening began with saffron milk which was followed by a lightly flavoured lamb and a vegetable *shorba*. For the lamb, he used stock made with lamb bones and for the vegetable one a vegetable-based stock with the same spices were used. It made sure that the original flavour of the ingredients remain intact while they mix it with subtle spices.

In comparison, the *Dilli ka khana* and Lucknawi food at The Imperial, which is also doing a food festival much like Taj Vivanta Dwarka, brought out stronger flavours. The Kashmiri food had a light spice palette and the Delhi and Lucknow kebabs and *qorma* were more accented in comparison.

"Dilli food represents the confluence of many cultures and the flavours are more dominating and inspired by the cuisine of neighbouring regions, whereas, Lucknawi food is steeped in tradition and the recipes are passed down from generations. They converge in terms of spices and traditions which have been carried through the years," said the chefs, Ved Prakash and Mirza Munnawar Baig.

At the Imperial, there were multiple kebabs made in the Awadhi style, like *Dahi ke kebab* as well as *Chakundar aur ramdana ki tikki*, a beetroot and quinoa patty shallow fried which stole the show. The non-vegetarian options like the *Kakori kebab* and the *Sufiyani Murgh ki ashrafiyan* melted in the mouth as did the *Dilli 6 ka mutton qorma*. The *qorma*, which is lamb simmered in its own juices with yoghurt and spices, was enough to transport one to the 19th century Delhi *darbar*. Chef Ved proudly said that Dilli 6 is the origin point of the capital's cuisine as the newer part of the city is too heterogeneous to have a food identity and culture.

Mirza added that the Lucknawi *chicken biryani* is an aromatic and mouth watering dish with succulent chicken in layers of fluffy rice, fragrant spices and caramelised onions. It has been an integral part of the Indian Mughlai culi-



nary tradition and the chef tried his best to retain the authentic taste.

It should include browned onions, cilantro, yogurt, saffron and more, said Chef Mirza. "If you take a fistful of good biryani and throw it on a plate, the rice should scatter as fluffy grains and not clump together. The meat or chicken should be well done, moist with thick juices and traditionally with bone which is unlike the Indian *pulao* which is prepared with all the ingredients together in one dish along with the added liquids. Therefore, the mouthfeel and taste are expected to be quite different," said Chef Mirza.

Chef Prakash and Mirza of Lucknow, ended the afternoon soiree with a cook out during which the former made fresh *Shahi tukda*, a famed dessert from Old Delhi. Triangular cut bread was first fried and then immersed in *chashni* to be dressed in *khoya* and dry fruits. The resultant product was a hot and succulent piece of bread that is a delight for sweet lovers.

In comparison, the chef from Lucknow, Mirza, had no dessert to offer.

At Vivanta, Singh offered three — a *phirni*, a fig ice cream and a *halwa* — each appealing to different kind of dessert lovers. If you want a mildly sweet end to the meal, opt for the *phirni* which was decorated with saffron but if you want a rich explosion of taste in your mouth go for the *halwa*. And the fig ice cream has a fresh and captivating taste that will leave you asking for more. Like a hospitable host, we were topped up with *kahwa*, a lightly flavoured tea with saffron and dry fruits. The Taj Vivanta is offering The Valley Beckons menu till November 25 during dinner while The Clash of The Titans at Daniell's tavern at The Imperial will begin on November 17 and go on till the 24.

Why choose the onset of winter for a festival like this? The chefs said that this is the perfect time to enjoy Lucknowi and Dilli food because of the spice levels in the food keeps us warm in this season. It is also quite nutritious because of the bone stock used in the meat dishes.

And the reason why The Imperial chose to put the two cousin cuisines together was to make sure that people can identify certain dishes within a particular cuisine as they have the same roots.



## RECIPES

### KURKURI DAHI

- WHAT YOU NEED**
- Curd: 250 gm
  - Paneer: 50 gm
  - Coriander seed: 2 gm
  - Coriander fresh: 15 gm
  - Milk powder: 30 gm
  - Chopped green chilli: 2 gm
  - Salt: to taste
  - Chilli flakes: 2 gm
- Other ingredients**
- Corn flour: 30 gm
  - Bread crumbs: 60 gm
  - Oil as needed for frying

### METHOD

- Place a clean muslin cloth over a sieve. Pour the curd and bring together the edges of the cloth. Then wring the cloth to drain up excess whey from curd.
- Place a heavy object like two to three ceramic bowls over the curd pack. Hung curd is ready.



- Crumble paneer and add it to a mixing bowl along with hung curd.
  - Add all the other ingredients and mix well just to make a non-sticky dough.
  - Divide the dough to equal sized ball, flatten them. Then roll in flour, shake them off gently to remove excess flour. Set aside for five to seven minutes.
  - Fry all the kababs in a oil until golden and crisp. Serve *kurkuri dahi* hot with mint *chutney*.
- Courtesy: Chef Abhijeet at Dum Maro Dum Studio.

### KHOYA PANEER ROLL

- WHAT YOU NEED**
- Cashew nut: 1 cup
  - Paneer (cubed): 500 gm
  - *Desi ghee*: 2 tbsp
  - *Khoya*: 1/2 cup
  - Curd: 1/4 cup
  - Ginger, chopped: 1/2
  - Green cardamom: 2-3
  - Green chilli, chopped: 2-3
  - Salt: to taste
  - Green coriander: 2-3
  - Roomali roti for wrap
  - Iceberg: 1/4
  - Bellpepper: 1
  - Onion: 1
  - Tomato: 1
  - Cucumber: 1/2
  - Chat masala: 5 gm

### METHOD

- Wash, boil and grind cashew nut.
- In a pot heat *desi ghee*, add chopped green chillies and green cardamom, allow it to crackle.
- Add cashew nut paste, beaten curd, salt and cook for 10 minutes.
- Once done add grated *khoya* and paneer batons, stir for a while, adjust seasoning.
- Take *roomali roti* and wrap the stuffing with some shredded iceberg, onion tomato cucumber seasoned with *chat masala*.
- Cut according to your requirement as I prefer shown in the picture.
- Garnish with mint leaf and serve hot. Courtesy: Naresh Chinni, Executive chef, The Drunken Botanist.



### ISBT MAGGI

- WHAT YOU NEED**
- Maggi noodles: 1 packet
  - Makhni gravy: 80 gm
  - Butter: 20 gm
  - *Kasoori methi*: 1 gm
  - Curry leaves: 2 gm

### METHOD

- Heat the pan add water boiled the Maggi separately.
- Add butter another pan add makhni gravy, and seasoning to taste.
- Add boiled Maggi and stir.
- Garnish with cream; *kasoori methi* and curry leaves. Courtesy: Chef Praveen Kumar, Darzi Bar & Kitchen.



## gorge us

Darzi presents hand-curated menu by masterji with eggs, tailor-made to every taste and need. The special menu presents all eggclusive dishes like the *Masala anda*, *Anda nachos*, *Nargisi scotch eggs*, *Anda bhurji parantha*, *Baida roti*, and *Sulemani anda*. **Venue:** Darzi, Bar and Kitchen, H-55, Outer Circle, Connaught Place. **Time:** 12 pm to 12 am **Price:** starts at ₹175 plus taxes.



Q'ba invites you to enjoy cocktail evenings with specials as mixologists guzzle some in-house-curated cocktails like Q'ba Libre, Old fashioned, Margarita, Pina colada, Gimlet, Whisky sour, Manhattan, Negroni and more. **Venue:** Q'ba, E 42 and 43, Inner Circle, Connaught Place. **Date:** Till November **Time:** 12 noon to 11.45 pm **Price:** For two: ₹475 onwards



Mealodrama is set to pamper the foodies with their new food festival *Firangi Fare*. They are offering specials like Indo-Italian fused balls, *Firangi* mushroom, Red beans kebab, Con-Dog, Barbeque chicken strips, Australian lamb stew, Italian meat balls, Ocean pearls and more. **Venue:** Mealodrama, A6, Main Najafgarh Road, Vishal Enclave, Rajouri Garden. **Date:** Till December 20 **Price:** Meal for two: ₹1,000 + taxes **Time:** 12 noon to 12.30 pm.



Kiara Soul Kitchen now serves soul Kinovoking spirits, including varieties of Aperitif, beer, whisky, rum, brandy, vodka, gin, and others. Concoctions like The curious jar (Smoked bourbon, Drambuie, Saffron infusion), Eden spritz (Vodka, Sparkling wine), Kiara G&T (Gin), The botanist fav (Gin, Lemon sorbet), Rosa Da Silva (Aperitif, Tequila, Limoncello, Aged lime) are some of the highlights of the menu. **Venue:** Kiara Soul Kitchen, M-30, first floor, M block market, Greater Kailash - 2, **Time:** Ongoing.



# 'NO MORE CHOPPING AND CHANGING TILL WC'

Shastri indicates to play around World Cup probables in the remaining 13 games before 2019 World Cup

PTI ■ MUMBAI

India coach Ravi Shastri on Thursday said that there won't be any more "chopping and changing" with the ODI side with just 13 matches remaining before the opening World Cup game against South Africa on June 5.

Shastri indicated that from now on, they will be playing around those 15 players, who are going to board the UK bound flight.

"We will try to play (those) 15, who will go to the World Cup. Chopping and changing is over now. The grace period is over now," Shastri made it clear during the pre-departure press conference ahead of the Australian tour.

"Now it is the time to really get focussed and play as a unit and then hopefully not have too many injuries, so that we don't have to look elsewhere and take it from there.

"We don't have too many games now. We have 13 games, so we will look to play the best team at all times," he added.

The 13 games include three-match away series against Australia followed by five-match series against New Zealand and then a return five-match series against Australia at home early next year.

India will play a four-match Test series beginning on December 6 at



Skipper Virat Kohli along with coach Ravi Shastri speaks during team's Australia tour pre-departure press conference at the BCCI headquarters in Mumbai PTI

Adelaide and Shastri said that the visitors will have to learn from their experience in South Africa and England to challenge Australia.

"I see a lot of progress across all formats and I say that in spite of the (series) scoreline in England. When you look at actual performances in conditions that are foreign to us, we are more than happy," he said.

The coach is hopeful that players have learnt from their mistakes of previous tours.

"It is a learning process. If we learn from the mistakes that we made in South Africa and England, it will hold us in good stead in Australia.

"Test cricket obviously is different, it is the last series that we play before the World Cup. So the focus will be entirely on the series."

**'ALL DEPARTMENT MUST FIRE'**

Indian captain Virat Kohli on Thursday staunchly supported Ravi Shastri, saying the growing perception of head coach being a "yes" man to the skipper "is the most bizarre thing he has

## KOHLI HAPPY TO PLAY 'WITHOUT ALTERCATION'

**MUMBAI:** The Australian players have of late refrained from sledging, which is perfectly fine with Indian captain Virat Kohli, who is happy to compete "without any altercation" during the upcoming series Down Under.

The Australian cricket is going through a massive restructuring and the "win at all costs" strategy employed by teams of yesteryears, is not being encouraged anymore.

Both Kohli and senior-most pacer Ishant Sharma felt that it is entirely up to the Australians as to how they play their cricket but assured that their players won't be the first ones to indulge in any kind of sledging.

"I think that's (no sledging policy) a very personal thing for them. But when it

comes to getting engaged in an argument on the field or a fight as people want to call it excitedly, I have been completely ok with playing without the altercation," Kohli told mediapersons at the pre-departure press conference.

Senior pacer Ishant said that he didn't mind if Australians sledged like earlier tours because he has the ability to give it back if they start.

"Let's see what Aussies do. We will only come to know once we reach there. You don't expect them to be really friendly and this is a man's sport. You will go there and get tough conditions. When you play for your country, no one will give you easy runs or wickets. If it's a tough sport, then you got to be tough and up for any sort of challenge," Ishant said. PTI

ever heard".

"That is the most bizarre thing I have heard. In Indian cricket, I don't think there is anyone else who has said no to me more than him honestly. He

is one guy I can speak to and can get an honest opinion. I have made more changes to my game listening to him than anyone else in the past," said Kohli before the team's departure.

# YUVRAJ, GAMBHIR, UNADKAT RELEASED BY IPL TEAMS

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Yuvraj Singh was on Thursday released by Kings XI Punjab ahead of the Indian Premier League auction next month while Rajasthan Royals let go left-arm pacer Jaydev Unadkat after paying a whopping ₹11.5 crore for his services earlier this year.

Delhi Daredevils expectedly released Gautam Gambhir, who stepped down as the team's in the middle of the 2018 season after a poor run of form.

Yuvraj, who last played for India in June 2017, was bought by KXIP at a base price of ₹2 crore at the mega auction held in January.

Chris Gayle, who too was lapped up by KXIP at his base price of ₹2 crore, has been expectedly retained after a productive run in the 2018 edition. The deadline to retain players ended on Thursday.

Royals released Unadkat but retained their another million dollar buy Ben Stokes. They had paid a whopping ₹ 2.5 crore for the premier England all-rounder. Senior Australian batsman Steve Smith has been retained after missing the 2018 IPL due to the suspension.



Gautam Gambhir and Yuvraj Singh File Photo

Apart from Unadkat, the other players released by Royals are Anureet Singh, Ankit Sharma and Jatinder Saxena.

Sunrisers Hyderabad has dumped injured Wriddhiman Saha along with West Indies T20 captain Carlos Brathwaite.

Apart from Gambhir, Delhi also released Jason Roy, Junior Dala, Liam Plunkett, Mohammed Shami, Sayan Ghosh, Daniel Christian, Glenn Maxwell, Gurkeerat Singh Mann and Naman Ojha.

The retained Delhi players include

captain Shreyas Iyer, Rishabh Pant, Amit Mishra and teen sensation Prithvi Shaw, who made his IPL debut in the previous edition.

Mumbai Indians have retained 18 players but released some top international stars like JP Duminy and fast bowling duo of Pat Cummins and Bangladesh's Mustafizur Rahman.

The franchise has also released 10 players which include one capped, five uncapped and four international cricketers.

All-rounder Hardik Pandya, Krunal Pandya, Jasprit Bumrah, Mayank Markande, Aditya Tare, Ishan Kisan, Rahul Chahar, Anukul Roy and Suryakumar Yadav have been retained by the three-time champions.

To maintain the mix of experience and youth, the franchise has also retained Kieron Pollard, Ben Cutting, destructive opener Evin Lewis and Kiwi pair of Mitchell McClenaghan and Adam Milne.

The management has also backed Australia's T20 specialist Jason Behrendorff after the left-arm quick was recalled to the national side to face the Proteas.

## MITHALI SCORES 51 AS INDIA REACH 145/6

**GUYANA:** India produced a below-par batting performance managing only 145 for 6 against Ireland, riding on a painstaking half-century from former skipper Mithali Raj, in their penultimate group league encounter of the ICC Women's World T20 here on Thursday.

Promoted to open the batting, veteran Mithali (51 off 56 balls) added 67 runs in 10 overs with Smriti Mandhana (33, 29 balls) but the innings never gained required momentum on a track that remained a bit damp due to overnight showers.

The decision to bring in Jemimah Rodrigues at No 3, didn't quite work out well as Mithali never got going despite hitting four boundaries and a six.

Having effectively scored 22 off five deliveries, Mithali scored another 21 off 51 balls. Her failure to rotate the strike did affect the momentum once Mandhana was bowled by medium pacer Kim Garth, trying a wild slog. She



Mithali Raj batting during the match.

hit four boundaries and a six. Young Rodrigues hit three fours in his 11-ball-18 but was stumped off Laura Delany's wide delivery when she tried to give change.

Skipper Harmanpreet hit a six but was soon dismissed. As wickets fell at one end, Mithali couldn't shift gears at the other end. She was finally out in the 19th over, deceived by a slower delivery from Garth but India's chances of putting up a substantial total had gone up in smoke by then. PTI

# PAKISTAN LOOK AT YASIR, ABBAS TO TAME KIWIS

AFP ■ ABU DHABI

Pakistan skipper Sarfraz Ahmed is confident leg-spinner Yasir Shah and medium pacer Mohammad Abbas can combine to tame "tough" New Zealand in the first Test starting in Abu Dhabi on Friday.

The fast-rising Abbas took 17 wickets in a two-match Test series, including a ten-wicket haul at Sheikh Zayed Stadium in Abu Dhabi, as Pakistan beat Australia 1-0 last month.

Abbas, who made his debut last year, has 59 wickets from his first 10 Tests and will be backed by the spin duo of Yasir and Bilal Asif.

Sarfraz said he expects more from Yasir, who managed just eight wickets against Australia.

"Yes, our bowling attack is good," said Sarfraz on Thursday.

"Abbas has been bowling superbly while Yasir didn't look as great as we had expected, but in this series I expect more from Yasir."

Yasir has been a match winner on the neutral venues of United Arab Emirates (UAE). He took 15 wickets in the



Pak skipper Sarfraz Ahmed, NZ captain Kane Williamson pose with trophy PCB

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1-1 series draw against New Zealand in the UAE in 2014.

But Pakistan have not beaten New Zealand in a Test series since 2011, and Sarfraz is not taking them lightly.

"New Zealand are a good side and they gave us tough times both in the Twenty20s and one-day internationals," said Sarfraz of the preceding series.

Abbas is likely to share the new ball with Hasan Ali with Yasir and Asif assisted by Mohammad Hafeez in spin. New Zealand skipper Kane

Williamson, who returns to the squad after missing the third one-day with a groin strain, hopes his team adapt fast.

"Obviously, coming into Pakistan's home series there is a lot of work to do in terms of the overseas sides adapting to the conditions as best as they can," said Williamson.

"I think it's important that we adapt with this inexperienced side that we have come here with and look to learn as we can and do that quickly because we want to be playing our best cricket under these conditions."

# B'desh win 2nd Test, level series

AFP ■ DHAKA

Zimbabwe's Brendan Taylor fought valiantly with his second century of the Test but Bangladesh won the final match by 218 runs to end the series at 1-1 on Thursday.

Needing a mammoth 443 to win, Zimbabwe were bowled out in the second session on the fifth day in Dhaka with Taylor remaining unbeaten on 106.

Taylor's knock of patience and controlled aggression came from 167 balls and featured ten fours. He had hit 110 in Zimbabwe's first essay of 304.

Off-spinner Mehidy Hasan was the wrecker-in-chief on the final day as he returned bowling figures of 5-38 -- his fifth five-wicket haul in Tests.

Mehidy denied Zimbabwe any chance of repeating their clinical performance of the first match in Sylhet that they won by 151 runs.

Tajul Islam added two more wickets to his five in the first innings and finished the series with a career best haul of 18 scalps in two matches. He was named the player of the series.

The home side declared the first innings on 522 for seven with Mushfiqur Rahim hitting an unbeaten 219 -- the first time a wicket-keeper hit two double tons in Test cricket.

The visitors' hopes of securing a draw rested on the pairing of Taylor and Peter Moor, whose 139-run sixth wicket stand in the first



B'desh players celebrate after dismissing Zimbabwe batsman during final day of 2nd Test ICC

innings took the visitors past the 300 mark.

But once Moor departed after a 79-ball vigil for a paltry 13 runs, smartly caught at short leg by Imrul off Mehidy, the Zimbabwe batting fell flat.

Resuming at 76 for 2, Zimbabwe lost another key man Sean Williams for 13 after pace bowler Mustafizur Rahman provided Bangladesh with the day's first breakthrough.

Spinner Tajul dismissed Sikandar Raza for 12 by taking a sharp return catch to reduce Zimbabwe to 120 for 4.

But Taylor and Moor saw their side through to the lunch break with an unbeaten 41-run stand for the fifth wicket.

Bangladesh declared their second innings on 224 for six at the tea break Wednesday after skipper Mahmudullah Riyad completed his second century in eight years.

The victory was Bangladesh's first this year and it came after eight innings in which the Test minnows could not cross the 200 run mark.

# Roshen helps SL pick vital lead

AP ■ KANDY

Sri Lanka fought back admirably against England thanks to a back-to-the-wall 85 by Roshen Silva to earn a first-innings lead of 46 runs in the second test on Thursday.

However, Silva's failure to ground his bat and run short conceded a rare five penalty runs to England.

Sri Lanka was all out for 336 in reply to England's 285, boosted to 290 with the penalty runs at Pallekele International Stadium.

England faced just one over before stumps on day two and promoted Leach to open the innings. The nightwatchman negotiated six deliveries from Dilruwan Perera without further drama on a day where momentum swung both ways.

At 165-6 and still 120 runs behind England's first-innings total, the Sri Lankans were under pressure. But Silva put up a magnificent show, teaming with the tail to push the hosts in front. However, the Sri Lankans will still have to bat last on a pitch that has plenty to offer for spin bowlers.

Silva, in for injured captain Dinesh Chandimal,

## RANJI TROPHY

**DELHI FAIL TO REGISTER OUTRIGHT WIN**

**New Delhi:** Delhi's left-arm spin duo Vikas Mishra and Varun Sood put up a disappointing show on a helpful last day track as Himachal Pradesh managed to eke out a point in a group B. Needing nine wickets on the final day and Himachal left with an improbable chase of 376, Mishra (2/57 in 33 overs) and Sood (1/51 in 21 overs) failed to break through the opposition middle-order. HP finished their second innings at 266 for 5, primarily due to Nikhil Gangta (66 no, 184 balls) and Rishi Dhawan (52 no, 110 balls). Sumeet Verma (43, 91 balls) also played his part to perfection as Delhi bowlers sans Ishant Sharma (2/42 in 16 overs) looked below-par. Delhi bowled close to 30 overs (29.4 overs) after Himachal lost their fifth wicket at 184 but the two spinners let it drift during the unbroken 82-run stand for the sixth wicket between Gangta and Dhawan.

**TN, HYDERABAD GAME END IN DRAW**

**Tirunelveli:** Tamil Nadu and Hyderabad had to settle for one point each as the first innings remained unfinished resulting in the Elite Group 'B' match ending in a tame draw. In reply to Hyderabad's 565 for 8 declared, the home team was 409 for 4 in 154 overs riding on tons by Abhinav Mukund (178) and N Jagadeesan (131 not out, 16X4, 3X6) at close of play on the fourth and final day. Resuming at 163 for 2, Tamil Nadu lost skipper Baba Indrajith (33) for the addition of 15 runs. Wicketkeeper-batsman Jagadeesan, then added 171 runs with Mukund to dash any hopes Hyderabad would have entertained of obtaining a lead. After the exit of the left-handed opener, Jagadeesan and B Anirudh Sitaram kept the rival bowlers at bay, adding 60 runs.

**MP SALVAGE DRAW AGAINST BENGAL**

**Kolkata:** Left-handed opener Aryaman Birla slammed his maiden first-class century to help Madhya Pradesh salvage a draw following on, as Bengal had to settle for three points in their first home match of the season. Scion of the Birla family, Aryaman remained unbeaten on 103 in his third first-class match, while Shubham Sharma gave him fine support with 100 not out on the fourth day to hand Madhya Pradesh one point in their Elite Group B fixture. Bengal, who enjoyed a first innings lead in their last match in Himachal Pradesh, have now six points from two games. Having taken a first innings lead over Tamil Nadu in their last match, Madhya Pradesh now have four points.

**PUDUCHERRY GET THREE POINTS**

**Puducherry:** Debutants Puducherry opened their account with three points by virtue of a first innings lead over Meghalaya in a rain-hit Plate Group fixture. Resuming the day on 95/4 in their second innings, Puducherry were 129/7 when rain stopped play in 47.1 overs at the Siechem ground here. With cyclone Gaja looming large, there was no respite from a downpour as only 17.1 overs could be possible and home team got three points, thanks to their first innings lead. Puducherry had made 389 in their first innings before bowling out Meghalaya for 326. Rain remained the common feature in the second match of the group in Jorhat where the final day's play was abandoned without a ball being bowled as Arunachal Pradesh were lucky to bag three points, thanks to their first innings lead over Mizoram.

**JACKSON, JADEJA STAR IN SAURASHTRA'S WIN**

**Rajkot:** Sheldon Jackson hit a strokeful half century while Ravindra Jadeja made a crucial unbeaten 48 to guide hosts Saurashtra to a three-wicket win over Railways in a Group A match. Saurashtra lost seven wickets while chasing 184 for an outright win, but Ravindra Jadeja (48 not out) held his nervous along with Kamlesh Makwana (14 not out) to take their side to victory. Jackson's 55-ball 54, which had eight fours and two sixes proved to be the difference among the two sides. Saurashtra were four wickets down for 65 at one stage, but then Jackson and Jadeja pulled the team out of trouble. Jadeja, who remained unbeaten on 178 in the first innings, carried on his form and responded to his team's call. Earlier, Saurashtra bowlers did a descent job to bundle out Railways for 331 in their second innings and ensure that the target remained below 200.

**RAJASTHAN, UP, ASSAM NOTCH UP WINS**

**Jaipur:** Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Assam registered wins in their respective Elite Group C matches played across different venues in the country. While Uttar Pradesh thrashed hosts Odisha by 10 wickets in Bhubaneswar, Assam defeated Tripura by a massive 211 runs in Agartala. On the other hand, Rajasthan hammered Services by five wickets at the Savai Mansingh Stadium in Jaipur, chasing a stiff 357-run target. Rajasthan rode on a magnificent 159 by their opener Amitkumar Gautam, who struck 13 fours and six other hits over the fence. Opener Gautam, who had fallen cheaply in the first innings, and his partner Chetan Bist (78) laid the foundation of the win with their 170-run stand for the first wicket. 23-year-old Gautam, a right-handed batsman, scored runs when his team needed the most. He hammered a listless Services attack as their bowlers leaked runs. When Gautam fell, the job was nearly done as Rajasthan needed just another 25 runs. Then R K Bishnoi (26) and T N Dhillon (10) took their side home with five wickets to spare as Rajasthan earned six points. PTI



Roshen Silva plays a shot during his innings against England in 2nd Test

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was on 6 when Angelo Mathews fell for 20, and from there he stitched some valuable partnerships with the lower order to post a competitive total. Sri Lanka's highest in the series.

Silva and Niroshan Dickwella put on 46 runs for the seventh wicket but the stand that handed Sri Lanka the initiative back was the ninth worth 56 runs between Silva and Akila Dananjaya (31). The Sri Lankans were giving England a taste of its own medicine, after England added 60 runs for the last wicket.

Suranga Lakmal and Silva added 28 runs for the last wicket. Silva was the last man dismissed when he attempted to loft Rashid to the boundary but failed to clear mid-on.