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RAIN BATTERS NORTH INDIA

11 die, 8 in HP; red alert in Punjab as Pong dam to release excess water

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Heavy rain and flash floods in the north India have killed at least 11 people, including eight in Himachal Pradesh, even as the a "high alert" has been sounded in Punjab, which is bracing for inundation as flood gates of Pong Dam in HP's Kangra district may be opened on Monday night as the water level is running above the danger mark.

The situation in Haryana too is grim with rivers overflowing and Government issuing advisory to the people not to venture near water bodies, rivers or canals.

Schools in Himachal Pradesh and Punjab have been closed for Tuesday fearing more rain in the States. While three people were washed away in Beas near Manali after their vehicle fell into the river, two other people were washed away in Parbati river in Manikaran valley on Sunday night. A bus and a truck were washed away in the swelling Beas river in Kullu district. Several houses were also swept away in flash floods as the Beas is flowing at a dangerous level. Later in the day, the Himachal Cabinet reviewed the losses, rehabilitation and rescue operations.

In the Cabinet meeting, held in Shimla under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur, it was informed that 120 stranded persons were rescued from Koksar in Lahaul-Spiti, 23 from Marhi and 31 from Rohtang (Kullu).



A swollen Beas river in Kullu district on Monday

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Apart from it, 33 persons stranded at Phojal in Kullu were also rescued. Out of these, 21 persons were rescued by Air Force and 14 persons were rescued by other means.

As many as 45 vehicles were retrieved from Koksar in Lahaul-Spiti. Similarly, 600 students and teachers were shifted from Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Chamba and 100 students from Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya Mehla in Chamba district. In addition to this, three families of Rakh in Chamba district were also shifted to PWD Rest House.

The Cabinet was also apprised that 12 tourists from

Sikkim State have been evacuated from Keylong in Lahaul-Spiti to a Hotel at Keylong.

Meanwhile, against the backdrop of incessant rain in the catchment areas of the Beas river, the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB) issued an advisory to Punjab ahead of releasing "excess" water from the Pong dam. The BBMB authorities said they have been constantly monitoring the water-level situation.

Heavy rain led to landslides which blocked the roads to Badrinath, Kedarnath and Yamunotri, affecting the Chardham Yatra in Uttarakhand.

"Due to high pattern inflow in the Pong reservoir and considering forecast of heavy rain in the Beas catchment area, excess water from the Pong dam can be released. All necessary steps be taken by all concerned to avoid any damage or loss of life and property in the downstream areas," said the BBMB advisory.

BBMB Chairman DK Sharma apprised Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh about water-level situation in Bhakra and Pong dams on Monday. The chief minister Monday called an emergency meeting to review arrange-

ments in the wake of incessant rain. Capt Amarinder also ordered a special girdawari (survey) to assess possible crop damage.

Chairing an emergency meeting to assess the situation arising out of continuous rain, he announced a special girdawari for assessing crop damage due to heavy rain.

He asked the Financial Commissioner Revenue (FCR) to issue detailed guidelines to the Deputy Commissioners for initiating the process of girdawari immediately after the water level recedes.

In Chandigarh, the iconic Sukhna Lake's water level crossed the danger mark of 1,163 feet and Chandigarh Administration opened two floodgates of the man-made water body.

Before this, it was in the year 2008 when flood gates of the lake were opened after the water level had crossed 1,163 feet.

Delhi traffic in deep water

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Incessant rain coupled with intermittent heavy downpour crippled traffic many parts of the national Capital. Heavy rain caused waterlogging and traffic snarls on major intersections in the city.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday dedicated Sikkim's first airport at Pakyong to the nation and said previous Governments worked in a slow pace for ushering in development. Modi said his Government is committed to make the Northeast an "engine of India's growth story". Greenfield airport in Sikkim will not just improve connectivity between "landlocked and bordering" Sikkim, but will also boost tourism and other economic activities in the State, said Modi. Initially flights will operate to Kolkata and Guwahati from Pakyong and subsequently it would be connected to other parts of the country

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Cong moves CVC for probe into Rafale deal

Rahul lying on jet price, UPA Govt cancelled deal after Vadra-linked firm was not picked as broker, alleges BJP

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Even as Congress president Rahul Gandhi renewed his attack on Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the Rafale deal, a delegation of senior Congress leaders met the Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC) on Monday and sought registration of a case in the alleged corruption in the fighter jet deal.

The meeting comes days after a Congress delegation met the CAG and urged the apex auditor to prepare a report on the alleged irregularities in the deal and present it in Parliament.

The BJP on the other hand

has hit back at Rahul and said he has been lying on the price of the fighter jet and there was a nexus between him and former French President Francois Hollande.

The BJP alleged Rahul is involved in a "conspiracy, internationally" and the former French President is part of the "nexus" to sabotage the Rafale deal.

While Defence Minister

Nirmala Sitharaman spoke about an "international dimension" to Rahul's attack on the PM over the deal and said Hollande's comments were not a coincidence, Union Minister Gajendra Shekhawat alleging that the UPA Government had called off the multi-billion dollar deal after a private company linked to Robert Vadra was not chosen as a broker.



Senior Congress leaders Randeep Surjewala, Ghulam Nabi Azad, Jairam Ramesh, Ahmed Patel, Anand Sharma and others leave after a meeting with the CVC at Central Vigilance Commission in New Delhi on Monday

Alwin Singh | Pioneer

Andhra Pradesh tops Ease of Living Index

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Andhra Pradesh has topped the chart among States in terms of the "Ease of Living Index" rankings under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT).

Andhra Pradesh is followed by Odisha and Madhya Pradesh.

Andhra Pradesh has also outperformed 28 other States and seven Union Territories (UTs) to be the best in India for conducting business.

Launched by Prime

Minister Narendra Modi in June 2015, AMRUT aims at ensuring robust sewage networks, water supply and other infrastructure to improve the quality of life of people in urban areas.

Speaking at the National Dissemination Workshop on Ease of Living Index, 2018, Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Hardeep Singh Puri said the index will encourage all cities to move towards an "outcome-based" approach to urban planning and management, and promote healthy competition among cities.

Ibrahim Solih wins Maldives polls, Yameen concedes loss

AFP ■ COLOMBO

The strongman president of the Maldives on Monday conceded defeat in elections, easing fears of a fresh political crisis in the archipelago at the centre of a battle for influence between India and China.

"The Maldivian people have decided what they want. I have accepted the results," President Abdulla Yameen said in a televised address to the Indian Ocean nation a day after the joint Opposition candidate, Ibrahim Mohamed Solih, unexpectedly triumphed.

"Earlier today, I met with Ibrahim Mohamed Solih, who the Maldivian electorate has chosen to be their next president. I have congratulated him," Yameen said.

There had been concerns at home and abroad that Yameen might not accept the outcome. He had borrowed hundreds of millions of dollars from China for an infrastructure blitz, to the alarm of the Maldives' traditional backer India.

At the last election in 2013, the Supreme Court annulled the result after Yameen trailed former president Mohamed Nasheed, giving Yameen time to forge alliances and win a second round of voting that was postponed twice.

Results from Sunday's election showed Yameen on 41.7 per cent of the vote, well behind Solih on 58.3 per cent.

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PM to address Upadhyay birth anniv meet in Bhopal today

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The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), established in 1980, is the successor party of the BJS

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address a mega congregation of BJP workers, termed as world's largest convention, during his visit here on Tuesday.

BJP president Amit Shah will also speak at the event being held on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Hindutva icon and Bharatiya Jana Sangh (BJS) ideologue Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay.

BJP spokesman Rajneesh Agrawal said that the event will be the world's largest congregation of political workers.

"BJP president Amit Shah will also address party workers on the occasion," he said.

The venue has been named as 'Atal Mahakumbh Parisar' in memory of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, who passed away in New Delhi in August.

Modi will arrive at the Bhopal airport around noon and will reach the venue in a helicopter along with other BJP leaders to avoid inconvenience to people, party leaders said.

The prime minister will remain in the state capital for nearly three hours, they said.

BJP workers from 65,000 polling booths spread across the 230 Assembly seats in the

state will take part in the programme, said Agrawal.

An exhibition hall named after BJP leader and former Union minister, late Anil Madhav Dave, has also been set up at the rally site.

"It will showcase the journey and works of BJP stalwarts, including Vajpayee, Modi and Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan," Agrawal said.

In the exhibition, BJP and BJS stalwarts - Upadhyay, Syama Prasad Mookerjee, Vajpayee, Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia and Kushabhau Thakre - have been depicted as the five strong pillars of the BJP, he said.

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), established in 1980, is the successor party of the BJS.

The party has booked nine special trains from different parts of the state to bring BJP workers for the event, Agrawal said. Police have made elaborate security arrangements for the high-profile event and also

Modi's visit.

Inspector General (IG) Bhopal Jaideep Prasad informed that adequate security arrangements have been made for the visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday by deploying nearly 6,000-strong force, including 4,000 personnel from the central and reserve forces.

Nearly 22 senior IPS officers have been deployed to coordinate security details, he said.

Along with Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh and Mizoram will also go to polls by the year-end. Modi and Shah, two star poll campaigners of the BJP, will be in Bhopal days after Congress chief Rahul Gandhi visited the state capital.

Gandhi has held a roadshow and later addressed Congress workers and office-bearers during his September 17 visit.

Both the national parties are in poll campaign mode in the state, where the BJP is in power since 2003.

While the saffron outfit will see a fourth straight term in office in the year-end elections, the Congress will look to wrest power from the BJP in a state which was once its stronghold.

Sensex down 537 pts in biggest single one day fall since Feb 6

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36,265.93.

Benchmark BSE Sensex on Monday suffered its worst single-day loss in seven months, extending its fall for a fifth day due to a meltdown in banking and auto stocks on liquidity concerns and a rout in global markets.

The 30-share index tanked 536.58 points or 1.46 per cent to settle at a two-month low of 36,305.02, logging its biggest single-day loss since February 6 when it declined by 561.22 points.

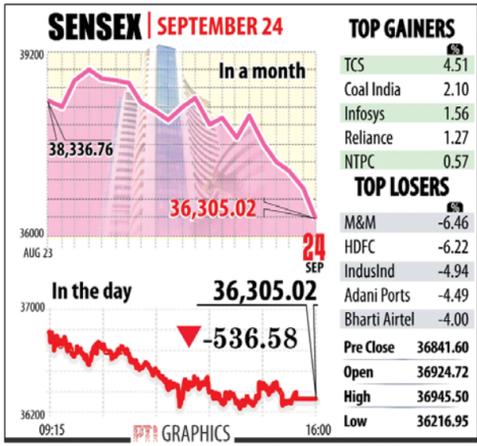
This is the weakest closing since July 11 when it settled at

1,785.62 points or more than 5 per cent in five sessions, wiping out ₹8.48 lakh crore of market wealth.

Factors like crude oil prices hitting a four-year high, liquidity concerns after defaults by IL&FS, the rupee retreating a low of 72.73 against the US dollar beset investors.

The broad-based Nifty of the National Stock Exchange crashed below the 11,000 mark, declining by 168.20 points or 1.51 per cent to end at 10,974.90.

Detailed report on P10



CAPSULE

AIR LAUNCHES FM STATION TO GAG PAK NEAR BORDER

New Delhi: In a bid to counter anti-India propaganda by Pakistan through its radio penetration, India on Monday launched an FM station for the border belt near Amritsar that can be heard 50 km into the Pakistani territory.

I LOVE INDIA, TRUMP TELLS SUSHMA SWARAJ

United Nations: External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj and Donald Trump exchanged pleasantries during a high-level event on counter-narcotics hosted by the US President at the United Nations on Monday. When Sushma told to the US President that she has brought greetings from PM Modi, Trump responded: "I love India, give my regards to my friend PM Modi".

Paryatan Parv flunks Digital India test

ABHINAV SINGH/SHEKHAR SINGH ■ NEW DELHI

Tall claims of "Digital-India" have apparently fallen flat at Incredible India's "Paryatan Parv" organised in the heart of national capital's Rajpath Lawns by the Tourism Ministry, as many stalls showcasing the diversity of India and selling various indigenous products don't have the facility of digital or e-transaction and are accepting only cash as a mode of payment.

However, most of the visitors in the Parv were ready to purchase items using their debit or credit card.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision regarding 'cashless economy' seems to be a dis-

tant dream as in flagship of Paryatan Parv itself many of the stalls did not have the facility of e-payment.

Joint Secretary, Ministry of Tourism, Suman Billa told *The Pioneer*, "We have advised everybody to have swipe machines, however, some of the TRIFED stalls and others do not have it. The swipe machines are linked with the bank accounts and it is on the part of shopkeepers to have it and the Government doesn't make it available to them. However we are working on the issue and it would be resolved soon."

Due to it many visitors who do not carry cash are facing the problem since the stalls don't have Point of Sales (PoS) machines for e-transactions or



A carpet seller from Bhadohi in Uttar Pradesh at Paryatan Parv at Rajpath lawns in Delhi

Shekhar Singh | Pioneer

swapping of the bank cards. Adding to their woe is the fact that ATMs are not easily accessible in the area and neither any mobile ATM van can be seen.

Many of the stalls selling handicrafts and handlooms like DC Rajasthan, DC Odisha, DC Jammu & Kashmir, DC handicraft Delhi don't have the facility of POS payment due

only cash. Though some of the shops or stalls which do not have any e-mode of payment said they manage to accept through Paytm.

A shopkeeper named Nizamuddin running handi-craft stall of Uttar Pradesh selling world-famous carpet from Bhadohi and other handicraft products said he cannot accept card payment as he doesn't have the POS facility.

He said it is not his shop alone but almost all shops of Uttar Pradesh do not have e-payment facility.

Similarly, stalls both of handicrafts and handlooms like DC Rajasthan, DC Odisha, DC Jammu & Kashmir, DC handicraft Delhi don't have the facility of POS payment due

to which many buyers were left high and dry.

There were about 15 stalls of Tribes India organised with the help of Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India (TRIFED) while most of the stalls didn't have the swipe machine or the PoS while rest said they have the facility of e-payment through swipe machine.

"On one hand the Government is promoting 'Digital India' and ask us to switch over to the e-mode of payments using BHIM App and other modes while on other hands in its own fest organised by Ministry of Tourism many stalls do not have PoS machines or other e-payment modes.



Preparations underway ahead of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Jamboree Ground for 'Karyakarta Mahakumbh' (left); and, Security personnel keeping vigil, for BJP's mega convention, in Bhopal on Monday



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New collection of fiction books at SVL

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

The book lovers of the city can suggest their favourite authors to each other. Swami Vivekananda Library has brought a new collection of fiction books and a review process at the library.

Swami Vivekananda Library, Assistant Manager, Yatish Bhatele said that in the last few years it has been observed that the trend of members in non-fiction books has increased. It can be seen by gathering the suggestions received by members that readers are trending on which books. It has been found in the survey that even today the number of fictitious books in the books issued by the library is the highest, but besides this, history, self development, biography and religious are preferred.

He further said that today readers are also aware of new authors and titles. After reading the reviews coming in other website such as Good Reads, Amazon, members recommend their collection for library collection. From time book reviews are added in the library.

The authors whose reviews have been collected till now include Yuval Noah Harari, who has secured a degree from Oxford University on World History. The books written by them were Sepeniens: A Brief History of Human Kind and Homo deuce. His third book is

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21 Lessons for the 21st Century. In this book, he has attracted the attention of readers on issues related to today's issues such as nuclear war, technological obstacles, terrorism etc.

Yatish Bhatele, also said that the history of development of the last 100 thousand years of human beings has been brought down in his book Sapiens.

Other than this, books including Devil's Advocate The Untold Story by Thapar, Why I am a Hindu by Shashi Tharoor, God Save the Supreme Court by Fali Nariman and Reflections of a Star by Amitabh Bachchan are included in the library.

Apart from this, members in Swami Vivekananda Library can give suggestions for each other.

Members can write the review on Member Review Board and can give their favorite books as suggestions for other members.

Players exhibit talents at Shooting Championship

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Marking the second day of the 28th All India GV Mavalankar Shooting Championship being played in the State capital, the players from across the country exhibited their shooting talent.

The championship is being played at the Madhya Pradesh State Shooting Academy. Here on Monday the players competed with each other in the Trap event.

Under the competition, the players from Punjab, Haryana, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Delhi and Uttarakhnd maintained dominance. While the Army players are ahead in the service category.

In the junior men's indi-

vidual event under the championship, Punjab's player Gurpreet Singh, Davyank Mohan of Haryana and shooter Sehajpreet Singh of Punjab maintained their lead for the first, second and third positions respectively. In the Trap Men's event, Devi Mohan of Haryana secured first position, Sehajpreet Singh of Punjab secured second position and Ronald of Delhi secured third position.

In the Trap Women event of the championship, Delhi's player Arusha Verma, Sushma Singh of Uttarakhnd and Haryana's player Kiran, maintained the lead at the first, second and third positions respectively. In the Trap Junior Women event, Delhi's player Pravasi Tripathi, Haryana's

player Kiran and Rajasthan's player Harshita lead the score board with first, second and third positions respectively.

In the Men's Veteran's category, Maharashtra's Praveen Singh and Gujarat's Jahan Baksh lead the score board with securing first and second positions respectively. In the service category, Amit Singh, Harshvardhan and Rajesh Singh of the Army are leading in the first, second and third positions respectively.

Here on Monday, Punjab's Governor V. P. Singh Badnour conducted training in the Trap event of Veteran's category. It is noteworthy that on Tuesday, the competition will be played in the Trap event in which V. P. Singh Badnour will also perform.

Chouhan to dedicate Malwa water project on Sept 27

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan will dedicate the Narmada-Malwa Link Project at the junction place Kalmervadi of Narmada at 5.00 pm. on September 27.

This project was announced by Chouhan in the year 2012 for a permanent solution to the water crisis of Malwa region. Before the dedication programme, the Chief Minister will address farmers at Depalpur village. The project completed within the stipulated time will facilitate water for irrigation on 50,775 hectare (1.25 lakh acre) of 164 villages along with potable water to hundred of villages.

It may be mentioned that Narmada water will reach Malwa region after lifting it upto 427 meter height at 15



A view of Narmada-Gambhir confluence at village Kalewadi of Indore district on Monday

cubic meter per second capacity from the main canal located at the right bank of the Omkareshwar project. Under the project, which was the challenging task of the civil engineering field, water will be lifted by 68.142 long k.m. pipeline of 3 meter diameter

through the remote forest area. Finally, the challenging task to bring Narmada water to Badi Kalmer village, the junction place of Indore district has been completed in 3 and half years period. The Narmada-Gambhir confluence site has been developed as the place of tourists' attraction. Snan ghats have also been constructed for visitors at this place, where Narmada water will be released in the form of water fall in Gambhir river.

Besides, Chief Minister Chouhan will perform bhoomi poojan of the First Phase of the Narmada-Kalisindh Link Project at Sonkacch of Dewas district on September 27. Before this, he will also perform bhoomi poojan of Narmada-Kshipra Multipurpose Micro Irrigation Scheme at Tarana village on September 26.



Governor Anandiben Patel addressing a symposium on the theme of the 150th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, at Raj Bhawan in Bhopal on Monday

Extension of Bhopal, Indore Metro Rail projects approved

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

The State Cabinet here on Monday granted approval to extend the Bhopal and Indore Metro Rail Projects. Approval was also granted to a bank loan of 500 m euro from the European Investment Bank for the Bhopal Metro Rail Project.

The Cabinet took decision regarding 129 posts for the Project Management Unit and 274 posts of Project Implementation Units. It granted approval of creation of two posts separately of Additional Managing Director for Bhopal and Indore. MPMRCL will have the authority of filling the vacancies, recruitment process, honorarium and of determining the requirement of qualification and experience.

The Cabinet decided to start the Mukhya Mantri Avihaita Pension Yojana through the Department of Social Justice and Disaster Welfare.

In this, a pension amount of ₹300- per month will be

given to unmarried eligible women in the 50-79 age group and ₹500 to the eligible women of 80 years or more.

The Cabinet granted approval for a CPS Diploma course in hospitals of the state. Permission was granted to begin CPS Diploma course in Gynaecology (DGO), Pediatrics (DCH), Anaesthesiology (DA), General Medicine (DGM), Psychological Medicine (DPM), Pathology and Bacteriology (DPB), General Surgery (DGM), Medical Radiology and Electrology (DMRI) and Emergency Medicine (DEME) in the state's hospitals. The Cabinet took the decision to consider CPS Diploma equivalent to PG Diploma and to ensure eligibility to all the benefits to Medical Officers pursuing the diploma course and to validate the CPS Diploma for promotion to the posts of Specialists.

The Cabinet decided to provide free coaching to outstanding graduate and qualified students to prepare for the

Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) examination in Delhi under the Higher Education Department's new scheme. Under this scheme, meritorious students who cannot get coaching at their own expense are selected. Under this scheme 100 students from various sections of the society will be selected in accordance with the set standards and will be sent to coaching institutes of Delhi for UPSC exam preparation.

The Cabinet also approved constitution of gram panchayat Sirali, Harda district and gram panchayat Malanpur, Bhand district as municipal councils and forward the proposal to the Governor.

Similarly, the Cabinet approved the formation of Ghoradongri Municipal Council, Betul district, Shahpur Municipal Council, Betul district, Surkhi district Municipal Council, Sagar district and Niwali Bijurg Municipal Council, Barwani district and forwards the proposal to the Governor.

Shradhanjali: A movie on Sekhon's life screened

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

The tale of valor and bravery of Nirmal Jit Singh Sekhon was told through the film 'Shradhanjali'. The movie based on Sekhon's life was screened at Shaurya Smarak theatre here on Monday.

Flying Officer Nirmal Jit Singh Sekhon, PVC was an officer of the Indian Air Force. He was posthumously awarded the Param Vir Chakra, India's highest military decoration, in recognition of his

lone defence of Srinagar Air Base against a PAF air raid during the Indo-Pakistani War of 1971.

He is the only member of the Indian Air Force to be so honoured.

The life of Sekhon was showcased through this film. It is to be noted that he was awarded with Param Vir Chakra for Indo-Pak war. During the Indo-Pakistani War of 1971, he was serving with the No.18 Squadron, "The Flying Bullets" of IAF, flying the

Folland Gnat fighter aircraft based at Srinagar. On 14 December 1971, Srinagar airfield was attacked by six Pakistan Air Force F-86 jets of 26 Sqn from PAF base Peshawar.

Flying Officer Sekhon was on readiness duty at that time. As soon as the first aircraft attacked, Sekhon rolled for take-off as No 2 in a two-Gnat formation, with Flt Lt Ghuman in lead, just as the first bombs were falling on the runway.

Workshop on MPPSC, IAS exams prep organised

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Students preparing for civil Services are being informed about the various aspects of IAS examinations. A workshop on MPPSC, IAS and UPSC preparation was being organised at SP Student's Point here on Monday.

As the preliminary examinations of civil services are near and it is the time for the students to get acquainted with more and more information, further to carry out the preparations well the demo classes will be held at its premises. Notably the demonstration

classes along with the mock tests will be held with proper preparation so that the students can check their knowledge as well as how they are preparing for the exam.

Notably, current affairs and its knowledge is one of the vital part of the civil services examinations. Most often students prepare current affairs accordingly and most often prepare them through self study. Moreover, the students sometimes leave the most important and rare topics which can be asked in the examinations. This workshop and demo class will help them to prepare them

well on current affairs.

All the doubts regarding subject selection, appropriate selection of books, compilation of PIB and NIOS, proper pattern of creating summary will be resolved in this workshop. Anyone interested to appear for UPSC exams can participate in the workshop and try their IQ knowledge and also can check their preparations.

Notably, the students will also be made acquainted with the exact pattern of UPSC examinations and the question paper format. The students will be benefitted with the workshop.



Idols of Lord Ganesha queued up for immersion in the Lower Lake to mark an end of Ganesha festival in Bhopal on Monday

IN BRIEF

FARMERS TO GET INCENTIVE IN ACCOUNTS

Bhopal: The incentive amount payable to the registered farmers eligible under the Mukhya Mantri Krishak Samridhhi Yojana will be transferred to the verified bank accounts of farmers through RTGS/NEFT on a single click. The eligible registered farmers will be notified about the incentive payment transfer via SMS on their registered mobile numbers immediately. This incentive amount will be given for onion, garlic, gram, masoor, mustard, summer moong and summer urad crops under the scheme. Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan will transfer the incentive amount in the bank accounts of the eligible registered farmers of the district at the Kisan Mahasammelan being organized in Pipariya (Hoshangabad) on September 28. The same day district level Kisan Sammelans will be organized in all the districts where the incentive amount will be transferred to the eligible farmers in their verified bank accounts. Principal Secretary Farmer Welfare and Agriculture Development Rajesh Rajoura has issued detailed guidelines regarding distribution of the incentive amount and the Kisan Sammelan to the collectors of all districts except Neemuch, Ratlam and Mandsaur district.

FOREST COLLECTORS GET DOUBLE REMUNERATION

Bhopal: The state government has doubled the cash payment of remuneration and bonus to the small forest produce collectors and. So far the collectors were being paid cash up to ₹1K, which has now been increased to ₹2000. Chairman of Rajya Laghu Vanopaj Sangh Shri Mahesh Kori said that this increase has been done in view of the long standing demand being made by the collectors. The amount of remuneration and bonus worth more than ₹2000 will be made through e-payment in their bank account.

3RD EDITION OF CSR CONCLAVE

Bhopal: Addressing the opportunities and challenges in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Madhya Pradesh is organizing 3rd Edition of CSR Conclave here on September 29. The conclave hopes to lay the way forward by bringing together key stakeholders, from business to civil society. There will be a gathering of top business leaders, CSR heads and teams, Non-profit leaders, industry bodies, community organizations, policy-makers, and CSR professionals to exchange insights, discuss issues of importance and forge impactful partnerships in social impact. This programme is also for those too who come outside the purview of Act and are involved in CSR activities, totally on voluntary basis.

'RUN TO GIVE' HELD BY MARRIOTT

Bhopal: A large number of Marriott associates and citizens participated in 'Run to Give' charity run early this morning that was organized by Courtyard by Marriott, Bhopal. This run also took place in 206 locations across Asia Pacific on Monday. Debuted in 2014, the annual 'Run to Give' brings hotel associates together to organize runs in different cities to support local charities. This year Courtyard by Marriott in Bhopal participated to join efforts to raise funds for Rising Star Outreach, an NGO based in Chennai, directly impacting the lives of children affected by leprosy in Marriott Home, where they are lovingly cared for and given a new lease of life. The 3.5 kilometer run that received huge response was flagged off at 7 am on Sunday morning by Rakesh Upadhyay, General Manager Courtyard Marriott Bhopal from hotel premises. It went around nearby locations and culminated at hotel.

AWARENESS RALLY, STREET PLAY CONDUCTED

Bhopal: An awareness rally and street play was conducted in Adampur Chawni (BHEL adopted village) on Monday. Students of Kasturba Nursing college, Govt Primary School and Middle School (Adampur) participated in the rally which covered the complete village. There after a street play was demonstrated by the nursing college students covering various topics such as sanitation, waste segregation, cleanliness, hygiene and other issues of general awareness. The play was viewed by approximately 200 villagers and students.

7 GET FAREWELL FROM BHEL

Bhopal: In a simple programme held at third floor administrative building DK Thakur, Executive Director BHEL, Bhopal bade farewell to AK Kiyawat, General Manager along with 7 other employees retiring from the organization on attaining the age of superannuation. On this occasion all general managers and other senior officials were present.

Focus on women in EPIC list raises gender ratio

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Special attention was paid on including women in the EPIC list reviewed which helped to increase the gender ratio from 905 to 917, said Chief Electoral Officer of Madhya Pradesh VL Kanta Rao while addressing media at media briefing on Monday.

The Election Commission of India (ECI) today said that the Second Summary Revision of the photo electoral roll for Madhya Pradesh will be published on September 27.

While talking to media persons here on Monday, Madhya Pradesh Chief Electoral Officer VL Kantha Rao told, "Subsequent to the publication of draft electoral

roll on July 31, a total of 31,75,048 applications had been received till the last date for filing claims and objections. Of them, 16,72,805 applications pertained to addition of names, 7,43,489 to removal of names and 6,52,086 to transfer of names in the same assembly segment."

He further said that the gender ratio showed improvement increasing from 905 to 917 per thousand of males during the summary revision. Likewise, the number of service voters increased from 57,106 to 59,826.

To a query over a complaint by the Congress over the misuse of government machinery by the BJP for the Karyakarta Mahakumbh, Rao

said that response has been sought from the General Administration Department. He said that appropriate action would be taken if anyone is found guilty.

The gender ratio is likely to increase till the publication of the final list which is scheduled on September 27, 2018.

Replying to query on verified Whatapp account of Election Commission Rao replied it has been applied and within 10-15 days it would be verified.

Social network accounts of Election Commission would be handled by a government based agency from Delhi. After the first published EPIC list five applications of Non- Resident Indians have been received.



Hindu devotees perform 'Tarpan' ritual, for the remembrance of their ancestors at the banks of Upper Lake on the beginning of 15-day 'Pitra Paksha' in Bhopal on Monday
Pioneer Photo

Two fraudsters nabbed for duping seven over loans

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Crime branch of Bhopal police nabbed two fraudsters who duped seven people to the tune of ₹74 lakh in the name of providing loan; details regarding money are under investigation, said police.

Police said that two accused Adesh Kumar Tiwari (44) and Sameer Khan (24) were nabbed who were involved in cheating four victims on the pretext of availing loan and renting their house to bank to open branch.

The victim Vijay Dongre lodged complaint with the MP Nagar police about cheating by Adesh Kumar Tiwari and Sameer Khan in the name of facilitating loan and renting house to bank to open branch. The accused collected money from Indrapal Singh Rajput, Puneet Jain, Lalji Pal, Rahul Pal, Shailendra Tiwari and Awadesh Singh who were provided with fake loan sanction letter and fake cheque.

Smooth preparations made for Modi's visit

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Preparations for making one of the largest congregations of political party workers and leaders, the police have made all essential arrangements to maintain smooth flow of traffic for visitors and commuters across the state capital during the visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to the State capital on Tuesday.

The venue Jamboree ground of the State capital which would witness one of the biggest congregation of political party workers and leaders of BJP is likely to witness a record gathering of around 10 lakh party workers. Proper traffic diversion plans have been made to regulate vehicles movement in and around the venue.

The vehicles coming from Indore will reach the venue at BHEL Jamboree Maidan passing through Khajuri Sadak,

Bakaria, Lambakheda, Chopara Kalan and Patel Nagar.

Same arrangements have been made for vehicles coming from Rajgarh (Biora) they will reach passing through Mubarakpur Jod, Lambakheda Jod, Patel Nagar, Anand Nagar to Jamboree cut point to reach the venue.

For those coming from Sagar or Raisen have to pass come from Patel Nagar and then via Anand Nagar they could reach the venue.

Similarly, the vehicles from Hoshangabad road will reach the venue through 11-mile to Jhagaria road from where they would take route Patel Nagar, Anand Nagar.

The party workers arriving at state capital through trains and alighting of at Habibganj railway station could opt for route from Saket Nagar, Barkheda to Mahatma Gandhi school through Vijay market.

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Woman, 2 others attack 32-yr-old, two arrested

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

A 32-year old man was attacked with steel rods by three miscreants including a woman at Dangroli under Berasia police station area late in the evening on Sunday; police have nabbed two accused.

According to the police, a man was attacked by two men and a woman and was rushed to a nearby hospital where his condition is reportedly stable. Police were informed and on the receipt of the information a team reached the spot and after preliminary investigation registered a case against the accused.

The victim was identified as Om Prakash Shakya and the miscreants have been identified as Bal Krishna Kori, Shishupal Kori and Radha Bai.

During the investigation, it was found that the Om Prakash had a fight with Bal Krsihna over cleaning near the boundaries of his house and soon he was joined by Shishupal and Radha Bai and was attacked by iron rods by the accused injuring him in his head.

Based on the complaint police nabbed Bal Krishna and Shishupal while Radha Bai is yet to be detained.

The victim is undergoing treatment at Hamidia hospital where he has kept under observation. The victim lost blood which made the condition worse after the attack.

The police have registered a case under section 294, 307 and 34 of the IPC and have started search for the miscreants.

Victim and accused are neighbours and they had fights in the past but were pacified by the locals but on Sunday the fight turned violent injuring victim severely.

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First convocation of Indore Medi-Caps University held

PNS ■ INDORE

The first convocation of Medi-Caps University was held on Sunday in the university campus.

The convocation was graced by Akhilesh Pandey, chairman Madhya Pradesh Private University Regularity Commission (MPPURC). The ceremony began with an amazing and colourful convocation procession where the chief guest, governing body, board of studies, board of management, parents, students and faculty members of Medi-Caps University Indore walked through the aisle towards the convocation venue.

There was then a group photograph session of chief guest along with all the dignitaries. After the photograph session the chief guest was given a floral welcome by Chancellor RC Mittal.

He congratulated the students for graduating and encouraged them to stay positive for what they have dreamt of. 'Graduating from Medi-Caps Indore is a responsibility for you to maintain the brand name as you all are the ambassadors of the University now. He advised the students not to focus on rewards but on outcomes. Many CEOs are known for power and achieving financial targets, but not much remembered after they step down. Be a leader who not only excels in work, but also contributes to the society as a whole. Grab the opportunities as they come to you', he said.

He concluded his address advising the stu-



dents not to be the prisoner of mark sheets. "If you scored high, does not mean you will always be success; and if you scored low, doesn't mean you will never achieve success. Look for fountains of knowledge around, and you'll always be successful," he concluded.

Vice Chancellor Sunil K Somani and the chief guest distributed the medals to the students who graduated this year. After the distribution conferment of degrees took place. It was done by the Chief guest, Chancellor and Vice Chancellor.

The chief guest appealed the students to follow the Indian culture and urged that knowledge is incompact students can learn by anybody. By taking the example of Ramayana, Geeta, Mahabharat he motivated the students.

15th meeting of Board of Directors of Jal Nigam held

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

The 15th meeting of the Board of Directors of Jal Nigam was held here under the chairmanship of Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan. Chouhan said at the meeting that the construction works of the scheme should be completed within the given time limit with the best quality. He instructed that constant vigilance of the works should be maintained. Public Health Engineering Minister Kusum Mehdele and Chief Secretary BP Singh were present at the meeting.

It was told during the meeting that 48 group water supply schemes are being implemented by the Jal Nigam out of which 16 schemes worth Rs one thousand 42 crore had been completed. With the com-

pleted schemes, about 9 lakh population of 694 villages are getting clean tap-water. About 32 group tap-water supply schemes worth more than total 3,059 crores are under construction. These schemes will benefit 30 lakh population of 2,478 villages.

During the meeting it was informed that 9 schemes worth total Rs 4,512 crore for 33 lakh people of 3,467 villages have been approved under NDB. Five schemes out of the approved projects are under construction while the remaining 4 projects are under tender process. The projects under construction include Satna-Bansagar, Pawai dam, Kundaliya, Mohanpura and Pahadgarh. Projects under tender process include Payali, Bayama, Kandela and Gadakota.

Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. Bhopal

CAVEAT NOTICE

Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, Corporate Office, has issued 02 numbers of circulars Dated 31.03.2018 & 12.09.2018 related to revision of Pay Scales and Allowances of their Board level and below Board Level of Executive and the Supervisors respectively. It is anticipated that dispute / litigation may be raised/lodged by any person or group of persons against the implementation of the above said circulars. Therefore, it is proposed to file Caveat petition before the District Court, Bhopal and the Hon'ble High Court of M.P. Jabalpur. The Company's Counsels named below have been authorized to receive the notice and contest the case on Company's behalf:

1. For High Court :- **Shri Ashok Lalwani, Advocate, "Baabul" 1605/15 Civil Lines, Opposite RTO, JABALPUR (M.P.)**
2. For District Court :- **Shri S.K.Bhargava, Advocate, 64 Kalpana Nagar, Raisen Road Bhopal.**

The persons / parties interested to bring litigation may serve notice to the above named advocate.

For and on behalf of
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CPR-10(N)/198/18-19/LAW **DGM (HR)**

न्यायालय कलेक्टर एवं जिला विवाह अधिकारी, इंदौर (म.प्र.)

टोकन क्रमांक 1145/2018 दिनांक 12.09.2018

विज्ञापित

सर्वसाधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि प्रार्थी **Ajay Verma S/o Late Shri Vijay Verma** निवासी 703, Panchseel Nagar, Indore M.P. तथा **Lalita Malviya D/o Late Shri Poonam Chand Malviya** निवासी 16, Veer Sawarkar Nagar, Indore M.P. द्वारा अभिप्रेत विवाह हेतु **हिन्दू विवाह अधिनियम 1955** के अन्तर्गत सूचना पत्र प्रस्तुत कर विवाह पंजीयन कराये जाने हेतु अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता को अवेदन किया गया है।

इस विवाह पंजीयन आवेदन के संबंध में अगर किसी को उपरोक्त सूचना वर्णित विधि/विधियों को सत्यता के संबंध में कोई आपत्ति हो तो प्रकाशन तिथि से 15 दिवस के भीतर स्वयं या लिखित में अधोहस्ताक्षरकर्ता को प्रस्तुत करें। कोई सूचना प्राप्त होने की स्थिति में यह मानते हुए की किसी को कोई आपत्ति नहीं है इसके द्वारा प्रस्तुत शपथ पत्रों के आधार पर प्रकाशन तिथि के 30 दिन बाद निम्नानुसार विवाह पंजीयन करा दिया जावेगा।

सही/- अतिरिक्त जिला दण्डाधिकारी एवं विशेष विवाह अधिकारी, जिला इंदौर म.प्र.

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द्वितीय निविदा आमंत्रण

निम्न कार्य हेतु निविदा ऑनलाईन वेबसाईट <http://mpeproc.gov.in> पर आमंत्रित की गई है। निविदा प्रपत्र दिनांक 27.09.2018 को सांय 5.30 बजे तक क्रय तथा दिनांक 28.09.2018 को सांय 5.30 बजे तक ऑनलाईन प्रस्तुत किये जा सकते हैं। निविदा का लिफाफा-अ (Envelope-A) एवं लिफाफा-ब (Envelope-B) भौतिक रूप से दिनांक 28.09.2018 सांय 5.30 बजे तक कार्यालय कार्यपालन यंत्री लोक स्वास्थ्य यांत्रिकी विभाग खण्ड अशोकनगर में पहुंचना आवश्यक है। लिफाफा-स (Envelope-C) ऑनलाईन ही जमा करने होंगे, इन्हें भौतिक रूप से जमा नहीं किया जावेगा।

निविदा में संशोधन की स्थिति में वेबसाईट पर ही संशोधन देखा जा सकेगा। विस्तृत निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना व अन्य जानकारी उक्त वेबसाईट पर देखी जा सकती है।

स. क्रमांक	निविदा क्रमांक	कार्य का विवरण	अनुमानित लागत (PAC)	भरोहर राशि (EMD)	निविदा का मूल्य	कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि
1	34057	Survey, investigation, Design and Construction of Piped Water Supply Scheme at Village-Nanon Block Chanderi distt. ASHOK NAGAR based on tube well Including installation of electric submersible water motor pump, construction of 20 KL R.C.C Sump well, construction of 125 KL R.C.C. OHT 12m. staging, laying & jointing of rising main, feeder main and distribution pipe line system, household tap connections, construction of pump house and electric power connections at tube well and sump well including cost of all material & labour with 30 Days Trial Run/Commissioning period and 24 Months Operation and Maintenance of entire scheme.	95.58 Lakh	95580.00 Rs.	10000/-	180 Days Excluding rainy season

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Tenders are invited for the following works. Details of the work and NIT is available in the website <http://mpeproc.gov.in>.

S. No.	NIT No. & Date	Sistem Tender No.	Name of Work	Probable amount of contract	Amount of Earnest Money	Cost of Tender Document	Office in which Documents are to be submitted Physically (Original FDR and other documents)
1	245/Tender Cell dt 17/09/18	2797	Construction of major bridge across Kaliyasot River for master plan road from J.K. Hospital to Bawadiya kala including Construction of approach road.	Rs. 5,90,44,000/- (Rs. Five crores ninety lakhs forty four thousand) only	Rs. 5,90,440/-	Rs. 20,000/-	Superintending Engineer, Capital Project (C) Circle, CPA, Bhopal
2	246/Tender Cell dt 17/09/18	2798	Construction and upgradation of master plan co-ordination road (24 M wide) from Kolar road (Mandakini junction) to Mansarovar Chouraha via J.K.Hospital Daish Charbatti Chouraha, Bhopal	Rs. 4,68,04,000/- (Rs. Four crores thirty eight lakhs four thousand)	Rs. 4,68,040/-	Rs. 15,000/-	-Do-
3	247/Tender Cell dt 17/09/18	2799	Construction of road from Kaliyasot Canal to Kunjan Nagar Sadhna Enclave, Bhopal.	Rs. 3,86,20,000/- (Rs. Three crores eighty six lakhs twenty thousand)	Rs. 3,86,200/-	Rs. 15,000/-	-Do-
4	248/Tender Cell dt 17/09/18	2800	Construction of link road (Adarsh marg) connecting NH-12 to Bypass near International Airport Gandhri nagar Bhopal (Phase-I)	Rs. 2,37,31,000/- (Rs. Two crores thirty seven lakhs thirty one thousand)	Rs. 2,37,310/-	Rs. 15,000/-	-Do-
5	249/Tender cell dt 17/09/18	2801	Construction of master plan road (24 M wide) from 9-B Saket nagar to Shakti passing through west side of Alkapuri, Bhopal	Rs. 52,79,000/- (Rs. Fifty two lakhs seventy nine thousand)	Rs. 52,790/-	Rs. 10,000/-	-Do-
6	250/Tender cell dt 17/09/18	2802	Strengthening, B.T. renewal and road side Drain, paving/RCC work of road from Prabhat Petrol Pump to Railway over bridge Via Ashoka Garden, Bhopal.	Rs. 3,45,16,398/- (Rs. Three crores forty five lakhs sixteen thousand three hundred ninety eight)	Rs. 3,45,165/-	Rs. 15,000/-	-Do-
7	251/Tender Cell dt 17/09/18	2803	Construction of Master Plan road from Sonagiri to Ayodhya bypass Via Rajat Nagar, Bhopal.	Rs. 7,06,07,778/- (Rs. Seven crores six lakhs seven thousand seventy eight)	Rs. 7,06,078/-	Rs. 20,000/-	-Do-
Total				Rs. 27,86,02,176/- (Rs. Twenty seven crores eighty six lakhs two thousand one hundred seventy six)			

Tender form (documents) can be downloaded after online payment of the cost of the form from the above website. The last date of purchase of tender form shall be 28.09.2018 upto 5.30 PM. The last date of submission of original FDR and other documents physically in the office mentioned shall be 01.10.2018 upto 5.00 PM. Detailed NIT and other details are available in the website.

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CAPITAL PROJECT (C) CIRCLE,
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They used to provide fake loan sanction letter and would escape with excuses if victim would ask for transfer of loan money. Later they would escape

Gurukul to educate Shreemandir servitors

Introduction of courses from next year

PNS ■ PURI

As part of reforms in the Jagannath Temple, its administration has decided to set up a Gurukul for the servitors.

Following discussion with Supreme Court-appointed Amicus Curiae Gopal Subramaniam, the Shree Jagannath Temple Administration (SJTA) has agreed to execute a proposal to set up a 'Sevayat Gurukul' by reducing the number of servitors for making their children highly educated and learned.

As per the decision, the children of the servitors would be enrolled at the Gurukul, which would offer courses related to Hindu scriptures in the CBSE pattern.

The practical classes in the subjects would be held at the Jagannath Temple to make the students expert in conducting



the rituals of deities in a smooth manner. The servitors' children, who will be studying at the Gurukul, would be provided education free of cost.

Sources knowledgeable about the development said that the temple administration has acquired around 10 acres of land in the Samagara area near Malatipatpur for establishing the Sevayat Gurukul.

The process for introducing the courses is expected from next year.

Memo demands Mukti Mandap rights

AMICUS CURIAE TOLD SOME RIGHTS LOST OVER YEARS

PNS ■ PURI

A memorandum on behalf of the Mukti Mandap of the Jagannath Temple was handed over to Supreme Court-appointed Amicus Curiae Gopal Subramaniam on Saturday stating to take this seat of the pundits into confidence in the reform process of the temple. It demanded revival of the rights the Mukti Mandap has lost over the years in the temple.

While many of its rights to rituals have already been

encroached by the servitors, some are remaining unpracticed these days, the memorandum informed.

It further stated that since the Mukti Mandap is the highest advisory body on rites and rituals, hence it be given much priority in the reforms of temple in order to get its prestige back. The demands include Seva Nos. 8, 9, 10 and 15, which are Puja Panda Seva, Badapanda Seva, Puspalak Seva and Palia Mekap Seva, respectively. Earlier, these Sevas were in the hand of the Mukti Mandap. However, later, it lost to the Sevayats of the temple, cited the memorandum.

Urging Subramaniam for actions against the Mukti Mandap Pandit Sabha, the memorandum stated that a parallel body registered under the Society Act, 1860 is quite un-maintainable since it is unconstitutional in the temple traditions. Citing statements of temple administrator Mahimohan Tripathy way back in 1994 that the decisions and directives of Mukti Mandap Pandit Sabha are not at all mandatory upon the devotees, it urged Subramaniam to ban the parallel body in the temple.

Notably on September 10, the Mukti Mandap had given a memorandum to the three-member Reform Committee in demand of the rights, besides a ban on the Mukti Mandap Pandit Sabha.

Nidan, Niramaya failures alleged in MKCG

PNS ■ BRAHMAMPUR

The Manav Adhikar Suraksha Manch's held its 61st Ghanta Yatra (cymbal beating rally) here on Monday demanding stringent action against the doctors, who are involved in irregularities committed in Nidan and Niramaya schemes.

The members alleged that MKCH Medical College Hospital doctors are flouting the rules of the different medical schemes and are forcing the patients to go private hospitals for the diagnostic services.

Alleging that free Niramaya medicines are not available at medicine centres,

they alleged that doctors are prescribing other medicines, which are available private medicine stores. Patients are forced to buy the medicines from the private stores, they added. While the Nidan scheme, implemented by the State Government, provides for free diagnostic services, including the MRI, CT scan, X-Ray, such facilities are not available in the MKCG now, they alleged further.

Among others, Manch coordinator Abani Kumar Gaya, Ranindra Kumar Nayak, Pravat Nayak, Laxmi Narayan Rout, Maguni Nahak and Manoj Kumar Tarai were present.

Women hold Jail Bhoro stir at Bhuban PS

DEMAND INQUIRY INTO 'KILLING' OF WOMAN, DAUGHTER

PNS ■ DHENKANAL

Hundreds of women led by Kamakhyanagar Assembly segment BJP Kishan Morcha Pravari Er Debashisha Hota on Monday held a Jail Bhoro agitation in front of the Bhuban police station here demanding proper investigation into 'mysterious' death of Mamata Pothal and her daughter Jyotsna at Godipatana in Dhenkanal district on September 7.

The agitators, who included parental family members of the deceased, demanded action against Bhuban hospital's doctor and fire officers while alleging that they suppressed the facts behind death of the two to protect the accused.



Before the Jail Bhoro agitation, the women took out a rally from Nua Bhuban Shiba Mandir to the police station. SDPO Suprasan Mallick came and talked to Hota and deceased Mamata's father Gagan Chandra Bihara and showed them a post-mortem report of the SCB Medical College Hospital, Cuttack. However, agitating women were not satisfied with the report.

Earlier, Mamata's father had lodged a complaint in the police station alleging that in-laws killed his daughter and granddaughter and cremated them without conducting an autopsy.

On September 14, Hota and others had met Dhenkanal SP Santosh Nayak and demanded an inquiry.

Discom JSpur JE held for embezzlement

PNS ■ JAGATSinghpur

The Energy Department's service provider Enzine Global Company's Junior Engineer (JE) Priyabrata Mahalik was arrested by police on Sunday on the charge of siphoning off Rs 2 lakh, which he had collected from the electricity consumers.

Mahalik was working in Enzine Global's Dihasahi office, was assigned the duty of collecting electric bills from the villages under the Jagatsinghpur electric division.

Later, an Enzine Global team after a probe detected that the JE after collecting the consumers' electric bills did not deposit it in company's bank account. It was ascertained that Rs 2 lakh was embezzled by him.

Fearing arrest the JE absconded and didn't respond to the company' repeated reminders for the last six months

Later, the accused JE was asked to deposit the money immediately. However, he deposited five cheques worth Rs 2 lakh issued in the name of two different persons. But the cheques bounced due to insufficient funds in the bank accounts. Then the company authorities asked him to deposit the money immediately or face legal action.

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Finding no other alternative, company's project manager Rudra Pratap Das lodged an FIR at the Jagatsinghpur police station. Basing on the complaint, police arrested Mahalik on Sunday and forwarded him to court, informed Jagatsinghpur PS IIC Rajani Kanta Misra.

CM raises various issues at CZC meet

PNS ■ DEHRADUN

Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat attended the 21st meeting of the Central Zonal Council presided over by the Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh at Lucknow in Uttar Pradesh on Monday. Rawat requested speeding up of particular road widening works and connecting Hindon airbase to Pithoragarh via regular air service. He also spoke of the need to make amendments in the Bhagirathi eco sensitive zone notification.

A total of 22 issues were discussed in the meeting with 17 of them being resolved and directions being issued in three issues. The remaining two issues will be taken up in the next meeting of the council. Roads, Pradhan Mantri Gramin Sadak Yojana, means to tackle left wing extremism, modernisation of police force, MNREGA, infrastructure of airports, food grain storage, minimum support price, national health mission, school police caded and other issues related to schools were the major issues taken up in the meeting.

The Union Home Minister said that the by increasing cooperation between the Centre and States, the zonal councils have an important role to play in resolving important issues related to the public.

He said that all the zonal councils had been made active during the past four years. Speaking at the meeting, the Uttarakhand Chief Minister requested swift completion of the widening of Muzaffarnagar-Haridwar and Haridwar-Dehradun national highway. An air service

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should be started from Hindon airbase to Pithoragarh.

A regular commercial air service between Dehradun and Pantnagar should also be started. Regarding the Bhagirathi eco sensitive zone, he said that there is a need for making amendments in the notification. He also requested that funds be provided for modernisation of Uttarakhand's police force and facilitation of housing for police.

For compensatory afforestation, the State Government and corporations should also be accorded permission for such afforestation on degraded land as is granted to Government of India enterprises. Uttarakhand's chief secretary Utpal Kumar Singh and other senior officers were also present in the meeting.

Earlier, the CM met his Uttar Pradesh counterpart Yogi Adityanath at his residence. Rawat informed him about the notice issued to family members of Veer Chandra Singh Garhwali by UP forest department.

Adityanath assured Rawat of necessary action to provide relief to Garhwali's family members. He also informed Rawat that budgetary provision had been made for pension dues of employees allotted from UP to Uttarakhand.

Novel way to renew interest in radio in K'pada

CONTROL ROOM FROM GP OFFICE RUNS TRANSISTORS IN ELECTRIC POLES

MANOJ DASH ■ KENDRAPADA

In a first of its kind, to take radio to the common people, a Soochana Kendra was run from a panchayat office in Kendrapada.

Chittaranjan Behera, sarpanch of Bhagabatpur gram panchayat, said he is a great listener of radio and he wants that the people of his area get all information from it.

The Soochana Kendra was inaugurated on August 15 by district Collector Dasarathi Satapathy.

Behera has purchased 10 mike sets and transistor unit machines and amplifiers at a cost of Rs 70,000 and installed mikes in the electric poles of eight wards of Bhagabatpur village and also at Balia market.

As many as 6,000 audiences have got the opportunity now to listen to radio in his panchayat everyday, said Behera.

The technician of the control room switches on the radio at 7 am in the morning every day for providing an opportunity to the people to listen to the regional bulletin (anchalika sambad) broadcast on AIR,



Cuttack and later, Odia news broadcast at 1.50 pm followed by news bulletins of AIR, Delhi at 2 pm, at 6.45 pm in evening and 7.10 pm. Meanwhile, Sarpanch

Behera plans to set up mike sets in all the villages to cover the whole panchayat under his Soochana Kendra.

Very soon, the second phase work of installing mike sets are going to be made in the remaining villages, Behera said.

One can see groups of people congregating near the electric poles fitted with the public address system to listen to the radio news bulletins and other programmes in radio, said Manoj Kumar Rana, a youth. "When the news comes in public address system in our area, ear goes automatically to it," said Bijayalaxmi Behera, a house wife. It is really a good job, she added.

Ex-K'banji MLA Pal passes away

PNS ■ BALANGIR

Former Kantabanji MLA Prasanna Pal passed away on Saturday at a private hospital in Bhubaneswar.

He was elected from in 1977, 1980 and 1985 as a Congress candidate and in 1990 on a Janata Dal ticket. Many Government offices were opened at Kantabanji during his tenure.

Former PCC president and former Balangir MP Sarat Pattanayak mourned Pal's death and recalled his efforts to develop the Kantabanji constituency.

Former Kantabanji Congress MLA Santosh Singh



Saluja also condoled the death of Pal and described him as a leader who strived for development of the Kantabanji constituency by establishing schools, colleges and various Government offices.

Man held for molesting girl in Kendrapada

KENDRAPADA: The Kendrapada town police on Monday arrested a 28-year-old married person for allegedly outraging the modesty of a 12-year-old girl a few days back. The arrested was identified as Tuna Das of Kajjala village. IIC Tapan Kumar Nayak said the girl's elder sister filed a complaint alleging that Tuna molested their daughter while she was going alone to collect firewood in the Kendrapada Autonomous College field. Tuna was produced before the SDJM court and subsequently remanded into jail custody, said Nayak. **PNS**

Stray dogs menace in Gwalior increasing

PNS ■ GWALIOR

Stray dogs, some of them very dangerous and brutal are becoming a serious problem in the city. Till few months back, the menace of these stray dogs was limited to barking incessantly or fighting with one another thereby often scattering the garbage but now the condition has become grim as these dogs have started biting and chasing people, especially small children.

On Sunday night two stray dogs on the rampage bit an eight year old child at the Gudi Gudi Nakka area of the city. The girl child, Deepti, daughter of Sunil Dhakkad was returning home after attending the tuition classes around 8 in the night when the dogs attacked her.

Two youths who were standing nearby chased the dogs away and rushed Deepti to her home. She is being treated at the JAH and is said to be out of danger. She was also given the anti-rabies injection as the doctors fear the dogs could be infected as they were not given the vaccination.

In another incident at Gond wali Sadak, a stray dog bit an eighteen year old Salim Khan and two of his brothers. The locals caught the dog and beat it to death.

Eight more incidents of attacks by stray dogs were reported from various areas of the city last night. According to sources about 70 people reach JAH every day for treatment for stray dog biting.

Wife hacked to death over dowry in S'garh

PNS ■ SUNDARGARH

A youth allegedly hacked his wife to death over dowry demands at Chikatnali village under the Tikayatpali police station in the district on Sunday.

Reports said Gandua Oram (20) of Chikatnali and Binita Oram (20) of Kendudih village under the Lahunipada police station had eloped one and a half year ago after having a love affair.

A few days ago, they had returned to the village with their three-month-old baby. On Sunday afternoon, the duo had a hot exchange of words after Gandua asked Binita to bring some money from her father.

The argument turned fatal as Gandua picked up an axe and hacked Binita with it. She died on the spot. On being informed, police reached the village late in the night and detained the accused for questioning.



Minister for Higher Education Jaibhan Singh Pawaiya giving away National Service Scheme (NSS) Awards at golden jubilee celebration programme of NSS at Gyan Vigyan Bhawan, Barkatullah University in Bhopal on Monday. Pioneer photo

Badal family ruined Punjab even more than terrorism: Dharamsot

PNS ■ LUDHIANA/CHANDIGARH

Punjab Cabinet Minister for Forests and Wildlife Sadhu Singh Dharamsot on Monday accused the previous Shiromani Akali Dal-Bharatiya Janata Party Government of making Punjab bankrupt from all aspects saying that the Badal family ruined the State more than even terrorism.

Dharamsot, while addressing the gathering of party workers during the Congress party conference at Chhpar village, said before the SAD-BJP came to power in 2007, it was a common saying that terrorism damaged the State the most. "But during the 10 years of SAD-BJP rule, people now say that the previous Government damaged the State more as the State exchequer was looted and innocent people were beaten across the State," he said.

Taking an aim at the Badal family, Dharamsot said that it was during SAD-BJP's tenure that our youth fell prey to aspects saying that the Badal family looted our natural resources as well as every business. He said SAD played an important role for bringing dark days in the State, but it was former Chief Minister Beant Singh who sacrificed his life for bringing golden days back.

"Whenever the State or its residents were in danger, the Badal family proved opportunistic and saved their personal interests first. On the other hand, Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh has always worked wholeheartedly for safeguarding the interests of Punjab and Punjabis," he said.

Ludhiana MP Ravneet Singh Bittu, during his address, said culprits of desecration of religious Granths as well as of Bargari issue will be sent to jail at every cost. He assured gathering that the Amarinder Government is following up the matter with utmost devotion and seriousness.

"The recent massive victory of Congress party in Zila Parishad and Panchayat Samiti elections has proved that the party has strengthened at grassroots level," said Bittu.

Muktsar blind murder case traced, 4 held of Devinder Bambiha gang

Chandigarh: Punjab Police's organised crime control unit (OCCU) has solved Muktsar's blind murder case wherein a 52-year-old was killed in broad daylight by some unidentified men on March 11 with the arrest of four from the Devinder Bambiha gang.

Giving details, IGP Intelligence (OCCU) Kunwar Vijay Pratap Singh said that investigations revealed that motive behind the killing was car-jacking as the criminals wanted to snatch Swift Dzire car of the victim.

During the investigation, the OCCU team found the hands of Bambiha gang in the case. "One member of this gang, Ajay Faridkotia, was intensively questioned in this case who confessed the crime and named other culprits Amna Jaito, Amritpal Baba, Rakesh Kaku and Komaljit Singh alias Komal," said Kunwar Vijay.

He said that Ajay Faridkotia was arrested sometimes back in Moga who was involved in at least two dozen cases of serious nature. Subsequently, Aman Jaito (Faridkot) was brought on production warrant who was already arrested by a team of OCCU, he said. "When the case was solved and the investigation team was able to connect the missing links, Amritpal Baba (Muktsar) and Rakesh Kaku (Bathinda) were also arrested. The weapon used in this crime was .32 bore pistol which was also recovered from the accused," he said. **PNS**

AMID POWER TUSSLE BETWEEN RAKESH SINHA, ALOK VERMA

CBI submits files sought by CVC about complaint

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

As a follow up to CBI Special Director Rakesh Asthana's complaint against CBI Chief Alok Verma for allegedly interfering in the cases under his probe team, a senior agency official on Monday met the Central Vigilance Commissioner KV Chowdhary and submitted documents sought by the anti-corruption watchdog.

A senior official of the policy wing of the CBI met the CVC at his office for about an hour and is learnt to have submitted the files of the cases sought by the Commission in connection with the Asthana's allegations against his boss.

Asthana had recently sent a complaint to the PMO alleging Verma was interfering in the probes undertaken by him. The Government referred the complaint to the Central Vigilance Commission follow-

ing which the Commission through communications dated September 11 and September 14 sought files of various cases from the CBI.

The CVC exercises superintendence over the CBI for investigation of offences under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988; or an offence under the Criminal Procedure Code.

The CVC can direct the CBI to "inquire or cause an inquiry or investigation to be made on a reference by the Central Government." The CVC can also inquire or cause an inquiry or investigation to be made into any complaint received against any official belonging to the Central Government. In addition, the CVC is also empowered to review the progress of investigations conducted by the CBI into offences alleged to have been committed under the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

Asthana's complaint to the Government that was subsequently routed to the CVC fully comes under the jurisdiction of the Commission which is expected to take a call into registration of a case against Verma after verifying the allegations. If the allegations are unsubstantiated, the CVC may junk the complaint.

Earlier, Verma had opposed Asthana's promotion as CBI Special Director during a selection panel meeting led by the Chief Vigilance Commissioner following which the infighting between the two top officers has come to the fore.

Despite Verma's objections, the CVC unanimously cleared Asthana, a Gujarat-cadre IPS officer, last year for appointment as Special Director in CBI.

Verma has trashed Asthana's complaint as "malicious and frivolous".

Cong: To cloud Rafale, PM raising Pak apocryphal

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Congress on Monday accused Prime Minister Narendra Modi of deflecting the country's attention from key issues like "corruption" in the Rafale deal by raising the issue of Pakistan.



Senior Congress leaders (L-R) Vivek Tankha, Randeep Surjewala, Ghulam Nabi Azad, Jairam Ramesh, Ahmed Patel, Anand Sharma and others leave after a meeting with CVC K V Chowdhary at Central Vigilance Commission in New Delhi on Monday

Congress chief spokesperson Randeep Surjewala charged that "an unnerved, frustrated and worried Modi Government is now seeking shelter of Pakistan to deflect attention of the country" as it was faced with corruption "exposed" in the Rafale scam.

He told reporters that Modi should answer questions raised on corruption in Rafale deal and other issues and not teach lessons to its leaders on nationalism. The Congress leader charged that every time demoralisation-like "disaster" happens and people suffer, Modi remembers Pakistan.

"Every time a Mehul Choksi or 'chhota Modi' Nirav Modi runs away with India's money, the Modi Government remembers Pakistan. Every time a bank scam where government is guilty, the Modi Government remembers Pakistan." Now that Rafale

scam has exposed rampant corruption, the Modi Government is again seeking shelter behind Pakistan. Please answer questions of the nation for the nation seeks accountability from you Mr Prime Minister. We want to ask certain questions to the PM," he said.

Surjewala also took a dig at Modi for his "sari-shawl diplomacy" saying it was done when Pakistan was indulging in ceasefire violations. "Was your love for Pakistan not apparent

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—Randeep Surjewala

invited them to investigate the Pathankot airbase attack and the same ISI went back and accused India of killing its own soldiers," he queried.

"Was it your love for Pakistan when you formed a Government in J&K with PDP and in presence of our Prime Minister, the PDP Chief Minister thanked not people of India or J&K not Indian army or election commission but they thanked Pakistan and the separatists."

He also asked whether it was his love for Pakistan when a leader, whom the Congress alleged belonged to the BJP IT cell of Madhya Pradesh, was caught spying for the ISI.

"Was it your love for Pakistan when your deputy CM Nirmal Singh in J&K pub-

Full electrification will increase speed of trains by 10-15%: Rlys

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The average speed of the trains is likely to increase by 10-15 per cent by 2021-22 once the Indian Railways achieves 100 per cent electrification of its network. Railway Board Member (Traction) Ghanshyam Singh on Monday said that with the network being electrified through and through, it will increase average speed of trains and cut down travel time.

"Electrification will not only increase the speed of trains by 10 per cent to 15 per cent but also line capacity by the same amount," Singh said. While 29,000 route kilometers have already been commissioned, 13,000 route kilometers more were just approved, Singh said, adding that work is underway in 20,000 route kilometers.

The Indian Railways plans to complete electrification of its broad-gauge routes by 2021-22. It will also run freight trains in dedicated freight corridors on electricity.

He said the railways is planning to convert all those diesel locomotives among its 5,500 fleet which have run for 18 years (mid life) into electrical locomotives, while the 1,000 diesel locomotives to be delivered by General Electric (GE) will be used for "disaster management and strategic needs."

"Converting them would cost us ₹2 crore per engine, while their mid-term rehabilitation after 18 years is around ₹5 crore. These converted locos will have 5,000 horsepower. These are completely 'Make in India' and a matter of great pride," Singh asserted. He said the new engines will be less polluting, more efficient and involve brand new technology.

While two such locos have already been converted at the Diesel Locomotive Works (DLW), a production unit of the Indian Railways in Varanasi, another two is in the process of being converted, he said. This year, around 100 locos are expected to reach the 18-year mark.

Rahul's allegation of infiltration of RSS into SPG baseless: Home Min

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Home Ministry on Monday dismissed Congress President Rahul Gandhi's allegations about RSS infiltration in SPG as "baseless" and "devoid of fact". In a statement, Home Ministry said that the former SPG Director Vivek Srivastava never had any talks on the matter with Rahul.

Congress president Rahul Gandhi's recently in a meeting said that a former SPG chief had to quit because he refused to accept a list of officers handpicked by the RSS. "The comment reportedly made by Gandhi through the media is baseless, devoid of fact and unfortunate, coming from an SPG protectee," the ministry said in a statement.

"The matter has been verified. The officer in question, Vivek Srivastava, former Director, Special Protection Group (SPG), has specifically averred that he did not have any such conversation with Rahul Gandhi at any point of time. The officer has stated that as part of his professional duties he interacted with SPG

protectees; however, he has categorically stated that during his interaction with Shri Gandhi, there was no talk whatsoever regarding the appointment of a new Director, or the reasons for his leaving SPG," said Home Ministry.

The SPG is a professional organisation that takes its task of protecting serving prime ministers, former prime ministers and their families entrusted to its security very seriously, and in the highest professional spirit, the ministry said.

Rahul Gandhi, at an interaction with academicians here Saturday, had alleged that educational institutions, the Supreme Court and the Election Commission of India and others are "systematically being captured" by the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS).

Citing an example, the Congress chief had alleged, "When Mr (Narendra) Modi came to power, a person from Gujarat was chosen to head the SPG. In a short time, he left the position. He told me that he refused a list of SPG officers handpicked by the RSS, and that is why he was sent home."

India, China to sign internal security cooperation agreement

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

India and China will sign an internal security cooperation agreement during the forthcoming visit of China's Minister of Public Security. The first such agreement between the two countries will mark a new beginning in bilateral relations, officials said on Monday.

Zhao Kezhi, China's Minister of Public Security, is expected to visit India next month 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, a home Ministry official said.

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. While Singh is the head of eight central armed police forces with a combined strength of about 10 lakh personnel, Zhao is responsible for day-to-day law enforcement in China and commands about 19 lakh personnel.

The forthcoming meeting may lead to a future India-China agreement on exchange of sentenced prisoners, another official said.

Currently, India does not have an extradition treaty with China, nor a pact to exchange each other's sentenced prisoners.

There are at least 10 Indians in Chinese prisons and an equal number of Chinese citizens in Indian prisons.

Govt to organise 4th edition of int'l science fest

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In a tribute to the former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee, the Government has decided to organise the fourth edition of India International Science Festival (IISF) in his hometown in Lucknow in Uttar Pradesh. To be attended by approximately 10,000 delegates including students and teachers from India and abroad, a world record attempt will be made to "isolate DNA" by 500 students from class 8th to 10th standard.

The festival will be inaugurated by President Ramnath Kovind.

Union Science and Technology Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan said that it was the former Prime Minister who had brought Science to the centre stage of national agenda. "It was Vajpayee who had added Jai Vigyan to Lal Bahadur Shastri's slogan of 'Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan'," he added while



addressing a curtain raiser of the festival here.

Dr Harsh Vardhan said, IISF is the biggest platform in the country to bring together students, researchers, innovators, artists and general public to celebrate India's achievements in science and technology. The Minister said that IISF is a medium to encourage the young minds towards the field of science and to promote the networking of stakeholders working towards the propagation of science.

IISF-2018 with its focal

propagate science and for seeking scientific solutions to the diverse challenges facing our society, particularly rural India.

Secretary Department of Biotechnology, Dr Renu Swaroop said that the special role of women scientists and entrepreneurs in shaping the scientific growth trajectory will be another highlight of the festival. "The programme aspires to develop new entrepreneurship and explore new vistas of opportunities in the field of science and technology among the women. Approximately 800 women scientist/entrepreneurs will attend the event," she said.

There will be a special effort to engage with stakeholders of the Northeast and the aspirational districts. Another feature of IISF-2018 will be mega science and industry expo that will highlight the outstanding contributions of India in the field of science, technology, and industry.



Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman at BJP headquarters in New Delhi on Monday

Bank loan fraud: ED to file chargesheet against Sandesara brothers of Gujarat

New Delhi: The Enforcement Directorate (ED) will soon file a prosecution complaint (chargesheet) under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act against the Sandesara brothers, promoters of a Gujarat-based pharmaceutical company Sterling Biotech and wanted in a case worth over ₹5,000 crore bank loan fraud case.

The ED will subsequently seek Interpol Red Corner Notices against the accused brothers and others even as their exact locations remains unknown. The brothers are suspected to be changing locations from UAE to Nigeria, officials said. The charge sheet under PMLA is expected to be filed before a special court here within the next fortnight, they said.

The ED had earlier filed few charge sheets case against other accused persons.

The agency said it had registered a PMLA case against the Sandesara brothers—Chetan Jayantilal Sandesara and Nitin Jayantilal Sandesara—and their Vadodra-based company Sterling Biotech Limited and others on October 27 last year, two days after a case of alleged bank fraud of ₹5,700 crore and corruption was filed against them by the CBI. "Loans to the tune of ₹5,700 crore was disbursed by various banks during the years 2004-2012. Look Out Circulars (LOCs) were opened against the accused in August, 2017. During the course of investigation, three persons were arrested, one of them Gagan Dhawan, who was close to the power centre when the loans were sanctioned," the ED said in a statement.

It added that the agency has already attached properties worth ₹4,703 crore and is looking for "more properties and trails for the proceeds of crime" in this case.

The ED and the CBI have booked the company, its directors—the Sandesara brothers, Dipti Chetan Sandesara, Rajbhushan Omprakash Dixit, Vilas Joshi, chartered accountant Hemant Hathi, former director Andhra Bank Anup Garg and some unidentified persons in connection with the alleged bank fraud case.

EX-cop not allowed to move SC, alleges his wife; SC terms it serious

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The Supreme Court on Monday termed as "serious" the allegations made by the wife of arrested former IPS officer Sanjiv Bhatt that he was not being allowed to sign any document in custody to enable him approach the apex court.

A bench of Justices Ranjan Gogoi and Navin Sinha said the Gujarat Government should file a reply to the allegations levelled by Shweta Sanjiv Bhatt in her petition, on or before October 4.

"Before we go into the merit of the case, we would like Gujarat Government to respond to the allegations. According to us, the issue raised is serious as it pertains to allegation made against the state that it is preventing a citizen to approach us," the bench said.

Advocate Divyesh Pratap Singh, appearing for Shweta Sanjiv Bhatt said they have also challenged the remand of Bhatt, who was arrested by the Gujarat CID on September 5 in connection with

a 22-year-old case of alleged planting of drugs to arrest an advocate.

"We are not on remand at present. We are not on individual hardship. If a citizen is not allowed to come to court and his wife has to come before us, then it's a very serious issue," the bench said.

At the outset, the bench asked Bhatt's lawyer to read the averments made in the petition and said it had taken note of it.

Singh said Bhatt was not allowed to sign any documents including Vakalatnama for filing an appeal against the high court order.

Senior advocate Mukul Rohatgi, appearing for Gujarat government, said it will file an affidavit with regard to the averments made in the petition.

The bench then listed the matter for October 4.

Bhatt and seven others, including some former policemen attached with the Banaskantha Police, were initially detained for questioning in the case. Bhatt was the Banaskantha district superintendent of police in 1996.

Nehru Memorial Fund gets eviction notice

Fund refutes 'unauthorised occupation' charge

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Amidst the raging controversy surrounding the Nehru Memorial Museum Library (NMML), the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund, chaired by Sonia Gandhi and housed in the Teen Murti Estate in New Delhi, has been asked by Ministry of Housing and Urban Development to vacate the premises on grounds of "unauthorised occupation", which the Fund has refuted in "unequivocal terms".

In a letter dated September 11 from the Directorate of Estates under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, a copy of which is with IANS, the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund had been asked to vacate the Teen Murti Bhavan by September 24.

The letter said that NMML

is in "dire need of space" and alleged that the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund is occupying the premises "without any authority of law".

"Having coming to know about your unauthorised occupation of the building in pursuance of the communications received from NMML and having realised that you are in unauthorised occupation of the demised premises which is badly required for the objects of NMML, you are directed to vacate the premises... not later than 24.09.2018... failing which further action will be taken under the Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised occupants) Act 1971," the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs warned in its letter.

The letter signed by G.P. Sarkar (Deputy Director, Estates) further said that Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund is "liable to pay damage charges for illegal occupation of the premises w.e.f.

28.08.1967".

Responding to the notice, N. Balakrishnan, Administrative Secretary of the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund, refuted its premise and asked that it be withdrawn.

"I hereby refute in unequivocal terms your charge of unauthorised use or unauthorised occupation of the present office premises by the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund in the Teen Murti Estate," Balakrishnan said in his response in a letter (that IANS has access to) on September 20.

The five-page letter elaborated at length that the premises has been in its occupation since 1967, and has "remained unchallenged and never questioned and has been cemented".

Notably, it was NMML that had requested the Central Government (vide letter dated June 14, 2018) "that a portion of Teen Murti Estate" occupied by the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial

Fund "be vacated".

"The NMML is in need of space. People want to watch micro films, the library is always crowded... I want to shift all non-academic departments out of the library but there is no space. The part of the premises occupied by the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund is the only possible and viable space in the Teen Murti Complex," NMML Director, Shakti Sinha told IANS at his office.

He further alleged that there is "no organic relationship" between NMML and the Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund.

"I do not know what is their management structure and how they function. A lot of money has been passed on by the government to the Fund in the past. In the two years that I have been here, they have had no interaction with me. I wish them best but I also need more space for the library," Sinha stressed.

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Healthier India

Government's Ayushman Bharat scheme promises extended healthcare facilities but it must not fall short on implementation

Now that India's biggest health insurance cover, the Ayushman Bharat National Health Protection Mission (AB-NHPM), has been rolled out promising quality care to 40 per cent of poorer Indians, focus must shift to its effective and sustainable implementation. Otherwise, it will be consigned to being the big bang that turned into soda pop without the buck. For, if successful, the scheme will not only set several records but empower the poor with a confidence they have never had, burdened as they have been with out-of-the-pocket expense for even routine health care protocols. For the first time, they will have access to quality hospital treatment, one that will improve national health and productivity indices. For the first time, the massive health insurance cover could make India proudly declare what it declares in statute books — a welfare state. The scheme is even wider in scope than the existing Mediclaim and holds out hope for the disadvantaged elderly population too as it covers pre-existing diseases, mental health and congenital diseases. There's virtually no red tape involved as policy holders can walk into a hospital with their Aadhaar card number and be treated. The network of hospitals proposed to be created will be larger than what insurers have today. Healthcare in India is in a shambles and this is perhaps the first scheme that seeks unified involvement of the government, policy makers, private players and stakeholders. Obviously, this is a dream idea, coming appropriately in a pre-election year and is easier for the ruling party to sell as a visionary step taken in the right direction with right intent and, therefore, encashable as a plank arguing for continuity of a regime. After all, the BJP has even tackled dissenting states through a trust model, where the Opposition-ruled state governments are partnering it, hand-selling their own existing healthcare programmes and tagging Ayushman as an add-on.

The real story though is whether the public and private health infrastructure network can support a grand idea and whether the required budgets can be met. Most importantly, can we keep funds flowing and stakeholders invested? There is an urgent need to develop quality infrastructure and capacity-building in the deeper pockets where private hospitals, too, are wary of venturing simply because they cannot rationalise a low-cost set-up or packages. There is need to incentive creation of a health network at the grassroots level. One must convert the number of insurers as a bait for private operators to extend their community outreach. The public healthcare network of primary health centres and community health centres needs to be buffed up before the private network can. We need more qualified doctors, leave aside specialists, to serve at public hospitals. Going by the government rolls, there is just one doctor for every 11,082 people, according to the Medical Council of India and Directorate General of Health Services. We spend about 1.30 per cent of our GDP on health which is below what low-income countries spend on healthcare. The budget allocation for Jan Arogya Yojana is still not substantial at ₹2,000 crore. Providing cover is one thing but when the claims cascade and payouts are made in tumblers, it could mean a huge burden on the exchequer for which a foreseeable cushion has to be readied and the current allocation is not enough for it. Yet.

50 WORD EDIT Nature's warning

The battle of Man vs Nature has intensified as heavy rains have triggered landslides in Himachal Pradesh. The State was already struggling to overcome the devastation left by the previous round of the monsoon: a few months before that, it was in the grip of an acute water shortage. Nature has issued fair warning that the current pace of environmental degradation will have consequences.

Life is cheap

Sanitation workers do the job none of us will, the least we can do is ensure they are adequately protected and compensated

Stories of sanitation workers losing their lives while cleaning tanks and sewers keep hogging the headlines year upon year but nothing seems to change. Only last week, five manual scavengers who were allegedly put under pressure to go down into the sewers to clean them without protective equipment lost their lives as they were overcome with noxious gases as soon as they entered the sewer tank in an upmarket residential complex in the Capital. Another death followed at a different location but due to the same reasons a couple of days later. And few months ago, a five-star property in Delhi was embroiled in a row when five workers died cleaning due to inhaling toxic gases while cleaning the hotel's septic tank. Tragically, five more died due to asphyxiation while cleaning septic tanks in Odisha also last week. Similar reports come in from various parts of the country on a depressing-routine basis. The harsh reality is that our cities lack proper sewage system and most urban areas survive on those put in by the British colonial administration while mushrooming housing complexes have huge septic tanks that builders don't seem to recognise require regular maintenance. At a time when countries all over the world are moving towards mechanisation and automation, it is disgraceful that India lacks modern sewer cleaning technologies. As an aside, it is also shameful that a country which boasts of having the largest swachhata programme in the world has not been able to make the switch from dry latrines to flush toilets 71 years after independence. The class bias in mainstreaming discussions about the state of sanitation workers and sewers in our country is apparent as these issues make headlines only when fatalities are reported and then conveniently disappear from the front pages of newspapers. Citizens must share the blame because the lives lost seem to be considered inconsequential by those who live life in better circumstances. It is a horrific reflection on the de-sensitized nature of contemporary society that most people are more concerned about overflowing sewers than the conditions in which those sent down them work. The latest report by the National Commission for Safai Karmacharis (NCSK) revealed that on average one worker dies every five days while cleaning sewers and septic tanks. It is time to begin robustly prosecuting and/or fining municipal bodies as well as contractors who do not ensure workers have even the most basic of protective and safety gear and proper wages/benefits. It is a telling commentary on societal and governmental priorities that till date nobody has been prosecuted for employing manual scavengers.

A glimpse of the new, liberal RSS

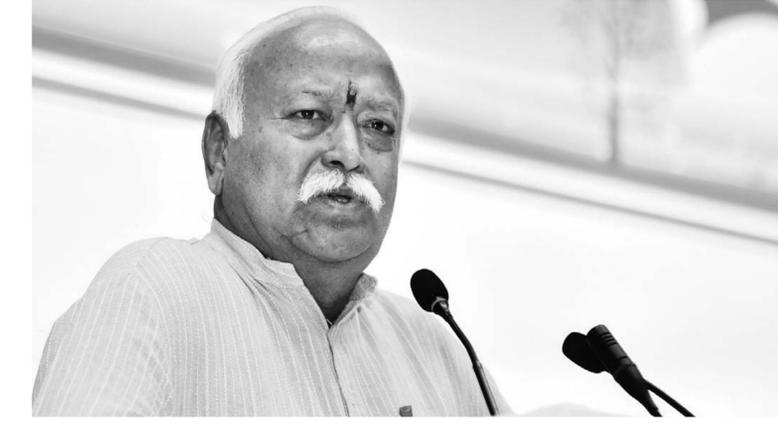
The Nehruvians and Marxists, who have viewed the RSS with utmost suspicion, must pick up the gauntlet and see the RSS with fresh lenses to make an assessment of what this organisation is all about



A SURYA PRAKASH

The Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh's (RSS) unprecedented outreach effort via well-planned and executed lecture series by its Sarsangchalak, Mohan Bhagwat, before an invited cosmopolitan audience in the Capital should dispel much of the apprehensions that have been voiced about this organisation for many decades. Having attended this event and heard Bhagwat as he touched upon a wide range of issues and chose to take the RSS's opponents head on, I would say that his thoughts on core issues that are central to our democratic existence, like secularism, pluralism, diversity, rights of religious minorities, gay rights, the central ideas in our Constitution, the National Flag and the National Anthem, would have left most of the Sangh's detractors speechless. Much of what has been said to condemn the RSS and to debunk the genuineness and veracity of the majority of citizens, was, to use a cricket-

ing phrase, smacked out of the boundary and the stadium by the RSS chief. While these assertions constitute the most significant outcome of this lecture series, what Bhagwat had to say about Guru Golwalkar's Bunch of Thoughts, clearly points to the Sangh's harmony with India's democracy, diversity and liberal values. Although Guru Golwalkar, the second Sarsangchalak of the RSS, saw Muslims, Christians and Communists as internal enemies, Bhagwat signalled that the RSS had decidedly chosen to move away from Golwalkar's postulates. He said some things are said in a certain context. The RSS had now come out with a publication that had Golwalkar's thoughts which were relevant at all times (Sadaa kahi ke liye upyukt vichaar) — this means that Golwalkar's views on minorities, which are in conflict with India's contemporary reality, have been edited out. Bhagwat said the RSS is not hidebound and that, as ordained by its founder, Dr Hedgewar, it had a duty to adapt itself to the changing times. Here is a quick run down on the key issues he touched upon. On the Constitution: Bhagwat spoke of the RSS' unequivocal acceptance of and adherence to the Constitution of India. The Constitution represents national consensus. It is the duty of every citizen to respect and follow the Constitution. It had been drafted by persons of great calibre who



MOHAN BHAGWAT TOLD THE PACKED HALL THAT HE WAS NOT THERE TO CONVERT OR CONVINCE ANYONE ABOUT THE CORE IDEALS OF THE SANGH. HE WAS THERE JUST TO CONVEY AND EXTEND AN OPEN INVITATION TO WHOEVER WAS INTERESTED TO VISIT THE RSS AND ITS SHAKHAS AND MAKE THEIR OWN ASSESSMENT

took into account a variety of factors specific to Bharat. Everything was thought-through and every word was weighed before its incorporation and this includes the Directive Principles of State Policy and the Fundamental Rights. "It is our consensus. We believe we must all be bound by it." Talking about the Preamble, he specifically mentioned the reference to fraternity, dignity of the individual and the unity and integrity of the nation. Fraternity encapsulated the idea of *Vividhata Mein Ekta* (Unity in Diversity). The thought of taking everyone along, which is embedded in the Constitution, makes it a liberal document espousing universal values. That is what Hindutva is about. The RSS supremo's categorical remarks regarding the efficacy of the Constitution should silence those who believe that the Sangh is anti-Constitution. On diversity: One of the oft-repeated accusations against the Sangh Parivar is that it is a Hindu communal organisation and that it abhors diversity. Bhagwat well-articulated position on this issue is probably the RSS' first serious effort at the national level to challenge its accusers. He told his audience that diversity is a matter of celebration. One should not fear diversity. On the other hand, we must celebrate and respect diversity. This is what Hindutva is all about. "My welfare depends on the welfare of all, this is Hindutva." For the RSS, no one is an outsider (*paraya*). The effort is to unite everybody (*Sampoono samaj ko jodna hai*). We

must work towards a society that is devoid of divisions (*bhed rahit samaj*). On the fear among Muslims to visit the RSS: Bhagwat invited Muslims to come to RSS programmes and institutions, and see the RSS from inside and get a first-hand feel of what the organisation stands for. A memorable quote from the lecture series was that Hindutva does not mean there is no place for Muslims. "The day it is said so, it will not be Hindutva any more." On mob lynching: Mob lynching and such other acts of violence in the name of cow protection is an offence and is unacceptable. At the same time, one must also raise one's voice in regard to cow smuggling because the Constitution accords cow protection. On gay rights: They (LGBTQ community) are a part of society. They should not feel isolated. On the Uniform Civil Code: Bhagwat said that the RSS believed in 'one nation, one law'. But at the same time, one must be aware of how diverse society is. Even among Hindus, there is so much diversity in these matters. Therefore, it is essential to ensure that there is no conflict on this issue. On building the Ram Temple in Ayodhya: A grand temple must be built at that site. Lord Ram represents *Bharatiya maryada*. He was even called the *Iman-e-Hind*. There was a temple at that site before. It is a matter of faith for crores of

people. The matter should not have dragged on so long. The temple should be built and when it comes up, "a big reason for tension between Hindus and Muslims will end". On reservations: The RSS supports all Constitutional provisions relating to reservations. Those who derive benefit from reservations must take a call on the continuance or otherwise of the policy of reservations. There is no problem in regard to reservations. The problem lies in the politics around reservation. Further, the law to protect Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes must be strictly enforced. It must also be ensured that the law is not misused. As can be seen from these responses, except for the Ayodhya issue, much of what he said should be acceptable to individuals across the political spectrum. Interestingly, he told the packed hall that he was not there to either convert or convince anyone about the core ideals of the RSS. He was there only to convey and extend an open invitation to whoever was interested to visit the Sangh and its Shakhas, and make their own assessment of what went on there. This is indeed the moment of truth. The Nehruvians and Marxists, who have viewed the RSS with utmost suspicion, must pick up the gauntlet and see the RSS from within and make their own assessment of what this organisation is all about. In other words, they too need to revisit their bunch of thoughts. (The writer is Chairman, Prasar Bharati)

POINT-COUNTERPOINT

I am disappointed at India's arrogant response to the peace dialogue. All my life, I have come across small men occupying big offices. —Pakistan Prime Minister IMRAN KHAN



The commonality between Pakistan and Congress is their frustration. Both of them want to remove Prime Minister Modi from Indian politics. —BJP spokesperson SAMBIT PATRA

Singing the Sangh's tune afresh

RSS' three-day lecture series was a good public relations exercise to showcase the Sangh's changed matrix from which its master speaker Mohan Bhagwat walked away with a gold medal



VK BAHUGUNA

The Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS), which had been under severe criticism by a section of political leaders and the social 'chatterati', in an unprecedented move, arranged for a high-profile meeting in Delhi's Vigyan Bhawan (Jalgaon district of Maharashtra) on September 17 to September 19. A galaxy of people from all walks of life, including foreigners, were invited. Opposition leaders, including Congress president Rahul Gandhi, too were invited but they refused to attend. This writer, while on tour, got a call from Suresh Kulkarni, a self-effacing RSS national representative of the Sangh's affiliate Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram, and a senior Pracharak, who asked him if he could attend this meet to know about his organisation's philosophy on the "future of Bharat". This writer had been in touch with the Vanvasi Kalyan Ashram on related matters and agreed to attend the programme.

erally beneficial commentary on what the Indian culture is, and lofty ethos of sustaining a dignified human life. On day one, Bhagwat started with establishment of the RSS and the life of Keshav Baliram Hedgewar, who founded the RSS in 1925 in Nagpur with the intention of promoting the concept of united India, rooted in Hindu ideology. After propounding the philosophy of the Sangh, he, step by step set aside prevailing misgivings about the organisation. Bhagwat asserted that the RSS respects the National Flag and cited the example of 1936 Faizpur (Jalgaon district of Maharashtra) session of the Congress, in which RSS volunteer Kishan Lal, one of the many who attended the session, hoisted the tricolor. He was praised by Jawaharlal Lal Nehru. Bhagwat also refuted the criticism that the RSS was opposed to Mahatma Gandhi and cited many instances of the Sangh's support to him and vice-versa. He stressed that the Sangh had no desire to impose itself on the country. Further, the RSS chief made it clear that neither does the Sangh remote controls its affiliate organisations nor does it allow its office bearers to participate in political activities. He asserted that the Sangh definitely raises issues of national security, like infiltration of foreigners. Individual members, however, are free to join any political party and espouse the cause of their chosen field. The RSS, therefore, concentrates on transforming the individuals as good human beings to make a vibrant society. If this is ensured, nations around the world would be integrated as a world community — it is the bedrock of Hindutva and Indian civilisation. In nutshell, this is the crux of Hinduism.



means that the entire world is one single family. Without this very concept, the Sangh cannot exist. This is the biggest statement ever made by any Sangh chief. In doing so, Bhagwat set the record straight about his organisation's view on religion. He, thus, effectively countered propaganda spread by few that the Sangh is anti-minority, especially an anti-Muslim body. He said that in RSS parlance, there is no scope for minoritism as it believes in oneness of the people. On the last day, he declared his organisation's support for all Constitutional provisions, laws and judicial interpretations and fully supported the reservation policy till the time those who are beneficiaries, renounce it themselves. He also asserted that the RSS stands opposed to the caste system. He, however, categorically demanded that the Ram Temple

THE TERM HINDUISM NEVER EXISTED IN INDIAN TEXTS AND WAS COINED BY FOREIGN INVADERS. IT CAME INTO USE IN THE 7TH CENTURY AD. BHAGWAT ASSERTED THAT SEGREGATING PEOPLE INTO GROUPS IS THE ANTITHESIS OF RSS VALUES

should be made in Ayodhya as soon as possible as it has been proved beyond doubt that it is the birth place of Lord Rama, and if Muslims agree, it will strengthen the bond between the two communities. The RSS chief also reiterated the views of the RSS on Jammu & Kashmir for abrogation of Article 370 and Article 35A and said that the RSS volunteers are working with the local population to achieve social harmony. However, he evaded a direct answer on the Supreme Court's decision on Article 377 but said that he believed that an inclusive approach should be adopted on this. Mohan Bhagwat also supported the Government's decision on the Court's order on atrocities on SC/ST, but said that there should not be any discrimination and misuse of the Act. Bhagwat deplored cow vigilantes for taking law into their

hands but at the same time pitched the idea of 'cow conservation' so as to make small farmers self-sufficient. The RSS supremo demanded a new population policy which should take into account demographic balance for a better future of the country. He also vehemently opposed the idea of choosing none of the above (NOTA) while voting. On a question on conversion, he said that God is not for trade in the market — voluntary conversion is needed, devoid of any ulterior motive. On language issues, he asked the Hindi speaking States to adopt teaching of one non-Hindi language. Overall, it was a good public relation exercise interspersed with a changed matrix in which the master speaker walked away with a gold medal. (The writer is a retired civil servant)

Time for a common civil code

Essence of secularism implies removing any trace of religion from family laws. A uniform civil code needs to be implemented at the earliest to keep India's diverse moral fabric intact



SANJU VERMA



and Sikhs, with the exception of Scheduled Tribes, over the last several decades.

After the Sepoy Mutiny, while the Britishers left various personal laws unchanged — the Indian Christian Marriage Act of 1872, the Indian Divorce Act of 1869, the Married Women's Property Act, the Hindu Inheritance (Removal of Disabilities) Act of 1928, the Special Marriage Act of 1923 and subsequently 1954, the Parsi Marriage and Divorce Act of 1936 and eventually the Hindu Marriage Act of 1955, were enacted to codify personal laws of various communities, pertaining to issues of marriage, succession, guardianship and maintenance. Muslim radicals, however, resisted changes to their personal laws, leading to the Shariat Application Act of 1937. However, the Shariah was never codified, and hence, its legal status in the post-colonial period, patriarchal Muslim men were the only ones who refused to change with changing times, under the garb of Shariah. Much of the Shariah's today owes its allegiance to radical schools of thought like Hanbali, Maliki, Shafi'i and the Hanafi school of thought, which was the governing *fiqh* between 1664-1672 for the likes of Emperor Aurangzeb and other bloodthirsty Muslim invaders thereafter. Needless to add that the Supreme Court declared instant triple *talaaq* as unconstitutional on August 22, 2017. The Narendra Modi Government's righteous efforts to make instant triple *talaaq* a punishable crime as per provisions of the Muslim Women Protection of Rights in Marriage Act, 2017, were stalled by the Opposition in the Rajya Sabha on January 3, 2018 and again on August 10, 2018, on flimsy grounds.

In the given circumstances, the Modi Government's decision to bring an Ordinance on September 19 to declare triple *talaaq* a punishable offence, is historic. In 1985, former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi destroyed the confidence of Indians' Muslim women by overturning the Supreme Court's 1985 verdict and denying Shah Bano, a hapless Muslim divorcee, a mere monthly allowance of ₹179.

The wrongs done by the Congress were finally corrected by the current BJP-led dispensation after 33 long years, under the astute leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Naysayers from the Congress would do well to recall 70 Ordinances under Nehru, 77 under Indira Gandhi and 61 under Manmohan Singh, before criticising the Modi Government on opting for the Ordinance route to end triple *talaaq*. Criminalising triple *talaaq* sets the stage for a Uniform Civil Code (UCC), which in any case has been provided for under Article 44 of the Directive Principles. But since these principles are not legally enforceable, a suitable law is long overdue. Those who oppose UCC on the frivolous pretext that it will end India's diversity and plurality, should know that family laws can never override the Constitution, which is the country's only Holy Grail that is both legally tenable, and the one that has and always will, stand the test of time.

The case for the UCC was amply demonstrated by Justice Khehar and Justice Chandrachud, when a PIL by Catholic advocate Clarence Pais, who wanted divorce granted by Church courts to be held legally valid, was junked by the apex court in January 2017. The Court categorically stated that despite Christian marriages being solemnised by a parish priest in the Church as per the 'canon law' (Christian Personal Law), when it came to divorce-related matters, only divorce granted by courts under the Indian Constitution and under the Indian Divorce Act of 1869, are legal. Family laws or Church courts have no place in a democratic society if such personal laws interfere with the basic tenets of the Indian Constitution or relevant parliamentary legislations contained therein. The fact that personal laws run subservient to the Constitution had in any case been decided way back in 1996 in the divorce battle between Molly Joseph and George Sebastian, and only reaffirmed against Clarence Pais, who retook the 1996 verdict. Be it making Christian divorce laws gender equal in 2001, or amending Hindu succession laws in 2005, if there can be a common criminal code, there is absolutely no reason why India should not have a common civil code. The essence of secularism implies removing any trace of religion from family laws, and that being the case, UCC is an idea that now needs to be implemented to keep India's secular and richly diverse moral fabric intact.

The foundation of Indian civilisational values is based on unity in diversity that is *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*, which

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

WIPE OUT NAXALISM

Sir — This refers to the report, "Maoists gun down TDP MLA, ex-legislator in T" (September 24). It is shocking that the Maoists killed two MLAs belonging to the Telugu Desam Party (TDP). At a time when Naxalism is on the wane, this outburst of their outpouring of vengeance is nothing but terrifying. This portends a jittery future for the nation. Naxalism is a scourge and it has to be wiped out any and where. Does Naxalism linger? And what is its main attraction? Naxalism grows where

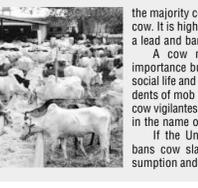
there is a breakdown of the justice system. Also, huge economic disparity and poverty play an important role in taking root of this social outfit. So, as an immediate measure, the Government must address the core problems of the Maoists. Once the socially marginalised people, who often fall prey to the revolutionary principals of annihilation, are taken to the mainstream of the country by providing them all that is needed basically, Naxalism will vanish for sure. TK Nandanam Via email

ACT BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE

Sir — This refers to the editorial, "French gust of wind" (September 24). By now, it is clear enough that the Congress is trying to make a Bofors out of the Rafale deal. While there may not be an iota of truth in the Congress allegations but the way Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been silent on the issue, it is difficult to fathom. Modi-led Government's biggest USP is its clean government record so far and the Congress is trying to hurt the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)

India must get tough on cow protection

This refers to the article, "Selective amnesia on the killing of animals" (September 24) by Balbir Punj. In my opinion, the two resolutions passed by the US House of Representatives on the slaughtering of cats and dogs and meat consumption should prompt India to ban slaughtering of cows. Reverence for the cow is an integral part of the Indian culture and when we talk about composite culture, it becomes necessary that we respect sentiments of



the majority community in respect of the cow. It is high time that India should take a lead and ban cow slaughtering. A cow not only holds religious importance but is also beneficial for our social life and agriculture. But recent incidents of mob lynchings have proved that cow vigilantes take law in their own hands in the name of cow protectionism. If the Union Government acts and bans cow slaughtering, domestic consumption and export of beef, then lynching incidents will minimise. Lynching incidents are a threat to our social fabric. I appreciate the writer's demand that the Union Government should ban cow slaughtering, consumption and export of beef immediately by a central legislation in those States where it is lawfully permissible. Also, the Government must also enforce it strictly where it is banned already. Jasin Mohammad Aligarh

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The second was the 1990-91 war between Iraq and most of its Arab neighbours, plus large numbers of American and other Western troops, after Saddam invaded Kuwait. The third was in 2003, when then US President George W Bush invaded Iraq in the mistaken belief that Saddam had links with the al-Qaeda terrorists who made the 9/11 attacks and/or was working on weapons of mass destruction. And the fourth, coming soon to a theatre (of war) quite a long distance from you, will be the US/Gulf Arab Conflict on Iran. Of course, the attack in Ahvaz last week could have been just another meaningless spasm of hatred by the Islamic State, and not a Saudi/American initiative at all. But if not now, then soon. (The writer is an independent journalist)

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OBC leader & Cong MLA Alpesh likely to join BJP

NAYAN DAVE ■ GANDHINAGAR

With 2019 Lok Sabha polls coming closer, the stage is being set for new political equations in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's home State Gujarat as OBC leader and Congress MLA Alpesh Thakor may join the BJP.



The 42-year-old Radhanpur MLA's future course of action is the hottest topic of discussion in political circles of Gujarat. If sources in the Congress as well as BJP have to be believed, Thakor is in contact with the top leadership of the saffron brigade for the past few months.

He had founded 'OBC, SC, ST Ekta Manch', to counter Hardik Patel's agitation. His rise in the Gujarat's political arena is at supersonic speed. Playing his cards smartly, just couple of months before the 2017 assembly polls Thakor joined the oldest political party in India and went on to become a Member of the Legislative Assembly.

Sources close to Thakor claimed that the OBC leader was not happy with the Gujarat Pradesh Congress Committee (GPCC), as the GPCC leadership didn't give due importance to him. Thakor remained silent over surging petroleum prices and inflation, says a senior GPCC leader adding that even during the recently completed

monsoon session of Gujarat Assembly his participation to oppose ruling party was extremely cold. In fact on the issue of increase in the salary of MLAs, Thakor criticised Congress legislators for supporting the ruling party's Bill. He publicly said that on one hand Congress party was up in arms against BJP for increasing prices, but they wouldn't mind taking huge hike in salary which only add burden on the taxpayers.

Thakor's entry in BJP means a lot for Gujarat BJP at a time when a section of Patidar community is not happy with the ruling party in wake of ongoing pro-quota reservation stir of the 25-year-old Hardik Patel. If Thakor would join the saffron brigade, the deficit of votes due to a section of Patidar community's lat

towards Congress would be compensated, said a senior BJP leader requesting anonymity. "In case Alpesh would join BJP, he is expected to contest from Patan Lok Sabha constituency in North Gujarat. That is not enough. Along with him five other sitting Congress MLAs belonging to Thakor community will also join the saffron party," he claimed. Just four days ago former Congress MLA and Patidar leader from Surat Dhuru Gajera had resigned from the party with his nine supporters. Gajera has also indicated to join BJP. Strong Koli leader of Saurashtra region who elected from Jasdan constituency in Rajkot district on Congress ticket in 2017 assembly polls had also joined the BJP in July earlier this year.

ANDHRA MAOIST ATTACK

Slain TDP leaders' funeral performed amid tight security

OMER FAROOQ ■ HYDERABAD

In an atmosphere surcharged with emotions and anger, the funerals of the two Telugu Desam party leaders gunned down by Maoists were performed in Visakhapatnam district of Andhra Pradesh on Monday.

A large number of supporters attended the funeral of TDP MLA from Araku Kadiri Sarveshwara Rao at Paderu. Two State Ministers - Ayyanna Patrudu and N Ananda Babu - represented the Government at the funeral. The cremation was delayed due to heavy rain.

Former MLA Siveri Soma who was also killed in the CPI Maoist attack on Sunday was buried according to the Christian customs at his native place Battivalasa near Araku. A large number of tribal people and TDP workers bid a tearful farewell to him. Earlier the District Superintendent of Police Rahul Dev Sharma visited Araku and laid wreaths and paid respects to the slain leaders. He also visited the police stations in Araku and Dimbriguda which were burnt and vandalised by the angry supporters of the two

leaders Sunday afternoon holding the police responsible for failing to protect their lives. Meanwhile, State Director General of Police RP Thakur announced that the sub-inspector of police Amarnath was being put under suspension in connection with the Maoist attack as well as vandalism at the police station. He also said that a special investigation team will investigate the Maoist attack and establish the cause of the failure of security in prevention of the attack.

Security was tightened in and around Araku and the additional DGP Harsh Gupta and DIG Ch Srikant were camping in Araku and Paderu to supervise the security arrangements and combing operations.

Normal life was hit in the agency or tribal areas of Visakhapatnam as the bus services of State Road Transport Corporation were suspended since last evening in view of the Maoist attack and protests in Araku. This has put the ordinary people and commuters to a great hardship. Even the special police forces dispatched to the area found it difficult to travel last night.

AP-Odisha border back in focus as Maoist stronghold

Police faces a new challenge

OMER FAROOQ ■ HYDERABAD

With the targeting of two ruling Telugu Desam party leaders, including MLA K Sarveshwara Rao the Andhra-Odisha border zone is back in focus as a stronghold of the outlawed CPI Maoist party.

He also felt that the MLA also did not follow the procedure as he ventured into the interiors without informing police.

AP police was confident that the Maoists will not venture into their area from Odisha hacking suffered severe setbacks during last two years including the killing of 32 Maoists in a joint operation by Greyhounds of AP and special force of Odisha police. The incident in October 2016 at Ramgarh was seen as a back breaking blow to the outlawed organisation. Since then Maoists made several unsuccessful attempts to carry out a retaliatory attack but suffered more losses leading to the complacency on the part of police.

As the Visakhapatnam agency area was reeling under tension and a further flare-up of violence appears quite likely, the top officials of Andhra Pradesh police were analysing the reasons for the failure of security leading to the killing of the two tribal leaders so close to Araku, a major town and tourist spot.

The reason the failure has become more stark was that the Maoists had issued a clear threat to attack the MLA from Araku in April last. There were also fears that the Maoists might carry out a spectacular attack on the occasion of the 14th formation day of the CPI Maoist. However, it now appears that no heed was paid to the threat.

Police officials feel that the triangle of Andhra-Odisha-Chhattisgarh border due to its topography and forests had the potential to once again become a stronghold of the Maoists and could be used by them as springboard for more attacks.

Ever since the CPI Maoist completely lost their fortress in Nallamalla forest in Andhra Pradesh they could not find another foothold till now. As the Maoists were quite strong and active in Odisha and Chhattisgarh they could stage attacks in Andhra as well as Bhadrachari-Kottagudem district of Telangana, the police official said.

Six teams of AP police have launched combing operations in

Visakhapatnam agency area against the Maoists involved in the killings. Sources said that efforts to nab or kill them were being coordinated with the Odisha police which was alerted soon after the attack.

State police officials believe that Andhra Odisha Border Special Zone Committee Military Commission Chief Pratapreddy Ramchandra Reddy alias Chalapati could be the main brain behind the attack. The organisation had moved him to Odisha after the Ramgarh encounter in 2016 and according to the intelligence sources he returned to Andhra side a few days back. Chalapati's wife Chaotanya alias Aruna heads the Nandapur area committee in the same area on Andhra Odisha border. Police believes that this committee provided logistical support to the action team of military commission in executing the decision taken at a high level in CPI Maoist party.

The other name of possible executioner of the plan was T Vasudev Rao alias Vasanna who was also involved in the bid to assassinate Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu in a mine blast in Tirumala and was believed to be active in the area. Visakhapatnam incident also had its echo in neighbouring Telangana where police have gone on alert in districts of Warangal and Karimnagar, strongholds of Maoists in the past.

Petrol prices breach ₹90/litre mark in Maharashtra cities



A filling station staff attends to a customer at a fuel station in Mumbai on Monday. Petrol on Monday crossed the Rs 90-mark in Mumbai as a dip in the value of rupee and rise in international oil prices pushed rates across the country to new all-time high

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PN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

The petrol prices breached the psychological barrier of ₹90 per litre in Maharashtra on Monday, with the retail outlets in Mumbai selling the fuel at ₹90.08 per litre and the price touching an all-time high of ₹91.91 in Parbhani town in Marathwada region of the State.

Petrol was sold in retail in at least 13 cities in the State in the range of ₹90.08 to ₹91.91. The petroleum dealers attributed the hike to dip the value of rupee and rise in international oil prices. In Mumbai, the petrol price was hiked 11 paise per litre from ₹89.97 to ₹90.08, while diesel price was hiked by five paise per litre. The fuel prices peaked in Parbhani town, where petrol was sold at ₹91.91 and diesel at ₹79.15.

According to the Federation of Maharashtra Petroleum Dealers Association (FAMPEDA), petrol was sold at Nanded at the rate of ₹91.61 per litre, at Amravati ₹91.31 per litre, at Ratnagiri ₹91.14 per litre and at Jalgaon ₹91.01 per litre. Meanwhile, the Opposition Congress slammed the BJP-led NDA Government for the unchecked increase in petrol prices. As a mark of protest, the

Sick Asiatic lions in Gir forest to be shifted to rescue centre

PNS ■ GANDHINAGAR

In the backdrop of the death of 11 Asiatic lions in its last abode - Gir Forest - the State forest department suddenly decided to form 64 teams to screen sick and weak big cats and immediately shift them to rescue centre.

16-km long second phase of Hyderabad Metro Rail inaugurated

OMER FAROOQ ■ HYDERABAD

Hyderabad, one of the fastest developing cities in India, today added another feather to its cap with the opening of the second phase of Metro Rail linking Ameerpet in the heart of the city to LB Nagar, a busy eastern suburb. The 16-km long route was formally inaugurated by Governor ESL Narasimhan at Ameerpet around noon. The service was opened to the public in the evening.

The Governor, who travelled in the inaugural service from Ameerpet to LB Nagar, said, "I urge all the citizens of Hyderabad to use the Metro extensively to reduce the pollution and fuel consumption". Lauding the efforts of Hyderabad Metro Rail Ltd and L&T Metro company officials to make Hyderabad project world class, Narasimhan said that the Hitech City route should be completed by December 15.

After returning from LB Nagar by metro Narasimhan rode a bicycle from Khairatabad station to Raj Bhavan. Speaking on the occasion, Minister Taraka Rama Rao said that every station of Metro was built to the international standard and the project was winning international awards. "It can compete with any Metro Rail project in the world", he said pointing out that with 46 kms long Metro already operational Hyderabad Metro had become the second biggest such project after Delhi leaving other cities including Chennai

and Bengaluru behind. The L&T Metro which was executing the project has spent ₹12,000 crore on it while the State Government acquired the necessary land and properties for the project, KTR said. With the opening of this stretch entire 29 kms long corridor from Miyapur to LB Nagar was operational. The Miyapur-Ameerpet and Ameerpet-Nagole route was opened by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi last year.

Of the 71 kms Metro line on all the three corridors the service has started on 46 kms and work was moving fast to complete the corridor 3 from Secunderabad to Mahatma Gandhi bus stand at Imlibun. The Imlibun metro station will be the biggest and the tallest in the entire city as two corridors will join at this point and the people can interchange to different routes. It has corridor stations on 1st and second floors, the corridor III stations will be on the two top floors NVS Reddy, managing director of the HMRL said that two skywalks will connect the Metro stations with the central bus station on one side and Chadarghat area on the other to ensure smooth flow of the commuters. Another aspect of the project was the development of five kms route from state assembly station to the MGBS point as heritage precincts. As part of this effort to beautify the stretch road aides will be paved with Deccan stones and railings will be in Indo-Persian style to match with the architectural character of Hyderabad.



A band of Indian Army's Jammu & Kashmir Light Infantry Regiment performs on the deck of Indian Naval Ship Kochi during their affiliation ceremony on the shore of Arabian sea in Mumbai on Monday

Kushwaha rejects cricket lingua of seat-sharing formula

PNS ■ PATNA

After the Bihar leaders of the RLPSP disapproved of the talks on seat-sharing among the NDA partners, party chief and Union Minister Upendra Kushwaha on Monday summarily rejected the possibility of a 20:20 formula of seat-sharing. Instead of rejecting in clearcut terms, he said some people were introducing cricket format in politics but "I am not interested in cricket rather I used to play gilli-danda".

The talks in the NDA circles had been going on that under the 20:20 formula BJP would contest half of the total 40 Lok Sabha seats in Bihar and give 20 to its three allies; 12 to JD(U), five to six seats to LJP

and remaining two to Kushwaha's party. But there was no official word from either the BJP or LJP and JD(U). The only reaction, that too symbolically, came from Kushwaha after Bihar RLPSP leaders Nagmani and Bhagwan Singh Kushwaha rejected it saying their party would not tolerate discrimination and they wanted as much seats as allotted to JD(U) or rather more claiming their party represented 10 per cent of population of Kushwaha as compared to less than two per cent vote share of Kurmis. "There have been, so far, no talks on seat sharing. Once there is talk on this matter I will tell you," the RLPSP chief told media people on Monday.

Assam Assembly session begins on a stormy note over NRC

ANUP SHARMA ■ GUWAHATI

The first day of the autumn session of the Assam

Legislative Assembly started with a noisy note with both ruling and Opposition legislators raising voice of concern over

the issue of recently-declared draft National Register of Citizens (NRC) in Assam.

BJP legislator, Shiladitya Dev raised his voice of concern over the issue by showing a placard which read "My Lord do not discriminate your own children". Dev explained that he was referring to the recent decision of the apex court to drop five documents from the list of documents for filing claims and objections and said that it is discrimination.

THE FIVE DOCUMENTS PROPOSED TO BE DROPPED WERE THE 1951 NRC, PRE-1971 VOTERS' LISTS, CITIZENSHIP CERTIFICATE, REFUGEE REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE AND RATION CARDS (AS SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS)

He added, "As a MLA we are supposed to know some details from NRC Department so that we can explain to people. Is there something wrong in NRC, is NRC transparent? Tomorrow if NRC fails what will happen there will be law and order problem. What is the point of keeping away the Centre and state government from the NRC process?"

Home Minister, Rajnath Singh and requested him file affidavit in Supreme Court against Hajela's proposal," Dass said.

"We met Assam chief minister, Sarbananda Sonowal requesting him to file affidavit and accordingly state government filed affidavit in the Supreme Court. The State Government has also requested the Supreme court to consider pension slip as one of the documents," he said.

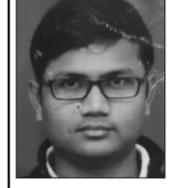
NRC. The five documents that proposed to be dropped were the 1951 NRC, pre-1971 voters' lists, citizenship certificate, refugee registration certificate and ration cards (as supporting documents).

"Till now NRC directorate has not been able to do mapping and cannot say with precision what is percentage of left out in each district. If 1951 NRC is not acceptable as a document for claim and objection what purpose will the NRC of 2018 serve?" he asked.

Nearly 14 organizations participated in a protest outside assembly demanding ouster of Hajela. BJP State president Ranjeet Kumar Das along with MLAs Shiladitya and Ashok Singhal met the agitating organisations. "We have met Union

Dev said. The court has asked Hajela not to give any details to any one in Centre or State Government and this is unfortunate," Dev said. The court has asked Hajela not to give any details to any one in Centre or State Government and this is unfortunate," Dev said.

SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed one male namely **Jitender Kumar**, S/o Ramesh Kumar, R/O B-422, New Seemapuri, New Delhi, Age: 26 Years, Height: 5'3", Complexion: Shallow, Face: Round, Built: Thin, Wearing Blue Shirt and Khakhi Pant and Blue colour Shorts Shoes, having cut mark on right cheek, has been missing from AllIMS Hospital, New Delhi since 31.08.2018. In this regard a DD No. 25-A, Dated 05.09.2018 has been lodged at P.S. Hauj Khas, New Delhi.

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

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PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

See Section 82 Cr. P. C.
Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused (1) **Rahul @ Kannu S/o Jagdish R/o Z-286, Naryan Vihar, Prem Nagar-2nd, Kirari, Delhi** (2) **Jitender @ Joginder Yadav S/o Chunnu R/o D-2/72, Gali No.7, Prem Nagar-III, Delhi** has committed (or are suspected to have committed) the offence under FIR No.336/12 U/s 380/457/411/34 IPC, has been registered at P.S Aman Vihar, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said (1) **Rahul @ Kannu S/o Jagdish (2) Jitender @ Joginder Yadav S/o Chunnu** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said, (1) **Rahul @ Kannu S/o Jagdish (2) Jitender @ Joginder Yadav S/o Chunnu** has absconded (or are concealing themselves to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused (1) **Rahul @ Kannu S/o Jagdish (2) Jitender @ Joginder Yadav S/o Chunnu** accused of FIR No.336/12 U/s 380/457/411/34 IPC, required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before 30.10.2018

By order
Sh. Anurag Thakur
Metropolitan Magistrate, (North West-02),
Room No. 113, 1st Floor, Rohini Courts, Delhi

50 terrorists killed in two months in J&K

Security stepped up for 'surgical strike' anniversary

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

Ahead of the second anniversary of the 'surgical strike', security forces are on song in Jammu & Kashmir.

In the last two months more than 50 terrorists have been killed by the joint teams of security forces in clinical operations.

According to official sources, "a total number of 25 terrorists were eliminated in different operations across the State in the month of August 2018, highest in a single month this year".

For the second consecutive month this year the security forces have managed to eliminate more than 25 terrorists in a single month.

Till September 24, the security forces have already eliminated 28 terrorists while relentless operations were going on in South Kashmir districts to ensure smooth conduct of the civic/Panchayat polls in the State.

According to official sources, "since January 1, 2018 a total number of around 170 terrorists/infiltrators have been eliminated in the State this year".

Addressing a press conference in Srinagar on August 24, 2018 the Director General of Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), RR Bhatnagar had claimed, "a total number 142 terrorists have been eliminated in anti-terror operations in



Jammu & Kashmir since January 1 this year".

Rough estimates suggested the total number of active terrorists in the State hover around 300 out of which an estimated number of 180 are believed to be local cadre and rest comprise foreign terrorists.

In the aftermath of killing of Hizbul Mujahideen commander Burhan Wani on July 8, 2016 large number of local youth from South Kashmir districts had joined ranks of different militant outfits.

According to police records, "126 local youth had joined ranks of militant outfits in 2017 and over 130 have already joined this year with Shopian emerging as hub of local militant cadre".

In 2017, a total number of 218 terrorists were eliminated by the security forces in J&K.

In the wake of Municipal and Panchayat polls in the state the security forces have increased their footprints in the South Kashmir districts. To ensure safety of candidates and create conducive

atmosphere ahead of the polling dates the security forces are also conducting massive cordon and search operations (CASO) to track down the hiding groups of terrorists.

On the other hand to terrorise voters and different candidates from participating in the polls the different terrorist outfits are resorting to pressure tactics and issuing threatening letters to prevent them from taking part in the polls.

In some pockets of South Kashmir especially in Shopian and Pulwama the terrorists are regularly abducting kith and kin of security forces or police personnel and eliminating them to avenge killing of their top commanders.

Three police personnel were killed last week by terrorists in Shopian district after abducting them from their homes.

On the other hand, in the absence of mainstream political parties National Conference and Peoples Democratic Party from the poll arena the political activity is yet to pick pace on ground zero.

Santhali bandh holds up trains in Bengal

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

A whole system of rail and road communication was on Monday literally hijacked by a relatively unknown pressure group in the Jangalmahal area of Bengal area demanding, among other things, official recognition of Santhali and Olchiki languages, appointment of Santhali teachers in schools and construction of tribal-specific hostels.

Called by Bharat Jakat Majhi Pargana Mahal, a relatively new face in the history of Jangalmahal, the bandh took an oppressive character by the evening when the passengers and the authorities were informed that what started as a dawn-to-dusk blockade would continue indefinitely, sources said.

"We have been petitioning the Government since 2003 for inclusion of Santhali in the list of official language. But though it has been recognised by the Constitution, it is yet to be used as an alternative official language in Government offices,"



A tribal man holds a bow and arrow as others block the railway tracks demanding completion of their various demands, at Sainthia Junction railway station in Birbhum on Monday

a BJMPM leader said.

"We want Santhali and Olchiki to be recognised as official languages, besides we want these languages to be taught in the schools and for that teachers will have to be appointed. We also want Adivasi hostels in various places," another leader said adding the bandh would not be called off until some assurance came from the respective Governments.

Even as the Central and

State Governments were lukewarm in their response in reacting to the situation tens of trains remained vulnerable and stranded, some of them in open fields. Railway services were heavily disrupted in Howrah-Kharagpur, Kharagpur-Tatanagar,

Kharagpur-Adra sections as trains remained stranded at Purulia, Bankura, Adra, Nekursuni, Basta, Salboni,

Balichak and other places. Sandwiched between the tribal demands and Governmental indifference were thousands of helpless passengers, students, women, children, patients desperately asking for food and water through the day and throughout the night even as none from the powers that be tended to come forward to account for the affairs.

At least four districts of Purulia, Birbhum, West Midnapore and Bankura came under the impact area of the sudden bandh. The national highways linking Bengal with Jharkhand, Odisha and the entire South and Western India were also affected. Even as tracks were blocked with stranded trains in many places in Bengal, Jharkhand and Odisha sources in the South-Eastern Railways said at least nine trains from Kolkata had been cancelled. Apart from these a number of trains had been rescheduled, sources maintained. "We are returning from an educational trip to Vishakhapatnam with 73 girl

students. Now we are standing in the middle of nowhere though the Railways have provided us with some security guards," S Sen the Principal of the BSS School said.

Falling in the mainline between Howrah and Madras the route is a busy one frequented by hundreds of patients travelling between Kolkata and Vellore. "We have a number of patients returning from South India. Their condition is precarious," a student of the school said.

Meanwhile, the Trinamool Government and the BJP locked horns over a Bengal bandh called by the saffron outfit on September 26 in protest against death of two school children in an alleged police firing in Islampur block of North Dinajpur district. "We will not allow any bandh to take place in Bengal. All the Government offices and transport will remain open," State Education Minister Partho Chatterjee said adding all leaves of Government employees had been cancelled.

BJP not in fray for Karnataka Council elections

KESTUR VASUKI ■ BENGALURU

Monday (September 24) being the last day to file the nominations for the byelections to the Karnataka Legislative Council (Upper House) for the three seats, surprisingly the Opposition BJP has decided not to file papers. The byelections for the council will be held on October 4 for three vacant seats.

The BJP took the decision following lack of strength to win the election. In the 224 member House the BJP has 104, while JDS-Congress, which have joined hands to form the coalition Government, put together have 117 MLAs. However the rumour mill was abuzz that BJP tried to lure Independent and disgruntled MLAs of JDS and Congress but failed in its effort to garner support for a

candidate.

This made the saffron party to backtrack from the council polls which is seen as crucial as the political situation is fluid and uncertain.

Former Minister Nazir Ahmed and MC Venugopal of the Congress and Ramesh Babu of JDS have filed their nominations on the last day clearing way for their unanimous election.

Monday was the last date for filing nomination.

The BJP State President B S Yeddyurappa, though the party had emerged as single largest party by winning 104 seats in the May 12 Assembly election and swearing in as Chief Minister, had to step down as he could not muster magic number of 113 to prove majority on the floor of the House within 24 hours as directed by Supreme Court. The Congress moved the Apex

Court for its intervention.

JDS and Congress joined hands and formed the Government to keep the saffron party away. However BJP under its strongman BS Yeddyurappa is still trying for operation lotus to poach disgruntled MLAs from both the Congress and the JDS. This has escalated the war of words between Chief Minister HD Kumaraswamy who is heading a fragile coalition with the Congress and BJP Lingayat strongman BS Yeddyurappa. The seats had fallen vacant following resignation of Deputy Chief Minister G

Parameshwara (Cong), Opposition Leader in the Legislative Council K S Eshwarappa and V Somanna (both BJP), on being elected to the Legislative Assembly. It is said that in the process of the political development former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah

who is calling shot has succeeded in nominating his candidates to the council. This shows he still controls the party and the coalition Government banks on him.

The byelection was originally scheduled for October 3 but was deferred by a day to October 4 due to the General Holidays of Muharram on September 21 and 4th Saturday of September 22 and September 23 being Sunday effectively curtailing the number of days available for the candidates to file their nomination papers.

New schedule was announced by fixing last date for filing nomination on September 24, scrutiny on September 25, last date for withdrawal of nominations is September 27 and polling on October 4. Counting of votes will be taken up on the same day 5pm onward.

5 infiltrators killed, soldier martyred in Kashmir

KHURSHED WANI ■ SRINAGAR

Five infiltrators and a soldier were killed as army foiled a major infiltration bid in Tangdhar sector of north Kashmir's Kupwara district. The prolonged operation continued through Monday as the security forces apprehend presence of more infiltrators in the area.

Defence spokesman said that three infiltrators were killed on Monday during massive search operation in the area. The first contact with the infiltrators had been established late on Sunday when the army shot dead two infiltrators. The more members of the infiltrators' group had dispersed in the dense forest.

The spokesman said that search operations were in progress in the difficult mountainous area along Line of Control. During the firefight a soldier was critically wounded. He was immediately evacuated from the area but succumbed to his injuries later.

Meanwhile, the normal life remained affected on fourth consecutive day in north Kashmir's Bandipora town in response to killing of five terrorists in Shokhbaba village of Sumlar area.

Even as the security forces claimed that the slain terrorists belonged to Lashkar-e-Tayyeba outfit and were foreigners, Hizbul Mujahideen outfit on Monday claimed that they were local cadre of the outfit. The outfit also identified the slain terrorists.

AK-47 bursts shake sushashan in Bihar

AK-47s are replacing desi katta (country-made pistol) in the hands of criminals

FAIZAN AHMAD ■ PATNA

The sensational killing of a former Mayor of Muzaffarpur, Samir Kumar, by AK-47 on Sunday in the north Bihar town has once again exposed the fact that the criminals are going bold and fearless in Bihar.

The use of sophisticated weapon in hitting the targets in several murders in recent times also showed that AK-47 is in the possession of the criminals in abundance.

In most of the recent high profile murders in Bihar, AK-47 was used. This dreaded weapon is not only being smuggled in to the State but also assembled and sold for a price of ₹3-4 lakh.

Recently some assault rifles were seized in Munger which had been smuggled from Madhya Pradesh and the involvement of an ordinance factory was also suspected.

According to eye witnesses Samir was murdered near Banaras Bank Chowk in Muzaffarpur by four bike borne criminals and they fired no less than 50 rounds killing former mayor and his driver on the spot.

Only a couple of days back one history sheeter Tabrez, said to be sharp shooter of former Siwan MP Mohammad Shahabuddin was gunned down just behind the Kotwali police station in broad day light. Some of the criminals arrested for killing Tabrez revealed they wanted to use AK-47 but could not because of the crowd there so used revolver. This was an admission that they too had this sophisticated weapon. Last month an RLSP functionary was murdered in Hajipur by AK-47 and an RJD worker in Samastipur.

"Criminals no more use country made pistol and they prefer AK-47," commented RLSP chief and Union Minister Upendra Kushwaha who came down heavily on the Bihar Government for poor law and order situation. RJD vice president Raghunath Prasad Singh reacted, "It is beyond doubt that criminals have more AK-47 than the security forces."

While Muzaffarpur observed bandh on Monday, all the opposition parties strongly condemned the "governance" of Chief Minister Nitish Kumar leaving little space for NDA

Another bridge collapses in Bengal

Kolkata: Bridges continued to exhibit unpredictability as another under-construction viaduct, this time over a Sunderban river, collapsed on Monday morning, sources said.

The labourers working at the site had a providential escape as they were about to join work in half-an-hour when a part of the bridge over Kalnagini river collapsed at about 9 am.

Sunderban Development Minister Manturam Pakhira said an inquiry had been ordered and the guilty would be taken to task. "No injuries have been reported neither has there been any casualty," South 24 Parganas District Magistrate Y Ratnakara Rao said.

This was the fourth such incident in the recent past after Majherhat Bridge collapsed in South Kolkata claimed three lives late last month. PNS

SEARCH FOR MISSING PERSON



General public is hereby informed that one person namely Ashok Kumar, S/o Chander Lal, R/o H.No. 68-B, Gali No. 9, Ambedkar Colony Chhattarpur Mehrauli, New Delhi, Age 35 years, Height 5'3", Complexion Wheatish, Round Face, Thin Build, Wearing White colour T-shirt, blue colour black lining pant and sleeper in feet has been missing from his house since 17.07.18. In this regard a vide DD No. 58-A dated 17.07.18 has been lodged at PS Mehrauli, New Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this missing person may kindly inform to the following.

E-mail ID: cic@cbi.gov.in SHO
 Tele: 011-24368638, 24368641 PS: Mehrauli, New Delhi
 Fax: 011-24368639 Ph.: 26643200, 8750870824
 DP/4850/SD/18

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED (See Section 82 Cr.Pc.)

Whereas complaint has been made to me that accused person Mohd. Ahsan, S/o Mohd. Sajjad, R/o X-398, Prem Nagar, Kirari Sulaman Nagar, Delhi has committed the offence in case FIR 655/15 U/S 279/338 IPC PS Nangloi, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused Mohd. Ahsan can not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused Mohd. Ahsan has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused Mohd. Ahsan of case FIR 655/15 U/S 279/338 IPC PS Nangloi, Delhi is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before 14.11.18.

By Order
 Shri Manoj Kumar
 Metropolitan Magistrate
 Room No. 268, 2nd Floor, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING e-AUCTION

The Executive Engineer (E), Electrical Division-I, CPWD, Gate No. 6, Jalebi Chowk, North Block, New Delhi (Ph: 23092312 & email: deleeeed1.cpwd@nic.in) on behalf of the President of India, hereby invites e-auction of surplus / unserviceable materials for the following work:-
 NIT (E-Auction) No. 02(4thCall)/EE(E)/ED-1/2017-18, Name of Work: RMO Inspection Vehicle No. DL-2C-C7855 under ED-I, CPWD, North Block, New Delhi. (SH- Auction of unserviceable inspection vehicle - Mahindra Jeep No. DL-2C-C7855). Reserve Price: ₹41,000/-, Earnest Money: ₹4,100/- Last date and time of Submission of earnest money and online request to allow participation in e-auction: 01.10.2018. For details, please visit www.tenderwizard.com/ CPWDAUCTION or eprocure.gov.in नीलामी सूचना का हिन्दी रूपान्तरण www.tenderwizard.com/CPWD और eprocure.gov.in पर उपलब्ध है।

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR TOURISM (M&W) JAMMU

NOTICE INVITING TENDERS
 e-NIT No. 64 / 2018-19 Dated: 15-09-2018
 Subject:-Request for Proposal to appoint Project Design and Architectural Consultant (PDAC) for PRASAD Scheme, Katra
 The Deputy Director Tourism (M&W), Jammu on behalf of Governor of J&K State, invites Request for Proposal (RFP) from applicants to appoint Project Design & Architectural Consultant (PDAC) who shall assist the Directorate of Tourism, Jammu (DoT, Jammu) as per the scope of work specified for providing professional services on PRASAD Scheme of Ministry of Tourism, GOI for a period of three years extendable by one more year. The completed application for selection as Project Design and Architectural Consultant (PDAC) must be submitted not later than 2:00 pm on 06-10-2018 to Deputy Director Tourism (M&W) Jammu, Tourist Reception Centre, Veer Marg, Residency Road Jammu. 180001 (J&K). The applicant must submit earnest money of Rs.50,000.00 in the form DD pledged to Deputy Director Tourism (M&W), Jammu. The date, time and venue of Pre-Bid Conference shall be 27-09-2018 at 11:00am in the office of Deputy Director Tourism (M&W), Jammu. The applicant has to follow all relevant details like evaluation criteria for technical proposal, experience of Key Personnel, details of presentation, ranking, award of contract, payment terms, general conditionset which have been explained in detail vide RFP enclosed herewith.
 S. No.-: 1, Name of Work :- Request for Proposal to appoint Project Design and Architectural Consultant (PDAC) for PRASAD Scheme, Katra
 Name of Division :- DDT (MW), Jammu.
 Earnest Money (Rs. In lacs) :- 50000/-
 Time and date of opening of tender :- 06.10.2018
 Critical Dates
 S.No.-: 1
 Description:- Date of issue of Tender document
 Date :- 15-09-2018
 S.No.-: 2
 Description:- Period of down loading of on-line bid documents
 Date :- 17-09-2018 at 9.00 AM upto 06-10-2018 upto 12:00 Noon
 Sd/ Dy. Director
 Tourism (M&W) Jammu.

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT PRESIDENCY DIVISION. MUMBAI E-TENDER NOTICE NO. 67 FOR 2018-19

Online percentage rate E-Tenders in "D" form are invited by the Executive Engineer, Presidency Division, PWD, 2nd floor Bandhakam Bhavan, 25 Murzaban Road, Fort, Mumbai-400 001 (Tel. No.-22016975/22016973) for the following work from Experience supplier or distributor.

Sr. No.	Name Of Work	Estimated Cost
1.	Providing erecting water proof/sun proof mandap stage and barricading around at New council Hall, Mumbai (for Winter Session November 2018) Job No. 1981/P/7101/1393/2018-2019/71/2349 Job No. 1981/P/7101/1393/2018-2018/71/2359	33.29
2	Supplying Hardware, sanitary, Stationery and cleaning material and micellaneous material for day to day maintenance work at New Council hall Bldg. at Mumbai (for Winter Session November 2018) Job No. 1981/P/7101/1393/2018-2019/71/2353	24.95
3	Supplying sanitary, cleaning, Plastic, Misc. matteress, Curtain, bedsheets material at Akashwani MLA Hostel, (for winter Session November 2018) at Mumbai Job No. 1981 /P/7101/1393/2018-2019/71/2353	17.70
4	Supplying Labour & Removing Debris from hostel Premises at Akashwani MLA Hostel, (for winter Session November 2018) at Mumbai. Job No. 1981/P/7101/1393/2018-2019/71/2353	3.00

1.	Tender Publishing Date	Dt. 25/09/2018 To 09/10/2018
2	Tender opening Date	12/10/2018 afternoon 3.00 P.M.
Note:- All the Information's are available on		
1) www.mahapwd.com		
2) www.mahatenders.gov.in		
No.PD/Store/9920		Sd/
Office Of the Executive Engineer		(S.D. Indurkar)
Presidency Division P.W.D. 2nd Floor,		Executive Engineer
Bandhakam Bhavan 25, Murzban		Presidency Division Mumbai.
Road, Fort Mumbai 01		
Dated : 12.09.18		
DGIPR/2018/2019/3144		



IL&FS is independent of Government. It has independent board and shareholders. So, IL&FS needs to resolve its issues on its own and I think it is capable of doing it. It has assets, it has liabilities to take care. There might be some temporary mismatch, so it is IL&FS, which will deal with the problem
Subhash Chandra Garg,
Secretary, Economic Affairs

BUZZ FROM GOVT

The achievement of the first cycle of Perform, Achieve and Trade has been very impressive indeed. The targets have been exceeded by more than 30 per cent. The first cycle itself led to saving of almost 1.25 per cent of our primary energy consumption. Just in first cycle of PAT we get 8.67 million tonnes of oil equivalent savings
RK Singh, Union Minister of Power



Sensex at 7-month low

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Benchmark BSE Sensex on Monday suffered its worst single-day loss in seven months, extending its fall for a fifth day due to a meltdown in banking and auto stocks on liquidity concerns and a rout in global markets.

The 30-share index tanked 536.58 points or 1.46 per cent to settle at a two-month low of 36,305.02, logging its biggest single-day loss since February 6 when it declined by 561.22 points.

This is the weakest closing since July 11 when it settled at 36,265.93. The index dropped a total 1,785.62 points or more than 5 per cent in five sessions, wiping out ₹8.48 lakh crore of market wealth.

Factors like crude oil prices hitting a four-year high, liquidity concerns after defaults by IL&FS, the rupee retreating a level of 72.73 against the US dollar bset investors.

The broad-based Nifty of the National Stock Exchange crashed below the 11,000 mark, declining by 168.20 points or 1.51 per cent to end at 10,974.90.

Liquidity concerns and reports that China has called off planned trade talks with the US weighed on the market sentiment, brokers said.

"This turmoil which was

INVESTORS POORER BY ₹8.47 LAKH CR AS MARKET TURMOIL CONTINUES FOR 5TH DAY

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Market turmoil has wiped out ₹8.47 lakh crore from investor wealth in five days, with the BSE benchmark index tumbling nearly 5 per cent since early last week. The 30-share Sensex Monday tanked 536.58 points or 1.46 per cent to end at 36,305.02, extending its downtrend for the fifth straight session. The barometer has lost 1,785.62 points or 4.68 per cent in past five trading sessions. Led by the extreme bearish market sentiment, the market capitalisation of BSE-listed companies went down sharply by ₹8,47,974.15 crore to ₹1,47,89,045 crore. Liquidity concerns and reports that China has called off planned trade talks with the US weighed on the market sentiment.

"This turmoil which was triggered last week by housing and NBFC's continued to trouble the market as panic spread. In spite of assuring statements by key Government and institutional leaders, market was concerned about the near-term headwinds like quality and increased cost of funds along with tighter liquidity.

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Brent crude prices hit a four-year high before trading up 2.34 per cent at \$80.07 a barrel while WTI gained 1.81 per cent to \$72.06 a barrel.

Of the 30 Sensex scrips, 24 declined with Mahindra & Mahindra emerging as the

biggest loser. Mahindra and Mahindra fell by 6.46 per cent while Maruti and Bajaj Auto decline by 3 per cent and 1.7 per cent respectively.

Financial stocks led by HDFC also took a hit. HDFC dropped 6.22 per cent, IndusInd Bank by 4.94 per cent, ICICI Bank by 2.8 per cent, Kotak Bank by 2.6 per cent, HDFC Bank by 2.16 per cent, and SBI by 2.04 per cent.

Yes Bank fell by another 0.35 per cent, taking its total losses to more than 29 per cent after the RBI curtailed the term of its founding CEO Rana Kapoor.

Finance Minister Arun Jaitley said Monday that the government would take all measures to ensure adequate liquidity for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs)

and mutual funds.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and market regulator Sebi said on Sunday that they were closely monitoring the developments in the financial sector and were ready to take "appropriate actions" to calm the jittery investors.

Other index losers included Bharti Airtel, Adani Ports, Tata Motors, Tata Steel, Asian Paint, Wipro, Hero MotoCorp, Sun Pharma, HUL, ITC Ltd, L&T and PowerGrid which fell up to 4.94 per cent.

Bucking the trend, IT stocks TCS and Infosys rose by 4.5 per cent and 1.5 per cent. Coal India rose by 2.1 per cent while Reliance gained 1.27 per cent.

In the broader market, the BSE small-cap index fell by 2.72 per cent while the mid-cap index shed 2.40 per cent.

Aviation stocks fall as Brent crude price crosses \$80 per barrel.

SpiceJet stock fell by 7.20 per cent to ₹71.50 and InterGlobe Aviation stock was down 4.97 per cent to ₹860.65.

Shares of Dewan Housing Finance Corporation rebounded nearly 11.79 per cent after the company stated that it had not defaulted on any bonds or repayment nor had there been any single instance of delay on any of its repayment of any liability.

The company's shares had tumbled 42.43 per cent in the previous session on Friday following massive selling over fears of a liquidity crisis.

Petrol price crosses ₹90 per litre mark in Mumbai



IANS ■ NEW DELHI

Spiralling fuel prices continued their upward march on Monday as petrol price in Mumbai crossed the landmark level of ₹90 per litre. Diesel prices also hit new highs for the second consecutive day.

Petrol was sold at ₹90.08 per litre in country's financial capital Mumbai, up from ₹89.97 on Sunday, data on the Indian Oil Corp's website showed.

In the other key cities of Delhi, Kolkata and Chennai, the fuel was priced at ₹82.72, ₹84.54 and ₹85.99, respectively, against the previous levels of

₹82.61, ₹84.44 and ₹85.87 per litre.

The recent surge in transportation fuel prices comes amid increasing crude oil prices. On Monday, the price of Brent crude oil crossed the \$80-per-barrel mark.

Diesel prices also rose on Monday in tandem with petrol prices.

Cost of diesel in the four metros of Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai and Chennai was at ₹74.02, ₹75.87, ₹78.58 and ₹78.26 respectively, against the Sunday's levels of ₹73.97, ₹75.82, ₹78.53 and ₹78.20 per litre. Prices in all the four cities are at their record levels.

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person namely **Srikant Yadav** S/o Jodi Yadav R/o H.No. 52, Shyam Nagar, Govindpura, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence vide case FIR No. 98/12 u/s 147/148/149/257 IPC P.S. Geeta Colony, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Srikant Yadav** cannot be found and whereas it have been show to my satisfaction that the **Srikant Yadav** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation u/s 82 Cr.P.C. is hereby made that the **Srikant Yadav** accused of FIR No. 98/12 u/s 147/148/149/257 IPC is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before **10.12.2018**.

By Order: Ms. Mahima Rai,
Metropolitan Magistrate-02
Court No. 15, 1st Floor,
Karkardooma Court, Delhi

FM to meet PSU banks chiefs today

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Finance Minister Arun Jaitley will meet the heads of public sector banks (PSBs) on Tuesday as part of the annual financial performance review exercise.

The meeting is expected to discuss a host of issues, including progress made with regard to reduction in non-performing assets, sources said.

The meeting will happen against the backdrop of the 'Alternative Mechanism' (AM) to merge three public sector banks — Bank of Baroda, Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank — with a view to create a global-size lender, which will be stronger and sustainable.

Besides, the finance minister will also discuss credit growth and bad loan situation, they said, adding that various recovery measures by banks and legislative steps taken by the government to expedite recovery are also part of the agenda.

Govt may opt to control retail fuel prices to cushion inflationary shocks: S&P

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

With petrol and diesel prices scaling record highs, S&P Global Ratings Monday said the Government may opt to control retail fuel prices to cushion inflationary shocks.

India imports almost 80 per cent of its crude oil requirements. Rising crude prices and the recent 10 per cent slide in the rupee has translated into higher fuel prices for consumers.

"This puts pressure on consumers and results in higher inflation, a sensitive subject, given the impending federal and state elections over the next 12 months," S&P Global Ratings credit analyst Vishal Kulkarni said.

"We don't expect any reversion to the subsidy mechanism similar to before 2014 in India, even though the incumbent government may opt to control retail fuel prices, using other means, to cushion the inflationary shocks," Kulkarni

added.

The US-based agency said it assumes a Brent crude oil price per barrel of \$70 for the rest of 2018, \$65 for 2019, and \$60 for 2020, against the current spot price of almost \$80 per barrel in our financial projections.

Petrol price Monday crossed the ₹90-mark in Mumbai, while it was at ₹82.72 per litre in Delhi. Diesel at IOC's outlets in Mumbai costs ₹78.58 a litre, while in Delhi the fuel costs ₹74.02 a litre.

The Government freed petrol price from its control in June 2010 and diesel in October 2014. It now provides a limited subsidy on LPG and kerosene. S&P said amid rising crude oil prices, tight implementation of retail fuel-pricing policies will influence the leverage of Indian oil companies.

"While rising oil prices bolster the cash flows of upstream businesses, cross subsidies from upstream to downstream segments could limit such benefits," Kulkarni said.

Govt mulls selling its stake in PFC to REC

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Government is considering selling its 65.61 per cent stake in state-owned Power Finance Corporation (PFC) to Rural Electrification Corporation (REC), which could fetch the exchequer about ₹13,000 crore.

"The discussions are at a preliminary stage. The Government sees a lot of synergy between the two NBFCs funding power sector projects," an official said.

At the end of 2017-18 financial year, the total resources of REC stood at over ₹2.46 lakh crore, of which 'Reserves and Surplus' stood at ₹3,515.59 crore. The net worth of the company stood at ₹35,490 crore and 'cash and bank balance' was at ₹1,773 crore at the end of March 2018.

Stock of REC was trading at ₹98.90, down 7.35 per cent, while PFC scrip was trading at ₹79.60, 1.18 per cent lower over previous close on the BSE.

Business Corner

PCRA'S AWARENESS INITIATIVE FOR PETROLEUM CONSERVATION

Petroleum Conservation & Research Association (PCRA), under the aegis of Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Government of India, aims to make oil conservation a national movement. PCRA is entrusted with the task of creating awareness amongst the masses about the importance, methods and benefits of conserving petroleum products & emission reduction. With this objective, PCRA conducted a study through Central Road Research Institute (CRRI) in 2016-17 to gauge the impact of an awareness campaign on vehicle users' switching off behavior "before", "during" and "after" a 7 days long awareness campaign at Bhikaji Cama Place Traffic Intersection.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF SIGN LANGUAGES CELEBRATED

'International Day of Sign Languages' was celebrated by Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) under Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment here on Monday. Krishan Pal Gurjar, Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Shakuntala D Gamlin, Secretary, DEPWd, Dolly Chakravarty, Joint Secretary & Director, ISLRTC and many Deaf and Dumb persons along with their families were present.

GARDEN SHIPBUILDERS & ENGINEERS LTD OFFERS EQUITY SHARES

Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Limited (the company), proposes to open on September 24, 2018, an initial public offering of equity shares of Face Value of ₹10 each ('Equity Shares') for cash at a Price per Equity Share (including a Share Premium) ('Offer') comprising an offer for sale 29,210,760 Equity Shares by the Promoter, The President of India, acting through the Ministry of Defence, Government of India ('The Selling Shareholder').

WEEKLY COMMERCIAL STEAM TRAIN INTRODUCED

After steam traction phased out on Indian Railways around 25 years back, it is the first time that a time-tabled weekly commercial steam train service has commenced at normal fair of ₹10 between Garhi Harsaru and Farukhagar section of Northern Railway.

BIS BEGINS CELEBRATION OF WORLD STANDARDS DAY 2018

Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), the National Standards Body of India has commenced the celebration of World Standards Day (WSD) 2018 with first curtain raiser programme at Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru on the topic 'Smart Energy Storage'.

Govt mulls nationwide norms for public procurement

The Government is considering developing nationwide specifications for public procurement of goods by Central Government agencies to encourage domestic suppliers to plan their production schedule, an official said.

The proposal is likely to be included in the new industrial policy being prepared by the commerce and industry ministry.

The policy may also suggest extending the offset policy in public procurement in sectors beyond defence such as electronics and ICT.

The official said standardised specifications of products would enable Government departments and public sector units (PSUs) to release large orders helping the industry achieve economies of scale.

The Government and PSUs procure goods and services worth over ₹5 lakh crore every year, as per estimates.

Standardised specifications would also help domestic industry plan their production and technology well in advance.

"Policy actions can help public procurement add significant value to the domestic industry," the official added.

The ministry has developed an e-marketplace portal (GeM) for buying of goods and services by different Government agencies and departments.

SEARCH FOR MISSING

General public is hereby informed that one girl (depicted in the photo) namely **Geeta**, D/o Jiraj, R/o D-109, Laxmi Park, Nihal Vihar, Nangloi, Delhi, Aged 14 years, has been missing since Dated 18.08.2018. In this regard a FIR No. 536/18, u/s 363 IPC, Dated 19.08.2018 has been registered at Police Station - Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Her physical description is as under-

Complexion: Sallow, **Height:** 5'0", **Face:** Round, **Clothing:** Wearing pink colour Suit, Pajami and red colour Chappal in feet.

Any person is having any information/Clue about this missing girl, may inform undersigned.

Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>
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 P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi
 Ph.: 011-25946700, 25946710

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NOTICE

In continuation to our notice No. KRC/Accounts/2016-A,B,C/2018 dated : 04.07.2018, it is again reiterated that the migrant employees who retired from Resident Commission, J&K Govt. New Delhi shall submit an affidavit valued Rs. 10/- duly notarised, declaring:-

1. Name alongwith parentage of the migrant employee.
2. Last place of his/ her posting where from the employee migrated from Kashmir Valley,
3. That the employee is not residing in an accommodation provide by the Govt. (state) in or outside the state.
4. The place of retirement.
5. Date of Retirement.
6. Saving account no. operated by the migrant.
7. Contact number of the retiree.

The above information is being sought in order to disburse/ calculate HRA/ CCA as admissible to State Govt. employee as per the Govt., order No. 1449-GAD of 2016 dated: 30.12.2016.

Chief Pay & Accounts Officer,
 Resident Commission

KBI/Adv/1748-49/2018
 Dated: 24.09.2018

KRC/Accounts/3984-3988/18
 Dated: 20.09.2018

IL&FS independent of Govt, capable of handling its issues: Garg

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS), which has defaulted on a series of interest payments, needs to resolve issues on its own, Economic Affairs Secretary Subhash Chandra Garg said.

"IL&FS is independent of Government. It has independent board and shareholders. So, IL&FS needs to resolve its issues on its own and I think it is capable of doing it," Garg said in an interview.

Although Government has no holding in the company, some of the state-owned financial firms including LIC and SBI are shareholders of the non-banking financial company (NBFC).

"It has assets, it has liabilities to take care. There might be some temporary mismatch, so it is IL&FS, which will deal with the problem. The Government is not involved directly," Garg said.

Earlier this month, IL&FS Group defaulted on inter-corporate deposits and commercial papers.

On September 4, it came to light that IL&FS had defaulted on a short-term loan of ₹1,000 crore from Sidbi, while a subsidiary has also defaulted on ₹500 crore dues to the development financial institution, which reportedly forced Sidbi to ask its chief general manager in charge of the risk management department to resign.

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CORRIGENDUM-I

NIT No. 215/ P&D/ 2018 (Bid No. B- 559)
 The due dates for submission of tender cost, EMD, closing of e-tenders and opening of Part-I bids are hereby extended as under:-

a. Date of closing of online e -tender for submission of Techno-Commercial Bid & Price Bid.	01-10-2018 upto 13:00 Hrs
The original bank guarantee (EMD) or DD shall be deposited by the bidders in the O/o CE PD&C, UHBVN, Panchkula after closure of online sub mission of Techno-Commercial Bid & Price Bid on web portal. The validity of this BG shall be 193 days from the date of opening of Part - 1 of the tender.	after 13:00 Hrs. on 01 -10-2018 before 13:00 Hrs. on 03 -10-2018
b. Date & time of opening of Part - I (i.e. Techno-Commercial Bid)	03-10-2018 at 15:00 Hrs

Detailed terms & conditions are available on the website i.e. <https://haryanaeprocurements.gov.in>

Superintending Engineer/ P&D, UHBVN, Panchkula.

RO No. 72056 Dt. 24-09-2018

Kent RO opens RO water purifier manufacturing unit in Noida

The Spiritual Guru Sri Sri Ravishankar along with Hema Malini inaugurated Kent's new Manufacturing Facility in Noida, Uttar Pradesh. Kent's new facility is India's largest RO Water Purifier manufacturing unit and with this facility, Kent RO will double its current capacity for RO water purifiers from 5 lacs units a year to 10 lacs units a year.

Spread on a total area of 23000 square meters & having a built up area of 3.5 lac square feet, Kent's new manufacturing facility has been planned in phases. The newly inaugurated phase-1 of the plant, constructed at a cost of ₹150 crores would undertake manufacturing of Next Gen range of RO purifiers. The new plant will fulfill capacity expansion and meet the increasing demand.

GOVT TO TAKE ALL MEASURES TO ENSURE LIQUIDITY IN NBFCs: JAITLEY

Seeking to calm the nerves of Sworried investors, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley said on Monday that the Government would take all measures to ensure adequate liquidity for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs) and mutual funds.

The minister's remarks come in the wake of stock markets witnessing sudden and stiff fall in intra-day trade on Friday over concerns of liquidity crisis being faced by some of the NBFCs.

"The Government will take all measures to ensure that adequate liquidity is maintained/provided to the NBFCs, the mutual funds and the SMEs," Jaitley tweeted ahead of the opening of stock markets.

Maldives Opp's surprise win



Ibrahim Mohamed Solih interacts with his supporters in Male on Monday

AP ■ MALE, MALDIVES
The surprise victory of opposition candidate Ibrahim Mohamed Solih in the Maldives' third multiparty presidential election will shake up politics in the Indian Ocean archipelago. Famed for its sandy white beaches and luxury resorts, the Maldives under outgoing

Solih's main campaign office cast a pall over Sunday's balloting, triggering fears that the vote would be rigged. But the turmoil did not appear to deter voters, who waited in rain and tropical heat to cast ballots. The election commission released provisional results on Monday showing Solih had

won with 58.3 per cent of the vote, with voter turnout of 89.2 per cent in the country of 4,00,000 people. Officials said voting proceeded smoothly, with no reported incidents. After meeting with Solih, Yameen conceded defeat and promised to work on a smooth transition of power.

Strongman Yameen greets Solih
Colombo: Maldives President Abdulla Yameen on Monday conceded defeat in elections and said he would arrange a smooth transition for President-elect Ibrahim Mohamed Solih. "I have accepted the results from yesterday," Yameen said in a televised address to the nation after Sunday's election gave the joint Opposition candidate 58.3 per cent of the vote. "I accept the defeat," Yameen said. "I will enable a

Trump at UN: 2nd N Korea summit likely 'soon'

AP ■ UNITED NATIONS

Confronting the dangers of North Korea's nuclear threat, President Donald Trump arrived at the United Nations on Monday striking a far less ominous tone than a year ago, announcing he likely will hold a second summit with Kim Jong Un "quite soon." Twelve months after Trump stood at the rostrum of the UN General Assembly and derided Kim as "Rocket Man," the push to denuclearise the Korean Peninsula is a work in progress, although fears of war have given way to dreams of rapprochement. The president's bellicose denunciations of Pyongyang have largely given way to hopeful notes. "It was a different world," Trump said Monday of his one-time moniker for the North Korean leader. "That was a dangerous time. This is one year later, a much different time."



President Donald Trump talks to Nikki Haley at the United Nations General Assembly on Monday

He added preparations are underway by Secretary of State Mike Pompeo for a second presidential meeting with Kim "quite soon." Trump arrived at the UN on Monday morning for a meeting on the global drug trade, ahead of a sit-down with South Korean President Moon Jae-in, who comes bearing a personal message to Trump from Kim after their inter-Korean talks last week.

Trump and Moon are expected to sign a new version of the US-South Korean trade agreement, one of Trump's first successes in his effort to renegotiate trade deals on more favorable terms for the US. Even so, some US officials worry that South Korea's eagerness to restore relations with the North could reduce sanctions pressure on Kim's government, hampering efforts to negotiate a nuclear accord. The nuclear threat was on the agenda at Trump's first meeting in New York, a dinner with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe in Manhattan on Sunday night. Abe stands first among world leaders in cultivating a close relationship with the president through displays of flattery that he has used to advance his efforts to influence the unpredictable American leader.

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POSSESSION NOTICE [RULE 8(1)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of the HDFC Bank Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued demand notices, and calling upon to pay the amount within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

Details are given as under:-

Customer Name	13(2) Notice Date	Notice Amt.	Possession Date	Description of Property
1. Mr. Bijender Singh Tewatia S/o Sh. Tejpal Singh Tewatia. 2. Mr. Tejpal Singh Tewatia S/o Late Sh. Ghasita Singh.	14-Jun-2018	Rs. 12,06,234/-	19-Sep-2018	Property/Shop No. 89, Measuring 105 Feet X 21½ Feet. Situated At New Anaj Mandi, Palwal, District Faridabad, Within The Municipal Limit of Palwal Town, Bounded As Under: - East: M.C. Road, West: Entrance Of The Shop And M.C. Road, North: Shop No. 90, South: Shop No. 89
1. M/s Aman Int Ext System through Its Partners Mr. Kailash Chandar Bhatt & Mrs. Parul Bhatt. 2. Mr. Kailash Chandar Bhatt S/o Mr. Bhola Dutt Bhatt. 3. Mrs. Parul Bhatt W/o Mr. Kailash Chandar Bhatt.	09-July-2018	Rs. 18,06,405/-	19-Sep-2018	Flat No. 403, On Ground Floor, Category Lig, Pkt-C Situated In The Layout Plan Of East Of Link Road, Shahdara, Delhi, Bounded As Under: North: Other Property, South: Entry, East: Other Property, West: Other Property
1. M/s U Like Furniture Through Its Partners Mr. Hrish Madan, 2. Mr. Mahendra Madan Proprietor Of M/s M. K. Furniture. 3. Mr. Harsh Madan S/o Mr. Mahinder Madan. 4. Mr. Mahinder Madan S/o Mr. Bhuta Ram. 5. Mrs. Kanta Madan W/o Mr. Mahinder Madan.	23-Jun-2018	Rs. 46,22,836/-	20-Sep-2018	Plot No. 124, Admeasuring 200 Sq. Yards, Block I, Kirti Nagar, W/S, New Delhi. Owned By Mrs. Kanta Madan, Bounded As Under: North: Road, South: Gali, East: Plot No. 125, West: Plot No. 123

The borrower(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act on the 8th with rule 8 & 9 of the said Rules, on this 19th & 20th day of September, 2018. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to charge of HDFC Bank Ltd. for an amount of notices mentioned above and interest thereon together with expenses and charges etc. less amount paid, if any.

DATE :- 19/09/2018 & 20/09/2018
PLACE :- PALWAL / DELHI

Authorised Officer
HDFC Bank Ltd

US, China hike tariffs as trade row intensifies

AP ■ BEIJING

China and the United States imposed new tariff hikes on each other's goods on Monday and Beijing accused Washington of bullying, giving no sign of compromise in an intensifying battle over technology that is weighing on global economic growth. US regulators went ahead with a planned 10 percent tax on a \$200 billion list of 5,745 Chinese imports including bicycles and furniture. China's customs agency said it responded at noon by beginning to collect taxes of 5 or 10 per cent on a \$60 billion list of 5,207 American goods, from honey to industrial chemicals.

The conflict stems from US President Donald Trump's complaints Beijing steals or pressures foreign companies to hand over technology. American officials say Chinese plans for state-led development of global competitors in robotics and other technologies violate its market-opening obligations and might erode US industrial leadership. China's leaders offered to narrow their politically sensitive, multibillion-dollar trade surplus with the United States by purchasing more natural gas and other American exports. But they have rejected pressure to change industry plans the communist leadership sees as a path to prosperity and global influence.

Attackers 'funded by' Saudi and UAE, says Iran Supreme leader

AP ■ TEHRAN

Iran's Supreme leader on Monday said the attackers who killed 24 people at a military parade in the southwestern city of Ahvaz were funded by Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates. "Based on reports, this cowardly act was the work of those very individuals who are rescued by the Americans whenever they are in trouble in Iraq and Syria and who are funded by the Saudis and the (United) Arab Emirates," Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said, in remarks posted on his official website. He did not give any further details on the identity of those behind what he called a "terrorist attack". In the immediate aftermath of the attack on



Saturday, Iranian authorities said they suspected Arab separatist groups were behind the attack, none of whom is known to have a presence in Syria. Khamenei, who was speaking to a group of Iranian athletes, said the attack "once again shows the Iranian nation faces many enemies on its proud path of progress and development." "We will most certainly rigorously punish the perpetrators of this attack," he added.

GLOBE TROTTER

'HONOUR' KILLING: MAN BEHEADED DAUGHTER, BOYFRIEND IN PAKISTAN
Lahore: In yet another case of "honour killing" in Pakistan, an 18-year-old woman was beheaded along with her boyfriend by her father and uncle in the country's eastern Punjab province, media reports said. The girl and the 21-year-old man were tied with ropes by her father and uncle when he arrived at the girl's house to meet her in Attock district. DawnNews TV quoted police as saying. The accused then beheaded them with a sharp-edged weapon, police said.

COUPLE SLASHED IN UK KNIFE-POINT ROBBERY
London: An Indian-origin couple were slashed in a knife-point robbery at their fruit and vegetable shop in Handsworth, in West Midlands, England.

EGYPT CONFIRMS 20 DEATH SENTENCES
Cairo: An Egyptian court upheld death sentences for 20 Islamists convicted of killing 13 cops during violent unrest in 2013.

SAFE FOR PILOTS TO SPORT BEARDS: STUDY
Toronto: A clean-shaven face may not be necessary for pilots to ensure their safety during in-flight emergencies, according to scientists who found that those who sport a full beard can also properly seal on an oxygen mask. Several airlines require pilots to have a clean-shaven face, as it is believed to be necessary to ensure a proper seal on an oral-nasal face mask during an emergency scenario.

New accusation rocks Kavanaugh nomination; Trump stands firm

AP ■ WASHINGTON

President Donald Trump staunchly defended his embattled Supreme Court nominee against a new allegation of sexual misconduct Monday, calling the accusations against Judge Brett Kavanaugh "totally political." The president spoke a day after a second allegation emerged against Kavanaugh, a development that further imperiled his nomination to the Supreme Court, forced the White House and Senate Republicans onto the defensive and fueled calls from Democrats to postpone further action on his confirmation. Trump, at the United Nations for his second General Assembly meeting, called the allegations

unfair and unsubstantiated, made by accusers who come "out of the woodwork." He also questioned the political motivations of the attorneys representing the women, saying "you should look into the lawyers doing the representation." On Kavanaugh, Trump stressed, "I am with him all the way." The new accusation landed late Sunday in a report from The New Yorker, just a few hours after negotiators had reached an agreement to hold an extraordinary public hearing on Thursday for Kavanaugh and Christine Blasey Ford, who accuses him of sexually assaulting her at a party when they were teenagers. Kavanaugh denies the accusation.

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DEMAND NOTICE

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Ltd.(DHFL) under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002. In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to DHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to DHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount With NPA date	Description of secured asset (Immovable property)
(LC No. 00000257 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Surinder Kumar Jain (Borrower) Sushila Jain (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 10582797 /-(Rupees One Crore Five Lakhs Eighty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Seven Only) (NPA date :01-07-2018)	Property No. 46, Block- Bg Shalimar Bagh East, New Delhi New Delhi, New Delhi-110088.
(LC No. 00000625 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Surinder Khurana (Borrower) Geeta Khurana (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 7246870 /-(Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Only) (NPA date :01-05-2018)	Plot No. H-150 , Third Floor With Roof Right, Block H, Near Brain International School, Vikas Puri, Delhi, New Delhi-110018, Delhi.
(LC No. 00001883 of Ghaziabad Branch) Varun Sharma (Borrower) Shweta Gupta (Co Borrower) Suresh Sharma Kumar (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 18127634 /-(Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Three Only) (NPA date :01-07-2018)	Plot No. J-55, Third Floor Lajpat Nagar-3 South Delhi, Delhi, New Delhi-110019, Delhi.
(LC No. 00001790 of Ghaziabad Branch) Vijay Jain (Borrower) Rita Jain (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 13527209 /-(Rupees One Crore Thirty Five Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Nine Only) (NPA date :01-06-2018)	Property No. I-141, 1st Floor Block-I, Kirti Nagar New Delhi, New Delhi, New Delhi- 110015, Delhi.
(LC No. 00001482 of Noida Branch) Priyank Bhatia (Borrower) Renu Bhatia (Co Borrower) Deepthi Marwah (Gaurantor) Megha Babutta (Gaurantor)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 18127634 /-(Rupees One Crore Eighty One Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Four Only) (NPA date :01-07-2018)	D-29 Vikas Puri Delhi, Delhi, New Delhi-110018, Delhi.
(LC No. 00000563 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Gurdeep Singh (Borrower) Upkar Kaur (Co Borrower) Harpreet Singh (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 7728896 /-(Rupees Seventy Seven Lakhs Twenty Eight Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Six Only) (NPA date :01-05-2018)	D-149 (ff), Fateh Nagar, Near Tilak Nagar, New Delhi, New Delhi-110018, Delhi.
(LC No. 00000210 of Karkarduma Noida Branch) Surinder Arora (Borrower) Laxmi Arora (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 3574453 /-(Rupees Thirty Five Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Three Only) (NPA date :01-07-2018)	House No 1/6801, Third Floor, Plot No 11, Kharsa No 500/320, East Rohatash Nagar, Shahdara, New Delhi, New Delhi-110032, Delhi.
(LC No. 000041452 of Delhi - Pitampura Branch) Shalini (Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 2221714 /-(Rupees Twenty Two Lakhs Twenty One Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen Only) (NPA date :01-06-2018)	Property Bearing No-337 Entire Building Kharsa No-642, Near Jwala Nagar Chowk Doongar Mohalla Fresh Bazar, Shahdara Delhi, New Delhi-110032, Delhi.
(LC No. 00001628 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Surender Gahlawat (Borrower) Sourabh Gahlawat (Co Borrower) Shakuntala Gahlawat (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 8362130 /-(Rupees Eighty Three Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand One Hundred Thirty Only) (NPA date :01-06-2018)	Flat No 94 Second Floor Vijay Veer Awas Yojna Sec-18 A Dwarka, Delhi, New Delhi-110075, Delhi.
(LC No. 00000679 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Surinder Kumar Jain (Borrower) Sushila Jain (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 8573154 /-(Rupees Eighty Five Lakhs Seventy Three Thousand One Hundred Fifty Four Only) (NPA date :01-07-2018)	Plot No- 46, Entriye Property Block-Bg Near Maharaja Agarsain Bhawan Delhi Shalimar Bagh East, New Delhi, New Delhi, Gautam Budh Nagar -110088, Delhi.
(LC No. 00001221 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Aashish Kumar Sardana (Borrower) Roopali Sardana (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 5125787 /-(Rupees Fifty One Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Seven Only) (NPA date :01-07-2018)	Plot No. 476, Kharsa No. 58/3, Gali No.6 Village Khureji Khas, Guru Ram Dass Nagar, Laxmi Nagar, Shahdara, Delhi, New Delhi-110092, Delhi.
(LC No. 00003754 of New Delhi Branch) Ravi Kumar (Borrower) Shiv Kumar Gupta (CoBorrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 3012072 /-(Rupees Thirty Lakhs Twelve Thousand Seventy Two Only) (NPA date :01-06-2018)	D D A Janta Flat No. 1916 (G F) Nand Nagri G T B Enclave, Delhi, New Delhi-110095, Delhi.
(LC No. 000042988 of Delhi - Safdijung Branch) Sumesh Choudhary (Borrower) Indu Choudhary (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 1046580 /-(Rupees Ten Lakhs Forty Six Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Only) (NPA date :01-06-2018)	Plot No 9/3108, G/8ff, Kh No 466/124/19 Plot No 16, Gali No 3, Dharam Pura Gandhi Nagar Delhi, New Delhi-110031, Delhi.
(LC No. 00000101 of Gurgaon Branch) Vikas Sharma (Borrower) Kavita Sharma (Co Borrower)	20-07-2018/ ₹ 10401483 /-(Rupees One Crore Four Lakhs One Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Three Only) (NPA date :01-07-2018)	Plot No. C-9/11 Krishna Nagar Delhi, Delhi,-110051, Delhi.

If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to DHFL as aforesaid, DHFL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers as to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of DHFL. Any person who contravenes or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.

Sd/-
(Authorised Officer)
Date: 25-Sep-2018
Place: Delhi
Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Limited

SEARCH FOR MISSING GIRL



General public is here by informed that this girl (depicted in the photo) namely: **Anshu, D/o Satya Bhan Verma, R/o H. No. J-50, Adhyapak Nagar, Nihal Vihar, Delhi,** has been missing/kidnaped from the area of PS Nihal Vihar, since 05.09.2018. In this regard FIR No. 561/18 dated 05.09.2018 has been registered at **PS Nihal Vihar, Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the girl but no clue has come to light so far.

Her physical description is as under:-
Sex: Female, **Age:** 15 years and 4 month, **Height:** 4'10" ft., **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Pink Colour Salwar and Kameez and Pink Socks and Black Shoes.. Any person is having information or clue about this missing/ kidnapped girl may kindly inform to the following:-
SHO P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi
Website: http://cbi.nic.in
E-mail: cbc@cbi.gov.in
Ph. No.-011-25946700, 25946710
Tel. No.: 011-24368638/24368641
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DP/1400/OD/18

CENTRAL PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER

The Executive Engineer (E), Electrical Division-1, CPWD, Gate No. 6, Jalebi Chowk, North Block, New Delhi (Ph : 23092312 & E-mail: deleeed1.cpwd@nic.in) on behalf of the President of India, hereby invites online Item rate tenders from the "Specialized firms" in Two bid system i.e. (i) Pre-qualification, (ii) Price Bid for the following work:-
1. NIT NO. 141/EE(E)/ED-1/2018-19, Name of Work: R.M.O. External services including Sub-Station & DG Sets at North Block, New Delhi. (SH- Operation of 11KV/433KV Sub-Station at East & West-Wing side). Estimated Cost: Rs. 26,79,254/-. Earnest Money: Rs. 53,585/-, Period of completion: 12 (Twelve) Months, Last time and date of submission of bid 04.10.2018 up to 3:00 PM.
2. NIT NO. 142/EE(E)/ED-1/2018-19, Name of Work: RMO Fire fighting and Wet Riser system at North Block, New Delhi. (SH- Operation and routine maintenance of fire fighting and wet riser system). Estimated Cost: Rs. 37,34,856/-, Earnest Money: Rs. 74,697/-, Period of completion: 36 (Thirty Six) Months, Last time and date of submission of bid 04.10.2018 up to 3:00 PM.
The Bid forms and other details can be obtained from the website www.tenderwizard.com/CPWD. The Press Notice is also available on www.eprocure.gov.in.

Public Notice

The general public is hereby informed that my client Mr. Krishan Kumar @ Babloo S/o Sh. Ram Kishan Bhat R/o FF-19, Laxmi Nagar, Delhi-110092 and his family members has severed his legal and personal relations with his brother Mr. Praveen Kumar @ Nitu S/o Sh. Ram Kishan Bhat because of his and his family members indifferent behavior with my client and his family members. Everyone is hereby cautioned not to deal with them on behalf of my client in any matter whatsoever. In case anyone has dealt or still deal shall do so at his own risk and cost and my client shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever. (Rahul Sharma) Advocate

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public at large that, Mr. Shalindra Nath Manektal & Mr. Ravindra Nath Manektal both sons of late Sh. Dwarka Nath Manektal, both resident of H. No. 3, road no.17, East Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi are the legal heir of the said residing property after the death of their parents and are the lawful owners and in possession of the above said property. If anyone claims the ownership in respect of the said property, he/she can contact at the below mentioned contact number within 10 days from the publication of this Notice otherwise the property can be sold to anyone without reference to any such claim or claims and the same will be considered as waived or abandoned. 9810477095, 9899447308

TENDER NOTICE

SR. NO.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT (APPROX.)	WEBSITE
1	IRRIGATION DEPARTMENT , AMBALA	CONSTRUCTING CAUSEWAY ON FIELD FROM VILLAGE GHASITPUR TO VILLAGE DUKHERI IN DISTT. AMBALA + 1 OTHER WORK	CLOSING DATE 22.10.2018	484 LACS	www.etenders.hry.nic.in
2	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES DEPTT. , BHIWANI	SUPER ENAMELLED COPPER WINDING WIRE, 15SWG (200KG) 15.5 SWG (100KG), 16 SWG (200KG), 17 SWG (150KG), CONFIRMING TO IS:7330 POLYESTERIMIDE -GR-2 PART 3 DULY MAKE BIC/ALTA/ ESSEL	OPENING DATE 08.10.2018	4.81 LACS	www.etenders.hry.nic.in
3	PANCHAYATI RAJ, GURGAON prexeeng.grg@hry.nic.in	CONST.OF STADIUM	24.09.2018 07.10.2018	81.68 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
4	PWD B&R, HISAR 01662-299887 pwd-eeepd3-hissar@hry.nic.in	SPECIAL REPAIR OF ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK OF CIVIL AVIATION AT HISSAR	24.09.2018 08.10.2018	23.72 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
5	PWD B&R, NARWANA 01684-244833	RECONSTRUCTION OF ROAD BY PROVIDING 4-LANED C.C.PAVEMENT FROM RD 28.88 TO 30.00 KM DEOBAN-NAGURAN ROAD	CLOSING DATE 04.10.2018	553.30 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
6	PWD B&R, SONEPAT 0130-2244690 pwd-eeepd1-sonapat@hry.nic.in	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVT. VETERINARY HOSPITAL IN VILLAGE BIDHLAN IN DISTT. SONEPAT	21.09.2018 08.10.2018	32.65 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
7	PWD B&R, SONEPAT 0130-2244690 pwd-eeepd1-sonapat@hry.nic.in	PROVIDING GRILL ON MEDIAN UNDER ROAD SAFETY PROGRAMME ON NH-352A FROM TRUCK UNION TO MAHARANA PARATAP CHOWK	24.09.2018 08.10.2018	30.90 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
8	PWD B&R HANSI	CONSTN. OF NEW ROAD FROM GURANA TO RALLI UPTO HANSI BARWALA ROAD	18.09.2018 03.10.2018	281.45 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
9	PWD B&R JIND 01581-249416	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVT. VETERINARY DISPENSARY AT VILLAGE KINANA IN JIND + 1 OTHER WORK	18.09.2018 08.10.2018	33.8 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
10	PWD B&R FARIDABAD 0129-2288187 pwd-eeepd1-faridabad@hry.nic.in	SPECIAL REPAIR BY PROVIDING REMOVING SRE-FIXING OF CEMENT CONCRETE BLOCK ON LINK ROAD TO PHIRNI FATEHPUR BILLOCH IN KM 0.00 TO 0.30 IN FARIDABAD	21.09.2018 05.10.2018	12.05 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
11	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT , SIRSA 9592259876,9034357793	DRILLING , INSTALLATION & DEVELOPMENT OF ONE NO. CAVITY TUBEWELL OF 250 MM DIA UPTO DEPTH OF 137 METERS BGL.	21.09.2018 28.09.2018	5.11 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
12	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT , BAWAL	SANPLI & KASOLA PROVIDING CANAL BASED WATER SUPPLY SCHEME SANPLI & KASOLA GROUP OF 23 NO. VILLAGES & 4 NO.	22.09.2018 22.10.2018	1924.30 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in
13	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT , KARNAL	CONSTRUCTION OF PUMP CHAMBER 10 "X12", IN VILLAGE NABIPUR AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO. + 8 OTHER WORKS	26.09.2018 05.10.2018	29.94 LACS	www.hararyanaeprocurement.gov.in

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PERFECT RECORD ON CARDS

After routing Pakistan twice within a week, India look to maintain unbeaten run in Asia Cup

PTI ■ DUBAI

The Indian cricket team will hope that its untested middle-order gets some game time ahead of the grand finale when it takes on an ever-improving Afghanistan in the final 'Super Four' encounter of the Asia Cup here on Tuesday.

India have been on a roll after an unimpressive start against Hong Kong, with couple of one-sided victories over arch-rivals Pakistan and an equally facile one against Bangladesh.

With a spot in Friday's final sealed, skipper Rohit Sharma may want some of his untested middle-order batsmen to get quality time in the middle against someone of Rashid Khan's calibre.

Often in cricket, the 'Law of Averages' catches up with the best performing teams at a critical juncture.

Shikhar Dhawan (327) and skipper Rohit (269) have done the bulk of the scoring in the four matches so far with very little contribution being required from the other batsmen in the line-up.

The next highest scorer is Ambati Rayudu (116 runs) because he comes in at No 3.

The problem has been lack of batting time for the likes of Mahendra Singh Dhoni, Kedar Jadhav and Dinesh Karthik so far.

Sample this: Rohit and Shikhar have so far faced 284 and 321 deliveries respectively. The next best Rayudu has played 162 balls.

However, Karthik (78 balls), Dhoni (40 balls) and Kedar (27 balls) can be found wanting if there is a top-order collapse on the big day.

Rohit had given Dhoni an opportunity to come in at No 4 against Bangladesh and the former captain scored 33 runs. But it was a pressure-free situation.

Dhoni's achilles heel of late has been to keep the scoreboard ticking in pressure situations that the middle-overs throw up.

If the likes of Rashid Khan and Mujeeb ur Rahman can put pressure, it will be a good warm-up for the middle-order trio before the final match.

The Indian captain might fancy batting first in case he wins the toss, which in turn will give his team a chance to bat 50 overs instead of chasing another modest total.

The Indian bowlers have been splendid on the slow Dubai International Stadium track with all the bowlers enjoying an economy rate of less than five runs per over.

The spinners have been on a roll with Yuzvendra Chahal (5 wickets at 4.61 runs per over) and Kuldeep Yadav (5 wickets in 4.01 runs per over) have been tight as usual while Jasprit Bumrah (7 wickets with 3.37 runs per over) has



Rohit Sharma celebrates after completing his 19th ODI ton. AP

India vs Afghanistan
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Afghanistan players return to dugout after beating Sri Lanka during their group B clash in Asia Cup. AP

Asia cup statistics

TOP 3 BATSMEN

POS	PLAYER	TEAM	INN	RUNS	AVG
1	Shikhar Dhawan	India	4	327	81.75
2	Rohit Sharma	India	4	269	134.50
3	Hashmatullah Shahidi	Afghanistan	4	263	87.67

TOP 3 BOWLERS

POS	PLAYER	TEAM	MATCHES	WKTS	BEST
1	Rashid Khan	Afghanistan	4	8	3/46
2	Mujeeb ur Rahman	Afghanistan	4	7	2/22
3	Jasprit Bumrah	India	3	7	3/15

For Afghanistan, a win against the fancied Indian side will be a great end to the tournament where they have been competitive throughout, only losing out due to lack of experience.

Having packed off Sri Lanka in the group league stage and crushed Bangladesh, Afghanistan were done in by inexperience during the fag end of the Super Four matches against Pakistan and Bangladesh.

Against Pakistan, their bowlers couldn't hold nerve in the final over while their batsmen found it difficult to read Mustafizur Rahman's variations in the final over.

SQUADS

India: Rohit Sharma, Dhawan, Ambati Rayudu, Dinesh Karthik, Kedar Jadhav, MS Dhoni, Ravindra Jadeja, Kuldeep Yadav, Chahal, Bhuvneshwar, Jasprit Bumrah, Khaleel Ahmed, Deepak Chahar, Siddharth Kaul, Manish Pandey

Afghanistan: Mohammad Shahzad, Ihsanullah Jamat, Javed Ahmadi, Rahmat Shah, Asghar Stanikzai, Hasmat Shahidi, Mohammad Nabi, Gulbadin Naib, Rashid Khan, Najibullah Zadran, Mujeeb ur Rahman, Aftab Alam, Samiullah Shenwari, Munir Ahmed, Sayed Ahmed Sherzad, Ashraf, Momand Wafadar.



Rohit Sharma, left, interacts with Jasprit Bumrah while passing the ball to him. AP

Rohit lauds bowlers for consistency

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India captain Rohit Sharma was all praise for his bowling unit, which has consistently kept opposition teams on tight leash ensuring the side's smooth passage into the Asia Cup final.

The Indian bowlers have restricted Pakistan to 162 and 237 in two games while bowling out Bangladesh for 173.

"The entire bowling unit stuck to their task and hats off to them. Repeated performances are challenging in these conditions and I don't want to take any credit away from bowlers," said Rohit, who was involved in a double hundred partnership with Shikhar Dhawan.

Rohit mentioned Jasprit Bumrah for his exceptional bowling in the ongoing tournament.

"I think he's (Bumrah) matured as a bowler now, played great amount of cricket and he understands his bowling. I think that's very very important for any individual; Bumrah understands what fields he needs to set and knows how to keep it tight. Bhuvi also did the same," the skipper said.

Rohit was also happy that the strategy of playing four spinners, including part-timer Kedar Jadhav, has clicked so far with Ravindra Jadeja's comeback adding a new dimension. "When Hardik got injured,

the challenge was to field four spinners and we thought about a few combinations (3 seamers, 4 spinners) and in these conditions it is important to take the pace and not give much pace. For Jadeja, to come out and perform like that is amazing."

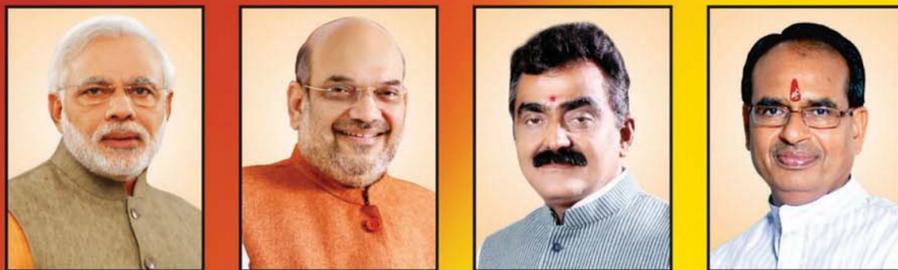
They now have 13 century opening partnerships and Rohit feels batting with Dhawan becomes easy as both of them are clear about their roles.

"With Shikhar, I don't need to talk much. It's important to let him be himself. We have batted enough to know each other to start off like that and we clearly know our roles. We always knew that the new batsman will find it difficult to keep going straightaway and Shikhar and I knew it."

Pakistan captain Sarfraz Ahmed rued the couple of dropped catches of Rohit, which cost his team dearly in the end.

"We made it tough for ourselves by dropping those catches. We were 20-25 runs short and if we would have held on to our catches we could have possibly made things interesting."

"The wicket was a bit difficult to play on as the cracks had widened up. It wasn't easy for a new batsman walking in. Had we got early wickets, this chase would have been certainly difficult. We have been losing a lot of wickets in the early overs and hence it becomes difficult to recover from such situations."



गूंजने को तैयार भाजपा की हुंकार

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How to kiss and make up

If you can handle conflicts in your relationship, you have saved your marriage. **TEAM VIVA** says it's natural that attractions between spouses will wane over time. But try to give your partner a feeling that you are behind him/her all the time. Emotional support is critical.

We often give love the way we want to receive it even though sometimes we may not know our partner's love language. Partners may wonder why they aren't getting love in the way they want even though they are giving love in that way. For example, you are giving your partner gifts but what they want is quality time together.

Few couples like to admit it, but conflict is common to all marriages. We have had our share of conflict and some of our disagreements have not been pretty. We could probably write a book on what not to do.

There are times in all relationships when things don't run smoothly. Often, this is because people have conflicting expectations are distracted with other issues, or have difficulty expressing what is on their minds in ways that other people can really hear and understand what is being said. Sometimes they just don't know what to do to make a good relationship. The following material is about ways of enhancing relationships and working with common problems.

The key to a healthy relationship isn't an absence of conflict or differences. It's handling conflict successfully.

Start with two selfish people with different backgrounds and personalities. Now add some bad habits and interesting idiosyncrasies, throw in a bunch of expectations, and then turn up the heat a little with the daily trials of life. Guess what? You are bound to have conflict. It's unavoidable.

Since every marriage has its tensions, it isn't a question of avoiding them but of how you deal with them. Conflict can lead to a process that develops oneness or isolation. You and your spouse must choose how you will act when conflict occurs.

One reason we have conflict in marriage is that opposites attract. Usually a task-oriented individual marries someone who is more people-oriented. People who move through life at breakneck speed seem to end up with spouses who are slower-paced. It's strange, but that's part of the reason why you married who you did. Your spouse added a variety, spice, and difference to your life that it didn't have before.

But after being married for a while the attractions become repellents. You may argue over small irritations—such as how to properly squeeze a tube of toothpaste—or over major philosophical differences in handling finances or raising children. You may find that your backgrounds and your personalities are so different that you wonder how and why God placed you together in the first place.

It's important to understand these differences, and then to accept and adjust to them. God gave you a spouse who completes you in ways you haven't even learned yet. All of our differences are magnified in marriage because they feed what is undoubtedly the biggest source of our conflict our selfish, sinful nature.

Maintaining harmony in marriage has been difficult since Adam and Eve. Two people beginning their marriage together and trying to go their own selfish, separate ways can never hope to experience the oneness of marriage as God intended. No matter how hard two people try to love and please each other,



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And the only ultimate relief for hurt is the soothing salve of forgiveness. The key to maintaining an open, intimate, and happy marriage is to ask for and grant forgiveness quickly. Emotional support for each other is critical. This means giving your partner a feeling of being

backed, supported; you're behind him or her no matter what. This does not necessarily mean agreeing with one another all the time. Realistically, no two people will agree on all occasions.

Time spent apart and time spent together is another common relationship concern. You may enjoy time together with your partner and your partner may want some time together with you, but you also may enjoy time alone or with other friends.

Giving up your personal friends should not be a requirement of

being in a relationship. Neither should it be assumed that your partner will like your personal friends as much as you do. There is certainly no reason to share with your partner a friend who she or he does not enjoy. You can see those friends somewhere else or you can see them at home at a time when your partner is out doing something else. You do not have to give up your friends who mean a great deal to you. It's important to talk with your partner about friendships with others, to negotiate them and to recognize that each of you needs to continue your

friendships even when you are intimately involved with one another. Typically, after an argument, healthy couples end up feeling supported, heard and understood. Healthy couples believe that each partner has a valid point of view, whether they agree with them or not.

Relationships change over time. This is neither a good nor a bad thing, but it is a fact. What you want from a relationship in the dating stages might be quite different from what you want after you have been together a number of years. Changes in other areas of your life, outside

your relationship, will have an impact on what you want and need from the relationship.

The most important thing is that you need to do a great deal of careful, respectful listening to what each wants, and a lot of careful, clear communication about what each of you wants. Change of any sort tends to be at least a little stressful, yet because it is inevitable, welcoming change as an opportunity to enhance the relationship is more fruitful than trying to keep change from happening. Planning for changes together can lead the rela-

tionship into new and exciting places.

Try to see things from the other's point of view. This doesn't mean that you must agree with one another, but rather that you can expect yourself and your partner to understand and respect your differences, your points of view and your separate needs. Where critical differences exist in your expectations, needs, opinions or views, try to negotiate. Have compassion for each other and yourself if you realize that there are too many differences for the relationship to work.

Trend Glazer

Vipul to present Dhoom Dhadaka



Filmmaker, **VIPUL AMRUTLAL SHAH**, after treating the audience with an interesting trailer and two super hit songs *Tere Liye* and *Bhare Bazaar* is now all set to unveil the third song *Dhoom Dhadaka*, from the film *Namaste England*. The song features the lead cast **Arjun Kapoor** and **Parineeti Chopra**, which will showcase them dancing to the steps choreographed by Ganesh Acharya. The peppy Punjabi track is penned by ace lyricist Javed Akhtar, composed by Mannan Shah and is crooned by Shahid Mallya and Antara Mitra.



'Dulquer Salmaan is a very fine actor and a very dear friend. I am very happy with the kind of progress he is making with cinema. I would like to do something with him in the future'
—Rana Daggubati

Dancer-actress **SHEFALI JARIWALA**, who shot to fame with the 2002 controversial song *Kaanta laga*, says there can never be another *Kaanta laga* girl. She got the epithet after featuring in the video of the song. "I believe every actor is trying to create an identity for himself or herself. My first song did that for me. There can be no other *Kaanta laga* girl ever. And I love that," Shefali said. She is back with another bold content, this time a bold comedy web series titled *Baby Come Naa*.



Tv series Friends co-stars reunite

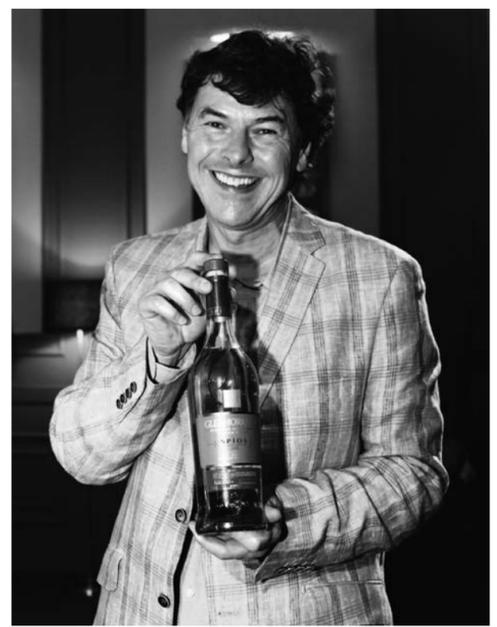
Friends show co-stars and long-time friends **JENNIFER ANISTON** and **COURTENEY COX** reunited for dinner. Aniston, who has been friends with Cox for more than two decades, is also a Godmother to Cox's daughter. The outing came after Aniston's former husband Justin Theroux broke his silence on their split a few days ago saying there is no bad blood between them, and that they are on good terms with each other.



AGED BEAUTY

Imagine a house with four rooms, all attached to each other and each filled with wine glasses, fruits, green and black glass bottles around the walls and shelves, frames, colours and lights. It evokes quite the epicurean decadence of royalty, an unending feast. Master distiller Dr Bill Lumsden, also Glenmorangie company's director of whisky creation, walked us down the pavilion into four such surreal cubicles, each with a unique theme, opening doors to whisky-lovers and connoisseurs of whisky to enlighten their taste buds and make them have a multi-sensorial experience into the whisky brand, launching its 'Taste The Difference' campaign.

DR BILL LUMSDEN, master distiller and Glenmorangie company's director of whisky creation, talks about its first single malt to have been entirely matured in American rye whisky casks. By **CHAHAK MITTAL**



The first cubicle showcased huge glass cylinders and barrel-like containers full of ingredients like oranges, ginger, spices, pineapples, jaggery, apricots, and many more with which the whisky is prepared while telling us about its evolution over time. Two sections catch the eye as one enters the room — 'The Lasanta' on one hand and 'The Original' on the other. "The first room talks about the company, tradition and the history of Glen. It tells about how it has evolved over the years since 1843, when its first distillery was established. You can see how this room brings about the difference between Glen's two most cherished drinks and their uniqueness. First, The Original, the classic malt which is stored for 10 years to derive its best taste — creamy and fruity. Second, the 12-year-old, The Lasanta, which is Gaelic for warmth and passion. Do you know why it says that? It blends cream and dark chocolate, dry fruits and fresh honey. You will never find its textures hard to swallow. They are as mild and soft." The room was full of pictures of bourbon casks in which The Lasanta gets matured in before being moved to Oloroso and Pedro Ximenez Sherry casks for their finishing period. While the first room might enlighten one with what the

whisky brand has come up with, the second cubicle is about the methods that were used in the primitive ages to make the designer casks and the processing and selection of the wood for the same. As Lumsden says, "It talks about the wood that we choose to make the casks." As around 60 per cent of the whisky's flavour comes from the cask, hence selecting and crafting the highest quality of oak is simply essential. It produces a subtly fragrant spirit with 140 aromas. The company, based in Scottish Highlands, uses American white oak which gives it the elegant taste. The wood comes from the Ozark Mountains of Missouri, which has slow growth-wood which brings the greatest maturation effects. The slow-growth timber contains more of the porous growth which takes place in springtime and it is this wood which goes into their 'designer casks'. But first it is air-dried (not kiln-dried). All drying reduces astringency and further improves the wood's permeability, but it is air-drying which additionally brings out the soft and smooth qualities of their whisky.

Lumsden talks about the third room that "takes into the world of the most prestigious malt whiskies of Glenmorangie introducing its exclusive edition, Spios." Glenmorangie Spios, which is Scots Gaelic for spice, beautifully evokes the whisky's origins. It has been matured solely in casks that previously held American rye whisky, a spirit known for its distinctive, spicy characteristics. Spios has an herbal nose and a rich, spicy palate, followed by a long, sweet finish. It is the ninth limited edition bottling in the distillery's Private Edition series, and the first single malt to have ever been entirely matured in American rye whisky casks.

"The most unique feature of this single malt whisky is that it brings together rare cinnamon and American rye," he said. It is aged for 10 years in wooden casks before serving, he added. The whisky's texture is oily and full of apricot, peaches, avocados and oranges. Lumsden took us into the four cubicles, while introducing the process and ingredients that go into making the single malt whisky. Speaking about this new era of innovation, Stephane de Meurville, managing director Moët Hennessy India said, "Glenmorangie is a groundbreaking single malt scotch whisky, wonderfully complex and exceptionally smooth. We are among the pioneers of extra-maturation, and continue to keep pushing the boundaries of wood finishing. To celebrate this, we have launched 'Taste The Difference', a forward-thinking experience from the Glenmorangie maison which elevates the consumer understanding about the brand in India. Being among the leading markets for Glenmorangie in Asia today, 'Taste The Difference' presents us with an opportunity to enhance our consumer engagement by setting new benchmarks in this market."

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Ground zero

Actor ALI FAZAL talks to **AYUSHI SHARMA** about how the twain may not ever meet and he is beyond the hype

Not many actors from Bollywood have been Hollywood success stories. But we keep at it. One among them is *Fukrey* actor Ali Fazal, who hasn't only made a mark in Bollywood but has also attempted crossovers more than once.

Talking about how different both the industries function in terms of work as well as budgets, Ali highlighted a few points, striking a huge contrast between both. "While comparing both the industries, you also have to understand the economics and their work dynamism. A small budget film for Hollywood is a big budget film for Bollywood," he said.

Apart from making a cameo in *Fast & Furious 7*, Ali was seen in 2017's *Victoria & Abdul*, which was based on Shrabani Basu's eponymously-named book. He cited an example of the film's budget, saying that it was "considered a medium budget film as it was made in 20 million dollars but that amount here in India is way hefty. The film made a profit of over 90 million dollars worldwide. It was a huge success as per the Indian currency."

So why are actors wanting to shift to Hollywood these days? He felt, "Apart from Priyanka Chopra, there isn't much hype over the issue, I believe. Hollywood is undoubtedly at least 15 years ahead of India, technologically, and that is the reason why people prefer working there."

Working with a veteran actress like Dame Judith Olivia Dench (Judith Dench) in the role of Queen Victoria, was absolutely a "feast" for Ali. He said that it was "legendary" working with her and that "it couldn't have got any better. This is what feels like when dreams come true as she was one of the actresses on my check list. And this movie is directed by my favourite filmmaker so my biggest honour was also to work with the iconic Stephen Frears."

He learnt while working with the actress that "there's no replacement for hard work or for practice as Judi is an ardent believer of it." Sharing experiences from the film, he added, "We had lines to practise and I even had to teach her Urdu throughout the film. I have learnt so much from her because she used to say keep practising usually all the time."

Ali shared that the film was better than the book. Said he, "Definitely the film was better for me. The book is no doubt informational, so if you want information on that particular chapter, read that book but if you want to enjoy the story and know what happened between them, then you must watch the film."

"Honestly I told everybody that I had read the book but actually I had not. I started reading it but then I thought it was taking me away from the film because the script was very interestingly written. I didn't want to spoil the experience. When I read it later, I realised it was worlds apart. It could have been a very long and devastatingly heartbreaking film, it still was in many ways, but I think Stephen Frears made a little lighter fit and showed us romance and love in its true form with a bit of fantasy involved," Ali added.

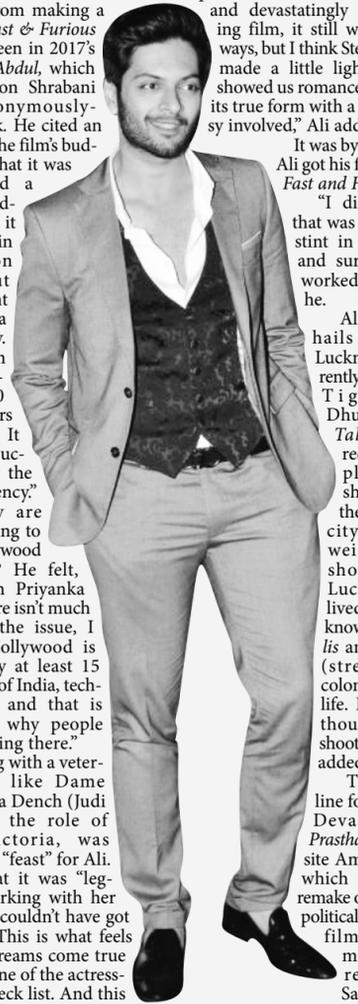
It was by chance that Ali got his first break in *Fast and Furious 7*.

"I did a cameo that was my first big stint in Hollywood and surprisingly it worked out," said he.

Ali Fazal, who hails from Lucknow, is currently working on *Tigmanshu Dhulia's Misanthropic* and recently completed the shooting for the film in the city. "It feels weird to be shooting in Lucknow. I've lived here and known these *galis* and *mohallas* (streets and colonies) all my life. I had never thought I'll be shooting here," he added.

The next in line for Ali is also Deva Katta's *Prasthanam*, opposite Amyra Dastur, which is a Hindi remake of the Telugu political thriller. The film will also mark the return of Sanjay Dutt in the capacity of a producer. His last production venture was 2011 film *Rascals*.

"Sanjay Dutt is playing the role of my father. It's set in a political backdrop and is a family drama at the same time. It showcases a conflicted story between a father and his son. There are a lot of layers to the film as it's a remake and people know the story. But Deva is also planning a few changes in the script as he wants the film to cater to the pan-Indian audience this time," Ali added.



Storyteller's truth

Author **PARO ANAND** is still committed to writing meaningful stories that prepare young people for the world around them, says **SAIMI SATTAR**

already," she says. She points to the example of the word "rape", which did not feature in the vocabulary of young adults 20 years ago as compared to today when even three-year-olds know it. "There's a wonderful saying, 'Do you prepare the path for your child or do you prepare your child for the path?' You can prepare the child for what you know lies ahead even if she doesn't know anything about it." She says her key words are inclusiveness and empathy. "Children feel a strong sense of injustice and helplessness. And I am trying to give them hope, empathy and the tools to cope with it," she says. These two concepts are the prime focus of her latest book, *The Other: Stories of Difference*, which as the name indicates talks about young adults grappling with a situation where they are confronted with someone who is different from what they themselves are. From a girl trapped in a boy's body to physical otherness, the author tries to make her readers empathise and understand the world of people who do not make the cut of being 'normal'. "We think



With her kind of books, Anand tries to expose young readers to reality and equip them to cope with the world

we can't expose our child to danger. In this book there is a story of a girl who has nightmares because she couldn't step up when she saw another young woman being attacked. Initially in the story the father said you must be the one to protest but the editor pointed out that this was unlikely. So I presented it as a dilemma that we feel."

In her novel, *Nomad's Land*, which is a work in progress, the protagonists are a Kashmiri Pandit and a Tibetan girl who are dealing with displacement. "I am taking them out of these regional specifics. I am not going to say what is their political or geographical situation. I want to make it about displaced people and not just about two kinds of displacements," she says.

Casting aside concerns about whether young adults are reading or not, hooked as they are to electronic devices, Anand points out that children are reading a lot more than 20 years ago when they couldn't name a single Indian author. "Now many know my work intimately. In Ooty, I was asked the most phenomenal question. A student said that I was 27 books old and how has my journey grown from *Pepper, the capuchin monkey* to *The Others*."

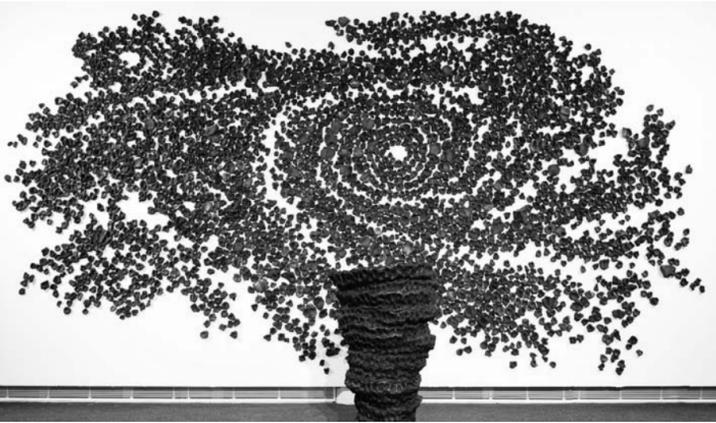
Adults, she feels, should first look within to find out how much they are reading themselves. "If a child gets a book

that s/he really loves and can't stop reading, s/he will stick." Recalling her own example, she says that in her house of readers, time was set apart for reading which she hated till the time she found *Born Free*.

While children enjoy her books immensely, it is parents and teachers that sometimes have objections to her books. "People had objections to *Like Smoke* where a Muslim boy and a Hindu girl fall in love and share a fleeting kiss. But I believe adults should be reading books like mine because it gives them an insight into their wards' lives, fears and issues."

Anand has faced issues bigger than objections. At the Jaipur Lit Fest, when she took to the stage to speak about banned books, some people in the audience positioned themselves strategically to ask motivated questions. "I had to be practically smuggled out of the event in a car. But then, if it is easy, why would I want to do it?"

There are other ways as well that Anand tries to make a difference. She started Literature in Action Programme when she set up libraries in rural India with the National Book Trust. "I met a girl in a place where children had never seen books, who said that they were living in ignorance and were perfectly happy that way. 'Now that you've shown us this world and we cannot go back to that state of ignorance,' she told me. Until then, my books were fun and light. I realised that when children have access to just one book, these would have to be more meaningful." She started a world newspaper project with 3,000 children. "At that time, I realised children have fantastic stories to tell and we have to give them that platform. Literature in Action connects children with stories and gives them that."



Hoshino Satoru



Vineet Kacker

The high priestess of Indian contemporary art, Pooja Sood, has breathed new life into Jaipur's Jawahar Kala Kendra with her expertise and her keen eye for the original. The first *Indian Ceramic Triennale: Breaking Ground* is one such endeavour. The show had some hits and misses in terms of artists selected and the works they installed. If the brick installation under the dome with eyes was deeply disappointing, it was Vipul Kumar's installation of *Nature's Signature* with the light falling on its contours that invited you for a deeper reckoning of the master and guru Ray Meeker. While looking at the show it seemed as if it was important and vital to look at three works by Ray Meeker and two curators of the Triennale — Vineet Kacker and Madhavi Subramaniam. Because the role and impact of curators magnify when they are also participants of an epic venture such as this.

RAY MEEKER
In the centre of the small courtyard strategically placed by the design genius Peter Nagy, who knows all about design dynamics, Ray Meeker's *Rio Stela: America First!*, a stoneware obelisk, is a critique of the United States' stance at the Rio de Janeiro Earth Summit in 1992. Porous and full of succinct structural marks and undulations, this tall pyramidal installation harks us back to the Mesopotamian civilisations and brings us forward into the marvellous paradigms of textures and tonality and the materiality of minerals. The work testifies Meeker's gravitas, his understanding of both balancing firing techniques and creating maximal impact with the spatial dictates that he creates with years of experience behind him.

VINEET KACKER
Vineet Kacker's *Endless Landscape* is inspired by his travels through the high Himalayan regions,

as well as a personal engagement with Eastern spiritual thought. Over the years, Kacker has used Buddhist imagery and philosophy to create works in the meditative mould. *Endless Landscape* draws upon a sense of self experiencing when walking through the mountains and encountering the mystical, magical and timeless. The sense of unending vastness perceived on the external plane intuitively reveals the same within oneself, altering indelibly the internal landscape. Two parallel series of landscapes, evocative of summer and winter, refer to the cyclical in nature. As one walks closer towards them, the endless reflections draw the viewer into



Madhavi Subramaniam

the terrain of folded undulations that seem to flow in lithe lyrical lines.

MADHAVI SUBRAMANIAM
While you gaze at the minimalist mood of Vineet Kacker's works you are drawn into the

maw of Madhavi Subramaniam's installation that echoes the vitality of understanding both materials as well as the dynamism of playing with the shades and shadows of viscerality. Subramaniam stands in her own stead, on her own accord for her felicity with small as well as intriguing intricacies that detail the dialectics of design. While the two walls facing

THROUGH MOULDS OF CLAY

Deriving inspiration from Buddhist philosophies, internal landscapes, dynamism of shades and shadows and rhythms of nature, ceramic artists bring together *Breaking Ground*. By UMA NAIR

each other give us an ephemeral elegance of the *Forest of Shadows*, it is the alchemy of the three walls that speak to us about the environment, about the man made as well as the transitory nature of what is real as well as virtual.

HOSHINO SATORU
Among the international artists was the installation of Japanese artist Hoshino Satoru that enchanted for its ability to translate into a landscape with the language of ceramics as an incantation of ideologies. In an interview, Satoru said, "I engage in a dialogue with the clay as it sits in from of me, as a soft, flexible lump of matter. This dialogue is carried out through a form of body language: the primitive action of pressing parts of my body (my fingers) against the body of the clay... This is not a relationship in which I am active and the clay is passive, even if I am the first to speak, the dialogue can only take place if I empathise with the material, adjusting myself to the time contained in the clay and the rhythms of nature."

Hoshino has created a large scale installation that fills an entire wall. A curious concentric circled urn like structure sits in the foreground while a stupendous spiral sits as if in a trance on the wall. It's as if the installation invites us to look at the engagement of man and his environment, and also talks to us about the power of mortality in myriad ways. Hoshino reflects the power of repetition but with a contemplative aura — He is the role model example of a modern ceramicist. The beauty of this installation is that it is open-ended, born of inner rhythms of sorrow as well as an understanding of what is raw and natural, with an emphasis on the essence of clay and its earthy origins. The success of this brilliant creation is that it points to the tenor of quiet contemplation while it exhibits a sense of tensile and tactile simplicity.

Cross-connects

Ascending Roots conceptualiser RAHUL KUMAR and Ojas art gallery curatorial director ANUBHAV NATH talk to ASMITA SARKAR about bringing young artists together

There needs to be equal space for contemporary and indigenous artists and their artworks, believes Anubhav Nath, curatorial director of OJAS Art Gallery. And, it is with this thought that Rahul Kumar conceptualised the *Ascending Roots* art exhibition. "Roots go down, I'm trying to say that these artists are rooted and yet flying high," said Kumar.

In an endeavour to celebrate both the art forms under one roof, young artists have been hand-picked from each of the categories of folk-contemporary and urban-contemporary. There is no common theme that binds the works. For Nath, it is about exploring the cross-pollination of thoughts and emotions, media and techniques, and style and imagery across the two categories. It is an invite for the spectators to ponder if the boundary lines separating the groups can be erased.

The art gallery has been awarding different indigenous art every year in collaboration with the Jaipur Lit Festival. The works are displayed at the festival in Jaipur and also overseas



at Boulder, Colorado. Apart from that they explore a separate genre annually through the Satrangi annual exhibition. "In contemporary folk art, artists have been pursuing their practices without being affected by the market forces. In the urban art space, there are artists who create work for the market," said Nath. Asked if the traditional form was being lost in a bid to contemporise the folk arts, he said, "Art cannot grow or be segregated in a vacuum. It is evolu-

tionary and will evolve based on its environment."

The artists have not stuck to any one medium and instead the exhibition displays paintings, lithographs, sculptures, intaglio, drypoint, drawings, water colours, acrylic on canvas and oil on canvas by 10 artists like Ashish Kushwaha, Abhishek Verma, Deepak Kumar, Jignesh Panchal, Mahalaxmi, Mayur & Tushar Vayeda, Mayank Shyam, Shahanshah Mittal and Sher Singh Bheel. Viewers can perceive the depths of an artist's work when they are freed from the limitations of a theme. The artists' internal and individualistic vision resonate as they have worked on their most preferred subject for this exhibition.

"I consciously did not keep a theme to tie down the artists. The way to look at these two together is to see them as contemporary artists. The indigenous, tribal or folk artists are also individuals living in cities and use a traditional style whether it's Warli, Bheel, Gond or Patachitra. Their concerns and issues are surprisingly, if you dive deeper into the works,



similar like gender equality, sustainability, the effects of urbanisation on changing humanity, climate change and use of plastic. I'm leaving it to the audience to draw the parallels or just enjoy the two genres under one roof," said Kumar, who called the artists "promising." All of them have completed their formal education in the last five years.

Said Kumar, "More people are now engaging with contemporary art, there are websites that are selling them and artists have their own Facebook pages. The way people are able to reach out is phe-

nomenal." He added that more could be done commercially. For the audience to spend on art, there needs to be an understanding that spending money on an original piece of art than a sofa is better. "There are a lot of people interested in acquiring art. Twenty years ago, there were fewer artists and buyers. Younger and upwardly mobile people are certainly interested in investing in art now," he added. "To begin with, one buys art to show off and it's a conversation starter. Sometimes, they don't understand if the art has been put the right side up and still

want it and sometimes they want to buy so that they can sell it at a profit, but art means different things to people and that's okay," he said. However, he would buy art that he would like to see everyday and wouldn't want to sell it but to "each his own," he concludes.

For the exhibition, Kumar depended on Nath's expertise and engagement with the folk artists since his expertise lies in contemporary.

He shrugged away from being called a curator, for this show, since he only conceptualised it. "By definition, there needs to be more engagement with the artists when one curates. It's not just about the choice of artist but also concept and theme. I want to say something as a curator but I am not the artist. I can only weave a set of artworks to tell you that story. I will work with the artist to ensure that what they make is aligned to the theme and then put the works in a particular order. A curator is like a jeweller who buys the beads and has a design in mind but won't be making the beads. The makers are the artists but the one putting them together is the curator," he said. He chastised those who call themselves curators for choosing artworks and putting them together. "Curating is not well understood in the country," he said. (The exhibition is at Ojas Art@1AQ, Near Qutab Minar, till September 30.)



Still moments of Gandhi, Mao

The Kiran Nadar Museum of Art will be bringing images of Mahatma Gandhi and Mao Zedong by famed Swiss photographer WALTER BOSSHARD in a new exhibition

Seventy years after the assassination of Mahatma Gandhi in 1948, the photographs of Swiss photographer Walter Bosshard (1892-1975), sheds new light on the Independence movement, the salt march to Dandi in 1930 and the personality of its leader. Bosshard preceded the illustrious photographers Henri Cartier-Bresson and Margaret Bourke-White, who came to India in the late 1940s to photograph the Mahatma, by documenting this first vital gesture of the Civil Disobedience movement.

This exhibition at the Kiran Nadar Museum of Art is co-produced by Fotostiftung Schweiz (Winterthur) and Critical Collective (Delhi), and brings together 51 of Bosshard's iconic portraits of Gandhi and Mao. The original negatives have been digitised in Switzerland in order to produce high quality exhibition prints in India. Exhibition also includes a 1921 silent film on Mao shot by Bosshard.

In a dream assignment by the *Münchner Illustrierte Presse*, Bosshard was sent to India to report on the growing unrest and the Independence movement. In March 1930 he started on an eight-month journey of Asia; he crossed 20,000 km by car, to numerous cities and countries, and came into contact with over 5,000 people of various backgrounds.

The highlight of his assignment appeared on May 18, 1930 when the *Münchner Illustrierte* published Walter Bosshard's story on Mahatma Gandhi. The cover of the magazine showed Gandhi deeply immersed in reading, his head leaning on his hand. Inside the magazine, the viewer encountered the Mahatma in intimate situations — while he had onion soup, while he shaved, and even while he slept.

The photographs challenged Gandhi's own ambivalent attitude to photography, as Bosshard noticed. When asked for permission to take photographs, the camera-shy Mahatma replied: "I have sworn never to 'pose' for a photographer! Try your luck, perhaps it might even turn out well."

The impressions of his journey through India were published by Bosshard in his book *Indien Kämpft!* in 1931. A few years later, Bosshard travelled to China to document Mao Zedong and the



nationalism and the symbols of resistance that these leaders adopted, reveal salient aspects of Asia's history.

Bosshard was a pioneer in the field of photojournalism. A master of both the word and the camera, he made a name for himself as a bridge builder between Asia and Europe, reporting on key political events and daily life in Asia in the 1930s. Today, his photographs and films are a rich source of information for understanding global history. Bosshard's archive is preserved by the Swiss Foundation for Photography in Winterthur (Zurich), a national institution founded in 1971, tasked with caring for the photographic heritage of Switzerland.

Art Alive Gallery Presents the third edition of **Art NOW'18**. It is an exhibition that brings together works by 35 modern and contemporary Indian artists. Among a few are Krishen Khanna, Satish Gujral, Sakti Burman, Manu Parekh, Thota Vaikuntam, Jatin Das, Madhvi Parekh, Paresh Maity, Vasundhara Tewari, Jagannath Panda, B Manjunath Kamath, Jayasri Burman, Baiju Parthan. **WHEN:** September 28 to October 4 **TIME:** 9:30 am to 6 pm **WHERE:** Lalit Kala Academy, 35, Rabindra Bhawan, Ferozshah Road.

To celebrate linguistic and cultural diversity, the **Long Nights of Literature**, organised in collaboration with 11 countries of the European Union, brings an array of well-known authors from 10 European countries visiting India to present the reading of their texts in their respective languages. **WHEN:** September 28 **TIME:** 5:30 pm **WHERE:** Instituto Cervantes, 48 Hanuman Road, Connaught Place.

WATCH OUT
Lalit Arpan Festival of **Lasavari**, conceptualised by Kathak maestro Padmashri Guru Shovana Narayan, Dr Jyotsna Suri and renowned tabla player, late Ustad Shafaat Ahmed Khan, present performances by national and international artistes. The festival's volunteers have presented over 90 torch bearers of Indian classical performing arts. **WHEN:** September 27 and 28 **TIME:** 7 pm **WHERE:** The Stein Auditorium, India Habitat Centre, Lodi Road.

The **Neemrana Music Foundation**, along with Embassy of Spain in India, Instituto Cervantes, present Spanish Zarzuela, *The Republic of Love*, which will be sung in Spanish with scenes in English. The operetta is a 1909 zarzuela by Vicente Lleó and presents a hilarious comedy set in the Indian sub-continent. **WHEN:** September 29 **TIME:** 6:30 pm **WHERE:** Lotus Temple Auditorium.

Janus Art Gallery presents **Convergence 2018**, an exhibition of modern and contemporary artworks chosen from the private collection of the gallery. Featuring several styles, genres, periods and themes, the exhibition showcases over 20 artworks by a range of modernists. **WHEN:** 7 pm **DATE:** Till September 30 **WHERE:** JANUS Art Gallery, 63 Gyan Khand IV, Green Park Lane, Indrapuram, Ghaziabad.

GIRONA SPOIL BARCA'S PARTY

Stuani bags brace to hold Catalan giants for 2-2 draw at Camp Nou after Lenglet sees Red

AFP ■ BARCELONA

American fans will be licking their lips if this is what awaits Miami's Hard Rock Stadium in January after Barcelona and Girona played out an enthralling 2-2 draw at the Camp Nou on Sunday.

There were four goals, one for Lionel Messi and two for Girona's Cristhian Stuani, not to mention a controversial red card shown to Barca defender Clement Lenglet.

Gerard Pique salvaged a point for the hosts to complete his own blockbuster night, after clearing one shot off the line and making mistakes for each of Girona's goals.

By the end, Barca had surrendered their perfect record in La Liga, as well as a two-point advantage over Real Madrid. They return to the top of the table, but only on goal difference. Girona move up to sixth.

"For us, this is a triumph," Stuani said. "Coming here and getting this result is so valuable for us." Hanging over this game was always the wider prospect of it not being returned, given La Liga's desire to move the reverse fixture at Girona's Estadi Montilivi on January 26 to the United States.

For all the opposition, however, there was a noticeable lack of complaint at the Camp Nou, where there were chants for Catalan independence but precious little in opposition to a trip to Miami.

A point may not be viewed as a bad return either for Barca, having played through the best part of an hour with 10 men, but changes made by coach Ernesto Valverde failed to hit the mark.

Lenglet came in for Samuel Umtiti, presumably to bed in next to Pique, given Umtiti is suspended for Barcelona's Champions League game against Tottenham later this month.

But he was, perhaps harshly, sent off in the 35th minute with Barca one up, and then conceded before Umtiti came on at half-time.

Arthur and Arturo Vidal - also brought in - were substituted before the hour.

"When we got the red card, our intention was to make a change but we had to let him (Umtiti) warm-up," Valverde said. "It looks like an error on my part." Messi and



Lionel Messi, left, duels for the ball against Douglas Luiz during the Spanish La Liga football match against Girona on Sunday; (right) Cristhian Stuani celebrates after scoring his second goal against Barcelona



AP/La Liga

Pique had changed too, each shaving their beards, but it had contrasting effects based on the evidence of the first half.

Within 19 minutes, Messi had put Barca ahead, a slick finish into the corner finishing off Vidal's pass for the Argentinian's eighth goal in six games. Pique, however, was at fault for the equaliser, a lethargic attempt at a clearance allowing Stuani to poke the ball past Marc-Andre ter Stegen.

Girona had been spurred on by Lenglet's red card, after VAR showed the French defender landed an elbow into the face of Pere Pons, and referee Jesus Gil deemed it deliberate.

The red card rippled through the French contingent as Lenglet's dismissal meant Ousmane Dembele was replaced by Umtiti at half-time.

It made little difference as Girona, and

Stuani, scored another six minutes after the restart, with Pique again the one culpable.

First, he was outrun by Portu and then he brought the striker down from behind for what was probably a penalty. Portu's shot was pushed away by Ter Stegen but Stuani banged in the rebound.

Valverde replaced Vidal and Arthur with Philippe Coutinho and Ivan Rakitic, and Messi struck the crossbar with a free-

kick soon after.

He was involved in the last goal too as a brilliant exchange with the lively Luis Suarez saw the latter's shot loop across the box. Pique leapt high to head in.

Earlier, Ben Yedder scored a hat-trick as Sevilla thrashed Levante 6-2 while Real Betis came from behind to draw 2-2 at home to Athletic Bilbao. Valencia and Villarreal drew 0-0.



Cristiano Ronaldo celebrates with Federico Bernardeschi after the latter scores Juventus' second goal

Ronaldo keeps Juve perfect in Serie A

AFP ■ MILAN

Cristiano Ronaldo erased the frustration of his Champions League red card mid-week by scoring the opener and setting up Federico Bernardeschi for a second as Juventus kept their perfect record in Serie A after five games with a 2-0 win at promoted Frosinone on Sunday.

The Portuguese star had threatened several times at the Stadio Benito Stirpe but finally found a way through nine minutes from time, and then helped Italian Bernardeschi to score Juve's second, four minutes into injury time.

The five-time Ballon d'Or winner had scored his first goals last week with a double in a 2-1 win over Sassuolo, before the 33-year-old was sent off on Wednesday in a 2-0 Champions League win over Valencia.

Juventus — the only unbeaten team in Serie A — have 15 points from five games, three points ahead of Napoli who beat Torino 3-1 earlier on Sunday.

Seven-time reigning champions Juventus and Napoli, last season's runners-up, will go head-to-head next Saturday in Turin.

Frosinone had frustrated the champions for long periods but caved in late and have now conceded 12 goals to remain second bottom of the table with just one point.



NIRAJ'S HEROICS HOLD IRAN IN U16 CLASH

PTI ■ KUALA LUMPUR

Goalkeeper Niraj Kumar turned out to be the hero as India held heavyweights Iran to a goalless draw in the AFC U-16 Championship here on Monday, the first time in 33 years.

The young custodian from Punjab blocked a 76th minute penalty to deny the fancied Iranians full points.

The last time India managed to hold Iran, across all age groups, was in December 1984 in the Asia Cup Finals in Singapore. That game also ended in a goalless stalemate.

On expected lines, Iran asserted their dominance early in the game and had a couple of attempts saved by Niraj. The Asian giants came very close to scoring in the 23rd minute, but the shot from a corner kick hit the bar, much to India's relief at the Bukit Jalil Stadium.

Then, pressing football backed by confident defensive organisation and some sharp counter attacks helped India's cause.

For all the possession that Iran enjoyed,



it was India who had two of the easiest opportunities towards the end of second half.

Ravi Rana missed the first one as his chip went inches over the Iranian goal while the second shot missed the target by a whisker as Saio, after rounding the Iranian custodian, could not finish from close range.

The match also saw Niraj displaying his talent under the bar. He stayed confident all throughout and was unbeatable in the aerial balls, leaping higher than all every time to collect the crosses from the flanks. He also dived full length to make a stunning save to deny Iran in the 16th minute.

"We could have won the match. It was that close. But the boys gave their hundred percent on the pitch and they performed according to the game plan," said head coach of the Indian U-16 side Bibiano Fernandes.

"We are happy with a draw, though we aimed for a win and now we focus towards the next match against Indonesia (on Sept 27)."

Saina, Sameer to fight at Korea Open

PTI ■ SEOUL

Saina Nehwal and Sameer Verma will look to put their best foot forward when they lead Indian challenge at the \$ 600,000 Korea Open World Tour Super 500 tournament beginning here on Tuesday.

Saina, who had skipped the Japan Open earlier this month after winning a Bronze at 18th Asian Games, will look to get over the disappointment of her first-round exit at China last week when she takes on Korean Kim Hyo Min.

Fifth seeded Saina, ranked 10th in the world, has done well in the major events this year, grabbing a second Gold at Gold Coast Commonwealth Games and a Bronze at the Jakarta Asian Games. But the Indian has been inconsistent in the BWF events.

Saina, who had reached the finals at the \$ 350,000 Indonesia Masters in January, was ousted by Korea's Sung Ji Hyun last week at China and will have a tough task at hand as she is likely to face third seed Japanese Nozomi Okuhara in the quarterfinals.

In men's singles, Sameer Verma will carry the Indian flag after Kidambi Srikanth pulled out after



Saina Nehwal plays a shot during the match

File Picture

playing back-to-back tournaments in Japan and China in the last two weeks.

Sameer has been troubled by injuries but he has done well when he has been fit, winning titles at Swiss Open in February and Hyderabad Open early this month.

The 23-year-old Dhar, who had finished runners-up at 2016 Hong Kong Open, will play Denmark's Anders Antonsen in his opening match.

He had beaten the Danish shuttler at India Open in January this year. If the Indian crosses the opening round, he is expected to meet reigning world champion Kento Momota of Japan.

Young women's shuttler Vaishnavi Reddy Jakka will also compete in the tournament, taking on formidable sixth seed Beiwang Zhang of USA in the opening round. Among others, Ajay Jayaram will take on China's Zhao Junpeng in the qualifiers.

Tiger returns: Woods lifts Tour C'ship

AFP ■ ATLANTA

Tiger Woods scored his first victory in more than five years on Sunday, completing a two-shot win at the Tour Championship to crown a fairy tale comeback after a near two-year absence.

The 42-year-old, 14-time major winner carded a one-over-par 71 at Atlanta's East Lake Golf Course to claim the 80th title of his glittering career.

Woods, who finished with an 11-under-par aggregate 269, raised his arms in delight after the victory, with several thousand fans ringing the green roaring their appreciation.

Woods admitted he had nearly been overcome with emotion as he walked up the 18th fairway.

"I was having a hard time not crying coming up the last hole," Woods said, whose most recent before Sunday had come 1,876 days ago at the 2013 WGC-Bridgestone Invitational.

"I kept saying 'Hey, I could still play this out of bounds.' But once I got the ball on the green I gave (caddie) Joey (LaCava) a high five because I knew it was done."

It was an emotional moment to a year which saw Woods return to the highest level after he had once feared he may never play golf again.

"It was just a grind out there," Woods said of his final round. "I loved every bit of it. The fight, the grind, the tough conditions. Beginning of the year (winning) was a



Tiger Woods holds the golf club shaped trophy after winning the Tour Championship

AP

tall order. But as the year progressed I found my swing and put the pieces together and I knew I could do it."

Woods later revealed he had been close to tears on the final green as he prepared for the par putt to complete the win. "I realised all of sudden I was going to win the tournament," he said.

"My eyes started tearing up a little bit. I just can't believe I pulled this off after I've gone through. It's been tough. I've had a not-so-easy last couple of years. I've worked my way back. I couldn't have done it without the help of all the people around me."

ZVEREV LEADS TEAM EUROPE TO LAVER CUP VICTORY

AFP ■ CHICAGO

Europe retained their Laver Cup tennis crown here on Sunday as Alexander Zverev defeated Kevin Anderson to complete a 13-8 win over the World team.

Germany's Zverev came from a set down to complete a 6-7 (3/7), 7-5, 10-7 over Anderson as the Europeans successfully defended the title won in Prague last year.

"It was such a close match all around, not only this one but all weekend, a few points here and there and it could have been different," said Zverev.

"I'm just happy to get the win and we defended the title, that's the most important thing."

Zverev's win was the final act of an enthralling day of action at Chicago's United Center, where the World team had roared back into contention in the day's first rubber.

American duo John Isner and Jack Sock fought off two match points to defeat Zverev and world number two Roger Federer in a gripping doubles battle.

Isner and Sock prevailed 4-6, 7-6 (7/2), 11/9 to give the World team an 8-7 lead with the three singles rubbers remaining.

Europe responded superbly after that early setback however, with the



Team Europe poses with the Laver Cup trophy after beating Team World 13-8 in Chicago

AP

37-year-old Federer returning to secure a vital three points against Isner in the first singles match of the day.

The Swiss ace came from a set down to defeat the big-serving Isner 6-7 (5/7), 7-6 (8/6), 10/7.

The win was testimony to Federer's remarkable physical conditioning. The 20-time Grand Slam singles champion outlasted Isner less than an hour after he had been beaten in the day's opening doubles game.

Federer celebrated the win by performing push-ups on court with his

teammates to the delight of the crowd.

Europe skipper Bjorn Borg meanwhile praised the performance of the World team, who were captained by his old rival John McEnroe.

"I'm very proud of my team, we knew it's going to be very difficult to beat Team World with John as the captain," Borg said. "He has a great team, they're very professional." The next Laver Cup, which is named after Australian legend Rod Laver, will be staged in Geneva in September 2019.

Serena keen to move on from US Open row

AFP ■ SYDNEY

Serena Williams says she is trying to "move on" from the meltdown that overshadowed her US Open final loss but remains perplexed at her coach's admission he illegally signalled to her.

The 23-time Grand Slam champion lost the decider in straight sets to Japan's Naomi Osaka after a fiery confrontation with chair umpire Carlos Ramos that she later blamed on sexism.

Williams called Ramos a "thief" and a "liar" in a running row with the Portuguese official that eventually saw her docked a game.

In an interview with Australia's Channel Ten, the American superstar said a male player would not have been treated the same way.

She said women could not get away with "even half of what a guy can do".

"Right now we are not, as it's proven, in that same position," she said in an interview that aired late Sunday.

"But that's neither here nor there. I'm just trying most of all to recover from that and move on." Williams said she felt "on the cusp of this amazing moment" before the 6-2, 6-4 loss to Osaka.

A win would have taken her to 24 Grand Slams, equalling Australian Margaret Court's all-time record.



Serena Williams sits on a chair during a press conference

The dispute with Ramos began when Williams was issued a warning for coaching, something her coach sitting in the player's box, Patrick Mouratoglou, admitted to doing.