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Death halts tigers' translocation

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

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Carcass of tiger MB2 inside Satkosia Tiger Reserve

3 tiger cubs mowed down by train in Chandrapur

PTI ■ NAGPUR

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

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

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

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

Cubs of murdered Avni spotted alive in Maharashtra forest

AGENCIES ■ NEW DELHI

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

The mother was shot dead in early November after being accused of killing more than a dozen villagers, capping off one of the country's most high-profile tiger hunts and angering conservation activists. The months-long search deployed 200 hunters using paragliders, infrared cameras, sharpshooters on elephant back, and even Calvin Klein fragrance to lure the big cat. Maharashtra forestry department's AK Mishra said the cubs are "healthy and are surviving".

Bengal BJP urges Shah to subdue NRC rhetoric

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

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

According to inside sources, the State BJP has written to party president Amit Shah to go slow on NRC as the idea was creating large-scale apprehensions among the people. In fact, State BJP president Dilip Ghosh on Thursday clearly said the State leadership was more in favour of the Citizenship Bill than the NRC.

"I think once the Citizenship Bill is tabled and enacted the NRC will not be required because that will provide enough evidence of a person's citizenship credentials," Ghosh said. Incidentally, senior BJP leader and party's observer for Bengal Kailash Vijayvargiya had earlier said that "the NRC will definitely be conducted in Bengal if the BJP comes to power here as it is also facing severe infiltration issues."

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

K'taka jumps on statue bandwagon for Mother Cauvery

KESTUR VASUKI ■ BENGALURU

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

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

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

According to Water Resources Minister DK Shivakumar, the proposal was tabled in the Assembly during the Budget Session and was passed in the Budget Bill. On Wednesday Shivakumar along with Tourism Minister SaRa Mahesh held a meeting with officials from the water resources and the tourism departments to discuss the blueprint.

A certain fixed amount will be paid to the Government on yearly basis as revenue generated from the earning from

tourists. Shivakumar said, "It is not a statue per se, it is an amusement park. We want to showcase the heritage and culture of Mysore to rest of the country. It is still in planning stage and features can be changed."

The BJP criticised the Government for calling it an amusement park. BJP Spokesperson S Prakash said, "We welcome the statue, but one can't call it an amusement park. It's an insult to Goddess Cauvery. Congress attacked BJP over statue of Unity, now their duplicity is seen, hypocrisy is in their DNA."

At present, the Government earns ₹6 crore from the KRS dam annually. After development, the income may rise up to ₹300 crore, and the State Government share will be ₹30 crore a year.

Chief Minister HD Kumaraswamy in his first-ever Budget presented on July 5 had proposed to bring back the grandeur of Brindavan Gardens and KRS dam by developing it on the model of America's Disneyland with public-private participation.

Global industrialists are eager to invest in the project, Kumaraswamy, who also holds Finance portfolio, had said in his Budget speech, while providing ₹5 crore to prepare the detailed project report.

Wages of sin: Fashion designer killed by staffer

Tailor and two accomplices surrender at police station at night

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

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

It was around 2.45 am between the intervening night of Wednesday and Thursday when the three men approached the police station and confessed to their crime as to how they had committed the twin murders and bodies were lying in a flat of Vasant Enclave, following which officials rushed to the spot to verify the details. Police recovered the bodies of 53-year-old Maya Lakhani, who ran a boutique called Tulsii Creations in Green Park, and her domestic help, 50-year-old Bahadur, a Nepalese national, with multiple stab wounds in the bungalow early on Thursday. The bodies were lying in a pool of blood.

"The accused looted jewellery and ransacked the house after killing the two, estimating that the incident took place between 10 pm and 11.30 pm

on Wednesday," Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP) South west district Devendra Arya said. Identified as Rahul Anwar (24), the master tailor who worked with Lakhani, his cousin Rahmat (24) and his friend Wasim (25) have been arrested in connection with the killings, the DCP said.

The tailor, with the help of two of his relatives, killed Lakhani as she had not cleared his dues. When she cried for help, her servant came to help her who was also stabbed. "One of the accused Rahul Anwar was working as a tailor at deceased fashion designer's workshop and was staying in her home for the last three years. He committed the crime with two of his relatives in an attempt to loot," Joint CP Ajay Chaudhary said.

A case has been registered and the three accused have been arrested, the DCP added. Police said Lakhani had set up a tailoring workshop in her home. During interrogation, the three said they had hatched a conspiracy to kill her. Anwar claimed Lakhani had not paid him for a couple of months and would pay in piecemeal. He was annoyed and hatched a plan 10 days ago to kill her, a senior police officer said. Anwar had been working under Lakhani for close to three years, he said.

"After committing the crime, the accused said, they stole valuable items, including



jewellery, from the house and left in Lakhani's car, said an officer privy to the investigation of the grisly twin murders.

Police said the accused had four knives with them which they had purchased from a weekly Sunday Bazar in Vasant Kunj. After killing Lakhani and her domestic help, the accused went to a pond behind Rangpuri Pahari area in Vasant Kunj to discreetly dispose of the knives and their clothes that had blood stains.

The accused thought police would trouble their families if they ran away. So, they decided to surrender, the senior officer said. Police said Lakhani was single and had been living in Vasant Kunj for several years. "Lakhani's sister lives in Gurugram and her brother in Goa. We have informed them regarding the incident and a case has been registered," said the DCP adding that the crime scene has been preserved and the bodies sent for a post-mortem examination and further investigations are in progress.

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

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi University Students' Union (DUSU) president Ankiv Baisoya has tendered his resignation in the aftermath of fake degree row. Baisoya was asked by Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP) to relinquish the post.

The ABVP has also suspended Baisoya from the organisation till further enquiry in the 'fake degree case' drawing criticism from the rival National Students' Union of India (NSUI) that the decision was taken under pressure ahead of the High Court hearing.

Baisoya won the post this year. After his election as the DUSU president, the Opposition party started to allege that he submitted a 'fake' bachelor's degree to fight elections.

"The moment ABVP won DUSU elections by 3:1, NSUI and other student organisations started raising questions on the authenticity of Baisoya's previous degree and his admission. Keeping in mind students' struggle, emotions and expectations and in order to maintain the genuineness, the ABVP asked Baisoya to resign from his post and also removed him from all the responsibilities of the organisation till DU completes its verification process," said ABVP spokesperson Monika Chaudhary.

The High Court is hearing the case on a plea of NSUI student leader Sunny Chillar, who



has sought from the court that Baisoya's election be set aside after news reports said the registrar of Thiruvalluvar University had "unambiguously and unequivocally" declared Baisoya's certificate "fake and forged".

Chillar has also alleged that DU was "deliberately delaying" the verification process as no fresh polls would be held for DUSU presidency in case Baisoya's election is set aside over the fake degree issue after expiry of the two-month period.

However, the Opposition party AISA and NSUI claimed that the ABVP and the varsity are playing 'game' with the students as the time limit for the re-election has been crossed.

"ABVP made Baisoya resign after the 60-day time period for re-election is over. After Baisoya's resignation, the ABVP will still retain the presidential post as Shakti Singh, current DUSU vice-president, will take over," said AISA Secretary Madhurima Kundu.

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Raman Singh has public backing, claims Rajnath

STAFF REPORTER ■ RAIPUR

Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday said the faith of people in Chhattisgarh has increased significantly in Bharatiya Janata Party and its Chief Minister Raman Singh.

"I am saying it on the basis of reading the mood of people after the first phase of Assembly elections and attending three public meetings on Wednesday," Rajnath Singh remarked at a press conference here while winding up his two-day visit to the state.

He added, "generally, credibility of crisis arises among people against any political party or the Chief Minister who work for long time. But there is a reverse impact in Chhattisgarh. Despite working for 15 years, people's faith has increased for Raman Singh."

He claimed that Raman Singh's government has done a wonderful work in Chhattisgarh since 2003.



"Chhattisgarh's GDP (Gross Domestic Product) has risen to more than 3.25 lakh crore from around 39,000

crore in 2003. This is not a small thing," the Union Minister opined. Calling Congress mani-

festos in Chhattisgarh a "postdated cheque", he observed "the Congress recently launched its manifesto. What

is the purpose of launching the manifesto when a political party (Congress) has lost its faith in public and there is no credibility of its promises."

He expressed confidence over eliminating naxalism in the coming three-five years and asked Maoists to join the mainstream by surrendering under the rehabilitation policy for them.

"Naxalism will end in next three to five years. The surrender process is continuous and the government has decided to make the rehabilitation policy more effective," he stated.

Rajnath Singh said Maoism was going through its last phase and that it had been reduced from ninety districts to only ten or eleven districts of the country.

He said earlier the killing of security personnel was more but the number of casualty of Maoists has increased with forces having an upper hand.

The Minister appealed to the Maoists to shun the path

of violence and surrender, assuring them of providing benefits of rehabilitation policy being pursued by the government.

The Minister mocked at the Congress for not declaring its Chief Ministerial candidate in Chhattisgarh, saying "Congress is moving ahead with a marriage procession without the groom".

"The Congress as well as all opposition political parties have been currently facing a crisis of credibility. The Congress has lost its inherent strength which is the base of any political party. This is the reason the Congress hasn't so far announced its Chief Ministerial candidate (in Chhattisgarh)," he said.

Congress, which is seeking to end 15 years of BJP rule in Chhattisgarh, has so far not declared its Chief Ministerial candidate in the state that will go for the second phase of Assembly polls in 72 of the 90 constituencies on November 20 to elect a new Assembly. The first phase concluded on November 12 for 18 seats.

Chhattisgarh needs rapid development, says Raman

STAFF REPORTER ■ KHARASIA

Chief Minister Raman Singh said on Thursday while addressing an election rally at Jobhi village in Kharasia that opposition Congress lacked policy, vision and leadership.

He exhorted voters to elect the BJP for the record fourth term and accelerate pace of development in Chhattisgarh.

"Congress has indulged only in vote-bank politics while the BJP is committed to welfare of common people, the development process needs to go on



uninterrupted in the state," Singh remarked.

Kharasia seat in Raigarh district is known as Congress bastion and the BJP has never won it. But this time the saffron party has fielded OP Chaudhry, a local OBC face and former IAS officer, to take on the Congress candidate Umesh Patel.



BSP supremo Mayawati reached Raipur on Thursday for campaigning in Chhattisgarh for the second and final phase of polling on November 20. BSP is contesting polls in the State in tie-up with Janta Congress Chhattisgarh being led by former Chief Minister Ajit Jogi. Pioneer photo

Congress rebel extends support to Akbar in Kawardha

STAFF REPORTER ■ KAWARDHA

Kruti Devi, wife of scion of erstwhile Kawardha Royal family Yogeshwar Raj Singh, who had filed nominations as an independent candidate from Kawardha, had extended her support on Thursday to Congress candidate and former minister Mohammed Akbar.

She announced to give up fight as a rebel, at a press conference. Akbar is locked in a direct fight with BJP's sitting MLA Ashok Sahu from Kawardha, the home district of Chief Minister Raman Singh.

Asserting that formation of Congress government was desperately needed in interests of the state, she said her candidature was putting a major dent to the Congress vote bank.

Justifying her decision, she remarked, "I am withdrawing my candidature with intent to boost poll prospects of Congress official candidate".

BJP raises temple issue only during elections: Congress

STAFF REPORTER ■ RAIPUR

Lashing out at the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) for playing politics in name of Lord Ram, senior Congress leader and former union minister RPN Singh said on Thursday that BJP remembers Lord Ram only during elections for electoral gains.

The Congress leader made the comment in wake of Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday visited to a Ram temple in Raipur located on VIP Road.

While addressing a press conference at State Congress Office Rajiv Bhawan, RPN Singh said, "the BJP was not serious about the construction of Ram Temple in Ayodhya and it raises the issue during elections



only to take political mileage and garner votes".

Singh further reiterated the commitment made by Congress in its

election manifesto about loan waiver for farmers within 10 days if the party is voted to power in Chhattisgarh."

Manoj Tiwari stranded at Raipur airport

STAFF REPORTER ■ RAIPUR

Renowned Bhojपुरi actor and BJP MP, Manoj Tiwari who reached Raipur airport on Thursday for poll campaigning in Chhattisgarh, spent more than 90 minutes while waiting at airport as pilot refused to take off a chopper carrying him as he had not been granted permission for landing at Bemetar's Navagarh to address a public rally.

Held up for around 90-minute at Swami Vivekananda Airport, Mana Raipur, Tiwari vent his anger through a video post on Twitter.

The star campaigner of BJP was to address a public rally at Navagarh, but the pilot citing "no permission" granted for landing, refused to take off the chopper carrying the Delhi



BJP president Tiwari. Irritated over the long hours of waiting, Manoj Tiwari made a self video and posted in his Twitter handle @ManojTiwariMP. The video was posted at around 12.18 pm.

In the video, Tiwari stated, "For the last one-and-a-half-hour I am standing at the Raipur Airport. My first public meeting was scheduled at Navagarh. But the pilot says that collector has not been granted permission, it seems that purposefully someone wants to disturb the proposed meeting. The Election Commission should take cognizance to it and also those in

election work, should also take notice of it."

The video post went viral and at around 1.00 pm, Tiwari again tweeted. He intimated that now his helicopter has been given landing permission but pointed fingers at Congress for the entire mess.

Bemetar Collector Mahadev Kaware, when contacted, said, "The concerned Returning Officer (SDM) has given the permission two days before. It seems, the pilot of helicopter did not accept order of SDM. After it came to my notice, I immediately cleared the permission. Permission is not granted two times for same event. In Chhattisgarh, as per the system, it is the Returning Officer of concerned assembly constituency, the authority to grant the permission."

PCC chief asks Marwahi voters to dump Jogi

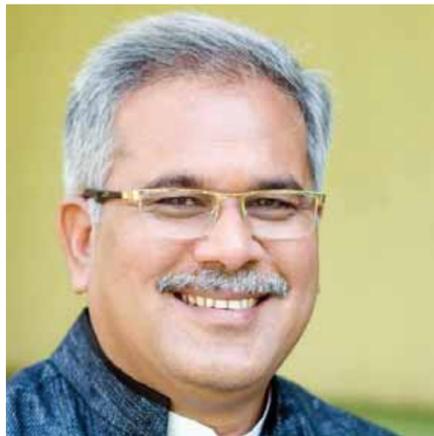
STAFF REPORTER ■ MARWAHI

Pradesh Congress Committee chief Bhupesh Baghel on Thursday stormed into bastion of former chief minister and Janta Congress Chhattisgarh supremo Ajit Jogi in his Marwahi seat and advised voters to dump him and elect Congress candidate from the seat.

"Time has come to dump Jogi and elect a new face in this election," Baghel told voters in election campaign in Marwahi which goes to polls on November 20.

Baghel also asked voters to ignore BJP in polls as the party misruled the state during its 15-year of governance. "Only hollow promises were made by the BJP government in these years and it never fulfilled any of its promises", he alleged.

Konta assembly seat legislator and Deputy Leader of Opposition, Kawasi Lakhma, who also accompanied Baghel in the poll campaign in



Marwahi, termed Jogi a 'liar'. "Jogi has twice campaigned in my constituency Konta in support of



Communist Party of India (CPI) candidate but it will have no effect on my electoral fortune" remarked Lakhma,

who is seeking re-election from the seat which went to polls on November 12.

Maoists murder road contractor in restive Sukma

STAFF REPORTER ■ SUKMA

Maoists killed a road construction contractor and torched six vehicles on Thursday in Chhattisgarh's insurgency-hit Sukma district, a senior police official informed.

The incident took place on the under-construction Misma-Chichordguda road under Dornapal police station limits, Sukma Superintendent of Police Abhishek Meena, told newsmen.

The road is being constructed under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna for which contract was given to Sahu Mahamaya Buildcon Company owned by contractor Harishankar Sahu.

"Around a dozen Maoists stormed the construction site, located about



500 km from the state capital Raipur and started thrashing labourers asking them to stop the work," Meena said. They attacked Sahu with sharp weapons and fled, leaving

him dead on the spot, he added. Before fleeing, the Maoists set ablaze Sahu's SUV and other five vehicles and machines engaged in road construction work.

but he ignored the directive and started work on Wednesday," Meena said.

A search operation has been launched to nab Naxals involved in the incident.



Congress candidate from Bhillai Assembly seat and Bhillai Mayor Devendra Yadav campaigning on Thursday in steel city's crowded HUDCO colony to seek votes to defeat Prem Prakash Pandey, the sitting BJP legislator and Higher Education Minister. Pioneer photo

PAREE PAIN KATHATIE SHGs to be roped in for Phase-II drive

PNS ■ BHUBANESWAR

Reviewing the progress and people's feedback in support of the campaign during Phase-I, Chief Secretary Padhi directed to prepare the convergent action plan for integrated operation at various levels during Phase-II.

It was decided to continue the campaign for creating a safe and protective environment for the children between 0 and 18 years of age.

The Chief Secretary further directed to conduct orientation camps for field level officers of departments like Women and Child Development, Panchayati Raj, Labour and ES, School and Mass Education, Sports and Youth Welfare, Culture and Law about the objectives and meth-

ods of operation of the campaign.

It was further decided to constitute a State Level Coordinating and Monitoring Committee headed by the Chief Secretary, An Advisory Committee headed by the Director General of Police and district level Committee headed by the Collector for carrying forward the campaign.

Chief Secretary Padhi directed all concerned departments to designate a senior level officer as the nodal officer to the Advisory Committee.

It may be pertinent here to mention that Paree Pain Kathatie is an initiative of the Odisha Police launched in technical partnership with Unicef.

IT WAS DECIDED TO CONTINUE THE CAMPAIGN FOR CREATING A SAFE AND PROTECTIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE CHILDREN UPTO 18 YEARS OF AGE

During the first phase of the campaign, 15 Paree Express vehicles went round all 30 districts of the State for 15 days. They covered 44,787 km and conducted around 1,400 community outreach programmes in different parts of the State.

Around 1.2 million people participated in the campaign through direct community outreach programmes and around 1.3 million people were connected through social media outreach.

The campaign focused on preventing sexual abuse of the child and received unprecedented appreciation and participation from people from cross sections of society.

It was decided in the meeting that convergent action plan would be prepared involving different departments, agencies and institutions developed under different Acts, policies and flagship programmes relating to child right, child protection, education, prohibition

Cong mayoral candidate Hridayesh promises various developments

LoP claims BJP to suffer defeat as public looking towards Congress

PNS ■ HALDWANI

Continuing his campaign here, the Congress mayoral candidate for Haldwani, Sumit Hridayesh interacted with the public in various areas on Thursday. Eliciting votes from the public, he averred that the Congress would develop the municipal corporation of Haldwani into one of the better municipal corporations of the state.

Hridayesh went from door to door, interacting with the voters in Chadayal Nayak and Suyal areas. In the market area, he also interacted with representatives of the local business bodies. He assured members of the business fraternity that if he is elected the mayor of Haldwani, the bazaar area will be made conducive for business and convenient. This will prove to be beneficial for both the



business fraternity and the public. Welcoming him with enthusiasm, garlanding him while raising slogans in his favour, the local Vyapar Mandal announced that it would support the Congress candidate. Meanwhile, the leader of opposition and Haldwani MLA Indira Hridayesh also addressed public meets at various locations. She said that the BJP government in Uttarakhand was nearing two years in office but during this period, it had stalled developmental works across the state. The people are now disenchanted with the BJP and are looking towards the Congress, she opined.

EXEMPLARY TEAMWORK IN JAJPUR Riverside villagers build bridge on their own

BY COLLECTING DOLES FROM EACH HOUSE



PNS ■ JAJPUR

It seems straight out of the Dilip Kumar-starrer Naya Daur in the 1960s wherein villagers on their own initiative build a village road.

Around ten villagers under Bari block in Jajpur district, may have not seen the Hindi movie, but have done something similar by building a 130-meter-long bamboo bridge. It is not reel story but a real one in these remote villages, crisscrossed with Brahmani river and its creeks.

The villagers were facing a lot of problems due to the non-construction of the bridge for which in a meeting on October 30, they decided to construct the bamboo bridge from their own fund and labour for which they collected cash and paddy from each house. About 2,000 villagers had paid about Rs 50,000 and 10 quintals of paddy. The work started on November 4 and with free labour, they managed to construct the bridge.

They built the bridge within a short span of period of only eight days, said Mahendra Nayak of Kimbhiripala. After the construction of the bridge, the people of riverside villages of Kusabata, Kalakhanda, Swainkhanda, Jamapada, Balia, Paramnandapur, Isanapur, Kharipada, Kimbhiripala, Balichanchia, Dhalsahi, Maladav, Junanga and others are now well connected with the nearby town Bari.

Crime on rise in B'pur; patrolling sought

PNS ■ BRAHMAPUR

It seems the law and order situation in the silk city is deteriorating fast. According to information available, two chain snatching cases occurred in the city's most posh locality Gandhinagar 3rd Lane Extension (West) on Wednesday and Thursday.

According to information available, on Thursday early morning two unidentified youths came in motor bike and reportedly asked a house wife, who did not wish to be identified, to come down on the pretext of some urgent message and when the lady came down, the miscreants, taking advantage of the loneliness, snatched her gold chain and other ornaments and decamped. The residents of Gandhinagar led by the BJD Corporator of BeMC Ranjit Pattnaik alleged police inaction resulting in a spurt in different crimes including the chain snatching. According to reports, Gandhinagar area is now under the command of some criminals. Eve teasing, snatching, loot and organized attacks are a common things. Thousands of students read in different private institutions and employees working in private firms from outside the district and the State are staying on rent in the Gandhinagar area. The owners without verification of their antecedents let them stay in their houses. Besides, there are many unauthorized hostels or messes for students. There is a public perception that, police need to prepare a database of such outsiders and study their antecedents.

The residents also demanded through their memorandum that, the police should intensify patrolling, especially in the morning from 5 am to 7.30 am and in evening from 6 pm to 9 pm, checking over-speeding and rash and drunken driving.

Similarly, drunken youths loiter in Gandhinagar Chhak, Sai Complex- Gandinagar Road and the approaching road to Gandhinagar 3rd Lane Extension (West) road, creating nuisance. The police must take action against such people.

It may be recalled here that the Sadar police had busted a major chain-snatching racket and arrested four looters involved in a series of snatching cases and produced them before court two months back, who were later released from jail.

Miscreants again loot ATM in Khordha

PNS ■ KHORDHA

After a few days' lull, unidentified miscreants looted cash again from a Tata Indicash ATM at Bajpur under the Sadar police station in the district late on Wednesday night.

Reports said the miscreants broke open the ATM and allegedly looted cash from the machine. Besides, CCTV cameras installed inside the ATM counter have been vandalised.

The matter came to light in the morning after a few locals reported the incident to the Sadar police.

Getting information, police reached the spot and began an investigation into the incident. The exact amount of cash looted has not been ascertained yet, sources said.

Of late, looter have found bank ATMs to be soft targets and incidents of ATM robberies were reported from various places including Nirakarapur, Tulasipur, Jatni and Baghamari in the district in the recent past.

Earlier this month, miscreants uprooted a TATA Indicash Automated Teller Machine (ATM) and decamped with cash around Rs 2 lakh in Tulasipur area in the district. But the district police are still groping in dark about the miscreants or gangs involved in the series of ATM loots.

XIMB holds summit 'XPECTRM'

BHUBANESWAR: The Xavier School of Rural Management (XSRM) in collaboration with the RM Alumni Committee of Xavier University, Bhubaneswar (XUB) hosted leadership summit 'XPECTRM' here on Wednesday aimed to provide the students a comprehensive view on the wonders from rural inclusive finance, rural marketing to social business and entrepreneurship.

XSRM Dean Prof Kajri Mishra, XUB Registrar EA Augustine and Director (Finance) Donald D Silva attended as guests and inaugurated the summit where

Augustine and Silva congratulated the committee and spoke on the need for such events that aims at extracting more and more knowledge from experiences of industry stalwarts, who are great leaders in their respective fields.

Different session focused on 'Development Policy and Livelihood', 'Social Business and Entrepreneurship', 'Rural Inclusive Finance' and 'Rural Business Development and Marketing' were held followed by an interactive question and answer round. The annual magazine of the committee 'Alohomora' was released on the occasion.

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Ratnes Jha, Rajendra Narayan Mahapatra, Jayesh K Jain, Tanwi Kumari, Phaneendra Doddapaneni, Alok Pattanayak, Charudutta Panigrahi, Pratyush K Panda, Tapan Kumar Das, Ramesh Jena, Rajarshi D Sarkar, Aditi Nanda, Vasudevan Chinnathambi and Lopamudra Mohanty were the speaker.

Bhadrak Jr MVI under Vig scanner

PNS ■ BHADRAK

The Vigilance police on Thursday raided residence and office of an RTO official here for allegedly possessing assets disproportionate to his known source of income.

The houses of Shankar Narayan Choudhury, Junior MVI at RTO in Bhadrak, were raided simultaneously by a team of Cuttack Vigilance sleuths at six locations including in Cuttack and Bhubaneswar on Thursday morning.

According to reports, the Vigilance team raided the rented house of the official at



Charampa area in Bhadrak. They returned to his office as the house was locked up.

The sleuths reportedly seized several documents. As the probe was underway, the Vigilance officials declined to provide further information regarding the raid to media.

SAMBIDHAN SAMMAN YATRA IN S'PUR 'Country facing Constitutional crisis'

Activists urge people to raise voice

PNS ■ SAMBALPUR

It is not well in the country. Those who are ruling after getting people's mandate are misruling it rather. In such a situation, we, the people of the country, have to be careful and save our own Constitution," said speakers at Sambalpur and Jharsuguda who are moving all over the country on a 'Sambidhan Samman Yatra'.

The yatra has kicked off on October 2 on Gandhi Jayanti this year from Dandi in Gujarat in order to create awareness among the citizens of the country to save the Constitution as well as constitutional rights of the people.

The speakers said that the country is passing through a critical juncture. Whether democracy will survive or not is a question mark now. Undemocratic system rules the roost by a democratically elected Government.

Even efforts are being made to divide people in the name of caste, creed and religion. Atrocities on minority, SCs and STs are in the rising graph. People are feeling insecure everywhere. Efforts are on to squeeze voice of those who are raising voice against such anomalies. Influential people are looting the natural resources of the country without slightest of the problem to face. Rather, they are being encouraged in such practices. Hence, it is time for all of us to be alert and work jointly to protect secure Constitutional rights of the citizens, said the speakers. A group comprising people from different States was here on Tuesday evening to sensitize people on the crucial issue. The members of the Sambalpur Jilla Krushak Samanway Samity led by Langaraj took an active part in organizing the meeting with warm welcome to the members at the entrance of the city.

"Gujarat is projected as the 'development model' by both the State end Central Governments. But the reality is that, SC or ST people apart, the general category people have now demanded reservation there for their very survival," the speakers said further. "The recommendations of the Swaminathan Committee are ignored by the present Government. Farmers are suffering out of poverty all over the country. Hence, it is right time that we have to become aware of the ongoing wrongdoings in the country and raise voice against it," they added.

The main attraction of the yatra, Medha Patkar who was to address the gathering here couldn't come due to her personal problem. But in her absence, activist Prafulla Samantara, Rajendra Rabi, Rohit Singh, Bhupinder Singh Rawat and office bearers of the Krushak Suraksha Samanwaya Samity addressed the people.

'Startup progs aimed at youths to become employers'

PNS ■ SHIMLA

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur on Thursday flagged off a 'Startup Yatra' asserting that the State's Startup programme is aimed at turning its educated youths into job providers.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi to the youths of the country which envisages various incentives for entrepreneurs to help them succeed in their ventures, he added.

Thakur said this scheme would provide an opportunity to the youths to turn their innovative ideas into reality.

The Yatra will have halts at various educational institutions of Shimla, Solan, Sirmour, Hamirpur, Kangra, Chamba, Kullu and Mandi districts before its culmination at IIT, Mandi on November 30, he added. This scheme would also provide for creation of incubation centres in the host institutes of the State to create building capacities and develop networking by establishing necessary infrastructure and generating awareness, he added. IIT Mandi, NIT Hamirpur, Agriculture University, Palampur, Science, Technology and Environment Council, Horticulture University Nauni, Bir Technology Park, HP University, CSIR Palampur and JPUIT Vanknaghat have been selected for having incubation centres, he added.

Thakur said the basic objective of this scheme is to create self-employment and employment, upgrading the skills of entrepreneurs and help them set up their units under professional guidance.

The scheme also aims to help entrepreneurs select viable projects in manufacturing and service sectors and train them to set up startups and run them professionally, he added. The key focus areas of the scheme will be technology-driven innovation sector, rural infrastructure and facilities, arts, crafts, water and sanitation, renewable energy, health care, clean technology, agriculture, horticulture and related areas, food processing, retail, tourism and hospitality, mobile, IT and bio-technology, he added.

'Pre-certification of political Ads must'

Raipur: Pre-certification of political advertisements in the print media on the day of the poll and a day prior to it, in Chhattisgarh has been made mandatory as per directive issued by Chhattisgarh Chief Electoral Officer Subrat Sahoo on Thursday.

The directive applies for the second phase of polling scheduled on November 20 and a day before, on November 19 where all the political advertisement before publication has to be certified by district or state level Media Certification and Monitoring Committee (MCMC).

The directive issued points out there are instances of advertisements said, that Election Commission exercising the power under Article 324 of the Constitution, has directed that no political party or candidate or any other organization or person shall publish any advertisement in the print media on November 19 and 20, 2018 unless the contents of the advertisement proposed to be published by the political parties, candidates etc are to be pre-certified by them from the Media Certification and Monitoring Committee at the state/district level.

The MCMC has also been directed to facilitate the process of pre-certification and also examine it.

Sahoo while citing the



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NOTICE FOR E-PROCUREMENT

Online bids are invited through CSPDL e-bidding system (SAP SRM) from Eligible Electrical Contractors (III and above) for T-404 & T-405 and Contractors (II & above) for T-406 registered in the O/o ED (PROJECT), CSPDCL, Gudhyan, Raipur for following works.

Tender No/ Rfx no.	Name of work	Tender Amount (In Rs.)	Completion period (Excl. rainy season)	Time/Due date of submission
Tr.no 404 RFX-8100011509	Shifting of 11KV & LT Line at Industrial Area Piproud Block Charama under Lakhampuri D/C of (O&M) Dn. Kanker.	2323133.00	60 days	up to 2:30 PM on 06.12.2018
Tr.no 405 RFX-8100011759	P/S to O2 No. 14.04 KW & 14.52 KW new street light conn. 06 Nos X05 HP Pump house and 25 HP O.H tank at Industrial Area Piproud under Lakhampuri D/C of (O&M) Dn. Kanker.	1421618.00	60 days	up to 2:30 PM on 06.12.2018
Tr.no 406 RFX-8100011760	Installation of 33 KV VCB in 33 KV incoming feeder at 33/11 KV Vishrampur S/s under Vishrampur D/c of (O&M) Dn. Kondagaon.	176907.00	60 days	up to 2:30 PM on 06.12.2018

Note: 1. Bids will be opened at 3:00 pm and onward on the same day of submission. 2. For details visit http://www.csddl.co.in - project department - e-bidding portal.3. For e-bidding CSPDCL Helpline No. 0771-2576672 (EITC, CSPDCL) 4. The bidders are informed that at present tenders are being issued excluding GST as per revised SOR 18-19. The bidders are requested to quote the rates accordingly. **PL Sidar Emp.No 91319473 SE (Circle) CSPDCL, Kanker**

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

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



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

withdrawal agreement with the 28-member bloc. Hours after a spate of resignations, prominent Brexititeer Jacob Rees-Mogg directly challenged May in the House of Commons. He later submitted a letter of no confidence in her leadership of the Conservative Party.

Vara, Conservative Party MP for North-West Cambridgeshire, who has been a minister in the Northern Ireland Office since January, said,

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UNAUDITED STANDALONE FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE HALF YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

Sr. No.	Particulars	(All amounts in Indian Rupees in lakhs unless stated otherwise)		
		Six months period ended September 30, 2018 (Unaudited) (refer note 2)	Six months period ended September 30, 2017 (Unaudited) (refer note 2)	Year ended March 31, 2018 (Audited)
1	Income from operations			
	(a) Revenue from real estate operations	7,118.58	3,147.77	8,916.24
	(b) Other Operating revenue	243.71	39.19	220.85
	Total income from operations	7,362.29	3,186.96	9,137.09
2	Expenditure			
	(a) (Increase) decrease in project work in progress	3,282.65	(854.03)	(7,817.16)
	(b) Project approval charges	53.06	436.09	1,394.49
	(c) Cost of land/development rights	74.92	866.92	4,200.00
	(d) Employees cost	858.80	866.92	1,777.24
	(e) Depreciation and amortization expense	74.92	96.73	206.80
	(f) Subcontractor, material and labour charges	850.31	1,460.52	4,697.17
	(g) Other Expenditure	684.13	649.09	1,535.13
	Total expenditure	5,803.87	2,657.32	6,193.67
3	Profit/(loss) from operations before other income, finance costs (1-2)	1,558.42	529.64	2,943.42
4	Other income	368.52	124.49	744.36
5	Profit/(loss) from operations before finance costs and exceptional items (3+4)	1,926.94	654.13	3,687.78
6	Finance costs	2,287.52	1,599.49	3,592.12
7	Exceptional items	-	-	-
8	Profit/(loss) from operations before tax (after exceptional items) (5-6-7)	(360.58)	(945.36)	95.66
9	Tax expense	-	-	75.13
	Current tax expense	-	-	-
	Adjustment of tax relating to earlier periods	-	-	-
	Deferred tax expense/(credit)	524.37	-	(13.57)
10	Net Profit/(loss) for the period (8-9)	(884.95)	(945.36)	34.10
11	Other Comprehensive Income/(loss) (net of tax)	(12.98)	(22.55)	(15.24)
12	Net Profit/(loss) for the period (10-11)	(897.93)	(967.91)	18.86
13	Paid-up equity share capital (face value of Rs.10 per share)	0.93	0.93	0.93
14	Paid-up preference share capital (face value of Rs.10 per share)	300.00	300.00	300.00
15	Paid-up debt capital/ outstanding debt (refer note 10)	4,600.00	4,600.00	4,600.00
16	Net worth (refer note 10)	27,638.15	35,102.29	36,389.97
17	Debt redemption reserve (refer note 13)	18.86	-	18.86
18	Capital redemption reserve	321.70	321.70	321.70
19	Earning Per Share (EPS) (not annualised)			
	Basic (in Rs.)	(9,560.65)	(19,087.94)	368.51
	Diluted (in Rs.)	(9,560.65)	(19,087.94)	30.68
20	Debt: Equity Ratio (refer note 10)	0.99	0.56	0.77
21	Debt: Service Coverage Ratio (refer note 10)	0.58	0.32	0.25
22	Interest: Service Coverage Ratio (refer note 10)	0.87	0.67	1.09

NOTES: (1) The above financial results for the half year ended September 30, 2018 have been reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee and approved by Board of Directors of the Company at their meeting held on November 14, 2018. The statutory auditors of the Company have carried out a limited review of the financial results for the half year ended September 30, 2018. The Company's debentures are listed and therefore, Regulation 52 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) 2015 is applicable to the Company. (2) The financial results of the Company have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles of Indian Accounting Standards ("IND AS") prescribed under section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 (read with relevant rules there under). (3) In line with the provisions of Ind AS-108 "Operating Segments" and basis review of operations being undertaken by the senior management, the operations of the Company primarily fall under real estate business, which is considered by the management to be the only reportable operating segment. (4) CR-SIL has reassigned CR-SIL BBB- negative ratings from CR-SIL BBB-(SO) ratings for Company's redeemable non-convertible debentures vide letter dated May 07, 2018. (5) Paid up Debt Capital represents: (a) 4,600 Series A Fully Paid, Rated, Listed, Secured, Redeemable, Non-Convertible Debentures of Rs. 100,000 each amounting to Rs.4,600 lakhs. The proceeds have been utilized for the purpose as mentioned in the above documents and there is no material deviation in the utilization of the proceeds. *excludes Series B-2,900 debentures of Rs. 100,000 each amounting to Rs. 2,90,000 lakhs issued by the Company and pertaining to the Mall undertaking, that have been transferred to Euthonia Developers Private Limited (the Resulting Company), pursuant to Composite scheme of arrangement as approved by the Honourable High Court of Punjab and Haryana vide order dated March 31, 2017, and accordingly, the same has not been included in Paid up Debt Capital under Note 5. The Company's management and the Resulting Company's management are currently in the process of completing procedural formalities with the Debenture Trustee and the Stock Exchange for effecting the transfer of such debentures to the Resulting Company and believe, no further adjustments are required in this regard in these financial results. (6) The Series A Non-Convertible Debentures are secured by way of first ranking exclusive charge over Amritsar MIP project land, receivables from sale of Amritsar MIP project and Falehabad project, insurance receivables- Penguin and Ambrose, the escrow accounts and monies lying to credit thereof. (7) Ind AS 115 Revenue from Contracts with Customers, mandatory for reporting periods beginning on or after April 1, 2018, replaces existing revenue recognition requirements. The application of Ind AS 115 has impacted the Company's accounting for recognition of revenue from real estate projects. The Company has applied the modified retrospective approach to contracts that were not completed as of April 1, 2018 and has given impact of Ind AS 115 application by debiting retained earnings as at the said date by Rs. 7,853.92 lakhs (net of tax) pertaining to recognition of revenue based on satisfaction of performance obligation at a point in time. Accordingly, the figures for the comparative previous periods have not been restated and hence, the current period figures are not comparable with previous period figures. Due to the application of Ind AS 115 for the half year ended September 30, 2018, revenue from operations is higher by Rs. 4,600 lakhs and net loss after tax is lower by Rs. 159 lakhs than what it would have been if erstwhile standards were applicable. Similarly, the basic and diluted earnings/(loss) per share for the current period is lower by Rs. (8,375.31) per share. (8) Next due dates for repayment of interest and principal of non-convertible debentures (NCDs):

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

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

BALANCE SHEET AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2018		Notes	September 30, 2018	March 31, 2018
ASSETS				
Non Current Assets				
Property, plant & equipment	3	1,287.01	1,313.39	
Capital work in progress		-	30.75	
Investment property	4	-	-	
Other intangible assets	5	5.77	6.54	
Rights in development properties	6	133.10	133.10	
Deferred tax assets (net)	6	249.59	249.06	
Tax assets (net)	7	267.60	267.12	
Financial assets				
Loans	8	993.37	43.39	
Investments	9	1,224.90	1,247.78	
Other financial assets	10	866.88	211.35	
Other non current assets	11	226.98	226.98	
		7,498.18	3,708.58	
Current assets				
Inventories	12	62,530.18	51,359.45	
Financial assets				
Trade receivables	13	3,858.32	8,529.96	
Cash and cash equivalents	14	1,159.15	5,510.46	
Bank balances (other than cash and cash equivalents)	14	830.61	2,013.93	
Loans	8	1,349.30	800.00	
Other financial assets	10	1,865.26	2,634.65	
Other current assets	11	4,948.13	4,298.21	
		76,440.95	75,134.66	
Total assets		83,939.13	78,843.24	
Equity and liabilities				
Equity				
Equity share capital	15	0.93	0.93	
Instruments entirely equity in nature	15	300.00	300.00	
Other equity	16	27,337.22	36,089.04	
		27,638.15	36,389.97	
Non-current liabilities				
Financial Liabilities				
Borrowings	17	25,520.08	26,607.90	
Other financial liabilities	20	428.37	392.30	
Provisions	18	-	-	
		25,948.44	27,000.20	
Current liabilities				
Financial Liabilities				
Borrowings	17	3,606.74	3,305.23	
Trade payables	19	-	-	
-total outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises		-	-	
-total outstanding dues of creditors other than micro enterprises & small enterprises		3,057.78	3,464.90	
Other financial liabilities	20	1,551.81	1,247.78	
Provisions	18	272.74	144.79	
Other current liabilities	20	21,863.69	7,290.37	
		30,352.96	15,453.07	
Total equity and liabilities		83,939.13	78,843.24	

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

Place: GURGAON For Alpha Corp Development Private Limited Date: November 14, 2018 Sd/- Ashish Sarin (Director & Chief Executive Officer) DIN: 00897673

KHASHOGGI KILLING

Five Saudi officials face death penalty

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



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

Turkey says Saudi explanation of Khashoggi murder 'insufficient'

AFP ■ ISTANBUL

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

Khashoggi died after being drugged and then dismembered, a spokesman for the public prosecutor's office said in the first Saudi confirmation of how he was killed.

The journalist's body parts were then handed over to an agent outside the consulate grounds, the spokesman said.

He denied Prince Mohammed had any knowledge of the murder.

The deputy chief of Saudi Arabia's intelligence, General

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

"We find all those steps positive but insufficient," Foreign Minister Mevlut Cavusoglu said in a televised speech.

His comments came shortly after Saudi Arabia admitted that 59-year-old Khashoggi was drugged and dismembered inside the kingdom's Istanbul consulate last month.

Riyadh's public prosecutor said the journalist's body parts were then handed over to an agent outside the consulate grounds and that five Saudi officials were facing the death penalty over the murder.

China says foreign concerns over Muslim rights unwarranted

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

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

Chaos in Lanka Parliament as Speaker comes under siege

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

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

Jayasuriya had allowed Rajapaksa to make a statement as a member of parliament after stating that he does not recognise the claim of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP) leader who lost a no-confidence motion on Wednesday.

"I was the president and premier, so this Prime Minister's post is not important," Rajapaksa said.

"I urge all 225 members to join me in calling for a fresh election. We want a general election," he said, adding that a fresh election was the best way to resolve the crisis. UNP legislator Lakshman Kiriella urged Jayasuriya to take a vote by name, showing the loss of confidence over Rajapaksa's remarks.

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

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

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

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

This is well beyond the habitable zone in which liquid water, and possibly life, could exist, researchers said. The planet's surface temperature is estimated to be around minus 170 degrees Celsius, meaning it is likely to be a frozen world which is uninhabiting to Earth-like life, they said. However, if the planet has a substantial atmosphere the temperature could be higher and conditions potentially more hospitable.

"Barnard's star is an infamous object among astronomers and exoplanet scientists, as it was one of the first stars where planets were initially claimed but later proven to be incorrect.

बिहार सरकार

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(चिकित्सक कृपया ध्यान दें)

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Afghan officials: Taliban kill 30 policemen in west province

Kabul: A blistering overnight attack by the Taliban on an Afghan police outpost in western Farah province killed 30 policemen, Afghan officials said on Thursday. It was the latest in a series of brutal and near-daily Taliban assaults on the military and police forces, Government and other installations throughout the country. The resurgent Taliban, who in recent years have taken over nearly half of Afghanistan, did not comment on the attack in Farah.

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 (₹ in Lakhs except EPS data)

Sr. No.	Particulars	Half Year Ended 30/09/2017 (Unaudited)	Half Year Ended 30/09/2018 (Unaudited)
1	Total Income From Operation	2.13	-14.76
2	Net Profit for the period (before tax and exceptional items)	(2.44)	(22.49)
3	Net Profit for the period before Tax (after exceptional items)	(2.44)	(22.49)
4	Net Profit for the period after tax (after Exceptional items)	(2.44)	(22.49)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	0.00	0.00
6	Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs.10/- each)	41.95	41.95
7	Reserve (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	1038.01	957.95
8	Earning Per Share (EPS) (of Rs. 10/- Each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) not annualised		
	(a) Basic	(0.58)	(5.36)
	(b) Diluted	(0.58)	(5.36)

Notes

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PAPER WITH PASSION

Gaping hole

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



Nothing could be a sadder comment on our tolerance levels than the fact that we smile at clear skies after a spell of rains and breathe easy at Delhi's official air quality dipping to "very poor" from the "very severe" category. Looks like we have renegotiated our terms of endurance rather than those of our healthy survival and choose to work around everything else but our comfort zone. Which is why we should collectively ponder why the Environment Pollution (Prevention and Control) Authority has turned alarmist, suggesting that all non-CNG vehicles be kept off the road in cycles or all road users follow the odd-even scheme, depending on the density of pollutants despite the season. EPCA chairperson Bhure Lal has asked the CPCB to discuss options with the Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP) task force and revert as early as possible. Although stubble burning, the main culprit of the pollutant overload, is on the wane now, industries have been reined in on waste and effluent discharges and commercial diesel trucks regulated, there has not been a significant or substantial dip in air quality indices. This drives home the point that we desperately need to address the elephant in the room, vehicular pollution. According to EPCA, vehicles contribute 40 per cent of the total emission load in Delhi and around 30 per cent of emissions in the NCR. What's even more worrisome is that unregulated private vehicles have led to a sharp spike in nitrous oxides and particulate matter, those that have direct impact on our respiratory comfort zones and cause premature infant deaths and health epidemics. So that needs immediate redressal, therefore.

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

Rajasthan rumble

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



Rajastan Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje, as her political opponent and Congress State unit chief Sachin Pilot put it on a television show a couple of days ago, is the only BJP leader who has managed to get the better of her national party president. His reference, of course, was to the open secret that Amit Shah and the BJP top brass were contemplating a change of leadership in the State earlier this year given the pretty strong anti-incumbency mood there but Vasundhara Raje was having none of it and she eventually prevailed. That, however, may be the last major political victory for her this year. For, the ground reports are getting quite unambiguous — the Congress looks like it's on the comeback trail in Rajasthan, helped in no small measure by a coherent poll campaign, led by former Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot and Pilot with former Union minister CP Joshi too given due respect, which seems to have succeeded in leveraging the anti-incumbency sentiment against the BJP Government. Sensing the wind, BJP leaders including a couple of sitting legislators have joined the Congress which has also got its caste/community social coalition right this time around with only the Rajput community and the urban middle-class and trading communities seemingly not wildly keen on it though here too the Vasundhara administration does draw some flak.

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

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opinion

Missing inclusivity

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



BHOPINDER SINGH

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

“
RELIGIOUS EXTREMISM IS A GLOBAL REALITY AND ALL MAJOR RELIGIONS ARE COMPLICIT IN FANNING SENTIMENTS. THE ONUS IS ON THE POLITICAL LEADERSHIP TO BREAK THE MONOPOLY OF THE SUPREMACIST AND REVISIONIST FORCES BY SEGREGATING RELIGIOSITY FROM GOVERNANCE
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Sikhs, and Jains throughout the United States and around the world. Hundreds of millions of people have gathered with family and friends to light the *diya* and to mark the beginning of a New Year."

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

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

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

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

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

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

SOUNDBITE

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

Home Minister
—Rajnath Singh



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

Afghan President
—Ashraf Ghani



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

Proudcer
—Ritesh Sidhwani



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

Woman activist
—Trupti Desai



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Temporary respite

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

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

G David Milton
Maruthancode

Nehru and his undermined legacy

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

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



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

Sujit De
Kolkata

Unanswered questions

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

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

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

is made public.

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

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

While all this would lead

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

Shalini Gerald
Chennai

Et tu, Dassault?

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

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

Anna Mary Yvonne
Chennai

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FIRST COLUMN

The emerging New India

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



NAVNEET ANAND

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

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

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

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

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

(The writer is a strategic communications professional)

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

—US VICE PRESIDENT MIKE PENCE

POINT COUNTERPOINT



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

— MYANMAR'S DE FACTO LEADER AUNG SAN SUU KYI

Indigenous modernity

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



SACHIDA NAND JHA

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

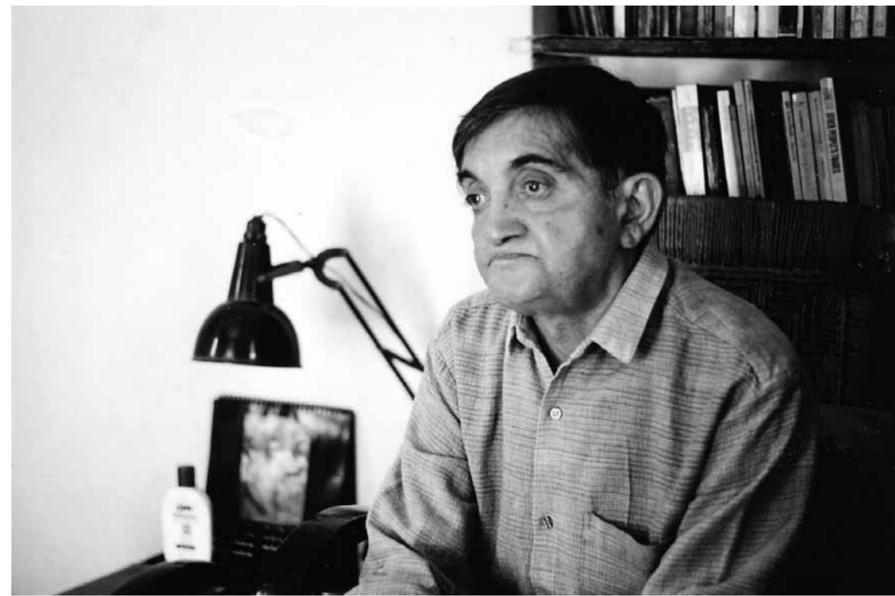
The irreconcilable incompatibility between Indian way of conceptualising, planning and strategising about the vagaries of human life and the unavoidable pulls and pressures of Western modernity is so effectively embodied in different essays written in Hindi and compiled in such collections as *Shabda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

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

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

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

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



resolution of all those problems we face today.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Corruption and abuse of power

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



PRABHU GUPTA

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

hawala transactions.

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

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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FOREIGNEYE



NO PROSPECT OF GOING BACK

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

(The Guardian editorial)

Didi steps up attack on BJP over NRC

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

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



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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Chennai: Cyclone 'Gaja' intensified into a severe cyclonic storm on Thursday and is expected to cross the south Tamil Nadu coast by late this evening or night, with the Government machinery put on high alert in vulnerable districts.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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PTI ■ JAMMU



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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

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

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Directorate of Tourism, Jammu intends to make TVCs/AVs/Short-Films/Docu-drama/Documentaries on different tourist destinations and of tourism products for the year 2018-19 to promote Jammu as a prominent independent tourist destination covering various aspects of State tourism like monuments, wildlife, ecotourism, hill stations, shopping, fairs and festivals heritage, resorts, cuisines and handicrafts covering the captivating beauty, diversity and spirituality of Jammu in such a way that it offers the viewers a cherish-worthy and engaging experience about Jammu on the rates approved by Department of Information and Public Relation, J&K. Pursuant to the above, E.O.I is invited from registered Production House/Film Maker/Agency/Company in J&K for the production of TVCs/AVs/Short-Films/Docu-drama/Documentaries and other related works. S.No. 1, Name of work :- Empanelment of Production House/Film Maker/Agency/Company for Production of short films to promote Jammu Tourism. Name of Division :- DDT (Pub) Jammu Cost of document (In Rs.) :- Rs. 200/- Earnest Money (In Rs.) :- 10,000/- Time and date of opening of E.O.I :- 26.11.2018 at 11:00 hrs. Who can apply :- Registered Film Maker/Agency/Company/Production House of J&K having a prominent media presence and minimum experience of making 03 films/TVCs/AVs/Short-Films/Docu Drama/documentaries during last 03 years in J&K. 1. The Bidding documents can be downloaded from the website <http://ktenders.gov.in> from 10:00 Hrs on 13th Nov, 2018 upto 23rd Nov, 2018 till 14:00 hrs. Bid documents contain qualifying criteria for bidder, terms and conditions and other details. Sd/- (Er.S.K.Attri) KAS Deputy Director Tourism Publicity, Jammu

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

PTI ■ SRINAGAR

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

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

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

"On one hand, they (NC and PDP) say they will not take part in elections to safeguard Article 35A, on the other, they demand dissolution of assembly and fresh elections. Tomorrow if assembly elections are held, will you will fight or go by your boycott?" Madhav said at a function in Kathua on Tuesday night. NC and PDP did not participate in urban local bodies elections held in the State last month after a gap of nearly 13 years due to the legal challenge to Article 35-A of the Constitution, which guarantees exclusive residency rights to people of the State only, before the Supreme Court.

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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	MUNICIPAL COMMITTEE, FARRUKH NAGAR	ESTIMATE FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREET LIGHT FOR ONE YEAR (09*12=11.88)	CLOSING DATE 26.11.2018	11.88 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in/mcgepp/app Tender No-2018/HRY 71862_1	9467388174 secymcfarrukhnagar@gmail.com
2	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, HISAR	SPECIAL REPAIR WITH MASTIC OF ROAD FROM PARSHURAM CHOWK TO GANDHI CHOWK HISAR + 2 OTHER WORKS	30.11.2018 05.12.2018	40.92 LACS	mchisar.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in Tender No 105028, 105031, 105105	xenmchisar@gmail.com
3	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, YAMUNANAGAR, JAGADHRI	CONSTRUCTION OF PITS FOR COLLECTION OF DUNG (GOBAR) & CONSTRUCTION OF TANKS FOR COLLECTION OF WASTE WATER FOR DIARY COMPLEX DARIYA FOR COMPOSTING + 1 OTHER WORK	15.11.2018 21.11.2018	49.22 LACS	https://mcydnr.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in Tender No 105148, 105150	9818656867 xen.mcydnr@gmail.com
4	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, YAMUNANAGAR, JAGADHRI	PATCH WORK AND POT HOLES REPAIR IN VARIOUS POINT IN WARD NO. 08 TO 20 YAMUNANAGAR + 2 OTHER WORKS	15.11.2018 22.11.2018	40.60 LACS	https://mcydnr.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in Tender No 105142, 105143, 105145	9818656867 xen.mcydnr@gmail.com
5	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GURUGRAM	REPAIR OF EXISTING DRAINS AND LAYING OF RCC NP3 PIPE DRAINS, PROVIDING & FIXING SFRCC DOUBLE ROAD GULLY SIZE 1448MM * 457 MM AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO IN THE BALANCE AREA OF SECTOR-59 GURUGRAM, UNDER MCG + 2 OTHER WORKS	09.11.2018 26.11.2018	116.06 LACS	https://mcpurgaon.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in Tender No 104676, 104680, 104681	ec5@mcg.gov.in
6	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GURUGRAM	CONSTRUCTION OF BOUNDARY WALL & BARBED WIRE FENCING AT NEAR HOUSE NO. 49, POKET-A, IN SECTOR-39,(WARD NO.28) UNDER MCG.	20.11.2018	3.65 LACS	http://mcpurgaon.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in Tender No EE-III&IV/MCG/F-6/2018/48717 DT.05.11.2018 EE-III&IV/MCG/F-6/2018/49538 Tender No-104425	9821395203 ee3@mcg.gov.in
7	HVPNL PANCHKULA	PROCUREMENT OF BOLTLESS C-TYPE WEDGE CONNECTORS FOR I. TARANTULA-TARANTULA CONDUCTOR (2400 NO.) II. ZEBRA-ZEBRA CONDUCTOR (7700 NO.)	17.11.2018 01.01.2019	2.80 LACS	www.hvpng.org.in Tender No QPD-1153, NIT NO 1005 DT.14.11.2018	0172-2583789 cpno@hvpng.org.in
8	HVPNL PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL ODSG FOUNDATIONS, ODOT AT 220 KV SUB-STATION LULA AHIR, (R-8)	CLOSING DATE 05.12.2018	20.46	www.hvpng.org.in Tender NO-12/CWR/HVPN/2018-19	0172-2583789 pro@hvpng.org.in
9	HVPNL PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF RADIATOR FOUNDATION, OIL TANK FOUNDATION, SURFACE DRESSING & SPREADING OF CRUSHED BAIRI AT 220KV S/STN. UNISPUR.(CIVIL WORKS).	19.11.2018	7840 FOR GENERAL 3920 FOR REGISTERED D SOCIETY	www.hvpng.org.in Tender No 21/2018-19 Dated 18.11.2018	0172-2583789 cpno@hvpng.org.in
10	HVPNL PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF ODSG FOUNDATIONS, ODOT AND OTHER ALLIED WORKS AT 132 KV SUB-STATION KANINA, (R-8)	05.12.2018	21.86	www.hvpng.org.in E-Tender Enquiry No-11/CWR/HVPN/2018-19	0172-2583789 pro@hvpng.org.in
11	MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BAHADURGARH	PROVIDING AND INSTALLATION OF 07 MTR. STREET LIGHT POLL ON JHAJJAR ROAD TO SECTOR ROAD ALONG WITH ITI BAHADURGARH CITY + 3 OTHER WORKS	27.11.2018 28.11.2018	69.84 LACS	etenders.hry.nic.in Tender No 784, 785, 786, 787	9466279801 mcbgarh@gmail.com
12	HARYANA TOURISM CORPORATION LIMITED	RE-TENDER FOR 33RD SURAKSIND INTERNATIONAL CRAFTS MELA FOR HIRING OF AGENCY FOR PROVIDING WALKIE-TALKIE/WIRELESS SETS + 17 OTHER WORKS	16.11.2018 03.12.2018	EMD-8.1 LACS	haryanaturism.gov.in Tender No Htc-2018/SKMA/Agencies	haryanaturism@gmail.com 9216400446
13	UHBVN PANCHKULA	CONSTRUCTION OF CEMENT CONCRETE INTERLOCKING PAVER BLOCK ROAD AT 33KV S/STN.DIKADLA	14.11.2018 28.11.2018	7.16 LACS	www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in Tender No 26/CCR/2018-19	xencivilhbvnrhatak@gmail.com 0172-2565625
14	UHBVN PANCHKULA	ANNUAL BUILDINGS MAINTAINANCE AND REPAIR OF 33 KVS/STN. UNDER "OP" CITY DIVN. PANIPAT	14.11.2018 28.11.2018	5.69 LACS	www.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in Tender No 27/CCR/2018-19	xencivilhbvnrhatak@gmail.com 0172-2565625
15	UHBVN PANCHKULA	1 NOS. JEEP/BOLERO WITH HARD TOP WITH DRIVER	29.11.2018 30.11.2018	6000	www.uhbvn.org.in NIT No 51/XEN/SH/2018-19 Dt 14.11.2018	0184-2268351 xenopubhbvnsukarnal@gmail.com
16	HARTRON	PURCHASE OF 170 NOS. 15 PROCESSOR BASED COMPUTERS + 1 OTHER WORKS	16.11.2018 10.12.2018 07.12.2018	2 LACS	www.hartron.org.in Tender No/Hartrson/HW/2018-19/46, 2018-19/47	agmprocurement@gmail.com 0172-2720113

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MARATHA RESERVATION

Maha Govt to make announcement on Dec 1

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

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Vibrant Gujarat roadshow to be held in Delhi today

NAYAN DAVE ■ GANDHINAGAR

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

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

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

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

Yatra to spread awareness on Patel's contributions

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

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

Sardar Patel had also reconstructed the Somnath temple.

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

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

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

Geelani released from house arrest

KHURSHED WANI ■ SRINAGAR

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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BHIMA-KOREGAON RIOTS CASE

Chargesheet against 10 persons, including 5 activists

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

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

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

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

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

The ten accused named in the first chargesheet in the

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

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

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

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

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Ref: 98/777DA-469A/2018 Date: 15/11/2018

Tender Cancellation Notice
Tender for Request for Proposal (RFP) for AMC of UPS Under UKSWAN invited by Director ITDA, Dehradun, Uttarakhand vide No: 07/ITDA-466/2018 dated 23/10/18 is hereby cancelled due to unavoidable reasons.
DIRECTOR

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

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

The description of the UIDB is as under:
Sex: Female, **Age:** 50 years, **Height:** 5'2", **Face:** Round, **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Built:** Medium, **Wearing:** Yellow colour Suit, Brown Colour Printed Salwar and Blue colour Slippers in Feet.
If anyone has any information about her relatives, kindly inform the SHO/ Rani Bagh, Delhi.

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

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

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

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

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

POLICE HEADQUARTERS JAMMU & KASHMIR JAMMU
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e-NIT No. 59 OF 2018
DATED 13.11.2018

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

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

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

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

Sd/-
AIG (Provision/Transport)
For Director General of Police
J&K -Jammu

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

SEARCH FOR KIDNAPPED/MISSING

General public is hereby informed that five persons namely

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

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

SHO
P.S. North Rohini, Delhi
Ph.: 011-27048210, 27048211

SEARCH FOR MISSING

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

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

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

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

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

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

Place: New Delhi
Date: 14/11/2018

Vikas Kumar
Director
Din:05308192

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

DELHI URBAN SHELTER IMPROVEMENT BOARD
Office of the Executive Engineer C-4
Govt. of NCT of Delhi
First Floor, Office cum Shopping Complex, New Ranjeet Nagar, New Delhi-110008
email : eec4.dusib@gmail.com

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

PRESS NOTICE FOR INVITING E-TENDERS

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

NIT No. 57 /EEC-4/ DUSIB/2018-19
E-Tender No. 2018_DUSIB_161864_1
Name of work :- Pay & Use JSC (Revenue)
Sub Head :- Up-gradation of Jan Suvidha Complex in JJ Cluster Rakhli Market Zakhira including provisions for additional 8WCs and 2 Baths. (PMS:9989).

Estimated Cost :- Rs. 25,14,121/-
Earnest Money :- Rs. 50,300/-
Tender Cost :- Rs. 500/-
Period of Completion :- 120 days
Last Time and date of submission of bid : 26.11.2018 at 15:00 Hrs
The bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website (<https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>)

Executive Engineer C-4, DUSIB

Store Division, Civil Engineering Department
NEW DELHI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
ROOM NO. 224, SHAHID BHAGAT SINGH PLACE, Gole Market, New Delhi-110001

E-Procurement Tender Notice - IIIrd Call

Tender ID : 2018_NDMC_161933_1

Subject: 9-B Suspense Stock during 2018-19.
SH: Supply and Stacking of GT Cover with Frame, GT Cover Only Manhole Cover with Frame & Manhole Cover only in NDMC Civil Store.

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

Further details can be seen at <https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>
Note : To participate in e-tender in NDMC, registration with e-tendering system, Govt. of NCT of Delhi is Mandatory. Executive Engineer (Store)

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	1 st Round	2 nd Round		
05.12.2018	18.12.2018	Mahalaxmi	Deputy Chief Material Manager- Mahalaxmi	022-24929571 09004495750
07.12.2018	19.12.2018	Pratapnagar	Deputy Chief Material Manager - Dahod	02673241295 09724090455
08.12.2018	20.12.2018	Dahod	Deputy Chief Material Manager - Dahod	02673241295 09724090455
12.12.2018	22.12.2018	Sabarmati	Deputy Chief Material Manager-Sabarmati	07927500080 09724093770
10.12.2018	24.12.2018	Mumbai Central	Sr.Divl. Material Manager, Mumbai Central	022-23094142 09004499003
11.12.2018	21.12.2018	Ahmedabad	Sr.Divl. Material Manager - Ahmedabad	07922205888 09724093750

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

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FinMin plans offer for sale of GIC, New India Assurance

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



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

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

At 1515 hours, shares of New India Assurance were trading at ₹220.20 apiece, up 0.30 per cent over last close on the BSE. Reinsurance company GIC has fixed the price band at ₹855-912 for its IPO last year, through which it raised ₹11,370 crore.

Telecom sector reaches 5 lakh mobile tower mark

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

A mobile tower can house several base stations (BTS) of different telecom service providers. "The telecom industry has been closely working with the government in building a well-entrenched communication infrastructure and till date, the industry has invested ₹10.44 lakh crore to this end," the statement said.

HAIER BRINGS A NEW ERA OF SMART HOME SOLUTIONS IN INDIA

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

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

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

This fresh bid is a part of the airline's real estate assets monetisation plan approved by the then UPA Government in 2012. As per the plan, Air India had to the garner funds to the tune of ₹5,000 crore between April 2014 and March 2021, with an annual target of ₹500 crore from FY13 onwards. The properties, which are spread over 16 cities pan India, will be e-auctioned through the state-run auctioneer MSTC. "We are expecting to raise about ₹700-800 crore by e-auctioning of these over 70 properties, which comprises both residential as well as commercial. Some of these properties are those which we put up on the block earlier but could not get a buyer," the official said.

Rebirth of a classic

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

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



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

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

However, the rebirth of the brand does not mean the motorcycle will feature ancient technology, instead a modern 293cc liquid-cooled engine will do duty on the Jawa and Jawa 42 producing 27 horsepower. The Perak will have a higher displacement 334cc version of the same engine with 30 horsepower. The motorcycles will be priced at between ₹1.55 lakh to ₹1.89 lakh. Speaking at the launch, Anand Mahindra, Chairman, Mahindra Group and an investor in Classic Legends said that it was rare to get the opportunity to resurrect a legend. Incidentally, Mahindra Two-Wheelers is the contract manufacturer for Classic Legends.

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

NHAI to get ₹10,000 cr: Gadkari

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

highway projects under TOT was a huge success, which was over subscribed and had fetched NHAI ₹9,681 crore. "We are positive that the second round will also get a similar response. I personally expect it to fetch ₹10,000 crore, more than what we got for the

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

Business Corner

BIS ORGANISES SEMINAR ON INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

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



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

MOTHERS ON WHEELS — OUT TO HEAL THE WORLD

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



POSOCO ORGANISES ANNUAL CULTURAL MEET

Power System Operation Corporation Limited (POSO) organised the Annual Cultural Meet and Handicraft Exhibition-2018 at Mumbai recently. The event was inaugurated by KVS Baba, CMD, POSOCO by lighting the lamp. Bharati, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Power, all Board Members, Senior Officials and employees from all five Regional Load Despatch Centres, National Load Despatch Centre and Corporate Centre with their family members were present on the occasion.



SNEHA SCHOOL CELEBRATES CHILDREN'S DAY

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



NMDC LIMITED CELEBRATES ITS 61ST FOUNDATION DAY

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



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

PTI ■ NEW DELHI
India's exports rose by 17.86 per cent to \$26.98 billion in October mainly due to the low base effect even as trade deficit widened to \$17.13 billion, according to the Commerce Ministry data.

The Federation of India Export Organisations (FIEO) said that exports in October last year were even lower than that of September this year. Base effect is responsible for the high growth in October, it said.

The exports on monthly basis were down compared to \$27.95 billion in September. Imports during October also rose by 17.62 per cent to \$44.11 billion, leading to widening of trade deficit to \$17.13 billion. The deficit widened despite a steep decline of 42.9 per cent in gold imports to \$1.68 billion during the month under review. Exporters attributed close to 18 per cent growth in exports in October to a favourable base effect, as the foreign shipments in the comparable month of the previous fiscal were quite low at \$22.89 billion.

Sharing similar views, Engineering Export Promotion Council of India (EPEC) said that high growth in October has come about on the back of a favourable base effect. FIEO President Ganesh Gupta demanded for augmenting the flow of credit as the sharp decline does not augur well for the sector. The sectors which recorded healthy growth in October includes petroleum (49.3 per cent), engineering (8.87 per cent), chemicals (34 per cent), pharma (13 per cent), and gems and jewellery sector (5.5 per cent). On the other hand, exports of several agri commodities recorded negative growth and that includes coffee, rice, tobacco, cashew and oil seeds.

SEARCH FOR MISSING



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

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.
Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused **Ashok Kumar S/o Deep Chand Sharma R/o V.P.O. Karala, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence FIR No. 213/13 u/s 420/34 and FIR No. 167/13 u/s 420 IPC P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Ashok Kumar** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Ashok Kumar** absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Ashok Kumar** accused of FIR No. 213/13 u/s 420/34 and FIR No. 167/13 u/s 420 IPC is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **21.12.2018**.

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

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



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

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR THE LOSS OF SALE AGREEMENT

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

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

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

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

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

Sd/-
DEEPAK KUMAR TYAGI
AUTHORISED SIGNATORY
Manas Realty Project Pvt Ltd
Place: New Delhi
Date: 15.11.18
Address: 6, Community Centre, Saket, New Delhi - 110017, India

BARAK VALLEY CEMENTS LIMITED
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Regd. Office: 202, Royal View, B.K. Kakoti, Ulubari, Guwahati, Assam-781007
Corp. Office: 281, Deepali Pitampura, New Delhi-110034
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EXTRACT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND HALF YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 2018

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

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

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

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER PWD (R&B) DIVISION REASI SHORT NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Short E-NIT No. 20 of 2018-19 Dated : 12-11-2018
Executive Engineer PWD (R&B) Division Reasi on behalf of Governor of J&K State, invite tenders by e-tendering mode from approved and eligible contractors with J&K State Govt./CPWD and Railways upto 1800 Hrs on 27-11-2018 for the following work.

S. No. 1 :- Name of Work :- Construction of road from Govt. High School PHC Panassa Km Ist RD0-1000., **Name of Division :-** PWD (R&B) Div. Reasi, **Estimated Cost (in lacs) :-** 11.04, **Cost of document (in Rs.) :-** 600/-, **Earnest Money (in Rs.) :-** @ 2% of the Estimated cost, **Time Allowed for completion :-** 30 days, **Time & date of opening of tender :-** 28-11-2018 (1200 hours), **Class of Contractor :-** A, B, C & D

S. No. 2 :- Name of Work :- Construction of Hall for Wrestlers near Kalka Temple at Kalka Hills Reasi., **Name of Division :-** PWD (R&B) Div. Reasi, **Estimated Cost (in lacs) :-** 9.83, **Cost of document (in Rs.) :-** 600/-, **Earnest Money (in Rs.) :-** @ 2% of the Estimated cost, **Time Allowed for completion :-** 60 days, **Time & date of opening of tender :-** 28-11-2018 (1200 hours), **Class of Contractor :-** A, C, D

S. No. 3 :- Name of Work :- Construction of VIP Suit at Panassa [G. Floor & F. Floor] Including Boundary Wall., **Name of Division :-** PWD (R&B) Div. Reasi, **Estimated Cost (in lacs) :-** 47.90, **Cost of document (in Rs.) :-** 600/-, **Earnest Money (in Rs.) :-** @ 2% of the Estimated cost, **Time Allowed for completion :-** 90 days, **Time & date of opening of tender :-** 28-11-2018 (1200 hours), **Class of Contractor :-** A & B

S. No. 4 :- Name of Work :- Construction of road from PMGSY road to Hospital at Arnas by way of 100mm thick RBM, 150mm thick WBM, 75mm thick WMM, 25MM thick & 01 No 0.90 H.P Culvert. R/wall, B/wall & Pacca Drain in stretches Km Ist RD 0-600., **Name of Division :-** PWD (R&B) Div. Reasi, **Estimated Cost (in lacs) :-** 34.90, **Cost of document (in Rs.) :-** 600/-, **Earnest Money (in Rs.) :-** @ 2% of the Estimated cost, **Time Allowed for completion :-** 60 days, **Time & date of opening of tender :-** 28-11-2018 (1200 hours), **Class of Contractor :-** A & B

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

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

ZEL JEWELLERS LIMITED

REGD. OFFICE : E-5, South Extension, Part-II, New Delhi-110 049
CIN: L74899DL1994PLC058832 Website: www.rkjewellers.in
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Extract of Un-Audited Standalone Financial Results for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018 (Rs. in Lakhs)

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

NOTES:
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of the Unaudited Financial Results for the second quarter ended September 30, 2018 filed with the Stock Exchange under regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Unaudited Financial Results for the second quarter ended September 30, 2018 is available on the Stock Exchange website (www.bseindia.com) and Company's website (www.rkjewellers.in).
2. The Company has adopted Indian Accounting Standards (IND AS) prescribed under the Companies Act, 2013 read with relevant rules there under, with effect from April 1, 2017 and accordingly these financial results have been prepared in accordance with Ind-AS notified under the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 as amended by the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) (Amendments) Rules, 2016.
For and on behalf of Board of Zel Jewellers Limited
Sd/-
Rohan Sharma
Managing Director
DIN:01390042
Place: New Delhi
Date: 14/11/2018

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS

The Executive Engineer (E), Electrical Division-I, CPWD, Gate No. 6, Jalebi Chowk, North Block, New Delhi (Ph : 23092312 & E-mail: deleeed1.cpwd@nic.in) on behalf of the President of India, hereby invites online item rate tenders from "the Registered contractors of CPWD in appropriate class of Composite Category" for the following work:-
NIT No. 167/EE(E)/ED-1/2018-19, Name of Work: MOEI & fans i/c Security lights at L&M Block & Plot No. 108 (E&W), New Delhi. (SH-Providing services to attend the elect. Complaints). **Estimated Cost:** Rs. 15,15,636/-, **Earnest Money:** 30,313/-, **Period of completion:** 12 (Twelve) Months, **Last time and date of submission of bid:** 22.11.2018 up to 3:00 PM.
The Bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website www.tenderwizard.com/CPWD. The Press Notice is also available on www.eprocure.gov.in.

Srikanth, Sameer enter quarters

Kidambi upsets Prannoy in marathon match to seal last-8 spot; Sindhu loses to Sung in straight sets

PTI ■ KOWLOON

Olympic medallist shuttler PV Sindhu suffered an unexpected loss in the second round but Kidambi Srikanth and Sameer Verma advanced to the quarterfinals to keep India's flag flying at the Hong Kong Open World Tour Super 500 tournament here on Thursday.

World No 4 Sindhu, who was seeded third here, was shown the door by Hyun Ji Sung of Korea 24-26, 20-22 in fighting 59 minute duel.

With Sindhu's exit, India's challenge ended in the women's singles after Saina Nehwal had made a first round exit.

But India's men's singles shuttlers had a good day in office with Srikanth and Sameer progressing to the last eight round, albeit with contrasting results.

Fourth seeded Srikanth, who had claimed a Silver medal at this year's Commonwealth Games, had to dig deep in his reservoir to outwit fellow Indian H S Prannoy 18-21, 30-29, 21-18 in a thrilling match, clocking an hour and seven minutes.

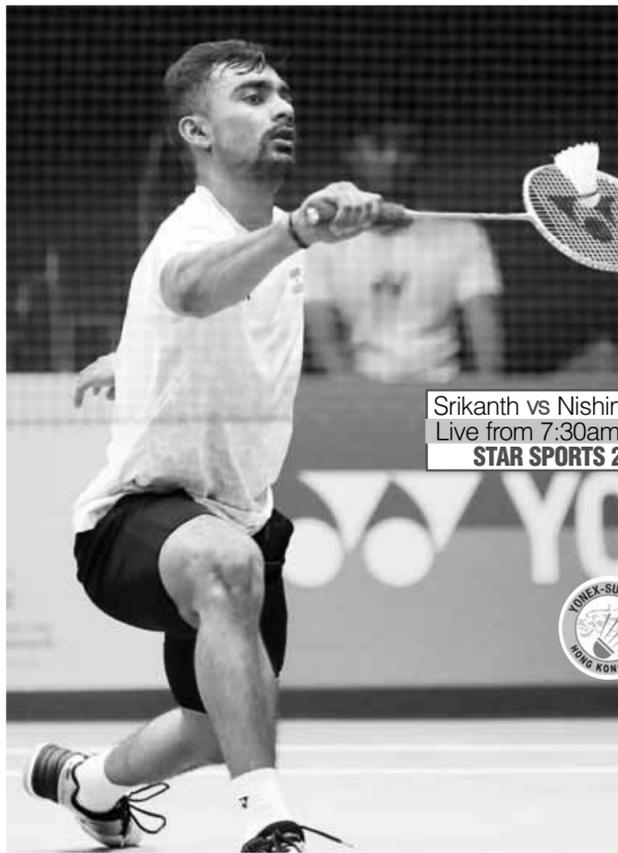
Srikanth will now face Japan's Kenta Nishimoto in the last eight match.

Sameer, however, qualified for the quarterfinals after his formidable opponent, Olympic champion Chen Long pulled out of the competition due to injury. He will face local hope Lee Cheuk Yiu on Friday.

Sindhu's loss, however, was a major upset despite not being a one-sided affair. The Indian had recovered from 13-18 down in the first game to make it 19-19, before the two players traded points till 24-24. Sung eventually won two straight points after that to take the lead in the match.

In the second game again, Sindhu fought back from 15-19 to make it 20-20 but could not force the match to go into a decider, as Sung wrapped it up 22-20.

However, mixed doubles pairing of



Srikanth vs Nishimoto
Live from 7:30am IST
STAR SPORTS 2



Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Ashwini Ponnappa lost 17-21, 11-21 to Chinese Taipei's Lee Yang and Hsu Ya Ching to bow out of the tournament.

Sameer Verma returns a shot during his game; (right) PV Sindhu in action during World C'ship BWF/PTI

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SINGLES

ADVANI AMASSES WORLD TITLE NO 20
YANGON: India's ace cueist Pankaj Advani on Thursday won his third straight IBSF billiards crown in the 150-up format, taking his overall tally of world titles to a staggering 20. The 33-year-old from Bengaluru overcame Nay Thway Oo of Myanmar in a high-quality final. After bossing the '150-up' format, Advani will now compete in the longer version, 'Up' format, commences immediately. It was also a proud moment for Myanmar which saw its own player in the title round for the first time. Nay Thway Oo did well to oust multiple world champion Mike Russell in the semifinal with a convincing 5-2 victory.

RAMKUMAR, PRAJNESH SEEDED
MUMBAI: Indian Davis Cuppers Ramkumar Ramanathan and Prajnesh Gunneswaran, both ranked between 120 and 150, are the lone Indian men to be seeded in this year's \$ 50,000 KPIT Men's Challenger Tennis to be held in Pune from November 17-24. Ramkumar has an ATP ranking of 121 and Prajnesh 142, but the tournament will not see defending champion and two-time winner Yuki Bhambri in action as he has pulled out citing an injury. In his absence Ramkumar, who lost to Bhambri in last year's final, and Prajnesh, runner up to Sadio Dombia of France in 2016, would lead the home country's challenge.

QATAR STUN SWISS IN FRIENDLY
LUGANO: Qatar's national team beat Switzerland 1-0 here as the Swiss were punished for their significant lack of aim, four days ahead of their decisive clash with Belgium to qualify for the next round in the Nations League. In an unprecedented duel on Wednesday, the Qatari team, led by Spaniard Felix Sanchez Bas, knew how to put on a good show while facing the permanent pressure from the European team. It was forward Akram Afif, who condemned Switzerland and gave victory to Qatar, a team with little impact on international football so far. In the 88th minute Akram Afif scored, after finishing a counterattack led by Boudiaf, which gave Felix Sanchez's team a memorable triumph.

MI RETAIN 18 PLAYERS FOR IPL 2019
MUMBAI: Mumbai Indians have retained 18 players including their skipper Rohit Sharma but released some top international stars like JP Duminy and fast bowling duo of Pat Cummins and Bangladesh's Mustafizur Rahman ahead of the 2019 Indian Premier League players' auction. The franchise has also released 10 players which include one capped, five uncapped and four international cricketers. All-rounder Hardik Pandya, Krunal Pandya, Jasprit Bumrah, Mayank Markande, Aditya Tare, Ishan Kisan, Rahul Chahar, Anukul Roy and Suryakumar Yadav have been retained by the three-time champions.

SHARMA SLIPS TO T-47 AT DUBAI
DUBAI: Shubhankar Sharma was unable to build on his brilliant start and was placed tied 47th on the opening day of the season-ending DP World Tour Championships (telecast in DSport). Sharma first hit by a three-putt on sixth, missed a short birdie chance on 7th but then had trouble with a shoe bite from the eighth onwards and lost the momentum. "I lost the momentum there (on 6th and seventh) and also misread some of the greens and ended with five three-putts," Sharma said. **Agencies**

Priority is to top the pool and make quarterfinal: Manpreet

PTI ■ BHUBANESWAR

India's hockey captain Manpreet Singh said his team is focused on toping its pool and make the quarterfinals of the men's World Cup starting here on November 28.

With less than two weeks to go for the prestigious World Cup which will witness 16 top teams battle for supremacy at the iconic Kalinga Stadium, India are busy making final preparations to their campaign.

"There is no doubt we want to win every match in the Pool Stage, earn the three points from each match, and top the Pool to make the Quarter Final. That is our first hurdle," said Manpreet.

"It's the World Cup and every team will come with an intention of winning and we do not want to take any team lightly, be it South Africa, Canada or World No 3 Belgium."

Grouped in Pool C, India will face South Africa on November 28, before taking on Belgium on December 2 followed by their last group match against Canada on December 8.



While the Indian team has not faced South Africa in a major tournament in over two years, Manpreet said that a win in their first match will set them on the right course.

"Though we haven't played them in any major tournament, we played a practice match against South Africa during the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games. That match gave us an idea of how they play," he said.

"Though we won we don't want to

go by the past result. We play them in our first match and it's always good to get off to a winning start in any tournament," added the 26-year-old Captain.

While India have defeated Belgium recently at FIH Champions Trophy in Breda and last year's Hockey World League Final, Canada have posed India some serious threat in their past campaigns at major International Tournaments.

The team had drawn 2-2 against Canada in the round robin league at the Rio Olympics and in the 2017 Hockey World League Semi Final in London, India had lost 3-2 in the 5th-6th place play-off to Canada.

"It was a forgettable outing for us but I believe we have improved as a team in the past two years and we have learnt from every tournament. If we play our best hockey, who we are playing should not matter," he said.

"Even against Belgium, if we are able to score early then the pressure will be on them. For now, our team is focused on winning the three points from each match in Pool C."

Cilic, Thiem shine

AFP ■ LONDON

Dominic Thiem still has a chance to reach the semifinals at the ATP Finals after beating Kei Nishikori 6-1, 6-4 Thursday.

Thiem, who lost both of his previous matches at the season-ending tournament, needed to win in straight sets to have any chance of advancing.

Six-time champion Roger Federer, however, needs only to win one set in the late match against Kevin Anderson to advance alongside the South African. If Anderson wins in straight sets, second place will be decided by who has won a higher percentage of games.

Thiem broke twice in the first set against Nishikori, who won only one game in his previous match against Anderson.

Earlier on Wednesday late night, Marin Cilic keeps his hope alive of making into the semifinals of season ending ATP Finals after former US Open champ Croat beat John Isner 6-7 (2/7), 6-3, 6-4 in ednesday's second match.

The Croatian fifth seed had lost nine of his previous 10 matches at the Finals, and he

John Isner vs A Zverev
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looked in danger of another letdown when he dropped the first set against Isner.

But Cilic, whose only other Finals victory came against Kei Nishikori in 2016, had other ideas as he roared back to take the final two sets.

"I started to feel the ball really well in the second set. I was playing great tennis towards the end," Cilic said.

Cilic's revival keeps him in with a chance of qualifying for the semi-finals, while American eighth seed Isner still has an outside chance of advancing despite losing his first two matches.

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

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PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Double Olympic medallist wrestler Sushil Kumar and India's first Asian Games Gold medallist heptathlete Swapna Barman were on Thursday dropped from the latest Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) which was revised keeping in mind the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

Sushil, who won Bronze and Silver medals respectively in 2008 Beijing and 2012 London Olympics in 66kg freestyle category, crashed out in his first qualification bout at this year's Jakarta Asian Games in the 74kg and the latest result didn't go in his favour.

Besides Sushil, another big name to have been dropped from the latest TOPS list, which was reviewed last in July 18 before the Asian Games, is Swapna, who created a flutter in Jakarta by becoming India's first Gold medallist in heptathlon.

Keeping an eye on 2020 and 2024 Olympics, the government's Mission Olympic Cell on Thursday reviewed three sporting disciplines — athletics, wrestling and weightlifting.

In athletics, the number has been reduced from 31 to just 10, which includes two new faces in triple jumper Arpinder Singh and steeple-chaser Avinash Sable, who will be supported till the 2019 World Championships.

Besides, star javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra, Seema Punia, Mohammad Anas, Hima Das,



Ayyasamy Dharun, Jinson Johnson and Sreeshankar Murali are other athletes who have retained their places in the new TOPS list.

In the revised 10-men wrestling list, Utkarsh Kale (men's 57kg freestyle), Deepak Punia (men's 86kg freestyle), Divya Kakran (women's 68kg freestyle) and Sajan (men's greco-roman 66kg) are the four new entrants, which also has star grapplers like Sakshi Malik, Bajrang Punia, Vinesh Phogat among others.

In weightlifting, the criteria for inclusion was set at medal probable for women lifters and top 10 for men's and on that basis Ragala Venkat Rahul (men's 96kg) was included in the list while world champion Mirabai Chanu (women's 49kg) was retained in the pruned chart.

Tough road awaits Sarita, Manisha

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

A tough road awaits veteran L Sarita Devi and rookie Manisha Moun as they open India's campaign at the AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships here on Friday.

The 36-year-old Sarita, who got a first round bye in 60kg category, faces Diana Sandra Brugger of Switzerland in the second round.

Brugger had defeated Huswatun Hasanah of Indonesia in the first round as the 10th edition of the championships began at the K D Jhadav Stadium here on Thursday.

Sarita, who won a Gold in the 2006 edition held here, has come into the tournament after winning a bronze each in the India Open and Silesian Women's Boxing championship in Gliwice, Poland this year. Her opponent Brugger, on the other hand, does not have a formidable reputation.

But, it will not be an easy outing for the Manipuri as her opponent has been an experienced campaigner having taken part in World Championships since 2008.

Sarita, seeded fourth in the tournament, would be searching for her second Gold at home but to do that she will have to beat the likes of defending world champion Yang Wenlu of China and Rio Olympics Bronze medalist Anastasia Beliakova of Russia.

On the other hand, the 20-year old Manisha (54kg) faces 2016 World Championships Bronze medallist Christina Cruz of the United States in her first round bout.

Cruz is also a Bronze medallist at the 2012 World Championships but Manisha was not perturbed by her opponent's reputation.

Manisha won a Silver in the Senior Nationals and a Gold in the India Open this year. She also won a Silver in the Silesian Women's Boxing championship in Poland where she defeated reigning world champion Dina Zholaman of Kazakhstan.

India's 69kg contestant Lovlina Borgohain also faces a tough opponent in her first bout on November 18.

Borgohain, who got a first round bye, will either face 2014 World Championships Gold medallist Atheyna Bylon of Panama or Yulia Stoiko of Ukraine.

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Star mid-fielder Jackichand Singh attempts a shot during India's clash PTI/File Picture

just sit back and cry over it. We'll try our level best to churn out a positive result in Amman," he said.

"The match against China was massive for us. Jordan won't be anything lesser, if not bigger. We have to keep our heads down and keep working to get something positive out of this tie."

SQUAD

Goalkeepers: Gurpreet Singh Sandhu, Amrinder Singh.

Defenders: Pritam Kotal, Nishu Kumar, Sandesh Jhingan, Anas Edathodika, Salam Ranjan Singh, Subhashish Bose, Narayan Das, Jerry Lalrinzuala.

Mid-fielders: Udanta Singh, Jackichand Singh, Pronay Halder, Anirudh Thapa, Vinit Rai, Germanpreet Singh, Halicharan Narzary, Ashique Kuruniyan.

Forwards: Jeje Lalpekhlua, Sumet Passi, Balwant Singh, Manvir Singh.

VAR to star in 2019 Asian Cup q/f: AFC

KUALA LUMPUR:

The Asian Football Confederation on Thursday said the Video Assistant Referee (VAR) system will be implemented from the quarterfinals of next year's Asian Cup. The AFC which is the regional governing body, said VAR will be used in seven matches and at four venues.

The system allows referees to

review video footage of key decisions such as the awarding of goals, penalties and red cards during matches.

"The decision to include VAR was only made on September 26 and that has meant a tremendous amount of work has been required to ensure that it can play a role at the tournament from the quarter-final stages," Windsor John, the

AFC general-secretary said in a statement.

The bigger 2019 Asian Cup will feature a record 24 teams from all corners of Asia, up from 16 that participated in the previous four editions.

The Asian Cup UAE 2019 runs from 5 Jan to 1 Feb 2019, with 51 matches being played in eight world class stadiums. **AFP**

'NO MORE CHOPPING AND CHANGING TILL WC'

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



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

PTI ■ MUMBAI

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

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

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

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

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

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

India will play a four-match Test series beginning on December 6 at Adelaide and Shastri said that the visitors will have to learn from their experience in South Africa and England to challenge Australia.

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

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

"It is a learning process. If we learn from the mistakes that we made in South Africa and England, it will hold us in good stead in Australia.

"Test cricket obviously is different, it is the last series that we play before the World Cup. So the focus will be entirely on the series."

'ALL DEPARTMENT MUST FIRE'

Indian captain Virat Kohli on Thursday staunchly supported Ravi Shastri, saying the growing perception of head coach being a "yes" man to the skipper "is the most bizarre thing he has ever heard".

"That is the most bizarre thing I have heard. In Indian cricket, I don't think there is anyone else who has said no to me more than him honestly. He is one guy I can speak to and can get an honest opinion. I have made more changes

KOHLI HAPPY TO PLAY 'WITHOUT ALTERCATION'

MUMBAI: The Australian players have of late refrained from sledging, which is perfectly fine with Indian captain Virat Kohli, who is happy to compete "without any altercation" during the upcoming series Down Under.

The Australian cricket is going through a massive restructuring and the "win at all costs" strategy employed by teams of yesteryears, is not being encouraged anymore.

Both Kohli and senior-most pacer Ishant Sharma felt that it is entirely up to the Australians as to how they play their cricket but assured that their players won't be the first ones to indulge in any kind of sledging.

"I think that's (no sledging policy) a very personal thing for them. But when it

comes to getting engaged in an argument on the field or a fight as people want to call it excitedly, I have been completely ok with playing without the altercation," Kohli told mediapersons at the pre-departure press conference.

Senior pacer Ishant said that he didn't mind if Australians sledged like earlier tours because he has the ability to give it back if they start.

"Let's see what Aussies do. We will only come to know once we reach there. You don't expect them to be really friendly and this is a man's sport. You will go there and get tough conditions. When you play for your country, no one will give you easy runs or wickets. If it's a tough sport, then you got to be tough and up for any sort of challenge," Ishant said. PTI

to my game listening to him than anyone else in the past," said Kohli before the team's departure.

The 30-year-old spoke on a range of issues facing the team ahead of the squad's departure to Australia where it will play three T20s, four Tests and three ODIs starting November 21.

Kohli went on to say that not only him, other players have also learnt immensely from Shastri.

"His contribution ever since we started building this team is making people believe that they belong there. We all went through a tough time in 2014 (the England tour) and for me to be able to come

out of that, and Shikhar (Dhawan) in the 2015 World Cup, he can vouch for that. He (Ravi bhai) knows how to get the best out of the players," said Kohli.

Batting let the team down in South Africa and England, leading to a back-to-back series defeats. With Australia without the suspended Steve Smith and David Warner, India have a good chance of recording a maiden series win in Australia. But Kohli is not looking too far ahead.

"There is a lot of room for improvement. That is something we realise as a team also. We understand what we need to work on so it is up to the individuals to take ownership of that," said Kohli, referring to the batting especially.

"There were lot of things we discussed after England, on what went wrong. We felt there was not a lot that we did wrong but whatever was not right went extreme. We played good cricket but the mistakes were also very extreme.

On the contrary, the bowlers did well in the last two away tours but Kohli said all departments must fire in unison to achieve a series win.

"From the last time we went there (to Australia), fitness levels of the bowlers are surely up, which is the most important factor in Australia. The pitches can get boring at times, the Kookaburra doesn't do much. So, it is about maintaining the pace with which you start your day."

He cited the example of South Africa, who are one of the few teams to win a Test series in Australia in recent times.

"That is why South Africa have done well. They had Morkel, Kallis, Dale Steyn and now Kagiso Rabada. They have relentlessly bowled in the right areas to get those wickets. Our guys are surely capable too to do a similar kind of job but I don't want to focus on that. The batsmen need to step up as well.

"We have spoken as team after England on putting up a complete performance. Everyone is keen to correct those things. People have to take more ownership especially the batsmen. The whole combination has to come together to win series and not just one Test."

RANJI TROPHY

DELHI FAIL TO REGISTER OUTRIGHT WIN

New Delhi: Delhi's left-arm spin duo Vikas Mishra and Varun Sood put up a disappointing show on a helpful last day track as Himachal Pradesh managed to eke out a point in a group B. Needing nine wickets on the final day and Himachal left with an improbable chase of 376, Mishra (2/57 in 33 overs) and Sood (1/51 in 21 overs) failed to break through the opposition middle-order. HP finished their second innings at 266 for 5, primarily due to Nikhil Gangta (66 no, 184 balls) and Rishi Dhawan (52 no, 110 balls). Sumeet Verma (43, 91 balls) also played his part to perfection as Delhi bowlers sans Ishant Sharma (2/42 in 16 overs) looked below-par. Delhi bowled close to 30 overs (29.4 overs) after Himachal lost their fifth wicket at 184 but the two spinners let it drift during the unbroken 82-run stand for the sixth wicket between Gangta and Dhawan.

TN, HYDERABAD GAME END IN DRAW

Tirunelveli: Tamil Nadu and Hyderabad had to settle for one point each as the first innings remained unfinished resulting in the Elite Group 'B' match ending in a tame draw. In reply to Hyderabad's 565 for 8 declared, the home team was 409 for 4 in 154 overs riding on tons by Abhinav Mukund (178) and N Jagadeesan (131 not out, 16X4, 3X6) at close of play on the fourth and final day. Resuming at 163 for 2, Tamil Nadu lost skipper Baba Indrajith (33) for the addition of 15 runs. Wicketkeeper-batsman Jagadeesan, then added 171 runs with Mukund to dash any hopes Hyderabad would have entertained of obtaining a lead. After the exit of the left-handed opener, Jagadeesan and B Anirudh Sitaram kept the rival bowlers at bay, adding 60 runs.

PUDUCHERRY GET THREE POINTS

Puducherry: Debutants Puducherry opened their account with three points by virtue of a first innings lead over Meghalaya in a rain-hit Plate Group fixture. Resuming the day on 95/4 in their second innings, Puducherry were 129/7 when rain stopped play in 47.1 overs at the Siechem ground here. With cyclone Gaja looming large, there was no respite from a downpour as only 17.1 overs could be possible and home team got three points, thanks to their first innings lead. Puducherry had made 389 in their first innings before bowling out Meghalaya for 326. Rain remained the common feature in the second match of the group in Jorhat where the final day's play was abandoned without a ball being bowled as Arunachal Pradesh were lucky to bag three points, thanks to their first innings lead over Mizoram.

JACKSON, JADEJA STAR IN SAURASHTRA'S WIN

Rajkot: Sheldon Jackson hit a strokeful half century while Ravindra Jadeja made a crucial unbeaten 48 to guide hosts Saurashtra to a three-wicket win over Railways in a Group A match. Saurashtra lost seven wickets while chasing 184 for an outright win, but Ravindra Jadeja (48 not out) held his nervous along with Kamlesh Makwana (14 not out) to take their side to victory. Jackson's 55-ball 54, which had eight fours and two sixes proved to be the difference among the two sides. Saurashtra were four wickets down for 65 at one stage, but then Jackson and Jadeja pulled the team out of trouble. Jadeja, who remained unbeaten on 178 in the first innings, carried on his form and responded to his team's call. Earlier, Saurashtra bowlers did a descent job to bundle out Railways for 331 in their second innings and ensure that the target remained below 200. PTI









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