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Unviable alternative fails to douse stubble fire

Farmers logic to defy ban: Time gap between harvesting too short to await tardy Govt steps

SHEKHAR SINGH/ABHINAV SINGH/CHANDAN PRAKASH ■ KARNAL/SONIPAT

Thick blanket of smog that engulfs the national Capital year after year during winter is clearly visible on the GT Karnal Road connecting Delhi and Karnal in Haryana as it originates from the burning farm stubble and is a major cause of pollution in Delhi-NCR.

Even after the NGT pulled up the State Governments and Haryana came up with an alternative solution, stubble burning is continuing unabated in Haryana and Delhi stares at another winter covered in a cloud of pollutants triggered by the biomass burning.

The Pioneer visited the fields of Sonipat, Panipat and Karnal on Monday night to find out the compelling reasons that farmers often give to buttress their claims that there is

no attractive alternatives before them except to burn the stubble to immediately free the land for another cycle of farming.

However, if the Haryana Government is to be believed they have provided alternatives to the paddy growing farmers in the form of "in-situ" management of stubble by using specialised farm equipment. But the farmers still prefer to burn it as they find it more convenient and alleged that the pieces of farm equipment are too costly to rent from Custom Hiring Centre (CHC) promoted by the Government.

For farmers, there is a very short window of time between harvesting of paddy and cultivation of wheat and the farmers alleged that if they wait for the "in-situ" management to be done their turn would come very late and by that time the sowing period would get over. They said equipments at

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CHC are too less to cater to the large number of farmlands within the stipulated time of fortnight in which they have to sow next crop. Also they said renting these equipments is costly and hence not viable solution.

With farmers miffed with the Centre and the State

Governments over the ban it is expected to have political overtones ahead of the Assembly polls due next year.

While officials of the agricultural department of Haryana are claiming that the Government has taken adequate steps and have flowed enough funds for sustaining the

CHC's the farmers are "clueless" about the CHC's nearby their villages.

Deputy Director of Agriculture department of Karnal district, Aditya Pratap Dabas, told The Pioneer that there have been 260 cases of stubble burning in the district so far.

"The farmers are being stimulated to prefer the mechanism provided by the Government instead of burning it. Action has also been taken against the erring farmers," said Dabas.

Reports from Karnal and adjoining districts show that the combines without 'Straw Management System' (SMS) has fizzled out, leaving no option other than to burn crops residue. According to farmers, there are insufficient numbers of combines with SMS.

"The harvesting cost of combines with SMS is more than Rs 3,000 per acre. We can't delay harvesting. The Government should ensure that the cost of combines with SMS is brought down to less than Rs 2,000," said Tek Chand Dahiya, a paddy farmer from Gudha village near Gharunda, Panipat.

Ramesh Battan, another farmer in Phurlak near Gharunda, said he sowed paddy on 32 acre and it would be ready for harvest in a few days.

"The village has paddy on nearly 2,200 acre, but has only one Happy Seeder with a

farmer and it can manage 6-7 acre in a day. A Happy Seeder of Rs 1.50 lakh costs Rs 75,000 after subsidy. But it will be used only for six hours in the whole year. How can a farmer invest so much on a machine which is to be used for six hours a year?" he said.

"Burning is the only solution to get rid of this trash. We will have to do it again despite knowing that it causes pollution and invite legal action," Ramesh said.

Burning of stubble, which is agricultural biomass residue, increases the Particulate Matter (PM) concentration in air

Delhi air turns very poor

RITY IN THE HOUAE. THE CONGRESS had last month demanded a floor test while claiming that the BJP-led alliance Government is in disarray in view of the ill health of Chief Minister Manohar Parrikar.

"The BJP has engineered split by taking away two points below the "very poor" category, according to the System of

Air Quality Forecasting and Research.

senior Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) official said several factors like vehicular pollution, construction activities and meteorological factors like wind speed are responsible for stagnation pollution in the city despite measures being taken up.

D-Day for Sabarimala: SC order meets devotees' ire

Court ruling comes into effect today

PNS ■ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM



Women protesters check Sabarimala-bound vehicles at Nilakkal to ensure that no women of menstruating age are going to Lord Ayyappa temple in dense forests at Sabarimala, on Tuesday

35p gain jacks up ₹ to 2-week high of 73.5\$, markets rally

PNS ■ NEW DELHI/MUMBAI

The rupee climbed 35 paise to end at nearly two-week high of 73.48 per dollar on Tuesday amid softening crude oil prices and easing concerns over the trade deficit.

Stock markets welcomed a retreat in oil prices and gains in the rupee with the benchmark 30-share Sensex rising by 297.38 points to close at 35,162.48. The NSE Nifty after regaining the 10,600-mark hit a high of 10,604.90 on the back of widespread gains, and finally concluded 72.25 points at 10,584.75.

As the equity market continued its winning run for the third straight session on Tuesday, investor wealth soared ₹5.30 lakh crore in the rally since Friday.

Traders said foreign fund inflows and greenback weakening against other currencies were the other factors that provided support to the home unit.

At the Interbank Foreign Exchange, the rupee opened on a firm note at 73.79 from Monday's close of 73.83. During the day the domestic currency gained further ground to hit a high of 73.47 against the US dollar, driven by selling of the greenback by exporters.

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2 Cong MLAs join BJP, shatter party's Goa plan

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GOAHOUSE: 40MLAs

Ruling side: BJP 16 + GFP 3 + MGP 3 + NCP 1 + Independents 3 = 26

Opposition: Congress 14 = 14



Goa Congress MLAs are felicitated by Piyush Goyal on joining BJP in Delhi on Tuesday Alwin Singh | Pioneer

Allahabad is now Prayagraj as UP Cabinet changes name

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Accepting the demand of saints and others, the Yogi Adityanath Government on Tuesday announced to rechristen Allahabad to its old name Prayagraj.

The decision was taken in a meeting of the Uttar Pradesh Cabinet chaired by the Chief Minister in Lucknow on Tuesday. State Government spokesperson and Health Minister Sidharth Nath Singh told reporters that now all departments like Railways and others would be asked to change the name of Allahabad to Prayagraj in their records.

It was the demand of saints and people of Allahabad to restore the historic name of the city and this demand has been accepted by the Government ahead of Kumbh Mela scheduled next year," he said.

"Rig Veda, Mahabharat and Ramayana also mention Prayagraj (for Allahabad)," he noted.

Earlier, Singh had also written to Governor Ram Naik to consider renaming Allahabad as Prayagraj.

He had also ridiculed the Opposition for resisting the renaming process.

JASWANT SINGH'S SON TO JOIN CONG TODAY

Jaipur/Barmer: Veteran BJP leader Jaswant Singh's son and MLA Manavendra Singh will join the Congress on Wednesday, ahead of the Assembly polls in Rajasthan in December.

KOLKATA METRO REGISTERS RECORD FOOTFALL ON PUJA

New Delhi: The Kolkata Metro has recorded its highest-ever footfall of more than nine lakh passengers on Shashti, the sixth day of Durga Puja festival, railways said on Tuesday.

CONGRESS LOSES VOTES IF I CAMPAIGN: DIGVJAY

Bhopal: A controversy has been kicked off in poll-bound Madhya Pradesh by a viral video in which senior Congress leader Digvijay Singh is heard saying that his party's votes get reduced if he campaigns for it.

While Chief Minister

Pinarayi Vijayan has asserted his Government will implement the SC order, the police face an uphill task as hundreds of women devotees of Lord Ayyappa, the eternally celibate deity of Sabarimala, picketed the road to the hill shrine and prevented women they suspected were of menstrual age from proceeding to the shrine some 20 km away.

Lustily chanting "Swamiya Saranam Ayyappa" hailing the Lord, the devotees checked buses and private vehicles for

girls and women of the "banned" age group and forced them to abandon their journey.

Television channels showed some college students, including young girls wearing black dresses, being ordered to get down a bus.

Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan issued a stern warning to those who dared block devotees from entering the temple.

"We will ensure security to all. Nobody will be allowed to take law into their hands.

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The Congress had emerged as the single largest party after the 2017 Assembly elections, winning 17 seats. However, within days its number was reduced to 16 when its newly-elected Vishwajit Rane resigned.

The Congress had submitted a memorandum to Governor Mridula Sinha, stake-

holders to form an alternate Government. The Congress had then claimed it has the support of legislators from other parties and can form the Government, if given a chance.

The Congress had sensed an opportunity to topple the BJP's serious threat to the State Government.

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However, the Congress maintained its leadership.

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH



against Rampal relate to the murder of six people, including five women and one infant, during violent clashes between his supporters and Haryana Police at his Satlok Ashram near Barwala town in Hisar district in 2014.

Thousands of his followers had clashed with police when they had come to arrest him following directions of the Punjab & Haryana High Court over contempt of court in November 2014.

The HC had ordered Rampal's arrest after he failed to appear before the court in connection with a 2006 murder conspiracy case.

The two murder cases

was on Tuesday sentenced to life imprisonment by a Hisar court in connection with a 2014 murder case.

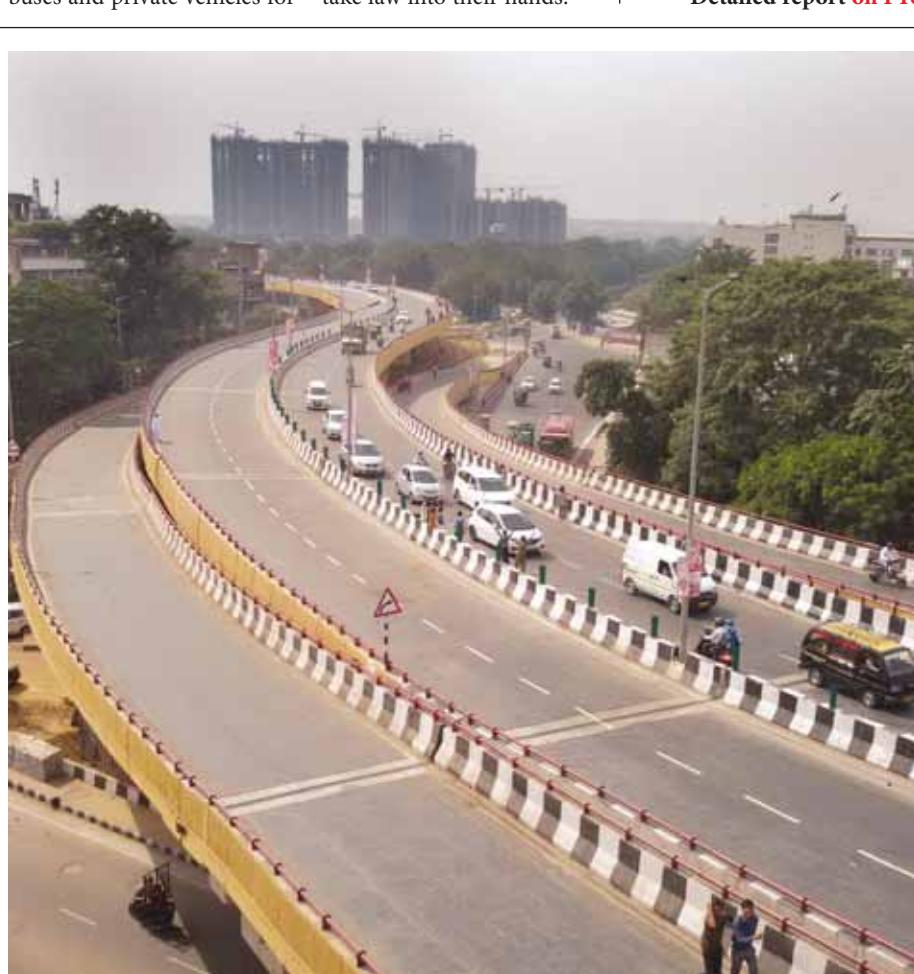
The court of Hisar Additional District and Sessions Judge DR Chaliya also gave life imprisonment to 14 followers Rampal, head of Satlok Ashram, and slapped a fine of ₹1 lakh each.

The court has pronounced the verdict after a nearly four-year-long trial of the 27 accused in a makeshift court inside the Hisar district jail, where Rampal (67) and his followers have been lodged since their arrest in November 2014.

This court will now pronounce the quantum of punishment for Rampal in a second murder case on Wednesday.

The court had on October 11 convicted Rampal and 26 of his followers in two separate cases of murder and other offences, including wrongful confinement of his victims in his ashram.

The two murder cases



An aerial view of Rani Jhansi Flyover that was inaugurated at Filmistaan Cinema in New Delhi on Tuesday

Hunt on for gun-wielding ex-MP son after Hyatt video goes viral

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

A manhunt has been launched to nab the abducting son of a former BSP MP Rakesh Pandey, who was booked for allegedly brandishing a pistol in the foyer of a Hyatt Regency in South Delhi.

After the video of the Sunday incident went viral, Minister of State for Home Affairs Kiren Rijiju said police had initiated action in the case.

A team of the Delhi Police reached Lucknow on Tuesday in connection with the investigation into the incident in which the accused has been identified as Ashish Pandey, who hails from Lucknow and whose brother, Ritesh Pandey, is a sitting MLA in Uttar Pradesh.

One of the victims said the accused walked up to him and hurled abuses. It is suspected that both the parties involved were drunk at the time of the incident, said police officials.

CVC to CBI: Nail firm promoters making fortune at bank cost

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

After analysing top 100 bank frauds in the country, the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) has directed the probe agencies, especially the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), to go after the promoters who are siphoning money from companies to create personal wealth and attach their properties.

In its 47-page report released on Tuesday, the CVC analysed the banking frauds committed by promoters in 13 sectors including media, gems and jewellery, manufacturing, aviation, services and projects, and discounting of cheques.

The report authored by Vigilance Commissioner TM Bhasin, who was former CMD of Indian Bank and chairman of Indian Banking Association, said basic fraud is committed by creating fake invoices and

manipulation of accounts to cheat banks by the promoters of the companies. The CVC has shared their report to the Reserve Bank of India, Ministry of Finance and major investigating agencies and Vigilance Units of court in No

MARKETS

SENSEX 35,162.48 (+297.38)
NIFTY 10,584.75 (+72.25)
GOLD 32,011.00 (-55.00)
SILVER 39,181.00 (+2

After reaching Matri Sadan, Gopal Das continues fast for Ganga

Earlier, he was discharged from AIIMS

PNS ■ HARIDWAR

Gopal Das, an ascetic on fasting for Ganga, who had been rushed to AIIMS Rishikesh from the Matri Sadan ashram on Saturday has returned to the ashram on Tuesday. His condition was stated to be normal. He is still on fasting, claimed those associated with Matri Sadan.

Das, 36, has been on fast for conservation of Ganga at Badrinath since 24 June. He was taken to the hospital a few hours after he announced that he would continue his fast from Matri Sadan to take forward the stir of Swami Sanand who died at AIIMS Rishikesh on October 11.

Meanwhile, police allegedly detained some people who gathered at AIIMS Rishikesh, demanding to be allowed to have a glimpse of Sanand's body.

Speaking to *The Pioneer* on Tuesday, Brahanchari Dayanand of Matri Sadan said, "Bhopal Choudhary, Sushil Bahuguna, Sushila Bhandari and Kusum Joshi were arrested by police when they were demonstrating



outside AIIMS, demanding to

be allowed to have a glimpse of Sanand's body.

They were later brought to Rishikesh police station where they sat on protest."

A Matri Sadan insider said that the agitators were demanding permission to be allowed to sprinkle Ganga water on the body of Sanand, the ascetic who 'sacrificed' his life for the cause of Ganga.

Meanwhile, the 'Water Man of India' Rajendra Singh said that Government should come down heavily on those who are polluting the holy river instead of those who are struggling to help the Ganga maintain its free flow.

Two tortoises recovered from poachers



PNS ■ ROORKEE

The Gangehar police team nabbed three poachers and rescued two tortoises from them on late Monday night. A case has been registered under Section 51 of the Wildlife Protection Act 1972. The car carrying the tortoises was also impounded by the cops. The investigation is on, said police.

Speaking to *The Pioneer*, in-charge of Gangehar police station Pradeep Bisht said, "During night patrol, our team members tried to stop a car which was going towards Roorkee. There

were three youths in it. As the driver raised the speed the police team followed them. Later, the car was stopped and during the search, two tortoises were recovered."

The accused trio has been identified as Rajeev alias Raju from Bijnor, Moharram Ali from Laksar and Wazid from village Bakarpur near Laksar tehsil. Their crime records are being investigated, added Bisht.

An Indigo car with number plate of UP11 AK 4581 was also impounded by the police which was used by the youths to transport the tortoises.

Century Pulp & Paper launches Natura Wrap

Bio-degradable cellulose film introduced in market

PNS ■ LALKUAN

In pursuance of its focus on hygiene and health, Century Pulp and Paper mill launched biodegradable cellulose film "Natura Wrap" at its plant in Lalkuan.

On this occasion, Century Pulp and Paper chief executive officer JP Narain said that food packaging plays an important role especially in the present times. Packaging material should ensure food quality while also retaining the aroma. Natura Wrap being a cellulose film not only ensures superior aroma retention property that preserves freshness but also safeguards food quality. In addition to this, the product is completely bio-degradable, making it an absolutely environment friendly product.

This transparent film manufactured from cellulose originated in plant cell wall. The product, cellulose film is easily decomposed in soil or compost and degraded into water producing carbon dioxide gas and biomass.



The company has made the product available in the retail market with range of length from nine metre to 100 metre.

With this item being introduced in the market, the company has shown its innovative approach with this product towards clean India, healthy India mission



ROs and AROs appointed for the elections

RO for the election of the president of the nagar panchayat Swargaasharam Jonk and BDO Yamkeshwar Appara Bahuguna would act as ARO.

DM instructed the ROs and AROs to inspect the booths to be set up under their jurisdictional limits and to take actions to set things right if they are not so.

He also asked the Chief Development Officer to frame a calendar of the daily work related to the upcoming local body election.

Sharma has been appointed as returning officer (RO) and Tehsildar Kotdwar Sunil Raj as the assistant returning officer (ARO).

SDM Pauri S S Rana would be the RO and Tehsildar Hari Mohan Khanduri as ARO for the election of Pauri nagar palika president and for the election of the members, the district education officer Hari would be the RO and three officers would act as AROs.

DM said that the elections would be held for the municipal corporation Kotdwar, nagar alika Pauri and Duggda and nagar panchayat Satpuli and Swargaasharam Jonk in the district.

Under the election procedure, nominations would be filed from October 20 to 23, scrutiny of the nominations would be done on October 25 and 26, the date of the withdrawal of nomination is October 27 and the symbol would be allotted on October 29. The polling would be held on November 18 and the counting would be done on November 20.

While all the procedures of the election would be held in the respective Tehsils the same for nagar panchayat Swargaasharam Jonk would be held at the district magistrate's camp office at Laxmanjhula.

For the election of the president of municipal corporation, Kotdwar, the additional District Magistrate Ramjee Sharhan

members, the executive engineer RES Kotdwar Hiteshpal Singh would function as RO and BDO Duggada J.Bhardwaj as the ARO.

DFO Lansdowne Indresh Upadhyaya would function as the RO for the election of the president of nagar panchayat Satpuli and BDO Dwarikhali Aatiya Parwaz would function as ARO. The District Development Officer Ved Prakash would function as the

DM seeks explanation from absentee officers

PNS ■ PAURI

Pauri District Magistrate, Sushil Kumar, sought explanation from nine officers found absent during the emergency meeting convened to fix dates and responsibilities of

the officers to be engaged in the upcoming local body election. Given the importance of the local body election, DM imposed a prohibition on the leaves of the district level offi-

cers, and employees of the departments.

Given the importance of the local body election, DM issued an order that the officers cannot leave the headquarters without his permission.

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty today

Specialists suggest solutions

PNS ■ HARIDWAR

Observed since 17 October 1987, International Day for the Eradication of Poverty has been marked over these years by the United Nations to acknowledge the effort and struggle of those living in poverty and telling them that their voices are heard. Despite being one of the fastest growing economies in the world, poverty in India means deprivation of basic necessities such as food, house, clean drinking water, shelter and toilets.

The commemoration of the International Day is based on the theme 'Coming together with those furthest behind to build an inclusive world of universal respect for human rights and dignity.' Call to Action to fight to end poverty everywhere in all forms is the United Nations' agenda 2030 for sustainable development.

Poverty has many faces and it is a social struggle which affects communities far and wide across the nations.

Observers say that situation is not as grim as the statistics show and if the current trends continue, India's share of world GDP will significantly increase from 7.3% in 2016 to 8.5% by 2020. However, they add that it has been estimated that around 21 percent of the total population of India live below the poverty line, defined in terms of a nutritionally adequate diet or a minimum desirable level of income.

If broadly classified, the causes of poverty mainly include massive population growth leading to imbalance between demand and supply of essential goods. The demand for basic necessities such as housing, food and shelter is at its peak, but the resources are limited.

Awareness campaigns explaining the benefits of controlling the population growth should be widely circulated among the developing nations, observers opine.

Creation of employment opportunities and increased production through massive industrialisation, improved irrigation system to improve agricultural farm output, equal opportunity and empowerment of women are required to successfully fight poverty, said Commandant Roshan Lal Sharma from PAC 40 wing. He also stressed on encouraging people to join vocational training institutes to gain skills. "This is how poverty can be minimised," he added.

They cite illiteracy as another important factor since illiterate people do not get jobs through which they can pull themselves and their families out of poverty. Unemployment remains the major cause of poverty and unequal distribution of wealth contributes to poverty with the wealth remaining under the ownership of 10 to 15% people in the country, the experts say.

Speaking to *The Pioneer*, an army officer A P Singh said,

"Education can play a major role in eradication of poverty. The Government can run schools on the PPP mode, giving the schools proper infrastructure. The role of teachers in stimulating the students to fight poverty is immense." He added that around 51 percent of the rural families are engaged in casual labour jobs while another

Dr Gaurav Sanjay presents clinical research work on knee injuries in Montreal

Dehradun: Dr Gaurav Sanjay of Sanjay Orthopaedic, Spine & Maternity Centre, Jakhan, Dehradun has presented his clinical research work at Triennial 39th SICOT Orthopaedic World meet in Montreal Canada held from October 10 to 13.

He said that he had noticed in his road accident-related studies that knee injuries are the commonest ones for the bikers. Approximately, 8-10% of knee fractures (proximal tibia fractures) developed compartment syndrome, he said and added that the fractures around knee are caused by high energy trauma.

He said he has shown with the pictures that acute compartment syndrome develops rapidly over hours or within a day. Compartment syndrome is caused due to pressure by inside bleeding or outside pressure from plaster, or by both on the blood vessels. This pressure on the blood vessels can compromise the viability of limb which leads to gangrene and ultimately amputation of limb, if impending compartment syndrome could not be treated properly in time.

Knee fractures with compartment syndrome presents a challenging problem to orthopaedic surgeons, according to Dr Sanjay. He has shown the results at the World Orthopaedic meet how he had prevented the disastrous complications of acute compartment syndrome in knee fractures in the bikers from April 2011 to December 2017.

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U'khand has a huge untapped potential: N K Singh

15th Finance Commission to review non-payment of RDG to the State

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The chairman of 15th Finance Commission, N K Singh has assured that the demand of Uttarakhand for resumption of Revenue Deficit Grant (RDG) would be looked with a positive mind. He was addressing the media persons on the second day of the panel's Uttarakhand visit on Tuesday.

Singh said that the State Government has, specifically, raised the issue of RDG and complained that the grant that had been provided to Uttarakhand by the 11th, 12th and 13th Finance Commissions had discontinued by the 14th Finance Commission. "The grudge of the State Government was that the 14th Finance Commission's presumptions about Uttarakhand were far from the reality. It is normally a tradition that one FC does not comment on other FCs."

It is also not desirable. We, however, assure that the demand of RDG would be looked into with positive attitude," he said.

Singh, further, said that Uttarakhand is bestowed with immense natural wealth and FC is committed in a reasonable way to fulfil the huge untapped potential the State is endowed with. He admitted that the State is not able to utilise its resources due to variety of reasons.

Citing the example of problems being faced in setting up infrastructure in Uttarakhand, Singh said that the Government has told the panel that the State has to spend a lot more in view of its unique geographical conditions as compared to other States while stressing on new parameters be fixed regarding grant of the central assistance.

On the demand of the

Last resting point of GST yet to arrive

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The chairman of 15th Finance Commission opined that the last resting point of Good and Services Tax (GST) in the country has not yet arrived as the regime is in process of implementation. He said that the Uttarakhand Government has raised the issue of shortfall in its revenue, post-GST. Singh reminded that the GST is not within the prerogative of the commission and the State Government should raise the issue at the GST council of which the Finance Minister of Uttarakhand is also a member.

He, however, added that the commission would review the data submitted by the State on revenue shortfall, post-GST, and take appropriate compensatory measures.

State for grant of Green Bonus in lieu of the ecological and environmental services provided by it, Singh said that the 14th Finance Commission's formula on calculating environmental contribution and ecological services may be reviewed.

He said that there is an **Singh said that the State Government has, specifically, raised the issue of RDG**

overwhelming consensus among the States over the resumption of the central financial assistance for the three-tier panchayati raj system.

Heaping praise on the State



Cong blames Govt for delay in local body polls

Delay will benefit Congress: PCC chief

PNS ■ HALDWANI

The Pradesh Congress Committee president Pritam Singh alleged that the State Government was holding local body polls due to intervention of the High Court. The issues related to Roorkee, Haridwar and Bazpur which had caused delay in the polls are still unresolved. He alleged that the Government unnecessarily delayed the local body polls.

Addressing the media here, he said that the delay will benefit the Congress because the people have understood that the BJP Governments at the Centre and State had failed



on public welfare issues.

Apart from making cuts in schemes introduced by the previous Congress State Government, the Government under Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat had done little more. He also criticised the Central Government for not fulfilling its electoral promises.

It should be mentioned here that on Monday, the

Congress had held a meeting to discuss candidatures for the local body polls for the Garhwal region. On Tuesday, the same issue was deliberated upon for the Kumaon region. The party will soon announce the names of its candidates for the elections. The leader of opposition in the Vidhan Sabha, Indira Hridayesh also expressed her views on the occasion.

and major political parties and have taken their feedback and suggestions. The Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat and the Finance Minister Prakash Pant met the commission on Tuesday.

Party's election committee to meet on Oct 18

BJP leader for Urban Local Body elections

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

The Bharatiya Janata Party has formed a 20 member committee for the urban local body polls to be held shortly in the State. Elaborating on this, the BJP State president Ajay Bhatt said that the poll committee will meet at the BJP State office here on October 18. He also accused the Congress of levelling hollow allegations at the BJP of trying to defer the local body polls.

In the meeting, held at the State secretariat, CM, accompanied by the State Finance Minister Prakash Pant, raised the demands like special package for the State due to its tough geographical conditions, sensitivity of the State towards natural disasters and additional cost the State has to bear for various infrastructural projects.

He told the commission

that the economic package offered by the Union Government for Uttarakhand had brought about a rise in the growth rate. But after abrupt end of package in 2010, the entrepreneurs have been showing less interest in setting up industrial units in the State, he said.

Rawat also forcefully put

up the case of grant of Green Bonus to Uttarakhand for the valuable ecological services rendered by it to the country before the commission.

Besides the chairman N K Singh, the members of commission Shakti Kant Dass, Anoop Singh, Ashok Lahiri and Ramesh Chand were present at the meeting.

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Raising the issue of environmental laws and their

opposition for projecting as if the BJP and State Government had been trying to defer the local body polls. "They were accusing us of trying to defer the polls and violating the constitution. In reality, we wanted the polls to be held in April. The Government too had started preparations for this but then due to public interest litigation filed in the high court and subsequent developments, the election could not be held at that time."

CM, Finance Minister meet 15th Finance Commission

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PNS ■ DEHRADUN

Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat emphatically presented the case of Uttarakhand before the visiting team of 15th Finance Commission on Tuesday.

In the meeting, held at the State secretariat, CM, accompanied by the State Finance Minister Prakash Pant, raised the demands like special package for the State due to its tough geographical conditions, sensitivity of the State towards natural disasters and additional cost the State has to bear for various infrastructural projects.

The issue for compensation to the State for its ecological services to the nation and the loss incurred by the state due to recommendations of 14th Finance Commission have also been discussed in course of the meeting.

CM said that the 13th Finance Commission had provided special grant to encourage the State while the 14 Finance Commission has proved a grave damper.

He said that due to factors like low population density, 70 percent area under forest cover and unique geological and geographical conditions, the State has no scope for Economy of Scale and Aggregation Economy.

Rawat, further, said that despite remaining beset with challenges, the State has succeeded in increasing its average growth rate which has jumped to 12.28 percent per year in 2012-13 from 2.9 percent in 1993-94.

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Sale of abortion pills to be monitored: DG health



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Taking a stern note of the rising sale of Misoprostol, the abortion-inducing drug without recommendation of doctor, the director general (DG) of State Health Services Dr TC Pant has directed the officers of the health department to ensure that the direct sale of this drug from the chemist shops is strictly prohibited.

He gave the order while presiding over a meeting of the state level review committee on implementation of Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Techniques (PCPNDT) Act at the health directorate on Tuesday.

Expressing concern over decreasing sex ratio of girl child in the State, Pant said that the off-the-shelf sale of Misoprostol is increasing. He said that it is, normally, observed that after getting confirmation about the pregnancy from Ultrasound, the women take the drug from the chemists which results in excessive bleeding and abortion of foetus.

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She said that soon the department would give special training to the officers for surprise inspections at ultra sound labs so that the practice of sex

drug and its sale. He directed the drug controller to ensure that the notification regarding sale of Misoprostol should be strictly stopped.

Dr Naithani clarified that the Ultra sound operators operating

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on the basis of experience only should have to pass CBET examination. She suggested that one popular gynaecologist in every district should be selected and appointed brand ambassador of the campaign for effective implementation of PCPNDT Act.

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Report recommends three-pronged strategy for organic spices in U'khand

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

In an endeavour to support the State's potential in organic farming, the Yes Bank had unveiled a knowledge report on the potential for organic spices in Uttarakhand during the recently held Investors Summit in Dehradun. The study recommends a three-pronged strategy through identification of key crops, focus on value-addition activities for export and formulation of special schemes for each of the identified sub-sectors.

The bank's group president (Government banking, multinationals corporate banking and strategic government advisory) Nikhil Sahni appreciated

the investors summit held earlier this month.

He said that the summit was a commendable initiative to showcase the potential of the State across key focus sectors. He, further, said that the State Government had undertaken several progressive initiatives towards improving governance which will, further, enhance ease of doing business and attract world class investors.

He expressed confidence that the MoUs signed during the summit will translate into tangible projects which will usher in an accelerated phase of development to meet the sustainable development goals as the State commemorates its 25th year of formation in 2025.

HC seeks State's reply on Roorkee being excluded from ULB poll notification

Special bench issues direction on petition by former mayor

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Centre orders special audit of SIC

7-member panel set up to probe misappropriation of funds and misuse of facilities at Safdarjung Hospital's Sports Injury Centre

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

The state-of-the-art Sports Injury Centre (SIC) at New Delhi's Safdarjung Hospital is under the Centre's scanner for alleged misappropriation of funds and misuse of facilities.

The Union Health Ministry has set up a seven-member panel, headed by Joint Secretary Rajeev Manjhi, to take up the special audit of SIC's functioning in various areas ranging from equipments and facilities for operation theatres to their procurement and maintenance. The committee has a one-month deadline to submit its report.

This is for the first time that the functioning of the SIC, which was inaugurated in September 2010, just before the Commonwealth Games, with an objective to provide integrated surgical, rehabilitative and diagnostic services under one roof for the management of sports injuries and related joint disorders, is being audited.

The panel was formed following complaints from Dr R K Arya, who recently took over as the SIC Director. Prior to him, the SIC was headed by Dr Deepak Chaudhary, who has now joined a private hospital in the national capital.

In fact, sources said, Dr Chaudhary's resignation is yet to be accepted by the Ministry in the wake of the allegations of corruption in the SIC during his tenure.

The panel is already on job. Constituted on September 20, the two would also be looked into.



The other members of the panel are Dr HL Nag, Professor, Department of Orthopedic, AIIMS, Dr Deep Sharma, Additional Professor and Head of Department (HoD) Orthopedic from JIPMER, Puducherry, Dr DD Maheshwari, Under Secretary (Health Ministry) and Amit Chobey, Deputy Director,

DGHS and one representative each from IFD and Procurement Division in the Health Ministry.

When contacted by The Pioneer, while Dr Arya refused to speak on the matter citing confidentiality, sources said it was he who had rung the alarm bells, seeking a special audit of the SIC. Incidentally, soon after taking over as the head of the SIC, he had also cut

down the prices of some implants. (See box)

However, this is not the first time that the Ministry has investigated the functioning of the prominent centre which is meant to treat sportspersons with their injuries.

Last year, in April, the Health Ministry's Directorate General of Health Services had set up a three-member committee to look into what was happening at the SIC. The panel members were Dr K.T. Bhowmik, Dr Anita Jain and Dr R.K. Anand, all from Safdarjung Hospital. The DGHS had noted that the personnel requirements at the SIC for both annual maintenance and operation and facility management services were excessively high. However, the fate of the report is not known till date for the best reasons known to the Ministry.

Comparative price chart of implant used at SIC as on 21/8/2018

Surgery knee arthroscopy	Earlier Price ₹	Current Price ₹	Price Drop ₹
*Single bundle ACLR/PCLR (Adjustable loop endobutton+ Bioreversible screw)	36,750	27,300	9,450
*Double Bundle ACLR/PCLR (Adjustable loop endobutton + bioreversible screw)	56,000	54,600	1,400
*Single bundle ACLR/PCLR (Instabutton (Indian) with Bioreversible screw (Imported))	21,000	16,275	4,725
*Single bundle ACLR/PCLR (Adjustable loop endobutton + bioreversible screw) + single bundle PCLR Double screw bioreversible + PLC reconstruction)	1,02,375	79,800	22,575
Surgery shoulder			
*Double row rotator cuff repair	94,500	71,715	22,785
*Bankart repair	69,300	51,000	18,300
Surgery knee arthroplasty			
*TKR	As per NPPA	2,000-4,000 lesser than NPPA	2,000-4,000

(NPPA: National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority)

In a first, India, China to sign internal security cooperation pact next week

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

India and China will for the first time sign an internal security cooperation agreement next week, marking a new beginning in bilateral relations.

Zhao Kezhi, China's Minister of Public Security, will visit India on October 22 and hold meetings with Home Minister Rajnath Singh during which they will discuss various aspects of security cooperation between the two countries.

During the visit of the Chinese leader, an agreement on internal security cooperation between the two countries will be signed.

The proposed pact is expected to cover areas of intelligence sharing, exchange programme, sharing of best practices, cooperation in disaster mitigation besides others, an official said.

The move comes just a year after a two-month-long border stand-off between the India Army and the China's People's Liberation Army at Doklam on the India-Bhutan-China tri-junction.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chinese President Xi Jinping held an informal summit in Wuhan, China, in April this year which helped repair bilateral ties.

A Chinese delegation met an Indian team on August 28 to hold discussions on the forthcoming visit of the Chinese Minister of Public Security and the proposed pact on security cooperation between the two countries, the official said.

This will be the first such agreement between the authorities of India and China which look after internal security of the respective countries, the official said.

Centre orders transfer of 2K Sashastra Seema Bal personnel to IB

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Union Home Ministry has cleared a proposal for absorption of over 2,000 non-combatant personnel of the Sashastra Seema Bal into the Intelligence Bureau in order to strengthen the presence of the covert agency along the frontiers with China and Nepal.

The order to the effect was issued by Ministry following a high level meeting between Union Home Secretary Rajiv Gauba and IB chief Rajiv Jain.

According to the blueprint for movement of the SSB personnel to the IB, the trained, experienced and well acquainted personnel of the paramilitary will be used to upgrade country's intelligence generation and gathering capability along 15,000-kms of India's border. The personnel could undertake tasks aimed at generating nationalist sentiments among the border population. The personnel would be charted over a period of next few months and both the central agencies will "mutually decide the detailed implementation modalities including those related to transfer of assets of the Sashastra Seema Bal to the IB."



External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj exchanges documents of agreement with her Tanzanian counterpart Augustine P Mahiga in New Delhi on Tuesday

IN SHORT

RAILWAYS BRACES FOR FESTIVAL RUSH



New Delhi: Railways is preparing to ferry around 16 crore passengers in the next 30 days to clear the festival rush. This will include about 10 lakh additional passengers to be carried by trains which were introduced last year during Chhath.

HARIVANSH STRESSES ON FREE, FAIR TRADE

New Delhi: Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh who is currently attending the 139th Assembly of the Inter

Parliamentary Union at Geneva on Tuesday emphasised the need for sharing the benefits of international free and fair trade and investment to enable the people to seize the opportunities and benefits of economic globalisation.

INDIA, UAE TO DEEPEN DEFENCE COOPERATION

New Delhi: India and the United Arab Emirates on Tuesday agreed to deepen their defence

cooperation in a range of areas including military-to-military exchanges, training of personnel and defence production. The decision was taken during talks between Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and the UAE's Minister of State for Defence Affairs Mohammed Ahmed Al Bowardi Al Falacy.

'NO DIFFERENCES, ALL SUPPORT VASUNDHARA'

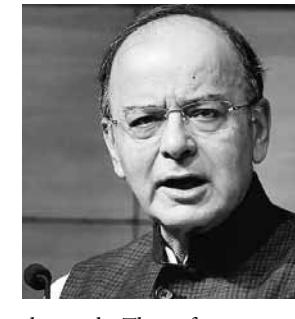
New Delhi: Asserting that there were no differences among the leaders in poll-bound Rajasthan, the party's election in charge for the State Prakash Jayadev on Tuesday said there was only a "communication gap" which has been bridged and the entire unit was behind Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje.

HEALTH MINISTER HOLDS ZIKA CONTROL MEETING

New Delhi: Union Health Minister J P Nadda on Tuesday held a high-level meeting to review the activities for prevention and control of Zika virus and seasonal influenza in the country and stressed on the need for undertaking exhaustive control measures including intensive fogging for next month in order to ensure vector control in the area.

Rahul living in self-delusion, concocting falsehood: Jaitley

Denies allegation of meeting absconding Nirav Modi in Parliament



PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Mixing his sharp attack on Congress president Rahul Gandhi with a strong dose of satire, Union Finance Minister Arun Jaitley on Tuesday accused the former of living in "self-delusion" and being bereft of facts concocting repeat falsehood on several issues including the Rafale deal, Goods and Services Tax (GST) and Non Performing Assets (NPA).

Writing in his blog title "Is the Clown Prince out-clowning himself", Jaitley dismissed Rahul's claim that he (the Finance Minister) met absconding jeweler and bank defaulter Nirav Modi in Parliament and helped him escape the country.

"I do not recollect ever having even seen Nirav Modi in my life. The question of his meeting me in Parliament does not arise. If he came to Parliament, as Rahul Gandhi claims, then reception records would show that. Where have I admitted all this Mr. Gandhi," Jaitley asked.

On Rahul's claim that he also met another business tycoon Vijay Mallya in Parliament, the Finance Minister repeated his earlier assertion that he was chased by Mallya in the corridor of Parliament.

"If the factual narrative does not suit him (Gandhi) then concoct an alternative. Repeat the false narrative a dozen times and convince yourself that falsehood is in fact is truth".

The finance minister said in his blog post, "Rafale aircraft and its weaponry is not being manufactured in India at all, neither by Dassault or by any

other private company. All 36 aircrafts and their weapons in a fully flyable and useable form will arrive in India. After the supplies begin Dassault has to make purchases in India for 50% of the contract value. This is as per the UPA's policy to promote make in India."

"If the total deal is for ₹58,000 Crore, 50 per cent of that amounts to ₹29,000 Crore. These supplies to Dassault are to be made by over 120 offset suppliers and which the business house named is one of them. Dassault has said that only 3 per cent of offset may come to that business house which is less than ₹1,000 crore."

"On the issue of 'loan waiver' and non-performing assets (NPA) in banks, Jaitley countered Rahul's claims that PM Modi had helped "15 of his friends" get a loan waiver. "Loans were given during the UPA period. Not a single Rupee has been waived," he said.

Cong: Country needs Finance Min, not babble-blogger

Congress chief spokesperson Randeep Surjewala attacked Jaitley accusing him of "banging" the economy by his

"incomprehension". Taking to Twitter, he said the country needed a Finance Minister and not a 'babble-blogger'. "Hollow rants of a 'Court Jester' - 'Mr Jaitie'- won't change the truth that You bang the truth to hide ineptitude. You bang the Rupee by your mismanagement. You bang exports by your incompetence. You bang the Economy by your incomprension. India needs a FM. Not a 'Babble Blogger', he tweeted.

Crime scene videography mandatory for 6 major cities, Centre informs SC

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

New Delhi: In a giant leap towards digitisation of criminal investigation, police in six major cities, including Delhi and Mumbai, will mandatorily conduct videography of a crime scene, the Centre has told the Supreme Court.

Besides Delhi and Mumbai, the other cities where videography of crime scenes would be mandatory are Hyderabad, Ahmedabad, Bangalore and Chandigarh.

The top court had in April asked the Centre to prepare a plan for introducing videography in criminal investigations to strengthen the rule of law.

Taking the lead, the Gujarat Police has set up a central server which is connected to a specially designed application called "Mobile Pocket Cop".

The app can be downloaded on a cell phone provided to every police station for use in an investigation.

A bench of justices UU Lalit and DY Chandrachud sought a reply in four weeks from home secretary, Gujarat government, on the aspect of testing of another app developed by the Bureau of Police Research and Development as proof of concept.

MeToo: NSUI prez quits after sexual harassment allegations

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Against the backdrop of the MeToo campaign, ANSUI national president Fairoz Khan did not take any chance and stepped down from his post following charges of sexual harassment against him. Sources in the party said that Congress president Rahul Gandhi has accepted Khan's resignation.

Khan, who hails from Jammu & Kashmir, submitted his resignation on Monday evening, saying he quit keeping in mind the party's interests.

According to sources, Khan said in his resignation letter that he has decided to step down since the charges against him are hurting the party's image. He, however, has denied the charges against him.

The Congress had set up a three-member committee to look into the issue after a woman, a party worker from Chhattisgarh, levelled charges of sexual harassment against the chief of its students' wing. The panel, which is talking to all the concerned parties, is yet to give its report, the sources

said.

The woman had first complained against Khan in June. She had then met Rahul Gandhi and other senior leaders of the party demanding action against the NSUI president, who, she alleged, had sexually harassed her and her sister and some other women from the party.

She also lodged a complaint against him at the Parliament Street police station in September, saying that she feared for her life and security.

The allegations against Khan have come in the midst of the MeToo movement gathering pace in the country. Congress was under pressure to act against the NSUI chief as the party is seeking action against Union Minister M J Akbar, who has been accused by several former women colleagues of sexual harassment when he served as editor at various media organisations.

The Opposition party has attacked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for keeping quiet about the allegations against Akbar and has demanded the latter's resignation.

No material info on number of EVM, VVPAT needed for parallel polls, says EC



New Delhi: The Election Commission does not have any "material information" on the number of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) and Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) needed to conduct simultaneous elections, the panel has said in a reply to an RTI query.

Pune-based Vihar Durve, through his RTI application, had approached the Commission seeking to know the availability and need of EVMs and VVPAT machines.

The estimate was based on the current cost to procure the devices.

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The section defines information as "any material in any form, including records, documents, emails, opinions, advices, press releases, logbooks, con-

tracts, reports, papers, samples, data material held in any electronic form and information relating to any private body which can be accessed by a public authority under any other law for the time being in force".

In their discussions on holding simultaneous elections in the country, the EC officials had said they would need around ₹4,500 crore to buy nearly 12 lakh additional EVMs and an equal number VVPAT machines.

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Political parties are divided on the issue.

PTI

CBI to probe 2017 Tihar custodial violence case

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The CBI has taken over investigation into the custodial violence at Tihar jail last year where 18 inmates were allegedly beaten up by the prison staff.

The incident had occurred on November 21 last year at High Security Ward of Central Jail No 1 at Tihar. The agency has registered two FIRs in connection with the incident. The CBI took over the case following a directive from the Delhi High Court on May 15 this year.

The cases have been registered under various sections of the Indian Penal Code relating to grievous injury and common intention against the then Sub Inspector

S Muthupandi of the Tamil Nadu Special Police and other members of his 52-member team.

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CITIZENSHIP (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016

AGP set to meet JPC members to oppose it

ANUP SHARMA ■ GUWAHATI

Assam's regional political party Asom Gana Parishad (AGP) has decided to meet the members of the Joint Parliamentary Committee on Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2016 to express their Opposition to the proposed Constitutional Amendment Bill before October 23.

Senior AGP leader Kamala Kalita said this on Tuesday while adding that an AGP delegation will go to New Delhi soon to meet each of the 30 members of the JPC on Citizenship (Amendment) Bill to impress upon them the dangers looming large on Assam if the Constitutional Amendment Bill is passed.

"We have met the JPC during its hearing in Assam and expressed our reservations regarding the proposed Bill. We are not going to accept the passing of the Bill at any cost. We are also going to hold a mass rally in Assam on October 23 expressing our stiff opposition to the Bill," he said.

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THE CITIZENSHIP (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016, WHICH WAS INTRODUCED IN THE LOK SABHA ON JULY 15, 2016, SEEKS TO AMEND THE CITIZENSHIP ACT, 1955 TO PROVIDE CITIZENSHIP TO ILLEGAL MIGRANTS FROM AFGHANISTAN, BANGLADESH AND PAKISTAN, WHO ARE HINDU, SIKH, BUDDHIST, JAIN, PARSI OR CHRISTIAN

alliance Government in Assam. Assam had witnessed severe protests earlier this year protesting against the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill.

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taken a cabinet decision to oppose the Bill as it might affect the indigenous people of the State. Different organisations and civil society groups in other northeastern States like Manipur, Nagaland, Mizoram and Arunachal Pradesh have also been opposing the Bill.

Meanwhile, the opposition Congress in Assam has slammed the AGP terming the regional party's opposition to the controversial Bill as mere eyewash and said that the Bill poses gravest threat ever to Assam and its indigenous people.

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Prashant Kishor is JD(U) national V-P

PNS ■ PATNA



Just a month after joining the JD(U), Prashant Kishor has been appointed as national vice president of the party. With this elevation PK, he is quite popular with his abbreviation in political circles, is only next to national president Nitish Kumar.

The official statement regarding PK's appointment was issued on Tuesday by the party's secretary general KC Tyagi who expressed confidence that his experience and expertise will take the party to a new height.

Kishor, 41, had formally joined the JD(U) on September 16 at the party's State executive committee meeting here. After grabbing limelight following huge victory of mahagathbandhan, which involved the JD(U) and the RJD apart from others, he was keeping a low profile. The victory of 2015 Assembly election was largely credited to the poll strategy engineered by Kishore who in 2014 general election had reportedly crafted the strategy for Narendra Modi.

With his elevation as JD(U) national vice president Kishor is now the most powerful leader of the party only after Nitish, who is supposed to have clipped the wings of many other leaders in the party who were supposed to be his close confidants.

It is also expected that Kishor will have his say in all the top level deliberations with other parties in the NDA and in the decision making his inputs and suggestions would be given weightage by the party supremo.

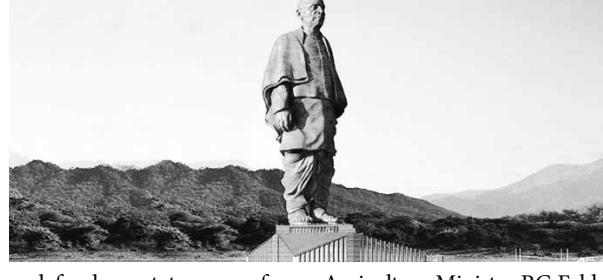
There had been wild speculations about his role in the party after he joined the JD(U) last month. There were reports that he might contest Lok Sabha polls from Buxar constituency, his hometown, and some suggested he might be made a powerful Minister. But Nitish seemed to have proved all those speculations wrong.

In a recent interview to a senior TV journalist and answering the questions of the students of Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, Kishor said he would not move out of Bihar for the next 10 years.

Avoiding a direct reply to the possible poll outcome in 2019, Kishor said he would not make a prediction but claimed that BJP was still in lead position.

Statue of Unity symbolises patriotism, says Rupani

GANDHINAGAR : Announcing 'Ekta Yatra' or 'Unity March' across 5,000 villages of the State, Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani said that the Statue of Unity - world's tallest statue of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel would emerge as symbol of national unity in the coming days.



The tallest statue of the world being constructed near Sardar Sarovar Dam site would be unveiled by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 31, 2018 to mark 144th birth anniversary of the Ironman of India, said Rupani adding that the first phase of Ekta Yatra will be during October 19 to 29 and second phase would be between November 15 and 25.

Interestingly foundation stone of the project was laid by Modi when he was Gujarat CM on October 31, 2013 for the project built at a cost of ₹2,389 crore. The statue stands 3.2 km downstream of the Narmada dam on the islet, Sadhu bet.

The Gujarat Government wants this unveiling to be a grand event and has drafted almost all the Ministers to different States invite the respective Chief Ministers. Rupani recently went to Uttar Pradesh to invite his counterpart Yogi Adityanath.

Deputy CM Nitin Patel went to Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis. Minister Vibhaviben Dave visited the north eastern State Tripura.

Agriculture Minister RC Faldu has been tasked to invite the Assam Chief Minister, Education Minister Bhupendrasinh Chudasama just returned from his trip to Haryana, while Food and Civil Supplies Minister Jayesh Radadia has been sent to Uttarakhand. Energy and Petrochemicals Minister Saurabh Patel is right now visiting Bihar with an invite for Chief Minister Nitish Kumar for the event.

Minister of State for Home Pradeep Singh Jadeja returned from his trip to Himachal Pradesh. Social Justice and Empowerment Minister Ishwarbhai Parmar went to Goa for the purpose. Forest Minister Ganpat Vasava went to Tamil Nadu, while another Minister Dilip Thakore has been sent to Naveen Patnaik's Orissa, Revenue Minister Kaushik Patel to Jharkhand. Other members of Gujarat's council of Ministers are visiting Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya and other States.

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Advisory panel in place for rebuilding flood-hit Kerala

PTI ■ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

A advisory committee headed by Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan has been set up for implementation of various projects for rebuilding the flood-ravaged state.

Announcing this at a press conference here, Vijayan said the committee, comprising Union Tourism Minister Alphons Kannanthanam, would give advice for implementing the projects.

Leader of Opposition in Kerala Assembly Ramesh Chennithala, T K A Nair, who served as advisor to former prime minister, and former state chief secretary K M Chandrasekhar are among the other members of the committee, he said.

The first meeting of the committee would be held on October 22, the chief minister said.

Besides this, a high-powered committee would monitor the implementation of the projects approved by the state cabinet, he said.

The chief minister also launched a portal for crowd funding as part of the government's efforts to mobilise funds for rebuilding and rehabilitating the people affected by the flood in the state.

Vijayan is scheduled to leave for some of the Gulf countries on Wednesday as part of the efforts to mobilise funds from Kerala expatriates there.

Seventeen of the 20 state ministers have also planned to visit different countries in the Gulf and Europe to mobilise funds.

However, the Centre has approved the foreign visit of the chief minister alone so far.

Answering a question in this regard, Vijayan said the state government had expected that the Centre would give sanction for the ministers also.

Shaktisinh threatens to file criminal suit against Guj CM

PNS ■ GANDHINAGAR



Apparently angry over Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani's allegations on his involvement in the violence against Hindi-speaking migrant labourers, Congress Bihar in charge Shaktisinh Gohil has threatened to file criminal and civil suits against Rupani if he does not apologise.

CM Rupani had made the remarks during his recent visit to Lucknow where he went to invite his counterpart from Uttar Pradesh Yogi Adityanath for the inauguration ceremony of Statue of unity project.

At a Press conference on Tuesday Gohil claimed that the BJP backed hooligans were responsible for attacks on migrant workers. He went on to say that BJP supporters

spread anti-migrant messages on social media platforms. "I was in Bihar when violence broke out against migrants. As soon as I came to know about such incidents I immediately appealed people to maintain peace and harmony in Gujarat. Besides I also demanded to take action against attackers," he added.

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of some alleged BJP supporters with their anti-outsider posts to bolster his allegation the senior Congress leader claimed that BJP systematically orchestrated violence against migrants.

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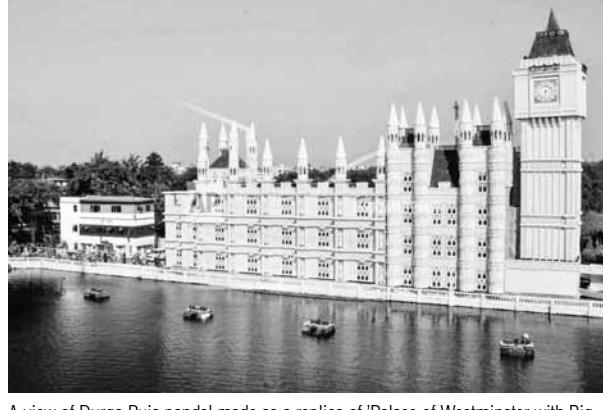
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THEMES INUNDATE DURGA PUJA PANDALS As millions flood City of Joy

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA



A view of Durga Puja pandal made as a replica of 'Palace of Westminster' with Big Ben during Durga Puja festival in Kolkata on Tuesday

come to visit a friend in Kolkata.

A mile away at Tridhara Sammilani which has been winning numerous prizes for its exquisite art work the organisers have concentrated on the traditional handicraft of Bengal. While artist Gauranga Quilla has used the traditional earthen pottery as his theme he has given the finishing touch with jute. The minute art words and the finesse has led the Club to win more than three dozen prizes this year.

"Such exquisite is the artistry of the craftsmen that people not only from all over the State but all over the world have poured in to hop pandals 24x7," says a Dy Commissioner of Police. "We are receiving about 7-8 million additional people walking throughout the day and night in Kolkata for the past several days and the figure is likely to cross one crore by Navami Day", he added.

Cut to Badamtala Ashar Sangha where the theme for this year's puja is "shob choritro karpalic" (all characters are fictional). Even as they celebrate women this year an organiser said "in the modern world, there are numerous successful women, but there are those who are subjected to malice and hatred. The puja is dedicated to those women and is an ode to the spirit of womanhood."

The artist who constructed the Durga Puja pandal at Raja Santosh Mitra Square seems to have worked wonders by building a mammoth 60-feet tall Arjuna's Rath. The specialty of the chariot is: it is plated with silver. "We have used about 10 tons of silver costing about ₹40 crore; add another ₹2 crore as construc-

tion cost," said one of the organisers. "This Rath of Mother Goddess Durga aims at bringing rule of law, peace and justice on the earth," he said.

Towards the North Eastern fringes at Sribhumi Sporting Club the Puja organisers have reproduced the gigantic pandal after Chittaurgarh Fort. The Theme here is Padmavati. The exclusive art work of the pandal will make it difficult to read between the original and the imitation.

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"I have not seen such a huge crowd for so many days. Gosh! It is stupendous" says Elei from the USA who has

come to visit a friend in Kolkata.

True, Kolkata has once again decked up to the imminability of its Durga Puja pandals — with each of 3,000-odd Puja pandals exhibiting a creativity of the sublime class blended with abstract mysticism and temporal message.

Welcome to Chaltabagan Durga Puja committee in North Kolkata, where the organisers have set up their Puja Pandals around the theme of Poet Laureate Rabindranath Tagore's Shantir Nir (Abode of Peace)." S Bhutoria, the chief patron of the Puja says, "We have woven our craft around this theme so that Kolkata can be enlisted as India's first 'City of Literature' in the UNESCO list."

World cities like Milan, London, Edinburgh, Prague, Melbourne, Baghdad, Granada, Barcelona, Dublin, Krakow, Heidelberg, Quebec etc have already been declared as cities of literature.

The artiste has conveyed Tagore's message of universal peace and harmony through excellent display of motifs and reliefs. In an apparent bid to blend literary flavour with religiosity the ceiling of the pan-

Setback for Cong in Mizoram, ex-Min resigns

IANS ■ AIZAWL

Ruling Congress continues to get setbacks in poll-bound Mizoram as former Minister and senior Congress leader

Buddha Dhan Chakma on Tuesday left the party and is likely to join the BJP soon.

Chakma has resigned from the State legislature and primary membership of the

Although he did not reveal his future course of action, the State Bharatiya Janata Party insiders said he is likely to contest the forthcoming Assembly polls from Tuichawng seat on a BJP ticket

Mizoram Pradesh Congress Committee (MPCC). The resignation of Chakma comes close on the heels of two other senior Congress leaders leaving the party.

Chakma said he was unhappy over the recent incident where some students belonging to the Chakma community were denied admission to medical colleges across the country, though they had qualified for MBBS seats under the State quota.

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Earlier, former Mizoram Home Minister and number two in the State Cabinet R Lalrinlana and former Minister Lalrinlana Sailo had resigned from the Congress. Lalrinlana joined the opposition Mizo National Front (MNF).

Mizoram is going to polls on November 28. BJP President Amit Shah will kick-start party's campaign for Mizoram Assembly elections on October 17 and also address booth-level workers the same day.

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General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male Age : About 40-45 years, Height : 5'8", Face : Oval, Complexion : Fair, Build : Strong, wearing grey colour T-shirt and black colour lower, was found dead on 09.10.2018 at Barah Tooti Road, Qutub Chowk, in the area of P.S. Sadar Bazar, Delhi. In this regard a FIR No. 237/18 dated 09.10.2018 u/s 237/304-A IPC has been registered at P.S. Sadar Bazar, Delhi. The dead was preserved for identification in the mortuary of Subzi Mandi, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this found person may kindly inform to the following:-

SHO : P.S. Sadar Bazar, Delhi
Tel. No. 011-23512411
DP/9273/N/18

Police crack model's murder case in 4 hrs, arrest teenager

□ Boy strangled the upcoming model, packed body in large travel bag, dumped it in a bush in suburban Mumbai

□ Mobile number registered with cab service company helped cops track down murder suspect

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Having cracked the sensational murder of a 20-year-old upcoming model in just over four hours, the city police have arrested a 19-year-old college student for allegedly killing her, packing her body in a large travel bag and dumping it in a bush near at Malad in north Mumbai.

The boy, identified as one Muzammil Sayyed, who was arrested late on Monday evening, was on Tuesday produced before a suburban court which remanded him in police custody till October 22.

Acting on a tip-off from a taxi driver that an youngster had dumped the large travel bag in a bush in an isolated Mindspace locality at Malad (west) in a suspicious manner, a team of police officials formed by Deputy Commissioner of Police (Zone-XI) Sangram Singh Nishal rushed to the spot and found the body of a deceased model inside the bag.

Sayyed, the accused boy who hails from Hyderabad and



used to stay in a rented flat in Mumbai, had packed the model's body carefully inside a bed sheet with the face of the deceased strapped with a rope and the body wrapped in cushion.

After examining the CCTV footage obtained from the area which showed the boy coming out of the taxi and dumping the travel bag in a bush, the investigating team

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Police identified the murdered girl as one Mansi Dixit, who hailed from Kota in Rajasthan. She had visited Sayyed's Millat Nagar residence at Andheri (west) in north Mumbai on Monday night.

Deputy Commissioner of Police (Zone-11) SP Nishand said that Mansi had come to Mumbai to try her luck in Bollywood and living in a rented flat at Andheri. She used to take small modelling assignments and had managed to get bit of roles in some films.

Mansi had come in contact with Sayyed through social media.

During the questioning after his arrest, Sayyed reportedly admitted to the police that after a tiff, he had hit Mansi on her head with an iron stool leading to her death. However, the investigators are not ruling out the possibility of Sayyed having strangled Mansi to death.

Two versions were making rounds as to the circumstances leading to Sayyed hitting Mansi with an iron stool. While one version said that Sayyed and Mansi had known each other for some time, the tiff between them was genuine one and the death was accidental, the second version was that Mansi used to work as an "escort" whom Sayyed had hired her by making an online payment.

However, according to the second version, the dispute arose between them after the model demanded an additional payment of ₹2,500 when she landed at Sayyed's residence on Monday afternoon, a demand that enraged the boy leading to the incident. Sayyed allegedly strangled her to death. After packing Mansi's body in a travel bag, Sayyed hired a taxi over phone on the pretext of going to the Mumbai International Airport. However, after reaching the secluded Mindspace locality where he dumped the bag in a bush and took an autorickshaw.

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PG woman student suspended for celebrating Bhagat Singh's birth anniv

PTI ■ COIMBATORE

Celebrating the birth anniversary of Bhagat Singh on a Government college campus has landed a woman student in trouble as she has been suspended, an action which she termed as "suppression" of the freedom of expression.

S Malathi, a first year MA Student at the Government arts and science college, was suspended on October 1 after she and some other students organised a function to celebrate Singh's birth anniversary on September 28, despite being denied permission by the principal and the tutor, officials said.

"Malathi organised the meeting without permission, which would have affected peace in the campus. She was thus placed under suspension," Chitra, the college principal, said.

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SP, BSP also indulged in name change game

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Hyderabad: Nearly 190 names of suspected Rohingyas have appeared in the voters list and the process of verification and deletion is on, a senior official of the Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation said on Tuesday.

"We have received the list from the Election Commission with nearly 190 names of Rohingyas living in Telangana in the belief that it would prove to be a gamechanger when the State went to the hustings.

The official said the deletion of such names from the voters list is underway.

"We have so far deleted 25 names from the voters list. The process is going on. Balance will be done before the second supplement list of voters comes," the official said.

According to the official, some of the names figured in other constituencies near the city and the list was sent to the respective districts for verification and deletion of names if required.

There are as many as 39.60 lakh voters in GHMC limits as per the latest list. There were about 3,600 Rohingyas, who are UNHCR card holders in the city and most of them are illiterates.

Whoever lives in the camp were not willing to go back as they fear for their lives, sources related to the Rohingya camp in old city area had earlier said.

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Concerned shareholders holding shares in physical form and whose shares were liable to be transferred to IEFP on respective dates, the corresponding shares of those dividend accounts will be transferred to IEFP as per the procedure set out in rules.

Complying with the requirements of the Rules, the company has communicated to the concerned shareholders individually whose shares are liable to be transferred to IEFP.

Shareholders may not that both the unclaimed dividend and corresponding shares transferred to IEFP including all benefits accruing on such shares, if any, can be claimed back from IEFP after following the procedure prescribed in the Rules.

The shareholders may further note that the details of are made available by the company on its website should be regarded and shall be deemed adequate notice in respect of issue of duplicate share certificate(s) by the Company.

In the case Company does not receive any communication from the concerned shareholders, the company shall with a view to adhering the requirements of the Rules.

Please note that no claim shall lie against the Company in respect of unclaimed dividend amount and shares transferred to IEFP.

For any queries on the above matter, Shareholders are requested to contact :

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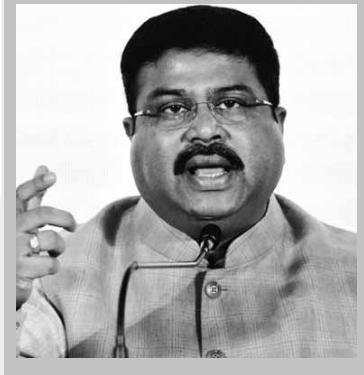
While India has focussed on innovation, infrastructure, structural reforms and ease of doing business, a lot of work still needs to be done on gender parity and exports and ensuring that India has growth with equity

**Amitabh Kant, CEO,
Niti Aayog**

BUZZ FROM GOVT

The Government has no business to interfere in pricing mechanism of petroleum products which has been left to the oil companies to decide on a daily basis. Some States have done it. Some like Delhi haven't. You should ask them why they haven't

**Dharmendra Pradhan,
Union Oil Minister**



₹ spurs 35 paise to nearly 2-week high

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The rupee climbed 35 paise to end at nearly two-week high of 73.48 per dollar on Tuesday amid softening crude oil prices and easing concerns over the trade deficit.

Traders said foreign fund inflows and greenback weakening against other currencies were the other factors that provided support to the home unit.

At the Interbank Foreign Exchange (Forex), the rupee opened on a firm note at 73.79 from Monday's close of 73.83. During the day the domestic currency gained further ground to hit a high of 73.47 against the US dollar, driven by selling of the greenback by exporters.

The domestic unit settled the day up by 35 paise or 0.47 per cent at 73.48 to the dollar, the highest closing level since October 3.

The rupee had lost 26 paise to close at 73.83 on Monday.

Foreign dealers said bullish trend in the equity market as well as easing crude oil prices supported the rupee's upward movement.

Alongside positive news on crude, the ten-year bonds

rallied as yields closed lower. The currency rallied on the lower than expected trade deficit data," said Sunil Sharma, Chief Investment Officer, Sancutum S wealth Management.

The trade deficit dropped to a five-month low of \$13.98 billion in September even as exports declined by more than 2 per cent. A higher trade deficit inflates the current account deficit which has a bearing on the local currency due to fund outflows.

The benchmark Brent oil was trading 0.88 per cent lower at \$80.07 a barrel on Tuesday due to easing tensions over disappearance of Saudi journalist which calmed the oil market.

US President Donald Trump Monday had said that "rough killers" could be behind the disappearance of journalist Jamal Khashoggi as opposed to his earlier threatening stance.

The reference rate for euro was fixed at 85.5750 and for the British pound at 97.3237. The reference rate for 100 Japanese yen was 65.95.



and gains in the rupee with the benchmark 30-share Sensex rising by 297.38 points or 0.85 per cent to close at 35,162.48.

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Sensex zooms 297 pts to reclaim 35K; rupee, corp earnings drive optimism

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The equity benchmark Sensex continued its winning run for the third straight session on Tuesday, rising 297 points to scale the key 35,000-level on positive macro signs like strengthening rupee and healthy start to the corporate earnings season.

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"The Nifty was higher today again supported by mid- and small-cap stocks. The broader indices gained more ground than the Nifty. Banking stocks were mixed with PSU Banks taking the lead. Global cues were also mixed where US markets were down but most other markets appear to have stabilised," Rohit Srivastava, Fund Manager — PMS, Sharekhan by BNP Paribas said.

Domestic institutional investors (DIIs) bought shares worth ₹294.78 crore, while foreign institutional investors invested ₹67.86 crore on Monday, as per provisional data issued by the stock exchanges.

Shares of the country's second largest IT company, Infosys fell 0.39 per cent after cautious investors trimmed their positions ahead of July-September quarter earnings.

OPEC says it has not failed India, provided mkt stability

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Without stability, major consuming countries cannot plan let alone manage demand-supply dynamics.

"We have not failed India, we have not failed major consuming countries. Our actions, decision all take into account the interest of consuming country," he said. "We have a vested interest in India continue to grow, prosper, continue to use oil in its energy mix."

On Monday, Modi had voice concerns about high oil prices killing global growth at a meeting where Saudi and UAE oil ministers as also industry captains were present.

India has been over the past two months battered by high crude oil prices that have sent retail petrol, diesel and LPG rates to record high, posed inflationary risks and together with a sliding rupee threatened to upset its current account deficit.

Speaking at the India Energy Forum, he said a year ago Prime Minister Modi, Oil Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and industry chieftains had "all commended the joint effort of OPEC and non-OPEC to rescue the industry from the downturn".

"India, the third largest consuming country of hydrocarbon, has endorsed this collaborative effort to restore stability to the oil market and had, in addition, asked to do whatever is necessary to sustain this stability going forward," he said.

However, these extraneous factors are beginning to make this balance look fragile. These factors are completely outside the control of OPEC and non-OPEC (oil producers).

He said on Monday Saudi Arabia, the world's biggest exporter of oil in the world, assured all consumers "to remain calm, not to panic and that there is ample supplies to meet".

"Yes, the market is well supplied, a balance has been achieved. But this balance is looking fragile largely because of actors outside our control," he said.

Barkindo said the recently released OPEC's World Oil Outlook, primary energy demand, globally, is expected to increase by 33 per cent, or 91 million barrels of oil equivalent per day (mboe/d), between 2015 and 2040.

"A massive 24 per cent of this anticipated increase will be from India, or 22 mboe/d," he said. "World oil demand is expected to increase by 14.5 million barrels per day (mb/d), increasing from 97.2 mb/d in 2017 to 111.7 mb/d in 2040. India will account for oil demand growth of 5.8 mb/d, which represents an astonishing 40 per cent of the overall increase."

RBI approves 3-year term for Bakhshi as ICICI Bank chief

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

SJM seeks PM's intervention in keeping ITC in Indian hands

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The RSS-affiliated Swadeshi Jagran Manch (SJM) on Tuesday sought Prime Minister Narendra Modi's intervention to ensure that the controlling stake in multi-business conglomerate ITC does not go to a foreign company.

The SJM wrote to Modi in the wake of reports of a possible takeover of ITC by British American Tobacco Company (BAT), a UK-based multi-national firm.

"Swadeshi Jagran Manch requests you to kindly intervene in this case in national interest, and pass instructions to increase the shareholding of

the Government to thwart the possibility of a takeover of an Indian company (ITC) by an MNC," its co-convenor Ashwani Mahajan said in the letter to Modi.

BAT already holds stake in the ITC, which has diversified business in a range of sectors including FMCG, apparel, hotels, specialty papers, packaging, agri-business and information technology among others.

Referring to ITC's shareholding pattern, he said shares held by domestic financial institutions used to be 32 per cent which has come down to 30.4 per cent.

BAT's stake is at 29.60 per cent in the company.

Indonesia extradites Vinay Mittal; wanted in ₹40-cr bank fraud case

HE WAS AMONG TOP ECONOMIC OFFENDERS

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The agency had filed seven charge sheets before designated courts in Delhi and Ghaziabad against Mittal after which he purportedly escaped from the country.

The court has declared him as absconder and the agency got issued a Red Corner Notice against him through the Interpol.

Subsequently, the agencies traced his location to Bali in Indonesia where he was living with his family. He was arrested by Indonesian authorities in January 2017 on the basis of Red Corner Notice.

Recently, Indonesian President had cleared his extradition to India following which he was sent to India this month.

He was arrested upon arrival and sent to judicial custody.

After his extradition earlier this month, the agency also got a shot in arm when another accused Mohammad Yahya, accused in a ₹46 lakh bank loan fraud case, was deported from Bahrain.

For details, see page 10.

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PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Business Corner

SCOPE ORGANISES WORKSHOP ON CYBER SECURITY CHALLENGES



SCOPE in association with Data Security Council of India (DSCI) organised Workshop on "Approaching Cyber Security Challenges in CII Sector" to sensitize PSUs on cyber security and data process

challenges. Sanjaya Panda, former Chief Secretary, Govt. of Tripura & former Secretary to Govt. of India inaugurated the workshop in the presence of Neeta Verma, DG, NIC, Sanjay Bahl, DG, CERT-IN, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MEITY), Rakesh Maheshwari, Scientist G & Group Coordinator, MEITY, Vinayak Godse, Vice President, DSCI and PK Sinha of SCOPE.

"We wish to inform you that RBI ... (on October 15, 2018) has approved the appointment of Sandeep Bakhshi as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer for three years as against a five-year term sought by the lender. ICICI Bank Tuesday informed the stock exchanges that the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has cleared Bakhshi's appointment for three years effective from October 15.

After ICICI group veteran Chanda Kochhar — who was facing inquiry related to alleged nepotism and quid pro quo in extending loans to certain entities — resigned earlier this month, the bank announced appointment of Bakhshi as the MD and CEO for five years.

In recent months, the RBI seem to be exercising a cautious approach when it comes to re-appointment of chiefs of private sector banks, especially against the backdrop of rising non-performing assets.

"We wish to inform you that RBI ... (on October 15, 2018) has approved the appointment of Sandeep Bakhshi as Managing Director and CEO of the Bank for a period of three years with effect from October 15, 2018," ICICI Bank said in a BSE filing.

Bakhshi, who joined the ICICI group in 1986, was elevated from the post of Chief Operating Officer (COO) to MD and CEO of the bank after resignation of Kochhar on October 4.

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED GIRLS

General Public is hereby informed that two girls (depicted in the photo) namely Parul and Tannu D/o Mukesh Kumar R/o I-420, 1st floor, Mangolpuri, Delhi has been reported missing/kidnapped since 25.09.2018 vide FIR No. 890/18 u/s 363 IPC dated 27.09.2018 registered at Police Station Mangolpuri, Delhi, their physical description is as under:-

Name: Parul, Aged: 16 Years, Complexion: Wheatish, Height: 4', Face: Round, Wearing: Black coloured t-shirt, black coloured pajama and slipper in feet.

Name: Tannu, Aged: 14 Years, Complexion: Wheatish, Height: 4', Face: Long, ID Mark: A old star mark on right chick, Wearing: Green coloured t-shirt, black coloured pajama and orange coloured slipper in feet.

Any person having any information/Clue about these missing/kidnapped girls, may inform SHO, Mangolpuri, Delhi at E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in or website : <http://cbi.nic.in>

Tele No.: 011-24368638 or 24368641 FAX No.: 011-24368639 Tel.: 011-27921168, 27922186 DP/1482/OD/18 Sd/- SHO, Mangolpuri, Delhi Mob.: 7065036121

Mrs. Mithlesh Sharma

It is publicly notified that Residential EWS Flat No.382, Block C-1, Sector-55, Noida, Dist. Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P., allotted of Sh. Tilak Raj Satija S/o Sh. Tulsidas R/o 2M-22, N.I.T. Faridabad, Haryana, had sold on the basis of General Power of Attorney to the following persons. The General Power of Attorney was registered on 08-12-1995 in the name of Sh. Mithlesh Sharma S/o Sh. Rabir Sharma R/o C-1/382, Sector-55, Noida, Dist. Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P. and Agreement to Sell is executed in her favour which is not registered.

Because an Agreement to Sell is not registered so it is publicly notified that the transfer of the property bearing Residential EWS Flat No.382, Block C-1/382, Sector-55, Noida, Dist. Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P. is going to be transferred in the name of Sh. Rabir Sharma S/o Sh. B.L. Sharma R/o C-1/382, Sector-55, Noida, Dist. Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P. If some one has/have any objection he/she file his/her objection alongwith the sufficient proof in the Housing Department (H) of the Noida Authority within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice.

Mrs. Mithlesh Sharma

The above-mentioned borrowers(s)/ guarantors(s) are hereby given a 30 days Notice to repay the amount, else the mortgaged properties will be sold on the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notice, as per the provisions under the Rules 8 and 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Sd/- Authorized Officer ICICI Bank Limited

Date : 17-Oct-2018 Place: Delhi / Ncr

Geeta Devi / LBNOD00001563445

Floor No- T 9- 1003, 10th Floor, Parsvnath Regalia, Ghaziabad- 201005 Uttar Pradesh/ October 10, 2018.

Sheetal Joshi / Parvez Hasan/ LBDL00002944957 & LBDL0000294495

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Floor No. A8, Red Apple Residency, Khasra No. 998, Raj Nagar Extn, Ghaziabad 201001/ October10, 20

Investment via P-notes hits over 9-yr low of ₹79,548-cr in Sept

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Investments in the Indian capital market through participatory notes (P-notes) hit a nearly nine-and-a-half year low of ₹79,548 crore till September after registering a rise in such fund infusion in the preceding month.

P-notes are issued by registered foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) to overseas investors who wish to be part of the Indian stock market without registering themselves directly. They, however, need to go through due diligence process.

According to the Sebi data, total value of P-note investments made last month, P-note holdings in equities were at ₹60,164 crore and the remaining was in debt and derivatives markets.

crore till September-end from ₹84,647 crore clocked by August-end, which was the first rise in such fund infusion in 10 months.

Prior to that, in July, the figure was ₹80,341 crore.

As per the data, the fund inflow through P-notes in September was the lowest since April 2009, when the cumulative value of such investments stood at ₹72,314 crore.

The decline in investment could be attributed to several measures taken by the market watchdog to stop the misuse of the controversy-ridden participatory notes, experts said.

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The quantum of FPI investments via P-notes remain unchanged at 2.5 per cent during the period under review from the preceding month.

P-note investments were on a decline since June last year and hit an over eight-year low in September 2017. However, these investments rose slightly in October but fell again in November and the trend continued till July this year.

In August this year, investment through the route climbed but again dropped last month.

In July 2017, Sebi had notified strict norms stipulating a fee of USD 1,000 on each instrument to check any misuse for channelising black money. It had also prohibited FPIs from issuing such notes

where the underlying asset is a derivative, except those which are used for hedging purposes.

Meanwhile, in September, market regulator Sebi issued revised KYC norms for FPIs, wherein resident as well as non-resident Indians have been permitted to hold non-controlling stake in such entities.

These norms have been put in place weeks after a panel suggested various changes to the guidelines proposed earlier, amid concerns in certain quarters that overseas funds might face difficulties in ensuring compliance.

Non-resident Indians (NRIs), overseas citizens of India (OCIs) and resident Indians (RIs) have been permitted to hold non-controlling stake in FPIs.

Vegetable oils import down 2 per cent

PTI ■ BENGALURU

The country's second-largest IT firm Infosys on Tuesday reported a 10.3 per cent growth in its consolidated net profit at ₹4,110 crore for the quarter ended September 2018.

It had posted a net profit of ₹3,726 crore in the year-ago period, Infosys said in a BSE filing.

The Bengaluru-based firm's revenue grew 17.3 per cent to ₹20,609 crore in the quarter under review as compared to ₹17,567 crore in the same period of 2017-18, it added.

"We are delighted with our broad-based growth across all business segments and geographies during the quarter. This is a testimony to our strong client relationships, digital-led full service capabilities, and intense focus on the needs of our clients," Infosys CEO and managing director Salil Parekh said.

He added that large deal wins at over USD 2 billion during the quarter "demonstrate our increased client relevance and also give us better growth visibility for the near-term".

Digital revenues at SENSEX 905 million made 31 per cent of total revenues, it said.

The company retained its FY'19 revenue guidance in constant currency at 6-8 per cent.

Infosys also said it would

Infosys Q2 net profit grows 10.3% to ₹4,110 crore

Hero MotoCorp Q2 net profit dips marginally to ₹976 cr

vious fiscal, Hero MotoCorp said in a BSE filing. Revenue from operations for the quarter under review stood at ₹9,090.94 crore as against ₹8,371.74 crore in the same period previous fiscal, it added.

Shares of Hero MotoCorp today closed at ₹2,890 per scrip on BSE, up 0.23% from its previous close.

Federal Bank reports ₹266 cr net profit in quarter ending Sept

Mumbai (PTI): Federal Bank on Tuesday posted a marginal increase in net profit at ₹266.04 crore for the quarter ending September on annual basis.

The bank had posted a net profit of ₹263.7 crore during the July-September quarter of 2017-18, according to a regulatory filing by the company.

The bank's total income stood at ₹3,087.81 crore during

the second quarter of the current fiscal as against ₹2,666.82 crore in the year ago period.

Federal Bank's gross non-performing assets widened to 3.11% of its assets as against 2.39% in the second quarter of the last fiscal. Net NPA too rose to 1.78% of its assets during September 2018 quarter. This compares with 1.32% in the year ago quarter.

comply with arbitration award asking it to pay ₹12.17 crore to former CFO Rajiv Bansal.

"The company has received legal advice and will comply with the award and

make the necessary payments," the software services major said in a statement.

The company declared interim dividend of ₹7 per share.

Foodpanda acquires Holachef; forays into cloud kitchen biz

Mumbai (PTI): Online food ordering and delivery firm Foodpanda on Tuesday said it had acquired food-tech venture Holachef, for an undisclosed amount, marking its foray into the cloud kitchen business.

As part of the acquisition, Foodpanda will take over Holachef's business including its kitchens, equipment, as well

as bring onboard the company's employees, a release said, adding Holachef's founders are also set to join Foodpanda's leadership team.

The company said it plans to launch its own brand of food products in different categories through this collaboration.

Pranay Jivrajka, chief executive officer of Foodpanda India, said, "We aim to build

India's largest cloud kitchen network that will be a major step in further elevating the food experience for our customers."

A cloud kitchen works on a hub and spoke model, where there is a mega central kitchen that delivers to outlets from where the food is again distributed.

The company, owned by

ride hailing giant Ola, said it would build deeper capabilities and tailor its offerings to cater to specific segments. It currently has around 125,000 delivery partners.

Saurabh Saxena, co-founder of Holachef, said, "Our mission with Holachef is to serve incredible food experiences to customers through kitchens with the highest qual-

ity and hygiene standards. We are delighted to join hands with Foodpanda, to accelerate our mission."

Foodpanda, which has been operational in the country since 2012, focuses on local innovation, technology, and delivery logistics, and claims to process over 300,000 orders a day from over 25,000 restaurant partners.

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BSE 500

SCRIPT	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	LTP	CHANGE
M&M	753.6	780	750.1	779	30
ADANIPORTS	323.4	335.8	321.9	334.1	12.85
ONGC	161.95	167.2	161.1	165.3	5.15
TECHM	695	727.6	694.55	715	20.45
SBIN	264.6	270.85	263.35	270.35	7.15
RELIANCE	1,146.00	1,167.40	1,140.00	1,166.00	26.25
ICICIBANK	313.75	322.95	313.75	320.25	6.9
BPLC	296.5	305.5	291.7	302.85	6.5
AXISBANK	577.5	594.5	570.25	587	10.45
ULTRACEMCO	3,744.00	3,814.00	3,706.65	3,761.00	52.6
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HDFC	1,735.00	1,773.70	1,713.15	1,756.25	23.35
YESBANK	247	251.4	245.6	249.25	3.25
BHARTIARTL	292.4	295.9	289.2	294.6	3.5
ASIANPAINT	1,257.00	1,282.90	1,255.65	1,265.00	14.7
VEDL	212	214.8	211.5	212.4	1.8
TATAMOTORS	185.2	187.25	184.55	185.75	1.4
TCS	1,958.00	1,971.90	1,935.00	1,964.05	14.55
LT	1,220.00	1,228.95	1,215.55	1,225.20	8.8
GRASIM	898.7	911.65	895.5	903.95	6.05
UPL	640	648	633.15	640.1	4.15
SUNPHARMA	601.95	612	592.85	603.35	3.4
COALINDIA	277.2	278.35	274.4	276.9	1.25
HEROMOTOCO	2,871.00	2,913.30	2,871.00	2,894.00	12.75
IOC	135.55	136.95	133.3	135.6	0.55
TITAN	811	819.65	808	809.4	2.2
GAIL	351.05	357.3	346.25	351.9	0.85
TATASTEEL	571.1	584	569.6	570.75	0.75
WIPRO	320	327.3	316.1	320.25	0.3
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ITC	283	283.75	283.25	282.5	-0.25
HINDPETRO	214.4	216.9	208.05	212.15	-0.35
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HINDALCO	231.9	232.8	228.2	231.25	-0.5
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BAJAJ-AUTO	2,638.00	2,648.00	2,605.00	2,607.25	-13.2
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ZEEL	477.8	477.8	466.75	469.45	-3.05
POWERGRID	187.95	188.85	185.1	186.75	-1.35
INFRAFL	268.6	277.5	263.8	266.4	-2.2
HDFCBANK	2,003.00	2,018.20	1,987.50	1,989.60	-18.45
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JSWSTEEL	377	385.2	369.1	372.25	-4.55
CPLA	647.85	651.65	637.35	640	-7.85
EICHERMOT	23,550.00	23,950.00	22,750.00	23,120.00	-314.5
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14 Iran security personnel abducted on Pak border

AFP ■ TEHRAN

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news website, said.

The report was deleted from the YJC website shortly afterwards.

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four militants who had slipped across the border.

Sistan-Baluchistan has a large, mainly Sunni Muslim ethnic Baluchi community which straddles the border.

Sunni extremist group *Jundallah* (Soldiers of God) launched a bloody insurgency in the province in 2000 targeting the security forces and officials of Iran's Government.

The campaign peaked with a spate of deadly attacks from 2007 — including twin suicide bombings against a Shiite mosque that killed 28 people — but abated after the group's leader was killed in mid-2010.

In 2012, *Jundallah* members formed a successor organisation called *Jaish al-Adl* (Army of Justice), which has carried out a spate of attacks on the security forces.

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TRUMP URGED TO DECLARE CHINA 'CURRENCY MANIPULATOR'

Washington: Expressing concerns over China's currency actions, a top US Senator has urged US President Donald Trump to name China as a "currency manipulator". Raising concerns about the depreciation of the Chinese yuan against the dollar, Senator Tammy Baldwin in a letter to Trump said that ever since his administration's tariff actions began in the spring, the yuan has fallen nine per cent.

Writing to Trump ahead of the release of the report, Baldwin reminded Trump about his election promise that he would declare China a currency manipulator on the very first day.

"But in three previous reports you have failed to do so. I am concerned that China's currency actions amount to manipulation, in violation of World Trade Organisation (WTO) rules. I ask that you use your upcoming report to make good on your promise to name China a currency manipulator and begin the statutorily-required process to encourage China to correct its undervaluation," the Wisconsin Senator said.

PTI

Saudis likely to admit Khashoggi died during interrogation: Report

PTI ■ WASHINGTON

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is understood to be preparing a report in which it is likely to admit dissident journalist Jamal Khashoggi died during an interrogation at its consulate in Istanbul, according to a media report.

Khashoggi is feared to have been killed inside the Saudi consulate in Istanbul, Turkey. The incident has resulted in a global outrage and more so in the US as he lived here as a legal permanent resident and worked for The Washington Post.

US lawmakers have been demanding scrapping of the \$110 billion mega defence deal with the Saudis, whereas heads of several companies, CEOs, newspapers have announced not to attend an upcoming finance conference in Saudi Arabia.

President Donald Trump on Monday talked to the Saudi King, during which the latter flatly denied having any knowledge of the missing journalist.

Officially Saudi Arabia has insisted that the journalist left its consulate, but so far has not been able to give any proof of it. Trump, who has warned Saudi Arabia of severe consequences, has dispatched his Secretary of State Mike Pompeo for talks with the Saudi leader.



People hold signs during a protest at the Embassy of Saudi Arabia on Wednesday in Washington AP

Saudis agree for 'thorough' probe into missing dissident writer: US

Riyadh: US top diplomat Mike Pompeo met Tuesday with Saudi King Salman and the crown prince seeking to defuse a crisis over missing dissident journalist Jamal Khashoggi, with American officials saying Riyadh had agreed the need for a "thorough" probe.

The urgent talks came after Donald Trump dispatched Pompeo to the Gulf kingdom amid a growing international outcry about Khashoggi's disappearance. Khashoggi has not been seen since he walked into the Saudi consulate in Istanbul on October 2 to sort out marriage paperwork.

"Rogue killers" could be to blame, Trump said after telephone talks on Monday with the King.

AP

GLOBE TROTTING

ROAD ACCIDENTS KILL 15 IN PAKISTAN

Multan: Pakistani officials say at least 15 people, mostly women and schoolgirls, were killed in two separate road accidents. Police officer Mohammad Tahir said a speeding bus rammed into a van carrying schoolgirls near the city of Sargodha on Tuesday, killing six girls and the van driver, and seriously wounding three other girls.

EX-PAK FINANCE MIN'S PROPERTY ATTACHED

Islamabad: Former Finance Minister Ishaq Dar's property in Pakistan has been confiscated and efforts to extradite him are underway, the Supreme Court was informed on Tuesday.

CHINESE BISHOPS INVITE POPE FRANCIS

Vatican City: Two Chinese Catholic bishops attending a Vatican meeting for the first time following a landmark deal between Beijing and the Holy See said Tuesday they have invited Pope Francis to visit.

HALF WOMEN IN ETHIOPIA CABINET

Addis Ababa: Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed on Tuesday unveiled a downsized Cabinet where, in a first, half the members are women, a top official said.

MONGOLIA INVITES KIM JONG UN TO VISIT

Ulaanbaatar: Mongolia has invited Kim Jong Un to visit the nation's capital, which once hoped to host the historic summit between the North Korean leader and US President Donald Trump, an official said Tuesday.

EGYPTIANS FARMED FISH 3.5K YRS AGO: STUDY

Jerusalem: Egyptians practised fish farming more than 3,500 years ago, the earliest evidence of such activity worldwide according to a joint German-Israeli study released on Tuesday. Scientists studied 100 fish teeth found at archaeological sites across modern-day Israel to conclude they had been plucked from a lagoon in Egypt's Sinai thousands of years ago.

DEBT RECOVERY TRIBUNAL II, DELHI 4TH FLOOR, JEEVANA TARA BUILDING, PARLIAMENT STREET, NEW DELHI-110001 PROCLAMATION OF SALE NOTICE

The under mentioned Property will be sold through auction on "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" for recovery of dues, in the matter of ICICI BANK LTD v/s AMITEX ENTERPRISES O.A No. 1247/17 and I.A No. 594/18.

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Reserve Price- Rs. 4,50,000/- EMD- Rs. 45,000/-

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3. Venue: Ridhi Godara Yard, Kataria Chowk Sector 17, Sukhral Gaon Behind Air Force Station, Gurgaon

4. Auctioneer Name: Mr.Shankar Kapoor, Contact No. 9650193259.

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Trump suggests 'rogue killers' murdered Jamal Khashoggi

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BOOST START-UP CULTURE

AMIT GAINDA talks about how to foster a culture of entrepreneurship study and start-ups at the under graduation level

India, at present is ranked second for the highest number of start-ups in the world after the US and has earned the reputation of being a start-up hub. Every year, the country witnesses the launch of an average of about 1,000 start-ups. This trend is attributed to increasing number of graduating students and employee talent venturing into the start-up world. They are armed with the zeal and dedication to find solutions and enhance customer or user experience through innovations, appropriate methods and experiments.

The present generation of millennials are innovative, creative, strong thinkers, quick learners, risk-takers and forward looking. They prefer flexibility and do not want to be confined to the corporate world. A start-up culture fits well into their lifestyle and preferences. Even employees with an entrepreneurial mindset working for corporates or large companies are weighing options between building a career working for other businesses or starting a business of their own.

The environment tends to recognise their creativity, contributions and innovations and encourages them to excel. The culture provides enough room for growth, experimentation improvement and opportunities to exhibit their skills. An individual working for a startup gains significant recognition for their contribution and performance.

However, establishing, running and sustaining a business or a start-up requires a lot of effort, patience and investment. It requires the prospective entrepreneur to be equipped with the right skillsets and ethics to survive in the competitive, fast-paced commercial world.

Under Graduate students with potential entrepreneurial qualities need to be introduced to required skillsets and culture through theory, practical and on-the-job training.

All leading educational institutions in the world are focusing on developing entrepreneurial skillsets in students. They develop a spirit of cooperation and unity amongst students coming from different schools and counsellors.



thoughts, thus emphasizing on the importance of teamwork.

These universities go the extra mile to embed the abilities into the students and prepare them to build an entrepreneurial mindset. They foster leadership values and help students excel in their area of expertise.

Before launching a startup, an individual should be well aware of the funding and investment requirements and the avenues to source them. The individual should look for a business model which should be self-sustainable in medium to long-term. To give an appropriate direction to the startup business, an individual should also partner with suitable consultants and counsellors.

Graduating with entrepreneurship as a Major provides insights on the required investments in finances and talent. There are universities that offer entrepreneurial majors and specialized courses which have become a lucrative option especially for students interested in starting an entrepreneurial venture or diversifying the family business. These universities also act as incubators that promote

FORMAL ENTREPRENEURIAL EDUCATION AT THE UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL PREPARES AN INDIVIDUAL TO OVERCOME CHALLENGES AND DEVELOP SKILLS TO WORK AROUND LIMITATIONS, EMERGE FROM UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES AND PROSPER IN ANY START-UP AND BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

networking, dialogue and partnerships among like-minded individuals with business acumen.

Entrepreneurship training does not only focus on launching, sustaining and managing the business, product or innovation but also emphasizes on the finance, marketing and managing aspects, thus providing comprehensive knowledge to establish and

grow the startup business.

Some start-ups do not have a separate finance or HR department, as a result of which they handover these responsibilities to the existing members of the start-ups. As employees in start-ups work in cross-functional departments such courses increase their capability of handling a start-up.

According to research, employers

are increasingly seeking students with an entrepreneurial mindset or experience as they are accountable for their own actions. Employers feel that such candidates have a good understanding of end-to-end planning and execution.

Working in a start-up can change perceptions and working style. The individual is on their own and feels more proactive and engaged throughout the entire process. Their ideas are welcomed by teams and contributions are well-recognised.

However, working in a start-up may also mean minimal salary, smaller teams, extended work timings, dealing with ambiguity and uncertainty. In such situations, it is important for individuals to remain focused about their end objective.

Formal entrepreneurial education at undergraduate level prepares the individual well to overcome challenges and develop skills to work around limitations, emerge from unforeseen circumstances and prosper in the startup and business environment.

The writer is CEO, Avance Financial Services.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

Any book that helps a child to form a habit of reading, to make reading one of his deep and continuing needs, is good for him

— Maya Angelou

HOTEL MANAGEMENT

The Delhi Paramedical and management Institute (DPMI) commences admissions for its one-year full-time Diploma in Front Office Operations (DFO), Food & Beverage (DFB), and House Keeping (DHK).

This course combines the theory and practice of Hotel Industry. Hotel Management Catering Technology & Tourism is the fastest growing industry in the world, with a potential that is limitless. Larger hotels often have management teams, instead of individual managers, where each member of the group specializes in a certain area. Hotel industry is an ideal field for students having a liking for interacting with people.

Eligibility: The candidate should be Class XII pass from any recognised board.

How to apply: The application forms & brochure may be obtained from admission office of Delhi Paramedical & Management Institute, New Ashok Nagar, Delhi.

Deadline: October 29, 2018. For more information, log on to www.dpmiindia.com.

SCHOOL: NEW BATCH

The Vidya Gyan Leadership Academy invites application for admission for its 2018-19 academic session. Vidya Gyan is a free residential school for meritorious, economically underprivileged, rural students of Uttar Pradesh. Around 400 students are selected every year for admission to Vidya Gyan after two rounds of competitive exams.

Admission process: The three-stage admission process at Vidya Gyan constitutes:

- Preliminary written test in all districts of UP
- Written test for children shortlisted in the preliminary round
- Interaction with the selected students and their families.

Eligibility criteria:

- Applicants should be studying in Grade V in a rural school
- As of 31st March 2019, the girls should be a minimum of 10 years and a maximum of 12

Deadline: November 30

Scholarship: Merit scholarships are available. For more information, log on to: <https://www.lesroches.edu/programmes/graduate/the-programs/international-hospitality-management/>

ICAI contributes to Kerala

VIT's new innovation



Students of Vellore Institute of Technology along with their primary investigator

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In August 2018, the floods in Kerala caused extensive devastation and a large number of people lost their lives and thousands were rendered homeless. To provide relief to the affected flood victims in State and support them in time of crisis, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) took the initiative and appealed to its members and employees to contribute generously towards Kerala relief fund. ICAI, as a partner to the nation since last 70 years and considering it as a part of its societal responsibility, contributed ₹70 lakh for the flood victims.

Naveen ND Gupta, Chartered Accountant & president, ICAI today handed over a cheque of ₹70 lakh to Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Arun Jaitley in the presence of Minister of Railways and Coal, Piyush Goyal as a contribution of ICAI to the Prime Minister National Relief Fund.



Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Arun Jaitley receives the cheque of ₹70 lakh by president, ICAI Naveen ND Gupta, Chartered Accountant as a contribution to the Prime Minister National Relief Fund

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

With an aim to bring the latest innovation—project Toggle pH at the upcoming International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) to be held at MIT, Boston, a team from Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), brings a solution to the global issue of Ocean Acidification. This environmental disaster is gradually decreasing the pH of oceans making them acidic.

The iGEM is an annual event and a competition on synthetic Biology and its inter-disciplinary fields. It is a platform where various teams from all over the world showcase their projects, learn from each other and also show their contribution to the scientific community and the general society.

The team — iGEM VIT — has been working on this issue from past six-month. The Department of

Biotechnology, Government of India, selects five best teams with the most deserving projects across India in a competition called Indian Biological Engineering Competition (iBEC) and gives a grant of ₹10 lakh per team for them to participate in iGEM.

For the very first time, a team from VIT, Vellore, bagged a place in the iBEC list of sponsored teams and won 10 lakhs to carry forward their project successfully. The iGEM VIT team, along with their primary investigator, Dr R Siva, professor and head, Department of Biotechnology at VIT, is working on developing a genetically engineered bacterium that can stabilise pH of the ocean. Once these modified bacteria are introduced into the ocean waters, it can neutralise this growing acidity and hence, reduce the oceans acidic nature and bring it back to

its normal state.

This synthetically modified bacterium has the ability to absorb the acid causative agent which is free hydrogen ions and also the carbon dioxide present in the water. Theoretically, when these bacteria are let into the ocean waters, it can stabilise the local pH and hence has the capacity to normalise the pH when done on a large scale.

The project can be used as an immediate, efficient, and economical way to provide a holistic and on-site solution to what is considered one of the major environmental problems of the modern day. Apart from the lab work, the team has taken the initiative to speak to local and international experts in the field and attended conferences to understand the problem in-depth. They have also taken the initiative to spread awareness.

Funding women ventures

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

On the heels of an action-packed Sheroes Summit 2018, the women's community platform has launched the iconic Women Get Funded programme in India, with three full scholarships awarded to women in the Sheroes ecosystem.

This one-of-a-kind programme, launched by Silicon Valley angel investor Alicia Castillo Holley, trains women entrepreneurs in Art and Science of raising and accessing capital to build, grow and scale their businesses. As more and more women embrace entrepreneurship in India, this is a lucrative step towards supporting the next generation of women entrepreneurs, to become savvy in the nuances of funding their ventures.

After a month-long campaign hosted on the Sheroes app, three women entrepreneurs have been awarded scholarships worth \$1,500 (\$35,000 each). The fellows 2018 comprise Prerna Prasad, founder of sustainable travel business Ecoplore; Sakshi Khanna, founder of The UnCube, focused revolutionising workspace flexibility, and Monika Siriah, founder of agri-export business Ved Global.

Sairee Chahal, founder, CEO of Sheroes, said: "Women entrepreneurs can join the SHE Starts Up! community and the app, and actively engage and grow via challenges, opportunities, community chats and masterclasses hosted regularly on the app. Our ecosystem has lakhs of entrepreneurs building their businesses of varying scales in diverse domains — from travel and creative businesses to food



and services. We want to encourage women entrepreneurs to dream bigger, and get more ambitious for their business ventures. Accessing the right tools through focused programmes like Women Get Funded expands horizons, and I'm happy to share that the first cohort of WGF India Fellows has shown great commitment towards investing in themselves."

Alicia Castillo Holley, founder of the Women Get Funded programme, said: "India's progress is amazing, especially with regards to women who are making a huge impact in society. They are smart, curious, and overall, driven. Women do magic with limited resources, and when they get the funds they need, they transform the world. I couldn't be more inspired to work with Sheroes, changing stereotypes for women entrepreneurs."

The programme will be delivered over a period of 10 weeks of bite-size information, pre-recorded lectures, tables, checklists, coaching sessions, Q&As, and videos; modules cover various aspects—from tapping unconventional sources, valuation and negotiations to understanding funding needs and the nuances of taking the venture capital route. It also gives access to a community of investors and driven women entrepreneurs.

New PG courses on offer

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Indian Institute of Technology Mandi has launched six new PG programmes. These are:

■ MSc in Physics
■ MTech in Power Electronics and Drives
■ MTech in Structural Engineering

■ MTech in Very-Large-Scale Integration
■ MTech in Communications and Signal Processing (CSP)

■ MA in Development Studies

The programmes were introduced as part of IIT Mandi's vision to be a leader in Science and Technology education, knowledge creation and innovation. With the introduction of these new programmes, IIT Mandi is one

Road safety initiative

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) in collaboration with the Institute of Road Traffic Education (IRTE) has announced its partnership with Diageo India for the launch of Road To Safety – Towards Responsible Youth Programme for university students.

This partnership attempts to bring a formal and structured training programme for university students as they apply for their learner's license. The programme aims to reach over 500 universities across the country and

next three to five years; with the first year target being 100 programmes across 50 universities.

The programme was inaugurated by Mansukh Mandaviya, Minister of State, MoRTH; Leena Nandan, additional secretary, MoRTH; Abhay Damle, joint secretary, MoRTH together with Abanti Sankaranarayanan, chief strategy and corporate affairs officer, Diageo India and Dr Rohit Baluja, president, IRTE.

As per industry reports, India accounts for 12.5% (over 1,45,000 fatalities a year) of global road accidents, with one road accident occurring

every four minutes. Alarmingly, 72 per cent victims involved in such road mishaps are between the age groups of 15-44 years with speeding, reckless and drunk driving being the top reason accounting for 1.5% of road traffic accidents and 4.6% of fatalities.

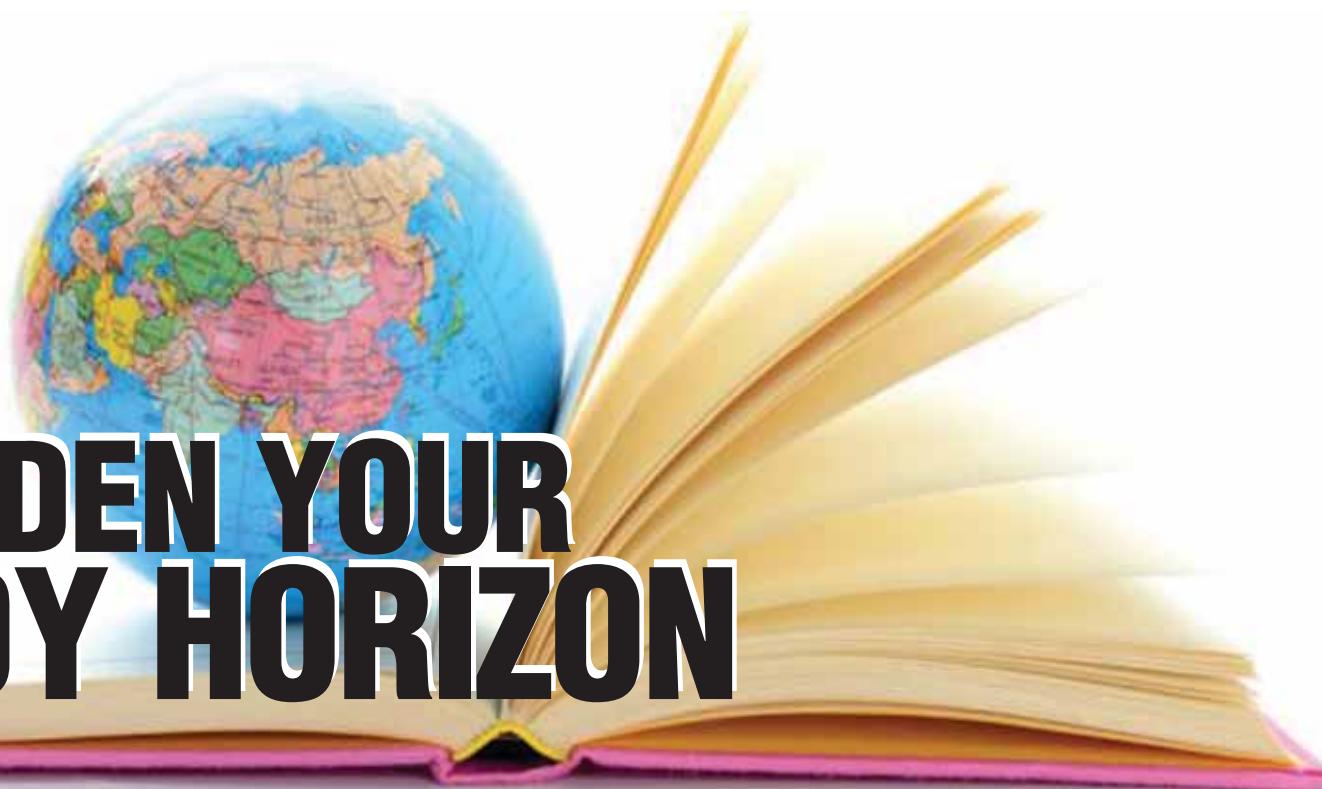
The programme is a step toward addressing the grave issue of road safety by inculcating behavioural change and creating awareness about responsible driving habits among young adults. The four-hour extensive programme is an immersive and interactive module-led by senior faculty members of IRTE covering varied aspects of responsible driving including defensive driving, ill effects of driving under the influence of alcohol, speeding and wearing of helmets.

Training programme

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Symbiosis Skills and Open University (SSOU) has signed an MoU with Domestic Workers Sector Skill Council (DWSSC) to become the training partner. Run by SSOU, a pilot course, funded by FICCI FLO, has been launched for 100 candidates in the job role of elderly caretaker (non-clinical) that will commence on October 22, 2018 at SSOU campus.

Skill training is just a small step in the direction of the university awarding a diploma for the domestic workers in the disciplines such as caregivers and housekeeping services. Currently, SSOU is conducting a three-year degree course for beauty and wellness.



BROADEN YOUR STUDY HORIZON

The rupee-dollar rate is volatile. Students wanting to study in the US may be thinking of giving up on their dream. But fret not, there are other foreign universities that they can look at, says ROHIT SETHI

These last few weeks, the value of rupee against dollar has shown fluctuation. At present, the value of rupee, which was at ₹65 for a dollar just a year ago, has dropped to ₹72 for a dollar, significantly impacting the lives and businesses of Indians connected to the US. A considerable impact of this steep decline has been felt by students aspiring to study overseas especially in the US. The declining rupee has caused overseas education costs to skyrocket and students who were supposed to pay their fees for the fall semester in September-October are bearing the brunt. With the cost of Rupee expected to fall further, experts have opined that student travel of India will go down by 20 per cent in the wake of this decline.

Students who had applied to their preferred universities in the March-April cycle will be required to pay their tuition fees around this time for the autumn intake. According to overseas education experts, the decline in rupee will cost anywhere between ₹4 lakh-₹6 lakh for studying abroad. Students planning to study abroad already

spend a huge sum of money on IELTS and similar exams, visa application, cost of living and university tuition fees.

The cost can lie anywhere between \$15,000-\$30,000, depending on the university and country. This hefty sum, increased further due to the weak rupee, will result in numerous students having to give up on their dream of studying abroad.

According to research, almost 50 per cent families take education loans in order to send students abroad for further studies. However, with the devaluation of Rupee, this amount will increase approximately by ₹10 Lakh, making it next to impossible for families to cover costs even after securing hefty loans.

The cost plays an important factor and definitively rupee depreciation will make students think twice while a study abroad destination. However, there are other factors also which helps in deciding destination which are favourable policies for international students across countries.

On the other hand, destinations like Australia and Japan pre-

STUDENTS PLANNING TO GET A MASTERS CAN OPT FOR COUNTRIES LIKE GERMANY WHICH OFFERS FREE OF COST DEGREES. IF THE STUDENTS KEEP A TRACK OF THEIR BUDGET AND LIFESTYLE, THEY CAN SAVE A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY

sent themselves as attractive options for student willing to go overseas for studies without breaking their banks. These countries are offering a wholesome and holistic alternative to the US as an academic destination for those who are planning their overseas education.

Students who are truly inclined to study overseas can opt for other alternatives to fund their education. Students can secure part-time jobs while studying in order to pay for their living expenses. A part of their tuition fees can still be covered by educational loans that they are required to repay only when they land a job post their course.

Students who have excellent grades can also secure scholarships in order to significantly cut down their tuition fees. Students planning to get a Masters can opt for countries like Germany which offer free of cost Masters. If the students keep a track of their budget and lifestyle while studying abroad, they can save a significant amount of money.

There are a lot of ways to save money and cover costs if a student

has a burning desire to study abroad. It all boils down to the policies of a country with regards to foreign students. Certain countries are very accommodating of students and offer several scholarships and campus job options in order to help students fulfill their dreams. Identifying such accommodating universities and countries is currently the key to successfully studying and eventually getting placed overseas.

The parents and students should do a thorough research of the economic factors and relationship between both the countries while planning for study abroad. Factors like currency depreciation, political relationships, working opportunities should be among the priority of the students while planning, studying abroad is all about the experience, so keeping that in mind prior careful planning is a must. For best advise, one must visit a consultant who has vast experience in the immigration industry and better understanding of the immigration policies.

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'Approach it with the right skills'

In order to move up the ladder in the IT world, it is necessary to hone your skills with a holistic approach, says PRADIPTO CHAKRABARTY

Careers in the IT sector still entails the four building blocks of a digital organisation — applications, infrastructure, database and security. The IT continues to transform the way we live our lives, entertain ourselves and do business. It is a broad term that encompasses everything computer-related, and more synonymously, everything technology-related, is still the fastest growing career field. To support and implement the development of digitalisation across industries, network technicians, administrators and security experts play a crucial role.

How to choose the right IT path: One must be very careful when choosing an IT certification because many courses are vendor-specific and have their limitations when an employee needs to change jobs and discovers a different system at work.

The basics: It is always wise to choose a career that honours your most natural skills. Next, the most basic certification one needs to be useful to any employer is a general ability to fix and install and troubleshoot computer systems. This will help a prospective job-seeker get a foot in the door. The CompTIA IT Fundamentals+ exposes the candidate to the above mentioned blocks and imparts knowledge on each of these disciplines, thereby setting a platform from where the candidate can choose their respective areas of interests. The course then builds on that credential and covers IT Infrastructure in details. This program goes in depth to explain the concepts of devices, how the connected world looks like, practical trouble shooting, all varieties of operating systems, peripherals and information security. These two programmes are currently the most industry relevant and comprehensive assessments in this direction.

IT security path: One of the most sought after skills in today's era of massive data availability and ease of access to unsecured systems is the implementation of security protocols. But there are many levels



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of IT security professionals. To become a cyber security analyst, for example, one needs to be able to perform data analysis, interpret the results and identify vulnerabilities, threats and risks to an organisation. The Security+ course meticulously validates these skills for a first level security professional.

IT administrators: Similarly, novice system administrators need to be able to implement vendor-neutral servers and open operating systems like Linux. They also need to be able to versatile enough to pre-empt shifts to virtual servers including cloud systems. Cloud+, Linux+ and Server+ are great places to start and cover each aspect of IT administration at working-knowledge depth. Business users and non-IT staffs that need to get familiar with aspects of managing a project for an organisational purpose may also opt for vendor-neutral certifications like Project+ or Cloud Essentials.

The IT career extends to various domains. To sustain oneself through changing times and technologies, one needs to constantly upgrade relevant skills through an intelligent choice of certifications to cover the broadest ground.

MIND IT



thoughts but can even negate them. To prevent worries, stress and anxieties from sapping your brain power when you need it, get in the habit of writing down your worrisome thoughts. You can do this any time during the day, but it's most important just before a high stakes event. Some people are naturally gifted with a calm personality, and it gives them a competitive advantage. For the rest of us, putting some of these practices to use is a wise thing to do.

Philosopher James Allen once said: Calmness of mind is one of the beautiful jewels of wisdom.

— The writer is Ajay Sharma, Future of Work Expert, Founder, Get Me Experts & Flexiorg

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People today, are looking for jobs that will give them the freedom to be creative and explore their passion. Photography is one such field — a medium of self-expression; a hobby that can be made into a paying profession. More so today given the boom in the communication network, advertising, media, fashion industry and digital photography. Here are a few colleges where one can study:

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■ **Bharati Vidyapeeth School of Photography**, Pune. **Course:** Diploma in Photography

■ **School of Fototechnik**, New Delhi. **Course:** Diploma in Photography

■ **Indian Institute of Photography**, Noida. **Course:** Diploma in Photography

■ **Delhi School of Photography**, Kalkaji, New Delhi. **Course:** Diploma in Photography

■ **International School of Photography**, New Delhi. **Course:** Diploma in Photography

■ **Amadeus Media Pvt Ltd**, Chennai. **Course:** Diploma in Photography

■ **The Regional Institute of Printing Technology**, Kolkata. **Course:** Diploma in Photography

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You are intelligent and inquisitive and will remain positive in every situation. You have ideas and hence can collect and process information very fast and take the decision.

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IN BRIEF

ROCKERS 2018 AT KIIT

The KIIT World School, Gurugram organised an inter-school competition — Rockstar 2018 — for pre-primary students to Class VIII students. Around 250 students participated from Delhi Public School, Maruti Kunj, Gurugram, St. Michael School, Elegant Children's Academy, Wingspan School, Government Senior Secondary School, Badshahpur, Gurugram, Devika Kids Care, GMSS Sector 43 Gurugram, Education Bharati Public School. The event was a great success as it gives chance to more than 250 students to showcase their talent.

Students presented their favourite story through skit and through exhibition, students displayed their innovative idea and showed their talent. The participants showed their talent with great power and illuminated the name of their school.

CLIMATE JAMBOREE

TERI School of Advanced Studies (TERI SAS) is organising first-of-its-kind national youth event — Climate Jamboree — with a mission to create a youth-based movement for effective transformative climate changes. It comprises a series of lead up events running till November 2018, culminating at a Grand Finale that will be witnessed by key policy makers, global laureates, climate change experts and over 10,000 students. It is an event to connect the youth and relevant stakeholders from India and across the world to drive climate action. The aim is to foster an environment of learning, ideation and collaboration.

Pak fight back after Aus attack

Sarfraz, Zaman score 94 each after Lyon scalps four to restrict Pakistan to 282 runs



Fakhar Zaman returns to pavilion after getting dismissed for 94 runs in his maiden Test innings; (right) Australian players celebrate after Nathan Lyon dismissed Babar Azam during the first day of Second Test

Umesh replaces injured Shardul in ODI squad

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Paceman Umesh Yadav was on Tuesday rewarded for his maiden 10-wicket haul in Test cricket with a recall in the ODI squad as a replacement for injured Shardul Thakur.

The selectors had announced the squad for the first two matches but Thakur has been ruled out of the five-ODI series after sustaining a right adductor tendon injury.

His much-awaited Test debut ended in a nightmare in Hyderabad as he bowled only 10 deliveries before hobbling out with a groin strain.

There has been considerable debate as to whether Thakur was fully fit and proper rehabilitation was done before naming him in the Test squad.

Umesh got the nod from the selection committee after his superb show in Hyderabad where he got 6 for 88 and 4 for 45 in the two innings.

He has so far picked 105 wickets from 73 ODIs with his last appearance in July against England at the Lord's.



Umesh Yadav prepares to bowl during the nets session PTI/ File Picture

INDIA SQUAD

Virat Kohli (Captain), Rohit Sharma (vice-captain), Shikhar Dhawan, KL Rahul, Ambati Rayudu, Manish Pandey, MS Dhoni (wicket-keeper), Rishabh Pant, Ravindra Jadeja, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Mohammed Shami, Khaleel Ahmed, Umesh Yadav.

ICC suspends Windies coach from first 2 ODIs

PTI ■ HYDERABAD

West Indies coach Stuart Law was on Tuesday suspended from the first two ODIs against India for making "inappropriate comments" against a match official, adding to the Caribbean team's woes after a disastrous Test outing here.

Law was also fined 100 per cent of his match, the ICC said in a statement.

With the latest transgression, Law accumulated four demerit points within a 24-month period, leading to his suspension from the ODIs on October 21 and 24 against India in Guwahati and Visakhapatnam, respectively.

The incident that led to the action took place on the third and what turned out to be the final day of the second Test in Hyderabad.

Law, following the dismissal of opener Kieran Powell, went to the TV umpire's room and made inappropriate comments, the ICC stated.

"He then walked to the fourth umpire's area and, in the presence of the players, again directed inappropriate comments at the fourth official."

Law was found guilty of breaching Level 2 Article 2.7 of the ICC Code of Conduct.

This relates to "public criticism" or "inappropriate comment" of player, player support personnel, match official or team participating in any international match.

Law earlier received a 25% fine and one demerit point during the final day's play in the Dominica Test against Pakistan in 2017.

Four demerit points convert into two suspension points. On Monday, Law admitted the offence and accepted the sanction proposed by match referee Chris Broad, ruling out the need for a formal hearing.

The charges were levelled by on-field umpires Bruce Oxenford and Ian Gould, third umpire Nigel Llong and fourth official Nitin Menon.

Two suspension points equate to a ban from one Test or two ODIs or two T20Is, whatever comes first for the player or player support personnel.



West Indian coach Stuart Law in a file picture

Mumbai face Jharkhand in Hazare semis

PTI ■ BENGALURU

A star-studded batting line-up, headlined by a troika of Rohit Sharma, Ajinkya Rahane and rising sensation Prithvi Shaw, make Mumbai runaway favourites against Hyderabad in the first Vijay Hazare semi-final, here Wednesday.

With the inclusion of Prithvi and Rahane, who joined the squad after completing their Test match duty in Hyderabad along with presence of Rohit and Shreyas Iyer, the Mumbai batting does have a menacing look to it.

Ambati Rayudu and young pacer Mohammed Siraj do add muscle to the Hyderabad side, which has been impressive in the national One Day Championship so far.

With Prithvi set to open with India's limited overs vice-captain Rohit, left-handed opener Akhil Herwadkar is expected to be benched.

Rahane will come in place of either Siddhesh Lad or Suryakumar Yadav.

The Indian ODI squad members are set to



Mumbai opener Prithvi Shaw bats during Vijay Hazare group A match; (right) Jharkhand players return to dugout after win

report in Guwahati on October 18 and if Mumbai happen to win the semi-final, Rohit will miss the summit clash on October 20.

For Mumbai, the three top run-getters in the tournament so far have been Shreyas (311 runs), Prithvi (287) and Yadav (237 runs). Rahane is fourth in the list with 230 runs.

The Mumbai bowlers have also been consistent with seamer Dhalaw Kulkarni (14 wickets) and left-arm spinner Shams Mulani (15 wickets) sharing the bulk of the wickets.

Medium pacer Tushar Deshpande, who grabbed five against Bihar in the quarter-final also is in good form.

For Mumbai, Ajinkya Rahane (c), Rohit Sharma, Shreyas Iyer, Prithvi Shaw, Jay Golok Bista, Suryakumar Yadav, Siddhesh Lad, Aditya Tare, Eknath Karke, Shivam Dubey, Akash Parker, Dhalaw Kulkarni, Shams Mulani, Vijay Golih, Tushar Deshpande, Royston Dias

Jharkhand: Varun Aaron (c), Anand Singh, Ashish Kumar, Kumar Deobrat, Ishan Kishan, Jaskaran Singh, Monu Kumar, Shahbaz Nadeem, Shasheem Sanjay Rathour, Anukul Roy, Rahul Shukla, Sumit Kumar, Atul Singh Surwar, Saurabh Tiwary, Utkarsh Singh, Virat Singh.

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West Indian coach Stuart Law in a file picture

Perera out of Eng series, Dawson goes home

AFP ■ COLOMBO

Sri Lanka's middle order batsman Kusal Perera will skip the three remaining one-day matches against England, while visiting all-rounder Liam Dawson has been ruled out of the entire tournament, officials said.

Perera, who scored 30 in Saturday's second ODI, suffered a hamstring injury and will be replaced by Sadeera Samarawickrama for the rest of the five-match series, Sri Lanka Cricket officials said.

Dawson strained his right side while



SL batsman Kusal Perera bats during 2nd ODI against Eng

Duminy ruled out of Aus tour

AFP ■ CAPE TOWN

South African batsman Jean Paul Duminy has been ruled out of South Africa's limited overs tour of Australia, starting later this month, because of a shoulder injury which he sustained during Zimbabwe series.

He is the second experienced batsman to miss the tour because of injury. Hashim Amla is out because

of a finger injury.

Cricket South Africa announced in a statement on Tuesday that Duminy will undergo surgery on his right shoulder after aggravating an old injury during a series against Zimbabwe which ended last weekend.

Duminy will also miss the Mzansi Super League, which starts on November 15. He had been named as a marquee player for the Cape

Town Blitz team.

Team manager and doctor Mohammed Moosajee said it was not possible at this stage to estimate how long Duminy would be out of action.

"That is dependent on the results from the surgery," he said.

South Africa will play three limited overs internationals and one Twenty20 international in Australia.

Sindhu suffers shock, Saina moves on

PTI ■ ODENSE

Saina Nehwal rallied to carve out a hard-fought opening win but PV Sindhu crashed out of the Denmark Open with a stunning loss to American Beiwen Zhang in the women's singles event, here on Tuesday.

Saina defeated Hong Kong's Ngan Yi Cheung 20-22, 21-17, 24-22 in a draining clash that lasted 81 minutes.

However, third seed Sindhu lost 17-21, 21-16, 18-21 to Zhang in another tough opening encounter that lasted 56 minutes.

In a tense match, Saina had to endure a stiff challenge from Cheung, who

she last played back in 2016 and went on to lose that match.

The see-saw battle was a thriller down to the last point with the Indian saving two match points at 21-

20 and 22-21 in the final game to emerge triumphant and move ahead.

Saina was also guilty of frittering away a match point of her own when she led 20-19 in the final game.

For Sindhu, this was the third consecutive time that she lost to Zhang. The American shuttler defeated Sindhu in the Indian Open final in February earlier this year.

Rio Olympics Silver-medallist Sindhu is going through a difficult phase after winning the Silver medal in the Jakarta Asian Games.

She was knocked out in the second round of the Japan Open after a straight-game loss to Gao Fangjie.

The script played out similarly in the China Open, where the 23-year-old suffered a 11-21, 21-11, 15-21 loss to world no 6 Chen Yufei of China in the quarterfinals.

Halep pulls out of Kremlin Cup

AFP ■ MOSCOW

Romania's world number one Simona Halep on Tuesday withdrew from the Kremlin Cup, a joint WTA and ATP event, due to concerns over an ongoing back injury.

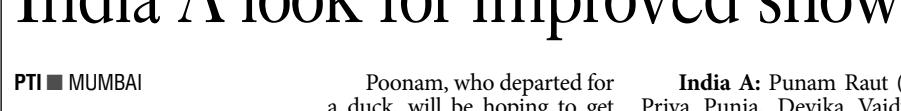
"I tried everything I could to be ready here as I really wanted to play," Halep said. "But unfortunately the back is still causing me pain and I don't want to take any unnecessary risks."

The 27-year-old's appearance in Moscow and the WTA Finals had been in doubt when she withdrew from Beijing two weeks ago and was diagnosed with a herniated disk in her back.

Halep, who has already qualified for the WTA year-ending finals in Singapore, said she needed more time to recover completely from her back injury.

"While it's disappointing to withdraw, I know it's important to put my health first," she added.

Halep this year played two Grand Slam finals, winning the French Open crown at Roland Garros, and won titles in Shenzhen and Montreal, leading the rankings for 40 weeks this year.



Simona Halep reacts after winning point AP/File Picture

India A: Punam Raut (c), Priya Punia, Devika Vaidya, Mona Meshram, Tanushree Sarkar, Sushma Verma, Rajeshwari Gayakwad, Sushree D, C Prathyusha, Reemalaxmi Ekka, Shikha Pandey, Nethra L, Hemali Borwankar, Kavita Patil, Preeti Bose.

Australia A: Samantha Bates, Maitlan Brown, Lauren Cheatle, Piepa Cleary, Josephine Dooley, Heather Graham, Samm Jo Johnson, Tahilia McGrath, Chloe Piparo, Georgia Redmayne, Naomi Stalenberg, Molly Strano, Belinda Vakarewa and Amanda-Jade Wellington.

Even the bowlers, who were hammered by the Aussie batters, will be looking to perform better.

On the other hand, the visitors will look to notch up another win and seal the series.

The 50-over series will be followed by a T20 series.

Come Wednesday, the Indian eyes will be eyeing to put up a better batting and bowling show.

STERLING BLOWS SPAIN AWAY

Raheem's first England's goal in over 1102 days seals Three Lions first Nations League win

AFP ■ SEVILLE

Raheem Sterling scored twice as England delivered one of their finest victories of the modern era by beating Spain 3-2 in Seville.

Away from home, and against a Spanish side in scintillating form under their new coach Luis Enrique, this was certainly England's best win under Gareth Southgate and, perhaps, their most impressive since thrashing Germany 5-1 in Munich in 2001.

Marcus Rashford was the other scorer in a breathless opening 45 minutes, which witnessed Spain conceding three on home soil for the first time in their history.

"To play the way they did, this should be a great reference point for this team for the future," Southgate said.

Paco Alcacer, on as a substitute, headed in before the hour to spark hopes of a comeback but England were home and dry by the time Sergio Ramos scored in the 98th minute, with the last action of the match on Monday.

It means England keep alive their hopes of finishing top of Group 4 in the UEFA Nations League, the position Spain had needed only a point to all-but-guarantee would be theirs.

It was a night for streaks ending and records tumbling. Sterling's opening goal was his first in 1,102 days for England, even more remarkable given he added his second 22 minutes later.

"The only thing we did say is when he scores he will score again," Southgate said. "He managed to do so pretty quickly." The last time England won away against Spain was 1987 -- which was also when they last scored against Spain away from home, Gary Lineker on target.

With an average age of just over 23, this



Spanish and English players scuffle each other during the UEFA Nations League match at Benito Villamarín stadium, in Seville; (right) Raheem Sterling, left, celebrates after scoring his side's third goal

was also the youngest England starting line-up in the 21st century. That will be the most exciting aspect for Southgate.

For Spain, Alcacer now has an astonishing 10 goals from his last 10 shots on target. But defeat represents something of a reality check. "Waving the flag for goals," read Marca's front page on Monday. They

had scored 12 in three games since Luis Enrique took charge.

"Clearly it wasn't our night," he said.

"We have made mistakes on an individual level and their goals were medicine for them and poison for us." But Eric Dier set the tone early on. He left Sergio Busquets, sluggish throughout, hopping out

of his first pass and then slid through Ramos, who was also out of sorts.

After a frantic start, England settled and in the 13th minute, scored. Under pressure at the back, they kept the ball until the risk was too great and Jordan Pickford drove forward to Harry Kane.

With Spain caught upfield, he was able

to turn and find Rashford, whose quick switch set Sterling free. He finished into the top corner.

"We are staying up," sang the away support as Thiago Alcantara danced around England's midfield with flicks and tricks.

But to little effect.

Instead, Kane showed the value of a top-class centre forward for England's second. He outmuscled Ramos to win Pickford's punt downfield, outpaced Nacho to the loose ball with a superb reverse pass in behind. Rashford only had to finish.

Spain's early confidence was gone and England added a third before the interval, which was greeted by whistles from the home fans.

Ross Barkley's sumptuous ball over the top caught Ramos napping again and Kane squared for Sterling to tap in. "Are you Scotland in disguise?" came the taunt from the corner.

Spain were sent out early for the second period, among them Alcacer, who replaced Saul. He scored with his first touch, heading in Marco Asensio's corner, given away after a fumble by Pickford.

It was a nightmare few minutes for England's goalkeeper, who then dallied and was tackled by Rodrigo.

Pickford scrambled the ball away but probably fouled Rodrigo in the process and Spain were adamant they deserved a penalty. The referee was not convinced.

England played for time, with a handful of players going down injured, and Spain's pressure gradually eased. Rodrigo shot wide in the final 10 minutes. Asensio went even closer.

Marcos Alonso then deflected onto the bar deep into injury time and Ramos headed home in the 98th minute. But there was not even time for a restart. England's win was complete.



AP

Dynamics and ATK eye first win

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Back in action after a fortnight break, Delhi Dynamos would look to put pressure on a struggling ATK and get their first win of the season when the two teams clash in their Indian Super League (ISL) match, here on Wednesday.

The hosts, who are coming into this game after playing a 1-1 draw against FC Pune City, are likely to play striker Daniel Lahlimpuria, who was injured but midfielder Bikramjit Singh still remains a doubtful starter due to a calf injury he sustained against PUNE.

Dynamos head into the game following a two-week break due to international fixtures but defender Rana Gharami believes that long gap has allowed his team to prepare well for this game.

"We had a long break and that has given us a lot of time to figure this ATK team out. They have a strong team with really good foreign players so it's going to be hard for us defenders, but we are confident heading into this game," he said.

"We were really close to winning the last match but that ended as a draw and it was a big disappointment for us."



Delhi Dynamos

This is a must-win encounter for both the sides, so we really need to give our best," Rana added.

In the last fixture, Dynamos created a lot of chances but failed to hit the target on most occasions but that isn't bothering Head Coach Josep Gombau as he believes the side is working according to the plan.

"Last game we had a lot of chances and we missed. To win games you need to take these chances and we are working on that. Good thing is that we created chances. That's the difficult thing in football."

The visitors boast a strong squad and Gombau is wary of the threat they possess in terms of attack.

"ATK have a very good game. They have many good players in the side. Wednesday will be a difficult game for us."

The game meanwhile will mark the return of Dynamos' all-time top scorer Kalu Uche as he returns to the stadium where he was so prolific last season, for the first time.

Former Dynamos defender Sena Ralte though will miss the clash as he will be serving his suspension.

'Never thought Zidane, Ronaldo will leave Real'

IANS ■ MADRID

Real Madrid's Croatian international midfielder Luka Modric admits that neither he nor his team-mates expected both Zinedine Zidane and Cristiano Ronaldo to leave the club last summer.

Zidane stepped down as coach after leading the club to three consecutive Champions League titles, while Ronaldo ended his nine-year association with Madrid when he joined Juventus in July.

"I wasn't expecting either of the two to go; I didn't think Zidane would leave and the same with Ronaldo," said Modric in an interview with the latest edition of the magazine 'France Football.'

"In fact when the rumors about Cristiano appeared, we (Real Madrid players) had bets among ourselves and we



were certain he would stay, but everyone makes their own decisions," he added.

The 33-year-old, who is the favourite to win the prestigious 'Balon d'Or' award for this season, was asked which former players he would most likely to have lined up alongside. He said his first choice was former Croatian international Zvonimir Boban; "he was my hero in the Croatian team," he said, before naming Zidane as his second choice.

"I was lucky to have him as a coach and we have lived some incredible moments with him at Real Madrid, sometimes he has played alongside us and it was incredible to see how elegant he was and how he moved over the pitch," said Modric.

The Croatian described himself as "much more timid" than Ronaldo and that he didn't "appreciate being over-exposed in the media." I prefer simplicity," he said.

BOLT OFFERED CONTRACT WITH MALTA CLUB

AFP ■ SYDNEY

Sprint king Usain Bolt could be making his way to Europe after being offered a two-year professional football contract in Malta, reports said on Tuesday, with the club saying it wanted to "write history" with the signing.

Bolt, 32, has been on trial with A-League club the Central Coast Mariners since arriving in Australia in August in his bid to pursue a boyhood dream of becoming a footballer after retiring from athletics last year.

The 100 metres world record-holder scored his first two goals in professional football on Friday when he started a pre-season game against second-tier Macarthur South West United in Sydney.

Malta club Valletta FC said they had made a formal offer which includes playing in its upcoming cup final, with chief executive Ghasston Slimen saying the move to snare Bolt was "about writing history".



Usain Bolt

Tiger Woods, only athlete bigger than sport: Jeev

PTI ■ CHANDIGARH

Tiger Woods is the only athlete in the world who is bigger than the sport he plays, Indian golf veteran Jeev Milkha Singh said Tuesday as he complemented the American superstar, who once described him as a "great guy and a good friend".

Jeev, whose career took a hit because of incessant injury breakdowns, praised the American for winning his 80th PGA Tour title last month, which was his first in five years.

The win made for a remarkable triumph over career-threatening injuries for the celebrated 42-year-old, who endured quite a few other setbacks in the last few years as well.

"I feel that he has got another three-four years during which he is going to win a few tournaments," said the 47-year-old Jeev.

"For me, personally, Tiger is the only athlete in the world who is bigger than the sport. There have been legends in basketball, in athletics, but I think what Tiger has done for golf, he is bigger than the sport."

"The awareness he has brought for golf, I think nobody could have done that," added Jeev.

In 2006, when Jeev was in peak form, Woods was effusive in his praise for the Indian for winning back-to-back titles in Japan. The American went on to say that he likes to track Jeev's progress and called him a "good friend".

Jeev was recently honoured by the The Professional Golf Tour of India (PGTI), which a tournament, the Take Open Golf Championship, after him.

The Chandigarh leg of the domestic PGTI Tour will be called the Jeev Milkha Singh Invitational Presented by Take Solutions.



Tiger Woods and Jeev Milkha Singh in a file picture

Panwar wins Silver in Youth Olympics

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India's Suraj Panwar clinched a Silver in men's 5000m race walk event in the ongoing Youth Olympic Games to open the country's medal account in athletics here.

Panwar won the stage 2 competition by clocking 20 minutes and 35.87 seconds on Monday night but finished second overall.

In a new format, there are no finals in track and field (with the exception of 4km cross-country) in the Youth Olympics and each event is held twice, with results from both rounds counting towards the final standings.

The 17-year-old Panwar had finished second in the first stage in 20:23.30s, behind Patin Oscar of Ecuador.

Osar, who finished second in Stage 2, won the Gold with timings of 20:13.69s and 20:38.17s.

Panwar's total time of 40:59.17s was over seven minutes slower than Oscar's 40:51.86s. Puerto Rico's Jan Moreu finished third to claim the Bronze.

This is India's first athletics medal in this edition and third overall. Arjun (men's discus throw) and Durgesh Kumar (men's 400m hurdles) had won a Silver each in the inaugural edition in 2010.

"It's a great feeling. I am very happy to have won a medal. I had put in a lot of hard work for the Games. It is my first medal for India," Panwar said after winning the Silver medal.

"My next target is to better my performance here and win a medal in the senior level also," he added.

BOXING CHALLENGE OVER

India's boxing challenge at the ongoing Youth Olympics ended at the



Indian athlete Suraj Panwar poses with the Silver medal

very first hurdle after former world champion Jyoti Gulia (51kg) lost her quarterfinal bout to Italy's Martina La Piana here.

Gulia was the lone Indian boxer to qualify for the Games owing to her world title and lost in a unanimous 0-5 verdict to the Italian on Monday night.

The 17-year-old Indian from Haryana was expected to do well at the event given that she was coming off a Gold medal winning performance at the Silesian Open in Gliwice, Poland last month.

India's maiden and only set of

medals in the Youth Olympics' boxing competition came in the inaugural edition of 2010.

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The Australian agent who arranged Bolt's trial with the Mariners declined to confirm or deny the reports.

The 32-year-old previously tried out with clubs in Germany, South Africa and Norway to no avail.