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## No mediation on Kashmir, says Modi; Trump nods

### India and Pakistan can resolve Kashmir problem: US Prez

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With US President Donald Trump by his side, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday categorically rejected any scope for third party mediation on Kashmir, saying it was a bilateral issue between India and Pakistan, and "we don't want to trouble any third country" — a position that was immediately backed by the American leader who had recently offered to mediate.

In an apparent backtracking from his earlier comments, Trump said he feels that both India and Pakistan can resolve the Kashmir problem on their own. The two leaders appeared together to speak to the media after overnight talks on the sidelines of the G-7 summit and ahead of their formal

meeting Modi and Trump were meeting for the first time after the Union Government revoked Jammu & Kashmir's special status by abrogating Article 370 and bifurcating the State into two Union Territories. New Delhi's move was severely criticised by Pakistani leadership, including Prime Minister Imran Khan, who made provocative anti-India statements, triggering

"All the issues between he added."

India and Pakistan are of bilateral in nature, and we don't want to trouble any third country. We can discuss and resolve these issues bilaterally," Modi

He said India and Pakistan were together before 1947 and he was confident that the two neighbours can discuss their problems and solve them.
"When I called Prime

Minister Khan after the elections, I told him that Pakistan has to fight against poverty, India too has to fight against it. Pakistan has to fight against illiteracy and disease, and India has to also fight against them...I told him we should work together for the welfare of our people," Modi said.

On his part, Trump said he and Modi spoke about Kashmir "at great length" last night and he feels that both India and Pakistan can resolve it on their own. "We spoke last night about Kashmir, the Prime Minister really feels he has it (situation) under control. They speak with Pakistan and I'm sure that they will be able to do something that will be very

good," Trump said.
"I have very good relationship with both the gentlemen (Modi and Khan) and I'm here. I think they can do it



Prime Minister Narendra Modi slaps the hand of President Donald Trump as they share a laugh during a bilateral meeting at the G-7 summit in Biarritz, France, on

Trump's comments on Monday are being seen as a total climbdown from the time when he had made a startling claim that Modi has asked him to mediate on Kashmir, the claim was strongly rejected by India. Trump has also offered to mediate between India and Pakistan on more than one

occasion in recent past.

meeting between the PM and President Trump. Pakistan was hoping to get some statement which will give it a last ray of hope. The meeting has categorically confirmed that any issue concerning India and Pakistan has to be discussed bilaterally," BJP spokesperson GVL Narasimha Rao said in

New Delhi. Trump also said ing about military and many different things. We had some great discussions, we were together last night for dinner and I learned a lot about India."

Thanking Trump for congratulating him after his recent election victory, Modi said their two countries "share democratic values."

Later, Trump tweeted that dealt the final blow in the talking about trade, we're talk- my friend Prime Minister

"Excellent meeting with @POTUS @realDonaldTrump! We had useful discussions on bilateral matters. We agreed to address trade issues for mutual benefit soon. Looking forward to expand cooperation as large democracies for the benefit of our citizens and global peace and prosperity," Modi

Briefing the reporters after

### Modi speaks good English, but doesn't talk: POTUS

PTI ■ BIARRITZ/LONDON

Prime Minister Narendra Modi speaks very good English, but he just doesn't want to talk, US President Donald Trump said jokingly on Monday before the two "friends" met for formal talks on the sidelines of the G-7 Summit.

The two leaders held 40-minute discussions in Biarritz, the French town which is hosting the meeting of the world's most industrialised nations.

the talks between Modi and Trump, Foreign Secretary Vijay Gokhale said the two leaders

had a "very warm, very positive meeting" which lasted 40 min-utes. This was their third inter-action since Modi was re-elected in May this year for a second five-year term. When asked about the discussion on the Kashmir issue during the talks, the Foreign

Secretary said there was "no discussion" on it during the bilateral meeting. To another question, Gokhale said India has not taken any steps to harm the regional stability. "The normalcy is returning to J&K," he said, adding that certain restrictions will remain in place in the

state to maintain law and order "Their meeting principally focussed on trade and ener-

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Modi and exchanged a warm handshake and spoke to the media on Indo-Pak tensions, bilateral trade and other issues. Modi answered questions posed by

reporters in Hindi.

"He (PM Modi) actually speaks very good English, he just doesn't want to talk,"

Trump joked when Modi asked reporters to let the leaders talk in privacy.

The two leaders also held each other's hand while every-body present in the room burst into laughter.

### **I**mran at it again: Raises nuke spectre

PTI ■ ISLAMABAD

With Pakistan failing to get traction for its bel-ligerent stand on Kashmir, Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan said on Monday that he will raise the issue at every international forum, including at the UN General Assembly

Khan once again raised the fear of nuclear war saying, "In a nuclear war, no one will win. It will not only wreak havoc in this region, but the entire world will face conseinternational community.

## Markets ride crest of stimulus booster

### **Equities log best in** 3 months, Sensex gains 793 points, Nifty rises by 228

PTI MUMBAI

 $B^{\text{enchmark}}_{\text{Sensex and Nifty saw their}}$ best day in over three months on Monday, buoyed by the Government move to withdraw additional surcharge on foreign investors and initiate steps to revive the economy.

The BSE gauge Sensex set-

tled with a gain of 2.16 per cent or 792.96 points, while the NSE Nifty ended 2.11 per cent or 228.50 points higher.

Indian equities during the second half of the trading session also got a boost from the news that the US and China will soon resume trade talks despite many failed negotiations in recent months.

However, Asian markets closed with significant losses as investor worries grew over the ever-lasting US-China trade war, though sentiment revived in other markets, including India and the Europe, after the news broke out about a possible resumption of talks between the two major economies.

Riding on a wave of economic stimulus optimism, the 30-share Sensex opened over 663 points higher, but global volatility wiped out its gains as the session progressed. It swung 1,052 points during the day before settling at 37,494.12. The index, however, made a roaring comeback in the later



A view of the BSE building in Mumbai on Monday

half tracking news about US-China trade talks resumption.

Similarly, the broader NSE Nifty reclaimed the 11,000level. During the day, it climbed a peak of 11,070.30 and touched a low of 10,756.55. It finally closed at 11,057.85.

Both benchmarks Sensex and Nifty have logged their best single-day gains in over three months, since the return of the Narendra Modi Government for a second term.

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday announced a raft of relief measures, including the rollback of enhanced super-rich tax on foreign and domestic equity investors, for the ailing economy. She also announced exemption of startups from "angel tax", a package to address distress in the auto sector and upfront infusion of ₹70,000

crore to public sector banks. To bolster consumption, the Government also said that banks have decided to cut interest rates, a move that would lead to lower EMIs for

Kotak Bank — rallying up to 5.24 per cent.

Motors, Maruti Suzuki and Bajaj Auto fell up to 2.01 per cent. Sectorally, BSE finance, realty, bankex, capital goods, industrials, FMCG and power index rallied up to 3.86 per cent. While BSE metal index fell 1.12 per cent. Broader BSE midcap and smallcap indices rose up to 1.65 per cent.

72.02 against the US dollar. Brent crude futures, the

global oil benchmark, rose 0.92 per cent to \$59.34 per barrel. See P4 RBI to transfer highest-ever surplus of ₹1.76

lakh crore to Government

home, auto and other loans. Yes Bank topped the gainers' list on the Sensex. It was followed by HDFC, Bajaj Finance, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, L&T, SBI, Axis Bank and

On the other hand, Tata Steel, Sun Pharma, Hero MotoCorp, Vedanta, RIL, Tata

Meanwhile, the Indian rupee depreciated 36 paise to

officer which he has to conduct

## **Delhi House OK's ₹290 cr for women's free travel**

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Assembly on Monday approved the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Government's supplementary demands for ₹290 crore for the free ride scheme for women passengers in Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC) buses and Delhi Metro trains.

Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia, who also holds the Finance portfolio, tabled a proposal under the supplementary demands for the grant of ₹142 crore to fund deployment of marshals in buses and ₹47 crore for the regional rapid transit system corridors and it has been approved by the Assembly with the voice vote.

Sisodia said the free-ride scheme would be implemented soon in the public transport buses, but it would take some time incase of metro trains as the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) had to

make preparations for it.

Over all, the Delhi
Assembly approved ₹479 crore
supplementary grants for the
transport sector moved by the
Finance Minister.

According to the supplementary grants tabled by the Minister, the Government has granted ₹479 for Transport Department, out of which ₹142 crore is for Road Safety Cell payment to marshals and ₹140 crore for free travel for women in DTC buses and cluster buses, while ₹150 crore has been granted for subsidy to DMRC for women commuters and ₹47 crore for RRTS corridors.

Sisodia informed the Assembly that some procedural approvals are under process and once everything is finalised and the project will get a Cabinet nod, the Government will implement the scheme for

buses. Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal during Independence Day address had announced that the AAP Government will implement the free ride scheme for women in DTC and cluster buses from October 29, marking the Hindu

festival Bhai Dooj. Under the RRTS, three corridors — Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut, Delhi-Panipat and Delhi-Gurgaon-SNB (Shahjahanpur-Neemrana-Behror) will converge at Sarai Kale Khan RRTS station.



## Chidambaram's CBI custody extended to Aug 30

PNS NEW DELHI

In a setback to former Finance Minister P Chidambaram, a designated CBI court on Monday extended his CBI custody by four days for interrogation in the INX Media case.

The remand will end on August 30. Chidambaram was produced in the court on the expiry of his four-day CBI custody which was granted to the agency on August 22. Chidambaram, 73, was arrested by the CBI on August 21 from his Jor Bagh residence.

Special Judge Ajay Kumar Kuhar said the CBI demand "justified" Chidambaram has to be further interrogated in its custody. "Investigation is the prerogative of the investigating

within the framework of law...



I am of the view that further police custody of accused Chidambaram is justified and accordingly the accused is remanded in police custody till August 30," the judge said in his

Chidambaram's family mem- case. Solicitor General Tushar

of Chidambaram's custody to confront him with certain e-

bers and lawyers to meet him for half-an-hour every day during the CBI custody.

The CBI sought extension mails and to unearth the larg-The court allowed er conspiracy involved in the

Mehta and Additional Solicitor General KN Nataraj, repre-senting the CBI, asserted that there is sufficient ground for extension of Chidambaram's custodial interrogation as he was confronted with a coaccused during the interrogation from August 23-26. The confrontation with co-

accused is not complete, the prosecutors said, and placed before the court a file containing e-mail exchanges between the accused persons. The former Finance

Minister was produced before the trial court hours after the Supreme Court refused to entertain his plea challenging the Delhi High Court order which had dismissed his anticipatory bail plea in the corruption case lodged by

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### **CAPSULE**

MANMOHAN'S SPG COVER WITHDRAWN

New Delhi: The Special Protection Group (SPG) protection given to former PM Manmohan Singh has been withdrawn following a review. P4

JD(U) CAN'T USE ARROW

IN J'KHAND, MAHA: EC New Delhi: The JD(U) cannot use its poll symbol "arrow" to contest elections in Jharkhand and Maharashtra owing to its similarity with the "bow and arrow" symbol used by the JMM and the Shiv Sena in the two

States, the EC has said.

22 MORE TAX OFFICIALS **COMPULSORILY RETIRED** New Delhi: The Government has compulsorily retired 22 tax officials accused of corruption and other malpractice as it continues to crack down on errant bureaucracy.

## **Nearest residences** to power CCTVs

### Govt to subsidise electricity bill

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

In its bid to add further impetus to the ongoing CCTV installation project, which is part of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Government's poll promises, the Public Works Department (PWD), the implementing agency has decided to simplify the power consumed by the CCTV's installed in residential areas. Under the project, the PWD under instruction from the Government has decided to use the nearest residence power connection to provide electricity to the CCTV cameras. Out of the total proposed

1.4 lakh cameras it has installed, around 16,000 till date while work is going on to cover the remaining areas, said an official. The same order which has been approved by the PWD minister Sateyender Jain on 23 August of the current year, has been issued to the

concerned departments and

The PWD officials said that the work of installation of CCTV cameras across the national Capital is in progress. "The power supply to cameras will be taken from the energy of the meter of the nearest resident where the CCTV camera is to be installed. The monthly '50 units' on the account of power consumption of the CCTV system shall be deducted from the residents electricity bill (the minus entry of 50 units power consumption will be made in the electricity bill of residents) and will be debited to the Government by the concerned Discoms of a particular area by raising a separate bill to executive engineer," read the order issued by the PWD special Secreatry Udit

The PWD Minister has further directed the discoms and the New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) to nominate one coordinator within

seven days.

The officials further said that the each discom division will have to raise the power bill to the PWD in proper excel sheet giving details of the consumer account (CA) number name and other details and will also have to submit a sample bill format to the Minister's

The Government has further has penalised the Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for its slow pace in installing the CCTV cameras. The PWD has also issued show cause notice and asked the agency to install atleast 1500 cameras everyday across the city. Currently, the agency is installing 400 cameras Further, witnessing the

growing demand for more CCTVs in residential areas, the Cabinet recently approved the installation of 1.40 lakh CCTVs, taking the total number of these cameras for Delhi to nearly

of teachers, L-G Baijal directs Govt officials

STAFF REPORTER ■

Delhi Lieutenant Governor Anil Baijal on Monday directed the Delhi Government officials to expedite appointment of teachers. The direction came in a review meeting called by Lieutenant Governor regarding

the status of vacancy position in Directorate of Education.

The meeting was attended by Chairperson of Delhi Subordinate Services Selection Board (DSSSB), Secretary of Services, Secretary and Director of Education.

In this regard, a detailed presentation was made by director of education on various aspects of vacancy position, pending requisitions and dossiers and status of recruitment rules at all levels.

Baijal further directed the officials that regular DPC's should be held to fill the vacancies of departmental promotion quota

The issue of RR's was discusses and it was advised that it should be suitably amended as per changing needs, wherever necessary.

Further, the education department was advised to follow-up the matters pending due to court cases for early dis-

The L-G directed the secretary of education to review the matter on a weekly basis in coordination with Chairperson (DSSSB) to personally monitor the pendency and timelines.

## Expedite appointment | Probe use of illegal Chinese maniha: Speaker Goel to chief secretary Vijay

Witnessing a number of incidents of death caused due to the use of illegal Chinese 'manjha', the Delhi Legislative Assembly Speaker Ram Niwas Goel on Monday directed the Delhi Chief Secretary Vijay Dev to conduct an enquiry into the illegal use of Chinese 'manjha' (glass coated kite string) despite a ban on it in the city.

A 4-year-old girl had died in East Delhi's Khajuri Khas area after her throat was slit by the Chinese Manjha.

The victim Ishika Sharma was with her family on a scooter to a temple trip on

It is not the only case, a 28year-old engineer had died on August 15 at Paschim Vihar in outer Delhi after his throat was slit by the 'manjha'.

The illegal Chinese Manjha' issue was raised in the Delhi Assembly by the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) MLA from Rithala Mohinder Goyal who alleged that the ban on chinese 'manjha' was being flouted with impunity.

The speaker questioned how the Chinese 'manjha' is in use despite the Delhi Government imposing a ban

"I urge the Chief Secretary to conduct a full inquiry into the issue. Chief Secretary should ask police to inquire how Chinese 'manjha' is being sold and if fine is being imposed (for flouting the ban), he said in the House.

The Chinese manjhas are a thread coated with glass which is used to fly kite. The use of such glass coated manjha has been banned by the Apex

However, on occasion such as Independence Day the 'manjha' is sold at shops across the city. As per the police report, many lives has lost due to the Chinese manjha used to fly kite during these festivals.

## Int'l syndicate of fake currency busted, 1 held

With the arrest of a 27-year-old Nepali, the Delhi Police on Monday claimed to have busted an international syndicate of Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICNs) allegedly having links with United Nations Security Council (UNSC) designated global terrorist Dawood Ibrahim.

Police have also recovered a total of ₹5.50 lakh in denomination of ₹2,000 notes from the possession of the accused, which were transported in Country from Pakistan through Indo-

The accused has been identified as Aslam Ansari, a resident of Parsa district in Nepal. According to Pramod Singh Kushwaha, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Special Cell, on Saturday, police got specific inputs that one Nepal national would reach Delhi at Nehru Place Bus

Terminal around 2 pm to deliver a big consignment of FICN to one of his contacts. "Acting on the specific inputs, a trap was laid and Ansari was arrested around 3 pm. High quality FICNs of ₹2,000 amounting ₹5.50 lakh were recovered from his possession," said the

"Interrogation revealed that Ansari came to India around seven years ago and had been supplying notes from past five years. He used to receive FICNs from three Nepal nationals Abdul Rehman, Sajjad and Sher Mohammad,"

"Ansari used to further supply the FICN in India through other members of this syndicate, who are residents of Raxaul district in Bihar," the



Earlier, the fake notes were pumped into India from Bangladesh through Malda district of West Bengal, but now the FICN is suspected being smuggled from Pakistan via Nepal borders. "Ansari had already supplied the FICN amounting to ₹1 crore in last one year," the DCP said, adding that further investigation is going on.





Delhi Sikh Gurudwara Management Committee (DSGMC) president and MLA Manjinder Singh Sirsa, Deputy Chief Ministe Manish Sisodia on Monday and apprises him of the message of Guru Nanak Dev as a part of Street Prachar campaign launched by the DSGMC to spread the message of Guru Nanak Dev

### Shunting of Faridabad top cop days after DCP Kapoor suicide surprises nobody

IANS FARIDABAD

**▲** decision to replace IPS Sanjay Kumar with KK Rao as Faridabad's Commissioner of Police (CP) last week hasn't surprised many given the shocking silence of the district's seniormost police official on the suicide case of former NIT Faridabad Commissioner of Police,

Vikramjeet Singh Kapoor on August 14. Kapoor had shot himself

with his service revolver at his home in Faridabad, depressed over blackmailed by a junior officer. A suicide note recovered

from Kapoor's house mentioned the name of Abdul Sayeed, who is posted as SHO at Bhopani police station. The note also named another person, who is a civilian.

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NOIDA

major tragedy was averted

"Several people, including

visitors, staff of shops and the

mall, were evacuated as smoke

filled the multi-storey building

but no injuries were reported,

Aafter a fire broke out at

Spice World Mall in Noida on

Monday afternoon and scores

of people were immediately

official said

Suicide by a senior police officer following blackmail by uncomfortable questions about the dynamics of the state Police

Sanjay Kumar had since maintained a steady distance from the media with Faridabad police PRO Sube Singh doing most of the talking.

didn't surprise many.

However, questions are being raised on why Sanjay Kumar has again been made IGP, Hisar Range, when he was transferred from there just nine months back. Sanjay Kumar was the Joint Commissioner of Police of Faridabad, before he was promoted to Commissioner of

To evade such questions,

And the state government's decision to replace him with K.K. Rao last Thursday

Police, Faridabad.

"During initial investiga

tion, it was revealed that the fire

started in an exhaust fan at the

top floor of the mall. Through

the air handling unit (AHU),

the smoke went to other floors

so it seemed as if the fire was

a mentha oil-manufacturing

were rushed to the site," said a

police official.

The Special Task Force (STF) I of the Haryana police on

Monday morning arrested the State's most wanted criminal Indira Gandhi International Airport following the Red Corner notice issued by the Interpol at the behest of Haryana Police in February

PARVESH SHARMA

According to the police the immigration department had informed Haryana Police about Kaushal after her arrived at IGI airport. A team of Special Task Force (STF) including Inspectors Pradeep, Sandeep Dhankar and Jasbir reached the airport and arrested Kaushal and brought him to Gurugram. Kaushal was produced before a local court and remanded to 7 days police custody.

The wanted criminal Kaushal had been arrested in Abu Dhabi of United Arab Emirates (UAE) on August 17 by the local authorities on the request of the Indian Government. Haryana Police had approached the Union Home Ministry after which details were sent of External Affairs (MEA) and a lookout notice was issued by the

A police team of Haryana Police had got in touch with Interpol in Dubai to collect more information about the dangerous criminal. The investigation team had kept a close watch on his gang members operating airport from different parts of the state.

Kaushal had jumped parole after coming out of Bhondsi jail in December 2015 and had been absconding since then. The gangster was wanted in more than 200 alleged cases of extortion, murder, attempt to murder and kidnapping in



movements and all his Wanted criminal Kaushal being taken to Gurugram from IGI

Gurugram, Faridabad, Rewari,

Jhajjar, Palwal and Rajasthan. Kaushal is a notorious gangster of Gurugram involved in over 100 criminal cases including murder, attempt to murder, kidnapping, extortion and running betting rackets in has initiated an operation against Kaushal and his gang and managed to arrest over 20 people, including his girlfriend and wife who criminal activities. It has around 250 members who were mostly engaged in extortion. 'The investiga-

tion team has also recovered Rs 14 lakh, 12 mobile phones from his possession, includes mobile SIMs from other countries Pioneer photo including Dubai and Thailand, two pass-

ports one is Indian and other is from Spain. Among the 14 mobiles found from Kaushal, there are 4 virtual numbers which he used with the help of software. He used these numbers through the software, asking for extortion, threatening Gurugram. Gurugram Police and contacting his gang mem-

organised in schools bers to instruct them. The STF team is collecting more information about these numbers, sources said.

It has been revealed that Kaushal was living in the name of Naresh Yadav in Dubai, Spanish passport. Kaushal had got an Indian passport from Alwar in Rajasthan through his henchmen.

According to sources, after he was arrested from Dubai with a fake passport, the Dubai government cancelled his fake Indian passport and deported to India. The accused was arrested around 3.30 am and brought to Gurugram, police said. Kaushal is wanted in over 100 criminals cases carried a reward of Rs five lakh.

Commissioner of police Faridabad KK Rao who also holds additional charge of (IG) STF, Haryana, said,"The accused has been arrested from the airport and taken on remand. The call details of the mobile received from the accused are being investigated".

(Raja Garden), MTNL office,

Vishal Enclave, CRPF School

(Dwarka),

Sector 16

STAFF REPORTER | NEW DELHI n order to identify spinal

Campaign to identify

spinal deformities

 $oldsymbol{1}$ deformities among school children, a team of specialist will reach to thousands of children in the national Capital to prevent deformity progression which can affect a person's appearance as well as health to a large

A major spinal deformity such as scoliosis screening pro-gram launched by the Association of Spinal Surgeons of India (ASSI) for school children with an objective to identify the deformities early and to spread awareness.

A task force of specialists has been set up for the purpose, said Dr H S Chhabra, Chief of Spine Service (ASSI), adding that early identification of abnormality increases treatment options and helps prevent the progression of deformity as the child grows.

All the children between 10 to 14 years of age should be screened for spinal abnormality as such deformities can have devastating consequences on cosmetic appearance and neurological function, he added.

### Corrigendum

### Many rescued after fire breaks out in Spice Mall SDMC detects mosquito breeding on 29K premises in awareness drive

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

Tn the wake of increasing

A senior SDMC official said that public health depart-16 per cent office complexes

The department has issued legal notice and challans as per provisions under Delhi Municipal Corporation (malaria & other mosquito borne diseases) by-laws, 1957

The general public and all the stakeholders requested to prevent water stagnations and keep the water storages properly under cover to prevent egg laying by the mosquito as the season for mosquitoes and transmission of the diseases is highly favorable during the monsoon season," the official

He further said that some of the important premises where mosquito breeding detected are 'Delhi Urban Shelter Improvement Board'

CRPF camp, Jhroda Kalan, Mother's Pride School Sector17, Dwarka, police station sector 23 (Dwarka), DCP office Sector 19 (Dwarka), Fire Station Sector 6 (Dwarka), horticulture department (Bhijwasan), CGHS dispensary, Saadh Nagar, Sector12 market (Dwarka), furniture market, Najafgarh, DMRC construction site at Delhi Gate, construction site of GMR airport authority, construction site terminal 3 airport, Virendra construction at sector10 (Dwarka), Sarai Kale Khan market, Lajpat Nagar market, East of Kailash and Kalkaji market etc.

## This is in reference to a

news story under the headline "Justice Sunil Gaur, who paved way for PC's arrest, retires as Delhi HC judge" published on Page 3 of *The Pioneer* on August 23, 2019. The Pioneer apologises for the inadvertent error in publishing a photo of Justice Jayant Nath instead of Justice Sunil Gaur in the above-mentioned news story.

evacuated from the mall. there on other floors also but Another fire incident was also it was there only in the exhaust fan," said vaibhav Krishna, reported from a factory in Greater Noida. Police said that Senior Superintendent of Police no causality has been reported (SSP), Gautam Buddh Nagar in both the incident. adding that the situation is nor-"The fire at the popular mal now. "The cause of fire and mall in Sector 25 was reported loss of property, if any, was yet around 2.30 pm and multiple to be ascertained," he added. Another fire took place fire tenders were rushed to the spot which doused the flames around midnight at a factory in Greater Noida, according to the within an hour," a senior police police. "The blaze broke out in

company in the Site-5 police Thick smoke billowing out of Spice Mall in Noida on Monday station area and 10 fire tenders

was brought under control in said.

incident and the fire a couple of hours," the official

Inumber of cases of vector borne diseases, South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC) has detected mosquito breeding in 29,719 numbers of premises in an awareness drive. The national Capital has witnessed 349 cases of Malaria and 264 cases of dengue till August 24.

ment has carried out an intensive drive for checking of office complexes, markets and construction sites and it has been found mosquito breeding at 23.5 per cent construction sites, and 13 per cent market places

"No one was injured in the the senior police official added. Although every possible care and caution has been taken to avoid errors or omissions, this publication is being sold on the condition and understanding that information given in this publication is merely for reference and must not be taken as having authority of or binding in any way on the writers, editors, publishers, and printers and sellers who do not owe any responsibility for any damage or loss to any person, a purchaser of this publication or not for the result of any action taken on the basis of this work. All disputes are subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of competent court and forums in Delhi/New Delhi only. Readers are advised and requested to verify and seek appropriate advice to satisfy themselves about the veracity of any kind of advertisement before

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS OF DELHI

All online services of Delhi Jal Board will remain closed between August 23 to August 30 for enhancing the efficiency of Water Billing System



- For improving the efficiency of Revenue Management System (RMS), DJB is moving to an Upgraded System.
- Due to this migration activity all online services like online viewing and payment of water bills/ applying for new connection/ cash counter etc will not be available from 23-08-2019 to 30-08-2019
- Bill Payment due dates during this period will automatically stand extended upto 09-09-2019 without Late Payment Surcharge.
- Offline activities in Zonal Revenue Offices will continue during this period. Consumers can make payment of water bills at the kiosks available at Zonal Revenue Offices.
- · For more information please contact 1916 (toll free)

INCONVENIENCE CAUSED DUE TO THIS IMPORTANT
RMS UPGRADATION WORK IS REGRETTED



## **AJL money laundering:** ED books Hooda, Vora

he pioneer

Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Monday filed chargesheet against Associated Journal Limited (AJL), senior Congress leaders Moti Lal Vora and Bhupinder Singh Hooda in the designated court at Panchkula in connection with a money laundering case.

"AJL, Moti Lal Vora and Bhupinder Singh Hooda were directly involved in the process/activity connected with acquisition, possession or projection of "Proceeds of Crime" i.e. Plot No.C-17,Sector 6, Panchkula to the tune of Rs 64.9 crore," the ED said in a

The ED had attached the property located at Plot No. C-17, Sector 6, Panchkula. The Adjudicating Authority of PMLA, had subsequently ordered confirmation of the provisional attachments order.

The investigation under Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) was based on a case that the attached property was allotted to AJL in the year 1982, but the

in the process/activity connected with acquisition, possession or projection of "Proceeds of Crime" i.e. Plot No.C-17, Sector 6, Panchkula to the tune of Rs 64.9 crore



same was resumed back by the Estate Officer, Haryana Urban Development Authority (HUDA) through an order on October 30, 1992 as the AJL did not comply with the conditions of allotment letter.

The Resumption Order attained finality after dismissal of the Revision Petition in 1996. However, Bhupinder Singh Hooda, the then Chief Minister of Haryana and Chairman of HUDA, "blatantly misused his official position and dishonestly allotted the said plot afresh in the guise of re-allotment to the AJL at original rates plus interest in violation of necessary conditions/ policy of HUDA through an order on August 28, 2005, the ED said.

"Also, Hooda did not adhere to the legal opinion of Legal Remembrance, Haryana and recommendations of **HUDA** Officers and Financial Commissioner Town and Country Planning (FCTCP). Thus, the CM caused wrongful loss to HUDA and wrongful gain to AJL," the agency said.

Hooda further favoured the AJL by granting them three undue extensions for construction in the said plot from May 1, 2008 to May 10, 2012 until the AJL completed the construction in the year 2014, Shah, CMs of Maoist-hit States hold high-level meet

Ahigh-level meeting chaired by Union Home Minister Amit Shah with Chief Ministers of the Maoist-affected States on Monday decided to jointly fight the Left Wing Extremism. The meeting reviewed the ongoing operations against Naxals and development initiatives in the remote areas. Chief Ministers Nitish

Kumar (Bihar), Naveen Patnaik (Odisha), Yogi Adityanath (Uttar Pradesh), Kamal Nath (Madhya Pradesh), Raghubar Das (Jharkhand), Bhupesh Baghel (Chhattisgarh) and YS Jaganmohan Reddy (Andhra Pradesh), besides top police and civil officials of 10 Left Wing Extremism (LWE)-affected States, attended the meeting where ongoing operations against Naxals and development initiatives were reviewed. "Had a very fruitful meet-

ing with the CMs of the LWE affected States. Discussed several issues related to the security & development of these States. Left Wing Extremism is against the idea of democracy and under the leadership of PM @narendramodi we are committed to uproot it," Shah tweeted after the meeting.

against Left Wing Extremism was a joint responsibility of the Top officials of paramili-Centre as well as the States. Kumar flagged the need for a change in the existing policy which put the entire financial burden of deployment of Central forces in the Naxalismaffected areas on the State Governments concerned.

Extremism-affected States, at Vigyan Bhavan in New Delhi on Monday

tary forces and the Home

Ministry also attended the

meeting, first-of-its-kind after

Shah assumed charge as the

Home Minister about three

months ago. Senior police offi-

cials from the 10 Maoists-hit

States are Chhattisgarh,

Jharkhand, Odisha, West

Bengal, Bihar, Maharashtra,

Telangana, Andhra Pradesh,

Madhya Pradesh and Uttar

Pradesh were also present in

Bihar CM Kumar said the fight

Addressing the meeting,

the high-level meeting.

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel demanded more funds from the Centre to combat Left Wing Extremism in the State and said his Government will eliminate the menace through development policies as well as providing security and generating trust among the people.
Uttar Pradesh CM

Adityanath said Naxal activities

are fully under control in the State and the wheel of development is moving even in the areas affected by the menace. Adityanath said the State is benefiting from the information exchange with bordering States.

Jharkhand Chief Minister Raghubar Das said several top Naxal leaders have surrendered under the popular surrender and rehabilitation policy for the Naxalites to join the mainstream.

There has been 60 per cent decline in the Naxal-related incidents in Jharkhand between 2015 and 2019 as compared to

Union Ministers Nitin Gadkari, Nirmala Sitharaman, Ravi Shankar Prasad, Narendra Singh Tomar, Arjun Munda and Mahendra Nath Pandey also joined the meeting later in the day and discussed with the Chief Ministers issues concerning roads, telecommuni-

cation, agriculture and others.

According to Home Ministry statistics, 8,782 cases of Naxal violence were reported during 2009-13 as against 4,969 during 2014-18, a reduction of 43.4 per cent. As many as 3,326 people, including security force personnel, lost their lives in 2009-13 as against 1,321 in 2014-18, a reduction of 60.4 per cent, the Ministry said.

## JD(U) can't shoot 'arrow' in J'khand, Maha: EC

PNS NEW DELHI

The Election Commission (EC) has barred Nitish Kumar-led Janata Dal (United) from using its poll symbol 'arrow' in the upcoming polls in Jharkhand and Maharashtra due to its resemblance with the bow and arrow symbol of the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) and Shiv Sena.

The JD(U) said it will approach the EC and the Jharkhand High Court seeking a review of the order and may even approach the court if the

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Commission denied it relief. The EC's order came after the JMM moved an application on June 24, requesting it not to

company said in a statement. The IAF C-17s have per-

formed a wide range of opera-

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to the Sky Lords squadron

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Advanced Air Landing Ground

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km from the LAC, a move that

demonstrated IAF's the ability

to reach the remotest parts of

ing IAF's C-17 fleet through

techno-logistics support and training for aircrew that operate the platform. "The C-17

fleet has maintained high ser-

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maintenance, field support ser-

vices, modifications and

upgrades, technical manual

support and logistics engineer-

ing services," the company said.

training centre, established in

2016, provides training services

to the IAF, and has completed

over 5,100 hours of training for

aircrew and loadmasters. "With

this delivery, there are 275

operable Boeing-built C-17s

around the globe. Boeing plans

to sustain them to ensure they

meet the mission at hand," the

Boeing's C-17 simulator

Boeing has been maintain-

the country.

In 2016, C-17 Globemaster

the national capital in 2013.

allow 'arrow' symbol to JD(U) in Jharkhand as it may confuse the voters. Just ahead of the Lok Sabha elections, the JD(U) had secured an order from the EC barring the JMM from contesting in Bihar on its symbol 'Bow and Arrow' since it was very similar to JD(U)'s symbol, the 'Arrow'. According to a senior EC

official, the order is in keeping with provisions of the Election Symbols Order of 1968 as applicable to all such state parties in similar situations. The official explained that while the JD(U)'s symbol is accepted on priority in Bihar, similarly in Jharkhand, it is the JMM's symbol that gets priority.

The JD(U) is a recognised State party in Bihar and Arunachal Pradesh, where its symbol, the 'Arrow', is reserved, the JMM is a recognised State party in Jharkhand, and its symbol 'Bow and Arrow' is reserved in that State. Shiv Sena too has the symbol of 'Bow and Arrow', which is its reserved symbol Maharashtra, where it is a recognised State party.

## Manmohan's SPG cover goes, Z+ retained

PNS NEW DELH

The Special Protection Group (SPG) protection given to former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh has been withdrawn following a review by multiple security agencies but he will continue to get Z plus security, officials said on Monday. The former PM's Z plus security cover will be managed by CRPF.

The current security cover review is a periodical and professional exercise based on threat perception that is pure-



ly based on professional assessment by security agencies. Dr Manmohan Singh con-

tinues to have Z+ security cover," a Home Ministry spokesperson said. The decision to withdraw

the SPG security, the country's highest grade of protection, was taken after a three-month review involving the Cabinet demitted office in 2014. Secretariat and the Ministry of Home Affairs with inputs from various Intelligence agencies, officials said.

With the removal of Singh's SPG cover, the top notch security cover will now be given only to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the

Gandhi family - Congress president Sonia Gandhi and her children, Rahul and Priyanka. According to procedures laid down by the SPG Act, 1988, Singh was entitled to SPG cover for one year after he

His SPG security cover was renewed annually after a review of the threats faced by him and his wife Gursharan Kaur.

Singh's daughters, who were also given SPG cover, gave up the protection voluntarily in

## Boeing delivers 11th C-17 Globemaster aircraft to IAF

In a significant boost to the IAF's strategic airlift capabilities, Boeing, the manufacturer of C-17 Globemaster transport airthe IAF on Monday. This came about after the Government last year approved procurement of three additional C-17s at a cost of Rs 8,000 crore.

At present, the IAF has ten planes with the induction beginning in 2013. The deal inked in 2011 was worth 4.7 billion dollars. The contract had an option clause of buying six more planes but shortage of funds delayed the induction of more planes.

The C-17 fleet is a vital fleet of the IAF's combat airlift capability as the plane can land in toughest of places thereby ensuring logistic support to the troops deployed in remote areas guarding the Line of Actual Control (LAC) facing China and Line of Control(LoC)with Pakistan. The planes have in the past few years have also carried out humanitarian assistance during natural calamities.

The C-17 is a premier transport aircraft as it is massive and long-haul aircraft carrying large combat equipment, troops and humanitarian aid across long distances in all weather conditions.

"Boeing today delivered the 11th C-17 Globemaster III adding to India's capability to meet current and future strategic airlift requirements," the

### No mediation on **Trump nods**

"The Prime Minister spoke

referred to the fact that USD 4 billion worth of imports were already in the pipeline and that would be expected to be stepped up," he said.

minister is expected to have a of the US energy companies in Houston, Gokhale said.

issued a readout that said the two leaders discussed ways to broaden their strategic partnership and greatly increase trade between the United States and India.

"President Trump reaffirmed the need for dialogue between India and Pakistan to reduce tensions and acknowledged India's role as a critical partner in Afghanistan," it

Chidambaram's

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### **BJP** contact programme to seek national support on 370

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In an attempt to mobilise **⊥**mass support for the Modi Government's move to abrogate articles 370 and 35-A, the BJP on Monday announced a month-long nationwide contact programme, beginning September 1. The Yatra will be aimed creating awareness in Constitution-one-nation" in 370 smaller towns and 35 big cities, including Kashmir Valley.

Nine places, including four in Kashmir Valley, have been chosen in the erstwhile Jammu & Kashmir, now a Union Territory with an Assembly, for

the exercise, said Union Ministers Dharmendra Pradhan and Gajendra Singh Shekhawat here at a Press conference. The conference also saw eight political leaders from Kargil and two from Ladakh joining the BJP.

Barring an Assembly, Ladakh is now also a Union Territory directly administered by the Centre like Jammu & joined BJP included Jammu & Kashmir legislative council chairman Haji Inayat Ali and Ladakh Autonomous Council's executive member Mohammad Ali.

Pradhan said the decision on revoking Article 370 was

"historic" and one of the few moments in the history of independent India that united people across political and ideological divides.

All the key BJP leaders, Chief Ministers, Central and State Ministers would participate in "jan sampark abhiyan" which would be headed by Pradhan and Sekhawat with also included in the team. BJP Ministers said with

the abrogation of Article 370 and Article 35 A, J&K has been fully integrated in the country and would fulfill the aspirations of "new genera-

### Usless to oppose Ram Lalla plea: SC to Nirmohi Akhara

New Delhi: Hindu body 'Nirmohi Akahara' is "unnecessarily" opposing the plea of deity 'Ram Lalla' for the title of disputed Ramjanam Bhoomi-Babri Masjid land as both the parties will "stand" or "fall" together, the SC said. A fivejudge Constitution bench, headed by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi, was critical of the subthe 'shebait' (devotee), only its lawsuit was maintainable and the case filed by deity 'Ram Lalla Virajman, through next friend Deóki Nandan Agrawal, should not be allowed.

"There is no conflict between your (Akahara's) suit and the suit filed by plaintiff number 1 (Ram Lalla)... Even if the suit of plaintiff (deity and others) is allowed, your right as 'shebait' stands," the Bench said while hearing the arguments on the 12th day of case.



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### RBI to transfer highest-ever surplus of ₹1.76L cr to Govt

**PTI** MUMBAI

The Reserve Bank of India The Reserve Bank of RBI) on Monday approved the transfer of record Rs 1.76 lakh crore dividend and surplus reserves to the government, boosting Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led regime's prospect to stimulate the slowing economy without widening fiscal deficit.

Governor Shaktikanta Dasled RBI Central board gave its nod for transferring to the government a sum of Rs

1,76,051 crore comprising Rs 1,23,414 crore of surplus for the year 2018-19 and Rs 52,637 crore of excess provisions identified as per revised Economic Capital Framework (ECF), the apex bank said in a statement.

The excess reserve transfer is in line with the recommendation of former RBI governor Bimal Jalan-led panel constituted to decide size of capital reserves that the central bank should hold. The government was represented by Finance Secretary Rajiv Kumar in the

panel which finalised its report on August 14 by consensus.

The receipts from the RBI will give a fillip to the government's efforts to boost the economy from a five-year low. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had last week announced a slew of measures to prop up growth even as the government tried to stick to the target of keeping fiscal deficit at 3.3 per cent of the GDP. The additional cash will now give the Centre more headroom for stimulating the economy.

### Sibal asserted, adding that he During the hearing, the

agency should show the docuthe case diary was in loose ments relied by it in the court. pages as the format booklet was also present in the court.

The CBI had registered an FIR on May 15, 2017, alleging irregularities in the Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) clearance granted to the INX Media group for receiving overseas funds of Rs 305 crore in 2007 during Chidambaram's

Subsequently,

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This is to inform all, that my client Sh. Mahendra Singh Sro Late Sh. Hukum Singh Rio H-174, Sector-41, Noida current resident 99, Ansal Green Valley, Donor Vihar Jakhan, Rajpur Road, Dehradun. Their Son Rajkumar Sio Mahendra Singh Rio B-300A, Sector-19, Noida, Rajkumar does not respect and care his parents, Rajkumar abuses my client Mahendra Singh, his younger Son Inderjeet and his entire family. Rajkumar wants to take brorell possession of his father sproperties. My client and his family is in great trouble because of his son Rajkumar. So my client has decided to disown his elder son Mr. Rajkumar from his all moveable and immoveable properties. People at large are informed not to deal with Rajkumar on behalf of my client regarding House No. H-174, Sector-41, Noida, District G.B. Nagar, Ifany body deals with Rajkumar he will himseffer ersponsible for SAO, Block Ch. No. 249, District Court, Distt. Gautambuddha Nagar

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160 DATE: 26.08.2019 NAME OF APPLICANT

### SC: Forensic audit report be given to ED, Delhi Police, ICAI in Amrapali case New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday directed that a foren-

sic audit report be given to the Enforcement Directorate, Delhi Police and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in India (ICAI) for taking appropriate action against Amrapali directors and auditors for siphoning off over Rs 3,000 crore of home buyers' money. A Bench of justices Arun Mishra and UU Lalit also direct

ed the apex court registry to disburse Rs 7.16 crore deposited by the Amrapali group to the National Buildings Construction Corporation (NBCC) for completion of stalled projects of the group. The Bench also directed the Noida and Greater Noida authorities to set up a nodal cell for issuing completion certificate to home buyers It also directed the authorities to depute one officer not below

the rank of deputy manager to coordinate with the court receiver, senior advocate R Venkataramani, in dealing with the affairs

## Kashmir, says Modi;

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of the importance of energy imports from the US and he

During his visit to the US General Assembly, the prime round table with the top CEOs

The objective is two fold, first to see how we can import more energy from the US and second is how we can invest in the energy sector in the US, Gokhale said, adding that President Trump has offered to send a top administration official to the conference to facil-

Later, the White House

need to be confronted and probed," Mehta argued, adding the ED has filed an affidavit before the Supreme Court in the money laundering case and has shared evidence with the CBI regarding which further interrogation is required.

Senior Advocate Kapil Sibal representing Chidambaram, opposed Mehta referring to documents filed by the ED. After speaking to Chidambaram for two minutes, Sibal said in the previous remand application, there was a mention of USD 5 million and not a single document was put to him during these four days. He said the case cannot be sensationalised, and not a single question with regard to shell companies as also bank accounts has been asked to

Sibal claimed that ques-Chidambaram with regard to tions regarding the e-mails were already asked and absolutely relevant to go into Chidambaram has answered them. "There has been 26 "Certain documents and hours of questioning. Still nothevidence have emerged which ing asked on all these issues,"

Chidambaram.

wants CBI to put correct facts before the court. "At least the process of investigation should be fair," Sibal said. He asserted that the

The Solicitor General said Letters Rogatory (LRs) have been sent to five countries and the investigators are trying to link the transactions of the accused related with the case.

"There is prima facie evidence to link the accused with USD 5 million. We are awaiting response on LRs from the five countries," Mehta told the court. LRs are judicial request from a court to a foreign court via diplomatic channels for certain judicial assistance with regard to a criminal investigation. Countering Mehta's assertions, Sibal contended that an accused cannot be put in custody till the investigators get the evidence and asked the agency to show basis of allegation of USD 5 mil-

lion against Chidambaram.

court questioned the manner in which the case diary was placed before it. Sibal also objected to the format of the case diary. To this, the CBI said that

out of stock. Chidambaram's wife Nalini and son Karti were

tenure as the finance minister.

Enforcement Directorate (ED) registered a money laundering case i in 2017 after taking cognizance of the CBI case Meanwhile, the Supreme Court Monday extended till Tuesday the protection from arrest given to Chidambaram in the INX Media money launTHE PIONEER | NEW DELHI | TUESDAY | AUGUST 27, 2019

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## **Speaker vows to behead Modi at TN Muslim meet**

macabre demand to Abehead Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been made by one of the speakers of a meeting held by an Islamic extremist organisation on Sunday challenging the Government of India for abrogation of Article 370 of the Constitution and criminalising the Triple Talaq which was in vogue among the Muslim com-

The video recording of the meeting, organised by Tamil Nadu Muslim Munnetra Kazhagam that went viral all over the State, has a speaker openly declaring that he would behead Modi and kill Union Home Minister Amit Shah for coming up with legislation on Triple Talaq.

The person also declared that the Parliament needs to be attacked for enacting such laws. He further added that he was not afraid of anything and asked the Intelligence of the State Police to take note of the same and repeated his threat that the Prime Minister of the country would be assassinated. The Tamil Nadu BJP has

dent while the DMK, the major Opposition party, chose to remain silent over the issue. Narayanan Thirupathy, BJP spokesman, filed a complaint with the Chennai Police on Sunday for which a receipt has been issued by the police.

This is a seditious speech as he threatens that he would not only kill the democratically elected Prime Minister and Home Minister of the country and behead them but also would attack the Parliament. This is a criminal offence under Section 124A of the IPC.

The speaker also invokes religion thereby creating enmity between different groups on the ground of religion which is an act prejudicial to the maintenance of harmony," said Narayanan. He pointed out that he would demand slapping charges against the speaker under sections 153A, Sections 503, 504 and 505(1) (b) (C), read with Sections 506of the IPC.

Elsewhere in the State, the DMK, Lefts and Islamic outfits are busy organising meetings against the abrogation of the article 370 of the Constitution and the legislation against the Triple Talaq. Though the DMK

erous in their attacks against Chief Minister Edappadi Palaniswamy for describing the former union finance minister P Chidambaram as a burden on the earth, they chose to look the other way when the TMMK meeting called for assassinating the Prime Minister and the Home Minister, said a senior intelligence official. He said the department was looking into the details of the speech.

Tamil Nadu Police and National Investigating Agency have taken into custody Islamic youths who were reportedly planning to subvert w and order in South India.

Sunday saw TMMK and

MMK, two organisations known for their extremist stands, holding a rally in Chennai where MH Jawahirullah, president of MMK accusing the Centre for selectively targeting innocent Islamic youth under the pretext of questioning them over their links with various "freedom fighters". He compared the recently amended UAPA Bill to that of the Rowlatt Act which culminated in the Jallianwalla Bagh massacre of the 1919.

### FIR filed against Ajit Pawar in ₹1,000 crore Maha co-op bank scam

 $T^{\text{he Opposition NCP and}}_{\text{Congress came under}}$  tremendous heat ahead of the Maharashtra Assembly polls, due in October this year, as the Mumbai Police on Monday registered an FIR against the directors of Maharashtra State Co-Operative Bank (MSCB), including Ajit Pawar and Vijaysinh Mohite-Patil, State Government officials and politicians for their alleged involvement in a 1,000-crore Maharashtra State Cooperative Bank (MSCB) scam case.

Acting on a directive by the Bombay High Court that held last week that there was prima facie credible evidence in the scam, the Economic Offence Wing of the Mumbai police registered an FIR with the MRA Marg Police Station against MSC Bank, directors in district cooperative banks in Maharashtra, an Cooperative bank, officials of the Maharashtra Government and others under sections 406, 409, 420, 467,468, 471, 34, 120(B) IPC and relevant sections of the Prevention of Corruption Act.

"After perusing the chargesheet filed under the MCSAct

the NABARD, in our view, for the reasons stated therein, as also, the report of the the inquiries and inspection constitutes credible information and/ matter which prima facie discloses commission of cognisable offences punishable under IPC and other laws," a two-member division HC bench comprising Justices S C Dharmadhikari and SK Shinde had noted on Thursday while directing the EOW of the Mumbai police to register an FIR within five days against all those involved in the scam.

The High Court had ordered registration of an FIR against all those involved in the scam, after hearing a public interest litigation filed by Mumbai-based activist Surinder M Arora.

The findings of an inspection carried out by the NABARD and the charge-sheet filed under the MCS Act have revealed that 77 MSCB directors — 57 belonging to the NCP, nine belonging to the Congress, two belonging to the Shiv Sena and one belonging to the BJP — are allegedly involved in the scam.

## Normal life remains hit in Valley on 22nd day



Police detain a Kashmiri doctor who staged a sit-in protest demanding restoration of landline and internet connectivity in hospitals in Srinagar on Monday

remain snapped in the com-

Press Enclave here. The mobile

services and internet, including

BSNL's broadband and private

leased-line internet, remained

suspended since August 5

**Srinagar:** Normal life remained affected in Kashmir for the 22nd consecutive day on Monday as markets and schools were shut, but the movement of private vehicles in the city improved, officials said.

Restrictions were lifted in most areas of the valley, but the deployment of security forces continued to maintain law and order, they said.

The communication blockade in Kashmir was eased to some extent as landline telephone services were restored in most places across the valley in view of the improving situation, when the Centre abrogated Article 370 of the Constitution and reorganised the state into two Union territories -Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh.

Meanwhile, the officials said the situation remained peaceful on Sunday and no

the officials added. However, untoward incident was reportthe services continued to ed from anywhere in the valley. Markets across Kashmir mercial hub of Lal Chowk and

remained shut for the 22nd consecutive day as shops and other business establishments were closed, while the public transport also was off the roads, the officials said.

They said the movement of private cars in the city and elsewhere in the valley increased. Private educational institutions continued to remain closed Government schools witnessed minimal attendance of the students, they added.

### **MUZAFFARNAGAR RIOTS**

## Charges framed against 5 accused of killing youth

Muzaffarnagar (UP): A local court has framed charges against five people accused of killing a youth whose death was a trigger for the 2013 Muzaffarnagar riots in 2013.

District and Sessions Judge Sanjay Kumar Pachori has framed charges under sections 302 (murder), 147 (rioting), 148 (rioting, armed with dead-ly weapon) and 149 of the Indian Penal Code against the five accused.

The court fixed next Tuesday for producing witnesses from the prosecution side against Prahlad, Bishan Singh, Tendu, Devender and

According to the prosecution, the five are among the six Shahnawaz to death at Kawal



village in Jansath area of Uttar Pradesh's Muzaffarnagar district on August 27, 2013.

His death and that of two

youths in another incident were said to be the trigger behind the communal clashes in Muzaffarnagar and adjoining areas in August and September 2013, which over 40,000 people.



of terror outfit Jamat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB), who was involved in the 2018 Bodh Gaya blast, was arrested from Bihar by the special task force (STF) of the Kolkata Police on Monday.

The Centre in May declared the Bangladesh-based MB, which was blamed for the terror attack at a cafe in Dhaka in 2016 in which 22 people including 17 foreigners were killed, as a banned terrorist organisation.

Ejaz Ahmad alias Amir, a resident of Birbhum district of West Bengal, was apprehended from a house at Pathan Toli locality of Buniyadganj police station area in Gaya district, a police officer said in Gaya.

"He (Ahmad) is the top most Indian functionary and the main recruiter of the organisation working in this country. He was in constant touch with JMB terrorists in PTI | a number of JMB-related exploded on January 19 last sometime back



cases," a police officer said in

Acting on a tip-off that the accused was hiding in Gaya district, a team of the Kolkata Police STF and Bihar Police conducted a raid and nabbed him.

"Ahmad had played a vital role in the Bodh Gaya blast in 2018. He was living with his wife and children under different names and was regularly changing address,' he said.

year, hours after Tibetan spiritual leader the Dalai Lama ĥad finished a sermon at the Mahabodhi temple in Bodh

"He was working as the main recruiter working in different illegal madrasas which came up in the Indo-Bangladesh borders of West Bengal, Tripura and Assam," the IPS officer added.

Ahmad has been booked under various sections of the Indian Penal Code and the Explosive Substances Act, he added.

No weapon was recovered from his possession, the police said adding that they would be sending his mobile phone for forensic tests to find out details of his contacts, he

After the Bodh Gaya blast, Ahmad had fled first to Bangalore and then to Kerala and in both places, he used to work as a mason from West

### Terrorists trying to disrupt apple economy to stoke public anger: J&K Govt

**MOHIT KANDHARI** ■ SRINAGAR

**T**he Jammu & Kashmir Government on Monday claimed that the terrorists are trying to disrupt 'apple economy' to trigger resentment among Twitter handle of the

Department of Information and Public relations late Monday evening posted a tweet saying, "Ultras went to a large apple orchard in Village Wattoo, Shopian, threatened owner, unloaded apple consignment & directed that apple crop should not be shipped". The Government spokesman said, "This is the first such incident ever. where attempt is made to resentment among public" .The in Srinagar in the last four days. Rahul Yadav said.

authorities also refuted reports about shortage of life-saving drugs at SMHS Hospital in Srinagar. The administration claimed that there was sufficient medicines to sustain for a month and a half. The administration shared the drug controller report which said that medicines worth ₹31.76 crore were supplied to pharmaceutical dealers and distributors in the Valley in the last 35 days and stocks were being

replenished regularly.

Areas, where local residents have created road blocks, to prevent entry of security forces also remained peaceful barring few odd incidents of protest demon-

Apart from that, 30,000

### **Higher secondary** schools reopen in J&K's Poonch

Jammu: Higher secondary schools reopened in Poonch district of Jammu region on Monday after remaining closed for over three weeks due to restrictions imposed in the wake of abrogation of Jammu & Kashmir's special status earlier this month, an official said. Colleges in the district, however, continued to remain closed and are likely to resume work this week after a review of the law-and-order situation, the official said.

The higher secondary schools have started func-tioning normally across the district. The schools in the city and adjoining areas registered a 90 per cent attendance, and it was around 70 per cent in far-flung areas," District

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami flags off an electric bus for the MTC on a trial basis, at Fort St George in Chennai on

### Bengal Govt's claim in HC of Gurung absconding denied by his lawyer

Jalpaiguri (WB): The West Bengal Government on Monday submitted before the Jalpaiguri Circuit Bench of the Calcutta High Court that Bimal Gurung, chief of one of the two GJM factions, has fled the country, a claim vehemently denied by his lawyer.

The court asked the State Government to file an affidavit on its claim that the Gorkha Janmukti Morcha (GJM) leader was absconding.

A division bench comprising Justices Joymalya Bagchi and M Mandal also directed Gurung's lawyer to file a counter affidavit with regard to his assertion that he was very much within the coun-

The court passed the direction while hearing an anticipatory bail prayer of Gurung in connection with around 120 criminal cases filed against him and another GJM leader, Roshan Giri, over alleged incidents of violence during the Darjeeling Hills statehood demand agitation in 2017.

The court gave the prosecution and Gurung two weeks each to file their affidavits and directed that the matter would be taken up for hearing again after five weeks.

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## Cross-LoC bus service from Poonch to Rawalakot resumes

pended, the Poonch-Rawalakot cross-LoC bus service resumed on Monday, with 46 stranded passengers, including 40 from PoK, returning home, an official said.

The weekly service was suspended on August 19 after authorities in Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) did not respond to a call from their Indian counterparts to let a bus get across the Line of Control (LoC), according to officials. "The bus service resumed

with 40 PoK residents and six Indian citizens returning to their homes," District Development Commissioner, Poonch, Rahul Yadav told PTI.

The permits of two other PoK residents, who had arrived in Jammu and Kashmir's Azha to meet their relatives, is yet to expire, he said, adding that there was no fresh traveller from either side.

The bus service, popularly known as 'Paigam-e-Aman', is on every Monday and it did not stop despite tension along the LoC in view of frequent ceasefire violations by Pakistan which has claimed the lives of three army personnel and a civilian since August 17.

However, it was suspended last Monday, after officials said "we had sent a message to PoK authorities for bus service today (August 19), but they did not respond". The relations between India and Pakistan is under strain following Centre's move to scrap special status to Jammu & Kashmir and its bifurcation into two Union territories — Jammu and Kashmir, and

Billed as the biggest confidence building measure, the bus service was started on the Srinagar-Muzaffarabad route in Kashmir in April 2005 and the Poonch-Rawalakot route in the Jammu region in June 2006, to facilitate divided families on either side of the LoC to meet each other.

The trade, which works on the barter system, between the two parts of Kashmir started in October 2008. However, India announced suspension of the trade at two points -Salamabad of Baramulla in Kashmir and Chakkan-da-Bagh of Poonch in Jammu in April, following reports that it was being "misused" by elements from across the border to smuggle weapons, narcotics

## Reports of crores spent on Parrikar's treatment absurd, says Goa Minister

Panaji: Reports in a section of the media that several crore rupees were spent on the treatment of former Goa chief minister late Manohar Parrikar was "unwarranted and absurd", State Health Minister Vishwajit Rane said on Monday.

Parrikar died on March 17 this year of a pancreatic ailment and some media reports in the state put the cost of treatment at Rs 5.72 crore.

These reports also tried to compare this figure with the poor state of the Goa Medical College and lack of finances to set things right there.

In a statement, Rane said, "The comparison between the health care sector and money spent on ministers, including former CM Manohar Parrikar, for their treatment outside the state is absurd and unwarrant-

"The contribution of Manohar Parrikar is huge and it cannot be quantified in terms of money," he stressed.

What is the problem if money is spent on MLAs as even during the Congress regime, money was spent on ailing leaders like then MLA rudas Gawas, Rane added in

the statement. He claimed it was the responsibility of the state government to take care of the health of MLAs and leaders who work for the people of Goa.
The minister said there was

no dearth of money for the health care sector in Goa, adding that a super specialty block would be completed soon at the GMC. He also informed that a

well-equipped district hospital will come up in Margao in south Goa, and it would ensure patients don't have to travel to GMC for treatment.

### Madras HC questions allocation of separate burial ground for Dalits **Chennai:** Decrying the practice of allocation of separate burial and cremation ground for Dalits, the Madras High Court observed on Monday that it appeared the Government itself was encour-

aging divisions based on caste. The court was hearing a petition initiated by itself after a report said that access routes of a Dalit cremation ground were blocked in Tamil Nadu's Vellore district for last four years, forcing the community members to lower the dead bodies of their relatives from a bridge with the help of ropes onto a river bed.

In its oral observations, a bench comprising Justices S



Manikumar Subramonium Prasad noted that all people irrespective of caste and religion were allowed in all public places.

The high court said by allocating separate burial ground to the 'Adi Dravidars'

(Scheduled Castes), the government itself appeared to be encouraging such practice.

The bench also asked why some schools continued to be called "separate school for Adi-Dravidars" when the state government had removed

caste names from streets. The court then directed

the Vellore district collector and the Vaniyambadi tehsildar to furnish the details of the land used by the villagers in and around the burial ground.

According to reports, members Narayanapuram village near Vaniyambadi town, 213 km west of Chennai, were forced to lower the bodies of their relatives using ropes from a bridge into a river bed as the access to the burial ground on its banks had been blocked due to alleged encroachment

two people. The high court had taken cognisance of the issue last

week after its attention was drawn to a report in an English daily titled "Dalits 'airdrop' dead in Tamil Nadu". The bench had last week

issued notices to the Tamil Nadu home secretary, the Vellore district collector and the tehsildar and sought their stands on the issue. As per the report, the Dalit residents of the village

have been lowering bodies to the riverbank for the past four years. Though the Dalits said they did not face any direct caste discrimination or threats from other groups, they blamed the district administration for not removing the encroachments. PTI

## **Not joining any** political party, says Sanjay Dutt

### Refutes RSP Chief's claims

TN RAGHUNATHA MUMBAI

Rashtriya Samaj Paksha (RSP) chief and Dairy Development Minister Mahadev Jankar's claim that Sanjay Dutt would join his party on September 25 fell flat on his face on Monday, as the actor vehemently denied that he had any plans to join any

A day after Jankar made the claim at his party's 16th foundation day function about the actor joining his the RSP on September 25, Dutt stated that he had no plans to join any political party.

In a brief statement issued to the media, the actor said: "I will not be joining any political party. Mr Jankar is a dear friend and brother of mine and I humbly wish him good luck for his future endeavours".

at the RSP's 16th foundation day event here in the presence of Minister of Rural Development, Women and Child Welfare Pankaja Munde, after a video of the "Munnabhai MBBS" actor was played out at the event.

In the 17-second video clip, Dutt had said: "I congratulate RSP National President Mahadev Jankar, my friend and my brother. if I would have been here, I would have

Later, speaking at the function held at the historic Shivaji Park in north-central Mumbai, Jankar claimed: "Just now you heard the byte of big boss...big brother. Saanjay Dutt has given date of 25 September to join (RSP). He is in Dubai (today). Had he been in Mumbai, he would have joined us".

With the actor's firm denial about his plans to join the RSP, Jankar's efforts to garner support for his party have come to a naught.

## Over 81 km of rail line fenced to protect lions: Gujarat to HC

Government on Monday told the Gujarat High Court it has so far constructed 81.06 kilometres of chain-link fencing on both sides of a railway line passing through lion habitat in Amreli district to prevent the big cats from being run over by

In an affidavit submitted to the division bench of Justice SR Brahmbhatt and Justice AP Thaker, the State Government said it has taken a host of measures to curb unnatural deaths of Asiatic lions.

The Government said 260.7 km railway track from Pipavav port to Surendranagar passes through lion habitat in Amreli district, adding that it had so far completed 81.06 chain-link fences on this route.

The High Court had taken

State Government's disclosure in the assembly last year that 184 lions, lionesses and cubs died in 2016 and 2017, with 32 of them dying of "unnatural"

The Gujarat High Court had sought explanations from the Centre and the State Government.

In its affidavit, the Government said it has so far constructed 37,201 parapets on open wells, including 703 in 2019-20, to prevent lions from falling into them.

Tough measures have been initiated against illegal lion shows also, and 40 cases were registered against 134 offenders since 2016, with four cases lodged this year alone, the State Government told the High Court.

### **NORTHERN RAILWAY**

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having TVU> 50000 for upgradation of LC Nos. 46 (SMK-DWNA) on DLI-UMB, & LC no. 55 (NRW-KKDE) section under ADSTE/PNP of DLI Division. App. Cost of the work: Rs. 37,17,176.73/- only. Tender Document Fee: Rs. 3,540/- only. Deposit: Rs. 74,400/- only. Address of the office: Senior Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer-I, Northern Railway, 3rd Floor, Annexe-1, DRM office, New Delhi-110055. Date & Time for upload the tender/closing of tender: Tender uploading/closing date & time- 18.09.2019 up to 15:00 hrs. Website particular & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc.: See the Northern Railway website <a href="https://www.ireps.gov.in">www.ireps.gov.in</a> & Notice board at S&T branch, 3rd Floor, DRM State Entry Road, New Delhi-110055. No.: 558-Sig-16-M-Tender-1290

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### PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

SEE SECTION U/S 82 Cr. Pc.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused namely Mahesh AKA Mota, S/o Sh. Siya Ram, R/o Ho. No. 678/680, Gali No. 08. Ambedkar Nagar, Haiderpur, Delhi, has committed (or is suspected to has committed) the offence of FIR No. 199/06 u/s 324 IPC at P.S. Shalimar Bagh, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest there upon issued that the accused Mahesh AKA Mota, cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused Mahesh AKA Mota, has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Processing U/s 82 Cr. P.C. has been initiated in the case. Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused Mahesh AKA Mota, FIR No. FIR No. 199/06 u/s 324 IPC at P.S. Shalimar Bagh, Delhi, is required to appear in this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 31.10.2019. By Order

Sh. Virender Singh Metropolitan Magistrate Room No. 407, 4th Floor, Rohini Court, Delhi

DP/9301/NW/19-(Court Matter).

### **SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED**

General public is hereby informed that

a female (depicted in the photo),

Namely: Bharti W/o Shyam Sunder

R/o H.No. 79/10/6 Kailash Vihar

Pansali, Begumpur, Delhi has been



missing/ kidnapped with four child since 20.07.2019 from the area of P.S. Begumpur, Delhi. In this regard a case **BHARTI** Begumpur, Delhi. Her physical description is as under:-

vide DD No. 33-A dated 02.08.2019 has been lodged at Police Station Age: 27 Years, Height: 5', Complexion: Fair, Face: Round,

Wearing: Pink colour saree and pink colour chappal in feet. Any person is having any information/Clue about this missing/ kidnapped female and four children, may inform SHO, Begumpur, Delhi at E-mail Id - cic@cbi.gov.in or Website: http://cbi.nic.in SHO S

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## Chai pe charcha: Didi vows to address Burdwan woes

Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Monday visited parts of Burdwan village chatting with locals over cups of tea, listening to their daily woes and delivering instant promises to solve

After she personally prepared tea for inmates of a house in the beach town of Digha, Banerjee visited Alisa Baikunthapur village in East Burdwan and spoke to the local tribal population. Most of them complained about poor road conditions and lack of dwelling

"It was a nice experience. I spoke to the people shared tea with them and heard their problems," Banerjee said while coming out of the village with senior cabinet colleague and Kolkata Mayor Firhad Hakim in her tow.

scheduled caste and tribal families living here. They were quite forthcoming in sharing their issues. They told me about the poor condition of the road and bad dwelling conditions which I have already told the DM to take note of," Banerjee said adding she had asked the DM to get the road constructed and construct dwellings for those who do not have their own houses.

telling about the irregular receipt of widow pensions. I have assured them that the things will be taken care of." Incidentally, the Bengal BJP leadership has scoffed at Banerjee for imitating Prime

Minister Modi in order to earn

popularity among the masses by

preparing and sharing tea with

"Some people were also

"Look at the irony of fate.

A person rose from a chaiwalla to a Prime Minister while another person is going the other way round," a Bengal BJP leader said ironically ignorant of the fact that his own State party president Dilip Ghosh on Monday roamed the sea beaches of Digha sharing tea with the locals and the tourists in a bid to expand his party's mass base.
"There is nothing wrong in

mixing with the people. It is only when you lose contact with the people you face political alienation," Ghosh said justifying his tea campaign in Digha. The TMC supremo's out-

reach programme has intensified after her party's colossal loss at the hustings whence the Trinamool won 22 — down from 34 in 2014 — out of 42 parliamentary seats and a fast emerging BJP bagged 18, leaving two for the Congress.

## Chandrayaan-2 takes photos of craters on lunar surface: ISRO

Assam BJP flays Hajela over NRC handling

Bengaluru: Chandrayaan-2, which is currently orbiting the Moon, has captured some more images of the lunar surface showing several craters, the Indian Space Research Organisation said on Monday

Sharing the pictures, the ISRO said in a statement that the photos captured by the lunar spacecraft are those of craters Somerfeld, Kirkwood, Jackson, Mach, Korolev, Mitra, Plaskett, Rozhdestvenskiy and Hermite.

These craters have been named after great scientists, astronomers and physicists.

Crater Mitra has been named after Prof Sisir Kumar Mitra, an Indian physicist and Padma Bhushan recipient known for his pioneering work in the field of ionosphere and

The space agency said these pictures of the lunar surface were taken on August 23 by the Terrain Mapping Camera-2 of Chandrayaan-2 from an altitude of about 4,375 km. The first picture of Moon captured by Chandrayaan-2 was released by ISRO on August 22. Chandrayaan-2, a three-module spacecraft comprising an orbiter,

lander and rover, was launched on July 22. ISRO had on August 21 performed second lunar bound orbit manoeuvre for Chandrayaan-2 and said all spacecraft parameters are normal. There will be three more orbit manoeuvres before the lander's separation from the Orbiter on September 2 and eventual soft landing in the

### **5 Bangladeshis** held while trying to infiltrate into **India, says BSF**

Kolkata: Five Bangladeshi nationals were arrested while trying to cross over to India. BSF officials

A BSF statement said the five Bangladeshi nationals were Swarupnagar and Gaighata areas of the Indo-Bangla border in North 24 Parganas dis-

During preliminary invesigation it was found that they had crossed over to India with the help of touts.

als and 731 illegal Bangladeshi intruders so far while they were trying to cross the inter-

## 10 foreigners released on bail ahead of final NRC list

Guwahati: Ahead of the publication of final NRC list in Assam, ten persons declared foreigners have been released on bail from a detention camp in Goalpara district, a police official said here on Monday. The ten have been

released as per a Supreme Court direction that those declared foreigners and are under detention for more than three years should be released on bail, he said.

The ten persons, including a woman, have been granted bail by the Foreigners Tribunal for a surety bond of Rs two lakh each and their biometric details, district

additional superintendent of police Amitabh Basumotary said.

Their conditional release began on August 9 and they were allowed to leave the camp which is located inside Goalpara district jail, Basumotary said.

The final National Register of Citizens list, which will identify bonafide citizens of Assam, is set to be published on August 31. Of the ten granted bail,

nine are from Goalpara district and one from neighbouring Chirang district. They are aged between 39 and

nator Prateek Hajela came under attack from the ruling BJP on Monday, with the party raising apprehensions that foreigners might make it to the register as he was allegedly

just two to three organisa-The final NRC list, which will identify bonafide citizens of Assam, is set to be published on August 31. The exercise of updating the NRC, unique to Assam, is being conducted

process in consultation with

Supreme Court. Addressing a press meet here, BJP state president Ranjit Dass said people have told his party members that their

under the supervision of the

names had appeared in the first list, published in 2017, but was removed from the "final draft" in July last year. "NRC Coordinator Prateek

Hajela had been carrying out the revision work based on his undertaking the revision own opinion and those of two to three organisations, after the Supreme Court asked Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal not to interfere in the process, Dass claimed.

The state BJP chief, however, did not name the organizations he was referring to.

In such a situation, it is difficult for Assam to come up with an error-free register, he

"We have received feedback. Many have told us their names appeared in the first from the final draft. These people had to appear several times in different offices for reverification of their documents.

"Also, there are reports

that people who have been declared 'foreigners' were being engaged for the NRC citizenship verification work," he explained. Dass claimed that names of

descendants of freedom fighters and Assam agitation martyrs were excluded during the "It seems we will get an

NRC which will include the names of illegal foreigners and exclude genuine Indian citizens," the state BJP chief said.

Appreciating the Centre's decision to extend the deadline to 120 from 60 days for filing appeals in the Foreigners Tribunals, the BJP leader said around 40 lakh workers of saffron party have been directed to assist the ones approaching the district legal cells.

### **BULANDSHAHR VIOLENCE**

## Send accused back to jail: Slain inspector's family

Lucknow: The family of a police officer who was killed last year in violence over alleged illegal cow slaughter here, demanded on Monday that the accused be sent back behind bars, days after they came out on bail to a hero's welcome by their supporters.

The family's reaction came after a video surfaced which showed two of the accused — Shikhar Agarwal, who was a Jeetu Fauji — being garlanded by their supporters amidst cheers and sloganeering in what appear to be a festive

Uttar Pradesh Deputy Chief Minister Keshav Maurya told reporters that his party or

**Douse Amazon** 

students to Brazil

The City of Joy is back to what it is best known for

rising up to a cause. In a rare

show of eco-consciousness,

hundreds of school students

from Kolkata on Monday

marched at the Brazil

Consulate where they submit-

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fire: Kolkata

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government had nothing to do with the incident.

"If supporters and relatives of someone who has been released from the jail welcome them, the Government or the BJP have nothing to do with it. The Opposition need not exaggerate such things," Maurya

Inspector Subodh Kumar Singh was killed last year in December in mob violence were found near Mahaw village, officials had said then.

Six accused were released

on bail on Saturday by a court he said.

Reacting to their grand welcome, slain police officer's son Shrey Pratap Singh said on Monday that such elements are better behind bars than be allowed to roam free.

"I urge Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath that these criminals who were in jail for six months should be behind bars in the interest of society. Those who people out of jail are danger not just for me but also for others,"

The deceased inspector's wife also questioned as to why the accused "got freedom in just six months"

Inspector Singh, who went to restore order on that fateful day, was targeted by a mob of nearly 400 people.

A video of the attack, where a crowd could be seen opening fire and shouting "goli maaro" (shoot him), had do it again. I believe that such Minister Yogi Adityanath ordering a probe by a Special Investigation Team.

### **NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

The Executive Engineer, Office of the Director General, SSB, East Block-V, R.K. Puram, New Delhi 110066 on behalf of the President of India invites percentage rate e-tenders from approved and eligible contractors of CPWD, MES, Railways State PWD Contractors & PWO's up to 1500 Hrs. on 03/09/2019 for the following work at Force Head Quarter, SSB, New Delhi - 110066

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:- 27/08/2019 at 0900 Hrs :- 03/09/2019 at 1500 Hrs :- 04/09/2019 at 1530 Hrs.

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2.	Mitul Biswas/ Subrotah Biswas/ LBDEL00001722552	B- 19, Residential Villa, Park Side Villa, Plot No. 201, Shastri Puram Road, Vayu Vihar, Agra/ August 20, 2019	March 30, 2019 Rs. 29,93,497/-	Delhi

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### SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

General public is hereby informed that a man namely Kisori S/o Santram, R/o H.No.389&392, 1st Floor, J.J colony, Shahbad Dairy, Sector-26, Rohini, Delhi has been missing/kidnapped since 20.07.2019 from the area of P.S. Shahbad Dairy, Outer North District, Delhi. In this regard a DD No. 150-A dated 02.08.2019, has been lodged at P.S. Shahbad Dairy, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the missing/



kidnapped man but no clue has come to light so far. The

description of the missing/kidnapped man is as under: Name: Kisori, Gender: Male, Age: 40 years, Height: 5'4". Complexion: Fair, Face: Long, Bulit: Thin, Wearing: Orange

colour T-Shirt and Orange colour Half Pant. If anyone has any information regarding this missing/kidnapped man, kindly inform SHO/ Shahbad Dairy, Delhi.

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### PAPER WITH PASSION = **Normalising Kashmir**

People cannot be looked at as enemies of the State even as we score in diplomacy at G7



e may have been able to blunt the edge of the Trumpian kind of Twitter diplomacy, which blows hot and cold over the US position on Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) and is now in line with India's argument that the Valley is our internal matter and a bilateral concern with Pakistan. But we may not be able to hold off till we get round to normalising the situation on the ground. It is the Modi 2.0's diplomatic triumph of convincing the world, particularly the Islamic nations, that the abrogation of Article 370 was well within legal

parameters of a sovereign nation, but it is equally important that the lockdown shouldn't be prolonged so much as to trigger a debate on rights violations, denial of basic freedoms or flaunting supremacist behaviour. First, we have got to accept that an overturning of status quo that has so far defined the identity of Kashmiris and their engagement with the mainstream will but evoke unpleasant reactions, so distrust is a given. As a democracy, we should have the strength to stomach dissent and in Kashmir, allow contrarian viewpoints their space of expression if not accommodation, rather than suspect them to be enemies of the State and alienate them further. Militarisation has only frightened the common Kashmiri, who should have been made to feel that the changeover would not affect his/her daily life but could perhaps improve it in the long run, and look at the revocation of Article 370 as an offensive assault on the right to live and the basis of a long-drawn conflict than peace. It is not just the politics but the crippling of the local economy that cannot be allowed to drag on. In the age of communication, people still have to walk up to 10 km to find a phone booth to connect with their folks over landline as mobile networks may be silent for some more time. People cannot be greeted in their own community and neighbourhood by more than 10 people as that would amount to fomenting trouble. Such is the mistrust that some stone-pelters, who are defying curfew in sporadic bursts, attacked a truck of a fellow Kashmiri, thinking it belonged to the security forces. And buying daily rations certainly doesn't do anything for the consumerist economy. Even those are in short supply. The worst-hit are the tourist operators and apple growers. Asia's second largest apple market at Sopore is going empty, prices have crashed and farmers find it cheaper to trash unsolds as waste than repackage them for further use. These apple farmers, already in a debt trap, have no way of clawing their way out of it. The State's horticulture sector, too, has been hit for one cannot ensure a coordinated flow in supply-chain management. All hotel bookings have been cancelled in the festive season, when a huge inflow of domestic tourists would keep Srinagar and surrounds buzzing. Existing small and medium-scale businesses are gasping, delivery service startups are on the verge of a meltdown with stoppage of services, the flight of labour and in the absence of internet. Of course, the Government has promised an investors' summit in October but it should make sure that the atmosphere exists for both investors and local entrepreneurs to feel safe in the first place and carry on business operations uninterruptedly. Or else the economic incentive will matter little in what is being perceived as an economic blockade of sorts. Anyway, given its terrain, there are limitations to long-gestation projects and, therefore, the doable sectors need to be up and running.

Of course, there is a political vacuum that has been created with the arrest of mainline party leaders, who have for years helmed the pro-India movement, albeit serving their selfish interests too. This along with the information shutdown and fear psychosis have created a dark whirlpool that could throw the Valley into a dangerous tailspin if an attempt at empowering the locals is not made in some way, be it as encouraging an alternative leadership or facilitating local self-governance. Right now, there's the government and the people with no filters in between and there's all the more reason to not appear confrontational and ruin our new diplomatic paradigm.

## **Global star**

PV Sindhu is a world champion but she is so much more than that



oon after PV Sindhu climbed to the top step of the podium at the world championships and accepted her medal, a needless controversy seemed to have erupted on the social media, as one always does. After some claimed that Sindhu was the greatest athlete that India has produced, a lot of "whataboutery" began, but the claim had a point. P V Sindhu is the greatest athlete in an individual sport that modern India has produced. She is no one-hit wonder, honing and developing her skills for years, going through

several ups and downs and while this might be her greatest success, she has also failed earlier at the top level. But she does make you believe. And win.

Her competitiveness and mental fortitude — not least the fact that she lost to the same opponent at a final after the longest match in top-tier women's badminton history — to come back and become champion is remarkable. Yet she was not consumed by the hype machine that surrounds top athletes, especially in a country crying out for them. And while Sindhu is coached by Korean coach Kim Ji Hyun, a former Olympic Gold medallist, the contribution of Pullela Gopichand, India's badminton maven, in shaping this 25-year-old into becoming the champion she has, cannot be ignored. It is a pity that the same coach cannot win the Dronacharya Award multiple times because Gopichand makes a very strong case. He is the singular reason that India has a production line of badminton talent and the racket sport has become possibly the most played and followed in the country. Now with Sindhu's success, that will only increase. More than anything else, PV Sindhu is an inspiration to many young Indians that through hard work and dedication — the strict routine at Gopichand's badminton academy is legendary — success in sport is attainable. It is likely that the mantle that she has achieved will be taken over by any one of the many young boys and girls rising through the ranks. It is also proof of how an Indian sports federation, usually a victim of venal internecine politics, can ensure that it can enable a production line of success. The Badminton Association of India (BAI) deserves credit. Through the success of Sindhu and others like Saina and Srikanth, it has fulfilled its key role of popularising the sport in the country, encouraging millions to pick up the racket. For the sport that the British colonialists claim to have invented in Pune, success has come home. The triumph of PV Sindhu is also a reminder to middleclass Indian parents that great success in sport can come through dedication and commitment and reap financial rewards, too. Success truly has many fathers but make no mistake that without the person herself, it wouldn't have been possible. PV Sindhu take a bow.

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## Voices of sanity at last

Some prominent members of the Congress Party are now advising colleagues and political fellow travellers to come to terms with reality



A SURYA PRAKASH

t last, we are now hearing some voices of sanity in the Congress! After practising politics of abuse for months and years and being in denial ever since they were reduced to a rump in the Lok Sabha after the parliamentary election in 2014, some prominent members of the Congress Party are now advising party members and political fellow travellers to come to terms with reality. Jairam Ramesh, one of the saner voices in the party, who has often tried to ensure that his political loyalty does not cloud his judgement, has recently said that demonising Prime Minister Narendra Modi all the time is not going to help the Congress because Mr Modi's governance model is not a "complete negative story".

He seemed to be particularly impressed by Mr Modi's "economics of governance" and the Ujjwala Scheme to provide cooking gas connections to women in poor households across the country, which has given the Prime Minister political traction. Abhishek Manu Singhvi, another senior member of the party, soon joined the chorus to say that "demonising Modi was wrong." The decisions of the Modi Government "must be judged issue wise and not person wise." He even went further to say that "the Ujjwala scheme is only one amongst other good deeds."

This is quite in contrast to the constant criticism of the Prime Minister by the party's top leadership, including Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi on every issue. In fact, though the Modi Government has taken many significant decisions, which have won acclaim all round the country, there is not a single instance when Mr Modi's work has been acknowledged by members of the Nehru-Gandhi family.

As regards abrogation of Article 370, the decisive move made by the Modi-Shah combine has stunned the Congress Party and made its leaders run hither and thither. The utter confusion among the party brass is rooted in the party's loud commitments to "protect" 370 at any cost. Only last April, the Congress declared in its manifesto for the Lok Sabha election that "nothing will be done or allowed to change the constitutional posi-

Having thus dug itself in on this issue, the party had nowhere to go but to plug this moth-eaten line, which has been a drag on India's unity and integrity. So, we had Rahul Gandhi declare loftily that national integration cannot be achieved by "unilaterally tearing the state apart." Priyanka Gandhi tweeted and asked "Does the Modi-Shah Govt

Sadly, the Congress does not appear to have a mind of its own on such critical national issues. Since the late 1960s, when then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi needed Communist crutches to run her government, the party has been nose-led by Left-wing politicians and intellectuals, resulting in the complete abandonment of its nationalist ide-



approach of Left leaders, including Sitaram Yechury, who have demanded that Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) be restored to its earlier status. However, the party's response to the 370 issue is not to be seen in isolation. It is in line with the scepticism and distrust it has displayed even in regard to the daring surgical strike carried out by the Indian Army to eliminate several terrorist launch pads across the Line of Control in J&K on September 29, 2016. While the entire country

hailed the bravery and commitment of our soldiers and the surgical precision with which the Army had targeted terrorist hide-outs across the border, the such "surgical strikes" had been carried out when it was in However, there were few

takers for this story. While one leader of his party in Maharashtra said the surgical strike was "fake",



THE INTOLERANCE OF THE **NEHRU-GANDHIS** TO THE **ACHIEVEMENTS** OF OTHER NATIONAL LEADERS FROM THE DAYS OF SARDAR PATEL DR BR AMBEDKAR ESTABLISHED

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ried out. Rahul Gandhi accused the Prime Minister of trying to make "political capital" out of surgical strikes. The disrespect it showed towards the Indian Air Force (IAF) after its daring airstrike on Jaish-e-Mohammad Training Camps in Balakot on February 26, 2019 was even more shocking. Chidambaram criticised the government's claim about the number of terrorists who had been killed in the IAF strike. Another Congress leader, Navjot Singh Sidhu, seemed to debunk the purpose of the strike by asking "Were you uprooting terrorists or trees? Was this an election gimmick?"
Finally, what about the phe-

Chidambaram demanded

"proof" that the strike was car-

nomenal success of several social sector schemes launched and delivered by the Modi Government? The Ujjwala Scheme, which proved to be a game-changer, has ensured domestic cooking gas connections to 60 million households with another 20 million in the pipeline over the next year or so. Similarly, the medical insur-

cover of ₹5 lakh per poor household per year is the biggest health insurance scheme in the world. Similarly, the Jan Dhan Yojana, which ensured that all people below the poverty line opened bank accounts, has been a spectacular success, resulting in the opening of over 360 million new bank accounts. This, too, is a global record. There are many more such schemes which have been planned and executed by the Modi Government but members of the Nehru-Gandhi family have never ever acknowledged the efficacy of any one of them. Taking a cue from them, members of the Congress Party have spent their time poohpoohing these schemes and thus losing support of the mil-lions of citizens who have benefitted from them.

The intolerance of the Nehru-Gandhis to the achievements of other national leaders from the days of Sardar Patel and Dr BR Ambedkar is now a well-established truth and has been adequately chronicled in recent years. The family got away with this for many decades, but the people have now begun to see through the pettiness and jealousy that permeates the family's responses in this regard. More importantly, public awareness has resulted in diminishing electoral dividends for this family. If the Congress Party is to cut s, us respoi ment decisions and schemes will have to be more credible. Jairam Ramesh has shown the way. Hope others will follow!

(The writer is an author specialising in democracy studies. Views expressed are

### SOUNDBITE

If India wants peace, we're standing (ready) for peace but if they want a war, we're standing prepared for a war.

Pakistani Minister —Fawad Chaudhry



I am against a lifestyle that goes against nature. Although I have a luxury car I carpool, which is the logical solution to control pollution.

Actor Richa Chadha



Is this step of Congress leaders and others going to Kashmir without permission not giving the Centre and the J&K governor opportunity to do politics?

**BSP** president



One should learn institutional control from the BJP. No government has done it earlier, Fear FD, CBI - this is new democracy.

SP chief —Akhilesh Yadav



### LETTERS THE

**Now Sindhu must focus on Tokyo Olympics** 

### Sindhu an inspiration

Sir — PV Sindhu created history by becoming the first-ever Indian to claim a gold in the BWF Badminton World Championship. With this win, Sindhu has exorcised the ghost of heart-wrenching losses in 2017

Sindhu, a Hyderabad girl, has been in the international limelight for several years at the BWF World Championships since 2013. Her hard-working and rigorous training prelude to the world championship made her a winner from the start. And in the final match, her constant peppering of Okuhara with smashes was reminiscent of a fastbowler torturing a tail-ender with aggressive bowling. What really did work in India's favour was her ability to keep at it without taking her foot off the gas. Moreover, she did not allow Okuhara to breathe, making her run to the corners. Sindhu's victory is indeed inspiring to those who aspire to conquer the world. She certainly is Prakash Padukone's true successor.

TK Nandanan

### his refers to the article 'Champion for the ages' published on August 26. Till now, women's badminton was known for sophisticated talent and delicate wrist work

and not for the savage aggression and hitting that was on full display on the court in PV Sindhu's match against Japanese arch-rival Nozomi Okuhara. A gold medal was long overdue for this extremely talented shuttler, considering that Sindhu began this journey in 2013 with a World Championship bronze at the age of 18. Since then, she has won silver and bronze medals at the Olympics, Asiad and Commonwealth Games, but a gold medal had always eluded her. Sindhu on Sunday became the first Indian to win the BWF World Championships. So she has achieved a long-cherished dream of hers and that of the nation.

With her fifth medal at the World Championships, Sindhu is now the joint highest medal winner in women's singles in World Championships history, along with former Olympic champion Zhang Ning of China, who won an identical set of 1 gold, 2 silver and 2 bronze medals



between 2001 and 2007. Sindhu sacrificed a lot to achieve this feat and among other things, she kept away from her phone for a good two months. That is the kind of dedication that is required to achieve great success. Now, with the next Olympics less than a year away, she must choose her tournaments judiciously and reserve her energy and best performance for Tokyo.

### An astute politician

Sir — Former Finance Minister Arun Jaitley was a gentleman, who contributed a lot to the nation. He was among the rare breed of politicians whose only focus in life was the development of the country rather than political upmanship. Using his superior intellect, Jaitley was able to

strike a fine balance between his political duties and personal friendships. For him, there existed no political party but just the nation that was to be served with all honesty and passion. His contribution to India, his sharp wit and intellect and speeches peppered with shlokas from Hindu scriptures will be missed. Mayank Khatri

### Jaitley will be missed

Sir — The Indian political scenario will miss an erudite and sound politician like former Finance Minister Arun Jaitley. As a Cabinet Minister holding different portfolios, his contributions to NDA-I and NDA-II were immense. His exemplary oratorical skills can never be for-

gotten. Even when his party was out of power, he maintained a strong say as the Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha. His loss will be felt acutely by all countrymen.

Adrian David

### **Mockery of law**

Sir — Former Finance Minister P Chidambaram, who was arrested by the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) in the INX Media scam, had allegedly abused his power and authority in benefitting the firm. The CBI, however, could not arrest him for one year due to relief from courts. Sadly, high profile politicians in India sometimes go unpunished as they engage reputed lawyers, something that is impossible for the poorer and middle classes to afford. Thus, the rule of law is circumvented and not enforced like it should be, irrespective of status and position.

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### FIRSTCOLUMN

### Half-baked reforms won't work

Given India's unsatisfactory progress in maternal health, a multi-pronged approach is needed to ensure healthy lives for mothers and their babies



SOUMITRO CHAKRABORTY

ver the last few decades, India has confronted several major socio-economic changes. The country has witnessed profound shifts in politics and policy, diplomacy and digitisation. However, what has remained unchanged is the state of public healthcare services. The Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana Abhiyan (PMJAY) may be one of the world's largest publicly-funded health insurance schemes but it is certainly not the finest. Fundamental impediments like inadequate health infrastructure and low doctor-to-patient ratio remain a roaring challenge. Perversely, the deficit is acute in both rural and urban areas. There is an increasing dependency on private healthcare services. India has one of the world's highest rates of out-of-pocket spending in healthcare, thus pushing the people into the poverty trap.

We are the world's sixth largest economy with a Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of \$2.6 trillion, yet we have not addressed crucial indicators like Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) and Infant Mortality Rate (IMR). Government policies and schemes may boast of attempting to achieve universal healthcare and free treatment but delivery mechanisms have faltered frequently. India continues to add almost a fourth to the worldwide maternal morbidity and mortality even after renewed efforts. As reported by UNICEF in 2017, around 44,000 women in our country die annually due to preventable pregnancy-related causes. Janani Suraksha Yojana (JSY), a maternity benefit scheme of the Union Government, which ensures a conditional cash transfer to underprivileged and marginalised sections for promoting institutional delivery, had very little impact in reducing

Though the policy led to a phenomenal rise in institutional deliveries thanks to Accredited Social Health Activists (ASHA), it failed to address crucial components like antenatal care and neonatal care. The "incentive" structure of the JSY resulted in sluggish progress. To supplement JSY, the Government launched the Janani Shishu Suraksha Karyakram (JSSK), that focussed on other vital aspects such as transportation, medicines, C-sections and care for sick newborns, which were free of cost. However, a few incidents were reported where patients had to pay from their pockets for even basic items like syringes and gloves. Inadequate implementation of the scheme has resulted in no-takers for the benefits.

Yet another scheme, the Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan (PMSMA) introduced in 2016, appears to be comprehensive and has all the components of maternal healthcare. But to make the policy a success, State Governments need to be committed towards executing it in a coherent and transparent manner. We can ensure steady progress with an all-inclusive schedule of activities, including educating and empowering women about maternal health, family planning initiatives, reproductive wellness and sanitation and hygiene. Actions have to be coupled with transparent communication tools, including effective Information Education and Communication (IEC), Interpersonal Communication (IC) and Behaviour Change Communication (BCC). The potential of communication methods like documentaries, nukkad natak, puppet shows and community radio campaigns cannot be overlooked.

Further, it is essential to develop a consistent skill and knowledge-building process around efficient management of labour and delivery across health centres. To be precise, "respectful maternity care" must be provided to the mothers, which includes a clean bathing place and toilet, warm place for the child and privacy for breastfeeding. Healthcare centres require well-planned Emergency Obstetric Care (EMOC) training programmes that can achieve twin objectives. First, train the obstetricians, nurses and nursing attendants. Second, strengthen the skills of frontline workers, ASHA workers and Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (ANM). Such an integrated approach can be made effective if training schedules are formulated on evidence-based clinical guidelines and techniques. It must be an uncompromising arrangement that adheres to strict guidelines and subdues harmful practices. Government interventions both at the national and State level must be strategised through a series of care, beginning from pregnancy care to childbirth and finally postpartum care. Statistics on maternal deaths must not be taken lightly. We need a steady momentum to transform the "silent emergency" of maternal deaths into a war-cry as it is a matter of basic human rights for survival and social justice for women.

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### POINTCOUNTERPOINT

I THINK THE J&K GOVERNOR MUST BE MADE THE BJP CHIEF FOR J&K BECAUSE HIS BEHAVIOUR AS WELL AS STATEMENTS ARE MORE LIKE THAT OF A BJP LEADER.

> —CONGRESS LEADER **ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY**





BY SAYING WHAT HE (ADHIR) SAID IN PARLIAMENT, HE BURIED HIS PARTY IN THE GRAVE. WHAT DO I SAY ON HIS KNOWLEDGE?

—JAMMU AND KASHMIR GOVERNOR

## Promote self-sufficiency

The big bang reforms proposed by the Government for the oil and gas sector are laudable but without a stable and predictable policy environment in place, they can't make much headway



UTTAM GUPTA

→ he Union Government is considering farreaching reforms in the gas sector. These include the setting up of a local gas trading platform to facilitate price discovery, stripping the power sector off its priority status by withdrawing priority allocation of natural gas and hiving off the transportation unit of the Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL), a public sec-

Authority of India Limited (GAIL), a public sector undertaking (PSU) which currently holds an overwhelming 75 per cent share of the gas transmission network.

The stated objective of these reforms is to enable energy firms to invest in exploration and develop gas fields so as to encourage indigenous production and ensure that the country attains self-sufficiency in this major source of clean energy (currently 50 per cent of our domestic gas is imported). While the Government's move is laudable, the moot question is whether the proposed measures will question is whether the proposed measures will help it come anywhere closer to the goal. The answer will be a categorical "no". The biggest stumbling block towards this is the lack of a "stable" and "predictable" policy environment.

As per the guidelines effective since November 1, 2014, for all domestic supplies covered under the New Exploration and Licensing Policy (NELP) as also the blocks given on "nomination" basis to Oil Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) and Oil India Limited (OIL) under pre-NELP, the price (call it normal price) is a weighted average of the costs at four international locations in the US, the UK, Canada and Russia. As per this formula, from April 1, 2019, the price is \$3.72 per million British thermal unit (Btu).

Under a special package for deep/ultra-deep and high-pressure/high-temperature (HP/HT) fields announced in March 2016, the supplies therefrom are allowed a "premium" price and are linked to the prices of alternate fuels, including fuel oil, naphtha and imported Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG). The current rate determined on this basis is almost double than the

Then there's a third pricing mechanism that exists for fields given under the Open Acreage Licensing Policy (OALP), which was introduced in July 2017. Supplies from these fields — conventional gas as well as unconventional hydro-(CBM) — are eligible for market-based price. The same also applies to unconventional hydrocarbons from the fields that come under NELP.

ONGC and OIL have 149 small and marginal oil and gas fields that account for a mere five per cent of their total output (courtesy the little attention they receive from PSUs). The Government intends to auction them to private entities. After the transfer, new owners will get complete marketing and pricing freedom of supplies from these fields. In short, the pricing structure is highly differential and has varying prices, depending on the source of supply and hydrocarbon type. Strangely, it also depends on the operator in question.

In 2014, when the process of formulating the new pricing policy was under way, energy companies — both private and public sector — lob-bied hard to adopt market-based price for all supplies. But the Modi Government opted for a for-



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mula-based price applicable to all. The Government's stated logic behind rejecting a market-led price was that since the gas market in our country is at a very nascent stage and supply falls short of demand, this mechanism may lead to a sharp increase in price, which user industries, particularly fertilisers and power (together they consume nearly 3/4th of the available gas), may not be able to afford.

There was merit in the argument and the Government ought to have continued with a "uniform" policy for all supplies. Even then, seeking a higher price for a deepwater high pressure, high temperature field is untenable as high temperature field is untenable as it is expected to contain much larger reserves than a shallow or on-shore with the same price. Likewise, giving higher market-based price for shale gas or CBM from an existing field under NELP, where all costs have already been fully recuperated under the subsisting "profit sharing" contract, makes no sense. But it buckled under continuing pressure from lobbyists, thus giving birth to the present chaos.

Firms may have managed higher price (via "premium" or market-based price) but there is no guarantee that this alone can yield higher production as other factors, such as their ability to stick to output projections among other things, also come into play. In fact, these factors may work negatively. Take the example of the Krishna Godavari Dhirubhai 6 (KG-D6), operated by Reliance Industries (RIL). Against an initial estimate of over 10 trillion cubic ft (tcf), the actual reserves turned out to be a mere about 2 tcf. As a result, production from this high-profile field plummeted to less than 10 million standard cubic metres per day (mmscmd)

against the promised 80 mmscmd.

No wonder, gas production has declined from a high of about 52 billion cubic metres during 2010-11 to around 33 billion cubic metres during 2018-19. This prompted the Government to come up with new ideas like a local gas trading platform and stripping power plants of their priority status. Both these ideas are bizarre. The distribution of domestic gas is

totally under Government control. It is decided by an inter-ministerial commit-Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (MPNG). Of the total supply, a maximum quantity, 31 per cent, is given to the power sector, 24 per cent to fertilisers while 22 per cent is allotted for city gas. There is no gas left for trading. In this backdrop, what will a trading platform do? What will be the relevance of the price discovered on such a platform? To which supplies will this price apply when almost all of it is regulated and applicable prices pre-determined?

As regards power, the Government gives a boost to gas-based power plants (at 25,000 MW, these plants account for about 10 per cent of the total generation capacity) by assuring supply of domestic gas on top priority and charging low price. Then suddenly, it seeks to withdraw the priority status. This will

result in steep increase in gas prices and exterminate them as well

Today, there is an unholy mix of controls and market-based principles. This is more dangerous than total control on all aspects, which anyway is not desirable. Doing things in fits and starts (as may be seen from a flurry of policy changes during the last three years) will not take us anywhere. There is an urgent need for holistic reforms in the hydrocarbon sector.

The Government must dismantle the existing regime of gas allocation and highly differentiated pricing for a variety of supply streams. Concurrently, it should deregulate import of LNG (currently all gas imports are canalised through PSUs such as GAIL). Together tion (of imported LNG) and transportation infrastructure from GAIL, this will create an ecosystem that will ensure adequate availability (domestic plus import) of gas to meet the demand. This is the way forward for the development of competitive markets.

This may as well result in a slight increase in price over the current formula-based level yet, it will remain well below the exorbitant level currently promised to specified supply sources. This will also offer a "stable" policy environment for energy companies to invest in exploration and development of oil and gas fields. The larger question, however, is will the Modi Government crack

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the whip on these reforms?

## A marketplace for political exchange

The study of the bazaar in the context of politics is not that old despite the fact that it has played a significant role in the politics of various Muslim countries



NADEEM PARACHA

n August 8 this year, the powerful Anjuman-i-Tajiran Pakistan called off a four-day shutter-down strike in Lahore. The traders' organisation had announced the shutdown due to the Government's new taxation policies. There were rumours that the military establishment had aided the Government in getting the traders to call off the strike. True or not, the fact is that a rebellion from the so-called "trader classes" in a Muslim-majority country is always treated as a possible precursor to an uprising against a sitting Government.

Ever since the late 1970s, organised traders have played a significant role in the politics of various Muslim countries, especially in Iran, Pakistan, Turkey and Egypt. This is often explained as 'bazaar politics'. The word bazaar has Persian origins and means an enclosed marketplace. Twentieth century Marxist analysis saw bazaar politics at the core of the political and economic action of the petit bourgeoisie (lower-middleclasses) even though many political scientists have also seen it as an extension of middle class political

The study of the bazaar in the context of politics is not that old, despite the fact that they have been integral economic and physical mainstays of Muslim-majority regions for centuries. The expression "bazaar politics" first emerged soon after the 1979 revolution in Iran. Traditional bazaars of the country played a noteworthy role in the turmoil which toppled the powerful Shah of Iran.

The action in this respect was initiated by trader and merchant groups operating inside Iran's many bazaars. The revolutionary movement against the monarchy was driven by various forces, which included the communists, secular democrats and the Islamic clergy. But it was the bazaars which eventually tilted the scale in favour of the clergy and the revolution became "Islamic."

The participation of groups formed inside Iran's traditional marketplaces by traders, merchants and shop owners in the revolution was influential enough for political scientists to begin studying the concept of bazaar politics. Many such studies discovered that some political activity in this context did take place prior to the 1979 revolution. But it was during and after the revolution that the bazaar emerged as a major political

ME Bonine and NR Keddie in Modern Iran Dialectics demonstrate that the Shah's "modernisation" policies briefly benefitted the economy of the bazaars. However, this modernisation sought to shift economic activity away from traditional marketplaces to modern souks and emporiums

But this did not see the traditional marketplaces recede. Instead, with the continuing influx of migrants from rural and semi-rural areas to the cities, the traditional bazaars were "ruralised." Their owners and consumers now overwhelmingly came from petit bourgeoisie backgrounds and from transitional segments perched between traditional agrarian economics and modern urban capitalism.

Due to the disorienting impacts of haphazard modernisation, the customary bonds between the bazaars and the clergy strengthened. This aided the clergy during the revolutionary turmoil. No wonder then, Iran's Íslamic regime immediately inducted many members from bazaar organisations in the new regime.

Something similar happened in Pakistan. Riaz Hassan's 1985 study, Religious, Political and Social Change in Pakistan, demonstrates that increasing and unplanned urbanisation between the late 1960s and the late 1970s left a large segment of the population, leading a highly precarious existence which was subjected to all kinds of exploitation.

This generated a considerable amount of disillusionment with modernist Governments and their policies of economic and social development. The persistent insecurity of urban existence among many shopkeepers, traders and their families, over the years, resulted in the emergence of various religious movements. The number of mosques in

the cities multiplied and, through them, religious influences further permeated social life. Much of this took place in the urban bazaar areas of

The late political scientist Khalid Sayeed writes in Politics in Pakistan: The Nature and Direction of Change that the bazaar's first major political endeavour in Pakistan was during the 1977 protest movement, against the populist ZA Bhutto regime. However, according to Phillip E Jones, the bazaar was active during the 1968 anti-Ayub movement as well. But Sayeed is correct in pointing out that trader outfits were not as radicalised in the 1960s as they became in the 1970s.

Sayeed writes that the traders had welcomed the Bhutto regime's rhetoric against big businesses but quickly turned against him when he began to nationalise small and medium enterprises. As mentioned by Hassan, by the mid-1970s, the bazaar had already established close links with the clergy and these rapidly extended to the country's religious parties. Umair Javed, in his essay for the anthology New Perspectives on Pakistan's Political Economy, writes

that mosques were extensively used in bazaars to propel protests against the Bhutto regime.

Just as influential figures of bazaar politics were co-opted by Iran's "Islamic" regime, the conservative General Zia dictatorship in Pakistan appropriated various powerful trader outfits, many of whose members became part of the local,

provincial and national Assemblies. From the 1980s onward, Pakistani bazaar politics has continued to operate through pressure groups that keep Governments from imposing economic policies that are seen as unbeneficial to traders and shopkeepers. Trader organisations and alliances in the bazaars have also retained their exhibition of "piety" and they often associate themselves with, and even spearhead, campaigns against certain religious minorities and against any move to reform the "Islamic" entries in the

Constitution. The Pakistan Muslim League (N) inherited the bazaar as a constituency in the 1990s. But by the 2018 election, this constituency (in the Punjab) had split between PML-N, Pakistan Tehreek-i-Insaf and Khadim Hussain

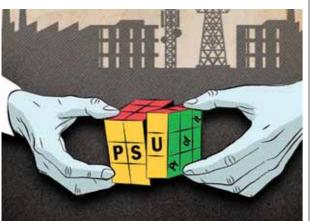
Rizvi's Tehreek-i-Labbaik Pakistan. There is no study, as such, on how the bazaar in Karachi evolved after it embraced the politics of the Jamaati-Islami and Jamiat-i-Ulema Pakistan

Largely, bazaar politics of Karachi has remained pragmatic. Because even though almost as conservative as the bazaar politics of Punjab, the one in Karachi hasn't demonstrated as much support to causes that look to oust religious minorities, impose social morality or safeguard "Islamic laws," as much as Punjab's bazaars have done in the last three decades.

Maybe the ethnic diversity of Karachi keeps this from happening as the bazaars here are segmented between different ethnic groups. They are more concerned about safeguarding their respective groups' economic stakes in a highly competitive, even contentious, ethno-political environment. That's why, for example, one can expect campaigns to restrict the entry of certain minority communities in the bazaars of Punjab but no such activity has ever been reported from the bazaars of Karachi.

(Courtesy, The Dawn)

## **PSUs jump up to 10%** on capital infusion announcement



**PTI** ■ NEW DELHI

S hares of public sector banks on Monday zoomed up to 10 per cent after the government announced upfront capital infusion of ₹70,000 crore

The stock of Central Bank of India zoomed 10.08 per cent, Allahabad Bank 8.33 per cent, Bank of Maharashtra 5.98 per cent, Bank of India climbed 3.96 per cent, Union Bank of India 3.62 per cent, State Bank of India rose 3.38 per cent and Punjab National Bank jumped 3.46 per cent on the BSE

Among others, Canara Bank rose 3.39 per cent and Bank of Baroda 1.71 per cent. Finance Minister Nirmala

Sitharaman announced upfront capital infusion of ₹70,000 crore into public sector banks, a move aimed at boosting lending and improving liquidity situation.

The move is expected to generate an additional lending and liquidity in the financial system to the tune of ₹5 lakh crore, she said at a press con-

Vijay Bhushan, President at ANMI on major announcements by finance minister said another significant announcement is the infusion of liquidity by providing an upfront ₹70,000 crore to PSBs which will release liquidity of ₹5 lakh crore for easing out pressure on the banking as well as the

## No impact of US-China trade war on India: Top economic adviser

HYDERABAD

The ongoing trade war between United States America and China will not have any impact on Indian export which is just below 2 per cent of the global trade, h i e f Economic Advisor

Krishnamurthy Subramanian said on Monday.

Speaking to reporters on the sidelines of a programme here, he said the slew of measures announced by the Centre for the revival of muted growth in the economy was in the right direction, though it was necessary to focus on the 'structural reforms.'

"Our exports share is still very small. Our share of global export trade itself is about 2%. Therefore, we still have enormous opportunity to grow. Even if there is actually some shrinkage in the pie of the global trade, still we can grow our pie. Exports cannot grow unless actually we emphasise on productivity, he said when asked about the impact of the tariff war between US and China on India

"I would also add that news that the United States and China are actually sitting together and there may be a breakthrough that is coming possibly in which case will be good," he further said.

Last week, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had announced a raft of measures, including rollback of enhanced super-rich tax on foreign and domestic equity investors, exemption of start-ups from 'angel tax' and a package to address distress in the automobile sector, among others.

"The measures that have been announced actually are in the right direction. What I have said is that it is important to focus on economic growth and it is also important for us to focus on structural reforms which is what the policy announcement that I've made essential in corporate sector," he said justifying the measures announced by the Finance Minister.

According to him, the Centre would do all that is needed for the economic growth. Subramanian said investments is a key driver of the economic growth while consumption is a force multiplier.

On the proposed Rs 70,000-crore capital infusion by the Centre in public sector banks, he said, "I think this Rs 70,000 crore that has been announced for recapitalisation of banks is quite important because the financial sector matters a lot for economic growth. Credit is basically the lifeline for economic growth. Therefore that is something which actually is important."

### India's GDP to grow at 6% in Apr-Jun: Survey

PTI NEW DELHI

India's economy will grow at a median rate of 6 per cent during the first quarter of the current financial year ended June 30, according to a Ficci report. The country's economy grew at 8.2 per cent in April-June 2018-19. The growth numbers for the first quarter are expected to be released by the Central Statistics Office next week.

The recently released unemployment numbers by NSSO reaffirm the grim situation with regard to employment in the country," said Ficci Economic Outlook Survey.

It pegged the annual median GDP growth forecast for 2019-20 at 6.9 per cent, with a minimum and maximum estimate of 6.7 per cent and 7.2 per cent, respectively.

The median is the middle number in a sorted, ascending or descending list of numbers which can be more descriptive of a data set than the average.

A majority of the participating economists in the survey suggested the RBI will continue its accomodative stance, with a further cut in the repo rate in the remaining part of 2019-20.

They felt that the prevailing real interest rates were high. They also signalled that tardy deposit growth is haunting the banks as it is limiting their ability to lend and is preventing adequate transmission.

Commerce, S Harisankar-Managing Director & CEO-Punjab & Sind Bank, Vijay Dube

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Kumar Gupta-General Manager

& Convener SLBC — Delhi,

Pradeep Chauhan- General Manager & Ashutosh Choudhury-General Manager.

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### **Business** Gorn



As per advice of Railway Board, ten days long Intensive ticket checking drive ha been launched over Northern Railway from August 21, 20119 to curb touting activities, ticketless travelling, unauthorized travelling, transfer of ticket cases, misuse of emergency quota, unauthorized vending / catering, smoking and littering in railway premises and trains etc. Teams have been formed involving ticket checking staff and RPF and intensive checks have been organised by commercial



Manoj Mishra, C&MD receiving Best Fertilizer PSU Award for NFL during Dun & Bradstreet Awardsfrom Arvind Ganpat Sawant, Union Minister of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprise in a ceremony held in New Delhi on 22nd August, 2019



Minister of Commerce & Industry and Minister of Railways, Government of India, Piyush Goyal visited Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, recently. He took a review of ITPO's ambitious project of redevelopment of the exhibition complex into a modern state-of-the-art International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre (IECC) followed by



A delegation led by Uri Schor, Spokesperson, Officer of Information and W Authority of Israel had visited NDMC Headquarter at Palika Kendra on Monday. Secretary NDMC, Rashmi Singh and Uri Schor, Spokesperson, Officer of Information and Water Authority of Israel had deliberated on the issues like Water and Sewage Treatment, Reclaim flood overflow and Industrial waste purification, so as to maintain the cooperation and friendly relationship between New Delhi Municipal Council and Israel's Water Authority



MoU Signed between Department of Social Justice & Empowerment and National AIDS Control Organisation at Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi. The Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare, Science & Technology and Earth Sciences, Dr Harsh Vardhan, the Minister of State for Jal Shakti and Social Justice & Empowerment, Rattan Lal Kataria witnessing were present during the signing ceremony

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

## Govt compulsorily retires 22 tax officials on graft charges

**PTI** ■ NEW DELHI

The Government has com-1 pulsorily retired 22 tax officials accused of corruption and other malpractice as it continues to crack down on errant bureaucracy.

The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) - the agency that overseas GST and import tax collections - compulsorily retired 22 superintendent rank officers under Fundamental Rule 56(J) on corruption and other charges, official sources said.

Since June, this is the third round of sacking of corrupt tax officials. Previously 27 high ranking Indian Revenue Service (IRS) officers including 12 from CBDT - the direct ly retired using the same rule for government employees.

Sources said, the action was in line with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's address to the nation from the ramparts of Red Fort when he said some black sheep in the tax administration may have

misused their powers and harassed taxpayers, either by targeting honest assesses or by taking excessive action for minor or procedural viola-

tions.
"We have recently taken the bold step of compulsorily retiring a significant number of tax officials, and we will not tolerate this type of behaviour," a source said

The officials retired include 11 from Nagpur and Bhopal zone, most of whom are accused of connivance for facilitating clandestine manufacturing and clearance of cigarettes by an Indore-based company.

One official each is from Chennai, Delhi, Kolkata, Meerut and Chandigarh zones Mumbai, Jaipur and Bengaluru zones. In June, the government had compulsoriretired 15 commissionerlevel officials of CBIC on charges of corruption, collecting and giving bribes, smuggling and even criminal conspiracy.

General public is hereby informed

that an unidentified dead body of

male Age: 30 years, Complexion:

Fair, Height: 5'3", Face: Round,

Built: Normal, was wearing Green

colour T-Shirt, Black Colour Half

Nicker and Black Colour Sleeper,

has been found dead at Ramleela

Maidan, Near Sulabh Sochalya on

Footpath, Kamla Market, Delhi. In

P.S. Kamla Market, Delhi

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## FM likely to announce more support measures for economy: DBS

**PTI** SINGAPORE

The Government may 1 announce two more tranches of support measures over the next fortnight, following last week's economy boosting package unveiled by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, according to a report by DBS.

Sitharaman on Friday announced a raft of measures, including rollback of enhanced super-rich tax on foreign and domestic equity investors, exemption of startups from 'angel tax', a package to address distress in the auto sector and upfront infusion of ₹70,000 crore to public sector banks, in efforts to boost economic

growth from a five-year low. Taking a leaf of these recent measures, we reckon that the focus will be on finetuning measures along with an accommodative monetary policy, while steering clear of broad-based fiscal stimulus," said Radhika Rao, Economist at DBS Group Research.

The latter, nonetheless,

STARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

Kanjhawala, Delhi. The description of the missing/kidnapped girl is

as under: Age: 13 years, Height: 4'3", Face: Round,

Complexion: Fair, Wearing: School Unifrom (Checkdar Blue

Shirt & White Pant) & Black Recksin Sandle in feet.. 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

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED PERSON

or clue about this girl kindly inform to the following.

could come into play if growth risks turn starker in second half of the year and into 2020, she "While these measures

(announced on Friday) will help improve sentiments and buoy economic activity, we continue to see 30-40bps downside risks to our fullyear growth forecast," wrote

The June quarter GDP numbers due this week will mark a slowdown from March quarter's 5.8 per cent year-onvear, as consumption contracted, investments in private and public sectors weakened due to elections and services sector was sub-par.

Third quarter growth is also likely to stay weak but staresumes after the elections.

An accommodative monetary policy stance accompanied by a jumpstart in the transmission process is also expected to lower lending rates. Despite a better third quarter, evolving trends lend downside risk to DBS forecast.

General Public is hereby informed that

one girl Namely: Palak Singh, D/o Vidya

Singh, R/o: H.No.-17, Gali No.-11, A Block,

Sukhbir Nagar, Delhi has been missing/

kidnapped since 06.08.2019. from the area

of P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi In this regard a

case vide FIR No. 303/19, dated

06.08.2019 has been registered at P.S.

### convener organises inter banks meet addressed by Mukesh Kumar PNS NEW DELHI Jain — Managing Director & CEO- Oriental Bank of

Oriental Bank of Commerce-SLBC

The second stage of the bottom-up consultative at state level designed to generate ideas and review performance of Public Sector Banks and their alignment with national priorities, was initiated in Delhi. The meeting was convened by Oriental Bank of Commerce SLBC Convener-NCT Delhi and was scheduled for two days i.e. for 22nd and 23rd of August, 2019. The meeting was

### India offers 7 oil, gas blocks for bidding under OALP-IV

PTI NEW DELHI

ndia on Monday offered for bidding seven new areas for prospecting of oil and natural gas on revamped exploration terms that look to expedite cut ing domestic output. Five blocks offered are in littleexplored Vindhyan sedimentary basin, while one block is in Bengal Purnea basin. The remaining block is the proven basin of Rajasthan, according to the Directorate General of Hydrocarbons (DGH).

### **TAFE APPOINTS SANDEEP** SINHA AS CEO

New Delhi: TAFE on Monday appointed Sandeep Sinha as CEO. Sandeep Sinha joins TAFE with a successful track record spanning over two decades of global and domes-

In his previous role as Managing Director, Cummins India, he led all the businesses and operation functions in the Asia region, and has been instrumental in increasing customer engagement and leading transformational quality initiatives across the organisation.

### **SEARCH FOR MISSING**

General public is hereby informed that one girl namely Tannu D/o Kuldeep Lachab R/o H.N. 06, Arya Nagar, Bahadur Garh, Line par Bahadur Enclave, Jhajjar, Haryana, has been missing from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi since 27.03.2019, from H.N. 115 Shiv Enclave Chander Vihar, Nihal Vihar, Delhi, In this regard, a case FIR No. 570/19 U/s 363 IPC dated 16.08.2019 has been registered at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. The description of the

cic@cbi.gov.in and Website: http://cbi.nic.in

TANNU missing/kidnapped girl is as under. Age: 17 Years 6 month, Complexion: Fair, Height: 5', Face: Round, Wearing: Orange colour T-Shirt pink Lower and skin colour chappal in feet. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out her but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone has any information about the missing/ kidnapped girl then please inform P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi at following Tel No. / e-mail:

SEARCH FOR MISSING

Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641 Fax No. 011-24368639

DP/2591/OD/19

SHO

P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi

Ph.: 011-25951486, 7065036125

Sd/- S.H.O. P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi Ph. 011-25946700



General public is hereby informed that an unidentified male namely Jagdish S/o Harish Chand R/o Vegabond Age: Approx. 25 years, Height: 5'7", Complexion: Sallow, wearing black colour checkdar shirt and grey colour jeans pant, was found unconscious on 12.08.2019 at Shah International School, Ambika Vihar, Paschim Vihar, Delhi.

He was admitted in SGM Hospital, Mangol Puri, Delhi vide MLC No. 12665/19. During the treatment he died on 13.08.2019. In this regard DD No. 16-B dated 13.08.2019 has been lodged at PS Paschim Vihar West, Delhi.

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

SHO - P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi. Tel. No. 011-25280980 DP/2604/OD/19



DP/6522/CD/19

a female namely Naina W/o Manish, R/o D-5, Gali No. 2, H.No. 197, Kunwar Singh Nagar, Delhi, Age: 20 yrs., Height: 5'5", Complexion Wheatish, Face : Long, Wearing Pink Colour Saree and Chappal in Feet, has been missing / kidnapped since 14.06.2019 from the area of PS.

Sincere efforts have been made by local Police to trace out the missing / kidnapped female but no clue has come to light so far. if anyone have any information about this missing

kidnapped female please inform undersigned Website: http://cbi.nic.in, Email: cic@cbi.gov.in, Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641, Fax: 011-24368639

PS. Nihal Vihar, Delhi DP/2593/OD/19. Ph.: 011-25946700, 25946710

### SEARCH FOR MISSING

this regard a DD No. 85A, dated 19.08.2019 has been

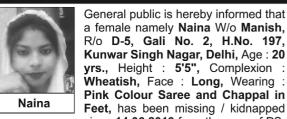
His dead body has been reserved in MAMC Mortuary for

72 Hours for identification. Any person having any

information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform

to the undersigned on the following address or telephone

lodged at P.S. Kamla Market, Delhi.



Nihal Vihar. In this regard a case DD No. 55-A dated 18.06.2019 has been lodged at PS. Nihal Vihar, Delhi

Fax: 24368639.

Tel.: 24368638/24368641

Palak Singh

Website: http//cbi.nic.in

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DP/3197/RD/19

E-mail Id - cic@cbi.gov.in

Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641

General public is hereby informed that this person namely Amit S/o Narender R/o Jhuggi No. 78, Meera Bagh, Paschim Vihar, Delhi Age: 27 years, Complexion: Sallow, Height: 5'6", Face: Round, Identification: Mentally weak, wearing grey colour Tshirt, black colour lower and hawai chapple in feet, has been missing/ kidnapped since 25.07.2019 from the

Amit area of P.S. Paschim Vihar East, Delhi. In this regard DD No. 13-A dated 27.07.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Paschim Vihar East, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this missing/ kidnapped person may kindly inform to the following. E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.in Website: http://cbi.nic.in

SHO: P.S. Paschim Vhar East, Delhi Ph.: 011-25263471, 25267286



General Public is hereby informed that one girl Namely: Yasmeen Parveen, D/o: Mod. Naseer, R/o: H. No. 340/1, Amarpuri Nabi Karim, Delhi, Age: 16 Years, Height: 5'1", Face: Round, Built: Thin, Complexion: Fair, ID Mark: Scar mark on Right Cheek, Wearing: Yellow Colour Suit, Salwar

and Blue Colour Chappal has been missing since 12.08.2019 from her house. In this regard FIR No. 296/19 U/s 363/34 IPC dated 16.08.2019 has been lodged at PS. Nabi Karim, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing girl but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about

this missing girl please inform the undersigned.

E-Mail ID: cic@cbi.gov.in Fax: 011-24368639 DP/6518/CD/19

SHO PS. Nabi Karim, Delhi Ph.: 011-23521081, 23531734

### SEARCH FOR MISSING



man namely Rakesh, S/O Sh. Surender, R/O H.No. 674, Udayan Pana, Kanjhawala, Delhi. The man has been missing since 16.08.2019 from the area of P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi. In this regard DD No. 28-A dated

17.08.2019 has been lodged at P.S.

General public is hereby informed that a

Kanjhawala, 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: Rakesh, Age: 33 Years , Height: 5'11", Complexion: Shallow, Face: Round, Wearing: Mehroon Colour Shirt, White Colour Pant and Shoes in Feet

If anyone has any information regarding this missing man,

kindly inform SHO/ P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi

P.S. Kanjhawala, Delhi Ph. No. 011-25951486, 8750870324

### DP/3191/RD/19

Email: cic@cbi.gov.in, Website: http:/cbi.nic.in Ph. : 011-23015229, 23015218 Fax: 011-23011334

**DNA**Speaks

Researchers have found that DNA sustains more damage and gets fixed less often when blood sugar levels are high compared to when blood sugar is at a normal, healthy level, thereby increasing one's cancer risk. These cancers include ovarian, breast, kidney and others



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DR PARTAP CHAUHAN

Ayurvedacharya & Director

JIVA AYURVEDA, NEW DELHI





## Keep your skin healthy

M on on on our is he severy living being on earth, the overall ecosystem with sufficient rainfall, still, it brings some serious problems with it.

According to Ayurveda rainy season is also the time for aggravation of *vata* and *pitta* accumulates, which the functional energy of our body dominant in fire element, and is primarily responsible for metabolism and digestion of food. Digestion is weak during this time. Diseases caused by pitta like hyperacidity, indigestion, skin disorders (boils, eczema, and rashes), hair loss, and infections are common in this season.

Why skin problems aggravate during monsoon?

The rainy season is responsible for aggravation of pitta, the functional energy of our body dominant in fire element, and is primarily responsible for metabolism and digestion of food. In Ayurveda, though skin diseases are caused due to imbalances in all the three doshas, the prime dosha involved is pitta. Pitta symbolises heat or fire. Therefore all those foods or activities that increase the fire element in the body should be eliminated. This includes hot, spicy, fried, oily and greasy foods. Acidic foods like tomatoes, citrus fruits, yogurt and vinegar should be avoided. Exposure to heat and sun, drinking too much tea, coffee, and alcohol, and smoking also aggravate pitta.

or three tablespoons on an empty stomach. fresh aloe vera anti-aging and

Here are a few skin care tips you can keep in mind:

Drink a lot of water:

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Drink at least eight to 10 glasses daily. Though you need to keep dry outside in this season to prevent skin problems it is to prevent skin problems it is in the dose of two important to consume adequate quantities of water to keep your skin hydrated.

Avoid alcohol-based skin cleansers: You should avoid You can also use because it irritates and dries your skin. Instead use a herbal soap or cleanser regularly to get rid of plant gel on your excess oil, grime and dust, and **skin** — **it has** of course to keep you skin free of bacterial infections.

■Use cooling herbs: It is beneficial to use the herbs that anti-tanning have cooling effects on the body properties (pitta pacifying) such as fennel, coriander seeds and Indian gooseberry (amla) for a glowing skin in monsoon. Amla helps to

detoxify the liver and aids digestion — and is also a good source of Vitamin C and other minerals. One of the benefits of taking it regularly is a flawless complexion.

Use aloe vera gel: Aloe vera gel is very beneficial for the skin because it purifies the blood. Fresh aloe vera gel can be taken in the dose of two or three tablespoons on an empty stomach every day. You can also use fresh aloe vera plant gel on your skin — it has anti-aging, anti-tanning, antimicrobial and anti-inflammatory properties.

Take mild laxatives: A clean bowel movement is imper-

ative for a healthy skin. Taking mild laxatives such as triphala powder or other natural laxatives such as prunes, figs and raisins is beneficial if you don't have clean bowel movements. A teaspoonful of triphala powder can be taken at bed time every night, with warm water or milk.

**Keep dry:** Getting a little wet or sometimes getting drenched is not uncommon when you are outdoors during the rainy season. However, don't let your skin remain wet for a long time while enjoying the monsoon showers. It is important to keep your skin folds and feet dry and clean at all times. Damp skin is a breeding ground for fungal infections.

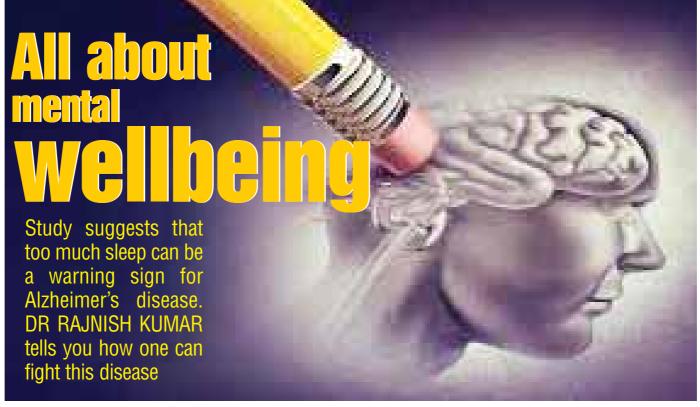
### SUMMERCOOLERS

**PRAGON FRUIT:** The dragon fruit is a pink-skinned fruit with white flesh. It is sweet and sour in taste. Dragon fruit is low in calories but is packed with nutrients, vitamins and minerals.

It is also rich in anti-oxidants which helps fight the chronic diseases. It also contains prebiotics, that can potentially improve the balance of







### The vagaries of the brain is something that mankind strives to figure, especially when it come to figuring out how to stop the gradual deterioration of the mind. Alzheimer's, one of the cruelest results of this decline, holds a special space of worry in the medical fraternity, owing to the devastating effect it has on the patients and their loved ones. Now, studies have provided a sliver of hope in proper detection and diagnosis — the initial symptoms of Alzheimer's may be depression and irritability. These are considered to be non-cognitive Follow 4 pillar signs, which appear at an early stage of life. These symptoms are noted to occur in three stages, with inter-related characterisapproach tics that meld into each other. Irritability, depression, and nighttime behavsion, and nighttime behavior changes are said to develop first. Anxiety, appetite changes, agitation, and apathy follow, at a successive pace. The third stage has a variety of mixed symptoms

Alzheimer's certainly a disease that requires the world's attention owing to the devastating effect that it has on the sufferer and imme-

diate families. It's occurrence has evolved into a public health problem, as the elderly population in developing

countries is increasing rapidly. A four pillar first hand, itself. approach is needed, in order to provide a decisive arsenal against the disease. The four pillars are as fol-

■Regular physical exercises Alzheimer's disease by up to 50 per

cent, by stimulating the brain and keeping it active.

■Increased social engagement keeps isolation, one of the root causes of Alzheimer, at bay. This essential, especially for senior citizens as a strong knit network helps

ease mental stress.

A proper diet, mostly filled While cure might be the with nuts and essential fats, combats end-line mode of combat, best is to Alzheimer effectively. They charge capacity to function properly, keeping deterioration away.

■Keep your mind occupied via activities, in order to defeat Alzheimer effectively. Studies prove that those who continue learning reduce the risk of developing new things end up keeping mental degradation at bay.

## Dental hygiene is key

Alzheimer's can arise from the unlikeliest situations as studies state that even poor dental hygiene lead to this crippling disease. Mental deterioration has evolved greatly as its origins become even more complicated. Now, dental hygiene is being portrayed as the crux towards good health, being linked to a flurry of benefits. Studies show that children that have gum-related diseases from an early age are more prone to have Alzheimer's as they grow up. Although a direct link hasn't been established, the nerve endings of the dental bridge is said to be main cause of this decline as inflammation of neurons injure nerves and inhibit communication between brain cells. Here too, precaution is a better route taken than cure. Firstly, regular dentist visits are important for prevention of gum diseases and helps maintain the dental hygiene. Your dentist can remove tartar, which is plaque buildup that can irritate the gums and lead to tooth loss. However, brushing and flossing twice daily, eating right and avoiding tobacco will help prevent gum disease. Most importantly, smoking needs to be curbed in order to maintain optimal dental hygiene. With such small, proactive steps one can kill two birds with one stone.

### **BE NATURALLY BEAUTIFUL**

Everyone wants a healthy and glowing skin. SARGAM DHAWAN tells you how organic and vegan products can help achieve this

In the pursuit of a healthy lifestyle, more men Land women are developing their interest in natural or organic ingredients due to the increased benefits which can be reaped from using these products. It is vital to include skincare products which are made with natural and botanical ingredients to maximise the fruitful impact on health. Here are some benefits of using organic and vegan skincare products.

Natural beauty products are farmed and manufactured organically, which makes them sustainable in nature. These are mostly safe to use as there are no chemicals, toxins or parabens which may affect our body. Being free from any sort of synthetics, these natural or organic skin care products cause no harm to people who have sensitivity towards particular ingredients or products.

Organic products will revive and regenerate your skin from within rather than just acting on the epidermal layer. The botanical ingredients are unlike the traditional chemicals which only work on the surface and impact the skin with long term use. Formulated with essential antioxidants and minerals, these sustainable products protect your skin from harmful polproducts protect your skin from harmful pollutants which are even safe to be used by those with sensitive skin. With powerful and potent formula, these natural products are committed to work wonders on your skin. The plant-based formula is not only good for your skin, but it is even good for the earth!

One should abstain from using chemical and synthetic products which include various toxins and parabens that can have a detrimental impact on skin and health. One can be more aware about picking the products which have chemicals and particularly should look for specific chemicals that are environmentally unfriendly and unfavorable to health. Some of the most common chemicals found in personal skin care products like methyl paraben, propylparaben, ethylparaben, and butylparaben have

damaging impact on health in the long run.

Many of these chemicals penetrate deep within the skin impacting the skin layer by layer. For instance, the chemicals in sunscreen are absorbed by our skin that can cause cancer and cellular damage. The best way to avoid these

chemicals is to apply natural sunscreen.

One should refrain from using products made with chemicals and should try to use natural products. Not only are the natural products environmental friendly and sustainable, but are also good for our skin in the long run. Though it is impossible to avoid products made with chemicals, but with proper awareness, research and a conscious effort the use of these can be that includes plant based products which are certified organic, natural and safe to use.



## Ireatment

A lzheimer's is a burgeoning issue that has taken the healthcare in a worrying path. With the increasing curve of number of people rising, it is not something

While prevention is better than cure, one needs to talk about the apt diagnosis and cure for the same. While tests should be involved to diag-

nose the stage at which the deterioration has reached, in terms of treatment, doctor prescribed medicines are a good way to control the scenario. Also creating a safe space for the patient to thrive and flourish is effective, here.

The writer is Neurologist, Paras Hospital, Gurugram

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### Hair is your crowning glory.

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ety of mixed symptoms — elation, mobility disorders,

hallucinations, delusions,

and impulsive, inappro-

priate behavior. Yet, pru-

dence is the key to dealing

of these are sure-shot indi-

cators of Alzheimer. While

one should not jump into

extreme conclusions, these

recent findings throw a

constructive light on the

early occurrences of thus

life-crippling disorder.

When they fall, it can be a cause of worry for men and women of all ages. ROSHANI DEVI shares home remedies that can be beneficial



hinning hair and or falling hair can be a cause of worry for most as they are our crowning glory. But fret not, there are some ways in which one can reduce their fall to a great extent. Onion: It is

high in sulphur contents. This help prevent hair fall. What to do? Rinse your hair with onion juice while you are washing your hair. You can also apply the onion juice on your scalp and leave it on for 30 minutes. Shampoo afterwards. Do this twice a week.

Aloe vera: You need a cup fresh aloe vera gel. If you have a plant at home, fresh gel is perfect, two tablespoons of castor oil and two tablespoons of fenugreek powder. Mix all

the ingredients. Apply the mixture to your scalp and hair. Leave it overnight. Wash with a mild shampoo. Do this twice a week Coconut: Coconut

oil can penetrate into the scalp and prevent protein loss. This helps reduce hair damage and breakage Massage virgin coconut oil into the scalp and hair. Leave it on for at least an hour before rinsing it off with a mild cleanser. Do this

at least twice a week One can use coconut milk as well. Take 1/4th cup coconut milk and warm it. Massage into the scalp for 15 minutes. Leave for 45 minutes. Wash hair with shampoo. Apply it once a week.

### ndian Institute of Technology Hyderabad ☐ researchers have derived collagen from

waste eel skin and shown that tissue scaffolds built using such collagen allow growth and proliferation of stem cells. The practical applications of this research can lead to utilising eel fish skin-derived collagen as a promising alternative to animal derived collagen, which are

The Researchers believe that sustainable utilisation of marine discarded eel skin derived-collagen for the biomedical application would boost Indian 'blue' bioeconomic growth and help in the development of an alternate industry that converts waste into useful products.

expensive and associated with

pathological diseases.

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Explaining this research and it's significance, Dr Mano Govindharaj, Young Scientist Fellow, Regenerative Medicine and Stem Cell Laboratory, IIT Hyderabad, said:

24 year old Mumbai girl who was

suffering from a rare and complex

congenital heart disease underwent a

combined heart and lung transplant at Global

Hospital, Mumbai. Akshara, a resident of

Panvel, Mumbai suffered from ventricular

septal defect since childhood and this defect

Although she was managed medically for a

very long time, her condition worsened off

late, and she had to be put on home-based

over the years led to Eisenmenger's syndrome

"Our team's finding is a valuable asset in the area of 'blue' biotechnology. The color 'blue' in biotechnology is assigned to the development of technology on the basis of aquaculture, coastal and marine biology. Our

research group at IIT Hyderabad uses a common marine waste product for producing collagen, a biomaterial that is extensively used in tissue engineering." Low immunogenicity,

porous structure, good permeability, biocompatibility and biodegradability make collagen scaffolds useful in tissue engineering applications. Collagen is usually extracted from bovine skin and tendons, porcine skin and rat tail. Such sources are associated with several problems such as the spread of diseases such as the mad-cow disease and religious constraints of using certain animals.

Extraction of collagen from non-mammalian sources is therefore attractive.

oxygen therapy. The 24-year-old underwent a combined heart and lung transplant in the

month of June, 2019 and is recovering well. Dr Sandeep Attawar, Director and Chair of the Heart & Lung Program, Gleneagles Global Hospitals said: "The final solution for Eisenmengers syndrome is a heart and double lung transplantation. Akshara is one such young girl who wasn't operated in her childhood. Heart-lung transplantation is a viable treatment option for such patients.

### **STUDY**CENTRE

**⊣**he people with restless legs syn-drome (RLS) may be at significantly higher risk of suicide and selfharm, warns a new study.

Using Big Data, the researchers found that people with restless legs syndrome had a 2.7-fold higher risk of suicide or selfharm, even if they didn't suffer from conditions such as depression, insomnia, diabetes and so on.

Restless legs syndrome causes an uncomfortable feeling in a person's legs resulting in the urge to move them, often during the night.

"Our study suggests that restless legs syndrome isn't just connected to physical conditions, but to mental health, as well," said Xiang Gao, Associate Professor at Penn State University in the US.

24,179 people who had been diagnosed with RLS and 145,194 people who did not have RLS. All participants were free of suicide

The study looked at health records of

and self-harm at the baseline of the

After analysing the data, the researchers found that people, who had restless leg syndrome, had a 270 per cent higher chance of suicide or self-harm than people who did not.

The risk did not decrease even when the researchers controlled for such factors as depression, sleep disorders and common chronic diseases.

Iran Prez makes

case for talks

as G7 gambit

slammed

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NOTICE Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provision of Regulation 33 and 29(1) (a) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations, 2015, the 03/ Requirements), Regulations, 2015, the 037 2019-20 (Which was got adjourned on 29th May, 2019) meeting of the Board of Directors of Rathi Graphic Technologies Limited ("Company") will be held on Tuesday, 03rd Day of September, 2019 at Corporate & Marketing office of the Company situated at 24/1A, Mohan Cooperative Industrial Estate, Mathura Road, New Delhi-110044 at 10.30 m. inter-alia to consider and approve the a.m. inter-alia to consider and approve the Audited Financial Results of the Company for the quarter and year ended 31st March, 2019 and any other business with the permission of the Chair.

Further Notice is hereby given that pursuan Further Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the provision of Regulation 33 and 29(1) (a) of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements), Regulations, 2015, the 05J 2019-20 meeting of the Board of Directors of Rathi Graphic Technologies Limited ("Company") will be held on Tuesday, 03rd Day of September, 2019 at Corporate & Marketing office of the Company situated at 24/1A, Mohan Cooperative Industrial Estate, Mathura Road, New Delhi-110044 at 04.30 p.m. inter-alia to consider and approve the UnAudited Financial Results of the Company for the quarter ended June 30, 2019 and any other the quarter ended June 30, 2019 and any othe business with the permission of the Chair

Further, in accordance with the SEB (Prevention of Insider trading) Regulations, 2015 and the Company's Code of Conduct for Prevention of Insider Trading, the Trading Window for dealing in the Company's securities was closed from Monday, 01st July, 2019 and will open 48 hours after the said financial results are declared to the Stock Exchange and the Public.

Raj Kumar Rathi (Managing Director) DIN: 00009569

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Mr. Deepak

Place: Delhi/NCR

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(LC No. 00000438 of Faridabad Branch) Paramjeet Kaur (Borrower) Vicky Singh (Co Borrower 1)

LC No. 00000131 of Netaji Subhash Place

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Branch) Arvind Ahuja (Borrower Suparna Ahuja (Co Borrower 1)

## **US-China trade** talks to start very **shortly: Trump**

President Donald Trump said on Monday that US and Chinese trade negotiators would "very shortly" resume talks in what he described as a breakthrough in the two economic superpowers' trade war.

"China called last night..., said let's get back to the table. So we'll be getting back to the table," Trump told reporters at the G7 summit in Biarritz. Trump said that Chinese officials had made two "very, very good calls" and that "they want o make a deal".

The president's tone was in narked contrast to the steady hardening of positions in the number one and two economies. Just last Friday, Trump sharply raised tariffs on all Chinese imports after Beijing hiked its own levies.

The United States is trying to force China into deep reforms of its trading model to end decades of practices, including rampant intellectual property theft, that US companies say prevents a level playing field.

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PUBLIC NOTICE - TENDER CUM AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
Sale Notice for sale of movable properties

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Movable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financia

Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) of the Security Interest

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the

below described movable property hypothecated/pledged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Ltd., will be sold on "As is where

The online auction will take place on the website of auction agency Car Trade Exchange (URL Link

https://www.cartradeexchange.com). The Noticee are given last chance to pay the total dues with furthe interest till date Sep 27, 2019 before 5 P.M. Failing which, these secured asset will be sold as per schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit their offer along with aforesaid earnest money deposit (as referred in

column No. (F) in a sealed envelope superscribed" offer for purchase of secured asset" so as to reach at ICICI BANK LTD., SCO-23, Sec19-C Chandigarh-160019 or our marketing agents Car Trade having their office at

Delhi- 110034 on or before Sep 27, 2019 before 5 P.M. The marketing agency has also been engaged as auctioneer for proper conduct of auction. EMD DD / PO should be from a Nationalised /Scheduled Bank

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission o

tenders, kindly contact on Mobile no. 9599281817/9650193259 of ICICI Bank Limited or 9958769761 of Car

Trade. The tenders which are acknowledged by the Bank/e-auction vendor official and registered before the

**DEMAND NOTICE** 

Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of

Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Ltd. (DHFL) under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act). In exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under section 13(2) of the said

the Security interest (Entorement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised of incer has issued berhand notices under security 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to DHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization, payable under the loan agreement read with other documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to DHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.

**Amount With NPA Date** 

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30-07-2019 /₹ 2587665 /-(₹ Twenty Five lakh Eighty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Five) NPA (01-11-2017)

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The Authorized Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any reasons thereof

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However, US allies have pressured Trump at the G7 summit in France, saying that the trade war puts the world economy at risk

Trump said that his pressure had paid off, bringing the Chinese back to the table after talks had appeared to have gone

"They hurt very badly, but they understand this is the right thing to do," Trump said.

"One of the reasons he's a great leader, President Xi..., is they understand how life works." "It's going to be great for China, it's going to be great for the US, it's going to be great for the world," he said.

'We're going to start very shortly to negotiate..., but I think we're going to make a

### Trump says Israeli warplanes hit Gaza after 'too soon' to Palestinian rocket fire: Army meet Iran's top diplomat

**AFP** ■ BIARRITZ (FRANCE)

n't want to," Trump told repor-

ters at the summit, saying he kn-

ew that Foreign Minister Mo-

hammad Javad Zarif was going

to drop in for unscheduled

talks. "I knew he was coming,"

Trump said of the visit, which

was engineered by France's

Emmanuel Macron in a bid to

break the diplomatic deadlock

over Tehran's disputed nuclear

cron) was doing and I approved

everything he was doing,'

Trump said, adding the French

president "asked for my

approval". A landmark 2015

nuclear deal between Western

powers and Iran all but collapsed

after Trump unilaterally with-

drew US support last year, reim-

posing sanctions that have crip-

G7 leaders back

HK autonomy,

call for calm

pled Iran's economy.

**AFP** ■ BIARRITZ

protest-hit city.

**¬**7 leaders meeting in

France on Monday backed

Hong Kong's autonomy as laid

out in a 1984 agreement

between Britain and China

and called for calm in the

tence and the importance of the

1984 Sino-British agreement on

Hong Kong and calls for avoid-

ing violence," according to a

joint statement issued in

French at the end of a G7 meeting in Biarritz, southwest

The city has been wracked

by more than two months of

protests over an attempt by its

Beijing-backed government to

pass an extradition bill which

"The G7 reaffirms the exis-

"I knew everything he (Ma-

programme.

Tsraeli warplanes hit Us President Donald Trump said Monday that it was "too early" to meet Tehran's top the Gaza Štrip's ruling Hamas movement early Monday in response to earlier diplomat, who made a surprise weekend visit to the G7 summit, rocket fire from the terbut insisted that Washington was ritory into Israel, the army said in a statenot looking for regime change in ment. "It's too soon to meet, I did-

Israeli authorities also announced a punitive reduction in the flow of fuel to the strip's main power station, meaning a deep cut in the already rationed electricity sup-

Three rockets were fired from Gaza into southern Israel on Sunday night, the Israeli army said.
"Three launches were iden-

tified from the Gaza Strip into Israeli territory," it said in a them were intercepted by the Iron Dome aerial defence system." "In response, a short while ago, (Israeli air force) fighter jets struck a number of terror targets in a Hamas military compound in the northern Gaza Strip, including the office of a Hamas battalion commander," a statement

opponents saw as a huge dent

into a call for greater democ-

racy and police accountability,

with youths at the forefront of

demonstrations that have at

times descended into clashes

water cannons to repel what

they termed "extremely violent"

demonstrators, following

another weekend of clashes at

Twenty-one officers were injured during the clashes, Hong Kong police said, while dozens of protesters were arrested including 12

arrested — including a 12-year-

old — for unlawful assembly,

possession of weapons and

pro-democracy rallies.

On Monday, police used

with security forces.

They have since morphed

in Hong Kong's autonomy.

Monday morning added.

A Palestinian security

source said there were no casu-

A separate statement from Israeli defence ministry unit COGAT said the latest fuel cut was personally ordered by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who is also defence

"The prime minister and minister of defence, Benjamin Netanyahu, ordered to downsize the transfer of fuel through the Kerem Shalom (border) crossing to the power station in Gaza by half, effective this morning and until further notice," it said in English.

Netanyahu is fighting for reelection in a potentially tough general election on September 17 with critics from his rightfor tougher action against the Islamist Hamas.

Nevertheless, analysts say, he is anxious to avoid escalation ahead of the polls.

Israel Palestinian militants in Gaza have fought three wars since 2008.

Since the start of August, an uptick in rocket fire and Palestinian attempts to cross from Gaza into Israel have been met with Israeli strikes, threatening a fragile ceasefire between Israel and Hamas.

Israel has also used fishing restrictions and fuel supplies as weapons, harshening and easing restrictions on the blockaded coastal strip according to

Fuel deliveries, which are coordinated with the United Nations and paid for by Gulf state Qatar, were part of the truce agreement.

They have improved electricity supply in the enclave, where until the latest cut resi-

filed the case challenging the term in 2014, told AFP on

criticised the term - used in

certificates since they were

introduced in 1961 - saying it

is "humiliating and discrimi-

Rights groups have long

### ran's President Hassan Rouhani came out strongly in favour of talks Monday as his top diplomat came under fire from hardline media for a surprise visit to a G7 summit. "I believe that for our coun-

try's national interests we must use any tool," Rouhani said in a speech aired live on state tele-"And if I knew that I was

going to have a meeting with someone that would (lead to) prosperity for my country and people's problems would be resolved, I would not hesitate. "The main thing is our

country's national interests," he said to a round of applause from those gathered at an event marking government achievements in rural areas.

Rouhani's remarks came as nis government faced criticism over the visit of Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Žarif to the French seaside resort of Biarritz on Sunday for meetings on the sidelines of the G7 summit. Zarif was invited to Biarritz

by French President Emmanuel Macron, who has been leading efforts to de-escalate tensions between Iran and its archenemy the United States.

Iran's economy has been battered by US sanctions imposed since last year when President Donald Trump unilaterally withdrew the United States from a landmark 2015 nuclear deal between the Islamic republic and world powers.

The ultra-conservative Kayhan newspaper strongly criticised Zarif's visit on Monday in an article that called the trip "improper". Kayhan said the fact that the

minister's visit was the second to France in a matter of days sent "a message of weakness and

### dents were getting around 12 hours of power a day, according to the UN. B'desh court orders 'virgin'

AFP DHAKA

The word "virgin" must be removed from Muslim marriage certificates in Bangladesh, the country's top court has said, a landmark verdict after campaginers challenged the "humiliating and discriminatory" term.

The court is expected to publish its full verdict by October, with the changes to the certificate expected to come into effect then.

### removed from marriage cert Aynun Nahar Siddiqua, a lawyer for the groups which

Monday.

Under the South Asian country's Muslim marriage laws, a bride has to select one of three options on the certificate - whether she is a Kumari (virgin), a widow or divorced. In a brief verdict on Sunday, the court ordered the government to remove the term and replace it with "unmarried", deputy attorney general Amit Talukder told

"It is a landmark verdict,"

### natory", and that it breaches the privacy of the woman getting MISSING/KIDNAPED

General public is hereby informed that one man Namely: Puran Chand, S/o: Hira Lal, R/o: B-15, J.J. Colony, Sec-24, Rohini, Delhi has been missing / kidnaped since 15.07.2019 from the area of P.S. Budh Vihar, Delhi. In this regard, a Case Vides DD No. 34-A, Dated 21.07.2019, has been lodged at P.S. Budh Vihar, Delhi Investigations has been carried out but despite best efforts, the man could not be traced. The



Name: Puran Chand, S/o: Hira Lal, R/o: B-15, J.J. Colony, Sec-24, Rohini, Delhi, Age: 42 years, Height: 5'6" feet, Face: Round, Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Yellow T-Shirt, and Black Pant and eather Chappal. If anyone has any information about the

description of the missing/ kidnaped man is as Puran Chand

missing/kidnaped man, then please inform P.S. Budh Vihar, Delhi.

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## Russia says radioactive isotopes released by missile test blast

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> Russia on Monday said radioactive isotopes were released in a recent accident at an Arctic missile test site that caused widespread alarm as authorities kept details under

The August 8 blast killed five scientists and caused a spike in radiation levels but Russia did not admit nuclear materials were involved for several days.

The accident released swiftly decaying radioactive isotopes of strontium, barium and lanthanum, news agencies reported, citing tests by the Rosgidromet national weather and environmental monitoring

Alexander Uvarov, editor

AtomInfo.Ru news site, said the isotopes did not pose a threat to the population.

These isotopes are products of nuclear fission of uranium, he told RIA Novosti news agency.

Sensors in the nearby city of Severodvinsk detected radioactive elements with a half-life ranging from a few hours to up to 12.8 days and break down into radioactive inert gases, Rosgidromet said.

"These inert radioactive gases were the cause of a brief increase" in radiation levels, it

The monitor said earlier that its sensors in Severodvinsk measured radiation levels that background levels after the accident.

independent explosion, returning to normal after two-and-a-half hours.

Russia's Rosatom nuclear

agency has said that its specialists killed in the accident were developing "new weapons" and providing support for a missile with an "isotope power source.' Norway's nuclear safety

authority said it detected tiny amounts of radioactive iodine in a region bordering Russia after the blast while it could not determine if this was related to the accident.

The Russian authorities have confirmed that a doctor involved in treating the injured had a trace of radioactive iso tope caesium-137 detected in his muscle tissue, while deny were up to 16 times higher than ing this was related to the

### **UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY** General public is hereby informed that one

unknown male person was found dead of Hanging on Tree in Shekti sthel Between M.G. Road & Road, Darya Ganj, Delhi. on Dated 23.08.2019. The dead body has been preserved at MAMC Hospital Mortuary identification for 72 hrs. In this regard Case DD No. 12A, Dated 23.08.2019. has been lodged at P.S. Darya Ganj, Delhi.

The description of the dead body is given as under Name Unknown S/o Unknown R/o Unknown Age: About 30-35 Years,

Complexion: Sallow, Height: 5'6", Face:
Round, Built: Medium, Hair: Black Beard & Moustache,
Identification Mark: "Manoj Maan" Written on Right Arm Wearing: Blue Colour Jeans pant & Shirt and Chappal in his feet. 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

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### **Ayushmann plays** bald man in Bala

The teaser of AYUSHMANN KHURRANA's forthcoming film Bala is out, and the actor is striking nostalgia into the hearts of Bollywood's first superstar Rajesh Khanna and actor Shah Rukh Khan's fans, with his quirky dose of baldness.

Directed by Amar Kaushik, the film revolves around a prematurely balding man, which is being essayed by Ayushmann.

The video begins with Ayushmann recreating SRK'S iconic Deewana bike stunt. He can be seen happily riding a bike and aping Shah Rukh's signature steps on the latter's hit song Koi na koi chahiye.

'I feel traumatised seeing how we treat nature. I am not



saying this actress, these are the things one should say irrespective

of their profession. I am one of those who always wears natural fabric. I also choose cotton over silk and leather. I am against a lifestyle that goes against nature. Although I have a luxury car, I carpool because I feel that is the logical solution to stay resourceful and control pollution. -Richa Chadha



Director NITESH TIWARI's Chhichhore tells the story of friends, who stay connected to each other even after college life.

As the cast meets, their picture is a witness to how the characters have a chemistry in real-life as well. The actors are seen enjoying their time by making quirky faces, their expressions makes people miss their college days.

### **DiCaprio commits** \$5 mn to Amazon

Hollywood star **LEONARDO DICAPRIO**'s environmental initiative called Earth Alliance has pledged \$5 million towards the preservation of the Amazon Rain Forest following the wild-

The organisation's emergency fund is working to support local partners and indigenous communities in their efforts to protect the sensitive habitats within the Amazon. The funds will be donated to five local organisa-

tions. "The largest rainforest in the world is a critical piece of the global climate solution. Without it, we cannot keep the Earth's warming in check,"

says DiCaprio

'Our generation is overconsuming resources'

Actor KANGANA RANAUT has urged people and the fashion industry to be considerate and encourage celebrities to repeat their outfits and recycle fabrics

 $B_{ ext{Ranaut has always tried to}}^{ ext{ollywood actor Kangana}}$ uphold the Indian culture by wearing sarees too often and blending it with modernity to make it more relevant. She has proudly taken Indian sarees beyond borders, a recent example being Cannes Film Festival at France, where she wore a Kanjeevaram saree paired with an embellished corset blouse.

Recently, she made headlines for wearing a plain cotton saree worth ₹600, publicly. She said that a generation that is "overconsuming resources" is noticing it. The actress has urged people and the fashion industry to be 'considerate" and encourage celebrities to repeat their outfits and recycle fabrics. She said, "I am happy that people have noticed it. I tell the fashion industry that we, as a generation, are overconsuming resources. Also, the shaming (of people) for repeating outfits and recycling fabrics should be stopped."

Remarking that we need to encourage people every time they style differently, she added, "They should appreciate that spirit. Also, we spent so much on organic stuffs when they come from fancy stores. But we don't really see the farmers and craftsmen. They are so poor that they can't even afford pesticides and synthetic fabrics and are organic, by default. We don't realise

Recently, Kangana's sister Rangoli Chandel took to social media to upload a photograph of the actress in the saree. She tweeted, "On her way to Jaipur, Kangana is wearing ₹600 saree she picked from Kolkata. She was shocked to know one can get such good organic cotton in this amount and it's heartbreaking to see how hard people work and how little they earn. Please support domestic brands before the international ones take over."

Commenting on this, the National Award-winning actor



'We spent so much on organic stuffs when they come from fancy stores. But we don't really see the farmers and craftsmen. They are so poor that they can't even afford pesticides and synthetic fabrics and are organic by default'

said, "Just because it's from a roadside shop, it doesn't mean that it's not good. When you buy it from a big store, it does make it a different stuff." Kangana said that her perception towards herself changed after she entered Bollywood and now she doesn't think of herself as a "small entity" whose contributions are irrel-

She believes that every person can contribute to the world and no matter how small, contribution is relevant. "Initially I used to think that the world is very big and I'm very small and I can't make a difference to it. But I don't feel the same any more. Believing that we are irrelevant in this scheme of things is the biggest mistake that we make," said she.

As a woman, I don't always want to get struck with big producers, actors and directors. I don't believe in this. I feel as an individual, I have a standing,"



The Venice International Film Festival has become a hotbed for discussion about the launch of Oscar hopefuls and its embrace of controversial filmmakers

t may be the oldest film festival in the world but at 76, the Venice International Film Festival is more relevant and divisive than ever. This year's festival has already become a hot bed for discussion about the Oscar hopefuls launching there, its embrace of controversial filmmakers like Roman Polanski and Nate Parker in the #MeToo era and its lack of female

Among the highest-profile films debuting in competition for the prestigious Golden Lion Award, which last year went to Alfonso Cuaron's Roma, include — James Gray's space epic Ad Astra starring Brad Pitt, Noah Baumbach's divorce drama Marriage Story starring Scarlett Johansson, Steven Soderbergh's Panama Papers comedy *The Laundromat*, with Meryl Streep, *Waiting for the Barbarians*, a JM Coetzee adaptation with Johnny Depp and Robert Pattinson, and Joker, an unconventional, Martin Scorsese inspired origin story about Batman's foe starring Joaquin Phoenix. For Joker director and co-writer Todd Phillips, the festival debut will be helpful in "educating the audience" before it opens in theatres. "We don't want to mislead people," Phillips said. "Comic book films have been giant, great spectacles and this is truly a character study," he added.

But only two of the 21 films in competition are from female directors Shannon Murphy in her directing debut with *Babyteeth*, starring Ben Mendelsohn, and *The Perfect* Candidate from Saudi Arabian director Haifaa Al-Mansour about a young Saudi female doctor who decides to run for office. It's an increase from last year, which only had Jennifer Kent's The Nightingale. To add to this, one of the coveted competition slots went to Roman Polanski's espionage thriller An Officer and a Spy. The Rosemary's Baby director has been a fugitive for more than 40 years. He fled the US after pleading guilty to unlawful sex

with a minor. The festival is also hosting the pre-



miere of American Skin, the first film from Nate Parker since a rape allegation from his past derailed the release of his Nat Turner biopic The Birth of a Nation in 2016. Melissa Silverstein, the founder and publisher of the website Women and Hollywood and co-founder of the Athena Film Festival, has been one of the most vocal critics of the programming, which festival director Alberto Barbera has defended as worthy choices.

There are festivals that are committed to making systemic change and those that felt forced to be a part of an agenda they had no interest in. The Venice Film Festival is clearly in latter camp," Silverstein said. "The only way a festival can change is if the leadership wants it to change. Nobody is expecting the change to be easy, but the message this festival is sending is that abusers are more welcome than women directors," she added.

A spot at Venice has helped launch careers, like Al-Mansour, Saudi Arabia's first female director, whose first feature Wadjda was played at Venice in 2012. "Venice has been really an important launch for my career. This time I am in the competition, this hopefully marks a new stage in my life as I grow as a director," Al-Mansour said. "I am very grateful for the opportunity to bring my voice to the world with such an amazing platform for filmmakers. But it's still very nerve-wracking. It's a big screen and a big festival."

She would like to see more women in competition, as would Olivier Assayas, who also debuted his first feature there over 30 years ago and credits the festival for putting him "on the map." Known for writing and directing films with complex female leads,

Assayas is coming this year with *Wasp Network*, based on the stories of the Cuban Five, a spy ring in the 1990s that was controversially arrested and imprisoned by the United States. It stars Edgar Ramirez, Penelope Cruz and Ana de Armas and was partially filmed in Cuba. "For a film like this it is very important to be in Venice, Toronto and New York. It gives us the kind of visibility we need." Assayas

Venice is the unofficial start of the fall film festival season, with the Toronto International Film Festival and Telluride and New York festivals following shortly after. It helps to define the films in awards discussion until the Oscars in February. Last year saw the debuts of Oscar winners like A Star Is Born, Roma and The Favourite, while in 2017 Venice premiered the eventual best picture winner The Shape of Water. It is also regarded as one of the friendlier festivals for streaming. Netflix is bringing three films this year: Marriage Story, The Laundromat, and David Michod's The King, an adaptation of several Shakespeare plays starring Timothee Chalamet.

Julie Andrews is being honoured with the Golden Lion for Lifetime Achievement, which will coincide with a retrospective screening of Victor Victoria, directed by her late husband Blake Edwards. The festival opens on August 28 with the premiere of *The Truth*, Hirokazu Kore-eda's first film set outside of Japan, which stars Catherine Deneuve as a French movie star Juliette Binoche as her estranged screenwriter daughter.

'The idea to make a film about the nature of performance came to me as soon as Juliette Binoche suggested we make a film together," he said. Koreeda also credits the festival for launching his career. The festival closes the following week with The Burnt Orange Heresy, featuring Mick Jagger as an art

(The film festival runs through

### Kareena brings the curtains down

The diva walked the ramp for designers GAURI and NAINIKA in an all-black off-shoulder ensemble grabbing eyeballs

Wrapped in an all black off-shoulder ensemble with layers of silk and net, actress Kareena Kapoor Khan brought down the curtains at the Lakme Fashion Week Grand Finale as she walked the ramp for closing designers Gauri and

She sealed the look with bold lip colour laying emphasis on Lakme's theme this season #FreeYourLips, which focussed at freedom of expression. The actress, who is the face of the make-up brand, said her association is almost 10

"Walking each season feels very special. Thanks to Lakme as I am getting a chance to strut for the best of the best. This feels more special because of Gauri and Nainika. We embody the power of women. The freedom of what women want, whether it's about getting married, wanting to work or wanting to make your voice heard," said Kareena.



Talking about the collection, the designers said that they tried to keep the range true to their DNA which is about being "glamorous and feminine." Nainika said, "This time around there has been a lot of synergy with the Lakme's new range of lipsticks. The whole sense of free your lips inspired us to create the beautiful hues as we use a lot of reds and pinks. There is a sense of lightness in the fabrics that we use, the matte lipsticks are very light weight. The freedom to experiment with the line gave me a sense of women empowerment."

Lots of oversized silhouettes and bows, with solid colours — monochrome, red, green, hot pink and golden ruled the collection along with florals and sequins. Some models wore rubber gloves and boots in hues of yellow and orange among others. Songs such as *Billie Jean* and *We belong to the* light got the models in a playful rhythm to flaunt the multi-layered ensembles.

Nainika also shared that the range is full of bold silhouettes, rich embellishments, luxurious silk and embroideries that are inspired by vintage botanical illustrations and kew gardens.

(The finale was held at the Richardson and



## A COMEDY OF ERROR

Theatre director NIKUNJ WADHAWAN's Sweet Suite, a Hindi adaptation of Ray Cooney's Out of Order, will make you laugh till your stomach aches. By AYUSHI SHARMA

Tho doesn't like a comedy of errors? Even William Shakespeare did. For it hilariously teaches us about the different ways in which human beings react when they are faced with unavoidable circumstances. Directed by Nikunj Wadhawan, Sweet Suite is a Hindi adaptation of Ray Cooney's comedy play Out of Order, which deals with a similar

Wadhawan says, "It's basically a situational comedy, where the characters create a condition which turns out to be a comedy. It was way back in July 2018, I was reading through Cooney's play. He is know as the farcical king. Many of his plays like Run For Your Wife and Not Now Darling have been adapted without giving him royalty or taking his permission. So we took the rights to adapt this play to Hindi. And the play whenever gets adapted in a different language, the title can be changed. And Out of Order has already an internationally acclaimed status. So I changed the title to Sweet Suite."

The play features a government secretary who lies his way out of situations with the help of his innocent junior PA, who gets more and more entangled in the improvised tales as the events unfold. The action takes place in a suite in a posh hotel and everything revolves

defective sash window. "Mr Das is the secretary to the Cabinet Minister. He has a PA who he brings to the hotel. There's a meeting happening in his suite but the secretary has sneaked into the room of a young lady from the opposition. Now there's also an affair going on in the hotel. There are certain things that they find inside the hotel, because of which the because of which there are many lies that keep building up. The window of the room has a dead body stuck in it. Now only three people know about it — Mr Das, his PA and the young lady. What you have to see is how in the two hours, they get out of the situation safely," says Wadhawan and adds, "The audience had actually complained of stomach ache because they laughed so uncontrollably during the show. When I was reading the original play, it had the same effect on me."

The director tells us that it's a farce comedy that aims at entertaining the audience through situations that are highly exaggerated, extravagant and thus improbable. Wadhawan feels that any genre of comedy is just a way to entertain people. There can definitely be a message at the end. "Take theatre and cinema, for instance, entertainment in any form is something that attracts people and that is why it's an important medium to give a message also. When people leave all around the accidents caused by a their worries behind and they are



actually laughing and relaxing, you can explain the hard-hitting reality of the world to them and they understand it better in that moment. That is why comedy is used for moral policing also. However, here, the play is just for entertainment,"

says Wadhawan and adds, "There is no moral policing here. We are not trying to teach anything to anyone. I, as a director, believe that people are already aware of everything and they learn at their own pace. They don't have to be taught about any-

thing."
Since it's an adaptation, what are the new elements here? He tells us that it's the exact original. But there is just one important thing which has changed from 1990 to now. That is the mobile phones. "There were no phones at that time but in this digital era, if you don't have one, you either don't belong to this planet or you are a small kid. The audience has become quite intelligent today. They cross-question. They don't want to leave their mind back at home. Even while watching a comedy they'll ask yeh aise kaise hogya or voh kaise hua. That is why we already let the audience know that we are not using the phone so even they should not in between the performance. And also if you have a phone, the situation will never occur," says the director.

The play has had a long run in UK when it was first premiered in 1990 and was then adapted to French in 1996, followed by a Hungarian film. It collected accolades internationally as it entered the APAC region in 2012 with the show being staged at Singapore and Malaysia. The play currently runs in Russia and China and is all set to tickle the funny bone of the Indian audience.

(The play will be staged on August 31 and September 1 at 4 pm and 7 pm at Little Theatre Group (LTG) Auditorium, Mandi House.)

## A tryst with melody

As Hindustani vocal and Kirana Gharana expert JAYATEERTH MEVUNDI makes his debut at the 23rd edition of the Parampara Series, he talks about how the lack of patience among youth is drawing them away from Indian classical music. By Team VIVA

There have been endless debates around the origin of the *Kirana Gharana* and its founder. While some call Veena player Ustad Bande Ali Khan, who hailed from a village near Ambala in Haryana, whereas, others mention the Dhannu and Dhondu brothers, who were great devotees of Lord Krishna and are said to have asked him to grant their voice the same beauty as his melodious flute. It's also said that the foundation was laid by Ustad Abdul Karim Khan and his cousin Ustad Abdul Wahid Khan during the early 1870s as their singing styles bear many similarities with the Carnatic

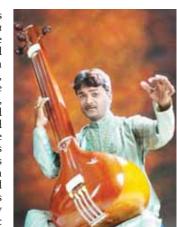
While the debate may go on till eternity, vocalist Jayateerth Mevundi, who has expertise in the Kirana Gharana, is very clear about the art form and his undying passion for it. The artist, who is all set to perform for the first time at the 23rd edition of the Parampara Series, says that it was due to Raja Reddy "ji", whom he has known for many years, that he

is performing at the show.

Talking about Ustad Karim's Carnatic influence in the *gha-rana*, he tells us that Khan *saab*'s (Ustad Karim) singing style was very different from what is popularly known about him today. He says, "It was in the then Baroda (now Vadodara) that he was introduced to Carnatic music. Those days, many Carnatic musicians would come to perform in the king's court. And he got deeply influenced by the music form. He later went to Mysuru to learn it further. Thus, his music has an influence of the Carnatic style in elements of music like aalaap, khatka or murki."

Hailing from Dharwad near

Hubli in Karnataka, he says that his growing-up years highly influenced his music and formed his inclination towards the Kirana Gharana. His initial training began under his mother's guidance, who despite not being trained professionally, had a strong inclination towards the music form. He used to visit Kundgol, a village near Hubli with his parents which was home of Pt Sawai Gandharva under whom Bhimsen Joshi and Gangubai Hangal had also received training. "My first tryst with classical singing was through my mother. There were no such musicians in my family who would have trained me although they would listen to songs on radio and iden-



His childhood was replete

with memories of music and learnings from a culture that revolved around rich, classical art forms. However, there is a difference between how those traditions have been passed on to future generations and how they are actually treated today. With the advent of social media and the growing Western influence on the young generation, isn't classical art losing its charm among the youth? Mevundi says, "It hasn't lost its charm. It's just not being followed very religiously. Western music influence has been great. It has made them more inclined towards other genres, through which they think that they would get more of international exposure. Today's youth just wants to get famous instantly. And gaining expertise in classical music is a long process. It takes years of practice to master the art, which is also why they lose interest mid way, look for other options and leave it in between. Not all understand classical. We have also seen parents becoming impatient about the need for their children to 'become someone'. But we need to realise that it takes time to gain recogni-

tion in this field." However, for *Kirana* and other classical music forms, he feels they need to grow since they connect to people emotionally. "They can easily get in a meditative state through it. It's like meditating loudly. Classical music is divine. Melody, deep emotions and gentleness are the most important elements in this singing," he says. Indeed, this is why many describe this Gharana as that of romantic singing as well.

(The series will start from August 30 and go on till September 1.)

### Ispaces are no longer the romanticised natural landscape of our agrarian forefathers or the picturesque beauty of heritage monuments. Presenting a rootedness and affinity to their respective locales, five young artists at Rooted - Curator's Pick at Gallery Espace create a visual narrative of what their livelihoods have been. They trigger conversations around landscapes, cli-

mate, Himalayas and coastal communities

through their architectural sculpture. The assemblage in ceramics and painting offer an insight into the workings of young contemporary artists and refer to common concerns. The artists have manipulated the material in different ways with technique and patina from opposing ends of the artistic spectrum, creating an offering that is both challenging and innovative. The series will be held once every two years and will invite senior artists to curate works by emerging artists with the objective of encouraging fresh talent and introducing

enthusiasts and collectors to new-age art.

### **GIRI AND KUSHWAHA**

Artist Khokan Giri belongs to a remote village in coastal Bengal and his works echo with an ecological aura. Not only are they intrinsically architectural but they also refer to an indigenous lifestyle. His stimulus is the textural detailing of fishing nets, traps and boats of the nulliah fishermen he grew up around. His landscape 'colograph' has ember-like tonality and texture.

Yet another delight is artist Harendra Kushwaha's fragile constructions of paper and cloth. Born to an agricultural family in the Terai in Nepal, his use of homegrown Nepali paper and other kinds of paper turns

## Clay could mould you too

Rooted - Curator's Pick presents a visual narrative of the livelihoods of five young and emerging artists, says Uma Nair



into a sculptural idiom with a fragile ingenuity that is classic as well as uniquely contemporary. According to Paula Sengupta, who discovered Giri and Kushwaha at the Rabindra Bharti University, Khushwaha resorts to means and material that are "intrinsic" to his roots. He weaves, sews and

shreds in order to construct architectural proportions through lightweight paper, operating between two-dimensional constructions and sculptures.

**THREE CERAMIC ARTISTS** Kristine Michael and Mudita Bhandari's



ceramic works have about them a tensile yet tenuous ardour. Mudita weaves urban and rural constructs in a brilliant installation that blends paper pulp and terracotta. She has been working with terracotta for many years and it is her elegance at handling the medium that stands out. Her little house-like grids



speak of humanity and abstraction in the modern sense. She had previously said that her work is related to the different phases in her life, to the things she absorbs, observes and how she responds over many journeys. So most of her work that comes about is both spontaneous as well as reflective of that space within herself. The little houses in the sculptural installation Nesting, reference quietude and a silent symphony, where the real walls are not as significant. Just like empty quiet spaces, these walls are created within as if one is just wandering

around in that empty space."

Kristine Michael's Necropolis again mirrors urban dwellings but in its network of columns, we see the rhythms of solitude and soliloquies that remain as residual rhythms within us.

In that vein of rhythms but deeply marine, born of the oceanic tides and beeches, is Japneet Keith's urchin series that can blow one's mind. Her compositions herald the power of passion and perfection in the entire sequence of moulding, firing, glazing and creating a series that are a cynosure for the eyes. Her initial days at the NID, Ahmedabad, were spent exploring the possibilities of two and three-dimension-

in ceramics and glass ultimately lead her to select pottery as her true calling. She honed her skills under the watchful eyes of the master Shantanu Jena. She has worked on improbable things that often make their appearances on the pottery wheel. It was a time of intense introspection when she learned the possibilities and limits of clay and glass. She went on to establish a formal studio in 2010 with a space for people

to explore materials and learn. Japneet says that she developed programmes and workshops in her studio to help people explore the possibilities of glass and ceramics as media. But the progression of her workshops was not skill-based or course-based. She adds, "It was designed to introduce people to this wonderful, tactile and often quirky medium. You learn along the way that as you mould clay, clay moulds you." Nature is at the heart of Japneet's pottery, with objects and figures in the landscape taking its shape at the wheel. An avid traveller, she is often found exploring the forests, mountains or tide pools in foreign lands where she finds her inspiration in people, land and the art she encounters. From Hummingbirds to Sea Shell Murals to the geometric lines of ancient Iznik designs, her repertoire is also a record of her journeys. Japneet's sea urchin halt you in your tracks and ask you to ponder about the goodness of the earth and the beauty within. The colour tones, the detailing and the understanding of design dynamics make her the absolute Athena of her own world of perfection and (The exhibition is on till September 29

at Gallery Espace.)

Curated by Suneet Chopra, Paya Kapoor of Arushi Arts Gallery presents the 19th edition of Harvest 2019, which will feature works by Jamini Roy, T Vaikuntam, FN Souza, MF Husain, SH

Raza, Akbar Padamsee, Krishen Khanna and many other artists from different periods of history. September 8 to 11 TIME: 11.30 am to 6.30 pm WHERE: The Stainless Gallery



ndia International Centre presents World of Music Tour 2019, which will bring together classic music melodies from five continents with improvisations on audience's demand. August 30 TIME: 6.30 pm WHERE: IIC

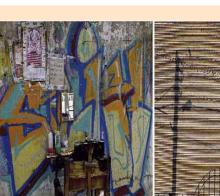
rt Alive Gallery Apresents Contemporary Idioms, with its first edition, What

Contemporary..., which will feature works by artists Suman Chandra Divya Singh and Purvai Rai, WHEI Till September 15 TIME: 11 am to 7 pm WHERE: Art Alive Gallery, S 221, Panchsheel



Curated by Anushka Ray, Nurture is an art exhibition to raise funds and awareness for people with breast cancer. It wi showcase works by Mita Brahma, Parul Chopra,

Tania Chowbey, Aashna Mehta Kataria, Rupali Sameer Paranjape, and Kaveri Ray. WHEN: August 30 to September 5 TIME: 11 am to 7 pm WHERE: AIFACS Gallery



riveni Kala Sangam presents aLGORITHM oF hALLUCINATION, which will feature a series of photographs by Sunando Mazumdar WHEN: Till September 2 WHERE: Triveni Gallery, Tansen Marg.

**Newly crowned World** Champion says the elusive Gold is her answer to all the critics who questioned her abilities in the past

PV Sindhu says she felt "angry and sad" after being criticised for not finishing on top in the last two World Championship finals and the Gold medal in the just-concluded edition is her answer to all the critics who questiTwotime silver-medallist Sindhu ended an agonising wait for an elusive gold with a maiden World Championship title on

"This is my answer to the people who have asked me questions over and over. I just wanted to answer with my racket and with this win — that's all," Sindhu was quoted as saying by the Badminton World Federation's (BWF) official website after her crushing win over Okuhara.

"I felt really bad after the first World Championships final and last year I was angry, I was sad. I went through all my emotions, asking 'Sindhu, why can't you get this one match?' but today came and I told myself to play my game and not worry - and it worked out," she added.

The 24-year-old from Hyderabad became the first Indian to achieve the feat by thrashing familiar rival Nozomi Okuhara of Japan 21-7, 21-7 in one of the most lop-sided finals ever.

It was third time lucky for Sindhu, who lost to Okuhara and Olympic champion Carolina Marin of Spain respectively in the 2017 and 2018 finals to settle for the Silver twice.

Sindhu has been at the receiving end of criticism for coming short in the sum-



mit clashes of major events ever since the 2016 Rio Olympics, where she had finished second best to Marin.

Two years ago, Sindhu was denied the gold by Okuhara after an epic 110minute final that went down as one of the

greatest battles in badminton history.

The Indian also lost the finals of the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games, the

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**PV Sindhu** 

Jakarta Asian Games, besides the World Championships twice. She had also finished runners-up at Thailand Open and India Open last year.

The Gold was her fifth medal at the World Championships. She won a Bronze each in the 2013 and 2014 editions.

Sindhu is now the joint highest

World Championships history with former Olympic champion Zhang Ning of China, who won an identical 1 Gold, 2 Silver and 2 Bronze between 2001 and

Sindhu credited her coaches for the performance.

"A lot of credit to my coaches, Gopi medal-winner in women's singles in the Sir and Kim (Ji Hyun) and also to my par-

### **INDIVIDUAL MEDALS OLYMPICS**

2016 Rio de Janeiro (SILVER) **WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP** 

2019 Basel (GOLD) 2018 Nanjing (SILVER) 2017 Glasgow (SILVER) 2014 Copenhagen (BRONZE)

2013 Guangzhou (BRONZE) **ASIAN GAMES** 

2018 Jakarta (SILVER)

**COMMONWEALTH GAMES** 

2018 Gold Coast (SILVER)

2014 Glasgow (BRONZE) **ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIP** 

2014 Gimcheon (BRONZE)

ents, my support staff and sponsors who believed in me," she said.

"Everybody was wanting this win from me. After Rio Olympics Silver medal, the expectations from me is really high. Every time I go to a tournament, everyone expects me to win a Gold,"

Sindhu said. "After a year I also thought what should I do for it and instead of thinking about others, I thought may be I should just play for myself and give my 100 percent and automatically I win because thinking about others would put extra pressure on me."

Now that Sindhu has added the missing World Championships Gold to her cabinet, next in line for her will be the Olympic crown in Tokyo 2020.

"People are already asking 'Sindhu, what about Gold in Tokyo 2020?", she said. "Olympics is not so far but right now it is step-by-step for me. I know the Olympic qualification is going so I hope I do well, but right now I just want to enjoy it and don't want to think anything else.

"Badminton is my passion and I feel that I can win more titles," she signed off.

BERLIN: Liverpool coach Juergen Klopp has indicated that he will consider taking a one-year

sabbatical after his time at Anfield comes to an

end. Klopp is already recognised as one of

Liverpool's most succesfull managers in the Premier League era, having led the Anfield giants

to success in the Champions League last season

and missing the league title by a point in what

was a record race for the top spot with

Manchester City. "I have absolute energy. But I

have one problem. I can't do 'a little bit'. I can

only do 'all or nothing'," Klopp told Germany's

Kicker magazine. "When I decide that I cannot do

it any longer then I will take a break for a year."

"After that year (break) a decision must then be taken," Klopp said. "But chances are very high

that my energy level will then be there once more

and that I can then do the job the way I want to."

India Red before their Duleep Trophy match

against India Blue ended in a draw here on Monday. Red gained three points for taking the

first-innings lead and took a big step towards

securing a spot in the final while 'Blue' got one

point to finish their engagements with two

points. In the last league encounter, India Red

will take on India Green at the Alur cricket

stadium from August 29. India Red made 285 in

the first innings before restricting their opponent to 255. They scored 297 for six declared in the

second innings. Nair and first-innings centurion

Ankit Kalsi (64) added 157 runs for the third

wicket as India Red declared with an overall lead

of 327 runs, following which play was called off.

NAIR HITS 166 IN DRAWN MATCH BENGALURU: Karun Nair hit an unbeaten 166 for

# Need improvement in certain areas: Rani



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

 $\mathbf{I}^{\mathrm{ndia's}}$  invincible run in the Olympic Test event has boosted the confidence of the women's hockey team but there are still areas of the FIH Olympic Qualifiers, said skipper

India put up a brilliant performance at the Olympic Test Event as they defeated hosts Japan 2-1 in the final to win the competition.

Captain Rani seemed extremely pleased with the way the side played against the likes of World No 2 Australia, World No 11 China and World No 14 Japan.

"It was incredible to remain unbeaten throughout the Olympic Test Event. The hard work put in by all the players in the various training camps ahead of the tournament paid dividends. A victory in this tournament gives us a lot of confidence ahead of the upcoming tournaments," said Rani.

"We still have to improve in certain areas, but the team is confident of booking a place in the Tokyo Olympics. Our preparations have been excellent so far and we have to just keep building on our game.

The Olympic Test Event was very helpful to understand the level of our game as we played against some strong teams including ify for the Olympics and I feel we are on the right track," she added.

Rani further said that the side is a well-settled unit and all players are extremely clear about their roles. "Our team consists of players who are very

clear about their roles, and perform them industriously on the field. "We have gained momentum at the right

time and have to keep improving our skills as the team approaches the FIH Olympic Qualifiers," said Rani.

She was all praise for drag-flicker Gurjit Kaur, who was the top-scorer of the competition with three goals. "Gurjit has improved immensely in the last couple of years. She is a vital player for us as a drag-flicker and I am delighted to see her in form ahead of important tournaments for us," said Rani.

**AFP** MADRID

ntoine Griezmann copied Lionel Amessi for the goal and LeBron James for the celebration but it was his night for Barcelona on Sunday after he scored twice in a 5-2 win over Real

Griezmann imitated the basketball superstar by tossing confetti into the air to celebrate his second at Camp Nou, a curling effort into the corner that he said was inspired by watching Messi.

"I saw Leo do this in training, so I tried to copy him," said Griezmann. "And for the celebration, I like the ritual that LeBron did so we tried to do

Yet Griezmann was the star, if only for the night with Messi in the stands, the Argentinian still short of fitness following a calf injury.
A brilliant Barcelona performance

also delivered a resounding response to the doubts arising from their defeat to Athletic Bilbao last weekend, among them a reliance on Messi, the need for Neymar and the future of Ernesto Valverde as coach. But as Carles Perez, Jordi Alba and

Arturo Vidal made it three, four and five, the gloom was forgotten, along with Nabil Fekir's opener in the 15th "After a defeat, there is always a big

reaction," Griezmann said. "We really wanted to play another game and when so many players are missing, the team steps up."

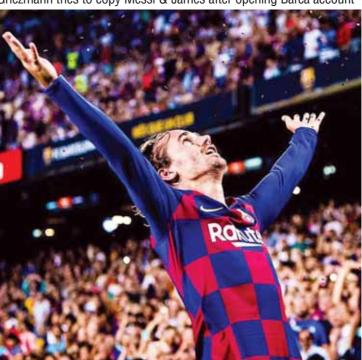
Loren Moron slammed a late strike into the top corner for Betis but by then the game was up as Barca ensured no further ground was lost on Atletico Madrid, who beat Leganes 1-

0 earlier on Sunday, or Real Madrid, who were held to a 1-1 draw on Saturday by Real Valladolid.

Barcelona will hope to have Messi back for the trip to Osasuna next weekend but with Luis Suarez and Ousmane Dembele both out for longer, Griezmann's statement display was

## Leo & LeBron

Griezmann tries to copy Messi & James after opening Barca account



Whether it also affects the club's attempts to prise Neymar from Paris Saint-Germain remains to be seen. This was Griezmann's first

goal at Camp Nou in 14 appear-LaLiga ances, five of them for Real

Sociedad and eight for Atletico, and his overall performance was of someone ready to lead, rather than serve as only a foil for Messi. The crowd also enjoyed a goal from

the 21-year-old Perez, making his first Barca start, and a substitute appearance from Anssumane Fati, who at 16 became the second youngest player ever to play for the club in La Liga.

Earlier Atletico maintained their perfect start with another 1-0 victory, this time over Leganes as Vitolo came off the bench to score a second-half winner at Butarque.

Joao Felix, Átletico's 126 millioneuro (\$140 million) buy from Benfica and much-hailed replacement for Griezmann, was again quiet but again delivered the match's most memorable

The 19-year-old's perfectly-timed pass provided set Vitolo free while Felix had been picked out by Kieran Trippier, who was faultless on his second Atletico

### DK TO LEAD IN VIJAY HAZARE

CHENNAI: Veteran batsman-wicketkeeper Dinesh Karthik, who was part of the Indian squad for the ICC World Cup in England, was on Monday named captain of the Tamil Nadu team for the Vijay Hazare Trophy one-day cricket tourney to be played at Jaipur from September 24 to October 16. This was announced by the Tamil Nadu Cricket Association's State Senior Selection Committee. Chief selector M Senthilnathan said that Karthik was chosen keeping his experience in mind and his ability to motivate the players, having led various teams, including the KKR in the IPL. "Karthik has been picked because of his experience and leadership skills. He has led at various levels, including for KKR in the IPL and that will be handy," he said.

### MADRID CONFIRM JAMES INJURY

MUNICH: James Rodriguez sustained a calf injury while playing against Real Valladolid on Saturday, Real Madrid have confirmed. James was included in the starting line-up for Madrid's 1-1 draw at the Santiago Bernabeu, despite missing all their pre-season matches as he was expected to leave the club. The Colombian played well but was substituted early in the second half by Zinedine Zidane, who said after the game James had been feeling some discomfort. A Real Madrid statement on Monday read: "After the tests carried out today on our player James Rodriguez by the Real Madrid Medical Services he has been diagnosed with a muscle injury in the right calf. His recovery will continue to be assessed." Madrid offered no timeframe for James' return but he is expected to miss their trip to Villarreal in La Liga on Sunday.

IND CAN WIN OLYMPIC MEDAL IN TT

CHENNAI: Ace table tennis player A Sharath Kamal, who starred in Chennai Lions' triumph in the UTT League recently, said on Monday that India had a chance of winning a medal at next year's Olympics in Tokyo. "The focus now is on the Olympics next year and we have a chance of winning a medal in the doubles. A lot will depend on the draw," he said at a felicitation event for Chennai Lions here. He recalled the memorable moments that defined his team's success journey. Sharing his thoughts on India's medalwinning prospects at next year's Olympics, Sharath said table tennis in India is heading in the right direction. A day after PV Sindhu emerged as the World Champion, Sharath said a similar effort from the TT contingent next year would go a long way towards popularising the AGENCIES

## **Problems pile up despite win**

PSG lose Mbappe for a month with hamstring injury, Cavani out for three weeks

**AFP** PARIS

 $P_{ ext{Kylian}}^{ ext{aris Saint-Germain star}}$ out for four weeks and Edinson Cavani for three weeks after both came off injured in a Ligue 1 match against Toulouse on Sunday, the French champions have

confirmed. French World Cup-winning star Mbappe limped off after hurting LIGUE 1 his left hamstring during a trademark sprint

in PSG's 4-0 win at the Parc des Princes. The injury means he

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will miss PSG's opening Champions League group game, which is set for September 17 or 18.

He is also set to sit out three league matches as well as France's Euro 2020 qualifiers at home to Albania and Andorra early next month.

Fellow forward Cavani came off with a hip injury



in the same game and PSG confirmed the Uruguayan surround Neymar. will be out for three weeks, meaning he could be ready in time for the start of their Champions League

The injuries come as

uncertainty continues to

The Brazilian's desired move back to Spain has yet to materialise with just a week remaining before the European transfer window

However, even if he stays, the world's most expensive player is suspended for the first three games of this season's Champions League.

Earlier on Sunday, The French champions' problems continued to mount despite a 4-0 thrashing of Toulouse. Eric Maxim Choupo-

Moting scored a secondhalf double, but only after coming on as a substitute for the injured Cavani, while Mbappe also departed the scene after appearing to pull up with a hamstring injury following a trademark burst into the

The capital-city giants sit three points behind early Ligue 1 pace-setters Rennes, who made it three wins from three by beating Strasbourg 2-0.

Tuchel responded to last weekend's defeat by making three changes to his starting XI, including dropping captain Thiago Silva to

## Barty starts US party

**AFP** ■ NEW YORK

 $A {\it shleigh Barty battled back from a set down} \\ A {\it to reach the US Open second round with}$ victory over Kazakhstan's Zarina Diyas by 1-

Former US Open runner-up Kei Nishikori admitted he would have liked longer on court after Argentine qualifier Marco Trungelliti quit with injury just 47 minutes into Monday's firstround encounter.

Seventh seed Nishikori raced into a 6-1, 4-1 lead before world number 205 Trungelliti was forced to retire due to a back problem. "It's a little bit sad to see. He's a great play-

er," a consoling Nishikori said of his stricken opponent. "For me I played great tennis from the beginning and I'm happy with the way I played

today." "But honestly I wanted to play a little

more because I was feeling good on the court and I wanted to get little more confidence, playing more points, more confidence playing matches. I think my rhythm was going," Nishikori has enjoyed his best Grand Slam results in New York, losing the 2014 final to Marin Cilic, while reaching the last four

on his two most recent appearances, in 2016 "First set I was playing really well, and he started feeling pain after first set. Of course that's going to help me for the physical side.

The Japanese star, who faces 108thranked American Bradley Klahn in the next round, has reached the quarter-finals or bet-

I'm really fresh now.



ter at the last five majors.

Nishikori is one of several players look ing to end the dominance of Novak Djokovic, Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer, the trio accounting for each of the past 11 Grand Slam titles. "I hope I can be the one to beat top three,

but I feel like those three guys are still different level," said Nishikori, who suffered early defeats at both Montreal and Cincinnati this month. "But maybe including me... you see

(Dominic) Thiem playing final, even though last year Thiem played a great match against Rafa here, and I think a couple of guys are getting closer.

"Of course Sascha (Zverev) is a great player and couple young guys, you know, Felix (Auger-Aliassime), (Denis) Shapovalov, (Nick) Kyrgios, those couple guys who are coming up, too. "I think in maybe a few years I'm sure it's going to change a little bit," he continued.

'I hope I can sneak in there and win the title sometimes. For me, yeah, that's going to be my big goal to win a Masters or

## Rahane scripts, Bumrah delivers India win

Jasprit leads attack complimented by Ishant & Shami to help visitors rout WI by 318 runs

PTI ■ NORTH SOUND

asprit Bumrah wreaked havoc with a five-wicket haul, com-J plementing Ajulya Some long-awaited 10th Test hundred, plementing Ajinkya Rahane's as India decimated West Indies by 318 runs inside four days to start their World Test Championship campaign in earnest.

India's pace spearhead finished with incredible figures of 8-4-7-5 while Ishant Sharma maintained his fine form with a 3 for 31 haul. The West Indies were bowled out for 100 in 26.5 overs chasing an improbable target of 419 on Sunday.

This was after Indian vicecaptain Rahane (102) got his first Test hundred in two years and added 125 runs for the fifth wicket with the young Hanuma Vihari (93) as India declared their second innings at 343 for 7. The win took India to the top

of the World Test Championship table with 60 points. New Zealand and Sri Lanka are currently second and third respectively although they have equal number of points. Australia and England are currently fourth and fifth with 32 points each.

The win was 27th as captain for Virat Kohli, who now jointly tops the list with Mahendra Singh Dhoni. He has also gone past Sourav Ganguly (11) for most away wins as India cap-It was a Bumrah

show in perfect weather conditions as he sent the wickets cart-wheeling thrice during a sensational eightover spell in which he conceded just seven runs. Playing his 11th Test, he also became the fastest Indian pace bowler to take 50

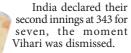
Bumrah swung the ball both ways to torment the home batsmen while Ishant and Mohammed Shami

India's resounding victory which gave them a 1-0 lead in the twomatch series.

Kemar Roach (38), Miguel Cummins (19 not out) and Roston Chase (12) were the only batsmen who managed double-digit mark. Roach added 50 runs for the last wicket with Cummins but it just delayed the inevitable.

No top-order batsman could resist the furious spell from Bumrah, who first dismissed openers Kraigge Brathwaite (1) and John Campbell (7) and later saw the back of Darren Barvo (2), Shai Hope (2) and Jason Holder to complete his five-wicket haul.

After resuming the day at 185 for three, Rahane scored a patient 102-run knock but young batsman Hanuma Vihari (93) missed out on his maiden Test ton by just





Jasprit Bumrah celebrates with Indian teammates after taking the wicket of West Indies' batsman during the first Test

### DEDICATED TO PEOPLE

Back with a bang, India vicecaptain Ajinkya Rahane dedicated his game-changing performance in the first Test to all those who have stood by him during the past two years when he went through a rough patch.

'This hundred was special. My time with Hampshire real-

I dedicate this hundred to the people who backed me, supported me when I was going through a rough patch," Rahane said at the post-match presentation ceremony.

"It feels special. Getting this hundred after 29 or 30 innings. I've been getting 70s, but getting a 100 means

### 'MORE CONFIDENT'

India's pace bowling mainstay Jasprit Bumrah says he is always evolving to polish his craft, the latest addition to which is the outswinger that he wasn't particularly confident of until last year.

"I used to bowl the inswinger earlier, but the more Test matches I've played, I've gotten more confident to bowl the outswinger, especially since England," said Bumrah referring to the five-match series in England last year, which India

The 25-year-old has played just 11 Tests in his fast-rising career and has 55 wickets, averaging 20.63 at a brilliant economy rate of 2.64.

## We keep best interests of team in mind: Kohli

aptain Virat Kohli is well aware that India's playing XIs in Test matches are a subject of intense debate but insists that all decisions are taken keeping in mind the "best interests of the team".

There was a debate on the omission of senior offspinner Ravichandran Ashwin in the playing XI. The legendary Sunil Gavaskar termed his exclusion as

But the lone specialist spinner Ravindra Jadeja did his bit, scoring a timely half-century in the first innings along with a couple of wickets vindicating Kohli's deci-

"We have a group discussion and then we decide what's best for the team. There will always be opinions about the XI, but people will know that it's in the interest of the team," Kohli said at the post-match presentation ceremony.

Kohli's preference for the young Hanuma Vihari over limited-overs vice-captain Rohit Sharma also worked wonderfully with the Andhra Pradesh-player scoring 93 in the second innings after looking good during a 32 in the first essay.

tant. He's an effective part-time bowler and helps us when we need to catch up with the over-rate."

Just like white-ball cricket, Jasprit Bumrah's form and fitness are paramount in the red ball set-up also.

'Vihari got a nod because combination is impor-

And the captain understands that only too well. "Bumrah's workload is most important which is why he didn't play any white-ball games (vs WI) after the World Cup. He will be a key factor for us as long

as the World Test Championship continues. "Shami is the same and Ishant is a banker, always reliable. Umesh is there too and Navdeep is waiting in the wings. We are settled as our bowling options,

but managing workloads will be important," Kohli said. He was all praise for man of the match Ajinkya Rahane, who is back in form with

scores of 81 and 102 in both innings. "Jinx excellent in both innings, KL solid in both innings too Mention to Vihari too. We had to come back in this game 3-4 times, so that is a positive moving forward from Australia," said the skipper. Kohli said he is

happy to be in a position where he has a team which is executing most of the decisions taken by him.

"I am taking decisions, yes, but execution is done by others who raise their hand. We enjoy everyone's company, and that's the reason for

"It's a blessing that I am 💌 in a position where I can contribute to the team in more than one way, but nothing is possible without your team. I don't think the credit can be taken away from the team at

The skipper expects that his team will put up another professional performance in Jamaica, starting on Friday.

"Jamaica is another opportunity to do a professional perfor-

smash Lanka to level series

### 318 runs West Indies North Sound 2019 304 runs Sri Lanka Galle 2017 279 runs 1986 England Leeds 2015 278 runs Sri Lanka Colombo 272 runs New Zealand Auckland 1967-68

NDIA'S BIGGEST OVERSEAS WIN (By runs)

Opponent

<b>MOST WINS</b>	<b>BY</b> INI	DIAN CA	PTAIN	(In Te	sts)
Captain	Р	W	L	D	Success%
Virat Kohli	47	27	10	10	68.08
MS Dhoni	60	27	18	15	57.50
Sourav Ganguly	49	21	13	15	58.16
Mohd Azharuddin	47	14	14	19	50.00
Sunil Gavaskar	47	9	8	30	51.06
MAK Pataudi	40	9	19	12	37.50

## lanuma wants to develop as off-spinner

Hanuma Vihari's primary skill is batting but he is now trying to

Being preferred as the sixth batsman over Rohit Sharma, Vihari impressed one and all with a composed 93 in the Indian second innings and if the quality of his off-breaks improve, could well force R Ashwin to cool his heels in near future.

"It is very important that my offspin keeps developing not only for myself but also for the team. I fit into the team because of the combination that I can be the fifth bowler," the Andhra right-hander said at the postmatch press conference.

"I want to keep improving and keep getting better at it. So hopefully, I will get in more overs and it will help the team better," he added. While his choice as an extra bats-

man kept Ashwin out of the playing XI as India opted for four bowlers with sharpen his off-breaks in order to fit a single spinner in Jadeja, the youngin as the "fifth bowler" in India's Test ster is happy to pick the senior off-

"(I feel) fortunate enough to get help from one of the best spinners in Indian cricket history. It's nice sharing the dressing room with him and talking to him about off-spin bowling, Vihari said. For Vihari, adjusting to the nature

easier as he had led India A against the West Indies A in three unofficial Tests, scoring a hundred and two half-cen-

of the surface and conditions became

"...I knew how the wicket will play," the 25-year-old stated.

against Australia Down Under and now is back to playing in the middle-



order. But Vihari is comfortable in any That was exactly what (accelerate) 1 role that team management asks him

"I don't think about all those (juggling batting order) things. If the team wants to play a certain combination, give our best.

"Sometimes they choose a combination according to the wickets, sometimes it is according to the opposition. So, our only focus is whenever we are on the ground, how well we can perform for the team," he

Vihari missed out on his maiden hundred by only seven runs but wasn't disappointed considering that his contribution in the team's victory was a significant one.

was trying to do in that (Jason) Holder over. "I was trying to take my time and

get close to the hundred but I am happy that I contributed to the team's I will cross the three-figure mark," he exuded confidence. He rated Jasprit Bumrah's spell

before the tea on fourth day as the best he has seen him bowl especially after he looked rusty in the first innings. "He wasn't happy with his bowl-

ing in the first innings as he thought it wasn't up to his standards. In the second innings, he was quite fired up.

"It was obvious that he was struggling to get his rhythm in the first innings. But once he got his rhythm in the second innings, he was back to he concluded.

### "We had a plan of batting one He was asked to open the innings hour after lunch. So I thought that if his best. That spell (before tea) was one mance. We know WI will come I could accelerate (post lunch) at the hard at us, and we will try to plug of the best that I have seen him bowl," start, I can get closer to my hundred. the gaps from this Test.' Kemar Roach looks at Hanuma Vihari during day four of the 1st Test AP



Ben Stokes acknowledges crowd support after England's win

 $B^{\mathrm{en}}$  Stokes said his remarkable century was "unbelievable" as England secured an astounding one-wicket win over Australia in the third Test at Headingley to square the Ashes series at 1-1.

England, dismissed for just 67 in their first innings were seemingly dead and buried at 286-9, still 73 shy of a victory tar-

But 28-year-old left-handed batsman Stokes, whose five-and-a-half hour innings was a brilliantly paced mix of defence and aggression, saw England home with a superb 135 not out.
"Unbelievable," Stokes told *Sky Sports*.

"It's one I'll never forget.
"I've got to try and take it all in," added

Stokes, whose batting heroics helped Englnd win the World Cup for the first time in July. "I'm not sure it'll ever happen again. It's one of the two best feelings I've ever felt on

a cricket pitch." He was involved in a run out of Jos Buttler which looked to have scuppered England's chances, added: "Just never give up. It's not over until it's over. When Leachy came in it was pretty clear what had to be done. It was five and one. I'll take five

(deliveries), you take one." Bespectacled Leach, who hit a career best 92 as nightwatchman in England's recent Test win over Ireland, played his part

as Stokes acknowledged. "He's a super nightwatchman, knowing what he had to do. I couldn't watch in the

end. I was just waiting to see what happened." Stokes, two not out off 50 balls at Friday's close, faced 219 deliveries in total, hitting 11 fours and eight sixes.

"I think when it got down to the 30s I was thinking, 'rein it in a little', but when it was in the 60s, 70s, 50s I had to really try and I sort of got in the zone," explained

"We had to win this game to stay in the Ashes and we managed to do it."

England captain Joe Root labelled his longtime friend's display "outrageous".

We said at the start of the day, 'we just have to believe' and while two people are alive and breathing, we have a chance," said Root, who added just two runs to his overnight score before falling for 77.

"We've seen some freakish things already this summer in the World Cup but I didn't think we'd see something similar in this series.

"It was an incredible game of cricket, an incredible atmosphere and Test cricket is alive and kicking. This Ashes is alive and kicking."

### TIP YOUR HAT

Meanwhile, Australia captain Tim Paine said: "It's hard to take, losing from that position but you tip your hat sometimes.

"Ben Stokes played an unbelievable innings and in the end he was too good for us. It was probably the best Test innings I've seen and the rest of the team thought the

### when tail-ender Embuldeniya was the last man dismissed, umpires could have called off play at any time with the light fast-deteriorating. New Zealand's bowlers were hurrying through their deliveries knowing too well that they were racing against time. The first four days' play had been severely affected by rain, wet ground conditions and bad light, but surpris-



Sri Lanka's captain Dimuth Karunaratne and New Zealand captain Kane Williamson pose with the trophy after the end of second Test of the two-match series on Monday

**AFP** ■ COLOMBO

New Zealand held their nerve to clinch a hard-fought and comprehensive victory against Sri Lanka in fading light in the second Test Monday and level the two-match

Victory was achieved with an hour left on day five when Lasith

Embuldeniya edged a short delivery from Trent Boult to Kane Williamson at gully.

Sri Lanka were bowled out for 122 runs after New Zealand declared their second innings on 431 for six

with a first-innings lead of 185. The game went to the last hour

had batted for over an hour, but the

stand was broken when Lakmal gloved one to close-in fielder Tom Latham after tea. Sri Lanka were still counting on

ingly the final day stayed clear

tiative to New Zealand after losing

five wickets for 32 runs before lunch,

but a terrific fightback by wicket-

keeper Niroshan Dickwella kept

during a 51-run knock that lasted for

He showed plenty of character

There was little support from rest of Sri Lanka's batsmen, with skipper Dimuth Karunaratne's 21 being the

Suranga Lakmal and Dickwella

their hopes of salvaging a draw.

three-and-a-half hours.

second-highest score.

Sri Lanka had given away the ini-

despite a 30-minute delayed start.

Dickwella when he fell for his famous sweep shot.

Tim Southee, Boult, Patel and William Somerville claimed two wickets each while Colin de of day five at Colombo's P Sara Oval, Grandhomme claimed the big wickand although 19.4 overs remained et of Angelo Mathews.