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## Phase-II turnout 1.3% less than 2014

67.84 polling registered; sporadic violence in Bengal, C'garh, Manipur; EVM snag at some places

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The turnout for the second phase of polling on Thursday interestingly turned out to be an exact contrast to that of the first phase. According to the Election Commission, the second phase turnout at 67.84 per cent was 1.28 per cent lower than 69.12 per cent registered in 2014. Sporadic violence was reported from West Bengal, Chhattisgarh and Manipur even as EVM glitches were reported from some places.

The second phase of Lok Sabha elections was held for 95 seats across 11 States and Union Territory of Puducherry. With this, the poll process has been completed in 14 States and Union Territories. In all, polling has been completed in 186 Lok Sabha constituencies.

Tamil Nadu went to polls for 38 of 39 constituencies with DMK's A Raja and Kanimozhi being the prominent candidates in the fray. BJP's Hema Malini and Congress leader Raj Babbar among others were among the notables who contested on the eight seats that went to polls in Uttar Pradesh. Former Prime Minister and JD(S) patriarch HD Deve Gowda from Karnataka and National Conference chief Farooq Abdullah in Jammu & Kashmir too tested the ballot power.

Union Ministers Jitendra Singh, Jual Oram, Sadananda Gowda and Pon



Voters await their turn at a polling booth in Bulandshahr on Thursday

Radhakrishnan were in the fray in the second of the seven-phased Lok Sabha poll which would conclude on May 19.

Voting picked up in the second phase by afternoon which was marred by an IED blast by Naxals in Chhattisgarh, police firing in West Bengal on

stone pelters and EVM glitches at some places. CPI(M) candidate from Raiganj Md Salim claimed that his car was attacked by unknown persons when he went to a polling booth at Islampur in Uttar Dinajpur in West Bengal. According to EC, UP reg-

istered 62.3 per cent polling, Assam 78.27 per cent, Bihar 62.52 per cent, Chhattisgarh 71 per cent, Karnataka 61.80 per cent, Maharashtra 62 per cent, Manipur 74.69 per cent, Odisha 64 per cent, Puducherry 78 per cent, Tamil Nadu 72 per cent and West

Bengal 76 per cent.

The first phase of polling on April 11 included 91 constituencies, registering 69.43 per cent of polling, three per cent more than recorded in 2014 general elections.

Besides Tamil Nadu, voting took place in 14 seats in

Karnataka, 10 in Maharashtra, eight in Uttar Pradesh, five each in Assam, Bihar and Odisha, three each in Chhattisgarh and West Bengal, two in Jammu & Kashmir and one seat each in Manipur and Puducherry. Elections were also held in 35 Assembly constituencies of Odisha and in 18 Assembly seats in Tamil Nadu.

A total of 1,600 candidates were in the electoral battle for 95 seats which would be crucial for the BJP as for the Opposition to keep the tempo of the fight for the New Delhi which has still 357 Lok Sabha seats to go to poll before the final verdict is announced on May 23.

The AIADMK holds the maximum of 36 seats of the 95 seats which witnessed polling in 2nd phase, followed by the BJP with 27 seats. The Congress had won 12 of these seats in 2014, the Shiv Sena and the BJD 4 each, the JD(S) and the RJD two each and the AIUDF, the NCP, the JD(U), the PDP, the AINRC, the PMK, the CPM and the TMC one seat each.

Electoral key State of Uttar Pradesh with 80 LS seats has completed polling in 16 seats of western UP.

Polling was conducted in Srinagar Parliamentary constituency of Jammu & Kashmir to decide the fate of 10 candidates, including NC president Farooq Abdullah who is seeking a re-election.

Security personnel have

been deployed in strength in and around polling stations in all three districts — Srinagar, Budgam and Ganderbal — of the constituency, officials said. The polling for Udhampur-Doda and Srinagar seats recorded 43.3 per cent at 5 pm.

Polling in Chhattisgarh witnessed violence with an ITBP jawan suffering minor injuries after Naxals triggered an IED blast in Rajnandgaon district.

Long queues were seen at polling booths in Tamil Nadu, with Chief Minister K Palaniswami and DMK chief MK Stalin among the early voters.

Sporadic incidents of violence were reported in some areas of Bengal. A reporter and a camera person of a local news channel were allegedly man-handled when they went to cover polling at Kataphulbari in the Raiganj constituency, they said.

Voters in Uttar Dinajpur district's Chopra under the Raiganj constituency reportedly put up a road blockade, complaining about the absence of Central forces at the polling stations, the sources said.

Police fired in the air and lobbed tear gas shells to control a mob, after stones were pelted at them and bombs were hurled by unknown persons in Chopra, a senior EC official in the district said. At least three persons were detained by police in this connection, he said.

### CAPSULE

#### 2 NAXALS INVOLVED IN MLA'S MURDER KILLED

**Raipur:** Two Naxals, involved in the killing of a BJP MLA and four security personnel in Dantewada, were gunned down in a fierce encounter with police on Thursday in Dantewada, officials said. The killed Maoist cadres, identified as Vargese and Linga, were involved in the ambush in which BJP MLA Bhima Mandvi and his four security personnel were killed on April 9.

#### MICHEL BAIL PLEA FOR EASTER REJECTED

**New Delhi:** A Delhi Court on Thursday dismissed the plea of AgustaWestland chopper scam middleman Christian Michel, who sought 7-day interim bail to celebrate Easter with family, noting that he may tamper with evidence and abscond if released. The court refused to grant the relief to Michel and said there are serious allegations against him of grave economic offence.

#### ₹3 CR EXPIRED BEER DESTROYED IN NOIDA

**Noida:** Over 1.24 lakh litres of beer worth ₹3 crore kept at a Government godown in Gautam Buddha Nagar was destroyed on Thursday after it reached its expiry date, officials said. The beer worth an estimate ₹3 crore belonged to three companies — United Breweries, IndoSpirit and Jasmeat Chaddha — an excise department official said.

#### 4 OF FAMILY DIE IN ROAD ACCIDENT IN UP

**Muzaffarnagar:** Four of a family, including a woman and her two children, were crushed to death by a vehicle here on Thursday under Shahpur Police Station in the district, said police.

## Off runway, Jet shares sink 32%; staff seek Govt's help

PTI ■ NEW DELHI/MUMBAI

Shares of Jet Airways continued to fall for the second day in a row, plummeting over 32 per cent on Thursday, a day after the ailing airline shuttered its operations temporarily. The scrip tanked 32.23 per cent to close at ₹163.90 on the BSE. Intra-day, it plunged 34.62 per cent to ₹158.10 that is 52-week low. On the National Stock Exchange, shares sank 31 per cent to close at ₹165.75 apiece.

With lenders deciding not to extend any emergency funds, Jet Airways on Wednesday announced temporary suspension of operations. In a statement early on Thursday, Jet Airways' lenders said they were reasonably hopeful of a successful bidding process for stake sale.

Meanwhile the officers and employees union of the grounded Jet Airways on Thursday sought Government intervention to avert a Kingfisher-like collapse of the carrier, which could not take off



Jet Airways employees hold placards as they gather to make an appeal to save the airline in New Delhi on Thursday

after halting operations temporarily in October 2012.

Alleging some "motives" behind the series of developments at the carrier, which eventually forced it to shutter services temporarily from Wednesday night, Jet Airways Officers & Staff Association president Kiran Pawaskar also demanded a probe, preferably by the national investigation

agency CBI. "The situation is very bad for employees. As many as 16,000 permanent employees don't have work today. I told the management that efforts should be made to resume operations as early as possible," Pawaskar, who is also an NCP lawmaker, said asking why the airline did not clear employees dues before suspending services.

## AAP tie-up hope dim, Cong may list candidates today

NEW DELHI: Amid continuing "flip-flop" over the pre-poll alliance for the Lok Sabha elections, the Congress on Thursday said there is almost no prospect of any tie-up with the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP).

However, sources said the party may wait for any fresh move by the AAP till the announcement of the list of its Lok Sabha candidates in Delhi. As the alliance talks headed nowhere, AAP's candidate from West Delhi Balbir Singh Jakhar filed his nomination papers. "They (AAP) had agreed for an alliance with us in Delhi alone on Wednesday night."

On Thursday morning, they raised the full Statehood issue. I told them we are ready, full Statehood was in our manifesto for 2015 (Assembly) election. But, later I received Sanjay Singh's message that Kejriwal had said the alliance was not possible unless it covers Haryana also," said PC Chacko, the All India Congress Committee in-charge of Delhi.

STAFF REPORTER

## 'Extremism on verge of extinction in State'

ROSHAN KUMAR/VINOD PRASAD ■ RANCHI/LOHARDAGA

Chief Minister Raghubar Das on Thursday asserted that extremists' influence has reduced considerably in Jharkhand adding that only some areas of the State are affected by the LWE menace. Das, who was camping in Lohardaga district for past two days on Thursday reached Left Wing Extremists (LWE) affected Peshrar block of district.

The Chief Minister during his hour-long stay in the area, interacted with local people and asserted that the State Government is committed to development of State apart from wiping out LWE menace. Das was in Lohardaga for campaigning of BJP candidate and minister of state for tribal affairs, Sudarshan Bhagat. Bhagat, the two times Lohardaga BJP MP is pitted against Congress MLA and former State Congress president Sukhdeo Bhagat in the upcoming Lok Sabha election.

The CM stated that in the past four years his government has tried to make the state



CM Raghubar Das, MLA Shiva Shankar Oraon being garlanded by party supporters during a public meeting for Lok Sabha polls in Gumla on Thursday

extremist-free adding that following the decline in extremism the Government has been able to provide basic facilities in the remote areas. He pointed out the entire country is admitting that Jharkhand is growing at a very fast pace.

State BJP spokesperson, Pratul Shahdeo, Lohardaga district BJP president Om Prakash and other senior leaders accompanied the Chief Minister. Das said, "In mid June, the State Government will organise a chaupal which will be attended by him, Chief Secretary and other senior officials." The CM highlighted the work carried out by his Government in last four and

half years which includes better road connectivity in Peshrar, installing solar lights at rural hinterland and provision of portable drinking water facilities for villagers. The CM also talked about how tourism avenues in the areas especially in Lavapani waterfall of Peshrar region has gone up after State Government carried out infrastructure development in the area.

Peshrar region of Lohardaga was one of the most severely LWE affected areas in State. On Wednesday, the security forces ahead of CM visit seized large number of explosives and inflammable objects from Husru village during the search operation. State BJP spokesperson, Pratul Shahdeo said, "Before 2014, the Peshrar area was LWE hit. Even officials assigned for polling or other government duties refrained from going there. But, now the situation has changed. This

can be achieved due to public-police cooperation." Before Peshrar visit, CM also addressed a public meeting at Kashira High School ground in Bishunpur block of the Lohardaga district. Das, making a scathing attack on Congress and JMM for promoting dynastic politics, said, "People like Congress chief Rahul Gandhi and JMM executive president Hemant Soren don't know what is poverty as they are born with golden spoon." The CM said, "Those who are corrupt and involved in scams such as sand mining, coal and fodder scam are against Modi government as not a single scam has occurred." The CM also attacked JMM Chief Shibu Soren and his family for illegally grabbing tribal land in State.

Das said, "The Opposition's tribal love is a myth as most of the times they have made outsiders such as Prem Chanda Gupta, KD Singh and Parimal Nathwani as Rajya Sabha members from State. The BJP is real well wisher of tribal made local leader Samir Oraon as Rajya Sabha member from its quota."

## JAC takes baby steps towards modernisation

SAURAV ROY ■ RANCHI

As Jharkhand Academic Council (JAC) undergoes an important transition from early adolescence to adulthood, challenges to keep up with the changing trends in the education sector have only escalated. Paper leaks, delayed results, glitches in evaluation of answer sheets, protests and more — JAC also has its share of hurdles from the past to deal with. In a tete-a-tete with The Pioneer, JAC chairperson Arvind Prasad Singh throws light on his modernization plans for the council and efforts that have helped address age old problems. Excerpts:

**Q. Paper leaks have been a concern for JAC in the past. How do you plan to address this?**

A. Last year paper leaks in class 9 and class 11 examinations were reported. In a bid to address this, we started con-

ducting examinations for class 8, 9 and 11 in the strict process that is followed during matriculation and intermediate examinations. Earlier, the questions were set and sent to the schools. Most of the leaks happened at the school level, so from this year we have done away with the old process and started conducting examinations directly.

**Q. Every year several students request for reevaluation of answer sheets pointing at mistakes on the part of the evaluators. How is JAC tackling this problem?**

A. We blacklisted several evaluators found guilty of wrongly evaluating answer sheets in 2016. Most of them were blacklisted for three years and the ones found guilty of committing unpardonable mistakes were blacklisted for life-time. Now, JAC has been conducting regular training sessions for evaluators to ensure such incidents are not report-



ed in future. Also, the process of evaluation now happens under CCTV surveillance.

**Q. Apart from addressing paper leaks, what more purpose does the new practice of holding board-like exams for classes 8, 9 and 11 solve?**

A. There are a lot of bene-

fits. Let me tell you that JAC is the only board in India that conducts proper, boards-like exams for students of these classes. The exams are conducted under CCTV surveillance at the exam centres where students of classes 10 and 12 usually write their board exams. It makes students more serious about academics and

trains them for matriculation and intermediate exams. The pass percentage for class 8 and class 9 students this year was 84.58 and 89.4 respectively. This will reflect in next year's class 10 results and help us achieve higher pass percentage.

**Q. At a time when the government has been focusing on digitalization, what measures is JAC taking to modernize its functioning?**

A. Almost everything related to JAC is now available online. Students can check sample papers and answer sheets of toppers on our website. Admit cards too are downloadable now. Reevaluation requests also can be made online through our website. The latest development in digitalization of our system is the use of Optical Mark Recognition (OMR) system in class 8, 9 and 11 examinations. The papers were objective type and evaluated by computers,

with minimal manual efforts.

**Q. The class 10 and class 12 results have not been up to the mark in the yesteryears. The average pass percentage still lingers around 50. What is the council doing to improve the results?**

A. You cannot compare JAC's results with that of ICSE and CBSE since our evaluation process is stricter. As I said, we have started taking exams of students in class 8, 9 and 11 to ensure they are serious about studies by the time they are ready to appear for boards. The Government has hired a new set of qualified teachers who are doing a commendable job. The idea is to strengthen the base of the students while there is still time left for boards and I am sure that the initiative will bear fruits. JAC has asked the government to allow class 11 and 12 studies only in schools. Students at this age may get carried away if they get the

freedom of studying in colleges. This may hamper their studies.

**Q. A majority of students appearing for exams under JAC are from rural background. Do you think it makes your target of achieving better results more challenging?**

A. Most of the successful doctors, engineers and IAS officers in the country come from rural background. If the student is sincere and committed, his background will not be able to stop him from tasting success. We know about the potential of students in rural areas and are therefore holding regular coaching for them to ensure the talented ones crack competitive exams. I took charge as the Chairman of JAC on September 15, 2015. A lot of positive changes have happened in the past four years and we expect more in the days to come.

## EC lets off Naqvi with warning for 'Modiji ki sena'

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Election Commission (EC) on Thursday let off Minority Affairs Minister and BJP leader Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi with a light rap for his "Modiji ki sena" remark and "warned" him against using the armed forces for political propaganda. It also asked him to be "careful in the future".

Addressing a rally in Rampur on April 3, Naqvi had used the phrase "Modiji ki sena". State election authorities had issued him a showcause notice, to which Naqvi had accepted the charge.

The EC reminded the BJP leader of its March 19 instruction asking politicians "to desist from using any reference to defence forces in their political campaign/propaganda". Earlier, the EC had let Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath off hook with a warning for "Modi ki Sena" remarks.

# Woman on bike expedition for PM's support



Bike rider Rajlaxmi Manda in Jamshedpur

**PNS ■ JAMSHEDPUR**  
Rajlaxmi Manda, who holds the world record of being the first woman to pull a 9.5 ton heavy truck, reached Jamshedpur via Baharagora

on Thursday. She has completed her 30,000 km journey of 18 states. She arrived here on a Bullet motorcycle with the slogans 'Kaho Dil Se, Modi Phir Se' and 'Sankalp Hamara, Modi Dobra' as a

part of BJP's Sankalp Yatra. She was accorded a warm welcome by the Jamshedpur Mahanagar BJP leaders.

District BJP president Dinesh Kumar and BJYM district president Amarjeet Singh Raja presented bouquets and garlands to Manda and her team members. Speaking to scribes on this occasion, Manda said voting is the duty of every citizen of the country. "But discharging this solemn duty, citizens elect their choice candidates to ensure country's overall development and welfare of posterities," she added.

Manda said she was impressed by PM Modi's vision and policies and hence she wanted Modi to become PM again like majority of citizens of the country.

After Jamshedpur, Manda's Sankalp Yatra moved to Khunti via Chaibasa. On May 6, the journey will come to a conclusion.

The BJP president praised Manda's enthusiasm and hailed her as a role model for women seeking empowerment. BJP district president Dinesh Kumar said, "Rajlaxmi's Bullet journey shows the enthusiasm for our popular Prime Minister Narendra Modi amongst the youth, women and the people of the country."

Sharing her experiences, Rajlaxmi said that during her journey she got the cooperation of the people and met lakhs of people who really wanted to make Modi again the Prime Minister.

"They were confident that the country needs the leadership of Narendra Modi. The reason is that under his leadership the Central Government's schemes are benefitting the people," she said. Rajlaxmi Manda is a resident of Chennai, Tamil Nadu and she initiated her campaign to appeal to the people of the country to make Narendra Modi the Prime Minister once again. During her journey, she crossed through 172 Districts and 10 States in 62 days completing 1500 kms with a team of 25 people.

# Health facilities to be on alert for poll day

**Bokaro:** All the government and non-government hospitals as well as private nursing homes across the district have been directed to stay alert and take all measures to ensure emergency healthcare services and tackle any potential untoward situation on the poll day on 12 May.

Ravi Ranjan Mishra, DDC Bokaro has directed the government and private hospitals, nursing homes as well as medical staffs to remain alert on the day of General Elections. "We have asked them to be prepared with all life saving equipments, ambulance, ORS and medicines to deal with any medical emergencies of election personnel and security personnel deputed in the election work," said DDC.

"The orders were issued to handle any emergency situation which develops on Election Day on May 12," he added.

Notably, two Lok Sabha constituencies Giridih and Dhanbad share the Bokaro district. The order added that the accident and emergency departments at these hospitals will remain on alert with sufficient medicines, human resource, functional equipment, and power generators.

All heads of hospitals have been directed to make sure that they are present in their respective health facilities on the day. **PNS**

# Maoists attack construction site in Giridih on Wednesday

**PNS ■ GIRIDIH**

Maoists attacked a construction site in Pirtard area of Jharkhand's Giridih on Wednesday night, setting a number of equipment on fire. The attack took place at the construction site near Hathkatwa River at Pirtard.

Chirki Palama village is close to Dhanbad borders and it is suspected that the Maoists carried out the attack to make their presence felt, following tightened security in the adjoining district for the ongoing parliamentary elections.

Village sources said, "Around 30 to 40 armed Maoists arrived at the site on Wednesday night, asked us not to carry on road and bridge construction work till further orders, sprayed petrol and set the machines on fire."

Police informed that CPI (Maoist) cadres attacked a bridge construction site on Chirki-palma route in

Jharkhand's Giridih district, burning down many equipment like generator, cement mixer and others. "The attackers also stalled the construction work and threatened the contractor of dire consequences," a police source said.

Dumari sub divisional police officer (SDPO) Niraj Kumar said, "The demand for levy seems to be reason behind the incident. The CPI (Maoist) is anti-development. The police will provide security cover to get the project completed."

According to reports, labourers present at the site during the time of assault informed that the Maoists stayed at the spot till the machines were completely gutted.

The insurgents also left hand-written notes at the site which the police later recovered. Meanwhile, a police team from Pirtard reached Chirki Palama village and launched a massive combing operation in the region.

# Champai Soren's son clashes with police, FIR registered

**Jamshedpur:** Police have registered a case against Babul Soren, son of JMM leader and former minister and JMM candidate from Jamshedpur Champai Soren for clashing and putting hindrance in the duty of Jagugora police which was carrying out a vehicle-checking drive near the UCIL Hospital in Jagugora on Thursday morning.

The police said Babul Soren was in an SUV, coming from Jamshedpur towards Ghatshila. As the police personnel on duty asked him to stop his SUV, he protested, leading the police to start checking his vehicle. But after creating ruckus, Babul managed to go away from the spot leaving the checking of his vehicle incomplete. Babul's father Champai Soren is alliance candidate of JMM-Congress for the Jamshedpur Lok Sabha seat. "In view of elections we are keeping a strict vigil at the entry and exit point of the city. We saw



an SUV heading on high speed when we intercepted and tried to stop. Babul started abusing us. We tried our best to carry search in his vehicle but he didn't cooperate," said police official.

He said that Soren junior is known for rude behaviour but election being nearby we have been asked to ensure proper search of vehicles but Babul didn't allow the team to check his car. An FIR has been filed against him. At the time Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) is looking forward to woo tribal voters by declaring Champai Soren as the candidate for Jamshedpur Parliamentary constituency, Babul's making news for bad reasons may give sleepless nights to the party. **PNS**

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मुख्य निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी-सह-अपर मुख्य सचिव, मंत्रिमण्डल (निर्वाचन) विभाग, झारखण्ड, रांची के पत्रांक 2160 दिनांक 01.04.2019 के आलोक में लोकसभा आम चुनाव 2019 के अवसर पर दिनांक 29.04.2019 को गढ़वा जिला अंतर्गत किसी कारोबार, व्यवसाय, औद्योगिक उपक्रम या किसी अन्य स्थापना में नियोजित प्रत्येक व्यक्ति, जो लोकसभा निर्वाचन में मतदान करने का अधिकार है, को लोक प्रतिनिधित्व अधिनियम, 1951 की धारा 135 (ख) के तहत मतदान के दिन अवकाश मंजूर किया जाएगा। उक्त अधिनियम अनुसार मतदान के दिन अवकाश मंजूर किए जाने के कारण किसी ऐसे व्यक्ति की मजदूरी से कोई कटौती या उसमें कमी नहीं की जाएगी। यदि कोई नियोजक उक्त धाराओं का उल्लंघन करेगा, तो लोक प्रतिनिधित्व अधिनियम के सुसंगत धाराओं के तहत दण्डात्मक कार्रवाई की जाएगी।

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## Office of Executive Engineer Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Hazaribagh

**Very Short Tender e-Procurement Notice (1<sup>st</sup> Call)**  
Tender reference:- NRDWP/SDRF/RRP/HZB/01/2019-20 (1<sup>st</sup> call) Date :- 15.04.2019

Sl. No	Particulars	Details
1	Name of Work-	Changing of 32mm dia G.I. Rotten Riser Pipe, Connecting Rod, C.I. Cylinder (Wherever Required) of Drilled Tube Well India Mark -II (IS:9301/1990) and depositing taken out old materials to departmental store etc. all complete job in Rural Areas under D W & S Division, Hazaribagh for the year 2019-20 on "Turn- Key Basis" (Deposit Head)
	Group No	No of RRP, Estimated Cost (in lakh), E. M. Required, Cost Of BOQ (in rupees), Time of Completion
	RRP/HZB-1	200 Nos, 22.33716, 45,000/-, 5,000/-, 60 Days
	RRP/HZB-2	200 Nos, 22.33716, 45,000/-, 5,000/-, 60 Days
	RRP/HZB-3	200 Nos, 22.33716, 45,000/-, 5,000/-, 60 Days
	RRP/HZB-4	95 Nos, 10.61015, 22,000/-, 2,500/-, 60 Days
2	Date of Tender uploading in website	Date:- 18.04.2019 at 03.00 PM
3	Last date receipt of Bid	Date:- 26.04.2019 upto 05.00 PM
4	Last date submission cost of BOQ and EMD (in hard copy)	Date:- 27.04.2019 upto 03.00 PM in the office of the (1) Executive Engineer, D. W. & S. Division, Hazaribagh (2) Superintending Engineer, D.W. & S Circle, Hazaribagh
5	Date of opening tender	Date:- 29.04.2019 at 03.30 PM
6	Name and address of office inviting tender	Executive Engineer, Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Hazaribagh
7	Name and address of tender opening officer	Executive Engineer, Drinking Water & Sanitation Division, Hazaribagh
8	Contact no of e-procurement office	06546-262291
9	Helpline No. of e-procurement cell	0651-2480345

Only Registered contractor in this department participate in said tender. Further details can be seen on website- <http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in>  
PR 205810 Drinking Water and Sanitation (19-20)\_D  
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## जिला निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी -सह-उपायुक्त का कार्यालय, बोकारो (निर्वाचन शाखा)

**:- आम सूचना :-**

लोकसभा आम निर्वाचन, 2019 हेतु जिला नियंत्रण कक्ष (कम्पोजिट कंट्रोल रूम) (सीसीआर) 24x7 कार्यरत है। आम जन जो निर्वाचन से संबंधित सूचनाएँ देना चाहते हो या जानकारी प्राप्त करना चाहते है तो निम्नलिखित दूरभाष पर सूचनाएँ दी जा सकती है।

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**कार्यालय : जिला निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी-सह-उपायुक्त, लातेहार**  
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लोकसभा चुनाव 2019

मै.राजीव कुमार(भा.प्र.से.) जिला निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी-सह-उपायुक्त, लातेहार, लोक प्रतिनिधित्व अधिनियम, 1951 की धारा -160 के अंतर्गत प्रदत्त शक्तियों का प्रयोग करते हुए न 04-चतरा (सामान्य) लोकसभा क्षेत्र अंतर्गत 073 मनिका एवं 074 लातेहार विधानसभा में अवस्थित मतदान केन्द्र के रूप में अधिसूचित भवनों को दिनांक 27.04.2019 से 29.04.2019 तक के लिए (उपस्करों सहित) अधिग्रहण करता हूँ एवं संबंधित भवनों के प्रधान को आदेशित करता हूँ कि वे संबंधित भवनों को चुनाव कार्य हेतु जिला प्रशासन, लातेहार को (उपस्करों सहित) उपलब्ध करा देंगे।  
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# Wife of TMC MLA files nomination from J'pur seat



Trinamool Congress candidate Anjana Mahata after filing her nomination for Jharkhand constituency seat on Thursday **PNS**

**PNS ■ JAMSHEDPUR**

Trinamool Congress candidate Anjana Mahata on Thursday filed nomination at the district collectorate for Jamshedpur parliamentary seat. Anjana Mahata, wife of TMC MLA from Salboni, Srikanta Mahata took out a rally from Aambagan in Sakchi with women supporters.

Dressed in tribal attire, her supporters played dhakis while she went to file her nomination. Women supporters dressed in tribal attire dance to the beat of dhakis while accompanying Trinamool Congress candidate. She is the only woman to file nomination from Jamshedpur. "She is the only woman candidate so far and I think this will give her an edge. Moreover, she is raising issues concerning women rights and empowerment, this will help her to garner support for her," said a supporter.

Jamshedpur parliamentary seat is set to witness an interesting fight as six parties have declared their candidates. Apart from sitting BJP MP Bidyut Baran Mahto, JMM candidate Champai Soren, Jharkhand People's Party has declared former MLA Surya Singh Besra as its candidate. On the other hand Aam Admi Party (AAP) is trying luck on RTI activist Dinesh Mahto, while Trinamool Congress has declared Anjana Mahata as its candidate from Jamshedpur seat. Jharkhand Party has declared Santosh Pandey as its candidate. The Jamshedpur parliamentary constituency has 15,51,297 voters. Lok Sabha constituency comprises the following six Vidhan Sabha (legislative assembly) segments Baharagora Ghatshila, Potka, Jugsalai, Jamshedpur East and West. Incidentally, there are nearly 1885 polling booths in as many as 1133 polling locations across the district which represents Jamshedpur Parliamentary constituency. The Steel city will go to poll on May 12. JMM has won four times from the coveted seat.

# Coordination panel in place for LS poll

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With an attempt to have better understanding among workers and leaders of four partners of grand alliance, a coordination committee was constituted at JMM leader Vinod Pandey's Ranchi residence on Thursday.

The main focus of the State level coordination committee was to have better understanding and coordination among workers of four parties at district, block, panchayat and booth-level. In State, Congress, Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM), Jharkhand Vikas Morcha (JVM), Jharkhand Vikas Morcha (Prajanatrik) (JVM (P) and RJD are part of Mahagathbandhan (Grand Alliance). Pandey said, "At the meeting it was discussed that based on the requirements and demand, public meetings and rallies will be held by senior leaders of all four parties." At the meeting the Grand Alliance leaders also chalked out the strategies to win all 14 Lok Sabha seats in State.

Pandey said, "Our focus is to win all 14 seats in State for which we have prepared strategies. We have prepared detailed strategies for all 14 seats." In State, the four parties of Grand Alliance are contesting 14 seats in the ratio—Congress 7, JMM 4, JVM (P) 2 and RJD one.

Prior to Grand Alliance coordination committee, the BJP led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) too had constituted state coordination committee comprising leaders from



JMM spokesperson Vinod Pandey holds coordination committee meeting with all Opposition parties leaders at his office in Ranchi on Thursday

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BJP, AJSU, JDU and LJP. The BJP is contesting 13 seats, while AJSU is contesting Giridih seat. JDU and LJP part of NDA in State, however they not contesting any seats.

Meanwhile, the campaigning of Grand Alliance leaders will gain pace from April 19. On April 19, the Congress, JMM and JVM (P) will roll out joint campaigning from Chatra's Hunterganj. Followed by

Hunterganj rally, the grand alliance leaders will hold three to four rallies at each constituencies going for poll in first phase. In first phase Palamu, Chatra and Lohardaga are going for polls.

State Congress spokesperson, Lal Kishore Nath Shahdeo said, "Our campaigning will gain momentum from Friday as on Thursday our chopper reached the state capital. Apart from Congress chopper, the

JMM too has a chopper. Leaders from all four parties will campaign jointly."

The Mahagathbandhan apart from having State Coordination Committee has also prepared a list of star campaigners who will campaign in all 14 LS seats.

The Congress star campaigners list includes the name of 40 leaders with Congress president Rahul Gandhi on top

followed by Sonia Gandhi, Priyanka Gandhi and other senior leaders.

The JMM star campaigners list includes name of JMM chief Shibu Soren, JMM executive president Hemant Soren and others. Former chief minister Babul Marandi is star campaigner from JMM, while RJD Tejashwi Prasad Yadav figures in RJD star campaigner list.

# Minority leaders see red as parties sideline them

**Mahagathbandhan, BJP go to polls sans minority representation**

SAURAV ROY ■ RANCHI

Leaders from the minority community are seeing red in their omission from the list of candidates announced for the 14 Lok Sabha seats here. Not only Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) but also the Mahagathbandhan, which claims to be the custodian of the minority community here, has chosen not to field even one candidate from the minority community for the 17th General Elections in the State.

The Mahagathbandhan, an alliance of Congress party, Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM), Jharkhand Vikas Morcha-Prajanatrik (JVM-P) and Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD), appeared visibly defensive about their decision of sidelining leaders from the minority community even before the candidates were announced.

On the day they announced their seat sharing equation for Lok Sabha polls, the bigwigs of the grand alliance claimed that the parties have unanimously decided to back a member of the minority community for the 2020 Rajya Sabha elections. They clarified that the members of the grand alliance were peeved by the alleged exploitation of the minority community in the current regime and wanted to support leaders from the commu-

nity in making it to the upper house if not the lower house of the parliament. Congress's Litterpara Legislator Irfan Ansari expressed disappointment over the decision of sidelining Muslim leaders in the list of Mahagathbandhan candidates. Ansari said that he had personally tried to contact Congress President Rahul Gandhi to raise this concern, but could not get an appointment. "There is a clear dissent in the minority community here over sidelining of Muslim leaders. The State has 14 Lok Sabha constituencies and 18 per cent Muslim population, how can you justify not giving ticket to even one Muslim candidate?" he asked. Ansari added that he was still waiting to get an appointment with Rahul Gandhi and convey the message to him.

"Why was Furqan Ansari not given a ticket from Godda? The party would have retained the support of Muslim candidates and also had a strong contender for the seat," he said.

Furqan Ansari had won the 14th Lok Sabha elections in Godda and was succeeded by BJP's Nishikant Dubey in the next elections. Given the strong population of Muslim voters in Godda, Ansari could have been a choice for the Congress party. However, the Mahagathbandhan allies unanimously decided to give the Godda seat to former Chief Minister Babul Marandi's JVM-P. The JVM-P later fielded Pradeep Yadav, who interestingly was defeated by Ansari in the 14th Lok Sabha elections here.

"Only Lok Sabha and Legislative Assembly can give true representation to the minority community. Rajya Sabha cannot be a substitute," said Furqan.

He added that the party should have taken the Muslim population in some constituencies into consideration before finalizing candidates.

"All allies of the grand alliance have agreed that we will field a member of the minority community for the 2020 Rajya Sabha elections. Their representation in the upper and the lower houses is very important," Ajoy Kumar, President, Jharkhand Pradesh Congress Committee (JPCC) said on the day the Mahagathbandhan announced its seat sharing equation in Ranchi.

JMM's Executive President Hemant Soren too clarified that the primary objective of the alliance was to win all the 14 seats and if any community fails to get representation in the General Elections, it will be for the larger benefit of the alliance.

"The UPA has always stood in support of the minority community. Unlike BJP, we do not do Hindu-Muslim politics," Soren said.

As per the seat sharing equation finalized by the Mahagathbandhan, the Congress here is contesting on seven seats, JMM on four, JVM-P on two and RJD on one. However, the RJD as well as Congress have fielded their candidates in Chatra.

# Caustic pond hazardous to environment, says Rai

**Minister wants multi-disciplinary committee to probe mishap**

Ranchi: Food, Civil Supplies and Public Distribution Minister Saryu Rai on Thursday inspected the site in Muri where a wall of a caustic pond used by Hindalco collapsed and caused panic among locals after authorities feared at least 10 people were trapped in the toxic waste.

On April 9, a portion of the pond's wall, made of stone blocks and tied to iron mesh, caved in. About 10 outsourced workers were working at the base of the mound at that time, sources said. Hindalco used the caustic pond to dump industrial wastes from an aluminum factory.

After inspecting the area and speaking to locals on Thursday, Rai said that the



State Food, Civil Supplies and Public Distribution Minister Saryu Rai inspecting the site at Muri where a wall of a caustic pond created by Hindalco collapsed earlier this month

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mishap may have been caused by negligence on the part of Hindalco as well as the Jharkhand State Pollution Control Board.

"Several craters have developed in the area probably due to unabated dumping of toxic wastes. The caustic pond, it seems, is not only risky for the people living in the area but also hazardous to the environ-

ment," Rai said.

He added that he will put forth his concerns to the Chief Secretary of Jharkhand and ask him to constitute a multi-disciplinary committee for probing the incident.

"The mishap has occurred and we cannot do much about it now. However, we must ensure that a multi-disciplinary committee, including geologists, socio-economists and experts, must probe the matter," said Rai.

Sources accompanying Rai to the site said that the villagers here were divided in two groups. One of the groups supported AJSU-party chief Sudesh Mahato and the other supported former JMM legislator Amit Kumar.

MRITUANJAY KUMAR ■ RANCHI

Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) Executive president Hemant Soren is half way through a six-day tour to Santhal Paraganas in a bid to further strengthen the party's stronghold - Rajmahal and Dumka.

Addressing a booth committee meeting of the party workers at Jamtara under Dumka constituency, Soren on Thursday said that the upcoming election is very important for the people of the area in various ways and hence the responsibilities of the party workers has also increased manifold.

"To ensure party's victory at every booth the JMM workers should be there to make sure free and fair polling and to ensure that large number of JMM supporters turn up to cast their vote in favour of JMM candidate," he added.

JMM is contesting four seats - Dumka, Rajmahal, Jamshedpur, Giridih-- of the State out of total 14 seats here. The remaining 10 seats have

# Hemant campaigns for Shibu in Santhal Pargana



JMM Executive president Hemant Soren addresses party supporters during an election rally ahead of Lok Sabha polls in Dumka on Thursday

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been given to other allies in Grand Alliance.

Criticising the State Government, Soren said, "The struggle our ancestors had started has not achieved its

goal. The incumbent Raghubar Government is trying to usurp our water, forest and land for its industrialist friends."

"Martyr Sidhu Kanhu and the Dishom Guru Sibhu Soren

Thursday, Soren said that Santhal Paragana region is party's bastion and it will win both the seats.

"JMM president Sibhu Soren is the party candidate for Dumka and he is going to become eight times MP. It is duty of the party workers to ensure his victory and to do it they have to be on their toes. It is also necessary to ensure victory of JMM candidate from Rajmahal constituency," he added.

Hitting hard on the State Government, Soren said that Chief Minister Raghubar Das had said that there was double engine government in the State but his double engines are pulling the State in opposite directions instead of taking it towards progress.

He said that the party workers should pull their socks up to defeat BJP in this election because it is necessary to save people's basic needs such as water, forest and land.

Litterpara MLA Simon Marandi and Maheshpur MLA Stephen Marandi were also present during the meetings.

# Voters' awareness stickers on Milk Packets in Koderma

Ranchi: In a bid to ensure high voters' turnout during the Lok Sabha Elections 2019 scheduled to be held in the constituency on May 6, the Koderma district administration is now using milk packets for awareness.

Talking to the media, District Dairy Technical Officer of Koderma Dairy, Mahesh Prasad Sinha said that many programmes are being organized by the district administration under the voters' awareness campaign to make voters aware about ethical voting. "A new initiative under the voters' awareness programme is pasting stickers of voter awareness on the packets of Koderma Dairy milk, paneer, curd, ghee and other items," he said.

Sinha informed that about six thousand litres of milk, 50 kg of curd, 100 kg of paneer and 200 kg ghee are supplied daily from Koderma Dairy. "On direction of the district election officer cum deputy commissioner, a voter awareness sticker has been pasted on all the milk products so the message reaches every household and more consumers are vigilant about voting," he said.

Sinha said that the target of installing stickers on 50,000 packets has already been achieved. Koderma Dairy in charge, Suman Saurabh, said that posters / banners have been set up for voter awareness in the milk collection centres in the rural areas and the cattle feeders are also being alerted about voting. PNS

# Tejashwi, Jitan Ram campaign for RJD

Ranchi: In an attempt to strengthen its vote base in Palamu and Chatra parliamentary constituencies, Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) leader and former Deputy Chief Minister of Bihar Tejashwi Yadav along with Hindustan Awami Morcha (HAM) Chief and former Bihar Chief Minister Jitan Ram Manjhi addressed several public meetings on Thursday to ensure RJD candidates' victory from both the seats in Jharkhand.

Addressing a gathering in Palamu Tejashwi Yadav said that he is hopeful of a victory in the constituency since the party here is contesting on the agenda of social justice.

"RJD has been fighting for the rights of the poor since



years. Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP) government has put RJD supreme Lalu Prasad Yadav in jail to weaken this crusade. The people of Bihar and Jharkhand have been gearing up to speed up the unfinished movement of Lalu. I hope that RJD candidates from Bihar and Jharkhand will be victorious in the elections," he said.

Tejashwi said that the purpose of RJD is to save the con-

stitution of India and reservation for backward classes.

Both the seats will go to polls on April 29. Ghuran Ram is RJD's candidate from Palamu and Subhash Yadav from Chatra.

Tejashwi said that the country's watchman is sleeping and the thieves fled abroad with money from the country. He said that under the leadership of Grand Alliance, a majority government will be formed in the country.

Speaking on the occasion, Manjhi said that Narendra Modi calls himself a watchman, but he did not perform the duties of the watchman.

"In his four years of tenure

terror incidents have not reduced. People fled with the money the government gathered through demonetization," he said.

RJD and HAM are alliance partners in Bihar along with Congress party, Vikasshil Insaan Party and Rashtriya Lok Samata Party.

Manjhi said that the Prime Minister of the country did not fulfill any of the promises he made during 2014 elections. Modi's government is busy working for development of industrialists, it is not working for the poor, he added.

RJD is contesting Palamu seat as opposition's Grand Alliance representative. In Chatra, RJD will battle it out against BJP and ally Congress. PNS

# INBRIEF

## 118 CANDIDATES FILE NOMINATION

A total of 118 candidates have filed nomination for the four parliamentary constituencies including Ranchi, Koderma, Khunti and Hazaribag seats on Thursday. The nomination paper will go for scrutiny on April 20 and April 22 is the date for withdrawal of candidature.

## MECON AWARENESS PROGRAMME

MECON organized an awareness programme for its employees on Thursday. During the session, MECON Chairman cum Managing Director, Atul Bhatt administered pledge in Hindi and appealed all the employees to cast their vote. On the occasion, representatives from Election Commission demonstrated the proper use of EVM and VVPAT.



## 'BIHAN' TO ORGANISE DANCE COMPETITION

'BIHAN' a social cultural organization is going to organize a colourful multi linguistic dance competition on April 28 at Doranda Girls Middle School. The various dance competition will be organised under category of including classical (solo), semi classical (solo), modern and contemporary (solo) and folk (group).

## CBI CONDUCTS EVENT ON FIRE SAFETY

Staff members conducted a fire drill on Thursday at the Regional Office, Central Bank of India (CBI), Ranchi, where detailed discussions on fire safety precautions and measures were discussed. Also a demo of fire extinguishers was done.

## BADGE MAKING AT SARLA BIRLA SCHOOL

"Creativity is as important in education as literacy", in a bid to inculcate this feeling among students, a badge making competition was organised at Sarla Birla School on Thursday. The theme of the competition was 'My Resolution-2019'. Students showcased their artistic skills and innovative ideas to express their thoughts in a unique way keeping in mind their resolutions for the new session. The best designed badges were awarded.

## STUDENTS PERFORM WELL IN CIVIL SERVICES

Out of 759 candidates who appeared for civil services examination from Chanakya IAS Academy, more than 280 have been selected from various cities across the country. Five students of the academy were among the top 10 ranks including All India rank one Kanishka Katraia, all India rank three Junaid Ahmed, all India rank eight Vaishali Singh, all India rank nine Gunjan Dwivedi and all India rank ten Tanmavi Sharma.

# Modi jackets losing charm, blame it on harsh summer

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As high octane campaigning continues for 2019 general Elections, markets are flooded with various products promoting different parties. Flags, banners, posters, kurtas, shirts, caps, jackets and many other products are in vogue this poll season. However, in the mad rush for political products one of the most popular items sold in 2014 elections seem to have lost its charm this time.

The style statement of thousands across the country in 2014 and beyond, the Modi Jacket, also known as the 'Modi Bandi' has few takers in the summer of



Modi jackets displayed for sale at State Khadi Board's showroom in Ranchi on Thursday

demand for the jackets continues as we have introduced jackets in different materials such as Linen. However, the increase in demand isn't specifically due to the election campaign as such but the demand for the jackets remains stable throughout."

In 2014 a large number of BJP supporters donned Modi Jacket, especially the youth but also people of every age group were trying to copy PM Modi's style statement. Pradip Sinha, member of State BJP media cell said, "The jacket has received a good response since 2014 as people are wearing it with same popularity. However, whatever fall in demand has taken place is due

to the hot weather."

Bhartiya Janata Yuva Morcha, Media Incharge, Kundan Singh said that in 2014 General Elections there was a huge Modi wave in the Country. "But with the time it has lost its craze among people gradually. At present some people are wearing it but not as much as around 2014 elections," he added.

Owner of Mulberry Lifestyle, Kanishka Poddar said "In 2014, more jackets were sold during the election period for political purpose as many people came in demanding for Jackets related to a specific party color but even though there has been a steep increase

in the demand since 2014, this year the jackets were not sold for the purpose of election specifically. People come in wanting to buy these jackets as more of a casual wear now and not because Modi once propagated it."

According to many, the rising mercury and heat wave is forcing people not to don the Modi Jacket.

The State BJP Spokesperson Dindayal Barnwal said that only due to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's craze the market of Modi jacket has taken a leap during last five years.

Such kinds of things never die and it will be people's choice for long years, he added.

Archana Shephali, said that their production of the jackets is stable throughout the year. "The

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**आमसूचना**  
**लोकसभा चुनाव 2019**

लोकसभा आम चुनाव 2019 के क्रम में विकलांग वोटर्स/महिला वोटर्स के संदर्भ में मतदान केन्द्रवार विशेष सुविधा की उपलब्धता से संबंधित सूचना :-  
 मतदान दल के रूप में प्रतिनियुक्त होने वाले कर्मी कृपया ध्यान देंगे :-  
 भारत निर्वाचन आयोग ने शारीरिक रूप से अक्षम मतदाता एवं महिला मतदाताओं को मताधिकार के प्रयोग में सुलभता हेतु निम्न सुविधाएँ प्रदान करने का निर्देश दिया है :-  
**(A) अंध शिथिलांग मतदाता**  
 1. वोटर्स हेतु मतदान केन्द्रों पर आने वाले शारीरिक रूप से दिव्यांग मतदाताओं को बिना किसी इंतजार एवं बिना पंक्ति के प्राथमिकता के आधार पर वोटिंग कराये और इसके लिए जो भी आवश्यक सुविधा हो, उन्हें प्रदान करें।  
 2. यदि कोई मतदाता व्हीलचेयर के साथ मतदान केन्द्र पर आये तो, उसे व्हीलचेयर के साथ अंदर जाने की इजाजत दें। ऐसे मतदाताओं के लिए मतदान केन्द्र पर रैम्प की व्यवस्था की गयी है।  
 3. अंध एवं शिथिलांग वोटर्स के साथ उनके एक सहयोगी को भी अंदर जाने दें (यदि संबंधित वोटर्स ऐसी इच्छा जाहिर करें) ये सहयोगी उन्हें वोट करने में मदद कर सकते हैं।  
 4. दिव्यांग मतदाताओं के साथ सहृदयतापूर्ण व्यवहार करें और मतदान करने हेतु उन्हें हर संभव मदद पहुंचाएं।  
 5. गूंगे-बहरे मतदाताओं का विशेष ख्याल रखें और उन्हें मतदान हेतु यथा संभव मदद पहुंचाएं।  
**(B) महिला/वृद्ध बीमार मतदाता**  
 1. महिलाओं एवं पुरुषों के लिए अलग-अलग पंक्ति की व्यवस्था करें तथा प्रत्येक एक पुरुष मतदाता के बाद दो महिला मतदाताओं को अंदर जाने की इजाजत दें।  
 2. गर्भवती एवं घातु महिलाओं (दूध पिलानेवाली माताएँ) को अन्य के मुकाबले पहले मतदान का अवसर प्रदान करें।  
 3. गोद में बच्चा लेकर आने वाली महिला मतदाता बच्चे के साथ मतदान केन्द्र में प्रवेश कर सकती है।  
**(C) अत्यधिक उम्र वाले वृद्ध एवं गंभीर रूप से बीमार वोटर्स को भी अन्य की तुलना में पहले मतदान का अवसर प्रदान करें।**  
**(D) अन्य निर्देश**  
 1. मतदान केन्द्र पर पूरी तरह निष्पक्ष हो कर कार्य करें। किसी मंत्री/विधायक/सांसद या गणमान्य व्यक्ति के प्रति आसक्ति प्रदर्शित करना आचार संहिता के प्रतिकूल होगा।  
 2. सभी मतदाताओं के प्रति सद्भावनापूर्ण व्यवहार प्रदर्शित करें और मतदान केन्द्र पर शांति व्यवस्था बनाये रखें।  
 3. सभी अभ्यर्थियों के मतदान एजेन्ट के प्रति समान व्यवहार करें।  
 4. मतदान केन्द्र पर आने वाले ऑब्जर्वर/वरीय प्रशासनिक पदाधिकारी/ पुलिस पदाधिकारी एवं प्रतिनियुक्त दण्डाधिकारी के प्रति सामान्य शिष्टाचार का प्रदर्शन करें।  
 5. कर्तव्य के मामले में भारत निर्वाचन आयोग के निर्देशों के अनुरूप ही कार्य करें।  
 6- ASD चिह्नित मतदाताओं के केन्द्र पर आने पर आवश्यक Verification करें एवं संतुष्ट होने पर मतदान अवश्य करने दें।  
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**आदेश**

आसन लोकसभा चुनाव-2019 के सफल, निष्पक्ष, भ्रममुक्त वातावरण में सम्पन्न कराने के उद्देश्य से पलामू जिला के शस्त्र अनुज्ञापिकाधिकारियों को उनके शस्त्रों को स्थानीय थाना में दिनांक-15.03.2019 तक जमा करने हेतु इस कार्यालय के आदेश ज्ञापक-331/शस्त्र, दिनांक-05.03.2019 से स्थानीय समाचार पत्रों (आज/दैनिक भास्कर/राष्ट्रीय नवीन मेल/हिन्दुस्तान आदि) के माध्यम से निर्देश दिया गया था। पुनः इस कार्यालय के आदेश ज्ञापक-429/शस्त्र, दिनांक-16.03.2019 से अंतिम रूप से कारण-पृच्छा के साथ दिनांक-20.03.2019 तक शस्त्र जमा करने का आदेश स्थानीय समाचार पत्रों (दैनिक जागरण/प्रभात खबर/राष्ट्रीय नवीन मेल, आजाद सिपाही आदि) के माध्यम से दिया गया। परंतु कतिपय अनुज्ञापिकाधिकारी द्वारा शस्त्र जमा नहीं करने के कारण पुलिस निरीक्षक-सह-थाना प्रभारी, शहर के ज्ञापक-1742/19, दिनांक-20.03.2019 के क्रम में पुलिस अधीक्षक, पलामू के पत्रांक-955/गो, दिनांक-22.03.2019 द्वारा 53 (तिरपन) अनुज्ञापिकाधिकारियों को रद्द करने का अनुरोध के आलोक में इस कार्यालय के आदेश ज्ञापक-526/शस्त्र, दिनांक-27.03.2019 से स्थानीय समाचार पत्रों (प्रभात खबर/दैनिक भास्कर/राष्ट्रीय नवीन मेल/आजाद सिपाही आदि) के माध्यम से अंतिम कारण पृच्छा देने के निर्देश के बावजूद भी नीचे अंकित अनुज्ञापिकाधिकारी द्वारा न तो शस्त्र जमा किया गया और न ही कारण पृच्छा दाखिल किया गया है, जो आर्स एक्ट 1959, शस्त्र नियमावली 2016 तथा अनुज्ञापिकाधिकारियों के शर्तों का उल्लंघन एवं भारत निर्वाचन आयोग, नई दिल्ली के अधिसूचना सं०-464/INSTR/2009/EPS, दिनांक-01.09.2009 की कंडिका 3 (10)/3 (11) (डी) का स्पष्ट उल्लंघन है।

अतः उक्त शस्त्र नियमावली तथा भारत निर्वाचन आयोग, नई दिल्ली के अधिसूचना की सुसंगत कंडिकाओं/धाराओं के उल्लंघन के आरोप में आर्स एक्ट 1959 के नियम-17 (6) के तहत निम्नांकित अनुज्ञापिकाधिकारियों की शस्त्र अनुज्ञापिकाधिकार रद्द की जाती है।

क्र.सं.	अनुज्ञापिकाधिकारी का नाम	पिता/पति का नाम	पता	अनुज्ञापिका सं०	बांरित शस्त्र का प्रकार
1	सैयद इमामुल बख्शी	सुखी उदीन	जौहरपुर कॉलेज, मेदिनीनगर	877/1963 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-45613
2	मोहम्मद हाजी उदीन	सुखी उदीन	जौहरपुर कॉलेज, मेदिनीनगर	1190/1972 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-86682
3	बीरपान चौधरी	सोहरन लाल चौधरी	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1450/1977 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-7702788
4	चन्द्रजीत सिंह आनन्द	सोहरन हरिजन सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1479/1978 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-760579
5	रघुबीर कुमार सिंह	ब्रह्मदेव नारायण सिंह	जौहरपुर कॉलेज, मेदिनीनगर	1494/1978 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-7702830
6	भरत प्रसाद सिन्हा	शिव भगत सिन्हा	चांची रोड, मेदिनीनगर	1523/1978 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-614984
7	रामरतन झा	रघु कमला झा	चांची रोड, मेदिनीनगर	1524/1978 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-8102067
8	जगजीत सिंह	सरदार संत सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1525/1978 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-7701720
9	सरदार गुरवीर सिंह	सरदार हरबंस सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1539/1978 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-5100
10	इन्द्रजीत सिंह	रघु सरदार सुरेन्द्र सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1611/1979 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-21964
11	गुणकान्त सिंह	रघु सरदार सुन्दर सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1612/1979 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-800059
12	गुणकान्त सिंह	रघु गुणकान्त सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1625/1979 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-8001878
13	चन्द्रगुप्त सिंह	अशिका सिंह	पुलिस केन्द्र, मेदिनीनगर	1685/1980 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-14739
14	जगदीश सिंह	गुणकान्त सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1737/1981 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-800463
15	राजेश्वर धुमन	गुरदीप सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1759/1981 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-822938
16	लाल बहादुर राय	रघु शिवनन्दन राय	पुलिस स्टेशन, मेदिनीनगर	1867/1981 मेदिनीनगर थाना	SBBL Gun-1480
17	मंजीत सिंह	रघु प्रदीप कौर	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1880/1981 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-30132
18	नवल किशोर सिंह	रघु कामेश्वर सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	1980/1982 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-11759-83
19	योगेन्द्र सिंह	सरदार सेवा सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	2137/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-AB831174
20	सरदार दिलीप सिंह	रघु सोहन सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	2163/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-AB8204786
21	शिवजलन सिंह	करीमन सिंह	रेडमन, मेदिनीनगर	2309/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-AB830556
22	खलील कुरैशी	नाजीक कुरैशी	रेडमन, मेदिनीनगर	2310/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-583
23	विनोद कुमार अग्रवाल	लखन लाल अग्रवाल	पांकी रोड, रेडमन मेदिनीनगर	2394/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-831014
24	श्री शक्ति कुमार सुलतमान	रघु केशव देव सुलतमान	खालटनगंज, पलामू	2471/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-3664
25	राजेश्वर महतो	बाल कृष्ण महतो	रेडमन, खालटनगंज	2547/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-109894
26	जगदीप प्रसाद	दरोगा प्रसाद	नवकोहन चित्र मंदिर, खालटनगंज	2582/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-8527
27	गणेश तिवारी	बटेश्वर तिवारी	पुलिस स्टेशन, मेदिनीनगर	2587/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	SBBL Gun-29149
28	कुलवंत सिंह	दलवंत सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	2627/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-830495
29	राजेश दास केजरीवाल	रघु निरंजन केजरीवाल	अमला टोली, खालटनगंज	2638/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-9844
30	देवी दयाल सिंह	भद्रिका सिंह	रेडमन, खालटनगंज	2644/1983 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-830369
31	राम बिलास सिंह	देवशरण सिंह	हमीदगंज, खालटनगंज	2832/1984 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-6862 C/1
32	शमशु शरण सिंह	रामजी सिंह	रेडमन, खालटनगंज	2877/1988 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-21220
33	चन्द्र शंकर प्रो सिन्हा	रघुनन्दन प्रसाद	बड़ी मरिहद रोड, मेदिनीनगर	2886/1988 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-21397
34	श्रीहरि प्रसाद वर्मा	रघु तपेश्वर प्रो वर्मा	बारालोटी, मेदिनीनगर	2903/1989 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-12295
35	गणेश कुमार श्रीवास्तव	विशुनदेव प्रसाद	पांकी रोड, मेदिनीनगर	2936/1991 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-42860
36	बलराम बिरुआ	दागी बिरुआ	पुलिस स्टेशन, मेदिनीनगर	2945/1991 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-9024C-4
37	राम प्रसाद सिंह	रघु शिव कुमार सिंह	चांची रोड, मेदिनीनगर	3009/1997 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-10377
38	सुनिल कुमार सिंह	लगन देव सिंह	पुलिस स्टेशन रोड, मेदिनीनगर	3079/2001 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-AB0514762
39	नीलम कुमार	गुणकान्त प्रसाद	रेडमन चौक, मेदिनीनगर	3180/2006 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Pistol-RP12634
40	राहुल कुमार पाण्डेय	श्याम बिहारी पाण्डेय	कान्ठ मुसल, बेलावाटीका	3184/2006 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-943/55
41	संतोष कुमार सिंह	पुलिस स्टेशन, मेदिनीनगर	पुलिस स्टेशन, मेदिनीनगर	3199/2006 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-810415
42	गुणेश कुमार सिंह	रघु देवेन्द्र नाथ सिंह	पांकी रोड, मेदिनीनगर	3224/2007 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Revolver-A62578
43	शैलेन्द्र कुमार सिंह	राज कुमार सिंह	बेलावाटीका, मेदिनीनगर	3230/2007 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-AB0703240
44	अमर सिंह	रघु धुवर सिंह	रेडमन चौक, मेदिनीनगर	3246/2007 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-AB812926
45	उमा नाथ सिंह	रामधर सिंह	पुलिस स्टेशन, मेदिनीनगर	3264/2008 मेदिनीनगर थाना	DBBL Gun-24311-04
46	अनील चौधे	लखन चौधे	बारालोटी, मेदिनीनगर	3331/2009 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-074207883
47	कृपाल सिंह	रस बिहारी सिंह	पुलिस स्टेशन, मेदिनीनगर	3378/2011 मेदिनीनगर थाना	NPB Rifle-084213446

संबंधित सभी थाना प्रभारी को निर्देश है कि उक्त सभी रद्द अनुज्ञापिकाधिकार धारित शस्त्र को अविलम्ब जप्त कर थाना मालखाना में जमा कर पुलिस अधीक्षक, पलामू के माध्यम से अधोहस्ताक्षरी को सूचित करें।  
**हो/—**  
**जिला निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी,**  
**सह-उपायुक्त, पलामू।**  
**सह-उपायुक्त, पलामू।**  
**PR 205756 Palamu(19-20)D**

**झारखण्ड सरकार**  
**पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता विभाग**  
**ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट सूचना, (प्रथम आमंत्रण)**  
**अति अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना सं० Dhanbad-2- 02/2019-20 दिनांक 15.04.2019**

1	Name of work :- Re-location of Defunct Tube well in 2018-19 of 125/115 mm dia with 60.0 mtr deep drilled tube well with installation of India mark II (IS 15500 Part- 2/2004) Hand pump with 32 mm dia GI Medium Class riser pipe by DTH (F.D. S/K. P.O./copco) RIG machine with 125mm dia blue casing UPVC pipe with drain. platform under D.W. & S. Division No-2, Dhanbad (SDRF)				
युप सं०	ड्रिड नलकूपों की सं०	प्राकलित राशि (लाख रु० में)	अग्रघन की राशि (लाख रु० में)	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य (रुपये में)	कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि
DHN/SDRF/SR	41	29.50606	0.60000	5000.00	3 माह

2 वेबसाइट पर निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि - 18.04.2019 समय 5:00 बजे अपराह्न तक।  
 3 निविदा प्राप्ति (ऑन लाईन बidding) की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय 25.04.2019 समय 5:00 बजे अपराह्न तक।  
 4 पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल सं०-2, धनबाद में परिमाण का मूल्य एवं अग्रघन की राशि की मूल प्रति जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय 26.04.2019 समय 2:00 बजे अपराह्न तक।  
 5 तकनीकी बिड खोलने की तिथि एवं समय 26.04.2019 समय 4:00 बजे अपराह्न तक।  
 6 तकनीकी बिड खोलने का स्थान अधीक्षक अभियंता का कार्यालय पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता अंचल, धनबाद।  
 7 निविदा आमंत्रित करने वाले पदाधिकारी का नाम/पदनाम श्री संजय कुमार शर्मा, कार्यालयक अभियंता पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल सं०-2, धनबाद।  
 8 निविदा आमंत्रित करने का कार्यालय का टेलिफोन नं० 6206342859  
 9 ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट सेल का हेल्प लाईन सं० 0651-248045

नोट - (i) केवल ई०-निविदा ही स्वीकार किये जायेंगे (ii) पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता अंचल, धनबाद के सूचिवर्य सह-अपर मुख्य निवाचन पदाधिकारी-सह-अपर मुख्य सचिव झारखण्ड सरकार के पत्रांक 05/नि०लो०स० 2019 (MCC)-19 खण्ड-II/2019-2290 रॉकी दिनांक 04.04.2019 के द्वारा आदर्श आचार संहिता से मुक्त किया गया है।  
 अधिक जानकारी के लिए वेबसाइट http://jharkhandtender.gov.in पर देखा जा सकता है।

कार्यालयक अभियंता,  
 पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल संख्या-2, धनबाद।  
**P.R. 205784 Drinking Water and Sanitation(19-20)-D**

**“सुदृढ़ प्रजातंत्र हेतु वृहत्तर सहभागिता”**  
**कार्यालय रु जिला निर्वाचन**  
**पदाधिकारी-सह-उपायुक्त, पलामू**  
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मुख्य निवाचन पदाधिकारी-सह-अपर मुख्य सचिव, मंत्रिमंडल (निर्वाचन) विभाग, झारखण्ड रांची के पत्रांक 2648 दिनांक 11.04.2019 से लोक सभा आम चुनाव 2019 के संदर्भ में राज्य के प्रत्येक मतदान केन्द्र को बीडी, सिगरेट, गुटका, सुगंधित तम्बाकू के किसी प्रकार के उपयोग से मुक्त रखने हेतु निम्नांकित निर्देश दिया गया है :-  
 1. To issue instructions to Presiding Officers & others on tobacco issues, including instructions for ensuring Tobacco Free Polling Booth where both smoking & Chewable tobaccos are prohibited in all polling booths.  
 2. All the polling booths in State to be declared Tobacco Free and not just smoke free so use of bidi, cigarette, gutka, scented/flavored/chewable tobaccos will be completely prohibited within premises of each polling booth.  
 3. Each polling booth will have a displayed banner/Wall painting for the same (Signage attached).  
 4. The presiding officer of each polling booth can be nominated as Nodal Officer for ensuring Tobacco Free Status at respective polling booth.  
 5. All the Distt. tobacco Control cells will supervise & monitor this large campaign to sensitize the adult population of State on will effect of tobacco to tackle the menace of tobacco in country.  
 6. The draft Signage/wall painting 4ft.x2ft. size is enclosed for reference/inputs if any.

अतः उपर्युक्त के आलोक में विभाग द्वारा लोकसभा आम चुनाव 2019 के संदर्भ में पलामू जिला अन्तर्गत सभी मतदान केन्द्रों को बी०डी०, सिगरेट, गुटका, सुगंधित तम्बाकू के किसी प्रकार के उपयोग से मुक्त घोषित किया गया है। सभी प्रखण्ड विकास पदाधिकारी/अंचल अधिकारी/थाना प्रभारी/अनुमंडल पदाधिकारी/अनुमंडल पुलिस पदाधिकारी, पलामू एवं उत्पाद अधीक्षक, पलामू तथा सभी सेक्टर दण्डाधिकारी/सभी बी०ए०लो०, पलामू जिला को आदेश दिया जाता है कि वे सरकार को भी गयी उपरोक्त घोषणा का अनुपालन कराना सुनिश्चित करें।  
**जिला निर्वाचन पदाधिकारी,**  
**सह-उपायुक्त, पलामू**  
**PR 205828 (Palamu)19-20\*D**

**झारखण्ड बिजली वितरण लिमिटेड**  
**(CIN: U40108JH2013SGC001702)**  
**जिला कार्यालय: झरझरगण भवन, एच०ई०सी०, धुवरी, राँची-834004**

**सूचना**

श्री अजय कुमार भगत, पिता श्री राजीव भगत, ग्राम- छतर वगीचा, पो०+थाना-लोहरदगा, जिला- लोहरदगा की नियुक्ति निगम के अधिसूचना संख्या 5255 दिनांक 08.10.2011 द्वारा कनीय विद्युत अभियंता के पद पर की गयी। नियुक्ति पश्चात श्री भगत का पदस्थान कनीय विद्युत अभियंता, विद्युत आपूर्ति प्रशाखा, निरसा-1 के रूप में किया गया जहाँ से वे दिनांक 15.11.2013 से वगैर सूचना के अनुपस्थित हैं।

श्री भगत द्वारा निगम में नियुक्ति के समय यह शपथ पत्र समर्पित किया गया है कि यदि वे नियुक्ति के तीन वर्ष के अंदर सेवा से त्याग करते हैं अथवा स्वेच्छा से अनुपस्थित होते हैं तो उनपर प्रशिक्षण के मद में किये गये खर्च के एवज में ₹० 1,00,000.00 (एक लाख) मात्र निगम के खाते में जमा करेंगे। श्री अजय कुमार भगत द्वारा निगम की सेवा तीन वर्ष पूरा होने के पूर्व स्वेच्छा से निगम की सेवा छोड़ दिया गया है। अतएव Offer of Appointment में निहित शर्तों एवं उनके द्वारा समर्पित शपथ पत्र में निहित शर्तों के अनुरूप उन्हें निगम के खाते में एक लाख रुपये जमा करना अनिवार्य है।

इस संबंध में निगम के ज्ञापक-1503 दिनांक 18.07.2018 द्वारा एवं दैनिक समाचार पत्र में इस आशय की सूचना प्रकाशित की गई थी कि निगम के पत्रांक 4153 दिनांक 08.08.2011 की कंडिका-9 में निहित शर्तों के अनुरूप श्री भगत निगम की सेवा छोड़ने से पूर्व झारखण्ड बिजली वितरण निगम लिमिटेड, राँची के खाते में ₹० 1,00,000.00 (एक लाख) मात्र जमा किया जाय जो अबतक अप्राप्त है।

अतः श्री भगत को पुनः निर्देशित किया जाता है कि सूचना के प्रकाशन के 15 दिनों के अंदर झारखण्ड बिजली वितरण निगम लिमिटेड, राँची के खाते में ₹० 1,00,000.00 (एक लाख) मात्र जमा करें अन्यथा उनके विरुद्ध विधि सम्मत कार्यावाही की जायेगी।

स्वहस्त एवं साक्षरित में ऊर्जा बचाव। कृपया अपनी शिकायतों को टॉलफ्री नं० 1800 345 6570 पर दर्ज करायें।  
**हो/—**  
**उप महाप्रबंधक (सा० सं०)**  
**P.R. 205768 Jharkhand Bijlee Vitran Nigam Ltd(19-20)-D**

**कार्यालयक अभियंता का कार्यालय**  
**पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल सं.1, धनबाद**

**शुद्धि-पत्र**  
**अति अल्पकालीन ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट निविदा सूचना**

पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल सं.1, धनबाद के अन्तर्गत अति अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना संख्या-Relocation of AT, RRP-01/2019-20 जो सूचना एवं जनसम्पर्क विभाग के PR No. 205712 द्वारा प्रकाशित है, उक्त निविदा में अपरिहार्य कारणवश निम्नवत् संशोधन संसूचित किया जाता है।

1	वेबसाइट पर निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि एवं समय	20.04.2018, 4.00 बजे अपराह्न तक।
2	बिड प्राप्ति की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय	25.04.2019, 4.00 बजे अपराह्न तक।
3	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य एवं अग्रघन की राशि जमा करने की तिथि, समय एवं स्थान।	26.04.2019, 3.00 बजे अपराह्न तक। कार्यालयक अभियंता का कार्यालय, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल सं.1, धनबाद के कार्यालय में।
4	तकनीकी बिड खोलने की तिथि एवं समय	26.04.2019, 04.00 बजे अपराह्न तक।
5	निविदा आमंत्रित करने वाले पदाधिकारी एवं कार्यालय का पता	कार्यालयक अभियंता, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल सं.1, धनबाद
6	ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट कार्यालय का सम्पर्क नं०	0326-2311259
7	ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट सेल का हेल्प लाईन नं०	0651-2480345

क्र.	कार्य का नाम	युप संख्या	ड्रिड नलकूप की संख्या	प्राकलित राशि (लाख में)	अग्रघन की राशि (लाख में)	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य (रु० में)	कार्य पूर्ण करने की अवधि	
1	गूह कारा एवं आपदा प्रबंधन, झारखण्ड द्वारा SDRF राज्य कार्यकारिणी समिति की अध्यक्षता में दिनांक 06.03.2019 को सम्पन्न राज्य कार्यकारिणी समिति की बैठक में लिए गए निर्णय के आलोक में वित्तीय वर्ष 2019-20 में पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमण्डल सं.1, धनबाद के अधीन ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में 125x115mm के साइज 80 मीटर गहरे ड्रिड नलकूपों का पुनःस्थापन का कार्य, झिंलिंग, लोरिंग, IM-11 चम्प अधिस्थापन, चक्रवर्त एवं 3.00 मीटर नाली का निर्माण कार्य टर्न-की-आधार पर।	DHN/DT-Gr-01	32	अदद	23.02909	0.47	5000.00	7
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# Four friends challenge stereotypes

Mona Jaiswal, Anita Devi, Guddi Alka and Sudhir Thakur at their venture, 'MAAS' Studio at Kanke Road in Ranchi on Thursday

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**DIVYA MODI ■ RANCHI**

With the determination to do something of their own, four individuals coming from very humble backgrounds decided to quit their

# Bar Pragya from poll: Malegaon victim's father to EC

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Father of a victim in Malegaon blast case and Congress leader Teheen Poonawala wrote to the poll body seeking to debar the candidature of Sadhvi Pragya Singh Thakur from contesting the Lok Sabha polls as she was facing terror charges. Sadhvi Pragya is contesting against Congress leader Digvijay Singh from Bhopal on BJP ticket.

Sadhvi Pragya faces charges in the 2008 Malegaon blast case, but charges against her under Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act (MCOCA) have been dropped by the National Investigation Agency (NIA). She was granted bail in 2017 on health grounds. She spent nearly nine years in jail and is currently out on bail. Malegaon blast accused Sadhvi Pragya Singh Thakur joined the BJP on April 18, 2019.

The Opposition leaders are criticising the saffron party for giving ticket to Sadhvi Pragya. Meanwhile taking a strong exception to the BJP fielding her from Bhopal, National Conference (NC)'s Omar Abdullah on Thursday said the BJP has given ticket to a candidate who is not only an accused in a terror case but is

also out on bail on health grounds. Dubbing Thakur as an innocent person, BJP spokesperson GVL Narasimha Rao said she was tortured and its fight against the Congress conspiracy to defame Hindu religion by linking it to the terrorism. He alleged that Congress president Rahul Gandhi had "masterminded" this conspiracy, claiming that it was meant to appease a minority community.

In a letter to the poll body, Poonawala said the Maharashtra Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) had found Thakur to be the "principal conspirator" in the 2008 Malegaon blast in which six people were killed. Her name has also cropped up in the Ajmer Dargah blast case, he said.

"I would humbly request the Election Commission of India to take further necessary steps to uphold the Model Code of Conduct 2019 and take appropriate action against Sadhvi Pragya Singh Thakur and debar her from contesting elections," the letter read.

Poonawala further wrote in the letter, "Thakur is currently facing charges under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act and also stands accused of murder,



BJP candidate Sadhvi Pragya Singh Thakur addresses party workers meeting for Lok Sabha polls in Bhopal on Thursday PTI

attempt to murder, criminal conspiracy, and of promoting different groups on ground of religion. That the court had observed that Sadhvi Pragya Singh Thakur had planned the conspiracy with the aim to spread terror and cause communal crack in the society. The BJP is fielding a terror accused as a candidate in Bhopal."

Her (Pragya's) medical reports which were submitted in Court exhibited said that she is suffering from breast cancer and is infirm, that she cannot walk without support. Nonetheless, she is now contesting elections.

This is clearly indicated misrepresentation and forged ground of her bail, (sic)" his complaint reads.

Poonawala said on Twitter that Pragya should not be allowed to contest polls on the same grounds applicable to Hardik Patel, who is accused in a rioting and arson case during the 2015 Patidar agitation.

"If Hardik Patel can be barred, even Sadhvi Pragya must be prevented from contesting. This is the duty of the Election Commission. We cannot have two rules. Moreover, by stating this is a dharam yudh, Sadhvi Pragya has violated the MCC. She was granted bail because she was unwell," Poonawala tweeted.

Another application against the Lok Sabha ticket given to Pragya was filed by the father of a Malegaon blast victim. In the application filed by the victim's father, he has questioned Sadhvi Pragya's candidature before the NIA court as she was given bail on health grounds. Sadhvi Pragya faces charges in the Malegaon blast case although charges under MCOCA have been dropped by NIA.

Saffron-clad Thakur (48), with her trademark short hair and sporting a rudraksh mala, became the face of right wing extremism after being arrested by the Maharashtra Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) in the 2008 Malegaon blast case.

## CEO for action against Pillai for anti-Islam remarks

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Kerala Chief Electoral Officer has recommended "appropriate action" against BJP State chief PS Sreedharan Pillai for allegedly making anti-Islam remarks during an election campaign meeting in Attingal Lok Sabha constituency on April 14.

In his report to the Election Commission, Kerala Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) Teeka Ram Meena said Pillai made the remarks while countering the comments of Congress president Rahul Gandhi, CPI(M) general secretary Sitaram Yechury and Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan on the number of people killed during the Balakot air strike.

"Our Rahul Gandhi, Yechury, Pinarayi and all are saying that, after getting there... The dead bodies... Which caste, which religion... If they are Islam then there will be a few signs... If only you remove the dresses only then it can be found out... So after doing all that, we should come back is what they say," Pillai had said, according to Meena's report to the poll body.

Pillai made these remarks during the poll campaign meeting organised for BJP candidate Sobha Surendran.

The CEO, in his report dated April 16, said no permission was taken for the BJP meeting and a complaint has been registered in the Attingal police station in Thiruvananthapuram district.

"It appears prima facie a case of violation of Section 123(3A) and Section 125 of the



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Representations of People Act, 1951. Accordingly, appropriate action may be taken in the matter," Meena said in his report sent to Deputy Election Commissioner Sudeep Jain.

On Wednesday, the CEO had informed the High Court that strong action would be taken against Pillai in the case.

A petition seeking a directive to the Election Commission to take action against Pillai was filed by CPI(M) leader V Sivankutty.

The court disposed of the petition in the light of the submissions made by the Election Commission.

### IN SHORT

#### CBI TAKES OVER PROBE IN JAIPUR DRUGS CASE

**New Delhi:** The CBI has taken over the investigation into alleged drug peddling by a Jaipur-based interior designer and his two friends on the directions of the Rajasthan High Court, officials said Wednesday. The agency has re-registered the FIR by the Rajasthan Police, which had arrested one Harshita Garg along with her friends — Nishat and Rajat Morya — on the alleged drug trafficking charges on October 19, 2016 from Pink Square Mall in Jaipur, they said.

#### CPI REFUSES TO WITHDRAW PART OF ITS DD SPEECH

**New Delhi:** The CPI has refused to withdraw parts of a speech of the party for election campaign which Doordarshan claimed was violative of the Model Code of Conduct, its MP Binoy Viswam said. The Prasar Bharati, in a statement, said the vetting team of Doordarshan observed a paragraph of speech of the CPI that was to be broadcast on the channel. The speech hits out at the "racial supremacy preached by the RSS".

#### JAIDEEP APPOINTED AS NEW ENVOY FOR S AFRICA

**New Delhi:** Seasoned diplomat Jaideep Sarkar has been appointed as India's next High Commissioner to South Africa. "He is expected to take up the assignment shortly," the External Affairs Ministry said, making the announcement. Sarkar, a 1987-batch Indian Foreign Service official, is currently serving as India's ambassador in Bhutan.

## Kanpur man flung shoes at BJP leaders during presser

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

A man flung a shoe at BJP leaders addressing a Press conference at the party's headquarters here on Thursday with Rajya Sabha member GVL Narasimha Rao narrowly missing the hit.

The intention of the man for throwing the shoe could not be ascertained initially but the police, which let him go later in the evening after sustained interrogation, said it was to gain media attention. The attacker was identified as a doc-



In this still video is seen BJP leader GVL Narasimha Rao as he reacts after a shoe hurls past him, during a Press conference at the party headquarters in New Delhi on Thursday PTI

tor from Kanpur.

The man was immediately bundled out by security guards at the party office and handed over to police.

At the time of the incident, BJP leaders Bhupendra Yadav and GVL Narasimha Rao were addressing the media with Rao attacking the Congress for defaming Hindus by foisting "false cases" on Hindutva activists, including Sadhvi Pragya Singh Thakur who has been nominated as party Lok Sabha candidate from Bhopal.

Several important political leaders domestically and internationally have been targeted with the shoe like former Finance Minister P Chidambaram who was attacked by a journalist Jarnail Singh who accused the Congress of playing a biased role in Sikh riot cases.

US President George Bush too was attacked with a shoe when he was in Iraq. In fact, the attacker threw two shoes on Bush but both missed their marks.

## ED seizes ₹82.11 cr gold from Hyderabad

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Thursday seized 145.89 kg of gold jewellery worth ₹82.11 crore after searches conducted at multiple locations including office-cum-residence of Kailash Gupta, promoters of Musaddil Jewellers Pvt Ltd (MJPL) at Hyderabad, the firm's showroom at Vijaywada and other locations.

Besides MJPL, the agency also searched the residential and business premises of Pavan Agarwal (Partner Balaji Gold), residence of Neel sunder Tharad (Proprietor of Ashta Lakshmi Gold), office of Chartered Accountant, Sanjay Sarma in ongoing investigation under the provisions of

Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) in a demonetisation case.

ED initiated investigation under PMLA on the basis of FIR registered by Telangana Police on the basis of complaint filed by Income Tax Department against Kailash Gupta, his sons and their companies MJPL and Vaishnavi Bullion Ltd. for conspiring with certain bullion dealers, chartered accountants and close relatives by blatantly misusing the scheme of demonetisation by illegally depositing huge amounts of unaccounted demonetised cash in their accounts, the ED said.

For this purpose they fraudulently created around 5,200 back dated fabricated

advance sale receipts dated November, 2016, each for an amount less than ₹2 lakh to avoid furnishing PAN details.

During the course of investigation, it was revealed that immediately after announcement of demonetisation scheme, the accused had illegally deposited ₹110.85 crores in their bank accounts falsely claiming that within a few hours they had received advances of less than ₹2 lakh each from more than 5,200 customers, on the night of November 8, 2016, for purchase of gold/jewellery from their firms.

All these invoices were found to be bogus. Further, analysis of CCTV footages of their offices and that of the neighbourhood revealed that no such activity of purchase of gold was carried out during that period.

It is further revealed that those more than 5,200 invoices dated November 8, 2016 were fraudulently raised on a later date.

Investigation under PMLA revealed that illegally deposited unaccounted cash to the tune of ₹110.85 crores in the bank accounts of the accused and their companies and subsequently ₹ 80 crores (approx) was transferred to the bank accounts of various Gold Bullion dealers like Ashta Lakshmi Gold, Shri Balaji Gold among others in the guise of purchase of gold. The accused have admitted that they had created fake sale invoices.

## Mental illness of death row convicts ground to spare them from gallows: SC

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The verdict owing to his mental condition.

He was given death penalty in a barbaric rape and murder of two minor cousins in Maharashtra in 1999.

It, however, took note of "barbaric and brutal manner of commission of the crime" and awarded the jail term to the convict for "remainder of his life" with the direction to the government to ensure proper mental health care to him.

An accused could till now take the plea of "legal insanity" under the Indian Penal Code (IPC) to avoid criminal prosecution and the defence was "made relatable to the moment when the crime is committed".

A three-judge Bench headed by Justice NV Ramana spared a condemned prisoner, who has not been identified in

assess if he develops mental condition after the court finds him guilty.

Delineating directions to be followed by appellate courts on sentencing mentally-ill accused, the bench said: "The post-conviction severe mental illness will be a mitigating factor that the appellate court, in appropriate cases, needs to consider while sentencing an accused to death penalty.

"The assessment of such disability should be conducted by a multi-disciplinary team of qualified professionals (experienced medical practitioners, criminologists etc), including professional with expertise in accused person's particular mental illness."

## Medicine selling outlets to be known as pharmacy soon

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Soon, outlets selling medicines will be called as "Pharmacy" instead of "Chemists and Druggist." The Union Health Ministry is mulling such a proposal which is in keeping with the international practice and provides a sense of identity to the practicing pharmacists in these outlets.

In contrast, the term 'Chemists and Druggists' was coined in 1945 and is quite old and has lost relevance and also, at present the word 'drug' is looked upon as more clandestine and as addition for chemicals, hence does not suit to refer a professional pharmacist, said a senior official from the Ministry.

"In order to give retail trade a better professional recognition, the Union health ministry will soon amend Rule 65(15)(b) and Rule 65(15)(c) of Drugs and Cosmetics (D&C) Rules, to replace 'Chemists & Druggists' with 'Pharmacy'. Once the amendment is done, all the medical shops in the country will be called as Pharmacy," said a senior official from the Ministry.

The issue was deliberated in the 55th Drug Consultative Committee (DCC) meeting

held in February 2019 and it was recommended to replace the words 'Chemists and Druggists' with 'Pharmacy' in Rule 65(15)(b) of the D&C Rules, 1945, he added.

Accordingly, the proposal was placed before the Drug Technical Advisory Board (DTAB), a highest decision making body on technical issues related to drugs for deliberation. "The DTAB discussed the matter and agreed to amend Rule 65(15) of the D&C Rules, 1945 to provide that all licensees in Form 20 and Form 21, they should display the word "Pharmacy", explained the official.

As per Rule 65(15)(b) of the D&C Rules, the description "Chemists and Druggists" shall be displayed by those licensees who employ the services of a registered pharmacist but who do not maintain a "Pharmacy" for compounding against prescriptions.

Similarly in Rule 65(15)(c) of the D&C Rules, the description "Pharmacy," "Pharmacist," "Dispensing Chemist" or "Pharmaceutical Chemist" shall be displayed by such licensees who employ the services of a registered pharmacist and maintain a "Pharmacy" for compounding against prescription.

## WHO releases first guideline on digital health interventions

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

Even as India is looking towards e-health as one of the health solutions for the people in the remote areas where medical care is yet to reach, the World Health Organisation (WHO) has cautioned that in such health setups, consultations should be conducted by qualified health workers and that the privacy of an individual's health information is maintained.

In its newly released 'first guideline on digital health interventions', the WHO has, nevertheless, recommended digital health technology, accessible via mobile phones, tablets and computers, to improve people's health and essential services, as an essential medium for achieving universal health coverage.

"Harnessing the power of digital technologies is essential for achieving universal health coverage," said WHO Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus. "Ultimately, digital technologies are not ends in themselves; they are vital tools to promote health, keep the world safe, and serve the vulnerable."

Over the past two years, WHO systematically reviewed evidence on digital technologies and consulted with experts from around the world to pro-



duce recommendations on some key ways such tools may be used for maximum impact on health systems and people's health.

The WHO noted that one digital intervention already having positive effects in some areas is sending reminders to pregnant women to attend antenatal care appointments and having children return for vaccinations. Other digital approaches reviewed include decision-support tools to guide health workers as they provide care; and enabling individuals and health workers to communicate and consult on health issues from across different locations.

"The use of digital technologies offers new opportunities to improve people's health," added Dr Soumya Swaminathan, Chief Scientist at WHO. However, there is a word of caution. "But the evidence also highlights chal-

lenges in the impact of some interventions," she said while Dr Garrett Mehl, WHO scientist in digital innovations and research warned that digital interventions, depend heavily on the context and ensuring appropriate design.

The WHO also said that people also must be assured that they are not being put at risk because they have accessed information on sensitive health topics, such as sexual and reproductive health issues.



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The WHO guideline also emphasized on the importance of reaching vulnerable populations, and ensuring that digital health does not endanger them in any way.

India, on its part has come with a draft legislation, the Digital Information Security in Healthcare Act (DISHA) which intends to ensure the confidentiality and reliability of digital health data by regulating how they are collected, stored, transmitted, and used.

Rohit MA, co-founder and Managing Director, Cloudnine Group of Hospitals too have a word of caution. As per a report, he opined that while Data protection and patient privacy have been spoken and been discussed at several forums, India's blooming healthcare sector could become a victim of its own success, if it fails to ensure Data protection to its patients.

Despite all challenges, the technology is all set to grow in healthcare sector. "With India as a market demanding better healthcare facilities, the telemedicine industry, considered to be a niche, is expected to grow over 20 per cent and cross \$32 million by 2020," says the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM).

## Plea in SC seeks to declare misquoting judicial orders by candidates a corrupt practice

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

A petition in the Supreme Court has sought a direction that misquoting judicial orders for electoral gains by candidates and political office bearers be declared a corrupt practice under the Representation of the People Act. It has also sought a direction that the Election Commission of India (ECI) should have power to refer complaints against them for seeking vote on the basis of religion, race, caste, community or language to appropriate investigation agencies.

"Direct and declare the Election Commission of India has the power to reject the nomination of contesting candidates and de-register the political parties for seeking vote on the basis of religion, race, caste, community or language," said the plea, filed by BJP leader and advocate Ashwini Kumar Upadhyay.

Besides the Centre, the petition has arrayed the ECI as a party.

Upadhyay has referred to a recent statement given by Congress President Rahul Gandhi on apex court's order in the Rafale fighter jets case. He has also referred to

another recent statement given by BSP supremo Mayawati in which she had allegedly asked Muslim voters to vote for candidates of alliance partners — SP, BSP and RLD — in Uttar Pradesh.

The plea said that under the Representation of the People Act, appeal made on grounds of religion, race, caste, community or language and promoting feelings of enmity between different classes constitute corrupt practice but it can be questioned only by way of election petition and the ECI cannot order investigation even when the Model Code of Conduct is in force.

"Ironically, these provisions will have application only during period of election. Moreover, there is no provision to challenge the corrupt practice of candidate, who has lost the election," it said.

It said that in January 2010, the ECI had proposed that the Act should be amended to curtail misuse of caste and religion for electoral gain but the government has done nothing in this regard till date.

The plea said the government has not taken steps to implement recommendations of the Law Commission's 267th report on hate speech.



# Dar's journey: From 'human shield' to poll duty

**PTI ■ UTLIGAM**  
Nearly two years ago, when Srinagar voted in a Lok Sabha bypoll, Farooq Ahmed Dar was used as a 'human shield' to ensure safe passage for Army jawans as they came under intense stone-pelting, but now he finds himself posted on election duty.

"Farooq Ahmad Dar is working on consolidated terms as a sweeper in the Health Department. He has been posted on election duty," said Budgam Chief Medical Officer Nazir Ahmad.

In 2017, a picture of Dar tied to the bonnet of an army jeep splashed across the front

pages of newspaper, invoking sharp but divided reactions. Investigations later found he was on his way to his sister's place for a condolence meet after casting his vote in the bypoll on April 9, 2017, when the army picked him up and tied him with ropes, parading him through nearly 28 villages.

"What was my mistake? Going to the polling booth and casting my ballot?" Dar had told PTI in a video interview last year. At this village, nearly 40 kms from the Srinagar city, where Dar was tied to the army jeep, the incident is still fresh in the minds of the locals.

After the polls opened at the Utligam polling station,



only two of the registered 1,016 voters had cast the ballots in the first 100 minutes. The residents allege the stone-pelting was in response to the "unprovoked harassment" of the locals by the Army officer and the "vandalism" by the troops.

"It was the Army personnel who went berserk and started

beating up people and broke window panes of many houses that day. The youngsters were infuriated and retaliated by pelting them with stones," Nazir Ahmad, a local resident said.

Ahmad admits the stone-pelting was very intense, which probably forced Major Leetul Gogoi to catch hold of Dar and use him as a human shield.

"He is not even from our village. He is from Cheill-Brass village, 15 kilometres from here. That incident has brought only unwanted attention from all sides to our village. If we vote, it is a problem and if we do not vote, it is a problem," he said. Mohammad Aslam, another villager, said the police

picked up 22 youths from the village over the past couple of days without any charge.

"Most of them are labourers and students. We are least bothered about if any one comes to vote or not. We have formed a committee to ensure there is law and order problem in our village this time because we are concerned about our boys," he said.

There is a sense of deja vu among some residents here. A young woman died on Thursday morning due to brain hemorrhage. "You would not have been able to come here had it not been for the death of the woman this morning. The scenes here would have been

different," said a youth, who wished not to be named, indicating that disturbance in the area was planned.

As this PTI reporter travelled to Cheill-Brass, a remote village just at the foot of the mighty mountain, Dar was not at his home. "He has gone for election duty," his mother Fazi Begum told PTI.

She said Dar was appointed as a daily wage employee in the State Health Department and has been on election duty since Wednesday. Asked if the eligible members of her family had cast their votes, Fazi Begum said, "I almost lost my son due to voting two years ago. Do you think we will go to vote again?"

# In a first, over 150 inmates of mental health centre cast votes



Inmates of the Institute of Mental Health cast their votes at a polling booth in Chennai on Thursday

**Chennai:** They lined up patiently to cast their votes in the blazing sun, 156 inmates of a mental health centre here, eager to participate in the electoral process as polling was held in 38 Lok Sabha seats in Tamil Nadu on Thursday.

The inmates, including 56 women, exercised their franchise in a booth exclusively set up for them at the Institute of Mental Hospital (IMH), Kilpauk, probably the first time such patients are voting in the country.

The area comes under Central Chennai constituency where the main fight is between former Union Minister and DMK leader Dayanidhi Maran, Sam Paul of PMK under the AIADMK-BJP-PMK combine,

Kameela Nasser from Makkal Needhi Maiam floated by actor Kamal Haasan.

After casting his vote, a 37-year-old man, battling schizophrenia for the last seven years, said when he stood near the electronic voting machine, he reminisced about the 2001 assembly elections, the last time he voted.

"I felt special. I am very happy to vote," he said. He was all praise for students of a local city college (Loyola College) and Election Commission officials for conducting awareness programmes and mock polls on the hospital premises ahead of elections. IMH Director P Poorna Chandrika was elated over the exercise being conducted in the hospital.

# J&K HITS LOW AT 43% POLLING IN PHASE II

**MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU**  
Jammu & Kashmir on Thursday saw 43.4 per cent turnout — lowest in the second phase of Lok Sabha polls.

Despite witnessing peaceful electioneering in the run up to the second phase of polling across Srinagar Parliamentary seat, from where National Conference Chief, Farooq Abdullah, was seeking reelection, less than 15 per cent voters turned up at the polling booths amid tight security arrangements on Thursday.

Former Chief Minister Omar Abdullah accompanied his father Farooq to the polling booth in Srinagar and appealed to the voters to come out in large numbers to exercise their right to franchise.

Out of three districts, falling

with in the high profile Lok Sabha constituency, Srinagar recorded the lowest voter turnout of 7.9 per cent till 6.00 pm while Budgam recorded 17.5 per cent polling and Ganderbal recorded highest voter turnout of 21.6 per cent voters.

Chief Electoral Officer, J&K Shailendra Kumar in Srinagar said, "The entire polling process passed off peacefully on two Lok Sabha seats with the participation of over 44 per cent electorate". He said, no major incident of violence was reported during the entire polling day in the state.

Over 70 per cent voters came out to cast their votes in Udhampur-Doda constituency in a peaceful manner. Out of five Assembly seats in Kathua district, Kathua Assembly seat recorded 80 per cent turnout



National Conference president Farooq Abdullah and his son Omar Abdullah leave after casting vote in Srinagar on Thursday

close contest with Vikramaditya Singh, the joint candidate of Congress and National Conference from the seat. The three landlocked districts of Doda, Kishtwar and Ramban too recorded over 60 per cent polling.

BJP's sitting MP, Dr Jitendra Singh is locked in a

# 70 per cent polling recorded in Bengal

**SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA**  
In an ominous sign a State that traditionally witnesses 80-plus percentage polling saw little above 70 per cent voters exercising their voting rights indicating the remaining vast majority of the electorate must have stayed back home on account of pre-electoral threats or simply out of disgust, psephologists said.

Otherwise the polling on Thursday was less violent compared to what it happens on hill tops — leave alone motorable ones — the challenge is more pronounced and

from voting in the initial hours leading to skirmishes leading several persons including a Bangla television journalist injured.

Chopra a place in Raiganj constituency adjoining Bihar witnessed sporadic violence bombing by alleged Trinamool Congress miscreants who reportedly stopped voters from going to the booth.

Subsequent it needed a road blockade by them for the Election Commission to wake up and rush central forces to the spot — after four long hours — by which time several persons including a tele journalist was badly clubbed.

# Migrant Kashmiri Pandits protest over missing names from electoral roll

**Jammu:** Several migrant Kashmiri Pandits could not exercise their franchise as their names were found missing from the electoral roll at the special polling stations set up for Srinagar constituency in Jammu during the second phase of Lok Sabha elections.

Miffed at it, they raised slogans against the administration and the EC at several polling stations. "We came to the polling station to cast our vote but found our names missing from the electoral roll. It is a denial of our right to vote," said Radha Krishen Bhat, a migrant Kashmiri Pandit from the Chadoora segment of Srinagar Lok Sabha constituency.

Bhat said four members of his family could not vote and alleged that there was a conspiracy to deny the migrants their right. Similarly, Mintoo Mawa and four of his family members, who hail from Amira Kadal segment, had to return without exercising their franchise.

# Close to 400 booths in K'taka's 1st phase of polling staffed by women

**IANS ■ BENGALURU**  
Close to 400 of the 30,164 polling stations in the 14 Lok Sabha seats in Karnataka where voting was held on Thursday were staffed exclusively by women, an official said on Thursday.

"The 393 'sakhis' (women's) booths were staffed by 10 women, including 4 polling personnel, 3 assistants and 3 constables, with two outside and one inside the booth," Karnataka Chief Electoral Officer Sanjiv Kumar told IANS here.

The maximum number of sakhis booths — 130 — were in Bangalore's 3 parliamentary seats, followed by 46 in Bangalore Rural, 45 in Udipi-Chikmagalur, 34 in Mysore, 30 in Chikkaballapur, 28 in Mandya, 22 in Tumkur, 20 in Dakshina Kannada, 14 in Hassan and 12 each in Chitradurga and Kolar.

"The objective of all-

women's booths is to empower them and demonstrate their capability to conduct free and fair polling as in the case of men," said Kumar.

Both men and women are allowed to vote in the all-women's booths.

# When donkeys lent a helping hand to TN poll officials

**Chennai:** While GPS-fitted vehicles are deployed to transport poll materials like EVMs in the State, such technology or vehicles do not always help; especially when it comes to hilly terrains of Tamil Nadu to send across election paraphernalia.

Particularly, where there are no roads to reach hamlets on hill tops — leave alone motorable ones — the challenge is more pronounced and

carrying EVMs, and control units within the stipulated time frame is no mean task.

A slew of such remote villages are spread across Tamil Nadu including those atop hills in the districts of Dharmapuri, Dindigul, Erode, Namakkal, and Theni with voters ranging between 300 and 1,100 in a given polling station.

Several booths in remote locations like Kottur in the Pennagaram region of

Dharmapuri and hamlets on Bothamalai in Namakkal pose the challenge of rocky terrain too.

To surmount the challenge, poll officials loaded election materials — neatly packed in gunny bags — on donkeys and ponies and they carried some of the luggage on their heads to reach the designated polling stations and the arduous journey was in the range of 9 to 11 kilometers on the hills.

Vellakkevi and

Pallathukadu in the Kodaikanal hill ranges (Dindigul), Kathiripatti (Erode) and Kedamalai (Namakkal) were among the hilly villages officials reached overcoming the challenges with the help of donkeys and ponies.

Also, some villages like Vellakkevi are located amid dense forests and poll officials were assisted by the anti-naxal police personnel to reach the hamlets.

# VIOLENCE IN TWO MANIPUR BOOTHS

**Imphal:** Voting was stalled in two polling booths of Inner Manipur Lok Sabha constituency. In one of the booths at Kiyangei Muslim Makha locality in Imphal East, unidentified men stormed into a polling station around 11.30 am and broke EVMs and VVPATs, claiming "proxy voting" was being carried out. In another booth in same area, scuffle broke out for derailing the voting process.

# Maha voter smashes EVM

**Akola:** A voter on Thursday smashed the electronic voting machine (EVM) while casting his vote in Akola Lok Sabha constituency in Maharashtra.

The incident occurred at around 1 p.m. at the Balapur polling station no. 29 where polling was underway for the second phase of elections in 10 Lok Sabha seats in the state, said an Election Commission official.

The voter, Shrikrishna Ghyare, was taken into custody. The motive behind the action was not immediately known, police said.

# 105-year-old votes in Maharashtra

**IANS ■ LATUR**  
Heads turned when 105-year-old Kabaibai Ganpati Kamble on Thursday reached a polling station to cast her vote in the Lok Sabha elections in Maharashtra.

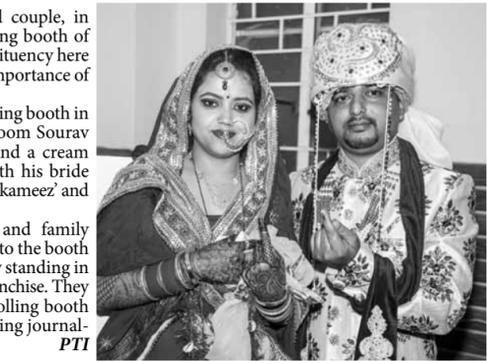
Seated on a wheelchair, Kabaibai was accompanied by her grown up children and other fourth-generation relatives to the polling station in Harangul New Colony in Latur. She was cheered by other voters who clapped for her.

# 'Just Married' couple votes in Udhampur

**Udhampur:** A newly married couple, in wedding attire, reached a polling booth of Udhampur parliamentary constituency here on Thursday, underlining the importance of exercising one's franchise.

The couple reached the polling booth in a flower-decked sedan with groom Sourav Sharma sporting a headgear and a cream 'achkan' over red churidars with his bride Manisha, attired in a red 'salwar-kameez' and donning gold jewellery.

Accompanied by friends and family members, the couple stepped into the booth hand-in-hand, surprising many standing in the queue and exercised their franchise. They instantly became a hit at the polling booth with dozens of people and visiting journalists clicking their pictures.



**voter's Selfie Point**

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# Modi mocks Cong-JD(S) Govt

KESTUR VASUKI ■ BENGALURU

In his first leg of election tour to northern Karnataka (which will go to polls in the second leg on April 23) Prime Minister Modi mocked the Congress-JD(S) coalition Government in Karnataka. In his election rallies at Bagalakote and Chikkodi on Thursday Modi blasted Congress and said vote for *majbhoot sarkaar* not for *majboor sarkaar*. Fourteen North Karnataka constituencies will go to polls on April 23 and the BJP is anticipating Modi wave will increase their seats taking head on the coalition partners.

Hitting out at the Congress over its promise to "remove" Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA), he said, it wants those pelting stones to file false cases on soldiers and they roam in courts.

"The Congress also wants

to give free hand to those indulging in *desh droh* (anti-national activities). By announcing it will end sedition law. The Congress has made it clear what its intentions are. Will you support such dangerous intentions? Will you support those committing such sins? Will you teach a lesson to the Congress?"

"These *mahamilavati's* are neither for jawans nor kisans (farmers)," he said. During the Congress and *mahamilavat* Government, three types of development can take place - development (vikas) of a few families, development of middle men and development of price hike, Modi said.

He asked the crowd, "Are you happy with the firmness I have worked? Are you happy? We entered inside Pakistan and hit (terrorists) are you happy? Do we have to take revenge for the killing of our jawans or not? Do you trust Army on their bravery? The Congress don't believe our brave and believe in Pakistan's evidences.

Modi mocked the "never ending drama" marked by revenge and emotion that characterised the Congress-JD(S) coalition Government headed by HD Kumaraswamy.

"If you want to see *majbhoot sarkaar* look towards Delhi, and if you want to see *majboor*



Prime Minister Narendra Modi holds up a bow-arrow as Karnataka BJP chief BS Yeddyurappa and other leaders look on during an election campaign in Bagalkot on Thursday PTI

*sarkaar* look towards Bengaluru," Modi said.

"After every few days, weeks, at any rally or press conference emotion is flowing. Do you think of Karnataka like this?" Modi asked the crowd, apparently taking a dig at Kumaraswamy who has shed tears publicly quite often - once about being helpless as head of the Congress-JDS coalition.

He said Congress had claimed in its manifesto that making Pakistan agree that its

citizens were involved in the Mumbai terror attack was a major achievement. But Pakistan despite agreeing that the perpetrators were its citizens still carried out bomb explosions and even threatened India about nuclear bomb.

Modi took on Kumaraswamy for saying that the matter of airstrike on terror camps in Pakistan in Balakot should not be overpublicised "fearing that the vote bank would get angry."

# If Cong voted to power, indebted farmers won't be sent to jails: Rahul



Congress president Rahul Gandhi, party general secretary Jyotiraditya Madhwarao Scindia and party leaders during an election rally in Burdaun on Thursday PTI

**Badaun:** In a veiled attack on the BJP, Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Thursday said if his party is voted to power, indebted farmers will not be sent to jails.

Addressing an election rally at Dataganj under Aonla parliamentary constituency here, he said, "Businessmen who took loans amounting to thousands of crores were allowed to flee the country instead of sending them to jail. While the farmers who took loans of Rs 20,000 and were

unable to pay, were sent to jail.

"Now, this will not happen, until and unless the big defaulters are sent to jail, not a single farmer will be sent to jail. As soon as our Government is formed, the farmers will not be sent to jail for non-payment of loans," Rahul asserted.

He said the Congress after forming Government in Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan fulfilled its promise of farm loan waivers. "We will not allow two 'Hindustans' to come up in the country," he said.

Attacking the SP and the BSP, the Congress leader said, "Did the SP and BSP ever say *chowkidar chor hai?* No, because their keys are with Modi." Rahul also hit out at the Modi-led Central Government for its poor showing in generating employment in the country.

He claimed that unemployment ratio, under the Modi dispensation, was the highest in the last 45 years.

"By demonetisation, Modi took away people's money. Now, Congress will snatch the same money and deposit it in the accounts of poor people," he said. Referring to the minimum income guarantee scheme 'NYAY' proposed by the Congress, Gandhi said, "Once the Congress government is formed, it will ensure an annual income of Rs 72,000. PTI

# Farmers' budget will declare MSP in advance, says RaGa

**Vanthli:** Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Thursday said Minimum Support Prices (MSP) would also be announced in the separate farmers' budget which his party's manifesto has promised.

Addressing a campaign rally at Vanthli in Junagadh district, he also accused Prime Minister Narendra Modi of applying different rules to the rich and the poor.

"If the Congress comes to power, the country will have two budgets. One will be national budget and another farmers' budget. "In the farm-

ers' budget we will announce MSP for various crops in advance so that farmers know what they will get. We will (also) announce the amount of insurance (premium) payable (by farmers) and what the would farmers get," he said.

The Modi Government was ready to waive loans of rich industrialists but not those of farmers, he said. "We will not allow formation of two Indias. If we have one flag, then we should have one nation. If Ambani gets justice, farmers should also get justice," Rahul said. PTI

# Mukesh Ambani, Kotak endorse Milind Deora for Mumbai South

**Mumbai:** Industrialist Mukesh Ambani and billionaire banker Uday Kotak have endorsed the candidature of Congress leader Milind Deora from the Mumbai South Lok Saba constituency, where polling is slated on April 29.

The backing of Ambani, Reliance Industries Limited chairman, to the Congress leader comes at a time when the party has been unrelenting in attack on his industrialist-brother Anil Ambani over the Rafale deal.

In a video shared by Deora, former Union Minister, on his Twitter page, Ambani says "Milind is the man for South Mumbai", while Kotak eulogises the Mumbai Congress chief for "truly representing the Mumbai connection".

Deora said he was "humbled" by the support from Ambani, Kotak and also other small businessmen and traders.

"I'm very proud. I'm equally proud that I'm being endorsed by paanwalas, small traders, Deora said. "Milind is the man for south Mumbai...Having represented

South Bombay for 10 years, I believe Milind has in depth knowledge of social, economic and cultural eco-system of the south Bombay constituency," says Ambani in the video.

Kotak said he "genuinely" felt that Deora is able to relate to Mumbaikars. "And his family has been associated with Mumbai for a long time...Milind truly represents Mumbai ka connection," Kotak says.

The video also features small entrepreneurs and traders, who are seen praising and backing Deora. A statement issued by Deora's office said he is being supported by "all quarters" of trade and business in Mumbai South constituency. Deora thanked the industrialists and traders' bodies for their "overwhelming" support to him.

"In the last five years, industry and trade, an integral part of the spirit of Mumbai, lost its voice in the Parliament. I am humbled by the support given by stalwarts like Shri Ambani and Shri Kotak," the statement quoted Deora as saying. PTI

# Akhilesh, wife Dimple declare assets worth ₹37 cr

**Azamgarh:** Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav owns assets worth over Rs 37 crore together with his wife Dimple, according to his poll affidavit filed on Thursday.

The former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister has declared moveable property worth Rs 7.9 crore and immovable assets worth Rs 16.90 crore, in the affidavit submitted with the nomination paper.

His wife Dimple has declared Rs 3.68 crore worth moveable properties and immovable assets of Rs 9.30 crore. Akhilesh's income has decreased to Rs 84.83 lakh in financial year 2017-2018, when compared to Rs 1.25 crore in 2013-14. His wife Dimple Yadav's income, however, has increased. While in the 2013-14 financial year, her annual income was Rs 28,31,838, in 2017-18 it increased to Rs

61,16,108. As per the affidavit, Akhilesh has Rs 3.91 lakh cash in hand while Dimple has Rs 4,03,743 cash in hand. Akhilesh owns a cellular phone worth Rs 76,000, furniture of Rs 17,085 and exercise equipment worth over Rs 5.34 lakh, while wife Dimple has jewellery items including gold, diamond, pearl worth Rs 59.76 lakh and computer of Rs 1.25 lakh. PTI



A child takes selfie with Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav during an election rally for the Lok Sabha polls in Azamgarh on Thursday PTI

# DON'T VOTE FOR CONG, BJP: MAMATA

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Thursday asked the voters not to vote for the CPI(M) or the Congress as neither of them would be able to form Government in the Centre.

"Don't waste your votes by giving them to the CPI(M) which is almost invisible in Bengal and the Congress which will not be able to form the Government on its own in the Centre," Banerjee told a crowd at Samsi in North Malda constituency.

She said the Congress should not be the natural choice of the secular Bengalis because

"this party is now being backed by the RSS. They are taking the help from the RSS to win elections in Bengal. So they should be rejected by you."

Besides, "Congress will not be able to form Government in Centre. It is the regional parties that will form the Government in Delhi and if you want Bengal and the Trinamool Congress to take the lead in the national scene then I will ask you not to vote for the TMC so that we can send 42 MPs from this State to form the Government with other regional parties," Banerjee said.

Attacking the Narendra Modi Government for peddling lies Banerjee said "this Chowkidar (Modi) used to call

himself Chaiwalla (tea vendor) earlier on. Then he promised Rs 15 lakh in every bank account and 10 crore jobs in five years. But now having failed to do so he has changed his garb and has reappeared as Chowkidar (watchman)," Banerjee said adding "many people call him a thief (Chor) but I call him a liar who lies to the people to win votes."

On National Register for Citizens (NRC), Banerjee said, "they are invoking NRC in Assam to drive away 22 lakh Hindu Bengalis and 23 lakh Muslims but now we will invoke NBC or 'national bidaye (farewell) certificate for the BJP after this election."



**FARMER DISALLOWS LANDING OF HARDIK'S HELICOPTER**  
Congress leader Hardik Patel had to cancel his helicopter ride to Lunawada in Mahisagar district of Gujarat on Thursday as the last moment after the farmer on whose field the offer was to land did not give his nod for its use as a helipad, an official said. Hardik Patel had to later travel by road to Lunawada, around 100km from here, to address an election rally.

**BIOPIC ON MODI A JOKE, SAYS URMILA**  
Actor Urmila Matondkar, who is contesting the Lok Sabha election as a Congress candidate from Mumbai North, on Thursday said the biopic made on Prime Minister Narendra Modi was a joke as he has failed to fulfil his promises. She was talking to reporters at the Mumbai Marathi Patrakar Sangh here.

**MODI MISLEADING YOUTH: GEHLOT**  
Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on Thursday said India is positioned to be a "superpower" due to the work done by successive Congress Governments and accused Prime Minister Narendra Modi of misleading youths on the issue.

**ATTACK ATTEMPT ON CONG CANDIDATE**  
Police arrested a supporter of the ruling IPFT on the charge of trying to attack the convoy of Congress' Lok Sabha candidate Pragya Dev Burman in Khowai district of Tripura on Thursday.

**GOA CONG PROMISES FORMALIN-FREE FISH**  
Fish free of formalin, resumption of mining operations in a sustainable manner and lobbying in the Parliament for special status to Goa are the three key promises made by the Congress in its manifesto for Goa for the Lok Sabha elections. The two Lok Sabha constituencies in the State - North Goa and South Goa - go the polls in the third phase on April 23.

**HUGE CROWD IN GORAKHPUR GREETS RAVI KISHAN**



Kishan launched his campaign with a roadshow which he started from Gorakhnath Temple after paying his obeisance there with a huge crowd cheering him.

**SOMETHING WRONG WITH EVMS: PITRODA**  
Technocrat-turned-politician Sam Pitroda said on Thursday that he feels there is something wrong with Electronic Voting Machines (EVMS). He cannot pinpoint the flaw immediately and would need to study the machine for that, the Congress leader said.

**MAYA TERMS EC ANTI-DALIT, SAYS NYAY JUMLA OF CONG**  
BSP supremo Mayawati on Thursday alleged that the Election Commission has an anti-dalit mindset and that was why it had stopped her from campaigning in Agra, considered the 'Dalit capital' of northern India. She also claimed that BJP leaders are taking the Army's name in their poll speeches violating the model code of conduct, but the EC is keeping mum.

**MAYA, MULAYAM TO SHARE STAGE AT MAINPURI**  
At loggerheads for decades, SP founder Mulayam Singh Yadav and BSP chief Mayawati are scheduled to share the dais at a joint rally of the SP-BSP-RLD alliance in the Samajwadi Party citadel of Mainpuri on Friday. Preparations are underway for the rally at Christian Field to send out a message to our political opponents that the alliance against the BJP in Uttar Pradesh shares a strong bond, an SP party leader said. Mulayam Singh Yadav and Mayawati have been bitter rivals since 1995 when SP cadres allegedly attacked the state guest house where the BSP chief had been camping with her supporters.

**DABBAWALAS ANNOUNCE SUPPORT FOR SHIV SENA**  
The famous 'dabbawalas' (tiffin-box carriers) in Mumbai have announced their support for the Shiv Sena in the Lok Sabha elections. "It is only the Shiv Sena, which always stood behind us for our welfare. It has also promised to construct a 'Dabbawala Bhavan' for us. Only the Sena has included Mumbai's dabbawalas in its 'Vision Mumbai' campaign and it has been taking several initiatives for our betterment," Subhash Talekar, president of Mumbai Dabbawala Association told PTI on Thursday.

# SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

General public is hereby informed that a girl (depicted in the photo), **Namely** : Laxmi D/o Suresh R/o D-85, Aman Puri, Nihal Vihar, Delhi has been missing/ Kidnapped since 04.04.2019 from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard a case vide FIR No. 236/19 u/s 363 IPC dated 05.04.2019 has been registered at Police Station Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Her physical description is as under :-

**LAXMI**  
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# PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person namely **Ms. Nirmala Devi W/o Dayanand R/o C-48** and also at A-114, Jhuggi Chuna Bhati, Kirti Nagar New Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence under case **FIR No.20/19 u/s 498A 304B/34 IPC** has been registered at **P.S. Kirti Nagar, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said **Nirmala Devi W/o Dayanand** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said, **Nirmala Devi W/o Dayanand** has absconded (or is concealing herself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Nirmala Devi W/o Dayanand** accused of **FIR No. 20/19 u/s 498 A 304B/34 IPC** is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint.

By Order  
**Sh. Ajay Shekhwat**  
Chief MM, West Distt,  
Room No.146, First Floor,  
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

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55311 Moradabad - Kashipur Passenger	Pipalsana - Moradabad - Pipalsana	19.04.2019

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14258 New Delhi - Varanasi Jn Kashi Vishwanath Express	11:35 hrs. on 19.04.2019	12:35 hrs. on 19.04.2019
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# Head-to-head in Bhopal

Digvijaya Singh now has to deal with a strident hitback for his 'saffron terror' comment in a polarised context



**B**attleground Bhopal is now a matter-anti-matter confrontation without any pretence of electoral grace, propriety or even issues. The BJP has fielded its newly-inducted member Sadhvi Pragya Singh Thakur, facing trial in the Malegaon blast case and the new flame of extreme hate politics, against Congress heavyweight and the author of the term "saffron terror," Digvijaya Singh. It is a blatant battle between hardline Hindutva and secular Congressism. It is the NDA's reaction to the UPA's action. It is also about muscularity over protocol, about the accused taking on the accuser. Thakur, one of those charged in the Malegaon blasts, is still out on bail though the National Investigative Agency (NIA) has claimed the evidence against her was insufficient and exonerated her. However, a special court in Mumbai says there's evidence to prosecute her. But for the BJP, the shroud of doubt, the burden of crimes or law don't matter in choosing a Lok Sabha candidate no less. The same law, of course, denies Opposition candidates similar privileges. It is about ideology rather than grammar. As BJP president Amit Shah said, since Digvijaya Singh had defamed India by coining terms like "saffron terror", the party had decided to take the matter to the people's court by fielding the Sadhvi against him in a sort of reckoning. Digvijaya has also been a bitter critic of the RSS, the ideological guide of the BJP, and the party has, therefore, taken him on with stridency. In the process, the extremist fringe that had so far been treated like disruptive outliers in the Modi-led NDA-1 has now been mainstreamed in the political narrative. And while murmurs were raised about the virulent Yogi Adityanath when he was made Chief Minister, looks like his kind will now find a greater voice. The kind that doesn't carry the baggage of history and can give a fresh spin to the legacy of identity politics. Besides, with Uma Bharti refusing to contest against Digvijaya in Bhopal, whom she had dislodged once in the Assembly, the BJP has been only too happy to find her younger version. With her saffron robes and self-proclaimed fight for *dharma*, the BJP has found a way to strike an emotive chord in the heartland and win back old faithfuls bred on the Ayodhya plank. It is also an overture to the RSS, whose network needs to be fully activated to secure a victory. And if Bhopal, being the State Capital and a high-profile seat, sets off a tide, then the BJP could recover some lost ground from the Assembly elections last year.

Bhopal is a tough fight for the Congress, the party having plummeted there since 1984 and the seat sending BJP MPs since 1989, that too with convincing margins. Yet the newly-elected Chief Minister Kamal Nath has taken on the challenge of wresting some seats that have eluded the party for 30 years and has, therefore, deployed former Chief Minister and colleague in arms Digvijaya. Thakur has the advantage of not just being a flag-bearer of Hindutva but the legacy of the party's former Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, whose personal stock works with the masses. Little wonder then that the Sadhvi claimed his support immediately after emerging out of the BJP office. However, Digvijaya is no pushover. His huge following across the State cannot be denied and having been a two-term Chief Minister, he has a grip on Bhopal and Indore. Compared to him, his peers, be it Kamal Nath and tribal leader Kantilal Bhuria, or even junior colleague Jyotiraditya Scindia just command their own pocket boroughs. In the halcyon days, Digvijaya would not only pilot his own chopper and drive to the hinterland to meet his constituents, he knew their names and had the statistics, down to the block level, at the back of his hand. Digital India may be common speak now but back then, he introduced e-governance and e-Chaupal modules in Dhar district. But that vision is not under review anymore, his rabid support to conspiracy theories about the 26/11 Mumbai attacks and Hindu extremists is. And in a polarised polity, that myopia is rampant. That also helps Sadhvi Thakur. Her vote count will decide her guilt or innocence.

# Rebuild France's soul

The conflagration at the Notre Dame broke millions of hearts but assurances of it being rebuilt are calming



**P**aris is the most visited city in France, the most popular destination for tourists across the world. So while the Eiffel Tower and Arc de Triomphe are the most popular icons of this city, there is also the Notre Dame Cathedral on a small island on the Seine river, which is an example of the Gothic architecture of the medieval ages and a sign of how the Frankish people started to assert their identity as French. It is visited by millions annually, the famous stained glass and gargoyles

on the structure becoming iconic in their own right. It has been at the centre of French life for centuries, having played a role during the French Revolution and the Napoleonic era. The great general was coronated there. Few Western capitals with the exception of London are so closely identified with their religious centres.

Even though religion and religious adherence are on the downside across France let alone its wild Capital, home to shows like *Moulin Rouge* which are hardly something the Catholic Church would approve of, the sight of the church's spire collapsing in an inferno must have been deeply disheartening. It is a miracle that the main stone structure of the Cathedral itself managed to be saved. And President Macron, who held an extraordinary national address dressed in black, assured that the Cathedral would be rebuilt. The religious allegory was not lost on many with the fire occurring days before Good Friday, the day the Christians believe that Christ was crucified. And with several French billionaires and entrepreneurs putting their hands up and opening their wallets, donating millions to the rebuilding of the structure, it is heartening to see that the French are willing to rebuild what was lost. And many of the millions of global citizens who have visited Paris over the years are also contributing small sums towards the rebuild. Several crowd-funding initiatives have been started.

This fire should also come as a warning sign in a country like India where several monuments of archaeological note are in an awful state of disrepair and may not survive a fire like the one Notre Dame suffered. A fire at the Meenakshi Temple last year was almost fatal for the heritage site. India's cultural heritage is also part of the world's cultural heritage and this fire should be a wake-up sign. The French firefighters followed a proper procedure in saving the Cathedral. One wonders if such procedures exist at the Taj or other monuments, many of which are surrounded by small illegal shops and narrow streets where fire engines cannot pass. We should make contingency plans straightaway lest our heritage burn away.

# Advertising ad nauseam

The BJP machinery, which has spent time and money managing the image of one man, must keep in mind that even the best marketing campaigns can't fix a flawed product



AJOY KUMAR

**I**n 1989, there was a huge anticipation and excitement about a new way to play video games. All this excitement and anticipation was the result of the marketing campaign behind the "Power Glove", a wearable glove that would serve as a controller in video game consoles. The "Power Glove" was featured and referred to in feature films, found on billboards and plastered almost everywhere. Ask about it today though and you are likely to get blank, confused stares. This because, while the marketing campaign was admirable, the product was completely disconnected from what the consumers wanted. Overall, it was just not a great product. Fast forward to 2019 and you have the Prime Minister of the world's largest democracy encouraging his followers to buy T-shirts with the slogan "Main Bhi Chowkidar." Not just that, this election season has seen Prime Minister Modi repeatedly post, comment, retweet and actively promote the sale of products with either his name written on them or with the latest consumer-friendly slogan of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). How did we get here?

In an era of social media, more attention is being given to the cover of the book than the book itself and there is greater focus on selling; nowhere is this more exemplified than in the case of the BJP. Today, we have Prime Minister Modi's name on T-shirts, mugs and even notebooks. Even in the BJP's own manifesto, the Prime Minister's face can be seen with HD clarity while the everyday people whom he is meant to serve are merely a low-quality backdrop. It will be apt to give a summary of the past five years, where the Prime Minister and the BJP's machinery spent all the time managing the image of a single man and forgot about the millions of people who elected him to serve them.

Now, we have a channel with no licence that is focussed on him and a movie where the actor, who plays the Prime Minister, will also, unsurprisingly, be one of the chief campaigners of the BJP. Currently, the movie is not allowed to be released in theatres due to a directive by the Election Commission. However, there is no denying that we have all been handed a ticket to this theatre of the absurd.

It's hard to get around without having seen a photo of Modi staring back at you. While it is important for India to maintain the right of every person, including the Prime Minister, to engage in marketing to the extent permitted under the law and to not restrict the freedom of expression of any individual, this megalomaniacal approach towards any personality is worrisome. Even North Korea, whose obsession with its leaders is often a subject of parody, doesn't have a dedicated channel for its supreme leader. The reason why this trend should be checked is because a large amount of money is spent by the BJP on advertising and



promoting the Prime Minister. The practice of asking for votes in the name of Modi rather than the BJP undermines our parliamentary system.

In 2014, for example, when this tactic was initially employed, most voters did not even know the individuals who were contesting the Lok Sabha elections in their constituency. Instead, all that the voters were sold was the image of one man who would solve all their problems. Unfortunately, this story unravelled dramatically over the past five years.

India is a parliamentary democracy, which means that in the Centre and States, the party with the greatest representation in India's Parliament forms the Government and picks one person as the Prime Minister or the Chief Minister. The reason this system particularly makes sense for India is that we are a vibrant country. This vibrancy is not only in terms of all that is good in our country like the different cuisines, cultures and the people but also vibrant in the sense that each region has different needs and different requirements, depending on the constituents of a particular constituency.

I have heard certain people say that they want Modi at the Centre even if they don't believe their MP is capable of represent-

“THE MUGS, THE T-SHIRTS, THE MOVIE AND THE RADIO SHOWS AMONG OTHERS — THEY ARE ALL THE HALLMARKS OF A MAN WHO HAS MADE IT QUITE CLEAR THAT THE ONLY THING HE HAS ON HIS MIND IS HIMSELF”

ing their constituency effectively. Such an approach goes against the entire ethos of parliamentary democracy. Prime Minister Modi may promise the moon and the stars (and he often does). However, at the end of the day, it is the local parliamentarian who is required to raise local issues that can be discussed and debated in Parliament.

Take the example of getting a new hospital built or the opening of a new Central university. It is not as if the Prime Minister will help get your hospital built. As the Prime Minister, Modi is required to ensure that the parliamentarians whom he leads, serve their constituents by raising the issues of each constituency in Parliament.

Ideally, he should also give credit to such parliamentarians for any work done so that they continue to serve their constituents and, therefore, as a whole, the nation moves forward. However, we hardly hear Prime Minister Modi talking about anyone other than himself. In fact, do you even remember a time when he complimented a particular parliamentarian during his speeches? You would be hard pressed to find an example.

Instead, Prime Minister Modi has ensured that he deflects blame for everything

that goes wrong — corruption, unemployment, demonetisation, loss of lives due to terror attacks. And at the same time, he is the quickest to take credit when there's a whiff of success.

The mugs, the T-shirts, the movie and the radio shows among others — they are all the hallmarks of a man who has made it quite clear that the only thing he has on his mind is himself. Therefore, if India wants to truly progress and move forward, it needs to reject this idea that any one man can be a panacea for all that ails our country.

We must remember that the parliamentary form of Government works for India because it helps highlight the varying nature of issues our very diverse country faces. While there is no denying that a Prime Minister fulfills a crucial role in this system, he must also remember that he is the first among equals. If Prime Minister Modi does not grasp this fundamental rule of democracy, it is likely his tenure, too, like the "Power Glove", will serve as a lesson for future generations: Even the best marketing campaigns can't fix a flawed product.

(The writer is Jharkhand PCC president, former MP and IPS officer. Views are personal)

## SOUNDBITE

Narendra Modi is a fake backward. From birth till 55 years, he was upper class. Suddenly, he became backward.	Technology, exports and imports, all that is going to happen but cinema is always going to be at the forefront.	If we have a problem in the region today, its roots are either with Zionism or America's arrogance.	SPG protectees can't be frisked personally. Why suspend an officer for checking PM's chopper? What message is being sent? Law is special for some.
<b>RJD leader</b> —Tejashwi Yadav	<b>Actor</b> —Shah Rukh Khan	<b>Iran's President</b> —Hassan Rouhani	<b>Senior Congress leader</b> —Ahmed Patel

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Minting money

Sir — The cancellation of the Vellore Lok Sabha election after huge amounts of cash were recovered from a godown in the parliamentary constituency is not a new poll time malfunction. Nor is it the first time that the Election Commission (EC) has countermanded polls in Tamil Nadu. The RK Nagar bypoll was postponed not long ago for the same reason. Looks like politics has become a channel to mint money. A culture of corruption and bribery has taken deep roots in the State. This is not fair for a democracy. Perhaps the EC could have taken a decision earlier in the month when the first evidence of rampant cash distribution surfaced. It can't be leaden-footed.

Pravara Ramachandran  
Chennai

### Courting controversy

Sir — After being pulled up by the Supreme Court for not taking action against politicians spreading communal and hate speeches during the Lok Sabha campaigning, the Election

### A matter of worship

This refers to the editorial, "Women's right to pray" (April 18). "Religion is the opium of the masses", said Karl Marx. On the other hand, Mahatma Gandhi had said: "Religion is to morality what water is to the seed that is sown in the soil." Thus, various views exist on the existence of religion, as also the usefulness of religion. However, as long as the State allows the presence of religion, it has no business to interfere in the religious practices such as how to pray or whom to worship unless it does not infringe on the social life of the country and the fundamental rights as granted to the citizens by the Constitution.

It is in this connection that matters purely connected with faith of a particular religion, and which neither place any burden on the State nor infringe on the social fabric of the country, cannot be decided by the parliamentarians or the judicial authorities, whose roles lie in the interpretation of the law of the land in an absolute manner. The matter connected with the women's right to pray in the mosques, that are purely places of faith, falls in this cat-



egory. It should be best left to the wisdom of the experts of that faith except if it impinges on the woman's right to practise her religion. In our anxiety to be seen as the champions of equality of gender, let us not equate this matter with that of the triple *talaq* but consider it for its specifics.

BP Srivastava  
Noida

bloc and defeat (Prime Minister) Narendra Modi.

Further, even after the ban, Adityanath iterated the "green virus" comment, which is a reference to the Muslims. Unmistakable is the communal polarisation, the wider phenomenon that transcends the uncharitable remarks.

Bidyut Kumar Chatterjee  
Faridabad

### Performance matters

Sir — This refers to the editorial, "A winning team?" (April 17). Howsoever strong a team is, it all depends upon how it performs on the D-day. Since one-day cricket is such an unpredictable game that anything can happen at the last few overs, one cannot indulge in guessing. A favourite team can turn otherwise in a matter of few overs. While one can hope that the Indian team will perform better, victory or defeat depends on the way the game turns out on the day of the play.

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## FIRST COLUMN

## Time for 'digital first' upgrade

To continue thriving amid changing tides in the business world, organisations must establish an open and honest line of communication between their firms and IT functions



AMIT MEHTA

We live in an era where technology is changing rapidly. With new innovations marking the technological landscape and an unprecedented race for 'digital transformation' by enterprises, it has become almost imperative for organisations and their IT teams to upgrade their existing infrastructure, adopt emerging technologies and deploy 'digital first' strategies. It has now become common to see companies go all-out on the 'digital' part of transformation projects — IT upgrades, optimisation of digital channels, investments in technology talent and much more. Often neglected, however, is the change in management, socialisation and communication elements that are essential for the ultimate success of this new focus on IT.

Currently, the business landscape in India is rife with disruption. Much of it is driven by organisations using technology in new or innovative ways to keep the digital ecosystem circulating around businesses. According to a study conducted by ESG's *IT Transformation Maturity Curve India Report*, 90 per cent of the Indian respondents believed that to succeed and stay ahead of the competition, their organisations' IT department needed to adopt IT transformation. This indicates the extent to which the IT department needs to be an integrated element for the success of an organisation. Another salient finding of the study states that transformed companies in India are 6.5 times more likely to be involved in business-strategy development compared to their counterparts.

Therefore, technology-enabled change can only work wonders when there is a clearly-defined and broadly understood vision of both — how that transformation will unfold in reality and its end-to-end goals. Hence, alignment between IT and business is essential to create a common ground that can facilitate and encourage all-encompassing change. This can be achieved through a mix of conversation, education and empowerment among a full range of key stakeholders:

**Demystify change via education and transparency:** Despite buzz of positive sentiments around business transformation trends, there remains a general state of apprehension about disruption within the C-suite. Simply put, in the corporate world, change is necessary but rarely a straightforward business. In that context, business functions about to fire the starting-gun on transformation projects need to be facilitating advance-conversations around the need for change and what it will entail for all parties concerned, with a focus on IT — a crucial engine for innovation and growth.

To continue thriving amid changing tides in the business world, organisations must establish an open and honest line of communication between their firms and IT functions to facilitate the ongoing education of new business needs and technologies required to support them.

**Mutual empowerment for a long-term symbiosis:** Despite their close association, IT and digital transformation projects cannot rest in the hands of IT teams alone. The two need to go hand-in-hand and change must come from the business itself. There must be a collaboration where feedback, insights and iteration come together to form a robust view as to where the business is lacking and what its future should be. Such two-way conversations will surface valuable information: Bring hidden complexities and inefficiencies to light and allow the IT team to get to the heart of the issue and identify the right problem and reach for a solution. CIOs can fast-track this goal by implementing clear processes to ease internal transitions — with a focus on enabling end-users to quickly gauge and evaluate the effectiveness of new solutions — as well as associated metrics.

Faced with challenges, including fast pace technological advancement and ever-changing consumer behaviour, it is essential that all stakeholders within an organisation work in collaboration to understand the imperatives for change and how one can adapt to the change in a well-structured manner, designed and enacted as smartly as possible. This is the key to thriving in the whirlwind of constant evolution and progress that defines today's ever-evolving business landscape.

(The writer is director, Modern Data Centre, Dell Technologies)

IT'S MY DUTY AS THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY TO SUPPORT MY FAMILY. I WILL CAMPAIGN FOR MY WIFE BUT NOT FOR ANY OTHER NON-CONGRESS CANDIDATE.

—CONGRESS LEADER SHATRUGHAN SINHA

## POINT COUNTERPOINT



HE (SHATRUGHAN SINHA) FULFILLED A HUSBAND'S DUTY BUT HE SHOULD NOW CAMPAIGN FOR ME AND FULFILL THE PARTY'S DUTY.

—CONGRESS CANDIDATE FROM LUCKNOW PRAMOD KRISHNAN

## A new Mexican wave

With the election of Lopez Obrador as the President, a new era of politics has begun. He must remain true to the grandiose promises made during the campaign



GIRISH KUMAR

Amid the surge of demagogues and rabble-rousers of far-right across the globe in the recent past, the coming of Senor Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador as the newly-elected President of Mexico has broken new ground in the Western hemisphere. Elected as the leader of the National Regeneration Movement (MORENA), which was founded by Lopez Obrador following two failed attempts in 2006 and 2012 elections as a candidate of broad Left coalitions, he had earlier headed the federal district Government of Mexico city. Like the US presidential election, Mexico, too, elects its President in July every six years and the President-elect assumes office on the first of December. Obrador was sworn in as Mexican President in December 2018.

Having taken charge of the Government and in pursuance of his campaign promises, Obrador has not moved to the presidential palace, has halved his own salary in the proposed Budget and also declared that he won't allow anyone else to get more than him. Change can be brought about — during his campaigns, he promised to "combat corruption" and maintain an "austere Government." Other assurances include more students' scholarship and pension to senior citizens, which can be financed by "cutting grafts." He flies in commercial airlines and put the presidential plane on sale. As the district Government head earlier, he had adopted several policies that benefitted vulnerable sections, infirm, poor women and aged population.

Instead of occupying luxurious presidential palace, he has started working from nearly a century-old national palace — the official seat of power — and has continued living at his private home. He strongly believes that neo-liberal policies have benefitted a "minority of the population" while "impoverishing a great majority." Significantly, a century after the 1910 revolution — the first landmark in the political history of Mexico after it gained independence from Spanish colonial rule in 1822 — Obrador has become the first one who had begun as a protest leader but within the folds of the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), Spanish Partido Revolucionario Institucional, which had controlled all levers of power for seven long decades since its formation in 1929.

Paradoxically, the Mexican political system was bizarre as it didn't permit the incumbent to have a second term, but he was empowered to select his successor who would be the ruling party's nominee in the ensuing election. Once in power, the new President would nominate his candidates for the next gubernatorial election and likewise, new Mayors would be hand-picked nominees of incumbent Governors. Everything was fine-tuned with ground support of consensus manufactured through local branches of cross-sectional wings of the ruling PRI.

The first crack in this electoral machine appeared during the 1988 election when Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas challenged this nomination process. Echoing the feelings of the growing middle class, Cárdenas — a former Governor and also the son of a former but revered President who had nationalised petroleum sector way back in 1934 and redistributed land to the poor peasants — asserted that the PRI-managed system was no longer in sync with a modern country of urban professionals. Although PRI-sponsored candidates won the election, the then President Carlos Salinas de Gortari

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read the writing on the wall and initiated measures to cleanse the system, including setting up of an autonomous Election Commission and ensuring proportional representation of parties in Parliament. Measures were also taken to withdraw discretionary powers of bureaucracy, mediated by the party, which resulted in the ruling party's loosening grip over the patronage network.

The beneficiary of these reforms was the main Opposition party, National Action Party (PAN), which had started gaining foothold in the northern States bordering the US. For quite long, people from these States would enter the American market as illegal immigrants to work and upon their return, would start grumbling over the dysfunctional drainage, primary health care, schools and broken roads among others. No wonder, simmering discontentment led to the defeat of PRI in these States. The influence of PAN gradually spread from winning a few seats in the lower house of Parliament to capturing seven of total 31 States by the late 1990s. The disenchantment with the PRI was also deepened with the coming of the North American Free Trade Treaty (NAFTA) between Mexico, the US and Canada in 1991, which saw the coming of a large number of maquiladora (assembling plants owned mostly by Americans where goods are assembled and exported back to the US) in the border Mexican States. It was a win-win situation for both: US manufacturers would gain by cheap Mexican labour and later would be happy with the availability of jobs nearer home and it would further expand the volume of Mexican exports to the US. In the bargain, however, more than a million formal jobs were lost

under the new economic policies that culminated in a near financial collapse in the mid-1990s.

Eventually, all this led to the defeat of the longest ruling party in the 2000 presidential election. Incidentally, the year 2000 also turned out to be watershed for President Obrador Manuel when he broke away from the PRI. He was earlier the head of PRI in his home State of Tabasco. First, he, along with Cárdenas, the rebel hero of 1988, joined the Left-oriented democratic revolutionary party (PRD) but subsequently switched over to a protest movement MRM, which he founded to mobilise students and youths against "political corruption" and "electoral fraud" and won the district election. MORENA became a political party in 2014 only and is now in control of both the Houses.

Vicente Fox, a former boss of Coca-Cola empire in Mexico, was the biggest beneficiary of the changing contours of economics and social matrix triggered by NAFTA. During his six-year rule, he realised that reforming the system was not straight as was winning the 2000 presidential election. Most of his reform-oriented legislations couldn't pass through both the Houses of Parliament that remained under control of the old guards of PRI and the PAN; though Fox won with its support but remained at loggerheads with this party. In a country where the President has always been seen as the most powerful force, people got frustrated with a perforce lameduck incumbent, who sought to follow procedural niceties aimed at bringing durable change. As a result, Fox lost and the main Opposition, PAN, won the next election in 2006. But PRI returned to power again in 2012.

During the last six years, the linger-

ing crises over dealings with drug, endemic violence and pervasive corruption, where the last PRI President Enrique Peña Nieto himself was seen involved thoroughly, disillusioned the voters. Above all, President Peña couldn't manage Central American refugee crises. Interestingly, erecting a huge border wall and that, too, financed by the Mexican Government to prevent the influx of Mexican and Central American immigrants to the US was a persistent campaign theme of Donald Trump. Prospects of deportation of 10-12 million Mexican illegal immigrants are already looming large. The total population of Mexico is 140 million.

Perforce decades of civil war and leftist insurgency in Guatemala (Mexico's southern neighbour), El Salvador and Honduras and its disastrous economic fall-outs mismanaged by marauder regimes in these Central American countries, a caravan of refugees has recently marched through Mexico and is now lodged in tents at the US border. Paradoxically, its powerful northern neighbour has always remained a factor for Mexican patricians and plebeians alike as goes an old Mexican maxim: "We may be far from God but not from the US."

Meanwhile, Obrador has signed agreements with these countries to chalk out a long term "development plan", creating jobs and has also allocated \$2 billion in his first budget for this purpose. The outcome of any long term plan takes years, so it would mean nothing to the impatient American President. Nevertheless, it does indicate a lot to both Mexicans and its impoverished southern neighbours.

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## When paedophiles get recognition

The Wahhabi/Salafi school, which provides impetus to militant Islamists in Pakistan, is at the root of the exploitation of minorities. This agony will stay unless Muslim clerics across the globe come forward and end a destructive ideology



HASAN KHURSHID

Paedophilia is a psychiatric disorder where an adult experiences an exclusive sexual attraction to pre-pubescent children. Being a mental disorder, those suffering from paedophilia need mental health support. The brains of paedophiles aren't 'wired' correctly, causing them to get sexually attracted towards children. They have a brain malfunction that can hardly be corrected, though there are therapies that can reduce the recurrence of a sick person committing child sexual abuse.

Recently, two minor Hindu girls from Sindh were abducted and transported to Rahim Yar Khan from Ghotki in south-east Pakistan. The two minors were then forceful-

ly converted to (their version of) Islam before being married to Muslim men.

In the videos circulating on social media, the father and brother of the girls can be seen crying hoarse, saying that the girls were abducted and forced to change their religion. However, in another clip, the minor girls appeared to give their statements that they accepted Islam on their own free will. The Pakistani media, too, tried to defend the culprits, saying that the minor girls had embraced Islam out of free will and that they consented to their marriage with willingness and choice.

Due to the Indian Government's protests, the matter was referred to the court on April 2. The Islamabad High Court formed a five-member Commission to probe the alleged abduction, forced conversion and marriage of the girls. Its members included Pakistani Human Rights Minister Shireen Mazari and Chairperson of the National Commission on the Status of Women, Khawar Mumtaz.

It was reported that the girls and

their alleged spouses sought court protection. The girls also allegedly said that they belonged to a Hindu family of Ghotki, a small town in Sindh and converted willfully as they were impressed by Islamic teachings.

It is amply clear that the statement of the girls has been given under duress and no sane person can buy the theory that the minor girls, aged 13 and 15, have sufficient maturity and decision-making capacity to understand, comprehend or judge the teaching and traditions of the two religions. Can they make a comparative view of the two diverse religions without experiencing and studying the tenets and principles of the two faiths?

Moreover, according to Muslim practice, at the time of *nikah*, the father of the girl, minor or major, being the 'wali' (protector) is required to give his consent and stand witness to the ceremony, which was not the case here. On the contrary, the father and brother of the girls openly leveled allegations of abduction, forced conversion

and marriage of the minors.

The High Court miserably failed to understand that before Partition, during the British rule, the Indian Majority Act, 1875, was applicable on the whole of India, and the same is currently prevalent in India and Pakistan both. Legally and philosophically speaking, the forced marriage of the two girls below 15 years of age, amounts to rape. A person below the age of 18 years is a minor and is not mature enough to comprehend what is good or bad for him/her. The consent given by the girls, even if willingly, is meaningless, irrelevant and illegal. The court should have restored the girls to their parents. Whereas, the Islamabad court on April 11, vide its impugned order, directed the girls to stay with their husbands. The court's order was based on the five-member Commission's report, which stated that it held a meeting with the girls and their spouses and found no compulsion, though the statement of the minor girls, expressing consent for the entire episode, was not only irrelevant but null and void from the

principle of reasonableness. The (mock) Commission did not incorporate the statements of the girls' father, brother, neighbours and other respondents.

It is well-known that Pakistan is driven by the extremist ideology of Wahhabism/Salafism. The civilian Government over there is a puppet of its Army. As such, all Muslim and non-Muslim minorities such as Shia Muslims, Hazaras, Ahmadiyas, Sufis, Barelviyas and non-Muslims such as Hindus, Sikhs and Christians are targeted. The Wahabi/Salafi ideology justifies the rape and abduction of all non-Wahhabi women, especially of those belonging to the Shia Muslims and Hindu minorities.

Dozens of terror groups are operating from Pakistan's soil, internally and externally both. According to Human Rights Watch, during the past one decade, thousands of innocent people — Hindus, Shias, Sufis, Sikhs and Christians — have been killed mercilessly in Pakistan itself by these extremists under the patronage of the Inter-Services

Intelligence and the Army, which use them as a bargaining chip in the region. Again, on April 12, as many as 20 people, including two children, were killed and 70 injured in an (un) Islamic State blast, targeting Hazara Shia minority community in Baluchistan.

Pakistan's former Ambassador to Washington that Imran Khan's statements, promising the end of support to terrorist groups, are motivated by the fear of getting blacklisted by the Financial Action Task Force and that there is no evidence that the Government or the military are dismantling terrorist support infrastructure.

One can imagine the nightmare of surviving persecuted minorities of Pakistan, who even after surviving criminal assaults, remain afflicted by Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, without any remedy. This agony is most likely to stay, unless Muslim clerics across the globe come forward and bring an end to the pseudo-Islamic Wahhabi/Salafi ideology.

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## FOREIGN EYE



## CLIMATE CHANGE CAMPAIGNERS: WE NEED THEM ALL

Adaptation to rising temperatures is inevitable; accommodation with the forces fuelling them will be disastrous. Social movements exert pressure on internal processes of change, which are inherently incremental and cautious. That parts of the establishment are now pressing for action on climate change is critical. That others are pushing from the outside is at least equally so.

(The Guardian editorial)

# Passengers say they miss Jet flights

## Cancellations inconvenience flyers

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Jet Airways was grounded for the time being after flying for almost 26 years when its last flight, a Boeing 737, touched down at the Mumbai airport early on Thursday after departing from Amritsar.

The country's oldest private airline took off nearly 26 years ago from the airport here to Ahmedabad as an air taxi operator.

The aircraft VT-SJI (flight no. S2 3502), belonging to the erstwhile Sahara Airlines, departed from Amritsar at 10.24 pm on Wednesday and touched down at Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport here at 12.22 am on Thursday, ending the "Joy of Flying" for its millions of customers.

Sahara Airlines was acquired by Jet in 2007 to kill competition triggered by the emergence of low-cost airlines like IndiGo, SpiceJet and GoAir, and the competition is said to have contributed in its downfall.

"I generally fly Jet Airways. But when I boarded it from Amritsar on Wednesday night, we were told this is the last flight the airline is operating as it is shutting down for the time

being," said Amarjit Singh, who hails from Ludhiana.

Singh, a transporter by profession who frequently visits Mumbai for business, said he is hopeful of the airline "resuming" operations soon.

Set up by Naresh Goyal on April 1, 1992, Jet Airways' first flight took off from Mumbai for Ahmedabad on May 5, 1993, as an air-charter operator, which does not require a published schedule.

However, more than a year later, it was granted the scheduled operator permit on January 14, 1995.

Another passenger, Shareef Abdullah, who runs a hotel chain and is a frequent flyer with the carrier, said it was painful to know that the airline is shutting down.

"They announced it both on departure from Amritsar and after landing here that this was the last flight. It is really painful," he said.

The abrupt cancellation of the airline's services for the time being have left thousands of passengers stranded.

"I, along with my wife and children, had to travel to Ahmedabad early this morning. I had booked five tickets a month in advance. But when I reached the airport here, I was informed they have cancelled the operations," said Madan Lal



Imali, who was travelling to his native place Pali Killa in Rajasthan for a family function.

He said his wife and children were very disappointed as it was to be their maiden flight.

"I had also booked train tickets in an AC coach and paid ₹2,500 each for five seats to travel to Pali from Ahmedabad. Now, I have been forced to cancel that journey as well, besides losing money," said Imali, who was to board the airline's flight 9W2929 for Ahmedabad from here post-mid night.

Struggling for months, Jet Airways chief executive Vinay Dube last evening announced the carrier was shuttering operations as his last-ditch attempt to get ₹400 crore was rejected by lenders.

The decision leaves 20,000 jobs at stake and over ₹8,500 crore of public funds, that the banks lent to the once-leading airline, at the risk of going down the drain.

The airline also owes lakhs of rupees to passengers and its vendors.

# Jio, BSNL drive telecom subscriber growth to 120.5 crore in Feb

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The country's telecom subscriber base grew marginally to 120.5 crore on account of a net addition of customers by Reliance Jio and state-owned BSNL, according to data published by telecom regulator Trai on Thursday.

Both Reliance Jio and BSNL jointly added a net of 86.39 lakh mobile subscribers but the rest of the telecom operators jointly lost a net of 69.93 lakh wireless customers with Vodafone Idea losing the biggest chunk of mobile connections, as per the data.

The number of telecom subscribers in India increased to 120.54 crore at the end of February from 120.37 crore in January, according to the Telecom Monthly Subscriber Report released by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai).

The sector, dominated by wireless connection, recorded an increase in the mobile services subscriber base to 118.36 crore in February from 118.19 crore in January.

Reliance Jio alone added 77.93 lakh customers, taking its total subscriber base to 29.7 crore at the end of February. According to a television commercial of the company, it has crossed 30 crore customer base now.

BSNL added around 9 lakh new mobile customers, taking its total subscriber base to

11.62 crore in February.

"BSNL is the only operator other than Jio that has gained customers. Our performance shows that customers have faith in BSNL. We are able to compete and gain customers with our much-improved 3G network. In our endeavour to provide service, all our officers and employees are together," BSNL Chairman and Managing Director Anupam Shrivastava said.

The state-run firm is competing in the market with 3G network, while all other operators are loaded with spectrum for 4G services. It has requested the government for the allocation of spectrum for 4G services through an equity infusion in 2017. The government is yet to take final decision.

The country's biggest telecom operator Vodafone Idea lost 57.87 lakh mobile subscribers, reducing its total customer base to 40.93 crore in February. It was followed by Tata Teleservices that lost 11.47 lakh mobile customers, Airtel lost 49,896 subscribers, MTNL 4,652 and Reliance Communication 3,611 subscribers.

Fixed-line connections in the country declined marginally with BSNL losing about one lakh connections. Private operators Bharti Airtel and Vodafone gained 42,456 and 17,563 fixed-line customers, respectively, in February.

# Honda recalls 3,669 units of Accord to fix faulty airbags

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Japanese auto major Honda Thursday said it is recalling 3,669 units of its Accord sedan in India as part of a global exercise to rectify faulty airbags.

The company, which is present in India through a wholly-owned arm Honda Cars India Ltd (HCIL), is voluntarily recalling the units manufactured between 2003-2006 to fix faulty front airbag inflators supplied by Takata Corp.

The replacement will be carried out free of cost at Honda dealerships across India from Thursday, HCIL said in a statement.

As part of the Takata airbag inflator recalls which have impacted several car makers globally, the company said it continues to urge owners of vehicles affected by the recall to get their vehicles repaired at authorised dealers as soon as possible.

"HCIL reiterates the importance of replacing the affected Takata front airbag inflators urgently as they may deploy with excessive internal pressure when activated," it said.

The airbag inflator casing might rupture which may result in injury or safety risk to the vehicle occupants, it added.

Millions of vehicles globally have been recalled due to defective safety airbag manufactured by Japan's Takata Corp.

## Business Corner



S Vijaya Kumar, General Manager, Syndicate Bank has joined Zonal Office, Delhi. He has been transferred from ZO: Hyderabad. Regional Office, Chandigarh, Faridabad, Jaipur, Udaipur, Ludhiana, Panipat, Gurugram, Noida, Ghaziabad and all three regions of Delhi are covered under Delhi Zone



Gajanan Mallya, General Manager, South Central Railway holds meeting with bulk freight customers of the Zone, discusses plans to take forward the co-operation towards optimising freight traffic movement



The MoU was signed by professor Devang V Khakhar, Director, IIT Bombay and Surina Rajan, Director General, BIS at the IIT Bombay campus. The premier institution aims to provide IT-based technological solutions regarding various activities of the Bureau. IIT Bombay will develop infrastructure support for R&D projects of relevance to standardisation and BIS will provide financial assistance for such initiatives

# SpiceJet shares trim early gains; end 3% higher

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

SpiceJet stock trimmed most of its sharp early gains and ended nearly 3 per cent higher Thursday on profit-booking after rising for five consecutive days.

The scrip had climbed 14.99 per cent to ₹152.60 — its 52-week high — on the BSE during the day. Later, it closed at ₹136.25, up 2.68 per cent.

On the traded volume front, 211.25 lakh shares were traded on the BSE during the day. SpiceJet Thursday said it will induct six more Boeing 737-800 NG aircraft on dry lease.

"These six aircraft are in addition to the 16 B737s and 5 Q400s that the airline will soon induct. The total number of planes to be inducted in the immediate future now stands at 27," the company said in a BSE filing Thursday.

The airline has applied to the Directorate General of Civil Aviation for a No Objection Certificate (NOC) to import the planes. Subject to regulatory approvals, the aircraft would

begin joining SpiceJet's fleet in the next ten days, it added.

"We are taking all possible proactive measures to deal with the sudden reduction of aviation capacity in the Indian market. SpiceJet continues to work closely with the government and regulatory authorities to help minimise passenger inconvenience," Ajay Singh, Chairman and Managing Director, SpiceJet said.

The airline will induct as many as 27 planes in a record time of less than two weeks and it is hopeful that these inductions will help considerably ease the pressure situation, he added.

The shares had climbed 8.5 per cent Friday after the airline announced it will induct 16 Boeing 737-800 NG aircraft, a move that will help in bringing down flight cancellations.

On Monday, the stock zoomed nearly 9 per cent as the company announced launch of direct flights from Mumbai to seven international destinations, including Colombo, Jeddah, Dhaka, Riyadh and Hong Kong.

# Japan's Suzuki in domestic recall of 2 mln vehicles

AFF ■ TOKYO

Japanese car manufacturer Suzuki announced Thursday it was recalling two million vehicles shipped domestically, citing improper inspections and a series of other faults including false fuel efficiency data.

The recall affects vehicles running for four years or less that have not yet received a routine check-up.

Last week, Suzuki admitted that an internal review had uncovered a host of problems at its factories, including faulty brake checks, falsified fuel-efficiency data, and uncertified staff carrying out final inspections.



The recall is expected to cost the firm around 80 billion yen (\$715 million) and also affects parts made by Suzuki for vehicles produced for Nissan, Mazda and Mitsubishi. Transport minister Keiichi Ishii has said the company needs some "serious soul-searching" over the scandal.

The problem "raises doubts about the firm's regards for compliance and it is extremely regrettable," Ishii told reporters on Tuesday.

# Air India offers special fares to Jet stranded int'l passengers

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Coming to the rescue of the stranded international passengers hit by the abrupt grounding of Jet Airways, Government-run Air India Thursday offered special fares to such passengers.

The "special stranded" fares have been offered to passengers at overseas airports such as Paris, London Heathrow, Singapore, Dubai, Hong Kong, Abu Dhabi, Jeddah, Dammam, and Muscat, among others, Air India said in a statement.

"As a gesture of goodwill and to mitigate the hardship of the 9W (Jet Airways flight code) at international stations, Air India will be offering special fares to such passengers," it said.

Passengers holding confirmed RT tickets on Jet Airways will be allowed to avail special stranded passenger fares from the destinations common with Air India, it said.

# Google offers Android users choice to satisfy EU

AFF ■ BRUSSELS

Google on Thursday said users of its hugely popular Android devices would be offered a choice of five browsers and search engines as part of the company's effort to meet EU competition concerns.

The European Commission last July hit Google with its biggest-ever fine, imposing a 4.34 billion euro (\$5 billion) penalty, one of three major EU decisions against the company.

Brussels accused Google of using the Android system's dominance of smartphones and tablets to promote the use of its own Google search engine and Chrome browser and shut out rivals.

Google has appealed the decision, arguing that the EU's accusations were unfounded, but Thursday's

changes were part of the firm's effort to avoid further fines. Users of Android devices in Europe who open the Google Play app store will now be shown screens with options to download different search apps and browsers, Paul Gennai, Google product management director, said in a blog.

"These new screens will be displayed the first time a user opens Google Play after receiving an upcoming update," the executive wrote.

With the change, "two screens will surface: one for search apps and another for browsers, each containing a total of five apps, including any that are already installed," he said.

Apps not already installed on the device will be chosen based on their popularity and shown in a random order,

Google said. Crucially, when a user downloads a search engine other than Google, he or she will be asked whether that option — such as Qwant or DuckDuckGo — should become the default search app on the phone.

Illegal promotion of Google's hugely profitable search engine was the heart of the case against the Silicon Valley giant.

Android, which is used on around 80 percent of mobile devices both in Europe and worldwide, was accused of shutting out rivals by forcing major phone makers to pre-install the Google search engine and Chrome browser.

They were also made to set Google Search as the default, as a condition of licensing other Google apps, the EU said.

## UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY

General public is hereby informed that one unknown male person was found dead at Patri Swami Narayan Marg, Under Pass, Sangam Park, P.S. Bharat Nagar Delhi on dated 10.04.2019 Time 18:17. In this regard a DD No. 30A dated 10.04.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Bharat Nagar, Delhi.



The description of the dead body is given as under Name: Unknown S/o Unknown R/o Unknown Age: 47 years Height: 5'6" Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Round, Built: Thin, Identification: Tattoo Mark Right forearm Wearing: Blue Colour Shirt and Black Colour Pant. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the dead person but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this dead person please inform undersigned.

SHO P.S. Bharat Nagar, Delhi Ph.: 011-27301200 8750870222

## MISSING/KIDNAPED

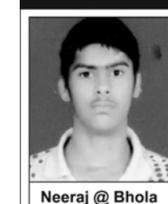
General public is hereby informed that one girl, Name: Khushnaj, D/o: Sajjad, R/o: F-2/417, Shiv Ram Park, Nihal Vihar, Delhi has been missing/ kidnaped since 26.11.2018 from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard, a Case Vide DD No. 19-A, Dated 27.11.2018, has been lodged at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Investigations has been carried out but despite best efforts, the girl could not be traced. The description of the missing/kidnaped girl is as under:



Name: Khushnaj, D/o: Sajjad, R/o: F-2/417, Shiv Ram Park, Nihal Vihar, Delhi, Age: 20 years, Height: 5'3" Feet, Face: Round, Complexion: Fair, Wearing: White Kamij, White Pant and Black Chappal in feet. If anyone has any information about the missing/kidnaped girl, then please inform P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi.

email: cic@cbi.gov.in Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368639 Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641 S.H.O P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi Ph.: 011-25946700, 25946710

## SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed that a boy namely Neeraj @ Bhola, S/O Sh. Manoj Kumar, R/O H.No. 410, Village-Dariyapur, Bawana, Delhi. The boy has been missing since 29.03.2019 from the area of P.S. Bawana, Delhi.

In this regard FIR No. 141/19 dated 31.03.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Bawana, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing boy but no clue has come to light so far.

The description of the missing boy is as under: Name: Neeraj @ Bhola, Age: 15 Years, Height: 5'7", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Round, Wearing: Blue Colour T-Shirt, Black Colour Pajama, Sports Shoes in Feet.

If anyone has any information regarding this missing boy, kindly inform SHO/P.S. Bawana, Delhi. Email: cic@cbi.gov.in, Website: http://cbi.nic.in Ph.: 011-23015229, 23015218 SHO P.S. Bawana, Delhi Ph. No. 011-27751949, 07065036321

## SEARCH FOR MISSING

General public is hereby informed that a man namely Vijay Nagpal, S/o Late Sh. Krishan Lal Nagpal, R/O H.No. 69 Amrit Nagar, 2nd Floor South Extension Part-1, New Delhi has been missing since 03.01.2019 from shop no. 27-28, Happy Dry Clean, New Municipal Double Story Mehar Chand Market, Lodhi Colony, New Delhi. In this regard a DD No. 29A, dated 16.02.2019, has been lodged at P.S. Lodhi Colony, New Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the missing man but no clue has come to light so far. The description of the missing man is as under:



Name: Vijay Nagpal. Gender: Male, Age: About 58 years, Height: 5'10", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Oval, Built: Medium, Wearing: Grey colour Jacket (Woodland), Blue colour Check Shirt, Blue colour Jeans Pant, Crox Blue colour Sandal, Kada on right hand and Titan Watch on left hand. If anyone has any information regarding this missing man, kindly inform SHO/Lodhi Colony, New Delhi. E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641 SHO P.S. Lodhi Colony, New Delhi Ph. No.: 011-24620283, 24611753

# Sebi slaps ₹1-crore fine on 11 entities for manipulative trade

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Markets regulator Sebi Thursday slapped a penalty of over ₹1 crore on 11 entities for fraudulent and manipulative trading in the shares of Emed.Com Technologies.

The regulator had conducted investigation from August 2013 to June 2014 regarding the trading in the scrips of Emed.Com Technologies.

During the probe, Sebi found that the entities were

connected to each other and had executed circular trades wherein they transferred shares in off-market to certain entities and then purchased back those shares in on-market, thereby giving misleading appearance of trading.

Besides, they contributed to positive last traded price (LTP) and establishing of new high price (NHP) in the scrip, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) said.

"The group entities have contributed to the creation of artificial volumes and inflated/



manipulated the price of the scrip and thus violated...PFUTP (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices) Regulations," the regulator noted.

Accordingly, Sebi imposed a fine of ₹10 lakh each on nine

entities, including Pummy Garments Pvt Ltd, Sure Portfolio Services, Steady Capital Advisory Services, and Supreme Multitrade Pvt Ltd.

While a fine of ₹7.5 lakh each was imposed on Olympia Sales Agency and Clarinete Realtor, totalling ₹1.05 crore.

Besides, in a separate order, Sebi levied fine of ₹14 lakh on Sure Portfolio Services and Steady Capital Advisory Services for failing to disclose the change in shareholdings in the Emed.Com Technologies to exchanges and the firm.

# Delhi to witness Rajasthani folk culture at Sirifort Auditorium

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The national capital to experience the pure Rajasthani folk music and its traditional dances are woven like fabric into every aspect of people's lives in our country. ShowCase events bring to you the most unforgettable and lifetime experience by taking you through a journey of the true soul of Rajasthani Folk music.

After an astounding success in Mumbai, ShowCase events brings the second edition of the "Sounds From the Desert" to Delhi on April 26th, 2019 at the Sirifort Auditorium.

# Boeing making 'steady progress' on certifying 737 Max software update: CEO Muilenburg

PTI ■ WASHINGTON

Boeing was making "steady progress" on the path to certifying of a crucial software update for the 737 MAX aircraft, CEO Dennis Muilenburg has said after two fatal crashes in recent months forced the grounding of the model, including by Indian carriers.

He assured global airline industry that Boeing has also made the final engineering test flight before certification for the 737 MAX aircraft. The Maneuvering Characteristics Augmentation System (MCAS) system of the 737 MAX aircraft has come under scrutiny from investiga-

tors reviewing two fatal crashes — the Lion Air crash on October 29 and the Ethiopian Airlines crash on March 10.

Boeing has been developing and testing a software change to the system that will now factor in input from a second sensor.

"We're making steady progress on the path to certification for our 737 MAX software update thanks to the work of our Boeing pilots, engineers and technical experts," Muilenburg said in a video on his Twitter account.

"Yesterday we completed the official engineering flight test with the updated software with our technical and engineering leaders on board the airplane.

# BharatPe launches one QR code for all UPI Apps

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

BharatPe, an Indian company providing merchants with interoperable launched QR code for all UPI Apps. Merchants can receive UPI payments from any app using one QR code, and receive digital money directly in their bank at 0% fee.

"We are offering a basket of more than 100 UPI enabled apps that merchants can accept the payment from for free" BharatPe's Chief Executive Officer and Co-founder, Ashneer Grover said.

Markets slip from lifetime highs on profit booking, Jet woes

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Equity benchmarks retreated from lifetime highs on Thursday as investors took money off the table ahead of an extended weekend, while the grounding of Jet Airways stoked fears among banks and other lenders.

After rallying to an intra-day record of 39,487.45 points, the 30-share BSE Sensex turned negative to settle 135.36 points, or 0.34%, lower at 39,140.28.

The broader NSE Nifty slipped 34.35 points, or 0.29%, to 11,752.80 after setting an intra-day record of 11,856.

The benchmark indices had closed at record highs on Tuesday on earnings optimism and forecast of a near-normal monsoon.

Markets will be closed Friday on account of Good Friday.

During the holiday-truncated week, the Sensex rose 373.17 points, or 0.96%, while the Nifty gained 109.35 points, or 0.93%.

"After a period of significant momentum ahead of the general elections, the market may take a pause in some kind of an interim profit-booking," said Joseph Thomas, head of research at Emkay Wealth Management.

"The accelerating scenario of a slowdown in global growth as well as the definitive prospects of higher fuel prices and a weaker currency may also be working on the minds of the market participants at this juncture," he added.

Shares of Jet Airways continued to fall for the second day in a row, plummeting over 32 per cent on Thursday, a day after the ailing airline shuttered its operations temporarily.

"The hunt for new bid-

ders/suitors is getting tough. This event led to cascading negative effect on lenders to Jet and other banks," said Deepak Jasani, head of retail research at HDFC Securities.

Top losers in the Sensex pack included Yes Bank, Vedanta, IndusInd Bank, Tata Steel, L&T, SBI, NTPC, Kotak Bank, HDFC, PowerGrid, Infosys and ITC, falling up to 4.18%. On the other hand, RIL was the biggest gainer on the index, spurring 2.79% ahead of its Q4 results.

Tata Motors, Asian Paints, TCS, Coal India, Hero MotoCorp, Axis Bank and HUL also ended in the green, rising up to 2.32%.

Apart from energy and oil and gas, all BSE sectoral indices closed in the red, led by realty, power, metal, telecom, capital goods and banking, shedding up to 2.33%.

RCom promoters' shareholding declined to 22% in Jan-Mar this year

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Reliance Communications promoters' stake has come down to 22 per cent in January-March 2019 quarter, with family and group firms jointly losing more than half of the equities, the telecom firm said on Thursday.

In the October-December 2018 quarter, the promoters and promoter group of debt-ridden RCom had 53.08% stake in the company.

In the third quarter of 2018-19, Ambani family members jointly held 145.48 crore equity shares, which came down to 59.79 crore in last quarter of the same fiscal, according to shareholding pattern disclosure made by the firm.

Shares held by promoter group firm Reliance Communications Enterprises Private Limited dropped by almost half to 36.56 crore from 72.31 crore.

The disclosure shows that equity holding of Reliance Ornatus Enterprise and Ventures and Reliance Wind Turbine Installators Industries came down to 9.2 crore and 85 lakh, respectively, from 30 crore shares held by each of them in the third quarter.

According to records, most of the pledged shares were sold by lenders in January-March 2019 quarter.

The company, which is reeling under debt burden of around ₹45,000 crore, has approached the National Company Law Tribunal to invoke insolvency against it as the firm has been unable to sell assets and pay back to lenders.

Lenders hopeful of successful bids for grounded Jet Airways

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

After Jet Airways suspended all its flights after running out of money, lenders to the carrier on Thursday said they were "reasonably hopeful" that bidding process for the airline would end successfully. Lenders led by the State Bank of India had declined to extend more funds to Jet, forcing it to suspend all its flights.

"The lenders after due deliberations decided that the best way forward for the survival of Jet Airways is to get the binding bids from potential investors who have expressed EOI (Expression of Interest) and have been issued bid documents on April 16," a statement by lenders said.

A consortium of 26 lenders led by the SBI, with 51 per cent stake in the debt-trapped airline, has invited bids from potential suitors.

"Lenders are reasonably hopeful that the bid process is likely to be successful in determining the fair value of the enterprise in a transparent manner," it said.

Banks on Wednesday rejected an immediate ₹400 crore demand of Jet Airways, compelling it to ground operations. Jet had been, over the last few months, on a decline as competition from budget airlines hurt its profitability and led to a debt pile. It reported losses for four straight quarters despite sales holding up.

At its peak, Jet operated 123 planes and over 600 daily flights. It was flying just seven planes on Tuesday. Its chief executive officer Vinay Dube on Wednesday wrote an email to airlines' passengers saying "with deep sadness and with a heavy heart that we would like to share with you that, effective immediately, Jet Airways will be suspending all its domestic and international oper-

ations". "Tuesday night, we were informed by SBI, on behalf of the consortium of Indian lenders, that they are unable to consider our request for interim funding. Since no emergency funding from the lenders or any other source of funding was forthcoming, it would therefore not have been possible for us to pay for fuel or other critical services to keep the operations going," he wrote.

He said the airline had over the last several weeks and months tried "every means possible" to seek funding, both interim as well as long term funding, to keep our operations going. "Unfortunately, despite the very best of our efforts, we have been left with no other choice today."

"A decision like this is never easy to make, but without the interim funding, which we have been repeatedly requesting for, we are simply unable to conduct flight operations in a manner that delivers to the very reasonable expectations of our guests, employees, partners and service providers," he wrote.

"After 25 years of sharing the Joy of Flying with Indian and international guests, Jet Airways and its Board of Directors have been forced to take this extreme measure, as prolonged and sustained efforts with lenders and authorities to ensure the sustainability of the airline did not yield the desired results."

He, however, said the future provides new hope and opportunity as India is better off with a flying Jet Airways. "We will now await the bid finalisation process by SBI and the consortium of Indian lenders and will continue to support the bid process initiated by the lenders," he added.

Passengers who had booked on Jet for travel on future dates will get a refund.

14 products from different states received GI tag this year

New Delhi (PTI): Himachali Kala Zeera, Jeeraphool from Chhattisgarh and Kandhamal Haldi from Odisha are among the 14 products that have received Geographical Indication (GI) tag from the government so far this year.

According to the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), the other products which received

this tag include Coorg Arabica coffee from Karnataka, Wayanad Robusta coffee from Kerala, Araku Valley Arabica from Andhra Pradesh, Sirisi Supari from Karnataka and Himachali Chulli oil.

Darjeeling Tea, Tirupathi Laddu, Kangra Paintings, Nagpur Orange and Kashmir Pashmina are among the registered GIs in India.

The tag helps growers of these products get premium price as no other producer can misuse the name to market similar goods

A geographical indication tag is used for an agricultural, natural or a manufactured product (handicraft and industrial goods) originating from a definite geographical territory.

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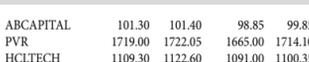
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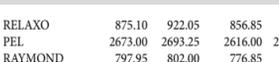
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BSE Sensex



NSE Nifty



TOP GAINERS

Table listing top gainers in the market, including Reliance, JSW Steel, and Asian Paints.

TOP LOSERS

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PTI GRAPHICS

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Table listing various stocks and their prices, including GPP, BIRLACORPN, and others.



FACEBOOK BANS UK FAR-RIGHT GROUPS

London: Social media giant Facebook on Thursday banned various far-right British groups including the English Defence League from its network for promoting hate and violence.

US TRADE AGREEMENT NOT YET SETTLED: CHINA

Beijing: China said on Thursday there is 'still much work to finish' on the text of a trade agreement with the United States. US President Donald Trump on Wednesday held out hope the current trade talks with China will be a success, and said an announcement on the status was due 'shortly'.

LONDON CLIMATE PROTESTS ENTER 4TH DAY

London: London commuters faced further disruption on Thursday as climate change protests continued to bring parts of the British capital to a standstill, leading to over 300 arrests.

N Korea says it tested new weapon, wants Pompeo out of dialogue

AP ■ SEOUL  
North Korea said on Thursday that it had tested a new type of "tactical guided weapon," its first such test in nearly half a year, and demanded that Washington remove Secretary of State Mike Pompeo from nuclear negotiations.  
The test, which didn't appear to be of a banned mid-or long-range ballistic missile that could scuttle negotiations, allows North Korea to show its people it is pushing ahead with weapons development while also reassuring domestic military officials worried that diplomacy with Washington signals weakness.  
Separately, the North Korean Foreign Ministry accused Pompeo of playing down the significance of comments by leader Kim Jong Un, who said last week that Washington has until the end of the year to offer mutually acceptable terms for an agreement to salvage the high-stakes nuclear diplomacy.  
Both the demand for Pompeo's removal from the talks and the weapon test point to North Korea's displeasure with the deadlocked negotiations. In a statement issued under the name of Kwon Jong Gun, director general of the American Affairs Department at the Foreign Ministry, North Korea accused Pompeo of "talking nonsense" and misrepresenting Kim's comments.  
During a speech at Texas A&M on Monday, Pompeo said Kim promised to denuclearize during his first summit with President Donald Trump and that U.S. Officials were working with the North Koreans to "chart a path forward so we can get there."  
"He (Kim) said he wanted it done by the end of the year," Pompeo said. "I'd love to see that done sooner." The North Korean statement said Pompeo was "misrepresenting the meaning of our requirement" for the

29 German tourists killed in Portuguese bus crash

AFP ■ LISBON  
Twenty-nine German tourists were killed on Wednesday when a bus crashed on the Portuguese island of Madeira.  
Televised images showed the bus had spun off the road, apparently having flipped several times, before crashing into a house at the bottom of a slope.  
"Horrible news comes to us from Madeira," a German government spokesman tweeted after the deadly crash.  
"Our deep sorrow goes to all those who lost their lives in the bus accident, our thoughts are with the injured," he added.  
Filipe Sousa, mayor of Santa Cruz where the accident happened, said 17 women and 11 men were killed in the crash, with another 21 injured.

Muller report: No proof of Russian meddling in polls

PTI ■ WASHINGTON  
The nearly two-year investigation by special counsel Robert Mueller found "no evidence" of a "collusion" between the Trump campaign and the Russian government during the 2016 US elections, Attorney General William Barr Thursday announced.  
"After reviewing those contacts, the special counsel did not find any conspiracy to violate US law involving Russia-linked persons and any persons associated with the Trump campaign," Barr said on the 400-page report.  
He, however, said the Russian government sought to interfere in US election process.  
Barr emphasised that the primary purposes of the Special Counsel's investigation was to determine whether members of the presidential campaign of Trump, or any individuals associated with that campaign, conspired or coordinated with the Russian government to interfere in the 2016 election.  
The Special Counsel's report states that his "investigation did not establish that members of the Trump Campaign conspired or coordinated with the Russian government in its election interference activities."  
"I am sure that all Americans share my concerns about the efforts of the Russian government to interfere in our presidential election.  
As the Special Counsel's report makes clear, the Russian government sought to interfere in our election.  
"But thanks to the Special Counsel's thorough investigation, we now know that the Russian operatives who perpetrated these schemes did not have the cooperation of President Trump or the Trump campaign — or the knowing assistance of any other Americans for that matter," he said. "That is something that all Americans can and should be grateful to have confirmed," Barr said.

Kim will visit Russia this month: Kremlin

AP ■ MOSCOW  
North Korean leader Kim Jong Un will visit Russia later this month, the Kremlin said Thursday, in a meeting that offers President Vladimir Putin an opportunity to emerge as a broker in the long-running nuclear standoff and raise Russia's profile in regional affairs.  
The Kremlin said in a brief statement Thursday that Kim will visit Russia "in the second half of April" on Putin's invitation, but gave no further details. Russian media have been abuzz in recent days with rumors about the rare meeting between the leaders.  
Putin is set to visit China later this month, and some media speculated that he could meet with Kim in Vladivostok, the far eastern port city near the border with North Korea.  
Kim said last week that he

Pak Finance Minister Asad Umar steps down

PTI ■ ISLAMABAD  
Pakistan's Finance Minister Asad Umar, who was involved in extensive discussions with the IMF to finalise a bailout package for the cash-strapped country, quit the Cabinet on Thursday after Prime Minister Imran Khan expressed his desire to shift him to the energy ministry.  
Umar, who recently returned from a trip to the US in which the details of Pakistan's next International Monetary Fund bailout were finalised, said he has obtained the prime minister's consent "to not take any cabinet position."  
"As part of a cabinet reshuffle, prime minister desired that I take the energy minister portfolio instead of finance," Umar said. "However, I have obtained his consent to reshuffle. "There is no truth in reports regarding changes in posts of federal ministers. The prime minister has the power to change ministers and the media should play a responsible role on this subject," he tweeted.  
Cash-strapped Pakistan is seeking USD 8 billion from the IMF to bail itself out from a severe balance-of-payments crisis that threatens to cripple the country's economy. Pakistan has so far received a total of USD 9.1 billion in financial aid packages from friendly countries like China, Saudi Arabia and the UAE during the current fiscal year.  
Finance Minister Umar said earlier this month that a mission of the IMF would visit Islamabad soon after the spring meetings of the World Bank Group, which includes the IMF, and an agreement should be signed by the end of this month.



not take any cabinet position." Prime Minister Khan-led government and Finance Minister Umar in particular have faced mounting criticism by opposition parties, members of the business community and citizens over the handling of the economic crisis. On Monday, the Pakistani media reported that a major reshuffle was on the cards in the Finance Ministry.  
However, Information Minister Fawad Chaudhry denied the reports of the

Nepal launches its first satellite from US

PTI ■ KATHMANDU  
Nepal Thursday successfully launched its first satellite into space from the US to gather detailed geographical information of the Himalayan nation, evoking unbridled excitement among the people and scientists.  
Developed by the Nepalese scientists, NepaliSat-1 satellite was launched at 2.31 am (Nepal time) from Virginia in United States, according to Nepal Academy of Science and Technology (NAST).  
Two Nepali scientists, Aabhas Maskey and Hariram Shrestha who are currently studying at Japanese Kyushu Institute of Technology, developed the satellite under the BIRDS project of their institute.  
Prime Minister KP Sharma Oli congratulated all the scientists and institutions involved in the development of the satellite. He said it was a matter of prestige for the country to have its own satellite.  
"Though a humble beginning, with the launching of NepaliSat-1 Nepal has entered the Space-Era. I wish to congratulate all those scientists and institutions that were involved right from the development to its launching thereby enhancing the prestige of our country", he said in a tweet.  
Spokesperson for NAST Suresh Kumar Dhungel said they invested in the satellite in a bid to open new paths for space engineering in the country.  
He said with the help of NepaliSat-1, ground station located at NAST office will communicate and gather images of the geographical area of the country.  
NepaliSat-1 is a low orbit satellite which will be in the 400-km distance from the Earth's surface. It will be stationed at the International Space Station for a month and then it will be sent to orbit the earth, according to NAST.  
The satellite will take photographs on a regular basis to gather geographical information of the country.  
The satellite has a Nepali flag and the NAST logo. It also has the name of the scientists involved in the making of the satellite.  
Nepal Academy of Science and Technology has invested nearly Rs 20 million for the satellite that weighs 1.3 kilograms, a small satellite with limited capability.  
Nepal's first entry into space has brought huge excitement among people and scientists.  
NAST initiated the launch of the country's own satellite under the BIRDS project of the Japanese Kyushu Institute of Technology.  
The BIRDS project has been designed in association with the United Nations and aims at helping countries launch their first satellite.

**SEARCH FOR MISSING**

General public is hereby informed that a girl namely **Simranjeet Kaur, D/O Balbir Singh, R/O RZR-218, Nihal Vihar, Delhi.** The girl has been missing/kidnapped since 01.04.2019 from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi.

In this regard **FIR No. 224/19 u/s 363 IPC dated 01.04.2019** has been lodged at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped girl but no clue has come to light so far.

The description of the missing/kidnapped girl is as under: **Name: Simranjeet Kaur, Age: 17 Years, Height: 4'9", Complexion: Fair, Face: Round, Wearing: Orange Suit, Salwar, Dupatta and White Colour Jutti in Feet.**

If anyone has any information regarding this missing girl, kindly inform SHO/P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi.

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**SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED**

General Public is hereby informed that one person namely: **Prem Lal, S/o: Sita Ram, R/o: H.No. D-21, Laxmi Park, Nihal Vihar, Nangloi, Delhi** has been missing/kidnapped since **15.12.2018** from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard a case vide **DD No. 33-A dated 16.12.2018** has been registered at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. The description of the missing/kidnapped person is as under: **Age: 54 years, Height: 5'7", Face: Long, Complexion: Sallow, Wearing: Green Jacket-Black Pant and Hawaii Chapple in feet.** Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the person but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this person kindly inform to the following.

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**Form No. INC-26 Before the Central Government, Delhi Region**

In the matter of Aryan Knowledge Square Private Limited having its registered office at GH 9/162, Paschim Vihar, New Delhi-110087, Petitioner

Notice is hereby given to the General Public that the company proposes to make application to the CG under section 13 of the Companies Act, 2013 the company is changing its Registered Office from "State of Delhi" to "State of Haryana".

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change of the registered office of the company may deliver either on the MCA-21 portal ([www.mca.gov.in](http://www.mca.gov.in)) by filing investor complaint form or to be delivered or send by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and grounds of opposition to the Regional Director at the address B-2, Wing, 2nd Floor, Parayavaran Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi-110003 within fourteen days of the date of publication of this notice with a copy to the applicant company at its registered office at the address mentioned below:

**For and on behalf of the Applicant**  
Aryan Knowledge Private Limited  
Krishan Kumar  
Director

Dates: 16th April, 2019  
Place: New Delhi

**KAVYAM**

Corrigendum to Advertisement dated 23.12.2018, 30.12.2018 and 05.04.2019.

This is with reference to the above dated advertisement issued related to project named "Kavyam" proposed to be developed by M/s Agrante Realty Limited under Pioneer News Paper (both Hindi and English edition), Navodaya Times and Dainik Jagran.

That the inadvertent mistake occurred in the said advertisements relates to the price calculated, shown and printed for Category-1 & 2 flats at 21, 15,000/- Now, giving effect to its correction and notifying to the general public that the price for the said Category Flats shall be Rs. 21, 00,000/- only for all purposes & for all the buyers and applicants who have already applied for allotment for said category flats.

That the initial booking amount collected by the company is Rs.1,05,758/- for the said category flats mistakenly and pursuant to the mistaken calculation and an extra amount of Rs. 758 has been collected from the applicants who have opted for such category flats. This extra amount shall be adjusted in future payments or refunded in case of unsuccessful applicants.

**AXIS BANK**

Retail Asset Centre, Delhi: Lower Ground Floor and Upper Ground Floor, Himalaya House, K.G. Marg, Delhi-110001. Also at: Axis Bank Ltd., Axis House, Tower T-2, 2nd Floor, I-14, Sector-126, Noida Expressway, Jaypee City Centre, Noida (U.P.)-201301. Retail Asset Centre, Ghaziabad: BF-1A, 2, 3, 1st Floor, Aditya City Centre, Noida (U.P.)-201301. Retail Asset Centre, Faridabad: Axis Bank Ltd., SC-8, Huda Shopping Centre, Sec. 16, Faridabad, Haryana-121002. Retail Asset Centre Gurgaon: Axis Bank Ltd., ASC Gurgaon, SG-107, DLF Galleria Complex, Near Post Office, DLF City Phase 4, Gurgaon-122009, Corporate Office: Axis House, Block-B, Bombay Dyeing Mills Compound, PandurangBudhkarMarg, Worli, Mumbai-400025, Registered Office: 'Triso', 3rd floor, opposite Samartheswar Temple, Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad-380006

**POSSESSION NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT '2012**

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Axis Bank Ltd. under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notice upon the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ Mortgagee(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ Mortgagee(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates.

The Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ Mortgagee(s) in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Axis Bank Ltd.

The Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)/ Mortgagee(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.

Name of Borrower / Co-borrower	Description of Property
1. Devendra Pal Singh, S/o Sh. Chandan Singh R/o House No.776, Sector-10 Gurgaon (Haryana)-122001	A Residential Flat Having Super area 1244.59 Sq.Ft. (Le 115.56 Sq.Mtr) and built up area 995.50 Sq. Ft. (Le 92.45 Sq. Mtrs) bearing Flat No CO20203 on 2nd Floor (Without roof Rights) in Building C-02 situated in Group Housing Project named "Ebony Greens" being part of Residential Township Crescent Park C situated at Village Shekhar Bamtha, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh along with usage right of one open parking space and bounded as under: East- As Per Sale Deed/Title Deed West- As Per Sale Deed/Title Deed North- As Per Sale Deed/Title Deed South- As Per Sale Deed/Title Deed.
	<b>Date of Demand Notice</b> 22-Aug-18
	<b>Date of Possession</b> 16-Apr-19
	<b>Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)</b> Rs. 1702166/-, Interest, incidental expenses and cost

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

Date : 19-04-2019, Sd/-, Authorized Officer, Place : Delhi Axis Bank Ltd.,

**NORTHERN RAILWAY E-TENDER NOTICE**

Sr. DEE/EMU/GZB for and on behalf of President of India, invites open e-tender under single packet system for the under noted work: 1. N. I.T. No.: 232-Elect-EMU-WC-18-18-19. 2. Name of the work: Complete Overhauling of 10 nos. Transmission type CRT-5633 for 02 years. 3. Tender cost: Rs. 5,900/- (online payment mode available on IREPS website). 4. Approximate cost: Rs. 69,98,590/- 5. Earnest Money: Rs. 1,40,000/- (online payment mode available on IREPS website). 6. Completion period: 24 Months. 7. Validity of offer: 45 days. 8. Date & time from tender advertised on IREPS website: 17.04.2019 (14.52 hrs.). 9. Date & time from tender submission start and end: 08.05.2019 (00.00 hrs.) to 22.05.2019 (15.00 hrs.). 10. Tender closing Date & Time: 22.05.2019 (15.00 hrs.). 11. Date & Time of tender opening (immediately when tender submission ends): 22.05.2019 (15.00 hrs.). 12. Publication cost allocation: 07041132.

Note 1: All participants Tenderer/Tenders will submit their requisite documents along with their tender offer. "No post tender correspondence for submission of additional document shall be entertained after opening of the Technical and Commercial offer. Even suo-moto post tender letters of the tenders shall be treated as null & void". Note 2: Duplicate documents should not be enclosed/up loaded. Tender Notice is available on website of [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) No: 232-Elect-EMU-WC-18-18-19 Date: 17.04.2019 1168/2019

Serving Customers with a Smile

**PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON (SEE SECTION 82 Cr.P.C.)**

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Sanju Singh @ Bitto, S/o Sh. Ganga Sharan, R/o H.Bo. RZA-227, Nihal Vihar, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case F.I.R. No. 59/16, punishable u/s 380/411 IPC, P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi and it has been returned to a Warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused **Sanju Singh @ Bitto** can not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused **Sanju Singh @ Bitto** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused person **Sanju Singh @ Bitto** of F.I.R. No. 59/16, punishable u/s 380/411 IPC, P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi is required to appear before this court to be answer the said complaint on or before dated **07.06.2019**.

By Order,  
Sh. Manoj Kumar  
Metropolitan Magistrate  
DP/2142/OD/19 Room No. 292, 2nd Floor, Tis Hazari Courts, New Delhi

**SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED MAN**

General public is hereby informed that a Boy namely **Karan, S/o Gangadeep, R/o H. No. B-691, Madraji Jhuggi, Parwana Road, Pitampura, Mongol puri, Delhi** has been missing/kidnapped since **29.10.2018** from the area of P.S Mangol Puri, Delhi. In this regard **FIR No. 1091/18 u/s 363 IPC, dated 05.11.2018** has been registered at P.S. Mangolpuri, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out this missing Boy but no clue has come to light so far. The description of missing Boy is as under: **Name: Karan, Age: 17 Years, Height: 5'5", Face: Round, Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Black T-Shirt-Black Pant and Black Spots Shoes in Feet.**

If anyone have any information about this missing Boy please inform P.S. Mangol Puri, Delhi.

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**SEARCH FOR MISSING**

General public is hereby informed that one girl namely **Jai Dass, R/o Village Bhebia, Block & PS. Hasnabad, Distt. North 24 Parganas, West Bengal, Age: 19 yrs., Height: 5'3", Complexion : Wheatish, Face : Round, Wearing : Red Colour Suit-Salwar, Purple Colour Sweater and Hawaii Chappal in Feet,** has been missing / kidnapped since **09.02.2019** from the area of P.S. Paschim Vihar West. In this regard a case **DD No. 50-A dated 01.04.2019** has been lodged at P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local Police to trace out the missing / kidnapped girl but no clue has come to light so far.

If anyone have any information about this missing / kidnapped girl please inform undersigned

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SHO  
DP/2143/OD/19 P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi  
Ph. No. 011-25268394, 25280980

**SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED**

General Public is hereby informed that one Girl Namely: **Aishwarya D/o: Chandu Lal, R/o: W-53/354, Sonia Gandhi Camp, Naraina, New Delhi** has been missing from her residence since **21.01.2019** at about 07.30 PM in the area of P.S. Naraina, New Delhi. In this regard a case vide **FIR No. 119/19 u/s 363 IPC dated 04.04.2019** has been registered at P.S. Naraina, New Delhi. The description of the missing/kidnapped girl is as under: **Age: 16 yrs, Height: 4', Built: Thin, Face: Oval, Complexion: Shallow, Wearing: Multi Colour Shirt & Red Pyjama.** Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the girl but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this girl kindly inform to the following

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**SEARCH FOR MISSING**

General public is hereby informed that one female namely **Vimla, W/o Mani Ram, R/o: W-116A/562, T-Huts, Camp No.4, Jwala Puri, Delhi, Age: 45 years, Height: 5'5", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Round, wearing Mahendi colour Suit-Salwar and Chappal in feet,** has been missing/kidnapped from the area of PS Paschim Vihar, West since 15.11.2018. In this regard a **DD No. 17-A, dated 27.11.2018** has been registered at P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the female but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about her please inform undersigned.

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**SEARCH FOR MISSING**

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Trend Blazer

I am not scared of failure: Varun

Actor **VARUN DHAWAN** is expanding his horizon with each of his projects — be it *Badrinath Ki Dulhania*, *October* and the recent release *Kalank*, which has become the highest opener of 2019 so far. The actor says he treats each project as a challenge, and pushes himself to improve his craft. "I am not scared of failure, but each movie is a challenge. I work harder with each project and try and improve my work constantly. Failure and success come with every occupation and the film industry is no different. I believe that what goes around comes around. Bad things happen, followed by better things," Varun said.



'Fairy Folk is the most fun experience I have had in a while. There was no written dialogue. I think improvised dialogue is so crazy and beautifully illogical — a quality which very few and extremely skilled writers are able to achieve with scripted lines. Also, it was a delight to play off actors who have an appetite for improvisation. I had to simply turn up on set and be open to having some fun.'

—Rasika Dugal

Actor **RAJKUMMAR RAO** has praised his girlfriend and actress Patralekhaa. He says the *Citylight* actress makes him proud. Rajkummar shared a poster of Patralekhaa's next film titled *Badnaam Gali* along with a poster of his forthcoming film *Mental Hai Kya*. In the image, Patralekhaa can be seen with a blooming baby bump and actor Divyendu Sharma in a shocked expression. Cheering for the actress, Rajkummar captioned, "It doesn't happen quite often that both our posters come out on the same day. You wonder girl Patralekhaa. You make me proud."



Rose has no sense of smell

Actress **ROSE MCGOWAN** says she has no sense of smell but "extraordinary" powers of taste. "I did a series of tests at Harvard because I lost my sense of smell in a freak accident. They were studying me because I could still taste which is normally interrelated. I got hit in the head with a car door in a freak valet accident," McGowan said. "Not being able to smell, I've had to get gas monitors for my house and things like that because I accidentally left the gas on one night and didn't know because I couldn't smell. I can only use bath products I have always used," she said.



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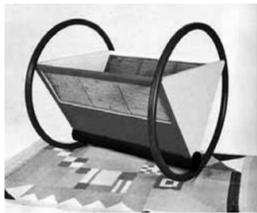
Ideas from Germany's Bauhaus movement continue to be prevalent across the globe without our realisation even after a century, says CHAHAK MITTAL

This year, many streets and towns in Germany are celebrating Bauhaus' centennial, an art-house movement that gave us clean, minimalist lines in architecture, the kind that defines the look of new-age buildings across the world. The movement represented a break from ceremonial grandeur and opulence. It radically simplified forms, combined rationality with functionality and lent credence to the idea that mass production was reconcilable with the individual artistic spirit. It also used basic materials.

From Weimar to Berlin and Dessau, it would be a celebration across the nation through exhibitions, awareness programmes, performances and workshops. However, if Romit Theophilus, director for India, the German National Tourist Office, is to be believed then its accents have also percolated to India, particularly in Kolkata, where Rabindranath Tagore internalised it in 1922. The Indian Society of Oriental Art introduced the concept.

The movement didn't initially include other cultures and was not prevalent worldwide except in Germany and a few European nations. However, Theophilus says that it is prevalent everywhere now. "It's just that we don't notice how it is deeply embedded in our very cultures and everyday lifestyles." He believes that the generations after the movement dissipated never learnt much about it to understand its value and presence in our lives. "When

'What was made 100 years ago could also be used today. Sometimes we don't even realise where these things are coming from even though they are a part of our everyday lifestyles'



Bauhaus started, it was a movement that was changing European ideologies at that time. And by the time, the movement ended, due to certain issues like funding, management, war, and more, its masters travelled across the world and went to places like the US and London. They continued the movement in traces. They took it along with themselves," he says, which is how it manifested itself from the biggest structures to the smallest things.

From 1919 to 1933, it was only in 14 years that the Bauhaus movement brought in a surge of

transformation in the modern thinking about arts and culture, fashion, urban trends and the public realm. However, why is it that it holds so much importance even today? Theophilus explains that there are things we have for our everyday utilities which were birthed from the revolution. However, we do not realise their origin. "This is the unique thing about their products. What was made 100 years ago could also be used today. For instance, its definitive lamp shades have a very simplistic design and are used even today. Also, the baby cradle is still relevant."

He explains that the whole idea of Bauhaus is "simplicity, not just in architecture but goes into various fields. Sometimes we don't even know where it is coming from but we see it everyday."

And though people may believe that the movement died, it actually kept evolving constantly. "We might not even realise what all aspects have changed everyday. Even about the German Embassy in India, we were told by the Deputy Ambassador that he could see Bauhaus everytime he drives across the city. So, it did survive well actually. Even today it has been embracing new things to survive and change," he says.

India recently witnessed 100 years of the Jallianwala Bagh massacre of 1919. The event was a watershed in the history of Indian nationalism and continues to reverberate even today. Well, there are always certain events in history which stay important even after years of their occurrence but

need to be revived with time. Bauhaus is one such. Theophilus says, "To bring such things back into focus, we need to remember the old masters. Because even if we are using it everyday in references and common day examples, we might not know that it was first inspired by the school. And hence, on its 100th anniversary, all across Germany, institutions and Gothic schools, Max Mueller Bhawans here, and even the tourism industry, we are focussing on reviving ideas of Bauhaus. With this, we aim to bring it to India on a large scale as well. We also invite culturally-minded travellers to explore this birthplace of modernism."

It was seen on the screens from China to the US recently, how the massive fire at the Notre Dame Cathedral became a horrifying scene against the Parisian sky. He says, "It's important to preserve such monuments as they are a symbol of ancient heritage. They need to be revived and reminded of with time. The same is the case with the Bauhaus movement. We need to be very careful and mindful. And not just from fire or other man-made disasters, but even from pollution."

He tells us that history has always been the primary focus of German tourism. "The previous year, we had culinary revolution in Germany, this year is the Bauhaus and the next year, it would be the 150th anniversary of Beethoven," he says.



A competitive Venue

Hyundai's new compact SUV is really going to heat up the segment even though carmakers are pessimistic about growth prospects this year



As the Angriya cruise boat headed out to sea from Mumbai, past the Gateway of India, Hyundai India used the opportunity to unveil its new compact SUV, the Venue. While the standing joke among automotive journalists was about the unique 'venue', the car was itself quite interesting. This segment was birthed by the Indian government's ridiculous excise rules that gave concessions to cars below four metres in length and with smaller engines, instead of a progressive level of taxation based on emissions. The Ford EcoSport was the first SUV to take advantage of this rule, but now carmakers are developing products specifically targeting this segment, and making adjustments for this market. You had the Maruti-Suzuki Vitara Brezza, developed for India by an Indian team and Mahindra's engineers recently re-engineered the Ssangyong Tivoli, reducing length to adhere to Indian norms as the XUV300. And now the Hyundai Venue does that too. This model is a global product as India has been on the top of the mind for the Korean carmaker. Indeed, the Indian unveil took place an hour before the car was showcased at the New York auto show.

There is a global market for compact Sports Utility Vehicles, and the Indian market is no different. But Hyundai had no product in this segment other than the hastily put together i20 Active, which was an i20 that has a bit of extra plastic cladding and a raised suspension. And if you're thinking that the Venue is similar to the i20, far from it. It looks unique and the headlights and front indicators look similar to those on the Tata Harrier, although both cars were developed concurrently. It is a very unique looking product and with stand-out front design and a very nice rear-end, it is possibly one of the smartest vehicles to enter the market now. And all of this has been done without compromising on interior space. In fact, the interiors are where the Venue really shines. Hyundai India is actually launching its connectivity suite, Blue Link, with the Venue when it goes on sale from May 21. Connectivity and infotainment are huge selling points, or that is what carmakers think and the Venue has a Vodafone-Idea eSIM car that allows you to use Hyundai's concierge services and Here Maps with live traffic data sources from Ola. Personally, I'm happy if a car has an Apple CarPlay system which gives me all that minus a concierge service. Or Android Auto, both of which offer me music-streaming services. But Hyundai is ensuring that both services will still work on the Venue.

The Venue's unveiling was also an opportunity to meet Hyundai India's new Managing Director, SS Kim, and his understanding of the Indian market. While he is still new to India, Kim did mention that Hyundai will be going all guns out with the Venue. However, with Hyundai about to launch the electric Kona in India in a couple of months, he did say that we still have to work on improving electric vehicle infrastructure as well as increasing Indian consumer acceptance of the higher prices of electric cars. Well on Angriya, things were pretty electric already.

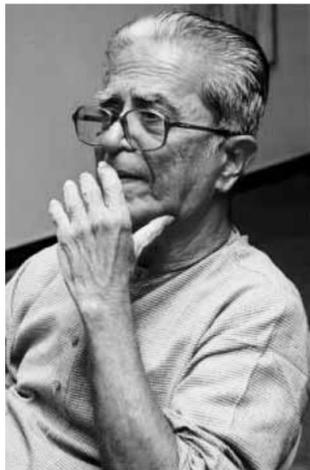


Remembering Haku Shah

The artiste mainstreamed rural, tribal, folk art and craft by bridging the chasm between the elite and the sub-altern tribal forms. By SUJATA PRASAD

and the tribal areas of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka was the seedbed of a series of revelatory and beautifully curated exhibitions, beginning with a modest display in Sevagram in 1955. His travelling terracotta exhibition, *Forms of Mother Clay*, was first curated for the Crafts Museum in Delhi. It pioneered some of the best curatorial practices. Another precious exhibition, *Unknown India*, on tribal ritual art, curated with art historian Dr Stella Kramrisch for the Philadelphia Museum of Art in 1968, took the art world by storm. He also contributed to the richness of the Festival of India exhibitions in UK, USA and Japan, challenging rigid binaries by drawing attention to powerful artistic imaginations at work.

Several interesting stories unravelled at Haku Shah's remembrance meet at NGMA. His son Parthiv's story of a Vaghri woman hawker who would visit their home in Paldi, Ahmedabad with a basket full of clay toys day after day, encouraged by his father to create new art forms. Some of her work are part of the permanent exhibits at the Philadelphia Museum. Professor Parul Dave's story of Saroja, the impoverished wife of a locked out textile mill worker who was encouraged to make figurative appliqué that was later celebrated worldwide, was an eye-opener. Manu Parekh's story of Gopal Jogi, an itinerant ballad singer from a drought-hit area in Rajasthan, who was working as a stone breaker at a construction site when Shah spotted him and encouraged him to draw, uncovered his potential as an artist. Shah's visceral engagement with rural, tribal art for more than half a century and his cru-



sade-like zeal in promoting artisans was remembered with great affection by Rajeev Sethi.

As a teacher, Shah mentored generations of students at the National Institute of Design, taught at the School of Architecture and joined the University of California in the spring of 1991 to teach a studio course in Textiles and Design as a distinguished Regents' professor. He was a conscientious researcher and authored several books and monographs on folk and tribal art, deconstructing the semiotics of rites and rituals embedded in nature and earth with eminent scholars like Eberhard Fischer, Stella Kramrisch, Joan Erikson and Charles and Ray Eames. His book on Votive Terracottas of Gujarat has acquired a cult status. Jyotindra Jain, who partnered with him to research on *Temple Tents for the Mother Goddesses in Gujarat*, a 225-page monograph with 460 plates, spoke about their shared passion for research that would often keep them awake till 2 at night as they roamed the streets of the old city of Ahmedabad to study the nocturnal rituals of Matani Pachedi artisans.

One of Shah's most seminal contributions was establishing an ethnographic Tribal Museum at the Gujarat Vidyapith and a crafts village in Udaipur. His own body of work resonates at many levels, from the tender, visual rendering of *nirguna* poetry and imagery derived from folklore to potent expressions of Gandhi's *satyagraha* in a 2015 exhibition evocatively titled *Nitya Gandhi*. Glimpses of his work on the beautiful memory wall created by the NGMA team, Vidya Shah's exquisite rendering of Kabir's songs, *Jhini Chadariya* and *Naiharwa Humka Na Bhave*, Antara's luminous weavers' song taught by her grandfather and Anant's poignant tribute to his *dada* who would not have liked all this fuss was what made the evening at NGMA so special.

(The author is a former civil servant and currently the adviser to the Crafts Museum.)

# AN OPERATIC SPREAD

PLUM by Bent Chair has been making waves for the unique concept of combining retail with food. And on both counts, it does not disappoint, says SAIMI SATTAR



I could hear the laughter much before I reached the place. And it seemed to be drifting out wave upon frequent wave. It was a Sunday afternoon and I was standing outside Plum by Bent Chair, Aerocity, which I had been hearing about frequently in the past few months. Described variously as the most "Instagrammable restaurant" and "one where you can buy everything that you see including the furniture," it was indeed a surprise that no one had spoken about the happy, infectious vibe that seems to pervade the place. And if one was to mistakenly think that it was a place for the young to hang out at, I could see several tables where three generations of a family were happily congregating over what seemed to be an extended lunch.

Now, coming back to what the restaurant has been making waves for. A joint effort by restaurateur Priyank Sukhija along with partner Natasha Jain (the lady behind Bent Chair), it started with a unique concept of combining retail with eating out. So while you eat, if you happen to admire anything from the comfortable furniture that you are sitting on or the plates that you are served in or even the lamps that light up the place or any of the paintings, vases or wall décor and wish to cart them back home, all you have to do



is order. Not surprisingly, the idea has caught the fancy of Delhiites.

The place is a splash of colour with an abundance of bright pinks and magentas, vivid greens, happy yellows, exuberant purples and more. They feature as paint on the walls, upholstery on the furniture and the various accessories that dot the place. Kitsch is the word that can describe the ambience but then, that cannot fully convey the smorgasbord that it offers.

Whether a restaurant works or not boils down to not just the way it looks but the way its food tastes. Here too, it does not disappoint. Mostly, we had a range of dimsums starting with *Fern Verdure*, which had mock duck meat. Its filling, which was combined with fresh corn, carrots, garlic



flakes and spicy chilli Plum oil, made me look forward to what was to follow. While you could taste each element separately, at the same time, they came together beautifully as a whole, which made for a dish that was satisfying and at the same time left me craving for more. The *Crystal Dumplings*, which had a filling of chestnuts, carrots and mushroom, were elevated by the taste of sea salt that stood out for the crunch of its vegetables. The spices were not overpowering and the flavours that came through were clean and those

of various vegetables.

We also had the *Hanging Globe Vegetation Bao* and I can say, without much of a doubt, that it was the best that I have tasted, ever. The covering was soft, so much so that the only equivalent I could think of as I bit into it was that of a cloud. The insides, stuffed with fresh tofu and spinach, were delicately flavoured with five spices. My mouth watered at its very thought even a few days after I ate it.

Next up was *Flying Cupid*, which is listed as 'Plum-azing' or rather the must-have at the

restaurant. This consists of turnip cut into cubes and flavoured with Cantonese spice pepper, scallions and golden garlic. I guess, my version of the vegetable got the better of me and while I did eat it, I would not really order it if I go back to the place.

We also ordered the *Planter Broccoli Bird Eye*, which Chef Sagar Bajaj told us, was made by reducing milk that gave it a slightly sweet taste. The tempura broccoli was crunchy and the bird-eye chilli gave it a slight heat. The chef told us that as compared to Mumbai, where they opened the first outlet, the chilli quotient was 30 per cent higher as Delhi loves it hot.

Another favourite among the clientele is the *Dried Chilli chicken*, where the meat is rubbed with Szechuan pepper-infused oil and kept overnight before being cooked. Served with finely-chopped red chilli, which is de-seeded, boiled and then lightly tossed in a wok to give it a crunch, the dish is a hot favourite even though it is poles apart from the image that the mind conjures up when we say "chilli chicken."

We ended the meal with Plum tropical fruit citrus cheesecake, which was again a surprise, served as it was with a cocktail of diced apple and pomegranate. A fresh end to a soul-satisfying meal.

## CHEF TALK

Chef SUGANDHA SAXENA tells AYUSHI SHARMA that one cannot experiment a lot with the ingredients and flavours of traditional cuisine, but can master the old techniques and present them to the world in one's own signature style



## Preserving legacies

How different do you find the Kayastha cuisine from others?

Kayastha cuisine is an adapted cuisine, not a regional one. Kayasthas brought the royal Mughal cuisine to the locals, hence creating their own adapted version of these dishes. It doesn't belong to any particular region of India as the Kayasthas are spread all over the country. These factors probably make it one of the most unique cuisines of the country.

How do you think such traditional cuisines should be encouraged to bring them to the level of other global cuisines?

India being the country which is vast in culture, always has space for all. I do believe a global exposure through social media showcasing the beauty of this cuisine will be helpful.

Whether through food enthusiasts writing more about this or food critics giving their valuable feedback on these dishes. Through chef tables that I organise, my prime goal is to bring forth this cuisine to as many as I can, making sure the legacy of my ancestors is carried forward respectfully.

How have you customised your dishes to suit other preferences which are not familiar with the Kayastha cuisine?

Since it's an adapted cuisine from Mughals, people



are already familiar with the flavours and spices and so it doesn't need too much customisation. However, I always include a touch of *garam masala*. For instance, the main ingredient for *Murgi Gulaabi* is rose petal powder, washed and dried and crushed. I use it since roses were the Mughal favourite and so are mine.

What are some of the most successful food experiments that you have mastered?

I have worked mostly upon meaty dishes and Indian desserts, with a bit of Western fusion as well as traditional. I have experimented with *Sabudana Kheer* giving it the flavour of blueberries and lavender.

How do you think the Indian foodie is accepting global food trends?

Indians are very open to new concepts lately and are ready when it comes to experimenting with their taste buds. For instance, modern Indian

cuisine has taken a great step forward and is being appreciated by a number of people.

What is it that could be the greatest cause of failure in a chef's dish?

Unbalanced flavours, intuitive cooking and compromising with the quality of ingredients. I recently did an event in Kolkata where unfortunately due to some reasons I had to compromise the quality of the ingredient which made my dish zero in terms of flavours. One has to make sure the availability of the quality of ingredients wherever and whenever one is cooking.

How has your cooking evolved over the years in terms of keeping track of the latest trends?

In the world of fusion and latest gastronomical style of cooking, I believe one still looks back to that bygone era which used to fill our hearts and not just the tummy. With traditional cuisines one can't experiment much with ingredients and style, but can only master the old techniques and present it to the new world in their own signature style. However, I don't follow the latest trend but I make sure I give the customer a complete experience of not just the food but the journey along with it.

Food is subjective. Some may like a dish and some won't. How do you deal with negative criticism to your food?

With all due respect, people will always have opinions. No one can ever deny that fact. And food is very subjective. The sooner one understands that, the sooner negative criticism won't seem like censure anymore.

## gorge us

Devour a delectable Easter Champagne Brunch at Pluck that includes pan-Indian and global cuisines, cocktails and unlimited pour of champagne. Kids can have a gala time with Easter special games. **Price:** Brunch: ₹2,950 plus taxes per person; with wine: ₹3,950 plus taxes per person; with champagne: ₹4,450 plus taxes per person; For kids: ₹1,475 plus taxes per person **Date:** April 21 **Time:** 12.30 pm to 3.30 pm **Venue:** Pluck, Pullman, Aerocity.



QLA, a European diner, is geared up to host its patrons this Easter Sunday through its special menu that features *Poached red snapper with Buerre noisette capers* and vegetable panache or chicken. Desserts will have apple tarts. There will be one complementary Easter egg for every kid. **Date:** Easter Sunday, April 21 **Time:** 12 pm to 4 pm **Venue:** QLA, Mehrauli.



Café Delhi Heights is turning itself into a stadium this IPL season, with a specially curated 'Cafedium menu' that offers Hummus, *Falafel*, Pizzas, Bruschetta, *Galauti Kebabs*, Bang Bang Chicken 65, *Shish Taouk*, Croquettes and more. **Price:** Meal for two: ₹1,200 plus taxes **Date:** Till May **Time:** 12 pm to 12 am **Venue:** All outlets of Cafe Delhi Heights (Cyber Hub, Rajouri Garden, DLF Promenade).



Artful Baker brings to you mouth-watering delicacies such as Easter pops, *Babka*, a Ukrainian Easter specialty, *Gianduja* and orange, a hazelnut and dark chocolate mousse, Raspberry and apple cake, and *Pecan* and Maple tea cake. **Price:** ₹500 plus taxes **Date:** April 21 **Venue:** The artful Baker, Khan Market.



Daniell's Tavern brings all Bengali flavours under one roof, offering *Mate chorchori*, *Potal chingri*, *Murgir jhol*, *Basanti pulao*, *Hilsa fish*, *Mishti doi* and many more delicacies specially curated by chef Prem K Pogakula. **Date:** Till April 20 **Time:** 6.30 pm to 11.45 pm **Price:** ₹5,000 for two (plus taxes; without alcohol) **Venue:** Daniell's Tavern, The Imperial.



Celebrate Easter at Hyatt Regency this Sunday as they offer a scrumptious brunch with a specially curated menu that has salads and meats with a selection of red, white and sparkling wines. There are special activities as well for kids to rejoice on the weekend. **Price:** Food and beverages: ₹2,550 plus taxes; With wines and beer: ₹3,550 plus taxes; Taittinger champagne: ₹5,250 plus taxes **Venue:** Cafe, Hyatt Regency.

### SPICED CHICKEN, CHEESE AND EGG MELT

#### WHAT YOU NEED

- Chicken leg boneless: 100 gm
- Ginger garlic paste: 10 gm
- Red chilli powder: 1 tsp
- Salt to taste
- Crushed black pepper: 1 tsp
- Roasted cumin powder: 1 tsp
- Lemon: 1
- Hung curd: 30 gm
- Fresh coriander: 20 gm
- Olive oil: 50 ml
- Turmeric: 10 gm
- Eggs: 4
- Butter: 20 gm
- Cream: 20 gm
- Emmental cheese: 50 gm
- English cheddar cheese: 50 gm
- Multi-grain bread: 1



**METHOD**  
**For spiced chicken:**  
● Cut the chicken in long strips.  
● In a bowl, mix hung curd, salt, red chilli powder, turmeric powder, lemon juice, roasted cumin powder, ginger garlic paste and a bit of olive oil to make a marinade.  
● Marinate the chicken strips in the mixture for 15-20 minutes and cook them in a thick bottom pan over medium heat till the chicken is tender.  
**For scrambled eggs:**  
● Scramble the eggs in small pan

using butter and cream, season with salt and black pepper.  
● Mix the grated Emmental and Cheddar cheese with scrambled egg to make a gooey mixture.  
● Boil one egg for eight minutes and transfer it in cold water to stop further cooking.  
**For melt:**  
● Toast the multi-grain bread and drizzle some olive oil on the top.  
● In a bowl, mix cooked chicken and scrambled egg and cheese mixture, add chopped coriander on the top.  
● Spoon the filling on top of the toasted bread and spread it evenly and grate it in salamander or oven.  
● Garnish with sliced egg and micro greens and serve hot with choice of salad or fries.

Courtesy: Rajat Chandna, executive chef at Ailia Fort Bishangarh.

### MILK CHOCOLATE FRUIT AND NUT BAR

#### WHAT YOU NEED

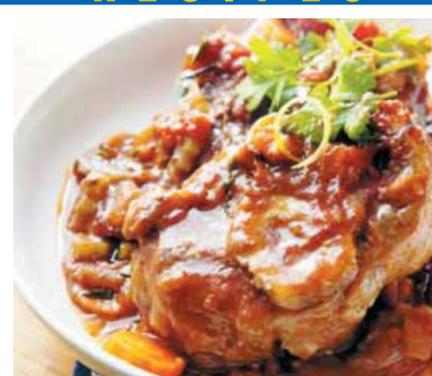
- Milk chocolate couverture: 100 gm
- Candied orange slice: 40 gm
- Dried apricot: 40 gm
- Roasted almonds: 20 gm
- Dried cranberries: 30 gm
- Roasted cashew nuts: 40 gm



**METHOD**  
● Pour a layer of chocolate into the bar molds. Tap them on the counter a few times to distribute the chocolate evenly and release any air bubbles, then quickly top with fruits and nuts. Press them slightly.  
● Put the bars in the refrigerator for 5-10 minutes. De-mould the chocolate bars from the molds. Store in a cool dry place.

Courtesy: Chef Amit Sinha, L'Opera.

## RECIPES



### LAMB OSSO BUCCO

#### WHAT YOU NEED

- Lamb slices: 450 gm
- Flour: 150 gm
- Salt: 5 gm
- Pepper: 5 gm
- Olive oil: 15 ml
- Onion: 50 gm
- Celery: 50 gm
- Carrot: 50 gm
- Garlic cloves: 20 gm
- Bay leaves: 5 gm
- Dry red wine: 100 ml
- Lamb stock: 100 ml
- Tomatoes: 20 gm

#### METHOD

● Put the flour in a large platter and season it with salt and pepper. Rub each slice of lamb in flour, coating each well.  
● Use a large skillet. Heat the olive oil then wait till the lamb slices turn brown. Set them aside on another platter.  
● Using the same skillet, add some olive oil, cook the chopped onion,

carrots and celery with the bay leaves. When the vegetables become tender, add garlic. Cook for one minute more.  
● Raise the flame and pour the red wine into the skillet, stir gently to de-glaze.  
● When the wine evaporates, add the meat and the tomatoes.  
● Now you can either finish the cooking in the skillet, if it's oven-proof, or place the meat and vegetables in a baking dish.  
● Stir everything and then add the lamb stock.  
● Place the skillet or baking dish in the oven. Cover it. Bake for 50 minutes or until the irresistible aroma drives you to fork a piece right out of the oven.  
● Serve it by scattering with fava beans or steamed green vegetables.

Courtesy: Nareish Chinni, executive chef, The Drunken Botanist.

# WIN DOESN'T ENSURE TRIUMPH

Man City crash out of CL despite 4-3 win in second leg as Spurs march through on basis of away goal



AFP ■ MANCHESTER

Manchester City manager Pep Guardiola insisted VAR does produce "fair football" despite a cruel Champions League quarter-final exit on away goals to Tottenham after a pulsating tie ended 4-4 on aggregate.

City were 4-3 victors in Wednesday's second leg, but for the third straight season failed to reach the last four under Guardiola as two big VAR reviews went in Spurs' favour.

Firstly, Fernando Llorente's decisive goal 17 minutes from time stood despite the ball appearing to clip the Spaniard's hand on its way into the net.

Then deep into stoppage time, Raheem Sterling had the strike that would have sealed his hat-trick and seen City through ruled out after Sergio Aguero was shown to be offside in the build-up.

Elimination ended City's quest for a quadruple and Guardiola lamented a series of costly errors across both games, after Aguero also missed a penalty in the first leg, that saw his side bow out to a side 16 points behind them in the Premier League.

"It's tough. We were close to go through, it's cruel, but we have to accept it," added Guardiola.

"The mistakes in this competition punish you a lot. Unfortunately it was a bad end for us."

Unlike Guardiola, Tottenham boss Mauricio Pochettino has previously been a critic of VAR, but believes the decisions to award City a penalty in the first leg and not punish Fernandinho for a clash with Harry Kane balanced themselves out over the tie.

"You have to trust the VAR when it is against or for you," said Pochettino. "The decision to include VAR in football is going to change the game."

And the Argentine labelled his players as "heroes" for reaching the semi-finals of the European Cup for just the second time in their history after a season in which they have not signed a single player and played the majority of the campaign at a temporary home in Wembley.

"On this type of night, this type of victory, only I can feel proud. I feel they are heroes. With all the circumstances to be in the semi-finals of the Champions League they deserve a lot of praise."

## SON SUSPENDED

Guardiola's decision to not start Kevin de Bruyne in the first leg will be further questioned as the Belgian bagged a hat-trick of assists to take City to the brink of the last four.

The first set up the first of four goals in 11 minutes as Sterling opened the scoring.

However, Spurs struck back twice in three minutes as Son Heung-min's double took his tally for the season to 20.

Yet, with Kane expected to be sidelined for the rest of the season, Pochettino has another selection headache with Son suspended for the first leg of Spurs' semi-final against Ajax.

A kamikaze opening had another twist as Bernardo Silva's effort deflected off Danny Rose and wrong-footed Hugo Lloris at his near post to bring City level on the night.

By the midway point of the first-half, the hosts were back in front as Bernardo and De Bruyne played creators once more and Sterling finished off a low cross at the back post.

Spurs' hopes of holding on to their advantage on away goals suffered another blow when Moussa Sissoko was forced off with an injury.

Pochettino chose attack as the best form of defence by replacing the midfielder with Llorente in what proved to be a decisive change.

De Bruyne had his third assist on the hour mark as he surged through midfield before timing his pass for Aguero to perfection and the Argentine rifled past Lloris.

Having gone ahead for the first time in the tie, Guardiola soon sent on Fernandinho to restore some sense of control, but City were pegged back again as an incredible tie swung back in Tottenham's favour.

Kieran Trippier's corner was bundled in by Llorente, but there was controversy as the ball seemed to hit the striker's arm on its way in.

After a VAR check, though, Turkish referee Cuneyt Cakir stood by his original decision and the goal stood.

And VAR went against City again deep into stoppage time as delirium soon turned to disbelief inside the Etihad when what would have been a hat-trick for Sterling was ruled out.

# Bring on Barca

AFP ■ PORTO

Jürgen Klopp admitted he cannot wait to lead Liverpool into a Champions League semi-final against Barcelona after watching his side crush Porto 4-1 in Portugal on Wednesday to complete a 6-1 aggregate victory in their last-eight tie.

On a wet night at the Estadio do Dragao, Liverpool weathered an early storm against Porto before scoring from their first attempt just before the half-hour, Sadio Mane prodding home for a goal given after a lengthy VAR review.

Already in control of this tie after a 2-0 win at Anfield in the first leg, Liverpool had effectively killed off Porto there and then, but Mohamed Salah, substitute Roberto Firmino and Virgil van Dijk added further goals after the break.

Eder Militao scored a consolation for the hosts 21 minutes from time, but this was another miserable night for

them after they lost 5-0 to the same opponents on this ground a year ago.

Liverpool now march on to a clash with Lionel Messi's Barca, the first meeting of the clubs since a last-16 encounter in 2006/07 that the Reds won on away goals.

On the night Manchester City's quadruple bid died, the dream of a Champions League and Premier League double remains alive for Liverpool and their supporters, whose spirits were not dampened by the dreary weather by the banks of the River Douro.

This was their 17th game without defeat and their eighth straight victory, although Barcelona will offer a far tougher test than Porto.

With the matches coming thick and fast, he made three changes to his team here following Sunday's 2-0 win over Chelsea. Firmino and Naby Keita, who both scored in the first leg, dropped out along with Jordan Henderson.

## "INDO-TIBETAN BORDER POLICE FORCE" MEDICAL OFFICER SELECTION BOARD (CAPFs)-2018 (MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS) GOVT. OF INDIA

### AMENDMENT-CUM-ADDENDUM

In the advertisement for recruitment of Group 'A' post of Super Specialist Medical Officers (Second-in-Command), Specialist Medical Officers (Deputy Commandant) and Medical Officers (Assistant Commandant) in Central Armed Police Forces (ITBP, BSF, CRPF, SSB and Assam Rifles), Ministry of Home Affairs, and Government of India was published in leading national newspapers, vernacular newspapers and Employment News on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2019. The online applications are live from 02.04.2019 at 00:01 am and will be closed on 01.05.2019 at 11:59 pm on ITBP Recruitment website [www.recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in](http://www.recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in).

2. The following amendments be carried out in the advertisement as mentioned below:-

Para No. & Annexure of advertisement published in Employment News on 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	In place	Read
Para-10(a) OPTION FROM CANDIDATES	For the posts of Specialist Medical Officer (Dy. Commandant) and Medical Officer (Assistant Commandant) candidates have to indicate their choice of preference in any one or more CAPFs (ITBP,CRPF,BSF,SSB & Assam Rifles). For this purpose he/she will be required to indicate clearly the name of CAPFs for which he/she wishes to be considered in the order of preference. While making appointment, due consideration will be given to the preferences exercised by the candidate and having regard to his /her rank in the order of merit.	For the posts of Specialist Medical Officer (Dy. Commandant) and Medical Officer (Assistant Commandant) candidates have to indicate their choice of preference for all CAPFs (ITBP,CRPF,BSF,SSB & Assam Rifles). For this purpose he/she will be required to indicate clearly the name of CAPFs for which he/she wishes to be considered in the order of preference. While making appointment, due consideration will be given to the preferences exercised by the candidate and having regard to his /her rank in the order of merit.
Para-12 MERIT LIST	The Medical Officers Selection Board will prepare a merit list on the basis of aggregate marks awarded to each candidate during the interview. The Board will also compile merit list separately for SC/ST and OBC candidates.	The Medical Officers Selection Board will prepare a merit list on the basis of aggregate marks awarded to each candidate during the interview. The Board will also compile merit list separately for SC/ST/OBC and EWS candidates.
Annexure-1	"NUMBER OF VACANCIES Vacancy of.....  .....upto the level of the Assistant Commandant only in CAPFs"	As per enclosed Annexure-1
Page No. 01 Para-01	On line application mode will be opened w.e.f 02.04.2019 at 00:01 am and will be closed on 01.05.2019 at 11:59 pm on ITBP Recruitment website <a href="http://www.recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in">www.recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in</a> .	On line application mode will be opened w.e.f 02.04.2019 at 00:01 am and will be closed on 20.05.2019 at 11:59 pm on ITBP Recruitment website <a href="http://www.recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in">www.recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in</a> .

- The guidelines of reservation policy under Economically Weaker Sections(EWS) is enclosed as **Appendix - A** and prescribed format is enclosed as **Appendix - B** is also available on ITBP Recruitment website [www.recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in](http://www.recruitment.itbpolice.nic.in).
- Since closing date of receipt of on line application of aforementioned posts has been extended from 1<sup>st</sup> May to 20<sup>th</sup> May at 11:59 pm. Therefore, age limit for recruitment of Super Specialist Medical Officers (Second-in-Command), Specialist Medical Officers (Deputy Commandant) and Medical Officers (Assistant Commandant) should not be exceeding 50,40 & 30 years respectively as on the closing date of receipt of application i.e 20.05.2019.
- Remaining paras of the advertisement shall remain unchanged.

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### Annexure-I

#### Vacancy of Super Specialist Medical Officers (Second-in-Command)

S/No	Field of Speciality	BSF	CRPF	SSB	ITBP	Assam Rifles	Total	Category wise vacancy
1	Neurology	0	0	0	01	0	01	UR/Gen-03 & OBC-01
2	Nephrology	0	0	0	01	0	01	
3	Gastroenterology	0	0	0	01	0	01	
4	Neurosurgery	0	0	0	01	0	01	
<b>Total</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>04</b>	

#### Category-wise vacancy of Specialist Medical Officer (Deputy Commandant)

Sl No	Name of Force	Category						Total
		UR/ Gen	SC	ST	OBC	EWS		
1	BSF	25	10	04	16	06	61	
2	CRPF	45	13	08	34	15	115	
3	SSB	19	0	0	0	0	19	
4	ITBP	01	0	01	05	02	09	
5	Assam Rifles	04	01	0	01	0	06	
<b>Total</b>		<b>94</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>210</b>	

#### Specialist Medical Officer (Deputy Commandant)

S/No	Field Speciality	of	BSF	CRPF	SSB	ITBP	Assam Rifles	Total
1	Medicine	10	20	03	03	01	01	37
2	Surgery	10	18	03	01	01	01	33
3	Gynecology and Obstetrics	08	10	03	01	01	01	23
4	Anesthesia	08	15	02	01	01	01	27
5	Radiology	10	21	03	03	01	01	38
6	Pathology	10	10	02	0	01	01	23
7	Eye	04	14	03	0	0	0	21
8	Orthopaedics	0	02	0	0	0	0	02
9	Psychiatry	01	02	0	0	0	0	03
10	Paediatrics	0	03	0	0	0	0	03
<b>Total</b>		<b>61</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>06</b>	<b>06</b>	<b>210</b>

#### Category-wise vacancy of Medical Officer (Assistant Commandant)

Sl No	Name of CAPF	UR/ Gen	SC	ST	OBC	EWS	Ex-serviceman (10% of total vac)	Total
1	BSF	54	18	03	62	13	15	150
2	CRPF	62	12	04	21	55	15	154
3	SSB	10	08	02	35	06	06	61
4	ITBP	19	31	03	69	41	16	163
5	Assam Rifles	04	07	0	17	0	03	28
<b>Total</b>		<b>149</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>556</b>

Note :- \* Vacancies are subject to change (may increase or decrease)

\*\* Reservation for Ex-Servicemen is applicable upto the level of the Assistant Commandant only in CAPFs

### Appendix -A

#### ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTIONS(EWS)

##### CRITERIA OF INCOME & ASSETS:

1. Persons who are not covered under the scheme of reservation for SCs, STs and OBCs and whose family has gross annual income below **Rs.8.00 lakh (Rupees eight lakh only)** are to be identified as EWS for benefit of reservation. Income shall also include income from all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc. for the financial year prior to the year of application.

Also persons whose family owns or possesses any of the followings assets shall be excluded from being identified as EWS, irrespective of the family income:-

- 5 acres of agricultural land and above;
- Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above;
- Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
- Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.

2. The property held by a "Family" in different location or different places/cities would be clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status.

3. The term "Family" for this purpose will include the person who seeks benefits of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years.

#### INCOME AND ASSET CERTIFICATE ISSUING AUTHORITY AND VERIFICATION OF CERTIFICATE:

1. The benefit of reservation under EWS can be availed upon production of an Income and Asset Certificate issued by a Competent Authority. The Income and Asset Certificate issued by an one of the following authorities in the prescribed format as given in **Appendix-B** shall only be accepted as proof of candidate's claim as belonging to EWS:-

- District Magistrate/Additional District Magistrate/ Collector/ Deputy Commissioner/ Additional Deputy Commissioner/ 1<sup>st</sup> Class Stipendary Magistrate / Sub- Divisional Magistrate/ Taluka Magistrate/ Executive Magistrate/ Extra Assistant Commissioner
- Chief Presidency Magistrate /Additional Chief Presidency Magistrate/ Presidency Magistrate
- Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar and
- Sub-Divisional Officer or the area where the candidate and/ or his family normally resides.

2. The Officer who issues the certificate would do the same after carefully verifying all relevant documents following due process as prescribed by the respective State/UT.

3. The crucial date for submitting income and asset certificate by the candidate may be treated as the closing date for receipt of application for the post, except in cases where crucial date is fixed otherwise.

### Appendix -B

Government of .....

(Name & Address of the authority issuing the certificate)

INCOME & ASSET CERTIFICATE OF BE PRODUCED BY ECONOMICALLY WEAKER SECTIONS

Certificate No. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

VALID FOR THE YEAR \_\_\_\_\_

This is to certify that Shri/Smt./Kumari \_\_\_\_\_ son/daughter/wife of \_\_\_\_\_ permanent resident of \_\_\_\_\_ Village/Street \_\_\_\_\_ Post. Office \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ in the State/Union Territory \_\_\_\_\_ Pin Code \_\_\_\_\_ whose photograph is attested below belongs to

Economically Weaker Sections, since the gross annual income\* of his/her "family" \*\* is below Rs. 8 lakh (Rupees Eight Lakh only) for the financial year \_\_\_\_\_. His/her family does not own or possess any of the following assets\*\*\*:

- 5 acres of agricultural land and above;
- Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above;
- Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities ;
- Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.

2. Shri/Smt./Kumari \_\_\_\_\_ belongs to the \_\_\_\_\_ caste which is not recognized as a Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes (Central List)

Signature with seal of Office \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Designation \_\_\_\_\_

Recent Passport Size attested photograph of the applicant

\*Note1: Income covered all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc.

\*\*Note2: The term "Family" for this purpose include the person, who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/her spouse and children below the age of 18 years

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LEADERBOARD

RUNS	450	David Warner (SRH)
WICKETS	19	Kagiso Rabada (DC)
6S	411	We didn't put up a decent score on the board and kept losing wickets, that's why it cost us the game.
4S	946	— SURESH RAINA

# IPL 2019



## Pandya brothers lift MI

Hardik and Krunal add 50 runs in last three overs to help Mumbai post 168 for 5 against Capitals

HARSHIT BISHT ■ NEW DELHI

Dashing all-rounder duo of Pandya brothers hard hitting in the slog overs helped Mumbai Indians to post 168 for five wickets against Delhi Capitals during an Indian Premier League clash here at Feroz Shah Kotla stadium on Thursday.

Batting first after winning toss, three time champion Mumbai Indians lost the momentum in between the innings after openers Rohit and Quinton de Kock gave them a flying start but it was Hardik and Krunal Pandya's superb striking in the last three overs that helped Mumbai reach past 150 runs mark and post a match winning total at slow turning wicket in Delhi.

Hardik who smashed Pawan Negi for 21 runs in the 19th over during Mumbai Indians 172 run chase in the last game against Royal Challengers Bangalore continues his rich form here at Kotla too and scored 32 runs in just 15 balls with three sixes and two fours.

He was dismissed in the third ball of last over bowled by this season's leading wicket taker Kagiso Rabada but even his dismissal couldn't stop the run flow as his elder sibling make the most of the remaining three balls by scoring 10 vital runs.

Krunal was guilty of wasting too many deliveries in the last game but here at Kotla he rectified that and his unbeaten 37 off 26 balls with five fours was the highest individual score by Mumbai batsman.

He added 54 runs for the fifth wicket in just 4.2 overs with his younger brother Hardik.

Earlier, Rohit Sharma (30) and Quinton de Kock (35) give Mumbai a flying start by scoring 57 runs in the first powerplay.

The opening duo started slow initially scoring just 16 runs in the first three overs but changed gear when Chris Morris was introduced in the attack in the fourth over. Rohit



welcomed him with a four and then his countrymen de Kock hits him for a four and a six.

And then in the last over before powerplay, last game hero Keemo Paul was smashed for two sixes, one each by Sharma and de Kock. He also yielded 16 runs.

Mumbai completed its first fifty in 35 balls. However after that the twist happened, Amit

**The opening duo started slow initially scoring just 16 runs in the first three overs but changed gear when Chris Morris was introduced in the fourth over**

Mishra removed Rohit in the very ball of his spell. After dismissing Rohit for sixth time, he also completed his 150 IPL career wickets.

And in the next over Axar Patel got rid of Ben Cutting (2 runs in 4 balls). He was out leg before. But the big jolt came in the fifth ball of tenth over when de Kock was sent back to pavilion after a misunderstanding with his strike partner

Suryakumar Yadav. At that midpoint, Mumbai scorecard was reading 74 for 3.

And in the next seven overs Mumbai could only add 43 runs scoring just 3 fours and losing Suryakumar for 26 runs.

But it was the Pandya brothers combined effort that lifted Mumbai as the duo added 50 runs in last three overs to take Mumbai to 168 for 5.

Up Next

## Royal Challengers eye win against KKR



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Their house in complete disarray after seven defeats from eight outings, the Virat Kohli-led Royal Challengers Bangalore will be desperate for a win to stay afloat in the IPL when they take on Kolkata Knight Riders here on Friday.

It would be a great opportunity for the Bangalore outfit to post a win against an opponent who are low on confidence having slipped from second to sixth position in the points table after suffering three straight defeats.

In fact, to make matters worse, Kolkata's dangerman Andre Russell has suffered an injury scare after being hit on his left shoulder by a bouncer during their practice.

Russell was already suffering from niggles ahead of their last match against Chennai Super Kings and had failed to fire for the first time, exposing KKR's over-reliance on the West Indies big hitter.

Russell had left the Royal Challengers in shambles in their first leg exchange, smashing seven sixes en route to his 13-ball 48 not out as KKR had chased down a huge 206.

It remains to be seen if the Jamaican recovers in time. His absence would be a big void for KKR, who are looking to return to winning ways and reignite their campaign.

To make the playoffs, KKR need to win at least four of their remaining six matches, of which three are at home. However, even KKR will fancy their chances and seek to get back on track against a lowly RCB facing a do-or-die situation.

RCB's star duo of Kohli and AB de Villiers have been in sublime form but the team has not clicked as a whole with their pace bowling being a major let-down. While youngster Navdeep Saini has been impressive, senior pro Umesh Yadav has turned out to be a big flop, bagging two wickets at an expensive economy of 9.26.

With South African veteran pacer Dale Steyn ready to take charge as an injury replacement for Nathan Coulter-Nile midway into the IPL, the pace department will hope to get their sting back. Kohli and de Villiers will look to fire in unison against a team whose bowling has failed to click collectively.

The KKR pace department has looked mediocre, while their famed spinners have struggled to get wickets on the batting-friendly Eden conditions here.

Meanwhile, all eyes will also be on KKR skipper Dinesh Karthik who has grabbed a surprise World Cup berth ahead of young wicketkeeper Rishabh Pant. Karthik has only one half-century and an average of 18.50 so far this season.

**KKR FRET OVER RUSSELL'S FITNESS**

**KOLKATA:** Kolkata Knight Riders' impact player Andre Russell was forced to skip the practice session on Thursday, owing to a shoulder injury sustained while batting in the nets on Wednesday.

Russell's possible absence could pave the way for Carlos Brathwaite's inclusion in the playing XI.

The Barbados all-rounder, who is KKR's costliest pick of ₹5 crore at the auctions, played only one match for KKR, against Delhi Capitals here that they lost by seven wickets.

Fretting over Russell's fitness, KKR skipper Karthik however did not rule out the Jamaican who has been a revelation with six explosive 40-plus scores on the trot. "He's got a preliminary X ray yesterday and it's not even 24 hours. By tomorrow, we will get a much better idea as to how he feels," Karthik said of Russell.

It was during the fag end of the practice on Wednesday that Russell failed to negotiate a rising delivery from net bowler Minad Manjrekar and fell on the ground, writing in pain. It was the same left shoulder where Russell was hit by a Harshal Patel delivery during KKR's match against Delhi Capitals at the Kotla.

## We need bigger World Cup, says Lamichhane

AFP ■ NEW DELHI

Nepalese sensation NS Anand Lamichhane has called for the World Cup to be expanded to up to 16 teams, saying limiting it to 10 hurts players from emerging cricket nations.

The 18-year-old leg-spinner, who last year became the first Nepalese player to land an Indian Premier League contract, said he was frustrated to be missing out on the tournament in England and Wales starting in May.

"Sorry to say but a 10-team World Cup will hurt a lot of players like me who will not be a part of it," the Delhi Capitals player said.

"I think there should be 14-16 teams in the World Cup." Lamichhane added: "World Cup comes after every four years and teams can achieve their biggest dreams there. We are an emerging nation and this is something we would love to play for our country."

"Even in 2023 there are (again) only 10 teams so it will be a while before we can even think of playing in the 50-over event."

Cricketer's showpiece tournament had 16 teams in 2007, but the field was reduced to 14 in 2011 and 2015 as the International Cricket Council sought to avoid one-sided matches.

It has been slashed to just 10 teams for 2019 and 2023, featuring the top eight sides in the one-day rankings and another two coming through qualifying.

Lamichhane, who will be watching the World Cup from afar, said he was hoping for some upsets by the smaller teams, who include Afghanistan.

"I am going to watch the World Cup on TV and love to see any team that is under-rated perform well against the big nations," said Lamichhane.



## PAKISTAN LEAVE OUT AAMIR FROM WC SQUAD

PTI ■ KARACHI

Pakistan on Thursday left out experienced but out-of-form pacer Muhammad Aamir from its 15-member World Cup squad while including batsman Abid Ali in the line-up.

Chief Selector Inzamam-ul-Haq, announcing the World Cup squad and two reserve players, said the 11 from the 2017 Champions Trophy had been retained in the selection process.

"We are hopeful and confident that Pakistan will give a good account of itself in the World Cup," Inzamam said.

The selectors, while not showing faith with left-armed Aamir who has taken just five wickets in his last 14 ODIs since the Champions Trophy two years back, reposed confidence in seniors Shoaib Malik and Muhammad Hafeez.

Inzamam said that Hafeez's final inclusion in World Cup was subject to him being 100 per cent fit before the tournament as he is still recovering from a thumb injury.

"Doctors have advised him not to bowl or bat now but when his rehab is over he will be back in action in two weeks time," he added.

Inzamam said hard-hitting batsman Asif Ali and Aamir were in the reserves for the one-day series against England and the side matches before the World Cup.



Muhammad Aamir in a file picture ICC

He said that if both performed exceptionally well in the ODI series and T20 they will be considered as cover for the World Cup incase of injuries to any of the selected players.

"If they are not needed they will return home after the ODI series," he said.

Pakistan's World Cup squad is a combination of three openers, four middle-order batsmen, wicketkeeper/batsman in Sarfaraz Ahmed, two spinners and five fast bowlers.

The chief selector said the side had been picked according to the conditions and included reliable batters, trusted wicket-taking bowlers and dynamic fielders.

## Loyalty matters most, says Kohli

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Virat Kohli hasn't forgotten the times when Mahendra Singh Dhoni firmly stood by him as a captain and now that the roles have reversed, he is not going to back down from supporting the veteran despite the "unfortunate criticism" that the former skipper is coping.

The Indian captain also expressed his happiness with the composition of the 15-strong Indian squad for the World Cup in an interview to India Today.

"It's unfortunate to see so many people going after him. For me, loyalty matters the most," Kohli's words showed his reverence for his first international captain.

"When I walked into the team he had the option of trying someone else after few games, although I grabbed my chances but for me to get that kind of backing, it was very crucial for me.

"Also, he gave me an opportunity to bat at No 3 because not many youngsters get to play at No 3," the skipper recalled his formative days in international cricket.

When an astute brain meets a



superlative performer, there is bound to be lot of mutual admiration and the Kohli-Dhoni relationship is no different. "It's just about the field placements and bowling changes and we say you know the angles, you know the pace of the pitch and that's why there is so much of trust and respect between the two of us," he said.

As he has said earlier, Kohli again reiterated that there are no peers to Dhoni when it comes to reading match situations.

"He is one person, who literally knows the game inside out. He understands the game from 'Ball 1 to Ball 300

(50 overs) on the field. I won't say it's a luxury to have him but I am fortunate to have a mind like that from behind the stumps," Kohli said.

It is Dhoni's presence behind stumps that has ensured that Kohli with one of the strongest arms can afford to field in the deep.

"At the end of the day, I want to be involved in strategy with the team management with Mahi bhai and Rohit. "In the death overs, I know that I have to be on the outfield to try and make something work for the team because that's my nature that I want to do something for the team rather than just to be there.

"After 30-35 overs, he knows that I will be in the outfield and its on the auto mode," he explained.

While he didn't elaborate about his take on the debate on the World Cup squad, he didn't forget to give it his stamp of approval. "We are very happy with 15 that we have. This is the most balanced side we could have thought of because everyone is in a good space," the skipper said without getting into the debate about the much talked about omissions of Rishabh Pant and Ambati Rayudu.

## Sri Lanka announce WC squad

PTI ■ COLOMBO

Sacked as skipper, pacer Lasith Malinga was on Thursday named in Sri Lanka's 15-strong World Cup squad and the country's embattled cricket board hoped that the veteran will put behind the disappointment to show up for the team.

The 35-year-old Malinga was replaced as captain Dimuth Karunaratne, who leads the Test team but hasn't played an ODI since the 2015 World Cup. The surprising move continued the ongoing turmoil in Sri Lankan cricket, which is also being investigated for large-scale corruption by the ICC.

"We hope he would play for the country," Sri Lanka Cricket



Sri Lanka team players in a file picture ICC

chief Shammi Silva said while announcing the squad amid speculation that Malinga, who is cur-

rently with IPL franchise Mumbai Indians, will quit. "I spoke to him on the tele-

phone and explained to him the reasons," added Asantha de Mel, the Chairman of selectors.

The team was most recently hammered by South Africa in an away limited-overs series. Sri Lanka start their World Cup campaign on June 1 at Cardiff against New Zealand. They are due to play two warm-up games against South Africa and Australia before that.

De Mel said captaincy was not working out for Malinga and he struggled to make the team a cohesive unit.

"He was performing alright, but was not able to lead the others," de Mel explained.

Sri Lanka's World Cup squad features quite a few comeback players, led by Karunaratne.

## Pooja assured of medal in Asian Boxing C'ship

PTI ■ BANGKOK

Two-time continental medallist Pooja Rani confirmed India's first medal in the women's 81 kg category after making it to the semi-finals in a field of five as the Asian Elite Boxing Championship's draw was released on Thursday.

Asian Games Gold medallist Amit Panghal, set to make his debut in the 52 kg category in all likelihood will face the reigning Olympic champion Hasanboy Dusmatov of Uzbekistan in the quarter-finals.

Former world junior champion Nikhat Zareen (51kg) will start her campaign against Srey Pov Nao of Cambodia but she will run into two-

time world champion Nazym Kyzaybay in the quarter-finals. Lovlina Borgohain (64kg) could have a possible face-off with China's world champion Chen Nien-Chin in the quarters.

Amit, who started the season with a Gold medal will fight his first bout on April 21 after a first-round bye. Shiva Thapa, who will be going for a record-breaking fourth successive medal from this prestigious tournament meets Korea's Kim Wonho in the first round.

"Four of our boys will be in action tomorrow. We are quite confident about our prospects. The tricky journey will begin from quarters," said CA Kuttappa, head coach men's team.