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## Session from Dec 11, Govt to turn up heat

Ram temple, triple talaq on agenda; Assembly poll results to set tone in Parl

DEEPAK K UPRETI ■ NEW DELHI

The month-long Winter Session of Parliament, the last of the 16th Lok Sabha, is set to commence on December 11 with the Modi Government wanting to give a final push to the passage of the controversial triple talaq Bill pending in the Rajya Sabha and score a "winner" before taking on the Opposition which is working on an anti-BJP alliance across the country. The Cabinet Committee on Parliamentary Affairs (CCPA) on Tuesday night recommended convening of the Winter Session from December 11, 2018 to January 8, 2019.

The Ram temple issue is expected to echo in the Winter Session with the BJP and the Opposition launching attack against each other. The Opposition would go all out to accuse the ruling party of communalising the politics on the eve of Lok Sabha polls which are only months away.

BJP Rajya Sabha member Rakesh Sinha has said he may bring a private member Bill in the Upper House demanding the construction of the temple in Ayodhya. The BJP is hoping that the Bill may force the Opposition parties to take a stand on the sensitive issue. The Bill, if brought on the table, could also be put to vote.

The Winter Session will start on the day (December 11) when the counting of votes is to commence for five State



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Assemblies with the BJP seeking a repeat mandate in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh. The results by the evening would create a political impact on the tempo of the Winter Session with the winner sure to dominate the proceedings in next one month.

Much is at stake for the BJP and the Congress and other Opposition parties in the poll outcome of Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Telangana and Mizoram which may set the narrative for the general elections 2019 and could provide a definite suggestion to the political prowess

of the either side. Triple talaq, which has been made a penal offence by the Government by way of promulgating an Ordinance, would again be tested finally on the floor of the Rajya Sabha where it has been pending after being passed in the Lok Sabha where the BJP has a thumping majority.

The Government would also want the Indian Medical Council Amendment Ordinance and the Companies Amendment Ordinance to be passed as Bills in this session.

The Winter Session will be the "last roar" of the Modi Government on the floor of

Parliament with the Opposition parties likely to put a collective effort to puncture it and set their campaign agenda against the BJP.

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Chandrababu Naidu, whose TDP has quit BJP-led National Democratic Alliance, has been touring various Opposition parties-led States to work out a common strategy against the Modi Government in the Lok Sabha poll. The Parliament session will test whether a "grand alliance Opposition parties" would speak in one voice on the floor of Parliament or would experience disarray on the eve of final electoral battle, next year.

Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs Vijay Goel said the session from December 11 to January 8 would have 20 working days. This would bring down curtain on the 16th long Lok Sabha where, for the first time, the BJP had a majority on its own.

"We seek support and cooperation of all parties for the smooth functioning of Parliament during the session," said Goel.

The session was delayed this year due to the Assembly elections in five States.

The onus of conducting Parliament session from the Government's side would fall on Narendra Singh Tomar and Goel following the untimely demise of Parliamentary Affairs Minister Ananth Kumar.



Guests attend the wedding of Indian Bollywood stars Deepika Padukone and Ranveer Singh at the Villa Balbianello in Lenno, Como lake, northern Italy on Wednesday. Wednesday's nuptials at Villa Balbianello, a lakeside mansion featured in Star Wars and James Bond films, came on the fifth anniversary of the release of their first movie together

## Cong insults security forces martyrdom: Yogi

STAFF REPORTER ■ RAIGARH

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Wednesday came down heavily on Congress and alleged it 'insulting martyrdom' of security forces and urged people to defeat Congress candidates in Assembly polls.

Addressing a campaign rally for the second phase of Assembly polls in industrial city Raigarh, Adityanath accused Congress of "insulting martyrdom" of security forces engaged in anti-Naxal operations by terming Naxals as "revolutionaries". "Congress has done nothing except dividing



the society on the basis of caste, region, religion, and language," he remarked at a well attended election rally here.

"During its 55-year rule in the country, Congress always encouraged poverty, misrule, terrorism, Naxalism, and corruption," he stated. Without naming Uttar Pradesh Congress president Raj Babbar,

Adityanath said, "a leader of UP Congress had termed Naxals as revolutionaries which is an insult to the martyrdom of security forces fighting Naxals".

He said that under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, BJP with a slogan of Sabka Saath Sabka Vikas has launched public welfare schemes for the inclusive development of people belonging to all sections of society.

"During the Congress rule, mining and forest mafia, cattle trafficking and Naxalism were at an all-time high in Chhattisgarh but the BJP Government contained all these issues," he opined.

## No debate on Rafale price if it's not made public: SC

Court reserves order on pleas for SC-monitored probe into deal

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Wednesday said there is no question of a debate on the pricing of the Rafale fighter deal in the court till it comes to the conclusion that the pricing information is to be brought in the public domain.

The court reserved its order



Deputy Chief of Air Staff Air Marshal VR Chaudhary and Air Marshal Anil Khosla leave the Supreme Court after a hearing on the Rafale Deal, in New Delhi on Wednesday

on pleas seeking court monitored probe in procurement of 36 Rafale fighter jets. The Government refused to make

public details related to the pricing of the 36 Rafale fighter jets in the Supreme Court, saying "our adversaries may get an advantage" by such a disclosure.

A Bench comprising Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justices SK Kaul and KM Joseph concluded in nearly four hours the arguments advanced by various parties which have also sought registration of FIR in connection with the alleged irregularities in the deal.

India had signed a Government to Government contract with France in 2016 worth over ₹59,000 crore to buy 36 fighter Rafale jets in the fly-away condition.

### CAPSULE

#### AMRAPALI'S FAKE FIRMS FACE APEX COURT WRATH

**New Delhi:** After attaching all properties of Amrapali group, the Supreme Court on Tuesday decided to take action against its "dummy" companies which were created to siphon off homebuyers' money and directed attachment of Amrapali Hospital in Greater Noida, three residential towers in Noida and a villa in Goa.

#### BJP'S DAUSA MP HARISH CHANDRA JOINS CONG

**New Delhi:** In a setback to Rajasthan's ruling BJP ahead of next month's elections, the party's Dausa MP Harish Chandra Meena joined the Congress on Wednesday.

#### NIA FILES CHARGESHEET AGAINST AASIYA ANDRABI

**New Delhi:** The NIA on Wednesday filed a chargesheet against pro-Pakistani separatist and Dukhtar-e-Millat head Aasiya Andrabi and two of her associates for allegedly "waging war" against the country using social media and other Internet platforms, officials said.

#### GSLV-MKIII-D2 INJECTS GSAT-29 INTO ORBIT



**Srihrikota:** ISRO's heavy-lift rocket GSVL-MkIII-D2 on Wednesday successfully injected into orbit the country's latest communication satellite GSAT-29 that is intended to meet the communication needs of people in remote areas in the North East and Jammu & Kashmir.

## Lankan House says no trust in Prime Min Rajapaksa

PTI ■ COLOMBO

Sri Lanka's Parliament on Wednesday passed a no-confidence motion against Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa, who was installed by President Maithripala Sirisena in a controversial move, a day after the Supreme Court overturned the presidential decree to dissolve the House and hold snap polls on January 5.

Amid raucous scenes, Parliament on Wednesday met for the first time since October 26 when President Sirisena sacked Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe and installed Rajapaksa in his place and suspended the House, plunging the island nation into an unprecedented constitutional crisis.

Speaker Karu Jayasuriya announced that a majority of the 225-member Parliament supported the no-confidence motion against Rajapaksa, the 72-year-old former strongman, who ruled the country for a decade from 2005. "According to the voice, I recognise that the Government has no majority," Jayasuriya announced in the House as Rajapaksa supporters protested.

He gave the ruling after the no-confidence motion was taken for a vote. The Speaker calculated the votes based on the voices he heard.

The passing of the no-confidence motion comes as a major blow to President Sirisena and a victory to ousted Prime Minister Wickremesinghe.

## Rain washes off dust, but Delhi stares at pollution relapse today

SAPNA SINGH ■ NEW DELHI

A brief spell of rain on Tuesday night came to the rescue of the people residing in the national Capital as Delhi's air quality improved "remarkably" and the National Ambient Air Quality Index recorded the level of harmful pollutants as "lowest" of this season.

The contribution from stubble burning to pollution was recorded at three per cent. From severe to poor, SAFAR's trend marked air quality relatively good! However, the forecast said air quality may deteriorate from Thursday.

The major pollutant PM 10, which has remained above 410, was recorded at 280 on Wednesday, whereas PM 2.5 was significantly less on Air Quality Index (AQI) at 127.

According to the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF & CC), the overall average Air Quality Index was recorded at 312 microgram per cubic which was 642 on the very next day



of Diwali.

Citing the local climate trend, SAFAR said air quality has improved considerably due to rainfall early on Tuesday; it washed away bigger particles and created space for faster dispersion without decline in temperature.

"AQI is back to 'very poor'. A slight increase in AQI is predicted in next three days and likely to remain very poor," SAFAR said.

"This is mainly due to the fact that surface winds are still low and temperature is likely to cool down. Stubble fire is

unlikely to impact Delhi AQI as fire counts are significantly down and winds are also flowing from other direction," SAFAR explained on Met graph.

The largest contributor to PM 2.5 pollution on Wednesday was power plants followed by diesel generators. Household pollution contributed 15.9 per cent.

Meanwhile, air quality in neighbouring States of Delhi was better.

The restriction imposed by on heavy vehicles' entry to Delhi was lifted on Wednesday.

## How to make a monkey out of simians at Parliament

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

With monkey menace prevailing in the corridors of power in New Delhi, including Parliament, ahead of the Winter Session, the Lok Sabha Secretariat has come out with a circular advising people not

to make direct eye contact with monkey and do not cross the path between a mother and her infant.

The Parliament House Complex along with other nearby buildings, including the North and South Blocks and the Rashtrapati Bhavan around

the Central Ridge forest, face monkey menace. There is no official data on Delhi's monkey population.

The city has thousands of Rhesus Macaque monkeys that break into houses, terrorise people and steal food. The civic bodies estimated around

30,000-40,000 monkeys in the national Capital. Many people feed monkeys on Tuesday and Saturdays - days associated with God Hanuman.

This practice means that people carrying food at other times risk being bitten. Around 90 per cent of the monkeys

carry tuberculosis.

The circular suggests: "In case a monkey collides with your vehicles (especially two wheelers), do not stop there. Do not get scared if a monkey makes a 'kho-kho' noise as normally it is a bluff, ignore the monkey and walk away. Be

light footed while passing through monkey group i.e do not run. Do not irritate or tease the monkey, leave them alone and they will leave you alone," the circular said.

It further suggests that one should not hit a monkey. Keep hitting the ground with a big

stick to make monkey leave your house and garden.

Officials of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) are clueless about tackling the problem as despite several advertisements none of langur walas came forward to catch monkeys.



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# GOVT STAFF JOINING RSS ACTIVITIES PM apprised of removing ban clause

Congress promises to implement ban in Madhya Pradesh

DEEPAK K UPRETI ■ NEW DELHI

As the political fever rises with the Assembly polls for five States underway and the Congress vowing to "implement ban" on Government employees from participating in the activities of Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), the RSS affiliate Bhartiya Mazdoor Sangh (BMS) has written to Prime Minister Narendra Modi to remove the ban provision from the Government service rules.

The ban on Government officials taking RSS membership and joining its activities was there but some States like Gujarat, Goa, Madhya Pradesh have them in service rules." After Keshubhai Patel Government took over in Gujarat in 2000, the provision was removed from the Service rules but in Madhya Pradesh it is continuing," said RSS functionaries.

Congress manifesto for the November 28 Madhya



Pradesh polls in the State promises to ban 'Shakhas' of the RSS in Government premises and stop Government employees from attending RSS 'Shakhas'. Congress General Secretary Digvijay Singh has said that the rule existed even under the Jan Sangh and BJP Governments in the State in the past, including the regimes of V K Sklecha, Kailash Joshi, Sunderlal Patwa, Uma Bharti and Babulal Guar and that the Congress was "only pledging to continue it."

RSS leaders maintain that it was already in the service rule but it was never implemented in letter and spirit. "Congress is for the first time promising to implement if it comes to power

Government Employees National Confederation, affiliated to the BMS, in a letter to the Prime Minister on October 20, pointed out that in accordance with provisions of DP & AR OM No. 15014/3(S)/80-Estt. (B), dated 28.10.1980, there is a ban on participating in the activities of RSS by the Central Government Employees.

"Through an order dated November 30, 1966, (by the Ministry of Home Affairs), the then Congress Government has imposed the ban on swayamsevaks, who work in various departments under the Union Government. Unfortunately, the order has been evoked time and again by the successive Governments", the letter said.

Pointing out that any person going against the rule invites "imprisonment for a term which may extend to seven years or fine or with both", the BMS maintained that many Government employees interested in the RSS activities hold back on account of the fear of disciplinary action and "are not able to lend their hand in a genuine cause of Nation Building."

# NIA chargesheets Dukhtaran's chief Andrabi, two others

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Wednesday filed a chargesheet against banned terror group Dukhtaran-E-Millat's chief Aasiya Andrabi and her associates, Sofi Fehmeeda and Naheeda Nasreen, before a designated court here for allegedly waging war against the country.

Andrabi and her associates Sofi Fehmeeda and Naheeda Nasreen were actively running a terrorist organisation Dukhtaran-E-Millat which is proscribed under the First Schedule to the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967. DEM as a terrorist organisation is engaged in Anti-India activities and has been inciting the general populace of Kashmir for an armed rebellion against the Government of India with aid and assistance of terrorist organisations based in Pakistan, the NIA said.

The three accused persons were using various media platforms like Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, TV Channels including those in Pakistan to spread insurrec-

tionary imputations and hateful messages and speeches against India. DEM through Aasiya Andrabi and others, openly advocates secession of Jammu & Kashmir from the Union of India and its merger with Pakistan through violent means," the NIA said in a statement.

A case was registered by the NIA on April 27 this year under various Indian Penal Code Sections relating to criminal conspiracy, waging war against the nation and under provisions of the anti-terror law Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967.

The trio was arrested by NIA on July 6 in connection with the case and is since lodged in the Tihar Jail here.

"Investigation has established that Aasiya Andrabi is heading Dukhtaran-E-Millat as its Chief and has used social media and other platforms to abet waging of war against Government of India. She is spreading seditious and insurrectionary imputations against Government of India. She is promoting ill-will and enmity between different communities in India on ground of religion. Investigation has also estab-

lished that she has close contacts with designated Global Terrorist Hafeez Mohammad Saeed who is head of Jamaat-Ud-Dawah (JuD) and Lashkar-E-Toiba (LeT), internationally designated terrorist organisations that are based in Pakistan," the NIA further said.

Andrabi has used public platforms to incite youth of Kashmir to rise in armed insurrection against the Government of India with an object of achieving cessation of Kashmir from India and its merger with Pakistan, the agency said in its chargesheet.

The agency said investigation has also established that Sofi Fehmeeda, as Personal Secretary to Chief of DEM and also Press Secretary of Dukhtaran-E-Millat, and Naheeda Nasreen as its General Secretary have been instrumental in the use of social media and other platforms for abetment of waging war against the Indian Government besides spreading seditious and insurrectionary imputations against it, and are promoting ill-will and enmity between different communities in India on grounds of religion.

# Twitter removes 2 fake Election body accounts

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Twitter has suspended two fake accounts being run in the name of the Election Commission (EC). The account used the EC logo as well as the Twitter handle @ElectionComm. Another account used @DalitFederation as its handle. The two accounts have been suspended after the EC asked Twitter to take "decisive action."

The Election Commission's spokesperson confirmed that the Commission does not have its own verified Twitter handle. The fake accounts had a huge following with one of them having 4,751 followers. The EC feared that they could mislead public ahead of Assembly polls in five States and coming up Lok Sabha elections next year. "The EC does not have any presence on Twitter, though it does operate a Facebook handle," said an official of EC on the condition of anonymity.

The media division of the EC asked Twitter to take decisive action against them. Although there were no tweets from these accounts, they had a large following. The Commission has avoided opening an account on Twitter as it does not have the manpower, a dedicated team of professionals or media budget to handle requests and grievances that are likely to flood it once it registers its presence on Twitter," an official said. However, EC has authorised the State chief electoral officers to create a Twitter account of their own.

EC had earlier held talks with Twitter and other social media companies like Google and Facebook to help it track fake news and monitor poll expenditure on social media advertising and publicity. Google, Facebook and Twitter on Monday promised to do more to fight news in India, while refusing to provide any definite timeline for bringing tougher actions that could eliminate the menace of fake news from their platform.

# Database of all Govt, pvt health establishments will go online soon

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Soon database of country's almost all health establishments including clinics, nursing homes, hospitals and diagnostic labs whether in private or Government sector will be available online with interactive maps.

Aiming to improve health outcomes and create health database, the Union Health Ministry has rolled out the National Health Resource

Repository (NHRR) wherein massive exercise to map all public and private healthcare establishments at the district level is being undertaken in the country. This is the first ever healthcare establishment census, using paperless technology.

A senior Health Ministry official said that a web-based and geo-mapping enabled single platform of all the health resources both Government and private is being developed.

It will comprise of the data on health infrastructure, human resource and the availability and type of medical facilities.

The importance of health mapping lies in the production of interactive and published maps that will link the geography of communities with other dimensions such as availability and accessibility of health services, or disease prevention and control services particularly in rural areas, added an official from the WHO.

# Over 18L foreigners visited India this year on e-Visa

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Liberalised Visa regime implemented for the past two years witnessed sharp increase of visit of foreigners to India. As per the statistics in 2017 and 2018, more than 35 lakh foreigners visited India, including tourists, business purposes. Before launching of e-Visa and instant visa, in 2015, as per the statistics, around 4.5 lakh foreigners visited India. As many as 26 airports and five sea ports, the Bureau of Immigration (BoI)

has implemented e-Visa system.

"The Electronic Visa Facility now covers practically all the countries of the world. Foreign nationals of 166 countries can now enjoy this facility at 26 airports and 05 seaports. The foreigner does not have to interact with any Indian official till his arrival at the immigration counter. The Bureau of Immigration (BoI) generally decides within 24-48 hours whether or not to grant an e-visa to a foreigner. The popularity of e-visa is sky rocketing. The

number of foreigners who visited India on e-visa has gone up from 4.47 lakhs in 2015 to 17.00 lakhs in 2017. The figure for 2018 is 18.78 lakhs upto 30th October, 2018," said Home Ministry in a statement on Wednesday, detailing the sharp increase of visitors.

Currently e-Visa is permitted in five categories like tourist, business, medical, conference and medical attendant. "The local FRRO has been empowered now to extend duration of electronic visas beyond 60 days upto 90 days. Moreover, these e-visas can

now be availed three times in one year against twice in a year earlier. For foreigners who are already in India and who require any consular/visa services like extension of visa, conversion of visa, exit permission or any of the total 27 visa-related services, an online e-FRRO facility has now been launched throughout the country. The foreigners do not have to physically visit the offices of FRROs/FROs. They can apply as well as receive consular/visa services online after making online payment," said Home Ministry.

# TRUMP CELEBRATES DIWALI AT WHITE HOUSE US, India can be a 'bulwark' for peace

Washington: President Donald Trump on Tuesday said US relationship with India can act as a "bulwark" for freedom, prosperity and peace as he celebrated Diwali in the White House along with eminent Indian-Americans.



It is the second consecutive year that President Trump has celebrated the largest festival of India and Indian Americans in the White House.

"I am thrilled to be here for the celebration of Diwali, the Hindu Festival of Lights, and I am honored to host this beautiful ceremony at the White House. Very, very special people," Trump said.

"I'm honoured to host this beautiful ceremony at the White House. Very, very special people. We're gathered today to celebrate a very special holiday observed by Buddhist, Sikhs and Jains throughout the United States and around the world," Trump said.

"This ceremony signifies the triumph of light over darkness and good over evil. It is a jubilant occasion that brings loved ones, neighbours, and communities closer together," Trump said before lighting the ceremonial diya in the historic Roosevelt Room of the White House.

He said the shining lights remind people to "seek wisdom, to give thanks, and to always cherish and love the ones who grace our lives."

"Our nation is blessed to be home to millions of hard-working citizens of Indian and South East Asian heritage to enrich our country in countless ways. Together we are one proud American family. Do we agree with that? I think so. I think we do. Right? Better, believe it," he said.

the room.

"Absolutely," replied Ivanka, who had visited India last year. She was the first official of the Trump administration to travel to India to attend the Global Entrepreneurship Summit in Hyderabad in November last year.

Trump also mentioned the ongoing negotiations between the US and India on a trade deal but indicated that the talks were moving though it was tough.

"We're trying very hard to make better trade deals with India. But, they're very good traders. They're very good negotiators. You would say right. The best. So we're working. And it's moving along," he said.

Along with nearly two dozen top Indian-American officials of his administration, Trump invited the Indian Ambassador to the US, Navtej Singh Sarna, his wife Dr Avina Sarna, and his special assistant Pratik Mathur to be present during the White House Diwali celebrations. PTI

# Govt launches credit scheme for cooperative startups

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In a move to encourage cooperative start ups and business ventures in agriculture and allied sectors, the Ministry of Agriculture on Wednesday launched a new scheme that aims to provide cheaper loans to startups in the cooperative sector and those having innovative projects costing up to ₹3 crore.

The scheme is called 'Yuva Sahakar Cooperative Enterprise Support and Innovation Scheme' will be implemented by the National Cooperative Development

Corporation (NCDC). A corpus fund of ₹1,000 crore has been created to this purpose. The scheme would be liberal to cooperatives in the north eastern region, those registered and operating in 'aspirational districts' identified by think-tank Niti Aayog as well as cooperatives which have 100 per cent women and SC/ST members. The heavily incentivised scheme has component of subsidy as well as interest subvention and cooperative registered even one years ago will be eligible.

Launching the scheme, Union Agriculture Minister

Radha Mohan Singh said that the new scheme aims to encourage newly formed cooperatives to take advantage of innovative ventures, especially by societies having new and innovative ideas. "Cooperatives operating for at least for one year and having a positive net worth are eligible to avail credit under the scheme for new and innovative project ideas", Singh said.

The project cost should not exceed ₹3 crore and there will be two years moratorium on payment of principal amount, he said, adding that the period of moratorium may vary

depending on type of project and ability to generate revenue. NCDC lending so far has been to cooperatives working in fishery, sugar, textiles, food-grains, crops, fruits, vegetables, cold storage, water conservation, dairy, poultry, handlooms, coir and sericulture so far. There are eight lakh registered societies in the country.

As an incentive, the Minister said the credit will be provided at two per cent less than the applicable interest rate on term loan for the project activities. The interest rate incentive would be applicable only for timely repayers.

# Pakistan epi-centre of global terror, says Modi

Singapore: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday told US Vice President Mike Pence that all the traces and all the leads in the global terror attacks ultimately leads to a "single source and single place of origin", in an apparent reference to Pakistan.

Modi, who held talks with Pence on a wide range of bilateral and global issues of mutual interests on the sidelines of the East Asia Summit here, also expressed concern over the participation of terrorists in the elections in Pakistan.

Briefing the reporters after the meeting, Foreign Secretary Vijay Gokhale said there was some discussion on the issue of terrorism. Pence referred to the upcoming 10th anniversary of the deadly Mumbai terror attack on November 26 and hailed cooperation between

the two sides on counter terrorism, Gokhale said.

Some 166 people were killed in the attack carried out by Pakistan-based 10 Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorists. Nine of the attackers were killed by police while lone survivor Ajmal Kasab was caught and hanged after handed down death sentence by an Indian court.

Modi thanked Pence for his words and reminded him that in one way or another all the traces and all the leads in the global terror attacks ultimately leads to a "single source and single place of origin", without naming any country or organisation.

He was apparently referring to Pakistan.

A number of terrorist attacks across the world have been carried out by people of Pakistani origin. On December

2, 2015, 14 people were killed in a mass shooting by a Pakistani origin married couple in San Bernardino, California.

A Pakistani-origin man was among three knife-wielding militants responsible for carrying out the brutal terror attack in London that killed seven people and injured 49 in June 2017.

Prime Minister Modi also expressed concern over the Mumbai terror attack mastermind Hafiz Saeed's party contesting the July 25 elections in Pakistan.

He (Modi) did point out that the mainstreaming of people involved in the Mumbai attacks in a political process which has taken place in the recent elections in Pakistan should be a matter of serious concern not just to the two

# Modi invites Pence, says 'India-Ana'

Singapore: There was a light moment during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's meeting with US Vice President Mike Pence in Singapore on Wednesday when he riffed on the meaning of 'Indiana' — the American leader's home state.

Through his translator, Modi said that when he met Pence in the US in 2017 he told him that "Indiana" (INDIA-Ana) in Hindi, meaning "To come to India."

Modi then repeated his invitation to Pence to visit India.

Pence laughed appreciatively. "Thank you, Mr. Prime Minister," Pence said. "I expect I will 'Indiana'." The US vice president is likely to visit India in 2019. PTI

# ISRO successfully launches satellite GSAT-29 using its heaviest rocket

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Sriharikota (AP): India on Wednesday successfully put into orbit its latest communication satellite with its heaviest rocket and the new space mission is expected to serve the communication needs of people in the remote areas of the country.

The textbook launch of the rocket GSLV-MkIII-D, which is dubbed by the ISRO as the 'Bahubali' or "fat boy" of Indian rockets, is also seen as crucial for the space agency as it would be used for the ambitious Chandrayaan-2 (lunar mission) and the country's planned manned space mission. The 3,423 kg satellite GSAT-29 is also the heaviest Indian satellite to be put into orbit.

Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) chief K Sivan said while the rocket's



first operational mission was going to be "none other than Chandrayaan" in January 2019, "this fantastic vehicle is going to carry humans to space in three years from now."

ISRO has set a 'target' of achieving the country's ambitious manned mission to space by 2021, with the first unmanned programme of 'Gaganyaan' planned for December 2020, according to

Sivan.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced in his Independence Day address this year that India will attempt to send an astronaut to space by 2022 on board 'Gaganyaan'.

The 27-hour-countdown for the Wednesday launch began at 2.50pm Tuesday and the rocket blasted off at 5.08 pm from the spaceport at Sriharikota over 100 km from Chennai.

The satellite carries Ka and Ku band high throughput transponders which will provide communication services to remote places in the North East and Jammu and Kashmir, besides aid the Centre's Digital India programme, Sivan said.

ISRO scientists broke into cheers as the satellite was injected into a geosynchronous orbit, 16 minutes after lift-off.

# BJP releases second list of 31 candidates for Raj Assembly polls

New Delhi: The BJP on Wednesday announced its second list of 31 candidates for the Rajasthan Assembly election, dropping 15 sitting MLAs, included three Ministers.

The BJP has so far announced the names of 162 candidates in the 200-member Assembly.

Outgoing Ministers Babulal Verma, Rajkumar Rinwa and Dhan Singh Rawat were denied party ticket this election.

BJP MLA Gyandev Ahuja, who hit the national headlines at the height of the JNU controversy in 2016 for his remarks that thousands of condoms were found on the university campus daily, was also dropped. PTI

# App to register snake bites in country

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The big four snakes — Russell's Viper, Common Cobra, Common Krait and Saw Scaled Viper are responsible for more than 90 per cent snake bite deaths across India. But, surprisingly, the Government has no incident-related data that could help it frame policies and develop better snake anti-venoms to save the victims.

Taking initiative in this

direction to collate the data at the ground level, The Big4 Mapper app has been developed that would register each incident of bites by the big four snakes. The app which is a part of 'Indian Snake Bite Initiative', a joint project by Madras Crocodile Bank, Global Snakebite Initiative and Indiansnakes.org would help conservationists and herpetologists to map out the distribution of snakes and incidents of bites reported in the country.

By collating incidents at the ground level, the app aims to help researchers and policymakers get a clearer picture of the situation and can potentially save lives, said the brain behind the app, Jose Louie from the Wildlife Trust of India.

He elaborated, "The Big4 Mapper app helps conservationists and herpetologists map out the distribution of snakes and incidents of bites reported in the country. The app can

potentially save lives, once it reaches its critical mass and if received well by the government machinery."

Talking about its functioning, he said that the snake rescuers have to download the app and take a photo of the snake every time they go on a rescue trip. When rescuers take a photo of the snake in the place they found it, the app automatically logs in the GPS coordinates, time and the date.

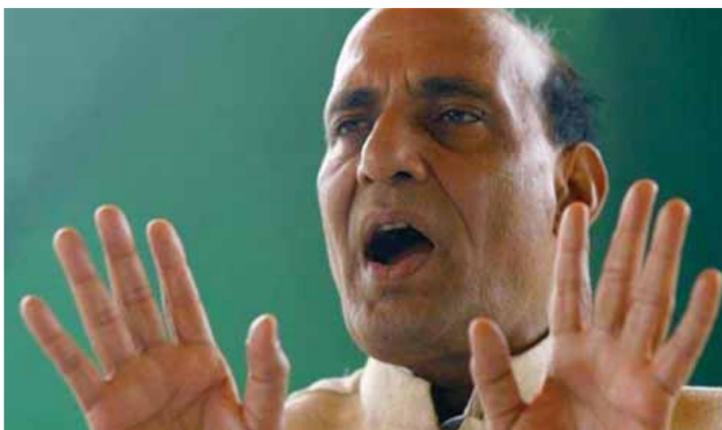
# Cong takes 'barat without dulha', says Rajnath

STAFF REPORTER ■ JANJIR-CHAMPA

Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh on Wednesday mocked the Opposition Congress at an election rally in Chhattisgarh over "factionalism" in the party and demanded that it reveal the names of its Chief Ministerial candidates in poll-bound Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan, like the BJP.

Campaigning for the second phase of assembly elections in which polling to be held for 72 seats on November 20, Singh claimed the Congress would "break into factions" the moment it announces the names of its chief ministerial candidates.

He equated the campaign rallies of Congress with marriage processions and linked the announcement of names of



chief ministerial candidates to bridegroom's identity.

"If a 'barat' is taken out, then the name of the 'dulha'

(bridegroom) should also be out. I want to know the name of the bridegroom from the Congress. However, the

moment Congress announces its candidates for the post of chief minister, the party will break into factions," Singh

said at a rally in Janjgir Champa. He further added, "Not just in Chhattisgarh but Congress should reveal the names of their candidates for the post of chief minister in Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan, like the BJP. We have made it clear who would be the next chief minister of the BJP in these states and the Congress should do the same."

The home minister also defended the Rafale jet deal with France and Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the target of the Congress party over the agreement.

Singh lashed out at the Congress for using "objectionable language" against Modi and said the BJP "never abused" a prime minister coming from the Congress party.

"People are saying that Modi has taken commission in

this deal. For whom would he accept the commission? He does not have a wife or children. Is he seeking commission for his almost 100-year-old mother?" he remarked.

The Congress has re-nominated party MLA Motilal Devangan from Janjgir Champa and the ruling BJP has given ticket to former deputy speaker of Chhattisgarh Assembly Narayan Chandel.

At the rally, Singh also praised the Centre's ambitious Ayushman Bharat health scheme.

"When US President Barack Obama introduced the healthcare insurance scheme, the whole world was surprised. But why not so much praise for our healthcare scheme where we are providing cover of up to Rs five lakh per person," he observed.

contact with the pressure IED (improvised explosive device) planted near his field.

"Rahul sustained serious injuries on his leg," Meena said.

Soon after being alerted, a police team was sent to the spot and the injured was shifted to a local hospital where he was being treated.

Naxals often plant IEDs on dirt tracks adjoining fields to target security forces during their operations in the Naxal-affected forested areas.

On November 12, a villager was killed in a pressure IED blast while he was working in his field in Timmapuram village in Sukma district.

# Tribal civilian injured in Naxal bomb blast

STAFF REPORTER ■ SUKMA

A 35-year-old villager was seriously injured when a pressure improvised bomb, laid by Naxals, went off in Chhattisgarh's Sukma district on Wednesday, police said.

The incident took place in Chintagufa police station area when the victim identified as Sodi Rahul was working in his field, Sukma Superintendent of Police Abhishek Meena told reporters.

As per the preliminary information, Rahul, a native of Sarpanch Para in Chintagufa village located around 500 kms from capital Raipur, came in

contact with the pressure IED (improvised explosive device) planted near his field.

Soon after being alerted, a police team was sent to the spot and the injured was shifted to a local hospital where he was being treated.

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Former minister Satyanarayan Sharma, Congress nominee from Raipur-Rural seat, campaigns on Wednesday in a village area for voting is scheduled on November 20. Sharma is locked in a triangular fight. Pioneer Photo

# CEO reviews poll preparations in Jashpur



STAFF REPORTER ■ RAIPUR

Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Chhattisgarh, Subrat Sahoo on Wednesday reviewed the poll prepara-

tions at Jashpur for the second phase polling scheduled on November 20.

Sahoo also appealed the voters to must cast their votes. Later he participated

in a pledge programme 'Jan-Pran' signature movement.

Rain Das, a 'Divyang' who is disabled by hands took pledge of casting his

vote by making a signature on this occasion with toe of his feet. Das also appealed the citizens to exercise their franchise and contribute in nation building.

# Re-contesting 69 MLAs register massive growth in assets

STAFF REPORTER ■ RAIPUR

The assets of re-contesting 69 sitting MLAs across all political parties has recorded increase of 2590 percent as per the affidavits submitted before the Election Commission for contesting the two-phased polls for the 90-member State Legislative Assembly.

A detailed analysis carried out jointly by Chhattisgarh Election Watch and Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR) released here which confirmed a massive jump in assets of 69 MLAs.

Individual candidate-wise data analysis confirmed that Dilip Lahariya of Congress from Masturi seat, recorded 2590 percent increase in assets from Rs 5.23 lakh (2013) to Rs 1.40,86,116 crore in 2018, thus recording a whopping increase of Rs 1.39 crore sum.

Amar Agrawal, Minister Commercial Tax, Urban Development, Commerce and Industries, who is seeking re-election from Bilaspur recorded 840 percent hike in assets. His assets was Rs 2.53 crore in year 2013 which rose to Rs 23.85 crore in 2018 thus recording increase of Rs 21.31 crore.



Chintamani Maharaj of Congress from Lundra seat recorded increase in assets by 427 percent from Rs 37.15 lakh to Rs 1.95 crores, Deepak Kumar Baij of Congress from insurgency-riddled Chitrakot seat also rose by 384 percent from Rs 10.53 lakh to Rs 51.00 lakh, the assets of Paras Nath Rajwade of Congress from Bhatgaon seat, also recorded increase by 368 percent from Rs 9.46 lakh to Rs 44.26 lakh, Bhaiyalal Rajwade of BJP from Baikuntpur seat, income registered a rise of 254 percent from Rs 62.98 lakhs to Rs 2.22 crore and Lakeshwar Baghel of Congress record increase by 243 percent from Rs 1.79 crore to Rs 6.15 crore.

Similarly, Congress candidate Mohanlal Markam from Kondagaon seat, registered increase in his income of 235 percent with assets climbed to 11.58 crore in 2018 from Rs 3.46 crore in 2013.

Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources Brijmohan Agrawal recorded increase of assets by 232 percent (Rs 7.08 crore) from Rs 3.05 crore while another minister in BJP government Ajay Chandrakar recorded hike in assets by 68 percent from Rs 8.17 crores (2013) to Rs 13.74 crores.

The report states that the average assets of re-contesting MLAs is Rs 12.29 crore among the 69 contesting in Chhattisgarh assembly elections 2018 while compared to year 2013 which was Rs 10.92 crore. The average growth in assets of re-contesting MLAs from 2013 to 2018, is Rs 1.37 crore.

# Jogi hits back at Rajnath for 'friend' jibe

STAFF REPORTER ■ RAIPUR

Former Chief Minister Ajit Jogi on Wednesday hit back at Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh, saying if the BJP leader is truly his friend then why is he campaigning in Marwahi assembly seat where he is locked in a three-way fight against the BJP and the Congress.

Jogi had deserted Congress in 2016 and floated his own party Janta Congress Chhattisgarh (J) to make the 90-member state assembly polls in the mineral-rich state a triangular contest.

Jogi's party has tied up with Mayawati's BSP in this election.

While campaigning in Jogi's home turf Marwahi in Bilaspur district, Rajnath Singh on Wednesday asked voters to secure victory for the BJP



A file photo of Chief Minister Raman Singh with Ajit Jogi at latter's birthday function.

candidate but he termed Jogi a friend who is in trouble.

Reacting to the com-

ment, Jogi said "if he (Rajnath) is a friend of mine then why was he addressing a public meeting in Marwahi

against me". Jogi also responded to his 'trouble' jibe and added, "the entire nation is watching who is in

trouble." Rajnath Singh had also termed Jogi's party, a B-team of Congress.

# Four BSF jawans injured in Maoists IED blast

STAFF REPORTER ■ BIJAPUR

As many as four Border Security Force (BSF) jawans and a civilian were injured in an improvised explosive device (IED) blast triggered by Maoists on Wednesday in violence-hit Bijapur district, police said.

Maoists targeted a bus carrying Border Security Force personnel returning from poll duty in Bijapur, around four kilometres away from the district headquarters at Mahadev Ghat.

"Two of the BSF jawans were very critical and they had been airlifted to state capital Raipur for urgent medical attention,"



P Sundarraj, Deputy Inspector General (Anti-Naxal operation) told media persons.

The other injured BSF men had been admitted to a hospital in Bijapur. Reinforcement was rushed to the spot. The attack took place just two days after the first phase of polling in the state including in Bijapur district which has track record of poll-related Maoist violence.

The attack site is located about 450 kilometres from Raipur.

Naxal attacks have been common in sprawling Bastar region where leftist insurgents are active in forested interiors for about a quarter century. The second phase of polling in state for remaining 72 seats will be held on November 20.



Huge cache of cash money being recovered on Wednesday at a forest department check post under Saraipali forest circle in Mahasamund district which goes to polls on November 20. Pioneer Photo

# Students take out rally amid ULB polls

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The students of slum school, 'the Pen India' located in Sapera basti Bhaniyawala took out a rally on Wednesday and appeal people to exercise their franchise in the upcoming urban local bodies elections. Holding placards like 'Dear Uncle and Aunty Please Vote' and 'Vote to eradicate illiteracy' the students impressed the passersby's. The students also organised a programme on the occasion of Children's day in their school. Offering floral tributes to first Prime Minister Jawahar Lal Nehru on his birth anniversary, the patron of the school Prakash Keshaviah said that it is necessary that everyone should vote for development and strengthening democracy. He said that the school offers free education to



poor students. The programme was also attended by Anup Rawat, Santosh Budakoti and teachers of the slum school.

# Pandey gets relief till November 28

PNS ■ NAINITAL

After initial hearing on the anticipatory bail application of Pankaj Pandey, the suspended IAS officer accused in the national highway 74 scam, the court of district and sessions judge and special judge (PCA) Narendra Datt set the next date of hearing on November 28. Till then, as per the statement submitted earlier by the state government in the high court, the accused officer cannot be arrested. It will be recalled that as the arbitrator for land compensation, Pandey is accused of facilitating more than the valid amount in compensation to farmers in the NH 74 scam. He has already been provided with the chargesheet and is currently under suspension. Earlier, he had filed an application for anticipatory bail in the high court of Uttarakhand. However, the high court had directed him to file the application in the lower court.

# 2-day Ganjam youth fest concludes

PNS ■ BRAHMAPUR

The two-day Ganjam District Youth Festival, 2018 organised by the Sports and Youth Services Department and held at the Brahmapur Stadium concluded recently. On the first day, Brahmapur MP Siddhanta Mahapatra, Brahmapur MLA Dr Ramesh Chandra Chayu Patnaik, Ganjam Athletic Association working president Dr NC Padhy, Ganjam Collector Vijay Amruta Kulange, ZP Chairman Subash Behera and Brahmapur Development Authority (BDA) Chairman Subash Moharana attended as guests. On the occasion, dancer Radhashyam Tarai, singer Ramesh Patro and Odissi Sangeet Parishad member Nupur were felicitated for their contributions by the guests. On the concluding day, former Union Minister Chandra Sekhar Sahu, BJD leader Bikram Panda, senior lawyer Prafulla Jagannath Padhy, former SBI officer Prafulla Patnaik, Kedar



Chaudhury, District Sports Officer Prasant Kumar Sahu, DEO Sanatan Panda and District Culture Officer Sukru Swain attended as guests. The guests felicitated the winners of 15 different competitions like folk music, folk dance, flute playing, Hindustani Vocal, tabla, Karnataki Vocal, harmonium, guitar, Bharatanatyam, Mrudanga, solo play and others.

# Tusker electrocuted in Angul

## Take action against officials: Maneka to Naveen Patnaik

PNS ■ BHUBANESWAR

Union Minister of Women and Child Development and animal rights activist Maneka Gandhi has urged Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik to take urgent measures to curb elephant deaths in Odisha. "The recent electrocution of seven tuskers in Dhenkanal, which is the highest such death toll in a single incident, has caused furore throughout the nation about the reprehensible state of elephant protection in Odisha," stated Gandhi. "It comes at the back of dismal statistics wherein 124 or a whopping 28 per cent casualties have taken place due to

accidents and electrocution. It is tragic to note that a dozen magnificent pachyderms are dying every year due to mismanagement and in-coordination between Government agencies," she added. Citing reports, she alleged that distribution companies are being given a free hand in elephant corridors without necessary oversight. In the letter, the Union Minister also mentioned that the National Green Tribunal (NGT) has imposed a fine ₹1 crore on Cesu while a probe has been launched into the Dhenkanal incident.

### JUMBO DEATHS

Expressing her disappointment on the elephants' death, the Union Minister said that even after laying guidelines under the AK Biswal committee by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, the alarming trend of elephant deaths has continued unabated. "I also urge you to take necessary action against the officials who failed to put the AK Biswal Committee recommendations into practice in the State," Gandhi wrote. "Termining the elephants of Odisha as 'the pride of India', she wrote, "We owe a debt to our future generations for their welfare and safety."



Devotees offer prayer while standing in water at Tapkeshwar on the concluding day of Chhath festival in Dehradun early on Wednesday morning. Pioneer photo

# Punjab to post new doctors near to their homes

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

In an apparent attempt to woo the specialist doctors, Punjab Health Department has decided to give them posting at the hospital and dispensary near-by their home. For the same purpose, the state Health and Family Welfare Minister Brahm Mohindra asked the Director Health Services (DHS) to prepare the list of the newly-appointed doctors clearly indicating their home addresses. "All the doctors will be posted at the hospital and dispensary near-by their home. I do not want that doctors have to meet political bigwigs and put pressure on them for transfers. That's why I have ordered the DHS to post doctors near their homes so as to ensure the efficiency and quality work," said Mohindra on the sidelines of a function to handover appointment letters to MBBS doctors. Appointment letters to as many 306 newly-recruited MBBS doctors were handed over by the Minister in a simple but impressive function organised at the Auditorium of Punjab Health System Corporation, SAS Nagar Mohali. Visually ecstatic Brahm Mohindra congratulated the newly-appointed doctors and said that he was quite relieved today as this new batch of 306 doctors has become the family of Punjab Health Department. "When I joined the

Ministry on March 16, 2017, I was shocked to see that Health Department was totally in shambles. There was acute shortage of specialist doctors, Medical officers, ANMs and paramedical staff," he said. He said that he set his priority to fill the vacant posts of doctors and paramedical staff, and today, he was satisfied to see that a large batch of medical officers was joining the Health Department. Mohindra exhorted the doctors to be ready to serve the community with missionary zeal and to wipe off the tears and agonies of the poor and downtrodden by adopting sympathetic approach. The Health Minister said that the doctors were earlier reluctant to join the government service as they had to perform the service at basic salary during the probation period. He said he himself was aghast at this decision of the previous government as no doctor was willing to join the government service at this paltry basic salary. He said that he immediately brought this issue to the notice of Chief Minister and had series of meetings with the Finance Minister and got the approval to recruit doctors on full salary. He said that now in the next phase specialist doctors would be recruited, the process for the selection is underway and hopefully these specialist doctors will soon join the Health Department.

# Haryana CM directs MLAs to ensure large numbers at PM Modi's rally

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal on Wednesday directed the party MLAs and other senior leaders to ensure presence of large number of people at the proposed rally of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on November 19 in Haryana. **Advisory committee will be constituted for implementation of development works** PM Modi would inaugurate Kundli-Manesar-Palwal Expressway and Ballabhgarh Metro Link and lay foundation stone of Haryana Vishwakarma Skill University, Dudhola, Palwal on November 19. On this day, the Prime Minister will also address a public meeting near Farukhnagar crossing where he would dedicate various projects to the state. The 135 kilometer long Kundli Manesar Palwal expressway would cover five districts of Haryana namely Sonapat, Jhajjar, Gurugram, Mewat and Palwal. Presiding over the party legislative meeting, Chief Minister Manohar Lal on Wednesday directed the MLAs to invite general public for the rally to witness the historic moment. He emphasized to ensure presence of large number of people from the areas of Faridabad, Gurugram, Sonapat, Rohtak Lok Sabha constituencies to make the rally successful. Manohar Lal also said that recently Haryana CSR Summit was held in Gurugram where the companies were urged to enhance their annual contribution under the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) to ₹1000 crore. An advisory committee will be constituted for implementation of development works in cities and villages under CSR fund, he added.

# Hry Govt to launch 34 new Antyodaya Kendras



PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

In a bid to provide the benefit of over 400 Government to Citizen (G2C) schemes and services of 35 departments online to the citizens at district, sub division and tehsil level, Haryana Government has decided to launch 34 new Antyodaya Kendra, SARAL Kendra and Antyodaya Saral Kendra on the occasion of Good Governance Day on December 25. A decision to this effect was taken in the meeting of Antyodaya SARAL platform held under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Manohar Lal here on Wednesday. The Cabinet Ministers, chairman of Boards and Corporations and MLAs were present in the meeting. With the launch of these centres, the total number of Antyodaya Kendra, SARAL Kendra and Antyodaya Saral Kendra would increase to 115. As many as 81 such centres are already functional in the state. The Antyodaya Kendra at the district level provides all the schemes and Saral Kendras provides all the services. The Antyodaya Saral Kendra established at sub-division and tehsil level provides for the delivery of both schemes and services. During the meeting, Manohar Lal said that to realise the vision of minimum government maximum governance as envisaged by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Haryana Government had started e-registration in the state on December 25, 2014. He directed to make all necessary arrangements of infrastructure and staff in the 34 new centres well before

their launching. The Chief Minister said that a state level function would be organised for the launch of these Kendras whereas MLAs, chairman and members of zila parishads and panchayat samitis would remain present at the kendras in their respective areas. He asked the MLAs and Ministers to personally visit already functional 81 centres in their respective areas to review their functioning and apprise the people about these centres so that people at the grass root level could avail the benefit of various government schemes and services online. He said that besides the government staff and prominent citizens of the area, Garhvit volunteers should also be roped in this work to reach maximum beneficiaries. The Chief Minister appreciated NIC Haryana and all the 35 departments for creating the Antyodaya SARAL portal in record 15 months. He has also appreciated the performance of Kurukshetra, Mahendergarh, Jhajjar and Charkhi Dadri district for a good service delivery score. He instructed district administration to improve the service delivery in Faridabad. During the meeting, it was informed that the Chief Minister has inaugurated the Antyodaya Kendra for seven districts namely Kaithal, Kurukshetra, Faridabad, Yamunanagar, Gurugram, Jind and Karnal. Seven departments in these districts namely Social Justice and Empowerment, Public Health and Engineering, Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Backward Classes, Sports and Youth Affairs Department, Public Relations, Housing and Sainik and Ardh-sainik Welfare have already stopped entertaining hard copies of application for availing the benefit of government schemes and services. It was also informed that a toll free Antyodaya SARAL helpline number (1800-2000-023) has been started to address the queries and complaints of applicants regarding the schemes and services. More than 40,000 calls have so been answered on this helpline number since July 2018. Apart from this, help desk have been set up at all 81 centres to assist the citizens regarding the eligibility for schemes and services, documentation and processing. SMS alert are also being sent to the applicants regarding the status of their applications. It was also highlighted that Haryana is the first state to carry out transformation in citizen service delivery at this scale and the project has also won multiple awards till now.

# HISTORY BOOK ROW

## SAD rejects Soni's inquiry, seeks high level independent probe

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Outrightly rejecting the inquiry ordered by Punjab Education Minister OP Soni to fix responsibility for the mistakes in Punjab School Education Board's Class XII history books to be conducted by the education secretary, the Shiormani Akali Dal (SAD) on Wednesday dubbed it as "a major cover-up" and "farce" as accusing fingers are raised at the Minister himself. Former minister and SAD's senior vice-president Daljeet Singh Cheema questioned Soni's rationale of ordering an enquiry while he himself is accused by none other than the chairman of the Oversight Committee appointed by Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh. "Instead of holding inquiry by a secretary at the orders of the concerned Minister, the Chief Minister should have ordered inquiry which should have been held by a retired judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court with a clear frame of reference, the role of the concerned Minister to be probed in the larger interest of justice," said Cheema. Moreover, how could a subordinate officer, that is department's secretary under Soni, could be objective, impartial and fair in conducting inquiry while his own boss is in the dock, he added. Cheema pointed out that chairman of the "Oversight Committee", Dr. Kirpal Singh, has revealed that he had pointed out the errors or distortions in each chapter in detail in clearly typed pages but these chapters were uploaded on PSEB website without carrying the suggested corrections under pressure from the Minister.

# Punjab and Haryana procure over 215 lakh tonne paddy so far

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab and Haryana together have so far procured over 215.65 lakh tonne of paddy this kharif season, food and supplies officials said on Wednesday. Punjab alone has procured over 150.37 lakh tonne of paddy till Tuesday evening, a Punjab government spokesman said. Out of this 149.44 lakh tonne has been procured by government agencies while 92,854 tonne has been procured by private millers. Payment of nearly ₹23,000 crore has already been released by the Punjab government to arhtiyas (commission agents) and farmers. In neighbouring Haryana, over 65.28 lakh tonne of paddy has procured this kharif season. Out of this, government agencies have procured over 57.31 lakh tonne, private millers have procured over 7.97 lakh tonne. Haryana is well known for Basmati rice production, especially in Karnal district. 'Green Revolution' state Punjab contributes nearly 50 per cent of food grains (wheat and paddy) to the national kitty. The Punjab government has made arrangements for a bumper procurement of 200 lakh tonne of paddy this season. In 2017-18, a total of 179.34 lakh tonne of paddy was procured. Paddy procurement started in the agrarian state on October 1, but the bulk of the stocks started coming after October 10. The Centre sanctioned a Cash Credit Limit (CCL) amount of ₹29,695.40 crore for procurement of paddy in the kharif marketing season 2018-19. The Punjab government had demanded ₹40,300 crore.

# 439 arrested, 269 cases registered under NDPS Act in Sirsa

Chandigarh: As many as 439 people have been arrested and 269 cases are registered under NDPS Act in Haryana's Sirsa district under a special drive against drug peddlers during the past six and half months period. "Besides, large quantity of narcotics including 4.542 kg heroin, 16.437 kg opium, 28.730 kg ganja, over 2221 kg chura post and doda post and around 3.5 lakh restricted pills, injections and capsules were seized from the possession of arrested accused during this period," said a spokesman of Police Department. He said that following the directions of DGP BS Sandhu, a crackdown on drug-peddlers was being conducted on daily basis in the district especially in the bordering areas with Rajasthan and Punjab. PNS

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**EXTRACT FROM STANDALONE UN-AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULT FOR THE QUARTER ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**

PARTICULARS	(Rs. in Lacs)		
	Quarter ended 30.09.2018 (Unaudited)	Year ended 31.03.2018 (Audited)	Quarter ended 30.09.2017 (Unaudited)
Total income from operations (net)	8.68	32.49	8.22
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	3.22	2.68	0.05
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	3.22	2.68	0.05
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	3.12	2.12	0.13
Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and other comprehensive income (after tax)]	3.12	2.12	0.13
Equity Share Capital	287.67	287.67	287.67
Reserves (excluding revaluation reserve as shown in the balance sheet of previous year)	-	65.85	-
Earnings per share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)	-	-	-
- Basic :	0.11	0.07	0.00
- Diluted :	0.11	0.07	0.00

**NOTES :**  
1. The above financial results have been reviewed and recommended by the audit committee and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 14.11.2018  
2. The Company has not received any complaint from investors during the quarter ended on 30.09.2018  
3. As the source of income comes from single segment of finance and investment, hence the segment reporting as under AS-17 is not applicable.  
4. This Statement is as per Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015.  
5. Figures of previous period are re-grouped/re-classified/re-arranged, where ever necessary to corresponded with current period.  
6. Being the first year of applicability of INDAS the comparative period figures have been disclosed considering the exemptions provided in the Circular No.CIR/CFD/CMD/15/2015 dated November 30, 2015 of Securities and Exchange Board of India.

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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER & HALF YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> SEP, 2018 (Rs.in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Particulars	(STANDALONE)				
		30-Sep-18	30-Sep-18	30-Sep-17	30-Sep-17	30-Jun-18
		3 months (Unaudited)	6 months (Unaudited)	3 months (Unaudited)	6 months (Unaudited)	3 Month (Unaudited)
1	Total Income from Operations	5308.31	13427.27	6202.24	16007.74	8118.96
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	27.23	63.48	54.99	88.44	36.25
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	27.23	63.48	54.99	88.44	36.25
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	15.25	41.02	39.47	62.44	25.77
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	15.25	41.02	39.47	62.44	25.77
6	Equity Share Capital	1100.00	1100.00	1100.00	1100.00	1100.00
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in audited balance sheet of previous year	1311.62	1311.62	1529.58	1529.58	1311.62
8	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each)	-	-	-	-	-
	1. Basic:	0.14	0.37	0.36	0.57	0.23
	2. Diluted:	0.14	0.37	0.36	0.57	0.23

**Note:**  
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly & Half Yearly Unaudited Financial Result 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 Unaudited Financial Results are available on Stock Exchange websites (www.bseindia.com).  
2. The above results were reviewed and recommended by the audit committee and taken on record by the Board of Director at its meeting held on 14.11.2018 and the Statutory Auditor have carried Limited Review of the same.

Sd/-  
DEEPAK GOEL  
WHOLE TIME DIRECTOR  
DIN: 00200527  
Place : Delhi  
Date : 14/11/2018

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**EXTRACT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER & HALF YEAR ENDED 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**

Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended	Half Year Ended	Quarter Ended
		30.09.2018 Unaudited	30.09.2018 Unaudited	30.09.2017 Unaudited
I	Total Income from operations	7.00	13.97	123.2
II	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before tax and exceptional items)	-29.40	-45.77	14.46
III	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after exceptional items)	-29.40	-45.77	14.46
IV	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax & exceptional items	-29.40	-45.77	14.46
V	Total Comprehensive income for the period (comprising profit/loss) for the period after tax & other comprehensive income	-	-	-
VI	Paid-up equity share capital (Face Value Rs.10 per share)	925.56	925.56	925.56
VII	Other Equity/Reserves excluding reserves as shown in Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	925.56	925.56	925.56
VIII	Earnings per equity share of Rs.10 /each (not annulised)	-	-	-
	(a) Basic	-	-	-
	(b) Diluted	-	-	-

**NOTES:**  
1. The above result is an extract of detailed format of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter and half year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 filed with Stock Exchange (BSE) as per exchange (BSE) as per Reg 33 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015 and full format is available on the website of the company and BSE Company www.ansfoods.com and BSE www.bseindia.com.  
2. The above results for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter & half year ended 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved Board of Directors at their meeting held on 13/11/2018.  
3. Figures for the previous year / period have been re-arranged wherever necessary.

**Standalone Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2018**

Sl. No.	Particulars	As at 30.09.2018	As at 31.03.2018
		(Unaudited)	(Audited)
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>1 Non-current assets</b>			
(a) Property, plant and equipments	893.11	830.61	
(b) Capital work-in-progress	0.00	0.00	
(c) Investment Property	-	-	
(d) Financial Assets	1.25	1.25	
i- Investment	-	-	
ii- Trade receivables	-	-	
iii- Loans	-	-	
iv- Others	157.66	157.66	
(e) Deferred tax assets	27.89	27.89	
(f) Other Intangible assets	-	-	
(g) Other non-current assets	44.60	44.60	
<b>Total Non-current Assets</b>	<b>1,124.51</b>	<b>1,062.01</b>	
<b>2 Current Assets</b>			
(a) Inventories	255.00	388.17	
(b) Financial Assets	-	-	
i- Investment	-	-	
ii- Trade receivables	162.15	135.02	
iii- Cash and cash equivalents	186.51	243.51	
iv- Loans	592.07	573.07	
v- Other	-	-	
(c) Current Tax Assets (Net)	-	-	
(d) Other Current Assets	47.32	51.18	
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>1,240.98</b>	<b>1,395.95</b>	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2,365.49</b>	<b>2,457.96</b>	
<b>EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>1 Equity Shareholders Fund</b>			
(a) Equity Share Capital	925.56	925.56	
(b) Other Equity	370.97	416.74	
<b>Total Equity Shareholders Fund</b>	<b>1,296.53</b>	<b>1,342.30</b>	
<b>2 Liabilities</b>			
<b>Non-Current Liabilities</b>			
(a) Financial Liabilities			
(i) Borrowings	24.78	20.59	
(ii) Other Financial Liabilities	1.80	1.80	
(b) Provisions	-	-	
(c) Deferred tax liabilities (net)	-	-	
(d) Other Non-current liabilities	5.99	5.99	
<b>Total Non-current liabilities</b>	<b>26.57</b>	<b>28.38</b>	
<b>3 Current Liabilities</b>			
(a) Financial Liabilities			
(i) Borrowing	792.40	882.40	
(ii) Other Financial Liabilities	57.02	37.02	
(b) Provisions	36.19	32.13	
(c) Other current liabilities	152.85	130.73	
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,038.46</b>	<b>1,082.28</b>	
<b>TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,365.49</b>	<b>2,457.96</b>	

For ANS Industries Limited  
Sd/-  
(Mehinder Sharma)  
Managing Director  
DIN-00036252  
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# B'desh ready for Rohingya repatriation

**Dhaka:** Bangladesh on Wednesday was preparing to go ahead with the planned repatriation of hundreds of thousands of Rohingya refugees who last year fled a violent military crackdown in Myanmar, despite concerns over their safety.

The plans to send Rohingya refugees back to Myanmar gathered momentum, with reports of Bangladesh armed forces gathering in the Cox's Bazar camps and allegations that refugees were assaulted by the authorities for refusing to cooperate, according to a report in the Guardian.

The first phase of the Rohingya's return to Myanmar will begin on Thursday, according to an agreement signed between the two countries on November 23, 2017.

"We have seen their concerns, but so far the decision has not been changed," Refugee Relief and Repatriation Commissioner Abul Kalam told *Efe news*.

The two governments agreed to repatriate 2,251 of some 723,000 Rohingya refugees living in camps in Cox's Bazaar of Bangladesh.

The Army, police and paramilitary troops moved into several of the camps in Bangladesh, where over 7,00,000 Rohingya have been living after fleeing a campaign of violence, described as genocide by a UN fact-finding mission.

According to the *Guardian*, there have been reports of Bangladesh camp officials assaulting Rohingya refugees who refused to cooperate, in a sign that the repatriations may not be voluntary, despite multiple assurances by Bangladesh that it would not force any Rohingya to go back.

Meanwhile, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet on Tuesday urged Bangladesh to halt the plan, warning that the repatriation would violate international law and put the lives of the refugees at serious risk.

Rohingya leaders echoed those concerns, saying it was too soon to start the repatriation.

"This repatriation is not going to be sustainable," Abdur Rahim, a leader of Arakan Rohingya Society for Peace and Human Rights, said. *IANS*

# Pence says Myanmar's handling of Rohingya 'without excuse'

**Singapore:** Myanmar's leader Aung San Suu Kyi has rebuffed criticism over her government's treatment of its ethnic Rohingya Muslims.

US Vice-President Mike Pence told Suu Kyi on Wednesday that the violence, which led more than 7,00,000 of the country's Rohingya minority to flee for Bangladesh since August 2017, was "without excuse."

Pence also said Myanmar's arrests and convictions of two

Reuters journalists was "deeply troubling" to millions of Americans.

Pence and Suu Kyi met on the sidelines of the annual summit of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations in Singapore. Pence said the meeting was at Suu Kyi's request.

Suu Kyi said only Myanmar was in a position to explain what happened and how it saw things, just as Americans could best understand what is happening there. *AP*

# UK significantly closer to delivering Brexit, says May

**London:** The UK is "significantly closer" to delivering on the result of the Brexit vote, Theresa May has told MPs.

The PM was speaking before a crunch cabinet meeting where she is seeking her senior ministers' backing for the UK and EU's draft agreement. She told the Commons it would give the UK control of borders, laws and money - and also protect business and jobs. But Jeremy Corbyn said the UK would be stuck in an "indefinite half-way house without any real say" over the rules.

Speaking at PM's Questions, the Labour leader said May was putting a "false choice" before Parliament between her "botched deal and no deal". *Agencies*

# Israeli Def Minister resigns, accuses PM of surrendering before Hamas

**Jerusalem:** Israeli Defence Minister Avigdor Lieberman resigned on Wednesday and called for early elections, accusing Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of "capitulating to terror" and surrendering before the Islamist group Hamas over a Gaza ceasefire agreement.

Over 460 rockets and mortar shells were fired at southern Israel in 25 hours on Monday and Tuesday, according to the Israeli army. The Iron Dome missile defence system intercepted over 100 of them. Most of the rest landed in open fields, but dozens landed inside Israeli cities and towns, killing one person, injuring dozens more, and causing significant property damage.

In response, the Israeli military targeted approximately 160 sites in the Gaza Strip connected to Hamas and Palestinian Islamic Jihad terror groups, including four facilities that the army designated as "key strategic assets".

As news of a ceasefire between the Israeli government and Hamas - which controls the Gaza Strip - broke, Lieberman's office put out a statement saying any claim that he had backed ending Israel's offensive was "fake news". *PTI*

# GLOBE TROTTER

**PREGNANT WOMEN KILLED IN UK ATTACK**  
**London:** A pregnant Indian-origin woman in the UK was killed after an arrow pierced through her abdomen in a crossbow attack by her former partner, but her baby survived following an emergency Caesarean section.

**BEIJING HIT BY WORST POLLUTION THIS YEAR**  
**Beijing:** Beijing and several cities in northern China on Wednesday were blanketed by the worst smog so far this year with pollution readings shooting up well above hazardous levels. Readings by the US Embassy's air quality monitor in Beijing showed PM 2.5, the fine particulate matter that causes smog, hit 376 micrograms per cubic meter which meant 'hazardous' levels of air pollution with potential to cause 'serious health' problems to everyone.

**PEOPLE RAISE OVER \$1 BN ON FACEBOOK**  
**San Francisco:** Facebook on Wednesday said its charitable giving tools have helped people raise over \$1 billion in a span of three years. So far, over 20 million people have either donated to or started a fundraiser on Facebook.

**'GHOST' GALAXY HIDING NEXT TO MILKY WAY**  
**London:** A massive but extremely faint galaxy has been discovered hiding near the Milky Way by scientists trawling through data from the European Space Agency's Gaia satellite. Despite its size, the galaxy has very few stars, challenging conventional theories of galaxy formation, said researchers from Imperial College London in the UK.

**NEW SYSTEM MAY HELP REDUCE FLIGHT DELAYS**  
**New York:** Taking the delay costs of both airlines and passengers into account can result in fewer delays and save airlines money, according to a study.

# Peshawar SP found dead in Afghanistan 18 days after abduction: Authorities

**Peshawar/Islamabad:** A top police officer of Pakistan's Peshawar city has been found dead in Afghanistan, 18 days after he was abducted to the war-torn country by unidentified militants, authorities said on Wednesday.

Superintendent of Police (Peshawar) Tahir Khan Dawar left his residence in Islamabad for an evening walk on October 27 but did not return home. His mobile phone's last

location was traced somewhere in Jhelum city of Punjab province.

After being contacted, he said that he was fine and there was no threat to his life.

The Islamabad police had constituted various teams to trace him. Peshawar city police in a statement said that the officer had been on a short leave to Islamabad to meet his family. His abductors released a picture of him along with a let-

ter of the Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan's Khurasani group claiming responsibility for the kidnapping and the killing. Information Minister of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Shaukat Yusufzai said that Dawar was ruthlessly killed by the abductors in Afghanistan. He was in captivity for 18 days.

The Afghan Foreign Ministry has confirmed the recovery of a body with the service card of Dawar. *PTI*

**PRASAR BHARATI INDIA'S PUBLIC SERVICE BROADCASTER CIVIL CONSTRUCTION WING : ALL INDIA RADIO PRESS NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER**

The Executive Engineer (Civil), Civil Construction Wing, All India Radio, PB (BCI), MHP Division, 11th floor, Soochna Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi-03, invites on behalf of President of India online item rate e-tenders from approved and eligible contractors of CPWD and those of appropriate list of BSNL, MES, Railways, Department of Post and PWD (B&R) of NCT Delhi, upto 15.00 hrs on 22.11.2018 for the following work:

**1. NIT No:- 29/EE(C)/MHPD/2018-19, Name of work :- A/R & M/O to Doordarshan Bhawan, Tower 'B' Mandi House, New Delhi. (SH: Engagement of persons for day to day maintenance work). Estimated cost:- Rs. 10,15,752/-, Earnest Money:- Rs. 20,315/-, Period of completion:- 04 (Four) Months.**

**i. Last date and time for uploading of documents and on-line submission of tender: upto 15.00 hrs. 22.11.2018.**

**ii. Date and time for opening of online tender: 22.11.2018 at 15:30 hrs.**

The tender forms and other details can be downloaded from website, [www.tenderwizard.com/AIR](http://www.tenderwizard.com/AIR). This press tender notice can also be seen on the website [www.allindiaradio.gov.in](http://www.allindiaradio.gov.in).

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**EXTRACTS OF UNAUDITED STANDALONE FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED ON 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2018**

PARTICULARS	(Rs. in Lacs)			
	Quarter ended 30.09.2018	Half year ended 30.09.2018	Quarter ended 30.09.2017	Year Ended 31.03.2018
1 Total income from operations (Net)	147.13	292.59	127.01	607.09
2 Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before tax and exceptional items)	0.34	(14.14)	(26.64)	(126.60)
3 Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before tax and after exceptional items)	0.34	(14.14)	(26.64)	(126.60)
4 Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (after tax and after exceptional items)	0.29	(14.18)	(26.32)	(127.11)
5 Total comprehensive Income for the period after comprising Profit/ (Loss) for the period (After tax) and other comprehensive Income (after Tax)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6 Equity Share Capital	739.39	739.39	739.39	739.39
7 Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve as shown in the Balance Sheet of previous year)	-	-	-	-
8 Earnings Per Share (Face Value of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)	-	-	-	-
Basic:	0.00	(0.02)	(0.04)	(0.17)
Diluted:	0.00	(0.02)	(0.04)	(0.17)

**Note:** The above results have been prepared in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (IND AS). The above results have been reviewed by Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their respective meeting held on 13.11.2018 and have been subjected to limited review by the statutory auditor of the Company. The IND AS compliant corresponding figures for the quarter ended on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 have been subjected to limited review. However, the Company's management has exercised necessary due diligence to ensure that such financial results provide a true and fair view of its affairs.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors  
Sd/-  
(Mandeep Singh Wadhwa)  
Chairman & Managing Director  
Place : New Delhi  
Date : 13.11.2018

**NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS**

The Deputy Director (Hort.) Horticulture Division No. 1, CPWD, South Avenue, New Delhi (Ph: 23018234), e-mail ID hort.dhd1@yahoo.in on behalf of the President of India, hereby invites online tenders from eligible contractors registered under CPWD (Nursery Category) for works at S. No. 1 to 7 & eligible contractors registered under CPWD (Horticulture Category) for work at S. No. 8.

**NIT No. 106/DD/HD-1/2018-19, Name of Work:- M/o Different Horticulture Works at 3, 5, 7, 9 & 11 Lok Kalyan Marg (P.M. House) and 6 M.A. Road (V.P. House) under Sub-Div. 1/HD-1, CPWD, New Delhi dg. 2018-19. (SH: Providing and displaying of winter seasonal bulbous flowering plants at site)., Estimated Cost: 18,51,250/- Earnest money: 37,025/-, Period of completion: 02 Month, Last date of submission of bid 26.11.2018 upto 11:00 AM, Date of opening of bid 26.11.2018 at 11:30 AM.**

**NIT No. 107/DD/HD-1/2018-19, Name of Work:- M/o Different Horticulture Works under Sub-Div. 1/HD-1, CPWD, New Delhi dg. 2018-19. (SH: Providing and planting of different plants at VVIP locations at site)., Estimated Cost: 12,72,750/- Earnest money : 25,455/-, Period of completion : 02 Months, Last date of submission of bid 26.11.2018 upto 11:00 AM, Date of opening of bid 26.11.2018 at 11:30 AM.**

**NIT No. 108/DD/HD-1/2018-19, Name of Work:- M/o G. A. attached to different Defence Blocks under Sub-Div. 2/HD-1, CPWD, New Delhi dg. 2018-19. (SH: Providing and displaying special winter seasonal flowering plants in different offices / departments / locations)., Estimated Cost: 20,91,150/- Earnest money:**

## Nehru's legacy

The nation has much to be grateful for, much to be critical of. But we do need a calmer discourse around past leaders



In the sense of a continuum of socio-economic forces unshackled by key figures in history, Congress MP Shashi Tharoor is not entirely wrong when he says that it was Jawaharlal Nehru's endeavour to build democratic institutions and infuse a spirit of egalitarianism in the body politic which provided an opportunity for, in Tharoor's words not ours, even a "chaiwala to become Prime Minister" exactly 50 years after the passing away of India's first Prime Minister. UPA chairperson Sonia Gandhi followed this up on the eve of Nehru's birth anniversary on November 14 by asserting

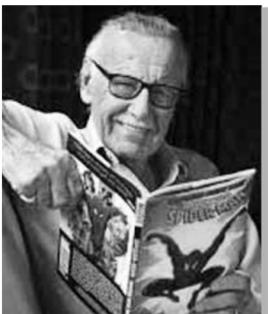
that the current ruling dispensation was out to wreck Nehru's legacy. Neither star-struck hagiographies nor mindless demonising of one of the towering political personalities and public figures of 20th century India, however, does the man justice.

So, let's undertake a quick review of the four meta issues, as it were, on which Nehru cops most criticism: His allegedly cavalier approach to national security including Kashmir, his foreign policy priorities which elided the threat posed by China, his economic policies underpinned by a socialist command-and-control philosophy and his secular politics which while taking on obscurantism within the majority community failed to address the fundamentalist warp and woof of minority politics. On national security, the flak Nehru draws is disproportionate. Yes, he should have been more hard-nosed about Jammu and Kashmir and integrationist in his approach as far as Valley Muslims were concerned, especially after Sardar Patel had managed the crucial accession so admirably, but to accuse the man who kept a multi-ethnic, multi-faith, multi-linguistic post-colonial nation-state from Balkanisation and ensured its territorial integrity was by and large kept intact through the nascent phase of the construction of a modern Indian state is to be terribly unfair. Nehru's foreign policy priorities, especially his adherence to non-alignment reinforced by the 1955 Bandung Conference, were, whether ideal or less-than-ideal in retrospect, in the national interest. Of that there can be no doubt. How he defined the national interest is, of course, up for debate but abuse has no place in that discourse. Even on China, as some recent books have brought out, the first Prime Minister was not the woolly-headed, naïve socialist as he is sometimes caricatured. Though the 1962 debacle is correctly characterised as his biggest failure as PM and most of the flak he draws is well-deserved, it must be remembered that Communist China and its expansionist designs were not as apparent then as they are today and Chinese perfidy not to mention an India that did not have the economic heft and military infrastructure to stand up to its northern neighbour both played a role in the disaster.

On economic policy, which led to the infamous Hindu rate of growth for nearly five decades after Independence, Nehru does have a lot to answer for. Not for the first decade or so after 1947 when the country needed capacity-building and industrialisation and a centralised command economy was probably, all things considered, the only viable route of achieving that objective. But for ignoring the warning signals towards the latter part of his tenure as crony socialism, corruption and de-growth stared India in the face but the economy continued to be guided by doctrinaire, ideological commitments even when clearly divorced from the reality on the ground. It is, however, 'secularism' which is the most contested and contentious aspect of the Nehruvian legacy. While we need to applaud his courage in siding with reformers within the Indic dharmic tradition and pushing through progressive legislation relating to the Hindu community, his abysmal surrender to the mullahs and padres when it came to reform in Abrahamic religions is incomprehensible to genuine liberals even today. The rather weak defence that he was a creature of his times (who isn't?) leads us to the conclusion that he had swallowed whole the knowledge claims of secularised Christian i.e. Western social sciences which made no distinction between religions qua religions and the Indic civilizational tradition which had been classified as a 'religion' by the British colonial rulers and earlier invaders only to make it fathomable for themselves. If anyone could have seen past it, it was Nehru. The abiding disappointment remains that he didn't.

## True Avenger

Whenever we try to be our better selves, Stan Lee's superheroes will have life; he will be missed



He was the greatest avenger of them all, standing tall against time itself, ensuring the continuity of a graphic artform, the comic, well into the post-modern world and moulding his characters in such a manner that they emerged out of their cardboard capes to become flesh and blood realities worth emulation. Marvel Comics chairman Stan Lee has captured fans across time and appeal, contributing millions to Hollywood. And much like the mankind's challenger Thanos, who can control and warp every known limit of space and time in the universe, Lee will

remain a timeless institution with his forever stones. Whether it was the angst-ridden nerd Spider Man or the genius but angry Hulk or the whimsical and rich Iron Man, he had a hero from all sections of society with their own sets of problems, baggage and frailties. Yet they remained very human and believable while summoning up their superhuman will and potential when life tested them. He cooped every race and creed. Black Panther of Wakanda is an African superhero that has given the Marvel franchise its biggest single hero commercial gain. And he did create Chakra, the invincible Indian who could elevate the potential of all seven chakras in a magic suit. No film yet on him but he did rule TV for a while. And in a world of #MeToo, Marvel women like the Black Widow set fair rules of engagement and stood up to be counted despite the men. While Stan Lee started his career with his fertile imagination using pen and ink, it soon spilled on to the page and evolved beyond anyone's imagination to become everyday inspiration.

Some of the heroes were outcasts and misfits in the real world who were vain about their pimples and slogged at work. But seared by struggle, they became the best versions of themselves and their skills, laying a roadmap of hope in an imperfect world. What Stan Lee created was to tie in childhood with adulthood and ensure innocence prevailed in our robotic lives. The creative empire he left behind is a legacy for the entire human civilisation and it will live on forever.

# Hammer and tongs approach

For preventing a democracy from descending to anarchy, it's imperative for citizens to have respect for the rule of law and ensure there are checks on any reckless exercise of power



AJOY KUMAR

Reinhold Niebuhr, a famous American academician once said, "Man's capacity for justice makes democracy possible, but man's inclination to injustice makes democracy necessary." This is a great quote for two reasons: First, because it talks about our humanity and how it craves for justice and equality, which are the foundations of any democracy, and second, because it reminds us of our more base tendencies that can only be kept in check through a democratic system of Government. For a democracy to thrive, there are a few pillars that are at play simultaneously and constantly. These pillars include the judiciary, the executive, the legislature and the Press. Contrary to what this Government would like to assume, a modern democratic society cannot be merely whittled down to the legislature, which makes the laws of the country and are elected to power. But it also requires the judiciary, the Press, and the bureaucracy to play their important roles. I think someone forgot to tell that to the current Government in power.

While there has been an uneasy consistency with which the Government has targeted these other pillars of democracy, the first real shot was fired by the Finance Minister, who while speaking about the Supreme Court's decision to strike down the National Judicial Appointments Commission (NJAC) said that Indian democracy cannot be a tyranny of the unelected and commented how if the elected are undermined, democracy itself would be in danger. I am afraid that Arun Jaitley has missed the point here because a democracy is not the blind and blank mandate of only the elected but instead, in order to function well, it requires a fine balance between the elected and the unelected.

In this week's column, I will examine how the current Government has tried to minimise the influence of these unelected pillars like the judiciary, the bureaucracy and the Press and demonstrated a tyrannical approach to governance.

For a democracy to prevent its descent to anarchy, it is imperative for citizens to have respect for the rule of law. The primary role of the judiciary is to interpret the law of the land and to state the law as it is. The Supreme Court, as the final interpreter of law in our country, recently ruled that no woman can be restricted from entering the Sabarimala temple in Kerala. The Supreme Court came to its decision based on the principles of equality that have been laid down in our Constitution. Since the judgement was borne out of a religiously charged issue, it is the responsibility of the party in power to ensure that the situation on the ground is not further inflamed resulting in greater violence.

Instead, the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), in clear abdication of its responsibilities stoked tensions further. Comments from the BJP president reflect a clear disregard for the judiciary, which is an essential pillar of a successful democracy and only serves to undermine an important part of the State.

The BJP has been brazen in its attempts to exercise control over the bureaucracy as well. The bizarre episode with the CBI director being replaced in the wee hours of the morning and the CBI raiding its own officers, was just the latest indicator of how this Government has sought to maintain a stranglehold on instruments of the state and has lost control of these institutions. While the elected drafts the laws of the country, this Government will do well to recognise that the actual implementation of the laws of our country is through the bureaucracy.

The bureaucracy has a duty to implement the laws drafted by the legislature without any interference. However, there is clear disregard of this tenet by the Government and was further evidenced by the changes that were proposed with respect to the appointment of civil servants to their respective services.

The most recent example of an attack on the institutions and how the Government acts like a spoil child if things are



CONTRARY TO WHAT THIS GOVERNMENT WOULD LIKE TO ASSUME, A MODERN DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY CANNOT BE MERELY WHITTLED DOWN TO THE LEGISLATURE, WHICH MAKES THE LAWS OF THE COUNTRY. IT ALSO REQUIRES THE JUDICIARY, THE PRESS, AND THE BUREAUCRACY TO PLAY THEIR IMPORTANT ROLES

not going its way, is the current stand-off between the Reserve Bank of India and the Government. The widening rift between the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and the Government concerns a demand for funds from the RBI that have been collected over decades. The Government would set a dangerous precedent by invoking Section 7 of the RBI Act that would allow the Government to dictate financial policy. This is because through the past four and a half years, this Government has shown how inept it is at handling the economy. From demonetisation to the implementation of Goods and Services Tax (GST), our country has had to suffer a great deal because of Modinomics. Also, with fuel prices higher than ever and the rupee lower than ever, questioning the financial prudence of the RBI by forcing the Central Bank into submission, is another way to substitute the expertise of the unelected with the arrogance of the elected. India must avoid such this scenario.

An independent Press is the primary medium to speak the truth to powers that maybe but this pillar has been badgered by this Government into something unrecognisable. I have written in this newspaper before, while discussing freedom of Press, that there is an environment of fear and trepidation in the entire country-

where we are unable to raise questions about the Government without attacks on our patriotism. Of these attacks, perhaps the resignation of Punya Prasun Bajpai from ABP News, a few months ago under circumstances that are frighteningly Orwellian, was perhaps the most disconcerting. These attacks coupled with the approach of this Government to shroud itself in secrecy and a Prime Minister who refuses to take unscripted and uncomfortable questions indicate that the Government does not believe that in order for a country to be stronger going forward, it must be able to question its Government.

An examination of the examples I have detailed above shows how this Government has tried to diminish checks on any reckless exercise of its power by whatever means necessary. It is obvious that the Government views any such checks as tyrannical while in reality, it is merely democracy at work that requires the unelected, too, to play an important role. The elected, however, have chosen to adopt a hammer and tongs approach to governance and ignore this basic tenet. The problem, with such an approach, is that if you have a hammer in your hand, everything looks like a nail — even good sense. (The writer is Jharkhand PCC president, former MP and IPS officer. Views are personal)

## SOUNDBITE

I enjoy being on Twitter, and I've made great friends on this medium where every day I see the creativity of people.



Prime Minister —Narendra Modi

We're trying very hard to make better trade deals with India. But, they're very good traders, you would say, right?



US President —Donald Trump

With the way content is evolving and compelling stories are coming out, there's a need for more stories of stronger women.



Actor —Yami Gautam

Those in power have contempt for Jawaharlal Nehru, we must honour him by safeguarding democracy.



Congress leader —Sonia Gandhi

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Man of wisdom

Sir — The demise of T N Srinivasan, a distinguished Indian economist marks the end of a journey. He was in some ways a multi-talented personality. Apart from Economics as his major interest, he was efficient in Mathematics as well as Humanities. Srinivasan was a strong votary of free trade and multilateralism.

He was a rather unassuming person and spent his life teaching in the United States till the very end. Srinivasan devoted his entire life in pursuit of knowledge and teaching.

Devendra Khurana Bhopal

### Faith vs law

Sir— The Congress and the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in the Kerala State fighting against allowing young women to enter Sabarimala has become more aggressive in the light of the Supreme Court agreeing to hear the review pleas on January 22.

It seems that they have forgotten all about gender discrimination in the Sabarimala issue and they are still working hand in glove with the traditionalists of the temple though clear-cut Supreme Court verdict in favour of young women was pronounced.

What is their stand in terms of the verdict? Their stand is a flagrant violation of the verdict of the apex court. But while expressing their stand, they

make it as complicated and complex as ever leaving the people middle-headed.

They also make a mountain out of molehill on the issue to the advantage of their respective political parties.

People cannot see the truth as long as they are not educated by these parties.

TK Nandanani Kochi

### When philosophy rules the roost

The word 'philosophy' and 'philosophical' are often used loosely. Philosophy is about thoughts and questions and finding suitable answers. Thought sharing and exploration of innovative ideas and lacing a creative touch to these, form the base of philosophy. The UNESCO is observing the "World Philosophy Day" on every third Thursday of November since 2002. It believes that a philosophical approach towards problems plaguing the world can be used for moulding a fair society. In times of one culture being pitted against the other, fair thoughts and unbiased news create an equal platform. Philosophers have stressed the need to shun past animosity and buttress the present.

Introspection of one's own knowledge cannot escape attention because according to that great philosopher Socrates, "I am the wisest man alive, for I know one thing, and that is that I know nothing."



The root cause for all conflicts is people judge soon and talk too soon before actually knowing their surroundings. A day spent well is a day indeed because dawn and dusk are imperative and unavoidable. Though philosophical works are rarely studied with proficiency by the non-professional, its principles should guide us to make this world safe.

Ganapathi Bhat Akola

### Democracy wins

Sir — This refers to the report "Voters defy Naxals in their bastion" (November 13). Over 70 per cent voter turnout in the first phase of Assembly polls in Chhattisgarh is a befitting snub to the Maoists by the people of Naxal heartland. Maoists believe in violence

and claim to be fighting for the rights of the people. However, they tried to deprive the people of exercising their primary right of ballot for electing a Government.

They called for boycott of polls, reportedly threatened to chop off hands of those on who had polling ink on their fingers and set off improvised explosive devices.

Defying poll boycott call of the Maoists and ignoring the threats, people came out on the street in record numbers and thronged the polling booths. In 4,336 polling booths of 18 constituencies, across eight Naxal-hit districts, 31.80 lakh voters exercised their voting right to elect their representatives from amongst 190 contestants.

Which political party wins the election is immaterial. Democracy has already come out a winner. The Election Commission, security forces and above all, the voters, deserve accolades for the success of the democratic process.

MC Joshi Lucknow

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**FIRST COLUMN**

## Fighting under alien skies

The deeds of Indian warriors in World War I are a testimony to their spirit despite colonial discrimination



HIRANMAY KARLEKAR

World War I, dubbed "the war to end all wars", ended with an armistice signed on November 11, 1918. The main belligerents were Britain, France, Russia (until the revolution of 1917), Italy (from 1915) and the United States (after 1917) on one side and Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey on the other. A number of other countries like India also became a part of its orbit.

No other conflict until then had involved as many countries. Nor did any till then cause such a staggering number of casualties—about 40 million including about 20 million dead (both sides included) and the rest wounded. Among the dead were 9.7 million military personnel and the rest civilians. This was the first war where technology-based military hardware was deployed on a large scale, and aircraft and tanks, the latter brought in by the United States forces, were used for the first time. The questions are: What did this massive carnage achieve? What was India's role in it?

It did not "end all wars." The League of Nations, emerging in 1919 from the Paris Peace Conference, which led to the Treaty of Versailles officially ending it, doubtless sought to promote disarmament, prevent wars through collective security, settle disputes between countries through negotiation and diplomacy, and global welfare. Unfortunately, it never quite took off. Its credibility and effectiveness were both undermined by the United States' decision to stay away—and this despite the fact that its president, Woodrow Wilson, played an important role in setting it up and was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his efforts to secure peace. The League of Nations' fundamental weakness, however, was that it was slow to act, and sometimes did not act at all. This was because a decision required a unanimous resolution passed by the council members, initially numbering nine and subsequently 15. Besides conflicting interests, the unwillingness of many members to have their actions externally-determined, accounted for this. As a result, wars, between and within nations, followed. Notable in the first category were the Italian invasion of Ethiopia in 1936 and Japanese invasion of China in 1937. Wars within included the one between communists and the Kuomintang forces in China in the 1930s and the Spanish Civil War from 1936 to 1939.

The League's biggest failure was its inability to prevent World War II, which involved most countries of the world and left about 55 million civilians and 21 to 25 million—including five million prisoners of war—military personnel dead. World War II witnessed, for the first time, the use of nuclear bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan. The conflagration, which saw the emergence of the Soviet Union as a super power, had momentous consequences. If the confrontation between the blocks led by the US and the Soviet Union respectively, led to the Cold War which split the world, a third shooting World War was prevented by deterrence provided by the accumulation of missile-mounted nuclear weapons, capable of wiping out the entire world, on both sides. Post-World-War II wars like those occurring in Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan and between India and Pakistan, India and China, Israel, Arab countries remained regional. As to the second question mentioned at the beginning, India was under British Rule during World War I, which Indian troops fought as a part of British imperial forces. The country made a signal contribution. A total of over 14 lakh men were recruited for the war, of whom over 13 lakh were sent for service in the Middle East and Europe. One of them was Kaji Nazrul Islam, the fiery Bengali revolutionary poet, who served in Mesopotamia.

Indian troops fought with tremendous gallantry in lands they had never known and under climatic conditions to which they were strangers. As many as 74,187 were killed and 70,000 wounded. Twelve Indians received the Victoria Cross, the highest and most prestigious medal awarded by the British Army to officers and men who had performed "some signal act of valour or devotion to duty" in "the presence of the enemy." The recipients were Mir Dard, Fazal Din, Khudadad Khan, Sahamad Khan, Lala, Darwan Singh, Gabbar Singh Negi, Karanbahadur Rana, Badli Singh, Chhattan Singh, Gobind Singh and Kulbir Thapa. Indians also fought in the air. Four of them joined the Royal Flying Corps, which later became the Royal Air Force. Lieutenants all, they were Indra Lal Roy, Hardit Singh Malik, S.C. Welingkar and ESC Sen. Roy and Welingkar were killed, the former in aerial combat, and the latter in a German hospital after crashing during a dogfight and taken prisoner. Roy was only 19 years old when he died on July 22, 1919, after having performed the incredible feat of shooting down 10 German planes in 14 days. He was posthumously awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross given for "exceptional gallantry during active operations against the enemy in the air." Britain, however, has never adequately acknowledged India's contribution, which did not receive much attention until some years ago. Bias against Indians has been alleged. While Malik claimed six victories against the Germans, he was credited with only two. But then discrimination is integral to colonial rule.

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**POINT COUNTERPOINT**

**IN THE AFFIDAVIT, MODI ADMITTED TO CHANGES IN THE CONTRACT WITHOUT ASKING THE AIR FORCE AND PUT ₹30,000 CRORE IN AMBANI'S POCKET.**

—CONGRESS PRESIDENT RAHUL GANDHI



**REALISING THAT THE MODI GOVERNMENT BOUGHT THE RAFALE AT A CHEAPER PRICE, THEY'RE NOW RESORTING TO PETTY HAIR-SPLITTING.**

—UNION FINANCE MINISTER ARUN JAITLEY

# A bid to disturb the peace

Given ISI's determination to revive insurgency in Punjab, anti-national elements must be dealt with stringently and those who raise pro-Khalistan slogans should be put behind bars



JK VERMA

On November 3, Army Chief, General Bipin Rawat, while delivering a lecture at a seminar organised by the Centre for Land and Warfare Studies (CLAWS), emphatically mentioned that although at present Punjab is peaceful, but because of foreign linkages, attempts are being made "to revive insurgency in the state." He also stated that "we have to be very careful" and we should take early action, before it is too late. He emphasised that internal security is India's leading problem but it cannot be resolved easily because of foreign assistance to insurgent groups. He also mentioned that foreign powers are trying to revitalise insurgency in Assam. He rightly asserted that only military cannot curb insurgency and all Government agencies, civil administration and police should work in cohesion to restore peace.

The Union Government has also informed Punjab Government that the Inter Services Intelligence (ISI) is trying hard to reanimate insurgency in Punjab through Sikhs settled abroad, especially in Canada, Europe, the United States, and Australia. On August 12, 2018, Sikhs For Justice (SFJ), a pro-Khalistan organisation, promoted the 'London Declaration on Referendum 2020 for Sikhs'. The so-called referendum, which was organised with the financial and logistical support of the ISI, demanded an independent Khalistan.

Gurpatwant Singh Pannun, a resident of the United States is an important functionary of the SFJ. The organisers collected details, including passport copies, college documents, photographs, mobile numbers, email and WhatsApp addresses of Sikhs from Punjab in the name of sponsoring them, to attend the referendum. In this way they have collected details of large number of young Sikhs who were interested in attending the pro-Khalistan referendum. These details can be misused by the ISI as well as by pro-Khalistan elements in future. As the ISI is ready to finance the referendums, the SFJ declared that it will organise referendums in other countries as well.

The SFJ is planning to finance the visit of 10,000 Sikh pilgrims to Pakistan to celebrate 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak. The ISI would utilise the visit to distribute anti-India and pro-Khalistan literature and might try to instigate Khalistan sentiments to a large number of Sikhs visiting Pakistan. The Gurdwaras controlled by pro-Khalistan elements in Canada, the US and the UK have prohibited the entry of Indian diplomats, Indian Members of Parliament, et al. The Indian Government urged the Governments of these countries to lift the ban but they refused to help.

Security forces also unearthed a depraved plan of the ISI under which young persons of Pakistani origin and citizens of Western countries were cultivated and trained in Punjabi and Sikh traditions. Later on, they were sent to Punjab and marry Sikh girls and convert them into pro-Khalistan entities. Hence, the ISI is using not only young women to honey-trap but also using young men to allure Sikh women. However, the ulterior motive lies the revival of



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insurgency in Punjab. The interrogation reports of Sikh terrorists, including Jagtar Singh Chief of Khalistan Tiger Force, clearly indicate that the ISI is fomenting trouble in Punjab and spread concocted reports in Pakistani media. These reports are picked up by international media, which are sympathetic to the intelligence agency.

As the ISI was funding lavishly, pro-Khalistan elements have created several terrorist outfits namely Khalistan Commando Force (KCF), Bhindranwala Tigers Force of Khalistan (BTFK), Khalistan Liberation Force (KLF), Babbar Khalsa International (BKI), International Sikh Youth Federation (ISYF), Khalistan Zindabad Force (KZF), Khalistan Liberation Army, All India Sikh Students Federation (AISSF), Khalistan Armed Force aka Dashmesh Regiment, Shaheed Khalsa Force, Khalistan Guerilla Force, Khalistan Security Force, et al.

However, these forces lack mass support and, hence, sometimes they put few pro-Khalistan posters or carry out terrorist activities. In 2015, three Sikh terrorists killed a superintendent of police, three home guards and three civilians in Dina Nagar police station (Gurdaspur), and Shiv Sena and Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) leaders were also assassinated. Analysts claim that these incidents happen when the ISI refuses to release funds unless their agents carry out some terrorist activities.

The ISI has given shelter to a few Sikh leaders, including KCF chief Paramjit Singh Panjwar, BKI chief

Wadhwa Singh Babbar, ISYF chief Ranjit Singh Neeta in Pakistan. These leaders propagate Khalistani ideologies to the Sikhs residing abroad. The ISI also uses them to spread anti-India and pro-Khalistan views to Indian Sikh jathas (group of pilgrims) whenever they visit Pakistan.

At present due to close family relationship between Sikhs and Hindus, Sikhs understand that Khalistan is not practicable. However, the ISI persistently sends its agents to Punjab in order to instigate Sikhs.

The ISI has also smuggled drugs in Punjab and at present youth have become drug-addicts. The ISI uses them as support agents to spread hatred towards Hindus. As there is no ideological basis for Khalistan, the ISI circulates news about perceived atrocities and statements of anti-establishment political leaders who denounce Indian system with ulterior motives. Analysts also claim that the economy of Pakistan is ruined and it is on verge of loan default. Prime Minister Imran Khan returned empty handed from China. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has put stringent conditions to grant loan and, hence, the Pakistan Government is raising the Khalistan issue to sidetrack the attention of poor and illiterate masses.

India must safeguard its interests. The analysts claim that not only ISI but several intelligence agencies support various terrorist outfits. Hence, Indian security forces must analyse the reason why European countries, Canada and the US never help Indian

security agencies against Khalistani elements.

Pro-Khalistan Sikhs should be blacklisted and they should not be allowed to enter India. At present, the Khalistan movement is dormant in India but it is not dead and it can revive with foreign assistance. A vast majority of Sikhs are aware of the futility of the movement but a few disenchanted members of the community may be tempted to play with fire for their selfish interests.

Sikhs settled abroad may also render ideological and financial assistance to the perceived discrimination and atrocities. Hence, Central as well as State Government should try to sort out simmering issues, including punishment to the executioners of 1984 anti-Sikh riots, Sutlej-Yamuna Link Canal issue, among others. The separatists' allegation that Hindus want to submerge Sikh religion must be countered.

In view of the above, Indian policy planners must be careful and chalk out a comprehensive plan under which the genuine problems of Punjab will be redressed. On the other hand, anti-national elements must be dealt with stringently and those who raise pro-Khalistan slogans should be put behind bars. The Government and the nationalist elements should also formulate a plan to counter the misinformation campaign launched by Khalistan supporters in India as well as abroad.

(The writer is a member of United Services Institute of India and Institute for Defence Studies and Analysis. Views expressed are personal)

# Dry riverbeds of tomorrow

Only zero tolerance policies pertaining to pollution and climate change can retrieve our rivers from doom. But do the authorities have the will to see this through? Only time will tell



KOTA SRIRAJ

There is certainly something seriously going wrong with our fresh water bodies, not only in India but also across the world. Is it global warming, or climate change, or failing rains? Or a combination of all these? The scientific and the environmental experts are getting hard pressed to find the exact reason and hopefully the solution for the same. In the meanwhile, the once flourishing rivers in parts of the world are rapidly turning into dry river beds comprising of nothing but sand and quickly falling prey to land sharks and real estate mafia.

In India, the 1990s saw a flurry of hydel projects being approved and built of various capacities; these projects successfully dammed the rivers emanating from the Himalayas at var-

ious points, leading to electricity generation no doubt, but eventually causing the rivers downstream to quickly dry up and adversely affected millions of people and agriculture, which was dependent on the natural flow of the river.

Is this an India-specific phenomenon? Apparently not. It would be of interest to note that of all places, Europe is, as we speak, flummoxed by drying up of their rivers. Water levels in Western Europe and Germany's most important river, the Rhine, is at record low levels currently. More shockingly the water levels in this river is fast approaching zero at several spots. This occurrence is due to a recent drought, which is being blamed on climate change. Needless to say that the development has affected freight supplies, as the river is one of the most important transport routes in the region.

German media reports quoted Germany's Federal Waterways and Shipping Administration as saying that about half of Germany's river ferries had stopped running, and river cruise ships were having to transport their

passengers by bus for parts of their journey. The reports also noted that thousands of fish in the Swiss section of the river had died because of the heat and low oxygen levels. The most important effect of this has been on supplies of freight. Roughly 80 per cent of the 223 million tonnes of cargo is transported by ship in Germany each year travels the Rhine, which links the country's industrial heartland to Belgium, the Netherlands and the North Sea.

As a consequence of the river drying up, petrol stations in the region that rely on tankers to deliver fuel from refineries in the Netherlands have run out of supplies. A number of inland ports are now idle, and millions of tonnes of goods are being transported by rail or road. Media reports have speculated that drying of the Rhine could be due to climate change. The river's flow relies not just on annual rainfall, but also on long-term water reserves in the Alps. Melting snow and glaciers, as well as Lake Constance, the source of the Rhine, feed the upper parts of the river. These

reserves are substantially lower today due to climate change. And in more bad news, other major rivers on the continent, such as the Danube and the Elbe are also drying up in parts.

Similar to the Rhine, the Ganges is an important river of India and is exceedingly suffering the same fate. The Ganges serves as the source of drinking water for almost 500 million people. It flows all the way from 3,000m above sea level in the Himalayan Mountains to the Bay of Bengal, and is one of the most revered and sacred water bodies. Despite this, it is also under increasing threat from climate change, industrial pollution and unhygienic rituals and waste disposal engendered by its legend. In fact, it was ranked as the fifth most polluted river worldwide.

The Ganges already sustains nearly half a billion people and according to the International Water Resource Management Institute (IWRMI), the demand for fresh drinking water will only increase. It projects the demand will rise roughly by one-third in the coming 15 years, meaning that the

Indians will rely on the river more than ever. However, a recent study surveying 925 rivers worldwide found that climate change posed a serious threat to many of the world's running water sources. Due to its geographical location, the Ganges was found to be particularly at risk, along with Africa's Niger River and the Chinese Yellow River.

Climate change is poised to affect the Ganges in another, more direct way. Water pollution in Asia has long been a subject of concern, and the Ganges is one of the harder hit bodies of water from the effects of the industrial boom in the continent. A report from the World Bank estimates that around 20 per cent of the contaminants in the river come from industrial emissions, and roughly one billion gallons of untreated sewage enters its waterways on a daily basis. Clearly, the situation is a concerning one. Add to this, the deeply religious significance of the river does little to help cleanup efforts. The Observer Research Foundation (ORF), a non-profit NGO from New Delhi, conducted a survey of 500 people and

interviewed 150 more to find out how attitudes to the river affected its cleanliness.

A large number of respondents to the survey felt that the religious value of the Ganga was non-negotiable. The respondents to the survey even suggested that the scale of traditional rituals such as corpse immersions in the Ganga were so low that they did not really upset the ecological balance or biodiversity of the river and that immersion of dead bodies in the river had in no way been found to hinder water management initiatives in the Ganga. The mythological idea of the Ganga is sadly more valued than the river itself.

If this trajectory of destruction continues, our pious and sacred rivers will be staring at becoming dry riverbeds of tomorrow. Only zero tolerance policies pertaining to pollution and climate change can retrieve our rivers from doom. But do the authorities have the will to see this through? Only time will tell.

(The writer is an environmental journalist)



**FOREIGNEYE**



## CAST AWAY SELFISH AMBITIONS

The Sri Lankan crisis is clearly a power struggle with extremely selfish motivation of politicians which does not involve the interests of the people at all, despite the groups on either side of the current political divide screaming at the top of their voices that they are fighting for democracy. (The Daily Mirror editorial)

SABARIMALA ROW

# Trupti to visit temple on Friday with six women

**Thiruvananthapuram:** Woman activist Trupti Desai on Wednesday waded into the Sabarimala issue when she asked for complete police protection during her visit to the temple starting Friday. But temple activist Rahul Eashwar promised to fight her tooth-and-nail to prevent her entry.



**PROMISING AN EVEN BIGGER RESISTANCE, SABARIMALA TANTRI FAMILY'S RAHUL EASHWAR ALONG WITH ACTIVISTS AND DEVOTEES TOLD THE MEDIA HERE, THAT DESAI WOULD KNOW THE POWER OF THE FAITH OF AYYAPPA DEVOTEES WHEN SHE AND HER GROUP REACHES THE TEMPLE TOWN**

Desai wrote to Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan to order police protection for her group when they visit Sabarimala on November 17 when the temple will open for the two-month long pilgrimage.

The temple town has witnessed protests by Hindu groups and temple tantri and officials ever since the Supreme Court verdict on September 28, allowed women of all ages to pray at Lord Ayyappa temple that hitherto banned girls and women aged between 10 and 50.

Desai wrote to Vijayan on Wednesday that she along with six other women would be arriving in Kerala on Friday for a visit at the temple on Saturday. She sought police protection right from the time she lands in Kerala till they leave the State, saying "we will visit the temple whatever be the resistance".

While Eashwar said he and his officials along with Lord Ayyappa's true devotees would ensure that none were able to break the tradition of the temple.

Speaking to a Malayalam TV channel, Desai said she has written to the Chief Minister, Kerala Police chief Loknath Behra and also Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

"I have written but have not done any online booking for the darshan. The Supreme Court order is now very clear and hence we will be there and we will visit the temple whatever be the resistance," said Desai.

The temple will be open for 66 days till January 20, with a small break in between. Promising an even bigger resistance, Sabarimala Tantri family's Rahul Eashwar along with activists and devotees told the media here, that Desai would know the power of the faith of Ayyappa devotees when she and her group reaches the temple town.

Eashwar was put in jail in October during the first month's protest after the top court's ruling came into existence. "Come, what may, we will ensure that our protest will be in the true Gandhian way and none will be able to break the tradition of the temple."

"We will lie down before the women who come to break the temple's tradition." The temple will open on Friday evening for the Mandala Mahotsavam and she has asked to be escorted right from the airport to their rooms in Kottayam, where they would rest for the day. The police must then provide protection when they head for the hilltop temple on Saturday.

# Holistic approach needed keeping sentiments in mind, says Union Min



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

**Asked if an ordinance was required to deal with the situation, Sharma said the Kerala Government had to decide on the matter, adding that the Centre would intervene at the right time if required**

Union Culture Minister Mahesh Sharma called for a "holistic approach" to be adopted on the Sabarimala temple issue on Wednesday so that the sentiments of the people were not hurt, observing that the Centre would intervene in the matter at the "right time" if required.

The Supreme Court on Tuesday agreed to review its verdict allowing the entry of women of all ages into the hilltop shrine in Kerala, which had sparked violent protests in the southern State, but refused to grant a stay.

Asked if an ordinance was required to deal with the situation, Sharma said the Kerala Government had to decide on the matter, adding that the Centre would intervene at the right time if required.

"The State Government has to take a call on that (ordinance) and the Central Government, if required, will definitely intervene at the right

time," he told reporters here. Asked if the contention that the entry of menstruating women would make the temple impure, Sharma said, "Well, I am a doctor, I will not make any comment because the matter is sub-judice, but we have to take a holistic call on it."

The two-month-long Mandala Makaravilakku pilgrimage season that commences on November 17 attracts millions of devotees from all over the country to Sabarimala.

On September 28, a five-judge constitution bench of the apex court, headed by then Chief Justice Dipak Misra, in a 4:1 verdict, had lifted the centuries-old ban on girls and women in the 10-50 age group from entering the shrine, saying it amounted to gender discrimination. The review petitions against the verdict were taken up "in-chamber" by a bench of Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi and justices RF Nariman, AM Khanwilkar, DY Chandrachud and Indu Malhotra.

# Security upped after miscreants hijack passenger taxi in Jammu

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

Security was beefed up all along Jammu-Pathankot National Highway, dotted with vital Army installations, after four suspected 'miscreants' hijacked a passenger taxi, hired from Jammu railway station, near Madhopur in Punjab, late Tuesday night.

The incident came to light in the wee hours of Wednesday after driver of the passenger Taxi, Raj Kumar, raised an alarm soon after he managed to escape after a brief scuffle with the miscreants.

The miscreants had threatened to kill him and dump his dead body in the nearby canal.

After the alarm was raised, Punjab and J&K police, alerted security check points on possible escape routes to track down the hijackers and prevent possible terror strike in the close vicinity of Pathankot

air base. Jammu Railway Station Taxi Operator's Union, Vice-President, Rajvender Singh told reporters in Jammu, "a group of four people had booked a Taxi from Jammu railway station for dropping at Pathankot late Tuesday evening".

## SEARCH FOR MISSING

General Public is hereby informed that a girl **Name:** Rani, **D/o** Ram Chander Singh, **R/o:** D-4, Gali No. 13, B-Block, Dass Garden, Delhi, **Age:** 17 Years, **Height:** 5'1", **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Unknown colour Suit-Salwar, has been missing/kidnapped since 14.09.2018 from the area of PS Ranhola, Delhi. In this regard **FIR No. 552/18 u/s 363 IPC**, dated 19.09.2018, has been lodged at **PS. Ranhola, Delhi**. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing girl but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing girl please inform the undersigned.

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### UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER & HALF YEAR ENDED 30TH SEP, 2018

(₹ in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Particulars	(STANDALONE)				
		30-Sep-18 3 months (Unaudited)	30-Sep-18 6 months (Unaudited)	30-Sep-17 3 months (Unaudited)	30-Sep-17 6 months (Unaudited)	30-Jun-18 3 months (Unaudited)
1	Total Income from Operations	3792.95	7821	3645.25	6128.94	4028.05
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	18.72	49.76	38.72	70.33	31.04
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	18.72	49.76	38.72	70.33	31.04
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	19.84	34.90	25.63	47.50	15.06
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	19.84	34.90	25.63	47.5	15.06
6	Equity Share Capital	1350.00	1350.00	1350.00	1350.00	1350.00
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in audited balance sheet of previous year	1,119.58	1,119.58	1,063.22	1,063.22	1,119.58
8	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each)					
	1. Basic:	0.15	0.26	0.19	0.35	0.11
	2. Diluted:	0.15	0.26	0.19	0.35	0.11

**Notes:**  
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2 The above results were reviewed and recommended by the audit committee and taken on record by the Board of Director at its meeting held on 14/11/2018 and the Statutory Auditor have carried Limited Review of the same.

Agarwal Duplex Board Mills Limited  
Sd/-  
Neeraj Goel  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00017498

Place : Delhi  
Date : 14/11/2018

### KOVALAM INVESTMENT AND TRADING CO. LTD.

CIN No : L65910PB1981PLC023058  
Regd. Office : Premises Oswal Woolen Mills Ltd., G. T. Road, Sherpur, Ludhiana-141003  
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EXTRACT OF THE STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER/ HALF YEAR ENDED 30.09.2018 (Rs. in Lacs)

S. No.	Particulars	STANDALONE			
		Quarter Ended 30.09.2018 Unaudited	Quarter Ended 30.06.2018 Unaudited	Quarter Ended 30.09.2017 Unaudited	Year Ended 31.03.2018 Audited
1.	Total Income from Operations	39.13	31.20	85.66	254.99
2.	Net Profit/(Loss) from Ordinary Activities for the Period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	(11.88)	21.08	62.03	212.43
3.	Net Profit/(Loss) from Ordinary Activities for the Period before Tax(after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	(11.88)	21.08	62.03	212.43
4.	Net Profit/(Loss) from Ordinary Activities for the Period after Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	(18.50)	14.10	48.73	157.30
5.	Equity Share Capital(Face Value of Rs. 10/-)	222.39	222.39	222.39	222.39
6.	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserves as shown in the Balance sheet of previous year)				2389.39
7.	Earning Per Share (EPS) Face value of Rs. 10/- each. (from Continuing and discontinuing operations) Basic & Diluted	(0.83)	0.63	2.19	7.07

**NOTE:**  
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For Kovalam Investment and Trading Co. Ltd.  
Sd/-  
(PAWAN KUMAR SHARMA)  
DIRECTOR (DIN : 07163131)

### ATLAS JEWELLERY INDIA LIMITED

CIN: L74140DL1989PLC131289  
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Email : [info@atlasjewelleryindia.com](mailto:info@atlasjewelleryindia.com), Phone: 011-41041149/ 40541077, Web: [www.atlasjewelleryindia.com](http://www.atlasjewelleryindia.com)  
EXTRACT OF STATEMENT OF STANDALONE UN-AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE SECOND QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2018 (Rs. in lacs except per share data)

S. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended		
		30 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 Un-Audited	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2018 Un-Audited	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 Un-Audited
1.	Total income from operations (net)	50.96	145.29	155.11
2.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	743.15	1419.22	34.69
3.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	743.15	1419.22	8.01
4.	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	729.80	1392.10	14.55
5.	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	729.80	1392.10	14.55
6.	Equity Share Capital	10065.45	10065.45	10065.45
7.	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	-	-	-
8.	Earnings Per Share (face value of Rs. 10 each) (before and after extraordinary items) -			
	1. Basic:	0.73	1.38	0.01
	2. Diluted:	0.73	1.38	0.01

**Notes:**  
(1) The above results were reviewed by the Audit Committee at its meeting held on November 13, 2018 and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on November 14, 2018.  
(2) The Statutory auditors of the company have carried out the limited review of the financial results for the second quarter and half year ended September 30, 2018.  
(3) The company has only one segment of revenue.  
(4) With regard to Auditor's observation in point no. 06 of the limited review report, the operational results are not materially affected and the affect is only on the financial position, secondly the foreign exchange gain is un-realised and not notional. With regard to overseas trade receivable, loans & advances, the company has already initiated legal action/suit and sufficient documents/copies of legal filing and other supporting have been made available to the Auditors.  
(5) As regards to the Loans & Advances, which is also covered in point 8(b) of the said report, it is mentioned that these are old dues being carried forward from FY 2012-13 and relates to GEE EI Woollens Ltd. (Erstwhile Company).  
(6) Figures relating to the previous periods/year has been reclassified/rearranged wherever necessary, to confirm to the current period's presentation.

For ATLAS Jewellery India Ltd.  
Sd/-  
Nanda Kumaran Putezhath  
Non-Executive Chairman  
DIN: 02547619

### TENDER NOTICE

SR. No.	NAME OF BOARD/CORP./AUTH	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT / EMD (APPROX. IN RUPEES)	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./ AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	HVPNL	REPAIR & CIVIL MTC. WORKS IN NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS I.E (TL OFFICE, SDO CONST. S/DIVISION OFFICE, MTC, GANG OFFICE, CONTROL ROOM BUILDING & TS DIVISION OFFICE) AT 132 KV S/STN HVPNL, BHIWANI DURING THE YEAR-2018-19. (ON THROUGH RATE)	26.11.2018	4.72 LACS	<a href="http://www.hvnpn.org.in">www.hvnpn.org.in</a> Tender No NIT no-16/75/BHW/2018-19 Dated 08.11.2018 [Tender ID:-104648]	0172-2583789 <a href="mailto:pro@hvnpn.org.in">pro@hvnpn.org.in</a>
2	HVPNL	PLUGGING THE OIL LEAKAGE ON 16/20 MVA, 132/33 KV T/F T-3 INSTALLED AT 132 KV S/STN,HVPNL, BEHAL (HARYANA)	26.11.2018	1.65 LACS	<a href="http://www.hvnpn.org.in">www.hvnpn.org.in</a> Tender No NIT no-14/75/BHW/2018-19 Dated 08.11.2018 [Tender ID:-104643]	0172-2583789 <a href="mailto:pro@hvnpn.org.in">pro@hvnpn.org.in</a>
3	HVPNL	REPAIR & CIVIL MTC. WORK IN 25 NO. RESIDENTIAL QUARTERS AT 132 KV S/STN HVPNL, BHIWANI DURING THE YEAR-2018-19 (ON THROUGH RATE)	26.11.2018	5.36 LACS	<a href="http://www.hvnpn.org.in">www.hvnpn.org.in</a> Tender No-NIT no-15/75/BHW/2018-19 Dated 08.11.2018 [Tender ID:-104646]	0172-2583789 <a href="mailto:pro@hvnpn.org.in">pro@hvnpn.org.in</a>
4	HVPNL	REFILLING OF FIREFIGHTING EQUIPMENT (DCP & CO2 TYPE) AT THE S/STN. UNDER TS DIVISION, HVPNL ROHTAK	CLOSING DATE 20.11.2018	5.33 LACS	<a href="http://www.hvnpn.org.in">www.hvnpn.org.in</a> Tender No 28/TS/Divn/RTK/2018-19	0172-2583789 <a href="mailto:pro@hvnpn.org.in">pro@hvnpn.org.in</a>
5	HVPNL	CONSTRUCTION OF 1 NO. 100 MVA T/F PLINTH (230/33KV) IN BAY A-12, ADDL. ODSG FOUNDATIONS, ODC, DRAIN & CC ROAD AT 220KV SUB-STATION MASUDPUR. (R-6)	CLOSING DATE 04.12.2018	71.45 LACS	<a href="http://www.hvnpn.org.in">www.hvnpn.org.in</a> Tender No 28/cwd-2/vol-IX/HVPN/2018-19 DT 13/11/2018 (online Tender No -1049934)	0172-2583789 <a href="mailto:pro@hvnpn.org.in">pro@hvnpn.org.in</a>
6	HVPNL	MTC OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS IN POWER HOUSE COLONY AT 132 KV S/STN., SIRSA FY-2018-19	12.11.2018 26.11.2018	3.80 LACS	<a href="https://www.hvnpn.org.in">https://www.hvnpn.org.in</a> Tender No 18/ATEN/13/SAS/2018-19 Dt. 12.11.2018	0172-2583789 <a href="mailto:pro@hvnpn.org.in">pro@hvnpn.org.in</a>
7	HVPNL	DEPOSIT WORK OF RVNL OF CONSTRUCTION OF 132 KV CT/PT FOUNDATION FOR METERING ARRANGEMENT AT TSS SATROD	06.12.2018	2.65 LACS	<a href="http://www.hvnpn.org.in">www.hvnpn.org.in</a> Tender No 29/cwd-2/vol-X/HVPN/2018-19 Dt-14/11/2018 (Online Tender No 105057)	0172-2583789 <a href="mailto:pro@hvnpn.org.in">pro@hvnpn.org.in</a>
8	HSAM BOARD PANCHKULA	SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING & COMMISSIONING OF LED LIGHTS FOR HEAD OFFICE BUILDING, SECTOR-6 & KISAN BHAWAN, SECTOR-14 AT PANCHKULA	28.11.2018	28.93 LACS	<a href="https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	-
9	HSAM BOARD SIRSA	WORK PROVIDING INTERLOCKING PAVER BLOCK IN VILLAGE KARAMGARH ON ROAD FROM KARAMGARH TO PANJANA (ID 2516) + 2 OTHER WORKS	19.11.2018 03.12.2018	39.94 LACS	<a href="https://hsamb.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://hsamb.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a>	01666-240743 <a href="mailto:xenhsamb.sirsa17@gmail.com">xenhsamb.sirsa17@gmail.com</a>
10	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE RAJOUND	SUPPLY AND LAYING OF GREEN PATCH SHALMAX PRE-INSTANT COLD MIX ROAD MATERIAL AT WARD NO 01 TO 13 IN THE LIMIT OF MC RAJOUND	16.11.2018 22.11.2018	15.00 LACS	-	9466361167 <a href="mailto:mesurender4575@gmail.com">mesurender4575@gmail.com</a>
11	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE ASSANDH	PROVIDING THE MENPOWER SERVICE SUPERVISOR IN MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE ASSANDH	11/21/2018	EMD-20000	<a href="http://eprocurement.gov.in">http://eprocurement.gov.in</a>	9812139699 01749-278269 <a href="mailto:secymc.assandh@gmail.com">secymc.assandh@gmail.com</a>
12	MC HISAR	SUPPLY OF 3.00 CUM DUSTBIN IN MUNICIPAL CORPORATION HISAR	30.11.2018	NIL	<a href="http://mchisar.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">mchisar.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 104811	xenmchisar@gmail.com
13	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION PANCHKULA	DEVELOPMENT OF REHRI MARKET IN SECTOR-19,PANCHKULA + 2 OTHER WORKS	16.11.2018 07.12.2018	499.83 LACS	<a href="https://ulb.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://ulb.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 105032, 105033, 105034	mcpanchkula@gmail.com 0172-2583695, 2583794
14	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION FARIDABAD	PROVISION OF RMC M-35 GRADE WITH CEMENTS CONTENT 400KG/CM3 FROM DELHI JUICE CORNER TO AGRASEN CHOWK AND AGRASEN CHOWK TO SABZI MANDI ROAD IN WARD NO.29 & 30 FARIDABAD	13.11.2018 12.12.2018	140.68 LACS	<a href="https://mcfbd.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://mcfbd.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 104957	9818643725 <a href="mailto:shyamingsingnaurag@gmail.com">shyamingsingnaurag@gmail.com</a>
15	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GURUGRAM	RE-CALL FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROAD 80MM THICK INTERLOCKING PAVER BLOCK OF M-40 GRADE FROM SPR ROAD TO BEGAMPUR KHATOLA(KHASHA NO.83) IN VILLAGE BEGAMPUR KHATOLA WARD NO 26. GURUGRAM + 1 OTHER WORKS	26.11.2018 23.11.2018	117.59 LACS	<a href="http://mcpurugram.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">http://mcpurugram.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No EE III&IV/MCG/F-6/2018/49204-104937 EE-III&IV/MCG/F-6/2018/49204-104937 DT 13 11 2018	9821395203 <a href="mailto:EE3@msg.gov.in">EE3@msg.gov.in</a>
16	DHBVN	FOR GALVANIZATION OF VARIOUS STEEL ITEMS CONFORMING TO IS-2629 ALONGWITH TRANSPORTATION/DELIVERY OF MATERIAL FROM/TO C/STORE, BALLABGARH (NIT NO.25/COS/2018-19)	05.11.2018 27.11.2018	2.5 CRORE	<a href="http://www.dhbvn.org.in">www.dhbvn.org.in</a>	9416310766 01662-223426 <a href="mailto:cosdhubvn7@gmail.com">cosdhubvn7@gmail.com</a>
17	DHBVN	RATE CONTRACT FOR TRANSPORTATION OF M.S STEEL ITEMS(NIT NO.24/COS/2018-19)	02.11.2018 19.11.2018	15 LACS	<a href="http://www.dhbvn.org.in">www.dhbvn.org.in</a>	9416310766 01662-223426 <a href="mailto:cosdhubvn7@gmail.com">cosdhubvn7@gmail.com</a>
18	DHBVN	FIXING THE RATE CONTRACT FOR THE SUPPLY OF 400 KVA DTS (NIT NO. 613/DH/MM DATED 13.11.2018 AGAINST OD-794)	14.11.2018 06.12.2018	6.08 CRORE	<a href="http://www.dhbvn.org.in">www.dhbvn.org.in</a>	8059888695 <a href="mailto:semmdhbvn@gmail.com">semmdhbvn@gmail.com</a>
19	HARYANA ROADWAYS ENGG. CORPORATION LTD.	BUS PASSENGERS SEATS + 34 OTHER WORKS	16.11.2018 06.12.2018	744.01 LACS	<a href="https://hrec.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in">https://hrec.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in</a> Tender No 30 to 64/2018-19/SPO/HREC	gn.hrec27@gmail.com 9873599586
20	SSA,HISAR	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF PLAY STATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF PARK(SWING & JHULLAS) IN GOVT. PRIMARY SCHOOLS OF DISTT. HISAR-11 NOS.	19.11.2018 26.11.2018	46.75 LACS	<a href="mailto:hisar.dpc.hisspp@gmail.com">hisar.dpc.hisspp@gmail.com</a>	9996165029
21	HARYANA TOURISM CORPORATION LIMITED	EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR HIRING OF SERVICES OF FREELANCE DIRECT SALES FORCE FOR PROMOTION/BOOKINGS OF CONFERENCE/CONVENTION HALLS/GROUP ROOM BOOKING OF HTC	15.11.2018 26.11.2018	NIL	<a href="http://haryanatourism.gov.in">haryanatourism.gov.in</a> Tender No 2018_MKT_1	<a href="mailto:haryanatourism@gmail.com">haryanatourism@gmail.com</a> 9216400446

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RC NO. 73518

# Renaming Bengal: Didi slams Centre for delay

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

A furious Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Wednesday came down heavily on the Central Government for "intentionally delaying" the process of renaming West Bengal to "Bangla" as proposed and passed by the State Assembly in September last year.

"I had personally requested the Union Government and Home Minister Rajnath Singh to hasten up the matter of renaming Bengal into Bangla after the resolution was passed in the State Assembly. But nothing has been done in this regard. The Centre is ignoring the opinion of the majority population because some people who are in a microscopic minority (State BJP leader) want them to do so. This is amounts to defying the federal nature of the Constitution," she said.

"They (the BJP Government) are changing the names of other places but they are delaying the renaming of Bengal when the people of the State want it to be done as was proved by the unanimous support this cause

received in the State Assembly," the Chief Minister said wondering "if the name of Bombay, Bangalore, Orissa and Pondicherry changed into Mumbai, Bengaluru, Odisha and Puducherry, then why West Bengal cannot be changed into Bangla."

The proposal of renaming the State had been in the air since the nineties but it was finally passed in August 2016 when West Bengal was renamed into Bengal, Bangal, Bangla in English, Hindi and Bengali. The proposal was turned down by the Centre which then asked the State to consider a new name.

It was then that the Assembly voted in favour of single name Bangla in September, last year.

"They (BJP) are of the opinion that Bangladesh is also called Bangla so it is not the proper alternative for West Bengal, but these people fail to realize that there is one Punjab each in Pakistan and India without doing any harm to any sentiments," Mamata said.

Warning the present Government which was "cross-

ing its limits in many ways," Banerjee reminded "the Constitution has divided the powers of the State and the Centre and so no one should think itself superior to the other."

"Even the State Chief Ministers were called Prime Minister in the British period but after the Independence the States got Chief Ministers and the Centre got a Prime Minister considering the different roles they played," she said adding there was no reason to think that the State or the Centre were superior to each other.

Instead of upholding the values enshrined in the Constitution the Centre was disregarding India's federal structure she alleged. "It is not a few leaders in Delhi who run this country. In fact India is run by the federal States."

Reacting to Banerjee's charges Bengal BJP president Dilip Ghosh however said that "instead of renaming the State the Government should concentrate on development and restoring democracy in the State."

# LoP Saikia slams Sonowal for failing to protect Assam's interest

ANUP SHARMA ■ GUWAHATI

Assam's Leader of the Opposition, Debabrata Saikia, slammed Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal-led Government in the State for failing to protect the State's interest and address the growing insecurity in the State.

Saikia's statement came days after a top brass of the Assam police admitted that the resentment against the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2016 has led young people in some districts to join the anti-talk faction of United Liberation Front of Assam (ULFA).

"This is nothing short of a confirmation of the Sarbananda Sonowal-led Government's failure to protect Assam's interests and its tendency to betray people," Saikia said in a statement issued on Wednesday.

Director General (Special Branch) of Assam Police and the Superintendent of Police, Tinsukia and other senior officials of the police administration have recently stated that the resentment against the Bill

across the State has been fuelling a fresh spurt in young people of the Brahmaputra Valley joining the ULFA faction led by its commander in chief Paresh Baruah.

"The ULFA's popularity had gradually waned during the decade-and-a-half when the Centre was in power in the State. But the Narendra Modi-led Central Government's decision to table the controversial Bill and the Sarbananda Sonowal-led State Government's failure to mount a strong opposition to the proposed legislation are inducing a section of young boys and girls to take up arms against the State," Saikia said.

He said that dwindling employment opportunities and stagnation of development activities like the MGNREGA are also creating frustration and resentment among young youth, who are gravitating towards the ULFA faction.

# Pondy CM holds review meeting on Gaja

Nagapattinam (TN): Puducherry Chief Minister V Narayanasamy on Wednesday held a review meeting with officials of various departments at Thirunallar in Karaikal district and took stock of the preparedness as cyclone Gaja is likely to hit the coastal district on Thursday.

Agriculture Minister R Kamalakkannan, Karaikal District Collector R Kesavan, Senior SP Rahul Alwal and heads of PWD, Health, Electricity, Fisheries, Fire and Rescue Services departments attended the meeting.

The Chief Minister directed the district authorities to keep stock of relief materials. Urging officials to ensure supply of protected drinking water to all areas, Narayanasamy said if needed he would camp in Karaikal to coordinate the activities. Three teams of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) have arrived here to provide emergency assistance. Meanwhile, Nagapattinam district collector C Sureshkumar told reporters that the district administration has made all necessary arrangements to meet any eventuality.

Twenty two cyclone shelters have been kept in readiness

to accommodate people, he said adding that a 24 hour control room was functioning at the Collectorate.

CORRIGENDUM				
The Survey Report No. 58/DD/HD-II/SR/2018-19 for felling of trees at "C/o 120 Nos. GPRA Type-VII Flats in Pocket-1 at DDU Marg, New Delhi Dg. 2018-19 (SH: Civil works, Internal Electrical works & Fire Fighting), has been issued vide office letter of even No. 2490/91 dated 13.11.2018 with date of bidding for auction 21.11.2018 at 3:30 P.M. In this regard the date of bidding for auction may be read as 20.11.2018. Remaining will be same.				

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Extract of Statement of Standalone Un-audited Financial Results for the quarter and half year ended on September 30, 2018 (Rs. in Lakhs)							
Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended		Half Year ended		Corresponding 3 months ended in the previous year	
		30/09/2018	30/09/2018	30/09/2018	30/09/2018	31/03/2018	31/03/2018
		Un-audited	Un-audited	Un-audited	Un-audited	Un-audited	Audited
1	Total Income from operations	1.64	3.04	1.59	10.21		
2	Net (Loss) for the period (Before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	-5.90	-13.55	-4.90	-26.51		
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the Period before Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	-5.90	-13.55	-4.90	-27.29		
4	Net (Loss) for the period After Tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	(5.89)	(13.52)	(4.89)	(27.27)		
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising (Loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	(5.89)	(13.52)	(4.89)	(27.27)		
6	Equity Share Capital	400.05	400.05	400.05	400.05		
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserves) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet as shown in the previous year	-	-	-	10.89		
8	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)						
	(a) Basic and Diluted EPS (in Rs.)	0.15	0.34	0.12	0.68		
	(b) Basic and Diluted EPS (in Rs.)	0.15	0.34	0.12	0.68		

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FOR SPARKLING (INDIA) FINSHARES LIMITED  
Sd/-  
(CHERUKU SAGARIKA)  
Director  
Date: November 14, 2018  
DIN: 07167996

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## EXTRACT OF STANDALONE UN-AUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Sl. No.	Particulars	STANDALONE				
		QUARTER ENDED		HALF YEAR ENDED		YEAR ENDED
		Sep 30, 2018	Sep 30, 2017	Sep 30, 2018	Sep 30, 2017	March 31, 2018
		(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Un Audited)	(Audited)
1	Total Income from operations (Net)	131.16	147.14	254.63	288.98	592.59
2	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the period (before Tax and Exceptional items)	1,019.03	393.05	737.35	29.93	(181.35)
3	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the Period before Tax (after Exceptional Items)	1,019.03	2,443.35	737.35	2,080.23	1,868.95
4	Net Profit/ (Loss) for the Period after Tax (after Exceptional Items)	1,019.03	2,173.39	737.35	1,810.27	(284.08)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (after Tax)	1,209.44	2,144.52	1,052.89	1,690.16	(263.41)
6	Equity Share Capital (Face value of share is Rs. 10/- each)	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05	2,504.05
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserves as shown in the Balance Sheet of previous year)	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A	N.A
8	Earnings per share (EPS) (of Rs. 10/- each) (Not Annualised)					
	(a) Basic and Diluted EPS (before Exceptional Items) (in Rs.)	4.07	0.49	2.94	(0.96)	(7.05)
	(b) Basic and Diluted EPS (after Exceptional Items) (in Rs.)	4.07	8.68	2.94	7.23	(1.13)

**NOTE:**  
1 The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly/ Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulations 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly / Annual Financial Results are available on the stock exchange website, www.nseindia.com, www.bseindia.com and on the Company website www.modirubberlimited.com  
2 The above results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and subsequently approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their respective meeting held on November 14th, 2018. The Statutory Auditors of the Company have carried out a limited review of the aforesaid results.  
3 Previous quarter/ half year figures have been rearranged and / or regrouped, wherever necessary, to make them comparable with those of the current quarter/ half year.

By order of the Board  
Sd/-  
(Alok Kumar Modi)  
Managing Director  
Place : New Delhi  
Date : 14th November, 2018

**CMI LIMITED**  
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Extract of Audited and Unaudited Standalone & Consolidated Results for the quarter and Half Year Ended 30.09.2018

Sl. No.	PARTICULARS	Standalone					Consolidated				
		Quarter Ended		Half Year Ended		Quarter Ended		Half Year Ended			
		Sep-18	Jun-18	Sep-17	Sep-18	Sep-17	Sep-18	Jun-18	Sep-17	Sep-18	Sep-17
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	
1	Total Income from Operations	10701.27	10163.12	9096.09	20864.39	19678.18	15054.81	13002.24	13494.60	28057.05	28067.56
2	Net Profit for the period (before tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	866.72	1075.42	834.09	1941.14	1823.72	974.45	927.17	949.33	1901.62	1859.69
3	Net profit for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or extraordinary item)	863.03	1075.77	834.09	1938.8	1823.72	971.76	927.52	949.33	1229.36	1859.69
4	Net Profit for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	565.66	692.30	539.79	1257.96	1192.91	640.15	589.21	614.36	1229.36	1217.52
5	Total comprehensive income for the period	565.66	692.29	539.77	1257.95	1192.88	640.15	589.20	614.34	1229.35	1217.49
6	Equity Share capital	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74
7	Earnings per share of Rs. 10/- each										
	a) Basic	3.76	4.61	3.58	8.37	7.94	4.26	3.92	4.07	8.18	8.10
	b) Diluted	3.76	4.61	3.58	8.37	7.94	4.26	3.92	4.07	8.18	8.10

**NOTES :-**  
1. The above standalone and consolidated financial statements of M/s CMI Limited ("the Company") have been prepared in accordance with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 (Ind-AS) prescribed under section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 and other recognized accounting practices and policies to the extent applicable.  
2. The above financial results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting on November 14, 2018.  
3. The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of SEBI (Listing and other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly financial results are available on the stock exchange website(s), NSE-www.nseindia.com, BSE-www.bseindia.com and Company's website-www.cmilimited.in  
4. Previous period figures have been regrouped / reclassified, wherever necessary.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors of  
CMI Limited  
Sd/-  
Amit Jain  
Chairman Cum Managing Director  
DIN: 00041300  
Place : New Delhi  
Date: 14.11.2018

Corrigendum No-01  
Corrigendum No-01 to E-Tender Enquiry No-13/TS/FBD/2018-19  
**HARYANA VIDYUT PRASARAN NIGAM LIMITED**  
Shakti Bhawan, Panchkula CIN: U40101HR1997SGC033663  
The last date of online bid submission is extended up to 20-11-2018 at 13:00 Hrs. and same will be opened on 20-11-2018 at 15:00 Hrs.  
Detailed NIT and tender document is available at website: https://haryanaeprocurement.org.in, https://www.hvpng.org.in  
(Sd) Executive Engineer/ TS Division Faridabad  
Xen/ TS Division, HVPNL, Faridabad  
RO NO. 73515 Dt. 14-11-2018

**UTTAR HARYANA BIJLI VITRAN NIGAM LIMITED**  
CORRIGENDUM- V  
NIT No. 221/P&D/Zone-1/2018-19/Bid No. B- 565 for System strengthening of 11 KV lines with bifurcation/reticulation of overloaded feeders, Augmentation of conductor of HT line and New DT, under Operation Circle UHBVN, Ambala, Kurukshetra, Kathal, Karnal & Yamunanagar (i.e. Zone-I) on turnkey basis.  
The due date of submission of tender cost, EMD, date of closing of e-tenders and date of opening of part-I of aforementioned tender enquiry are extended as under:  
1. Last date of submission of EMD : 26-11-2018 (Up to 1300 Hrs.)  
2. Date of closing of online e-tender for submission of Techno - Commercial Bid & Price Bid on web portal : 26-11-2018 (Up to 1300 Hrs.)  
3. Opening date of part -I of proposal on web portal : 26-11-2018 (at 1500 Hrs.)  
Details can be obtained from websites https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in and www.uhbvn.org.in.  
All other terms & conditions of NIT shall remain unchanged.  
Chief Engineer/ PD&C UHBVN, Panchkula  
RO NO. 73505 Dt. 14-11-2018

**INDIAN RAILWAY CATERING AND TOURISM CORPORATION LTD.**  
(A Government of India Enterprise - Mini Ratna)  
CIN-U74899DL1999G011707  
NOTICE INVITING OPEN E-TENDER  
GGM/Infra invites open e-tender through single bid system for the work "Day to day Electrical maintenance of Internet Ticketing Centre, Zonal Hub, Operation of 600KVA Genset and Upkeep of the substation equipment"  
Last Date of Tender submission : 26.11.2018 up to 1500 hrs.  
Tender document downloading & participation can be done only on website : www.tenderwizard.com/IRCTC  
Note : "Corrigendum/addendum if any will be published on website only".  
IRCTC Ltd. 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Statesman House, B-148, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi - 110 001, Fax: 011-23311259

**SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED**  
General Public is hereby informed that one girl namely **Seema D/o Khem Chand R/o H.No. B-15, Gali No. 5, Vikas Nagar Extn., Near Amba Dairy, Ranhola, Delhi** has been missing / kidnapped since 27.09.2018 from the area of P.S. Ranhola, Delhi. In this regard a case vide FIR No. 565/18 u/s 363 IPC dated 28.09.2018 has been registered at PS. Ranhola, Delhi.  
The description of missing/kidnapped girl is as under :  
Name : Seema, Father's Name : Khem Chand, Age : 17 years 3 Months, Height : 5', Face : Round, Complexion : Fair, Wearing : Green T-Shirt, Blue Jeans and Black Sandal in feet.  
If anyone having any clue/information, kindly inform the undersigned.  
SHO  
P.S., Ranhola, Delhi  
Ph.: 011-28363001  
28363002, 28363003  
DP/1557/OD/18

**SEARCH FOR MISSING**  
General public is hereby informed that a girl namely **Heena D/o Puran Singh, R/o B-483, Near Vijay Model Public School, Vikas Nagar, Delhi, Age : 14 yrs. 6 months, Height : 4'6", Complexion : Shallow, Face : Round, Wearing : Pink Colour Top, Blue Colour Jeans and Blue Colour Chappal in Feet,** has been missing / kidnapped since 26.09.2018 from the area of PS. Ranhola. In this regard a case FIR No. 562/18 dated 27.09.2018 u/s 363 IPC has been registered at PS. Ranhola, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local Police to trace out the missing / kidnapped girl but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing / kidnapped girl please inform undersigned  
Website: http://cbi.nic.in, Email: cic@cbi.gov.in, Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641, Fax: 011-24368639  
SHO  
DP/1497/OD/18. P.S. Ranhola, Delhi  
Ph. No. 011-28363001, 28363002, 28363003

**DELHI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
E-TENDER PRESS NOTICE NO. 51 /FO [ Hort.] N/W/2018-19 Pt-I  
On line Item Rate Tenders are invited/ Re-invited through e-tendering mode for the following works by the Dy. Director (Hort.)-V, Distt. Centre-I, Sector-10, Rohini, Delhi-110085, DD(Hort.)-X C.S.C. 656 LIG (Jahangirpuri) Near GTK Depot, Delhi-110033 & Dy. Director (Hort.)-Dwk. Central Nursery Sec-5 Dwarka New Delhi-110075 on behalf of Delhi Development Authority from the approved and eligible contractors registered under Horticulture Category only of DDA & CPWD and those of appropriate list of MES, BSNL and Railway. The last date and time of submission of tender Sl. No. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8 & 9 is 24.11.2018 upto 3.00 PM.  
1. NIT No.114/DD(H)-V/DDA/2018-19 Name of work : M/o Services under N/Ac.-II, Rohini. M/o Green Belt at Sector - 15, Block-H, (Near Taxi Stand). SH: Complete M/o Tree & Shrub Plants and providing watering of plants through water tanker of Horticulture features at site for 12 months. Estimated Cost: 6,15,997/- Earnest Money: 12,320/-. Period of completion: 12 Months.  
2. NIT No.115/DD(H)-V/DDA/2018-19 Name of work : M/o Services under N/Ac.-II, Rohini. M/o Green Belt at Sector - 15 Rohini (along with Supplementary Drain). SH: Complete M/o Tree & Shrub Plants and providing watering of plants through water tanker of Horticulture features at site for 12 months. Estimated Cost: 6,17,048/- Earnest Money: 12,341/-, Period of completion: 12 Months.  
3. NIT No.116/DD(H)-V/DDA/2018-19 Name of work : M/o Services under N/Ac.-II, Rohini. M/o Green Belt Along with 100 meter wide road, pocket C-5, Sector-34, Rohini. SH: Complete M/o Tree & Shrub Plants and providing watering of plants through water tanker of Horticulture features at site for 12 months. Estimated Cost: 13,73,323/- Earnest Money: 27,466/-, Period of completion: 12 Months.  
4. NIT No.117/DD(H)-V/DDA/2018-19 Name of work : M/o Services under N/Ac.-II, Rohini. M/o RSP at 30 meter wide road, Sector-27, Rohini. SH: Complete M/o Tree Plants S/S Cattle manure, Digging Holes and providing watering of plants through water tanker of Horticulture features at site for 06 months. Estimated Cost: 9,12,737/- Earnest Money: 18,255/-, Period of completion: 06 Months.  
5. NIT No.118/DD(H)-V/DDA/2018-19 Name of work : M/o Services under N/Ac.-II, Rohini. M/o DDA Office building at Madhuban Chowk, Rohini. SH: Complete M/o Lawn, Potted earthen pots, potted cement pots, Shrub Plants Vertical Garden for 12 Months and S/O Foliage plants etc. at site. Estimated Cost: 7,39,457/- Earnest Money: 14,789/-, Period of completion: 12 Months.  
6. NIT No.119/DD(H)-V/DDA/2018-19 Name of work : M/o Services under N/Ac.-II, Rohini. M/o Green Belt at Pocket 01 to 08 Sector-25, Rohini. SH: Complete M/o Lawn and Clearing Sweeping of Path for 12 months at site. Estimated Cost: 7,34,030/- Earnest Money: 14,681/-, Period of completion: 12 Months.  
7. NIT No.120/DD(H)-V/DDA/2018-19 Name of work : M/o Services under N/Ac.-II, Rohini. 1. M/o NHP No.-4, Near Ryan Public School, Sector-25, Rohini. 2. M/o NHP No.- 05, Near Pocket 07, at Sector-25, Rohini. SH: Complete M/o Lawn and Clearing Sweeping of Path etc. at site for 12 months. Estimated Cost: 8,79,337/- Earnest Money: 17,587/-, Period of completion: 12 Months.  
8. NIT No.18/DD(Hort.)-X/DDA/2018-19 (Re-invited) Name of work : M/o Park Plantation trucks and other equipments in Horticulture Wing N.A-II. M/o Distt. Park Ram Sawroop Thakur Dass Wala Bagh at Shalimar Bagh. SH: Complete maintenance of Lawn, woodland and Clearing, sweeping of path etc. at site (For 12 Months). Estimated Cost: 22,47,266/- Earnest Money: 44,945/-, Period of completion: 12 Months.  
9. NIT No.136/18-19/Hort. Dwk/DDA Name of work : M/o Various colony under Dwk. Zone N/A-II M/o 30 Mtr. Wide R.S.P. & C.V./Plantation at sector-24 Dwk (along with Dhool Siras village). SH: Digging of holes S/s of cattle manure, S/o Neem Oil cake S/O water through water tanker S/o Tree Shrub Plants Complete M/o Park for 12 months. Estimated Cost: 13,03,446/- Earnest Money: 26,069/-, Period of completion: 12 Months.  
Please also visit the website https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app or send mail cpp-nic@nic.in or dial Help Line No. 1800-233-7315. Mobile No. +91-7878007972 & +91-7878007973.  
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# PM Modi calls for early conclusion of RCEP

**We need to make similar efforts to make progress in services negotiations, says PM**



PTI ■ SINGAPORE

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday called for an early conclusion of the multi-nation Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) agreement that should be modern, comprehensive, balanced and mutually beneficial to the people of all countries.

He also called on fellow RCEP leaders to give mandate to trade ministers and negotiators to take the economic grouping forward, said Sudhanshu Pandey, additional secretary, the commerce ministry, during a media briefing here.

The RCEP, involving 10 ASEAN members (Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Singapore, Thailand, the Philippines, Laos and

Vietnam) as well as China, Japan, Australia, India, New Zealand and South Korea, would cover about half the world's population and a third of its GDP.

The RCEP has concluded seven chapters of the total 16.

Prime Minister Modi noted that significant progress has been made in market access of negotiation for goods and called on similar efforts on services sectors.

"We need to make similar efforts to make progress in services negotiations as they constitute more than 50 per cent of the GDP of most of the RCEP countries. In future, services are going to be playing a very important role," he said at the RCEP meeting.

He also stressed that any such multi-lateral agreement which has diverse circumstances and developmental requirements should be modern, comprehensive, balanced

# RBI, Govt trying to reach common ground on key issues

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Government and Reserve Bank seem to be veering around to reach an agreeable solution particularly with respect of relaxation of the Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) framework and easing of lending norms for the MSME sector ahead of the RBI board meeting on November 19, sources said.

If not in this board meeting, sources said, the issue of relaxation of PCA framework which the finance ministry has been pitching for would be reached in the next few weeks.

As a result of relaxation, some banks may come out of the PCA framework by the end of the current fiscal.

Of the 21 State-owned banks, 11 are under the PCA framework. These are Allahabad Bank, United Bank of India, Corporation Bank, IDBI Bank, UCO Bank, Bank of India, Central Bank of India, Indian Overseas Bank, Oriental Bank of Commerce, Dena Bank and Bank of Maharashtra.

The PCA framework kicks in when banks breach any of the three key regulatory trigger points namely capital to risk weighted assets ratio, Net non-performing assets (NPA) and return on assets (RoA).

The RBI is also likely to agree to easing of lending norms for the MSME sector including strict rating criteria to improve credit flow to this sector, sources said.

Besides, the central bank is expected to consider special dispensation for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSME) sector and non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) which have been facing liquidity issues.

The Government feels that the MSME sector which employs about 12 crore people plays a critical role in the economy, and the sector hit by demonetisation and implementation of Goods and Services Tax (GST) needs support.

However, the central bank has been averse to Government demand for special dispensations for MSME and NBFC sectors as it considers them vulnerable.

Last week, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley said there is a need to minimise NPAs in order to maintain the strength of the banking system and enable it to help the economy grow.

It is only a strong banking system that will be able to improve credit in those sectors which really need credit, the Finance Minister had said, adding, "The MSME sector needs credit, several other players in the market need credit. NBFCs today need credit because a large part of lending is done by them."

There are reports of growing tensions between the RBI and the government, with the Finance Ministry initiating discussion under the never-used-before Section 7 of the RBI Act which empowers the government to issue directions to the RBI Governor.

RBI Deputy Governor Viral Acharya had in a speech last month talked about the independence of the central bank, arguing that any compromise could be "potentially catastrophic" for the economy.

# Banks' bad loans under farm loans rise to ₹9K cr

PTI ■ CHANDIGARH

With farmers "stopping" repayment of crop loans because of debt waiver of up to ₹2 lakh, non-performing assets under agriculture loans have risen to nearly ₹9,000 crore in Punjab, bankers said.

"Due to debt waiver for small and marginal farmers up to ₹2 lakh, farmers in the state of Punjab have stopped making repayment of their crop loans and the recovery scenario is being adversely affected," according to the State Level Bankers Committee report which was released on Wednesday.

Notably, under the scheme relief, up to ₹2 lakh would be provided to marginal and small farmers who have crop loans from cooperative institutions, public sector banks and other commercial banks as on March 31, 2017.

A bank official said several farmers were reluctant in repaying their crop loans and it has become one of the reasons in the rise in NPA level under farm sector.

As per SLBC report, the NPA under agriculture sector was to the tune of ₹8,952 crore as on September 30, 2018 as against ₹633 crore in corresponding period of last year.

The NPA amount of ₹8,952 crore was 11.20 per cent of outstanding agriculture advances as against 7.19 per cent in corresponding period of last year.

The NPA level as percentage of total advances also rose from 2.60 per cent in September 2017 to 3.47 per cent in 2018. The total outstanding agriculture advances in Punjab were to the tune of ₹79,963 crore as on September 30, 2018, as against ₹88,122 crore in corresponding period of last year.

# Arunachal signs MoU with investors for projects worth ₹1,200 Cr

**To create over 8000 gainful employment opportunities in the State**

PTI ■ ITANAGAR

The Arunachal Pradesh government Wednesday signed MoUs with 17 private investors for projects worth ₹1,200 crore during the fifth edition of North East Connectivity Scheme at Tawang, an official release said.

The MoUs with private investors across sectors like tourism and hospitality, oil and gas, retail, power, equipment manufacturing and sports has potential to create over 8000 gainful employment opportunities in the state, it said.

The Polo Towers Group, a pioneering hospitality group has identified 11 investable projects in Arunachal worth Rs 419 crore and will generate 1850 employment opportunities.

Jungle Travels India Pvt Ltd exchanged MoU to invest in 20 rooms Jungle Lodge in or near Pakke Tiger Reserve and Wildlife Sanctuary in East Kameng district with investment of ₹10 crore and generate employment for 60 people.

Sterlite Power signed MoU to invest in detailed study of power system for Arunachal and take up upgrade and update project on annuity basis, it said.

They are also interested in supply and installation of OPWG network on entire transmission system.

The project shall garner investment of ₹325 crore.

Alinz Portable Petrol Pump Pvt Ltd exchanged MoU to setup portable petrol pumps in Arunachal and in Northeast, which will be executed in PPP with an investment of ₹500 crore providing employment to 5000 people, the release said.

Archit Electricals Pvt Ltd intends to setup a unit of manufacturing and repairing of electrical items like oil cool and air cool transformers of various type with investment of Rs 10 crore and employing about 100 people.

Mobisoft Technology exchanged MoU intending to setup IT hub with investment of ₹10 crore.

Headkicks exchanged MoU intending to organize football themed festivals with investment of ₹0.25 crore.

Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd exchanged MoU intending to deploy HAL-Dornier-228 Commuter Aircraft and ALH Dhruv helicopter for inter and intra state air connectivity in Arunachal, the release added.

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EXTRACTS OF UNAUDITED STANDALONE FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED ON 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2018				
PARTICULARS	Quarter ended	Half year ended	Quarter ended	Year Ended
	30.09.2018	30.09.2018	30.09.2017	31.03.2018
1 Total income from operations (Net)	603.38	1338.24	993.72	3774.29
2 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before tax and exceptional items)	2.74	17.43	14.16	37.46
3 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before tax and after exceptional items)	2.74	17.43	14.16	37.46
4 Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax and after exceptional items)	4.84	24.50	16.96	57.76
5 Total comprehensive Income for the period after comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (After tax) and other comprehensive Income (after tax)	4.84	24.50	16.96	57.76
6 Equity Share Capital	749.03	749.03	749.03	749.03
7 Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve as shown in the Balance Sheet of previous year)				1560.97
8 Earnings Per Share (Face Value of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations)				
Basic:	0.07	0.33	0.23	0.77
Diluted:	0.07	0.33	0.23	0.77

Note: The above results have been prepared in accordance with Indian Accounting Standards (IND AS). The above results have been reviewed by Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their respective meeting held on 14.11.2018 and have been subjected to limited review by the statutory auditor of the Company. The IND AS compliant corresponding figures for the quarter ended on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2018 have been subjected to limited review. However, the Company's management has exercised necessary due diligence to ensure that such financial results provide a true and fair view of its affairs.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors  
Sd/-  
(Inderjeet Singh Wadhwa)  
Chairman & Managing Director

Place: New Delhi  
Date: 14.11.2018

ANSAL PHALAK INFRASTRUCTURE PRIVATE LIMITED					
CIN : U70100DL2010PTC208167					
115, Ansal Bhawan, 16 Kasturba Gandhi Marg, New Delhi Delhi - 110001					
FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE YEAR/HALF YEAR ENDED ON THE 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2018					
[Regulation 52(B), read with Regulation 52(4), of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015]					
S. No.	PARTICULARS	Standalone		Consolidated	
		Half year ended (30/09/2018) (Un Audited)	Half year ended (30/09/2017) (Un Audited)	Half year ended (30/09/2018) (Un Audited)	Half year ended (30/09/2017) (Un Audited)
1	Total Income from Operations	2,893.27	341.83	2,893.27	341.83
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	451.52	17.12	451.46	16.88
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	451.52	17.12	451.46	16.88
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	456.02	19.87	455.96	19.63
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	456.02	19.87	455.96	19.63
6	Paid up Equity Share Capital	1.45	1.45	1.45	1.45
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	11,609.14	11,582.84	11,610.59	11,583.82
8	Net worth	11,610.59	11,584.29	11,612.04	11,585.27
9	Paid up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
10	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
11	Debt Equity Ratio	3.29	3.20	3.29	3.20
12	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -				
	1. Basic:	3,141.91	136.87	3,141.50	135.23
	2. Diluted:	308.26	13.43	308.22	13.27
	Capital Redemption Reserve	Nil	Nil	-	-
	Debt Redemption Reserve	1,502.45	1,502.45	1,502.45	1,502.45
	Debt Service Coverage Ratio	10.98	0.82	10.95	0.81
	Interest Service Coverage Ratio	11.22	1.42	11.15	1.41

Note: (a) The above audited financial results were reviewed by the Audit Committee, and approved by the Board of Directors at their respective meetings held on Tuesday, the 13TH November, 2018.  
(b) The above is an extract of the detailed format of half yearly financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 and in terms of SEBI Circular (CIR/MD/DF/169/2016) dated August 10, 2016. The full financial results are available on the websites of the Bombay Stock Exchange at www.bseindia.com and also on Company's website at http://www.ansalapi.com/group-websites.php  
(c) For the items referred in sub-clauses (a), (b), (d) and (e) of the Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the pertinent disclosures have been made to the Stock Exchange, BSE Limited and can be accessed on the URL http://www.ansalapi.com/group-websites.php (e) The Above results of the Company have been Audited by the Statutory Auditors and they have issued an unqualified audit opinion on the same.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors  
For Ansal Phalak Infrastructure Private Limited  
Sd/-  
Rajender Kumar Gautam  
Director  
Place: New Delhi  
Date: 13/11/2018  
DIN:0807493

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EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER / HALF YEAR ENDED ON 30 SEPT., 2018.							
S. No.	Particulars	Standalone Results					
		Quarter Ended		Six Month Ended		Year Ended	
		Unaudited 30.09.2018	Unaudited 30.06.2018	Unaudited 30.09.2017	Unaudited 30.09.2018	Unaudited 30.09.2017	Audited 31.03.2018
1	Total Income from Operations	801.26	637.25	483.99	1438.51	875.75	1979.93
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before tax, exceptional items)	230.93	154.81	75.2	385.64	113.81	135.37
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after exceptional items)	230.93	154.81	75.2	385.64	113.81	135.37
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax	230.93	154.81	75.2	385.64	113.81	120.71
5	Paid up Equity Share Capital	494.82	494.82	494.82	494.82	494.82	494.82
6	Earnings/(loss) per share (of Rs. 10/- each) (not annualised, in Rs.) for continuing and discontinued operations						
	(a) Basic	4.67	3.13	1.52	7.79	2.30	2.44
	(b) Diluted	4.67	3.13	1.52	7.79	2.30	2.44

NOTE: The above is an extract of the financial results for the quarter / half year ended on 30th Sept. 2018 filed with the stock exchanges under regulation 33 of SEBI (LODR) Regulation, 2015. The full Financial results for the quarter ended 30th Sept. 2018 are available on www.mse.in, www.cse-india.com and www.rampurfert.com.

By order of the Board  
Sd/-  
Anshuman Khaitan  
(Managing Director)

Place: New Delhi  
Date : 13.11.2018

WESTERN RAILWAY E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE No.S/44/2018 Date 12/11/2018				
S.N.	Tender No.	Description of Material	Quantity	EMD (₹)
1011	04-18-2007	Air Drying, Finishing Scamic Olive Green Paint	10500 Ltr.	21100
1012	07-18-1006	Pin Complete 23.93/23.88 MM	1124 Nos.	800
1013	11-18-5085	Syringe Pump	9 Nos.	6100
1014	15-18-0610	Non Asbestos Based 'K' type High Fractional Composite Brake Block	176272 Nos.	500000
1015	15-18-1012	Safety Strap for Axle Box Guide Arrangement	11477 Nos.	24800
1016	22-17-5121	Set of Axle Boxes Complete Without Roller Bearing (CRU-150)	2 Sets	16200
1017	22-18-0603	Pressure Switch SWC	259 Nos.	27500
1018	30-18-1627	Various Child Parts of Water Cooled Air Compressor	1552 Nos.	73100
1019	30-18-3113	Various Child Parts of Water Cooled Air Compressor	477 Nos.	64100
1020	07-18-1203	Cable Signalling Unscreened Size 6 Core x 1.5 Sq.mm	1133.22 KM	1000000
1021	09-18-1086	Pressure Reducing Valve	10 Nos.	2400
1022	15-17-1795	Push Cook	15350 Nos.	18700
1023	15-18-1011	Compensating Ring	3275 Nos.	7800
1024	15-18-1709	Outer Door Assembly	250 Nos.	49900
1025	15-18-1710	Outer Door Assembly	225 Nos.	41100
1026	22-17-5146	Set of Pivot Housing for Three Phase Locos	22 Set	197700
1027	15-18-0683	Brake Gear Bush for ICF Coaches	252148 Nos.	143800
1028	15-18-0685	Brake Gear Bush for ICF Coaches	366000 Nos.	128700
1029	15-18-1360	Brake Gear Bush for ICF Coaches	93441 Nos.	116600
1030	30-18-3126	Various Child Parts of Water Cooled Air Compressor	328 Nos.	69000
1031	30-18-3173	Element Filter Fibre Glass ECC	865 Nos.	37000
1032	04-18-3324	Flexible Poly Vinyl Chloride (PVC) Flooring Sheet	77 Nos.	17500
1033	04-18-5164	DL Sheet 3 mm (Blue)	2000 Nos.	49000
1034	09-18-3345	Set of Dry Type Capacitor	10 Set	620
1035	15-18-0506	Collar for Direct Mounted Roller Bearing Arrangement	5105 Nos.	40300
1036	15-18-1007	Protective Tube Complete Assembly	8828 Nos.	58400
1037	15-18-1081	Guide Bush for Axle Box Guide Arrangement	87574 Nos.	173300
1038	22-18-1676	BCH Make Oil Tight	95 Nos.	855
1039	30-18-2175	Pad Bonded Contact	411 Nos.	47800
1040	03-18-5002	Wood Based Resin Impregnated Compressed Laminates Type	2125 Sq.mm	43100
1041	15-18-0679	Spare Part Kit set for Distributor Valve	950 Set	52300

Tender Opening Date for above tenders are, Sr.No.1011 to 1019:- 03.12.2018, Sr.No.1020 to 1021:- 04.12.2018, Sr.No.1022 to 1026:- 05.12.2018, Sr.No.1027 to 1031:- 06.12.2018, Sr.No.1032 to 1039:- 10.12.2018, Sr. No. 1040 to 1041:- 12.12.2018. Regarding detailed notice containing copy of tender document (non-refundable) for manual tenders, EMD, Purchase restrictions and detailed tender conditions, please visit website www.ireps.gov.in and www.wr.indianrailways.gov.in. Manual offers will not be considered.

For Principal Chief Materials Manager

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**IHCL records PAT growth of ₹53 crore in Q2 of FY19**

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Low-cost carrier Spicejet Ltd on Wednesday reported a standalone net loss of ₹389.37 crore in the second quarter ended September 30, impacted by high fuel costs and rupee depreciation.

The company posted a net profit of ₹105.27 crore in the same quarter last fiscal, Spicejet said in a regulatory filing. Net income from operations during the quarter under review stood at ₹1,848.28 crore. It was at ₹1,794.57 crore in the corresponding period of the previous fiscal.

**Spicejet Q2 net loss at ₹389.37 cr due to high fuel cost, falling Rupee**

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Indian Hotels Company Limited (IHCL) announced its Quarter 2, FY 18-19 results recording a PAT growth of ₹53 crore with 82% operating EBITDA growth and 14% sales growth for the Quarter.

The company has witnessed a good growth momentum. The company has also added an addition of 15 new hotels, an inventory of 1825 rooms and a 90 percent growth in pipeline over the last one year.

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EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED STANDALONE FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2018			
Particulars	3 months ended	Corresponding 3 months ended	Year to date figures for current period ended
	30.09.2018 (Unaudited)	30.09.2017 (Unaudited)	30.09.2018 (Unaudited)
Total income from discontinued operations (Net)	52.38	1890.73	86.58
Net Profit/(Loss) from discontinued operations for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	(65.66)	1717.94	(133.59)
Net Profit/(Loss) from discontinued operations for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	(65.66)	1717.94	(133.59)
Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items#)	(65.66)	1717.94	(133.59)
Total Comprehensive Income from discontinued operations for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(65.66)	1717.94	(133.59)
Equity Share Capital	160.72	160.72	160.72
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserves as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of Previous year)	-	-	-
Earning Per Share (before extraordinary items)(of Rs. 10/- each)			
(a) Basic	(4.09)	106.89	(8.31)
(b) Diluted	(4.09)	106.89	(8.31)
Earning Per Share (after extraordinary items) (of Rs. 10/- each)			
(a) Basic	(4.09)	106.89	(8.31)
(b) Diluted	(4.09)	106.89	(8.31)

Notes: 1. The Company had closed production in its sole manufacturing facility during the financial year ended 31-March-2017 and during the preceding financial year following a definitive plan the management of the company decided to monetise all the assets, except certain assets at head office, of the Company to pay off the liabilities, not only to remain solvent to explore some other business opportunities. Consequently, the Company entered into a binding agreement to dispose off the entire land of its sole manufacturing facility located at Sonapat on 9th Jun, 2017. Subsequently the Company has also disposed off the other assets (other than land) as a part of definitive plan and has paid off all borrowing from bank and others and has paid a significant portion of its liabilities like trade and other payables, statutory dues, employees related dues. The net worth of the Company as on date is positive and there is no foreseeable issue that the Company shall not be able to pay off its remaining liabilities which are not significant in current context. However, out of abundant caution and in view of accounting principle of prudence, all the assets have been shown at lower of book value and Net realisable value and all known liabilities have been fully recorded at values at which the same are likely to be discharged. Consequently, all the known losses have been recorded and unrealised gains, if any, have been ignored. In view of improved net worth and availability of funds, the management is hopeful to finalise a new business plan for the Company in near future.

2. The above Statement of "Unaudited Financial Results" for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2018 ("the Statement") has been reviewed by the audit committee and approved by the Board of Directors in its meeting held on 14th November, 2018. The Statutory Auditors of the Company have carried out the limited review of the Statement.

3. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly and Half Yearly Financial Results filed with Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulation, 2015. The full format of the quarterly and Half Yearly Financial Results are available on the Exchange website www.bseindia.com and the Company's website www.everesttools.com.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors  
Sd/-  
SHRAVAN KUMAR MANDELIA  
Managing Director  
DIN: 00040532

Date: 14th November, 2018  
Place: Nehru Place, New Delhi

# FEDERER FINDS FORM; NOVAK WINS

Six-time champion Roger upsets Thiem to keep hopes alive; Djokovic eyes semis after dismissing Zverev

AFP ■ LONDON

Roger Federer staved off elimination from the ATP Finals as the six-time champion eased to a 6-2, 6-3 win over Dominic Thiem on Tuesday.

After losing his opening match at London's O2 Arena against Kei Nishikori, Federer would have crashed out if he had been beaten by Thiem.

Only once before has Federer failed to qualify from his group for the knockout rounds in his 15 previous appearances at the prestigious season-ending event.

That lone flop came 10 years ago when the Finals were held in Shanghai and Federer is still in with a chance of avoiding that ignominious fate thanks to his comfortable 66-minute dismissal of Thiem.

Bidding for a record seventh ATP Finals crown and a first in the tournament since 2011 — which would be the 100th singles title of his glittering career — world number three Federer must beat South Africa's Kevin Anderson in his last group match to make the semi-finals.

"It feels good. I am very happy that I showed a reaction after the last match," Federer said.

"Against Kei, instead of seeing things positively, I thought negatively. It was disappointing but it happens.



Roger Federer returns a shot against Dominic Thiem; (right) Novak Djokovic in action against Alexander Zverev



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by a hand injury that has troubled him since the grass-court season in June and July.

Having cut a grumpy figure during his error-strewn loss to Nishikori, Federer's spirits were lifted by this solid show, aided by Thiem's 34 unforced errors.

After missing a break point in the opening game, Federer started to find his rhythm and he landed the first break for a 2-1 lead when the world number eight sent a forehand long.

Another break followed in the seventh game as Thiem netted a tame volley as Federer won the first set with ease.

While it wasn't vintage Federer, he was doing enough to take advantage of Thiem's sloppy display as the French Open finalist double-faulted to gift a break in the opening game of the second set.

That was all the encouragement Federer needed as he cruised to the finish line.

ending event at London's O2 Arena since 2015.

In his 11th appearance at the Finals, the Serb will be guaranteed to reach the last four for the eighth time if John Isner beats Marin Cilic or if Cilic defeats Isner in three sets later on Wednesday.

Djokovic, who beat Isner in his opening group-stage match, has enjoyed a remarkable renaissance in the second half of 2018 and lifting the trophy on the banks of the River Thames would be the perfect way to finish his year.

Djokovic faces Cilic in his last group match on Friday, while Zverev, who defeated Cilic to kick off his Finals campaign, takes on Isner.

The 31-year-old was assailed by claims he had lost his hunger for success and was past his best after injury and personal issues threatened to derail his career in 2017.

But Djokovic has banished his demons in spectacular style, winning the Wimbledon and US Open titles, returning to world number one and becoming the first player to win all nine Masters 1,000 tournaments.

"I found it more difficult than in the first match against John Isner. I played well midway through the second set and started to swing through the ball," said Djokovic, who has suffered only two defeats in the Finals since 2012.

# Gopi pleased with performance in this tough year



Kidambi Srikanth in action

## MIXED DAY FOR SHUTTLERS

PTI ■ KOWLOON

Olympic Silver medalist P V Sindhu and Sameer Verma notched up contrasting wins on Wednesday to progress to the second round of the Hong Kong Open Super 500 tournament, here.

Sindhu, seeded third, continued her consistent run as she recovered from a mid-game slump to surpass Thailand's Nitchaon Jindapol 21-15 13-21 21-17 in the opening round which lasted a little over an hour.

It was Sindhu's fourth win over the Thai player. Sindhu, who won three major Silver medals this season — Commonwealth Games, World Championship and Asian Games — will take on Korea's Sung Ji Hyun next.

The 23-year-old from Hyderabad has a superior 8-5 head-to-head record against the Korean.

In the men's singles, Sameer, who clinched the Swiss Open and Hyderabad Open this year, saw off another Thai Suppanyu Avihingsanon 21-17 21-14 to set up a clash with China's Olympic champion Chen Long.

However, former Singapore Open champion B Sai Praneeth was stunned by Khosit Phetpradab of Thailand in a 62-minute opener.

Praneeth had a 3-0 record against Khosit ahead of the match but it didn't matter as he went down fighting 21-16, 11-21, 15-21 to bow out of the tournament.

Chief national badminton coach Pullela Gopichand termed the year gone by as a "tough" one, but expressed satisfaction that the target to do well in major events was achieved.

"Overall it's been a tough year for us. We hardly had any time for preparation. Overall we had the Commonwealth Games, the Asian Games and World Championships — the big events," Gopichand told reporters on Wednesday.

"And whatever time we had was not enough to really work end-to-end on the mistake. But having said that we still have (Kidambi) Srikanth ranked high, (P V) Sindhu ranked high.

"We have had medals at the major events, whether it's the Asian Games, CWG or World Championships. So I am happy with the performances (of the shuttlers) and looking forward to the coming year," the chief national coach explained.

Srikanth is currently



Saina Nehwal and P V Sindhu pose with CWG medals along with P Gopichand

has played, he has lost to a couple of them (players) quite frequently, whether it is (Kento) Momoto (Japan) or Chou Tien Chen (Chinese Taipei). There have been a few losses there which have been consistent, but if you have to win the big ones, you have to beat them and you have to prepare for them, he said.

"And unfortunately we had back-to-back (tournaments), we had a week after the Asian Games, came back after two tournaments. We had another week now, so this is not enough time for the preparation and I would like to see a little longer stint," the former All England champion said.

Asked whether it was important for top shuttlers to pick and choose events, Gopichand replied, "This year was a tough one, with the Commonwealth and Asian Games. It was tough to pick. And also players in the top 15 have to play a mandatory number of event. So that makes it even more tough. It's easier said than done."

## SINGLES

**DILSHAN JOINS RAJAPAKSA'S PARTY**

**COLOMBO:** Former Sri Lankan cricketer Tillakaratne Dilshan on Wednesday joined the party of Mahinda Rajapaksa, on a day when the premier's controversial government lost a no-confidence motion in Parliament. Dilshan, 42, became a member of Rajapaksa's newly-formed Sri Lanka People's Party (SLPP). The former Sri Lankan captain has obtained the SLPP membership, party secretary Sagara Kariyawasam announced. Dilshan is to run for a seat in Parliament from the southwestern Kalutara district, SLPP sources said. Rajapaksa was named by President Maithripala Sirisena as prime minister in October following the shock sacking of Ranil Wickremesinghe as premier. After weeks of political turmoil in which Wickremesinghe refused to quit, Rajapaksa lost the trust vote earlier on Wednesday.

## RANIERI TO RESCUE FULHAM

**LONDON:** Fulham appointed Italian veteran Claudio Ranieri as manager on Wednesday after sacking Slavisa Jokanovic in a bid to beat the drop from England's Premier League. Jokanovic led Fulham back into England's top flight in May 2018 but the 50-year-old Serbian has struggled to adapt to life in the Premier League. After 12 games, Fulham sit bottom of the pile with just five points and one win from 12 games. Jokanovic becomes the first managerial casualty of the season in the Premier League. Ranieri, who famously led Leicester to a fairy-tale Premier League title in 2016, was a free agent after being sacked by French Ligue 1 club Nantes one game before the end of last season. He will take charge of his first game in 10 days' time when Fulham welcome fellow strugglers Southampton to Craven Cottage.

## ATHLETE COMMITS SUICIDE AT JLN

**NEW DELHI:** Palinder Chaudhary, an 18-year-old athlete who represented India at international level, committed suicide by hanging himself from a ceiling fan at the capital's Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, prompting the Sports Authority of India to order a 'departmental inquiry'. Hailing from Aligarh in Uttar Pradesh, the athlete was brain dead by the time he was rushed to the Safdarjung Hospital, and could not be revived. "We have ordered a departmental inquiry as the incident happened in our premises. The inquiry will be headed by Secretary SAI Swarn Singh Chhabra and it should be completed within a week," SAI Director General Neelam Kapur said. A senior police officer said no suicide note has been recovered and they probing the reason for such an extreme step.

## CROATIA POSE MAJOR TEST FOR SPAIN

**MADRID:** The Spanish national team faces an important UEFA Nations League tie away in Croatia on Thursday as they look to assure that they finish on top of their qualifying group. Things looked to be progressing well for Spain coach Luis Enrique after wins in his first three games, but a shock 2-3 defeat to England in their last Nations League match has left them with work to do in Croatia. The Spanish need a win to assure they finish top of the group and the Croatians are likely to prove tougher opposition than the team they beat 6-0 in September.

# Mary eyes sixth Gold as World C'ship begins today

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Celebrated boxer M C Mary Kom will aim for a historic sixth Gold at the AIBA Women's World Championships, the build up of which has been marred by a row over lone Kosovan boxer's participation and poor quality air in the national capital.

The 10th edition of the championships, set to be the biggest ever with more than 300 participants from 72 countries, is being held in the backdrop of boxing's uncertain Olympic future in the aftermath of controversial Uzbek businessman Gafur Rakhimov's election as President.

Commensurate with its status as global power in women's boxing with the third most number of medals in the history of the event, India is hosting the championships for the second time after 2006 when



Mary Kom trains ahead of AIBA World C'ship

## MARY, SARITA GET 1ST ROUND BYES

**NEW DELHI:** Kosovo boxer Donjeta Sadiku's chances of competing at the AIBA Women's World Boxing Championship are virtually over since her name does not figure in the draw, released on Wednesday. Sadiku, who has not got a visa to travel to the national capital since India does not recognise Kosovo, was to compete in the 60kg category.

Seasoned MC Mary Kom and L Sarita Devi were among seven Indian boxers, who got first round byes even as none of the home boxers will be in action on the opening day of the event, beginning Thursday.

Apart from Mary Kom (48kg) and Sarita Devi (60kg), getting the first round byes were Pinky Rani (51kg), Sonia (57kg) and Lovelina Borgohain (69kg), Sweety Boora (75kg) and Seema Poonia (+81kg). Manisha (54kg) and Kachari Bhagyabati (81kg) will compete with Dina Zholaman and Irina Nociletta on November 16 and 18 respectively.

Seema will clash with China's Xiaoli Yang, who also got a bye in the opening round in the +81kg.

Mary Kom, who is bidding for a historic sixth World title, will be seen in action on Sunday. She awaits winner of first round bout between American Jazzelle Bobadilla and Aigerim Kassenayeva.

Women's Boxing WC Live from 1:00pm IST STAR SELECT 1 & 1 HD		
Gold	2002 Antalya	45kg
Gold	2005 Podolsk	46kg
Gold	2006 New Delh	46kg
Gold	2008 Ningbo City	46kg
Gold	2010 Bridgetown	48kg
Silver	2001 Scranton	48kg

Mary at World Amateur Boxing C'ships		
Gold	2002 Antalya	45kg
Gold	2005 Podolsk	46kg
Gold	2006 New Delh	46kg
Gold	2008 Ningbo City	46kg
Gold	2010 Bridgetown	48kg
Silver	2001 Scranton	48kg

the country topped the table with eight medals (4 Gold, 1 Silver, 3 Bronze).

The 10-member Indian team, which is a mix of seasoned and young boxers, is unlikely to repeat the 2006 feat but is expecting at least three medals, including a Gold.

The 35-year-old Mary Kom, who is India's biggest hope, is tied with Katie Taylor on five Gold medals and one more will make her the most successful woman boxer in history since the Irish pugilist has turned a Pro.

The 'Magnificent Mary', who will fight in the 48 kg, will also look to win her second Gold in front of the home crowd.

She has enjoyed a stellar year so far, claiming Gold medals at the Commonwealth Games, the inaugural India Open and the International Tournament in Poland.

However, the 2012 Olympics Bronze medalist is aware that the road to Gold will not be easy.

"There are boxers who are still playing in my category since 2001. I know them very well. The new boxers are tougher and smarter, they are faster. I will use my experience. The past boxers are more or less the same, I know them,"

Mary Kom said.

Another veteran who will be seeking her second Gold at the championships will be Mary Kom's Manipur state mate L Sarita Devi who will feature in 60kg. She has five Asian titles besides winning Gold in 2006 here.

The other eight in the team are Pinky Jangra (51 Kg), Manisha Maun (54 Kg), Sonia (57 Kg), Simranjit Kaur (64 Kg), Lovlina Borgohain (69 Kg), Sweety Boora (75 Kg), Bhagyabati Kachari (81 Kg) and Seema Poonia (+81 Kg).

The 10-day championships, which run till November 24, will feature a host of Olympic and World Championship medallists.

# India eye semifinals spot in Women's World T20



PTI ■ GUYANA

Eyeing a semi-finals berth, overwhelming favourites India will have to guard against complacency when they play Ireland in their third Group B match of the ICC Women's World T20 here on Thursday.

India are on a roll having convincingly won their first two matches, including against arch-rivals Pakistan two days ago.

Skipper Harmanpreet Kaur declared open the tournament with her blazing hundred against New Zealand at the Providence, the same venue where India will face Ireland.

Ireland, on the other hand, have lost to both Australia and Pakistan.

India will enter the game against the Irish as overwhelming favourites but Kaur is aware that her team cannot afford to take things for granted in this mega-event.

Ireland cricket is known for its fighting abilities and taking them lightly will not be the way to go for India, with qualification to the last-four knocking on their doors.

Having eased past Pakistan a couple of days after the big win against the New Zealanders, India will nevertheless fancy their chances at the Providence.

If Kaur was the star of the opening win, the team's most experienced campaigner, Mithali Raj, showed the way in the seven-wicket win over Pakistan.

While Jimmah Rodrigues started her T20 career with a fine half-century, the likes of Smriti Mandhana and Veda Krishnamurthy will look to score some runs against Ireland.

In bowling, off-break bowler Dyalan Hemalatha and leg-spinner Poonam Yadav

shone with 10 wickets among them so far, and the seamers will look to get going in the coming games.

**SQUADS**

**India:** Harmanpreet Kaur (capt), Smriti Mandhana, Mithali Raj, Jimmah Rodrigues, Veda Krishnamurthy, Deepti Sharma, Taniya Bhatia, Poonam Yadav, Radha Yadav, Anuja Patil, Ekta Bisht, Dayalan Hemalatha, Mansi Joshi, Pooja Vastrakar, Arundhati Reddy

**Ireland:** Laura Delany (capt), Kim Garth, Cecelia Joyce, Isobel Joyce, Shauna Kavanagh, Amy Kenealy, Gaby Lewis, Lara Maritz, Ciara Metcalfe, Lucy O'Reilly, Celeste Raack, Eimear Richardson, Clare Shillington, Rebecca Stokell, Mary Waldron.

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# 'AUSTRALIA WILL BE BIGGER CHALLENGE FOR INDIAN PACERS'

Nehra feels tough conditions in Thunder Down Under will create obstacles for visitors

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Indian pace attack has been a revelation this year during overseas tours but tougher conditions in Australia will make it a very challenging series for the fast bowlers, reckons former speedster Ashish Nehra.

Nehra, who was a part of the Indian squad that drew 1-1 during the 2003-04 series in Australia, felt the current attack "has the ability" to succeed but conditions will be different than what they got in England and South Africa.

"Australian team is going through a massive restructuring and this is India's best chance without doubt. We have the bowling attack to beat them. But we need to be mindful that conditions will be much tougher Down Under where the wickets will be flat and weather would be on warmer side," the 39-year-old Nehra said.

"In Australia, you will get extra bounce but there will only be lateral movement till the kookaburra seam doesn't flatten. It won't be like England where the ball swings all day. Once you get adjusted to the bounce, batsmen can hit you all day," said Nehra, who has played 17 Tests and 120 ODIs apart from 27 Twenty20 Internationals.

According to Nehra, it will be Jasprit Bumrah, Ishant Sharma and one between Mohammed Shami and Umesh Yadav, who will be starting in Adelaide.

"I don't see Bhuvneshwar Kumar starting in the first Test at least. He can struggle a bit with the old kookaburra as it will neither swing or seam unlike Dukes or SG Test," Nehra opined.

Nehra said that Umesh Yadav's supreme fitness and good skill sets should make him an asset in the Australian conditions.

"I still believe that Umesh is not a finished product after eight years but someone who has incredible skill sets. He is a strong lad and the fittest among all Indian pacers. A testimony to that is his performances in Indian conditions when he can reverse the 65-70 overs old ball at a good speed. You need both skill and strength for that. He should feature sometime," Nehra said.

It will be Bumrah's first Test tour of Australia and Nehra is confident that Australians will find it difficult to play him.

"Jasprit Bumrah is much more skilful red-ball bowler than what he is perceived to be.



Umesh Yadav celebrates after dismissing opposition batsman PTI/File Picture

## SHAMI LIKELY TO PLAY FOR BENGAL IN RANJI

**KOLKATA:** India frontline pacer Mohammed Shami is likely to play Bengal's next Ranji Trophy home match against Kerala here from November 20-23.

A member of Australia-bound Test squad, Shami will leave for the tour Down Under after playing the Ranji Trophy third round match at the Eden Gardens.

"Shami has expressed his interest to play. If he plays, it's good for the Bengal side," CAB president Sourav Ganguly said.

Bengal opened their Ranji Trophy campaign with first innings lead in Himachal and currently facing Madhya Pradesh at home.

"We had written a letter before the first match as well to play him but he had few fitness issues for which he had to undergo rehabilitation. If he plays, it's great," Ganguly added.

PTI

## 'Aus without Smith, Warner is like India not having Kohli, Rohit'

**KOLKATA:** Former India captain Sourav Ganguly on Wednesday said that Indian team under Virat Kohli has the "best chance to beat Australia" in absence of their premier players Steve Smith and David Warner.

Cricket Australia's board has resolved to respond to the call to lift the bans on Steve Smith, David Warner and Cameron Bancroft by next week, but all indications are they are not ready to bring the trio back to international cricket early.

"This is like the Indian team not having Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli. It's a huge factor," Ganguly said.

"It's a great moment for Indian cricket. This is their best opportunity to beat Australia," the former India captain added. Having suffered defeats in their earlier overseas Test series in South Africa and England, the Virat Kohli and Co will salvage pride winning in Australia.

India will play four Test matches against Australia with the first five-day contest commencing in Adelaide on December 6.

The Indian pace attack had impressed in England in their 1-4 series loss and Ganguly said: "I have seen in England that they (bowlers) have taken 20 wickets in almost every Test."

Ganguly however warned the Indian team stay cautious. "But you also have to keep in mind that Australia in Australia are a different kettle of fish. Many feel that they are a weak outfit but I don't think so," Ganguly added.

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His yorkers will come in very handy with old kookaburra. Any batsman, who has not played Bumrah before can find it difficult to counter the awkward angle that his delivery creates.

"And in England, I found out that he can now get the ball to straighten consistently after pitching. So Bumrah is not a one-dimensional bowler," he concluded.

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### SHOREY'S TON BOOST DELHI'S HOPE

**New Delhi:** Dhruv Shorey's fourth first-class century put Delhi firmly in sight of an outright victory against Himachal Pradesh in an opening round group B encounter. Shorey scored his fourth first-class hundred — 106 not out off 177 balls as Delhi declared their second innings at 281 for 4, leaving HP with a stiff target of 376. Earlier, Delhi dismissed HP for 223 in their first innings taking a first innings lead of 94 runs and also ensuring at least three points. At stumps on the third day, Himachal were 44 for 1 with their best bet Prashant Chopra being dismissed by Ishant Sharma (1/14 in 5 overs). With 332 needed on the final day, it will be more about how Himachal survive against left-arm spin duo of Vikas Mishra and Varun Sood on a fourth day track with considerable wear and tear. In the morning, after quickly disposing off the remaining two HP batsmen for an addition of seven runs, Delhi got off to a brisk start courtesy Gautam Gambhir (49, 52 balls) and Hiten Dalal (25, 32 balls), who added 64 in only 10.5 overs. Once Dalal and Gambhir were gone, Shorey and skipper Nitish Rana (32) added 62 for the third wicket. Shorey then added 50 with Himmat Singh (26), who hit three sixes and 67 for the unbroken fifth wicket stand with wicketkeeper Anuj Rawat (21 no) as Delhi finished with an overall lead of 375.

### MUKUND'S TON LEADS TN REPLY

**Tirunelveli:** Test discard Abhinav Mukund led Tamil Nadu's riposte to Hyderabad's massive first innings total of 565 for 8 declared with a superb ton (101 batting) as the host reached 163 for 2 at stumps on day three of the Elite Group 'B' match. Hyderabad skipper P Akshath Reddy could add only two runs to his overnight score of 248 and the team declared at 565 after C V Miliind (33 not out) and Mehdi Hasan (14 not out) put on 27 runs for the ninth wicket. Left-handed opener Mukund looked in fine form, striking the ball all round the wicket. He and fellow opener M Kaushik Gandhi (21) put on 80 runs to set the platform for Tamil Nadu. Mukund, who has so far hit 15 fours, and captain B Indrajith (24 batting) added 69 runs and saw the team through to close of play without any further slip-ups.

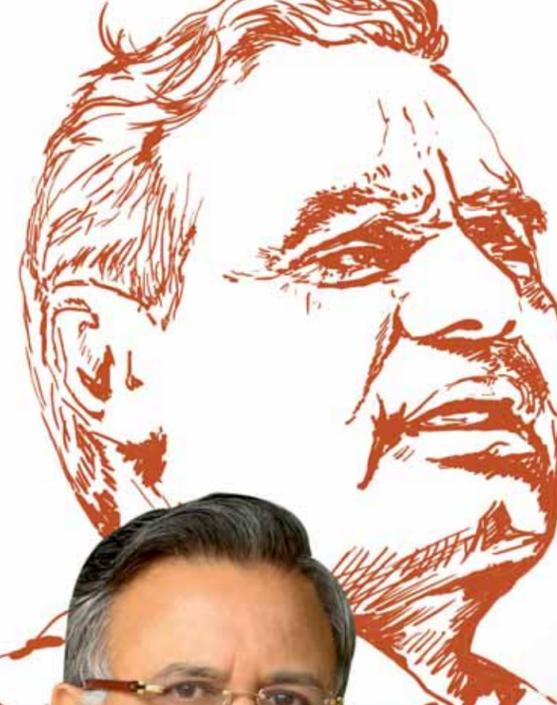
### J&K TRAIL GOA BY 222 RUNS

**Porvorim:** Jammu and Kashmir have a mountain to climb as they trail Goa by 222 runs at stumps on day 3 of their Elite Group C game. Asked to bat first, Goa rode on a century by opener Snehel Kauthankar (130) to post a mammoth 468/9 (declared) in their first innings. Kauthankar, batting at his overnight score of 106, added another 24 runs to his tally and remained unbeaten. He laced his knock with 24 boundaries. Jammu and Kashmir had an uphill task to gain a first-innings lead, but they slumped to 246/7 at stumps on the penultimate day of the four-day game. For J&K, their opener Shubham Khajuria (53) struck a half-century, but three other top-order batsmen, Ahmad Omar Bandey (25), Ian Chauhan (37) and Paras Sharma (22), failed to convert their starts into big scores. But all-rounder and skipper Irfan Pathan, who came in at number 7, remained unbeaten on 42.

### RAILWAYS LEAD SAURASHTRA BY 130 RUNS

**Rajkot:** Riding on an unbeaten fifty by young Harsh Tyagi, Railways lead Saurashtra by 130 runs at stumps on the penultimate day of the four-day game against hosts Saurashtra. For Railways, Tyagi was impressive in the second outing with his unbeaten innings of 73 in 182-balls. While all others batters failed, 18-year-old Tyagi kept the score-board ticking. His knock ensured that Railways managed to get past the 250-run-mark and ended the third day on 278/8. After opting to bat, Railways were bowled out for 200 in their first outing. Saurashtra then took a crucial 148-run first-innings lead with RJadeja remaining unbeaten on 178 as they posted 348 on the board.

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## महिला सशक्तिकरण

- ❁ नोनी सुरक्षा योजना के तहत 12वीं की शिक्षा पूर्ण करने वाली, 18+, अविवाहित लड़कियों को दी जाने वाली राशि दोगुनी कर ₹2 लाख किया जायेगा
- ❁ प्रदेश से बाहर प्रतिष्ठित संस्थानों में अध्ययन करने के लिए मेधावी छात्रों को स्नातक व स्नातकोत्तर शिक्षा के लिए हर साल छात्रवृत्ति दी जाएगी
- ❁ महिलाओं को व्यापार हेतु ₹2 लाख एवं स्व-सहायता समूहों को ₹5 लाख तक ब्याज मुक्त ऋण
- ❁ राशन दुकान चलाने में महिला स्व-सहायता समूहों को प्राथमिकता दी जाएगी
- ❁ वन अधिकार अधिनियम के तहत अधिक से अधिक महिलाओं के नाम से पट्टे देने का प्रयास किया जायेगा
- ❁ विधवा पेंशन योजना के पेंशन को बढ़ाकर ₹1000 प्रति माह किया जायेगा एवं विधवा बहनों के पुनर्वास हेतु विशेष कदम उठाये जायेंगे
- ❁ प्रदेश के सभी 27 ज़िलों में कामकाजी महिला छात्रावास का निर्माण

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