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Firm to avenge Pulwama, Govt mulls options

Surgical, airstrike not easy choices for want of shock & awe, in wake of foul weather

RAHUL DUTTA ■ NEW DELHI

The security establishment in India is mulling over options to avenge the killing of 44 CRPF personnel in a suicide attack in Pulwama on Thursday. The Services Chiefs briefed the political leadership on Friday about their preparedness to carry out any punitive strikes. The options include cross-border raids or surgical strikes on terrorist infrastructure in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (POK), air strikes to destroy camps of well-known terror outfits, or something more "detering".

However, none of these options are easy for want of element of surprise, and inclement weather conditions.

Determined to punish the perpetrators, officials said the Government has also not ruled out opting for an unconventional response which may not entail using military option. These options could include intelligence-based action which may be covert in nature. Also, the retaliation by India may not come soon as the decision makers will weigh all consequences before launching any punitive action, officials said.

The Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday took stock of the situation in the wake of the attack and options to be exercised, sources said. Modi later said in a public rally here that the security forces were given a free hand for the job at a place and timing of their choosing.

Elaborating upon various alternatives, sources in the security establishment said while surgical strikes by the elite Special Forces are on the table, it may be difficult at this point of time due to inclement weather along the Line of Control (LoC). Most of the mountain passes are snow-bound, making movement of commandoes to carry out any operation across the LoC difficult. If helicopters are used to drop the commandoes close to the LoC, the Pakistan Army will be immediately alerted, they said.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi pays tribute to the martyred CRPF jawans, who lost their lives in Thursday's Pulwama terror attack, after their mortal remains were brought at AFS Palam in New Delhi on Friday. PTI

Officials also admitted that surprise element as regards surgical strikes this time unlike two years back is not there, and the Pakistan Army will be fully geared to thwart any such move. The Pakistan Army is now deployed in full strength along the LoC and swift raids by the Indians may not be productive, they added.

On using air power, be it helicopters or fighter jets, to take out terrorist camps of Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) in Muridke in POK, officials said — India has the weapons and capability such an action across the border — may be construed as an act of war and also lead to escalation of hostilities between India and Pakistan.

Taking these factors into consideration, the Government decided to move step by step and immediately try to isolate Pakistan diplomatically and withdrawing the Most Favoured Nation status on Friday. More diplomatic actions in the coming days were not ruled out, sources said.

Pak stripped of Most Favoured Nation status

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Talking tough after an unprecedented terror attack on security forces in Kashmir that killed 44 CRPF jawans on Thursday, the Government on Friday removed "Most Favoured Nation" (MNF) privilege accorded to Pakistan.

All steps will be taken to ensure the neighbouring country's isolation globally, the Government said after the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) met here to review the situation following the terror strike reportedly had a backing of the Pakistan-based Jaish-e-Mohammad.

After the CCS meeting at Prime Minister's residence, Finance Minister Arun Jaitley said all efforts will be made to ensure that perpetrators of the attack are brought to book.

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Pak's Abdul Rasheed brains; 40 biker-fidayeen on prowl

RAKESH K SINGH ■ NEW DELHI

A day after the deadly strike on a CRPF convoy that took lives of 44 paramilitary jawans, the security agencies have identified Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) commander Abdul Rasheed as the mastermind of the Pulwama terror attack.

Pakistani national Rasheed is suspected to have been trained in Afghanistan. An IED expert, he is suspected to have planned the terror attack in December last year. He is suspected to have also acted as a handler of the slain Adil Ahmad Dar, alias Waqas Commando who rammed his explosive-laded Scorpio SUV into a bus of the CRPF convoy on Thursday.

Intelligence estimates suggest 35-40 fidayeen of Jaish are

active in South Kashmir.

Inputs also suggest motorcycle-borne fidayeen could be on the prowl in the Valley, a reason why convoy movement was banned across Kashmir by the State police.

"The chatter inputs reveal that Jaish-e-Mohammad has hinted to carry out IED attacks along the routes of security forces across Jammu & Kashmir. It is as such suggested that security forces need to put on alert to thwart any such attempt by terrorists," warned a Multi-Agency Centre (MAC) alert a day before the Pulwama attack, asking all the J&K-based units to remain on high-alert and maintain constant liaison with the State police.

"...it is requested to issue necessary guidelines and instructions to all unit commanders of J&K-based

units to be on highest alert to avoid any untoward incident. Constant liaison must be maintained with the local police and other intelligence agencies for sharing of information and coordinate action. Any significant information in this regard should be immediately intimated to all concerned," read the alert.

The J&K Police had on February 8 issued an alert asking the CRPF to sanitise area of deployment. "Before occupying your place of deployment, please sanitise the area properly as there are inputs of use of IEDs. Matter most urgent, read the February 8 alert flashed through the police control room to the various formations of CRPF, Srinagar Sector, BSF, ITBP and police formations in the State," it said.

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Blood boiling, will exact high price: Modi

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said those responsible for the Pulwama terror attack will pay "a very heavy price" and security forces will be given a free hand to deal with terrorists. In a hard-hitting speech, Modi said the "blood of the people is boiling" and forces behind the act of terrorism will definitely be punished.

"I want to tell the terror outfits and those aiding and abetting them that they have made a big mistake. They will have to pay a very heavy price for their actions. Let me assure the nation that those behind this attack, the perpetrators of this attack will be punished," Modi said at a function to flag off the Vande Bharat Express, India's fastest train from Delhi to Varanasi. He was speaking just after the Cabinet meeting.

"Security forces have been given complete freedom, the blood of the people is boiling...Our neighbouring country, which has been isolated

internationally, thinks such terror attacks can destabilise us, but their plans will not materialise," Modi said.

"My condolences to families of those martyred in Pulwama attack; those behind the terror strike will pay a very heavy price," Modi said.

"I am thankful to all nations which condemned the Pulwama attack and I urge them to come together to crush terrorism," he said.

Appealing to his critics to not politicise the tragedy, Modi said the attacks have left the country emotional. "I understand the sentiments of those criticising us but I urge them that it is an emotional time, so stay away from political one-upmanship," he said.

Addressing a public meeting in Jhansi later in the day, the PM again did not name Pakistan but said the attack was an outcome of the neighbour's desperation as it is in a bad shape and has been forced to go to different countries with a "begging bowl" to meet even its daily expenses.

Exclusive passage for force convoys, crackdown on ISI funding ordered

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

Announcing a massive crackdown on those accepting funds from the Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) to carry out nefarious activities in the Kashmir, Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh on Friday said strict action will be taken against them.

Making another significant announcement in Srinagar, Rajnath said the civilian traffic would be stopped during the movement of convoys of Army and paramilitary.

"In the wake of the suicide attack on a CRPF convoy on Thursday, it has been decided that the civilian movement will be stopped for some time when a large convoy of security forces passes through an area," Rajnath told at Press conference.

He said that the civilians will face a little difficulty because of the restriction. "We apologise for it," he added.

Earlier, on his arrival in Srinagar, the Home Minister attended a high-level security review meeting and also visited Command hospital where he interacted with the injured CRPF jawans.

Rajnath also shouldered mortal remains of CRPF jawans along with senior police/Army and CRPF officers after attending a solemn wreath-laying ceremony.

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INDIA BRIEFS 25 NATIONS ON PAK

In a major diplomatic offensive against Pakistan after the Pulwama terror attack, India on Friday held a briefing for envoys of 25 countries, including from P5 nations, to highlight Pakistan's role in using terrorism as an instrument of state policy. P5

ALL-PARTY MEET CALLED BY GOVT

An all-party meeting has been called by the Government on Saturday to discuss Thursday's terror attack against a convoy of CRPF. This meeting will be first of its kind called by the NDA Government led by Narendra Modi. P5

US to Pak: End safe haven for terrorists

The international community has strongly condemned the terror attack, with US President Donald Trump asking Pakistan to "end immediately" the support and safe haven provided to all terrorist groups operating on its soil. P4

CHINA TO BLOCK BID TO DECLARE AZHAR GLOBAL TERRORIST

China on Friday indicated it would continue to block India's bid to declare Masood Azhar as an international terrorist whose JeM has claimed responsibility for the Pulwama attack. P12



A clash between two communities started on the issue of a protest against Thursday's terror attack on a CRPF convoy, in Jammu on Friday. PTI

India outraged; curfew clamped on protest epicentre Jammu

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

Protests broke out in several parts of the country on Friday against the terror attack in Pulwama district of South Kashmir. Jammu was the epicentre of the people's outburst as curfew had to be imposed there following massive violence during the day-long bandh call given by Chamber of Commerce and Industries. Protesters burned dozens of vehicles and shops and damaged properties.

In Delhi, protesters gathered at India Gate on Friday afternoon raising anti-Pakistan slogans. A group of protesters

demonstrated outside Pakistan's embassy in Delhi.

Spontaneous protest also broke out in Mumbai, Amritsar, Patna, Varanasi, Ranchi, Hyderabad and several other cities. But it was Jammu, which saw massive arson and violence through the day. The situation became explosive after scuffle broke between members of two groups during the bandh call. As police authorities deployed in the area failed to contain the situation, even after lobbing teargas shells, angry protesters resorted to violence and torched vehicles parked outside Jogi gate area.

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CAPSULE

TRUMP DECLARES EMERGENCY FOR WALL
Washington: Battling with one branch of Government and opening a new confrontation with another, President Donald Trump announced on Friday he was declaring a national emergency to fulfill his pledge to construct a wall along the US-Mexico border. P12

AADHAAR-PAN LINK MUST BY MAR 31 FOR RETURNS
New Delhi: The CBDT has stressed that Aadhaar-PAN linking is "mandatory" by March 31 this year for those filing an Income Tax returns. P10

30 hotels under Delhi Govt fire lose licence

SAPNA SINGH ■ NEW DELHI

A few days after a massive fire in Karol Bagh took 17 lives, the Delhi Government on Friday cancelled the No Objection Certificate (NOC) for fire clearance of 30 hotels.

Pertinently, the Government audited hotels/guest house in the vicinity after a magisterial probe ordered by Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal.

Home Minister Satyendra Jain said the fire department will intensify its drive against errant hotels across the city to

prevent recurrence of Karol Bagh-like incident. "45 hotels have been inspected in Karol Bagh area, 30 were found to be violating rules and hence, safety certificates have been cancelled," said Jain.

Persona International, Danish Residency, Hotel Mid Town, Sunrise Karol Bagh, MS Regency Hotel, Hotel Apra Inn, GH TJS Royal, Rockwell Plaza, Kyron, Sun Star Height, JP Residency, Hotel Metro Continental, Hotel Royal Garden, Arihant Inn, Hotel Krishna Palace, Hotel Majestic are a few of the violators.

According to Jain, municipal corporations and police have been asked to seal these establishments.

As per the observations submitted to the Delhi Government, a large number of deaths at Hotel Arpit Palace occurred due to suffocation which happens due to presence of carbon monoxide and other toxic and poisonous gases.

Hotel Arpit Palace inferno has taken lives of 17 occupants of the hotel.

As per the Delhi Government audit report on February 13, 23 hotels were

inspected by the fire department and of this, 13 were found violating fire safety norms.

Next day, 17 hotels out of 22 were found to have violated rules. We have written to municipal corporation and police to take steps to seal them, he said.

The Minister said that in its report the fire department said that hotel management used carpets and covered walls with wooden material, which fuelled the flames. The Minister added that a magisterial inquiry is underway in the matter.



File Photo

9 hurt in Bawana nail polish factory fire

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In yet another incident, nine labourers were injured after a fire broke out in a nail polish manufacturing factory in Delhi's Bawana in the early hours of Friday. Labourers were working in the night shift at the factory at the time of the incident.



According to a senior official of Delhi Fire Service (DFS), a call was received about the incident at 2:48 am. Then, 12 fire tenders were dispatched to the Bawana Industrial area.

The fire was doused around 5 am. The victims were working when a chemical container caught fire. Nine people sustained burn injuries in the incident. Investigation suggests that the fire broke out in the basement in the three story factory which soon spread till second floor," the senior DFS official added.

"Nine people identified as Veerpal (40), Pappu (20), Bablu (20), Chhotu (21), Ravi (25), Jaggi (22), Ravi Singh (22), Kanihya (21) and Horilal (28) suffered from burn injuries while other workers in the factory managed to escape. They all were rushed to Maharishi Dayanand hospital in Bawana where they are undergoing treatment. Veerpal and Pappu suffered major burn injuries and their condition is said to be critical," said a senior police official. "Police are verifying the detail of factory whether it's functioning is legal or illegal.

Initial probe suggests that workers used to work in three shifts here. It was a nail polish manufacturing unit. Further investigation is going on," the senior police official added.

This is the fourth fire incident reported in the National Capital in the last four days. Earlier on Tuesday deadly fire in Arpit Palace claimed 17 lives and was followed by a massive fire in which 250 juggies were gutted on Wednesday. A factory caught fire on wee hours of Thursday which was controlled on time by the Delhi Fire Service 25 fire tenders.

DTC driver killed by unidentified assailants

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

A 59-year-old Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC) driver was murdered by unidentified assailants at Delhi-Sonapat border. Missing since Wednesday, his body was found near Shani Mandir in Sonapat border, police said.

According to police, the deceased was identified as Preetam Chauhan, a resident of Delhi's Swaroop Nagar.

On Thursday, he was found with a slit in his neck. His family revealed that he was set to retire 6 months prior to his death.

"A case has been registered at Keshav Puram police station," police said, adding that, they are looking into CCTV footages to identify the accused involved.

The incident occurred on Wednesday when he was returning home from work in

his private vehicle at around 11pm. However, as he didn't reach home, his family filed a missing report. According to the GPS in his vehicle, police found the vehicle was driven to Sonapat via Alipur before returning and finally stopping at Bakhtawar Pur area.

The postmortem of the deceased has been conducted, police said, and the body was handed over to police.

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Gang of cheats busted, 3 arrested

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

With the arrest of three persons, Delhi Police on Friday busted a gang of cheats that looted around 700 smart LED televisions from several shopkeepers in Old Lajpat Rai Market, out of which police were able to recover 510 TVs worth ₹60 lakh from a godown in Sonapat, Haryana.

According to police, the accused persons were identified as Vikas (35), Harender (33), and Praveen (33), all residents of Sonapat, Haryana.

Additional Commissioner of Police (Crime Branch) Rajiv Ranjan stated that on Thursday, information was received that the gang of cheats who stole 700 smart LED TVs have escaped to Sonapat along with the goods. A case was registered at Kotwali police station by a shopkeeper Shasikant Gupta.

"The information was developed and it was revealed that the LED TV's were kept in a godown situated at Gohana Road, Sonapat, in Haryana. A team of Special Investigation Unit (SIU) of Crime Branch raided the spot and arrested the three accused and recovered



510 LED Smart TVs," he said.

"On Sustained interrogation, it was revealed that one of the accused Vikas ran into losses of around 40-45 lakhs. He then struck an idea of cheating the shopkeepers of Lajpat Rai Market by using a 'Set Up'. He was joined by accused Anil and Harender. Anil took a shop on rent at Bhagirath Palace by using fake documents in the rent agreement," said the DCP.

"Further, they purchased several SIM cards and started their shop. Initially, they purchased few LED TV's from the shopkeepers of the area in cash and then they started dealing in credit, finally, in the last week of January and first two days of February, they took around 700

Smart LED TV's from several shopkeepers and fled from the area," he added.

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In tribute to CRPF martyrs, CM extends help

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal paid tribute to the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) personnel killed in Pulwama terror attack at the Palam airport where their mortal remains were brought from Srinagar on Friday evening.

"On my way to airport to pay respects to martyrs..." Kejriwal tweeted.

Earlier in the day, Kejriwal extended full support to the Central Government and armed forces if they take appropriate action in response to the terror attack.

Delhi Government also cancelled all official programmes as a mark of respect for martyred CRPF personal in cowardly attack.

Terming the attack a highly despicable and craven, the AAP convener Kejriwal also paid homage at the party office on DDU Marg.



"Delhi Government and people of Delhi are in full support of the Central Government at this critical hour and we support whatever action the Central Government and our armed forces deem fit to take," he said.

In one of the deadliest terror attacks in Jammu & Kashmir's three decades of militancy, a Jaish suicide bomber rammed an explosives-laden vehicle into a CRPF bus in Pulwama district, killing around 40 personnel and leaving many critically wounded

on Thursday. The Delhi Chief Minister said the entire country is in grief and there is tremendous anger among the people on this "highly condemnable and cowardly" act, he said.

"We are ready for any cooperation to deal with this dastardly attack," he said.

Delhi Government cancelled all its public programmes, including inaugurations of various developmental works and festivals, said a government statement.

Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia and other ministers of AAP Government also cancelled their events and public engagements of the day.

More than 2,500 CRPF, many of them returning from leave to rejoin duty in the Valley, were travelling in the convoy of 78 vehicles when they were ambushed on the Srinagar-Jammu highway at Latoomode in Awantipora in south Kashmir around 3.15 pm.

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The Party held a condolence meeting at Delhi Pradesh Congress Committee (DPCC).

Delhi political circle united in paying tribute

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Terming Pulwama terror attack "cowardly", political parties in Delhi expressed their grief and anguish, and at the same time support to family member of the brave jawans.

Delhi BJP president, Manoj Tiwari, on Friday said the central Government will give a befitting reply to the terrorists involved in the incident. "I am shocked. I can't understand how should I stop my anger and tears? I pay my heartfelt homage to the martyrs," said Tiwari.

Observing that the cowardly attack is very painful, he said his party expresses full sympathy with the family

members of the brave jawans. "I fully believe that our government will give a befitting reply to the terrorists responsible for it and eliminate them," Tiwari said.

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Delhi Police comes in support



Delhi Police Officers of all ranks were present and observed a 2-minute silence in the memory of Pulwama martyrs. Pioneer Photo

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In a condolence meeting held on Friday, The Delhi Police expressed solidarity with the families of the personnel killed in the Pulwama terror strike.

"Officers of all ranks observed a two-minute silence and prayed for the speedy recovery of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) personnel who were critically injured in

the attack," said Anil Mittal, Additional Public Relation Officer (APRO), Delhi Police.

The condolence meeting was chaired by Delhi Police Commissioner Amulya Patnaik.

Forty CRPF personnel were killed on Thursday when a suicide bomber rammed a vehicle packed with explosives into their bus in Jammu & Kashmir's Pulwama district.

Delhiites protest, hold candlelight marches

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Hundreds of people from all walks of life on Friday gathered at India Gate and Jantar Mantar to hold candle light marches to express solidarity with the families of the CRPF jawans killed in Pulwama attack.

Some members of the Youth Congress were detained as they attempted to march towards the Pakistan High Commission to protest against the audacious attack in south Kashmir that left at least 40 jawans dead.

From students to politicians, members of social organisations to the common folks, the crowd gathered at the two venues demanded adequate compensation for the families of the dead soldiers and that Pakistan be given a "befitting reply".

"Pakistan has to be given a proper reply," said Om Prakash, Delhi chief of the Rashtriya Lok Samata Party as he participated in the candle light march at India Gate.

"We also demand that the Government announce ₹1



Indian Youth Congress workers detained by the police during a protest against the killing of CRPF personnel in the Pulwama terror attack in New Delhi on Friday. Ranjan Dimri | Pioneer

crore (as compensation) for the martyrs families," he added.

Amit Shukla, who too participated in the march at India Gate, said the sacrifice of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) jawans must not go in

vain as he urged the Union government to take urgent steps against Pakistan.

"Delhi Police facilitated the movement of people who gathered at India Gate in large numbers to express solidarity

and pay homage to the martyrs who were killed in the attack," Madhur Verma, Deputy Commissioner of Police (New Delhi) said.

Around 100 Indian Youth Congress (IYC) members

assembled at Teen Murti Marg and raised slogans against Pakistan.

IYC vice president Srinivas B V alleged that there were lapses on the part of the Union Government which led to the attack.

The IYC volunteers, who planned to protest outside the Pakistan High Commission, were detained by police near Chanakyapuri Police Station at Teen Murti Marg.

At least 15 people who protested outside the Pakistan High Commission here courted arrested but were let off later, Verma said.

IYC VICE PRESIDENT SRINIVAS BV ALLEGED THAT THERE WERE LAPSES ON THE PART OF THE UNION GOVERNMENT WHICH LED TO THE ATTACK

SC refuses to stay procurement of standard floor buses by Delhi Govt

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday refused to stay the procurement of 500 standard-floor buses, fitted with hydraulic lifts to facilitate accessibility to differently-abled persons, by the AAP Government in the national Capital. A bench comprising Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justice Sanjiv Khanna, however, issued notice to the city government on an appeal which challenged the Delhi High Court order allowing purchase of standard-floor buses (SFBs) provided they are fitted with hydraulic lifts.

The high court, on October 22, last year, had dismissed the PIL filed by a differently-abled person, Nipun Malhotra, who had challenged the Delhi government and the DTC's decision to buy 2,000 SFBs instead of low-floor buses (LFBs) for the national capital.

The high court said there was no reason to prohibit the Delhi government from procuring more buses in pur-



suance of a tender for 1,000 SFBs as it had been undertaken they would be fitted with hydraulic/ mechanical lifts to facilitate accessibility to differently-abled persons.

Malhotra, in his appeal to the apex court, has said that SFBs were not disabled-friendly as they were mounted on truck chassis and their height prevented differently-abled persons from boarding them.

Besides seeking an interim stay on the purchase of buses, the appeal has sought a direction to Delhi government that only LFBs be purchased.

Earlier, the apex court had allowed the Delhi government to purchase 500 standard-floor

buses to take care of "pressing needs" of commuters using public transport here.

The court had said the city government was allowed procurement of

SFBs as an interim measure after it was assured hydraulic lifts would be installed in these buses for the benefit of differently-abled persons.

The direction had come on an appeal of the Delhi Government and the Delhi Transport Corporation (DTC) challenging the Delhi High Court's June 1 order barring them from procuring 2,000 standard-floor buses without the enabling facility for the special category commuters.

Delhi's air quality improves after rain: Authorities

New Delhi: The air quality in the national Capital improved on Friday and was recorded in the "poor" category due to rain in various parts of the city that washed out suspended particulate matter (PM), authorities said.

According to data provided by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), the overall air quality index (AQI) of Delhi was at 249.

An AQI between 0 and 50 is considered "good", 51 and 100 "satisfactory", 101 and 200 "moderate", 201 and 300 "poor", 301 and 400 "very poor", and between 401 and 500 "severe".

The CPCB said 26 areas in the national capital recorded 'poor' air quality, while only in

one area it was 'severe'. The level of PM2.5 (particles in the air with a diameter of less than 2.5 micrometres) was recorded at 107 and the PM10 level was at 167, it said.

In the National Capital Region (NCR), Ghaziabad, Greater Noida and Noida recorded 'poor' air quality while Gurgaon had 'moderate' air quality. Authorities said the overall air quality is likely to improve to 'moderate' by Saturday. "Rain scavenging of suspended particulate matter has contributed towards the improvement of the region's air quality. The slow improvement in "AQI" despite of good rain is mainly due to isolated rainfall in different pockets. PTI

3 held for duping retired West Bengal police officer

New Delhi: Three men were arrested for allegedly duping a retired West Bengal police officer on the pretext of high returns, police said on Thursday.

The accused Pankaj Gupta (43), Gurnam Singh (52) and Vipin Kumar Luthra (62) were arrested on Wednesday, police said, adding that three mobile phones, different cheque books, fake voter ID and PAN cards were also recovered from their possession.

Ranabir Mukherjee, a retired Deputy SP of West Bengal Police, filed a complaint where he stated that on May 30, 2018, one person who identified himself as Rudrapratap Sharma called him and introduced himself as an LIC agent from area of Parliament Street,

New Delhi, a senior police officer said.

The caller duped the complainant by saying that being a loyal LIC customer who is paying premiums every year on time, Mukherjee will be paid loyalty bonus, police said.

The caller demanded a cheque of ₹25,400 payable at LIC Headquarter Nariman Point, Mumbai with the photocopies of Pan Card, Aadhaar Card and Voter Card to open an account for only 45 days where his loyalty bonus will be reimbursed in his account, police said.

Sharma, along with his other associates, induced the complainant and collected around Rs 22 lakh from him in 12 to 13 different dates through NEFT, the officer said. PTI

PM inaugurates Vande Bharat Express, India's fastest train

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched India's first semi-high speed train on Friday.

The express, initially called Train 18, which was rechristened to Vande Bharat Express will run between Delhi and Varanasi. Along with the finest amenities, Vande Bharat Express has also partnered with restaurant chain Pind Balluchi and The Landmark Hotel for onboard meals.

The Varanasi-bound Delhi train tickets are priced at ₹1,760 for the chair car and to ₹3,310 for the executive class, an order by the Railways said. As for the return journey, a CC ticket would cost ₹1,700 and ₹3,260 for EC, as per the order.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi flags off Vande Bharat Express, India's first semi-high speed train, at New Delhi Railway Station on Friday. PTI

NMC OK's policy for issuance, renewal of licences online for household units

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In order to streamline the growth of industries as per the directions of the Supreme Court, the Standing Committee of North Delhi Municipal Corporation (NMC) passed the long pending proposal of online policy for issuance and renewal of licence under category of household/ service industry on Friday.

According to the proposal, the small unit holders can run the units residing at the premises where the trade is

proposed to start from their residence only after fulfilling the criteria fixed by Supreme Court Monitored High Power Committee as constituted under the judgment of the court dated May 7, 2004," the proposal stated.

As per the rules laid under the proposal, the household industries with maximum of five workers and five kilowatt will be allowed to continue in the areas while the new industrial set ups will be allowed to run in the residential areas if their pollution generation is under check.

Similarly, the units will not be allowed to store any hazardous or inflammable object. The units will also be required to get separate industrial electric connection. The licence will comply with the NMC waste management by-laws

2017.

Further according to the proposal, the fee for a fresh application of licences has been fixed as ₹1,000 as processing charge. Other ₹1,000 will also be taken when the licences will be approved. The applicant will also have to pay ₹1,000 per annum for High Power and an additional amount of ₹50 per annum.

The licences will be issued from April 1 to March 31 every year which if expire, can be renewed in 30 days. If a licence is not renewed in the stipulated time frame, a five per cent penalty will be levied on the license fee on the monthly basis which will double at the end of the year if not paid.

Also, the charges of e-transaction will be borne by the applicant, the proposal stated.

Endoscopy cure for obesity

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Endoscopy is now a cure for obesity, said experts while discussing the new endoscopy technologies on Friday. A live endoscopy on an obese participant was also demonstrated by a private hospital, it claimed.

The surgeries will be performed live by BL Kapoor Hospital as part of its 19th Annual conference 'ENDOCON 2019'.

"Over the years, new endoscopy technology has come as a boon for the patient. Highlight of this ENDOCON would be live workshops, where doctors will perform live surgeries at BLK hospital and telecasted live at the ENDOCON for the participants. This is going to be an enriching session for the medical fraternity at large," said Dr Manav Wadhawan, Director - Gastroenterology & Hepatology, BLK Institute for Digestive and Liver Diseases, BLK Super Speciality Hospital and Organizing Secretary-ENDOCON.

Until now, the bariatric surgery included drilling a hole in the stomach and making it small in size, he said. With endoscopy, the procedure can be performed without



making a hole and by doing a procedure through mouth, Dr Wadhawan said further.

The surgeries will be performed at the hospital and will be telecasted live in the programme at Marriott Hotel.

The Conference will be attended by more than 1000 delegates from all across India, SAARC countries. The conference will also see participation from International Faculties from USA, Europe, Italy and Japan.

These 1000 GI experts from all across the world will pave way for the future on how gastrointestinal diseases will be treated with best outcome through best practices sharing, deliberating lectures and live workshops. The event will take place from February 15 to 17.

Metro gets musical with new DMRC app update

GAYATHRI MANI ■ NEW DELHI

Good news for commuters as Delhi metro has added "DJ Metro" in Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) app. With this option, commuters can enjoy songs while travelling with just one click on the hyperlink of DJ Metro.

To entertain commuters in the best possible way, DMRC will keep updating the playlist with new tracks on social media sites, instance — Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

From golden era songs to latest Bollywood/ Hollywood, rap tracks, 90's songs along with contemporary will be uploaded in both audio and video as well by DMRC.

The idea came after an observation travelling passenger with ear-phones.



The option on DMRC app will have the tunes from latest songs and golden era music," said DMRC official.

DMRC has already launched first playlist on Monday, however, keeping Friday a pivotal day to change the playlist and to uplift commuters' mood ahead weekend, DMRC decided to upload fresh playlist on every Friday," the official said.

The Delhi Metro is spread on a network of 327 Km with 236 stations with connecting to almost entire parts of Delhi. It also connects to parts of Noida and Ghaziabad in Uttar Pradesh, Gurgaon, Faridabad, Bahadurgarh and Ballabhgarh in Haryana.

PULWAMA TERROR ATTACK

US asks Pak to end support to terror groups

World backs India's fight against terrorism

PTI ■ WASHINGTON/MOSCOW

Countries from across the globe, including the US, Russia, Australia, France, Saudi Arabia and Bangladesh, have condemned the Pulwama terror attack carried out by Pakistan-based terror group Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) and extended support to India in the fight against terrorism.

At least 44 CRPF personnel were killed and many injured on Thursday in one of the deadliest terror attacks in Jammu & Kashmir when a JeM suicide bomber rammed a

vehicle carrying over 100 kg of explosives into their bus in Pulwama district. The US specifically singled out Pakistan in its statement condemning the attack.

In a stern message to Pakistan, the White House asked Islamabad to "immediately end" its "support" to all terror groups and not to provide "safe haven" to them.

"The US calls on Pakistan to end immediately the support and safe haven provided to all terrorist groups operating in its soil, whose only goal is to sow chaos, violence, and terror in

the region," White House Press Secretary Sarah Sanders said in a statement.

"This attack only strengthens our resolve to bolster counterterrorism cooperation and coordination between the US and India," she said.

Condemning the attack, Russian President Vladimir Putin said perpetrators and sponsors of the attack should be brought to book and reiterated his country's support for further strengthening counterterrorism cooperation with India.

In a message to President Ram Nath Kovind and Prime

Minister Narendra Modi, Putin said, "...We strongly condemn this brutal crime. The perpetrators and sponsors of this attack, undoubtedly, should be duly punished."

Australia's political leaders also condemned the "heinous" terror attack. "We convey our deepest condolences to the families of the victims, and all those injured. Our thoughts are with my friend Prime Minister @narendramodi and the Indian people," Prime Minister Scott Morrison tweeted.

Saudi Arabia said it stood with India's fight against terrorism and extremism and denounced as "cowardly" the suicide attack.

The UAE's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation said the country "condemns this terrorist act" and reiterated its "principled and unequivocal position rejecting all forms of violence and terrorism."

Afghanistan, which has lost a number of its armed personnel to terrorist attacks, emphasised the need for closer cooperation between countries in the fight against terrorism.

French Minister of Europe

and Foreign Affairs Jean-Yves Le Drian extended support to India, saying France has always been and always will be by India's side in the fight against terrorism in all its forms.

Nepal said it unequivocally condemns terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

Maldives President Ibrahim Mohamed Solih tweeted that the Maldives will continue to work with India and the international community to combat terrorism.

Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina said, "Bangladesh remains steadfast

in its commitment against terrorism of all forms and maintains a zero-tolerance policy against any kind of terrorist activities. We would continue to work and cooperate with international community, including India to eradicate menace of terrorism."

Other Islamic countries — Jordan, Lebanon and Bahrain — also condemned the attack.

Bhutan Prime Minister Lotay Tshering tweeted, "Bhutan is deeply saddened by the news of the horrific terrorist attack in Kashmir.

Bhutan strongly condemns terrorist attack of any nature..."

Sri Lankan premier Ranil Wickremesinghe and leader of Opposition Mahinda Rajapaksa condemned terrorist attack and offered their condolences to Prime Minister Modi.

China also expressed deep "shock" over the terror attack carried out by the Jaish suicide bomber.

Greece, Estonia, South Africa, Portugal, South Korea, Indonesia, Singapore and Dominican Republic also condemned the attack.

Odisha announces ₹10L ex-gratia each to martyred families

Bhubaneswar: Odisha Government on Friday announced an ex-gratia of Rs 10 lakh each for the families of two slain CRPF jawans from the state, who were among 40 personnel killed in a terrorist attack in J&K, officials said.

The ex-gratia was announced after Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik spoke to the family members of the two jawans. "I spoke to the family members of the two martyrs and assured them of all help. I am with them," Patnaik said.

Prasanna Sahu of Nugaonga area of Jagatsinghpur district and Manoj Behera of Niali area in Cuttack district, were among the 44 jawans killed in the Thursday's terrorist suicide bomber attack.

Strongly condemning the incident, the Chief Minister asked Finance Minister SB Behera and health minister Pratap Jena to visit brave jawans houses to pay tributes to them. Patnaik, while attending a farmers meeting at Kendrapara, observed two minute silence as a mark of respect towards the victims of the Jammu & Kashmir terrorist strike.

"Deeply saddened by the martyrdom of so many @crpfIndia #jawans in terrorist attack in #Pulwama district of #JammuAndKashmir. Strongly condemn the cowardly act and condolences to the bereaved families (sic)," Patnaik tweeted.

Aravind Agarwal, the district collector of Jagatsinghpur district, visited Nugaonga village and met the family members of Prasanna Sahu.



BRAVEHEARTS! The CRPF jawans lost their lives in the egregious terror attack on a paramilitary convoy

UP announces ₹25L to families of martyrs

Jaipur: The Rajasthan Government on Friday announced ex-gratia of Rs 25 lakh and a job to the family members of CRPF jawans from the State who were among the 44 killed in the terror attack in Pulwama district.

Soldiers Welfare Minister Pratap Singh Khachariyawas said the Government stands with the families of the slain soldiers in the tough times.

The State Government will give Rs 25 lakh to the wives of martyred soldiers or Rs 1 lakh cash along with 25 bigha land or Rs 1 lakh cash with one MIG house, he said.

HC declines urgent hearing of plea related to use of 'martyr' word

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court declined to give an urgent hearing to a plea seeking directions to the media to refer to the deaths of armed forces personnel as martyr or 'shaheed' instead of terming it as a killing.

The petition was mentioned in the afternoon before a bench of Chief Justice Rajendra Menon and Justice C Hari Shankar by a lawyer, who is also the petitioner, seeking that it be heard on Friday itself. The bench declined to list it for hearing during the day and chatised the lawyer, Abhishek Choudhary, for insisting that the matter be listed today, saying "it is already 2.30 pm and you want us to burden a judge to hear it when there

is no urgency in the matter." "This is not a plea seeking bail. Someone's liberty is not at stake. Not today. There is no urgency. It will be listed on Monday in normal course," the court said and added "we should not have to tell you all this, you (petitioner) should understand it."

Referring to Thursday's terror attack in Pulwama where a Jaish-e-Mohammed suicide bomber rammed a car filled with over 100 kgs of explosive into a bus carrying CRPF personnel, Choudhary said deaths should have been described by the media using "respectful words" like martyred or 'shaheed' and not killed or died.

Sidhu condemns attack, but saves Imran: Entire Pak shouldn't be blamed for terror

PTI ■ CHANDIGARH

Strongly condemning the "cowardly" attack in Jammu & Kashmir's Pulwama by a Pakistan-based terror group in which 44 CRPF soldiers were killed, Punjab Cabinet Minister Navjot Singh Sidhu on Friday asked whether an entire nation can be blamed for a handful of people.

Five CRPF personnel were also injured in Thursday's attack, one of the deadliest in Jammu & Kashmir, when a suicide bomber rammed a vehicle carrying over 100 kg of explosives into their bus in Pulwama

district.

Pakistan-based terror group Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM) has claimed responsibility for the attack that took place about 20 km from Srinagar.

Sidhu, who was among the invitees for the swearing-in ceremony of Imran Khan as Pakistan Prime Minister last year, however posed, "For a handful of people, can you blame the entire nation and can you blame an individual?"

Talking to reporters here after the Punjab Assembly was adjourned for the day in solidarity with the CRPF soldiers killed in the terror

attack, the cricketer-turned-politician said, "It (the attack) is a cowardly act and I condemn it firmly. Violence is always condemnable and those who did it must be punished."

Asserting that terrorism has no caste or religion, Sidhu said, "For the last 71 years, this has been happening. Had they stopped ever?"

"For me, violence is always condemnable. I believe in non-violence throughout. Violence is no solution for anything. For me, non-violence is the most potent weapon to move forward," he added.

Ramdev: Hafiz Saeed, Masood Azhar should meet Osama's fate

Noida: Jaish-e-Mohammed chief Masood Azhar and Hafiz Saeed should be brought to India or should meet the fate of Osama bin Laden, Yoga guru Ramdev said on Friday, while seeking strong action against Pakistan.

Describing Thursday's strike on a CRPF convoy in Jammu and Kashmir's Pulwama by Pakistan-based terror group Jaish-e-Mohammed, in which 44 soldiers of the force were killed, an attack on the "unity, integrity and sovereignty" of India, he said time has come to merge Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (PoK) with India.

"All terrorists, whether

coming from across the border or already inside our territory, must be eliminated, especially (2008 Mumbai terror attack mastermind) Hafiz Saeed and (Jaish-e-Mohammed chief) Masood Azhar.

"Wherever they are, they must be brought to India or should meet the fate of Osama bin Laden (who was killed by US forces inside his secret residence in Pakistan's Abbottabad)," Ramdev said on sidelines of an event here.

He said the terror camps operational in PoK must be destroyed, and if possible the region should be merged back into India.

India outraged; curfew clamped on protest...

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Over two dozen different vehicles were set on fire in Gujjar Nagar, Residency Road, and other parts of Jammu. Several protesters received injuries during stone pelting between the two groups in Gujjar Nagar area.

Mobile Internet services, however, remained suspended in Jammu as a precautionary measure to avoid law and order situation. As the angry protesters spread to different parts of Jammu city and raised roadblocks by burning tyres and other materials, the district authorities, moving swiftly, requisitioned services of army personnel to restore order in the area.

Security was beefed up across sensitive areas of Jammu

city to prevent clashes.

Defence Spokesman in Jammu, Lt Col Devendra Anand in a statement said, "after violence broke out in major parts of Jammu city curfew was imposed and Army was requisitioned by civil authorities of Jammu to bring the situation under control."

He said, the Army reacted promptly and in a swift action, nine Internal Security Columns of Army from Tiger Division

along with air support from White Knight Corps were deployed in Gujjar Nagar, Janipur, Shahidi Chowk, Talab Khatika and other areas.

"Flag marches were also conducted by the IS columns. Helicopters and UAVs of Army were also put into operation to monitor the situation."

Lt-Col Anand said, "The proactive approach jointly taken by J&K Police, Civil administration (Divisional

Commissioner and District Collector's office) and Indian Army has ensured that the situation remains in control and peaceful."

Before the arrival of army columns, protesters, particularly in the old city, refused to disperse even after loudspeakers announced that curfew was imposed.

Meanwhile, Jammu witnessed complete shutdown on Friday while its adjoining areas

and neighboring districts witnessed protest demonstrations during the day. Samba, Kathua, Udhampur and Reasi areas also witnessed protest demonstrations.

Before the situation took violent turn Jammu city was rocked by massive anti-Pakistan protests with people taking to the streets in dozens of places, including Jewel Chowk, Purani Mundi, Rehari, Shaktinagar, Pacca Danga,

Janipur, Gandhinagar and Bakshinagar.

Bar Association Jammu had also supported the strike call issued against the killing of CRPF troopers in a major attack in Lethpora area of Awantipora in south Kashmir. Activists of different political organisations also demanded stern action against Pakistan and appealed to the Prime Minister to give a befitting reply to Pakistan.

Exclusive passage for force convoys...

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Sharing his anger, the Union Home Minister later tweeted, "The nation will not forget the supreme sacrifice of our brave jawans. Paid my last respects to the martyrs of Pulwama in Srinagar today. Their sacrifice will not go in vain," he added.

Meanwhile, toll in the deadly strike on Friday reached 44. A Jaish-e-Mohammed terrorist had rammed his explosives-laden car into a force convoy on the Srinagar-Jammu highway in Lethpora area of Pulwama on Thursday. After the meeting with the senior security officials and State Governor Satya Pal Malik, Singh said he has asked the officers to review the security provided to people taking money from Pakistan and its intelligence agency ISI.

In an apparent reference to separatist leaders, Rajnath said, "There are some elements who are hand in glove with terrorist organisations, and ISI across the border. They are involved in conspiracies too. They are toying with the future of the people, especially the youth, of J&K."

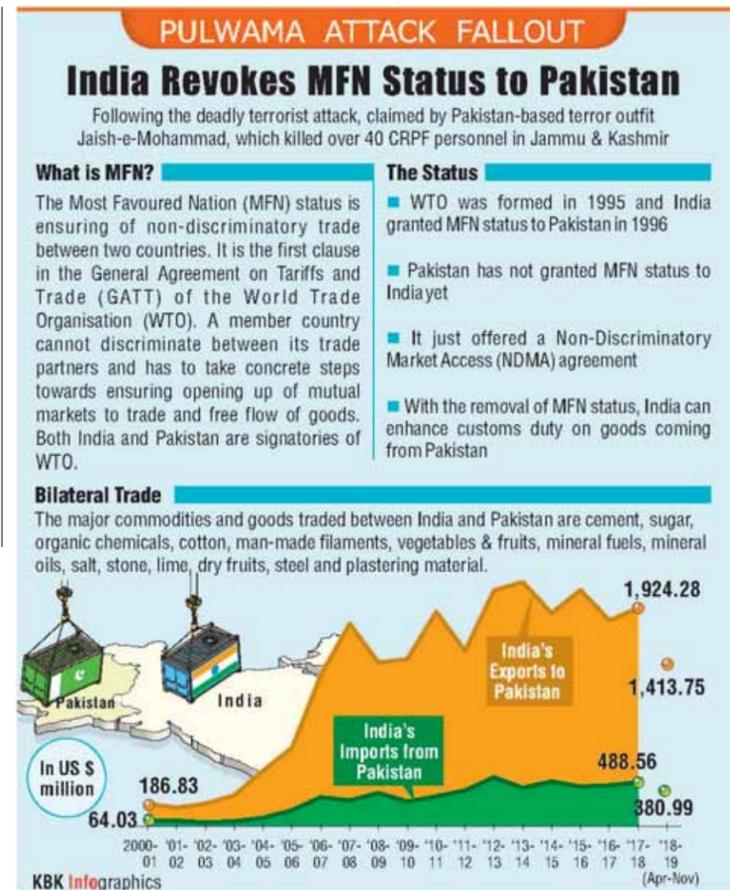
On the question of helping the families of martyred CRPF jawans Rajnath said, "I've requested State Governments to extend the maximum help they can lend to the bereaved families. I've given all the necessary directions to the officers. The morale has not taken a hit. We'll see this fight against terrorism to the end."

Meanwhile, a team of officers from National Investigation Agency also visited the site of deadly strike in Lethpora area and lifted samples to carry out further investigation in the case.

in 1996.

There has been an outrage nationally and internationally against the terror attack which is suspected to have received a helping hand from the Pakistani ISI.

"Ministry of External Affairs will initiate all possible diplomatic steps which are to be taken to ensure complete isolation of Pakistan in the international community," he said, adding "incontrovertible evidence" is available of Pakistan's direct hand in this gruesome terrorist attack.



Pak's Abdul Rasheed brains; 40 fidayeen on prowl in J&K

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Amid inputs of the bike-borne fidayeen who could hit security forces, the movement of convoy of forces in Kashmir Valley was suspended on Friday. Apprehension of law and order situation was also cited as a reason for suspension of convoys. Even movement of administrative vehicles and isolated vehicles were advised to be restricted. "There will be no convoy movement today (Friday)" as there are apprehensions of law and order problem in the Valley," the alert by J&K Police said.

Movement of isolated vehicle is strictly prohibited while movement of Army and CRPF vehicles in the interior, inter-district and intra-district in the Valley is also banned on Friday, it said.

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Pak stripped of Most Favoured Nation status

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"The Most Favoured Nation status to Pakistan stands revoked," he said. He said those aiding and abating the perpetrators will have to pay a heavy price. The MNF status ensures non-discriminatory trade between two countries. India granted MFN status to Pakistan

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Diplomatic offensive launched against Pak Govt calls all-party meet to discuss terror attack

PNS ■ NEW DELHI
After vowing to avenge the killing of 44 CRPF jawans at Pulwama in Jammu & Kashmir, India on Friday launched a major diplomatic offensive against Pakistan to mobilise international opinion in favour of a possible punitive action. India briefed envoys of 25 countries, including from P5 nations — US, China, Russia, the UK and France — on Islamabad's hand behind the attack.

Pakistan must take "immediate and verifiable action" against the JeM and that it must immediately stop any groups or individuals associated with terrorism operating from its territories, Gokhale told the envoy. According to sources, Indian High Commissioner to Pakistan Ajay Bisaria has also been called to Delhi for consultations in the wake of the horrific attack. Hours after vowing to isolate Pakistan diplomatically in the wake of the attack, the Government undertook the exercise of reaching out to the international community, most of which has univocally condemned the attack by the UN-proscribed Pakistan-based JeM terrorist outfit.

China expressed deep "shock" over the Pulwama terror attack carried out by a Jaish suicide bomber, but did not give an assurance to India that it will back New Delhi's appeal to list the UN-proscribed Pakistan-based terror group's chief Masood Azhar as a global terrorist. Apart from the envoys of the P5, Gokhale met the envoys of key countries in Europe and Asia such as Germany, South Korea, Japan, as well as Australia, they said. "All the Heads of Missions were left in no doubt about the role played by Pakistan based and supported JeM in the terrorist attack and our demand that Pakistan ceases forthwith all support and financing to terror groups operating from areas under their control. The foreign secretary also highlighted the role played by Pakistan in using terrorism as an instrument of its state policy," a source said. The MEA will continue to take all steps to expose the com-

licity of Pakistan in the Pulwama terrorist attack and demand immediate and verifiable action against JeM and its leader Masood Azhar, the source added. Countries from across the globe condemned the terror attack with nations such as the US, UK, Russia and France asserting that they stand with India in this hour of grief.

Condemning the attack, Russian President Vladimir Putin said perpetrators and sponsors of the attack should be brought to book and reiterated his country's support for further strengthening counterterrorist cooperation with India. Narendra Modi over some of the latter's statements after such attacks during the Congress-led UPA regime. Speaking to reporters on home turf Baramati in Pune district, Pawar called Thursday's attack on the CRPF convoy in Jammu and Kashmir as an attack on the nation. "I can remember, Prime Minister Modi, before coming to power, used to say in his election rallies that (then PM) Manmohan Singh's government had failed to teach Pakistan a lesson (after such attacks)."

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used to remark that only those with a 56-inch chest could administer a tough lesson to Pakistan," Pawar said. Modi, in his rallies, used to exhort people to replace the UPA government with that of the BJP so that Pakistan could be given a befitting reply for such terror attacks, Pawar told reporters. "But everyone has seen what has happened now. But today I will not repeat that same demand which he (Modi) had made (at that time)," Pawar said. The kind of image that Modi created of himself in the run-up to the 2014 Lok Sabha polls had now become a "100 per cent failure", he said. The hand of state players in Pakistan cannot be ruled out in the Pulwama attack looking at its magnitude and explosives used, Pawar said. Having such capabilities was not possible for common persons or outfits, he added.

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PNS ■ NEW DELHI

An all-party meeting has been called by the Government on Saturday to discuss Thursday's terror attack against a convoy of Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) in Kashmir in which 40 soldiers were killed and many more are still battling for their lives.

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INSHORT

MORE SHOULD VISIT ARUNACHAL: SPEAKER

New Delhi: Arunachal Pradesh is an integral part of India and more people should visit the State as several initiatives have been taken lately to improve the connectivity, LS Speaker Sumitra Mahajan said recently after she was presented a copy of *Arunachal Pradesh-Rediscovering Hinduism in the Himalayas*. Penned by Dr Jagdish Kaur, Regional Adviser, (Tobacco Free Initiative) with the WHO, the book traces culture and religion in the State.

3-DAY BREAST CANCER AWARENESS EVENT BEGINS

New Delhi: A three-day national level "Training of Trainers" programme for spreading the awareness about early detection and prevention of cervical and breast cancer was kicked off Friday at "Om Shanti Retreat Center" in Manesar in Haryana.

Rahul extends support to Govt

PAWAR TAKES JIBE AT MODI

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

A day after the Pulwama attack, Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Friday said his party and the entire Opposition is fully supportive of the Government and the security forces. No amount of hatred and anger can harm the love India is built on, Gandhi said at a Press conference along with former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh and other Congress leaders, including Ghulam Nabi Azad and AK Antony.

"This is a terrible attack, this type of violence is disgusting. Terrorism tries to divide the nation, we can't be divided by any power. The entire opposition is with security forces and the Government," Gandhi said. "Those who have done this should not feel that they can harm the country. It is a time of mourning and sadness," he added. Singh said the nation can never compromise with terrorism. "Terrorism is a scourge which we can never compromise..." the former Prime Minister said. On Thursday, an explosives laden truck rammmed into a CRPF convoy in Pulwama outside Srinagar, killing 37 soldiers in one of the biggest terror attacks in recent years. Meanwhile, Nationalist Congress Party chief Sharad Pawar on Friday said the Pulwama terror attack was an attack on the nation and there should be no attempts to politicise the issue. The former Union minister also took a swipe at Prime Minister

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Security personnel keep vigil outside High Commission of Pakistan as security was tightened following anti-Pakistan protests in the Capital after the Pulwama terror attack in New Delhi Ranjan Dimri | Pioneer

Yoga obviates rheumatoid arthritis trouble

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Eight weeks of intensive yoga practice significantly decreases the severity of physical and psychological symptoms in patients with active rheumatoid arthritis (RA), a debilitating chronic autoimmune inflammatory disease, according to doctors from Delhi-based All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS). In their study published in *Restorative Neurology and Neuroscience*, the doctors said that marked improvements were noticed in the levels of certain inflammatory biomarkers and assessments of functional status and disease activity in patients studied, demonstrating yoga's promotive, preventive, curative, and rehabilitative potential for achieving optimal health. "Our findings show measurable improvements for the

patients in the test group, suggesting an immune-regulatory role of yoga practice in the treatment of RA. "An intensive yoga regimen concurrent with routine drug therapy induced molecular remission and re-established immunological tolerance. In addition, it reduced the severity of depression by promoting neuroplasticity," explained lead investigator, Rima Dada, MD, Professor, Department of Anatomy, All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) here. She noted that high disease activity and underlying depression are associated with increased disability, reduced quality of life, and minimized rates of clinical remission and treatment response. Other researchers included Dr Surabhi Gautam, Dr Madhuri Tolahunase and Dr Uma Kumar. The study was a mind-

body intervention (MBI) randomized trial (with parallel active and control groups) to analyze the effects of practicing 120 minutes of yoga, five days a week for eight weeks on 72 patients with RA. Both the test and control groups were simultaneously undergoing routine drug therapies (DMARDs). The findings showed significant improvement in systemic biomarkers of neuroplasticity, inflammation, immune-modulation, cellular health integrity, and aging in association with the positive clinical outcome of reduction in depression severity, disease activity, and disability quotient in RA patients following the intensive yoga based MBI. The study was supported by funding provided by the Department of Science & Technology, Union Ministry of Science & Technology. Existing research has eval-

uated the role of yoga as an effective intervention to assist the management of RA with respect to clinical symptoms, quality of life, psychosocial outcomes, and functional ability. This study is one of the first to look at how yoga practice affects the systemic biomarkers of inflammation, cellular aging, and oxidative stress, especially in RA. "Our results provide evidence that yoga positively modifies the pathobiology of autoimmunity at cellular and molecular levels by targeting mind-body communications. Further research is needed for the exploration of possible mechanisms underlying the cumulative effect of yoga on multiple pathways at a cellular level," added Dr. Dada. "Yoga facilitates the mind's capacity to affect bodily function and symptoms mediated through a variety of downstream path-

ways and bring about natural immunological tolerance." RA is a heterogeneous autoimmune disease that results from the interplay of genetic and environmental factors and causes extensive systemic inflammation, cartilage damage, and synovial hyperplasia that cause physical disability and psychiatric comorbidity. The co-existence of depression and RA in individuals poses a significant health-care burden on the patients, their caregivers, healthcare systems, and society as a whole. Existing medical therapies have a limited scope and fail to cure the psychological component of the disease and have numerous side effects. Depression seems to decrease patients' compliance and adherence to medical treatment and results in worse health outcomes and increases disease severity.

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SC to hear plea against 1993 Central law on land acquisition near disputed site in Ayodhya

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court Friday decided to hear a fresh plea challenging the constitutional validity of a 1993 Central law by which the government acquired 67.703 acres of land, including the disputed premises of Ram Janambhoomi-Babri Masjid, in Ayodhya. A bench headed by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi tagged the matter with the main petition on title dispute pending before a constitution bench. "List the matter before the bench already seized with the issue," the bench of Chief Justice Gogoi and Justice Sanjiv Khanna said. The plea, challenging leg-

islative competence of Parliament to acquire religious land, was filed a week after the Centre had moved the apex court seeking modification in its 2003 order and allow it to return to original owners the 67 acres "non-disputed" land around the disputed structure in Ayodhya. The petition, filed by seven individuals, including two Lucknow-based lawyers claiming to be devotees of Ram Lalla, has contended that Parliament had no legislative competence to acquire land belonging to the state. Moreover, it said, the state legislature has the exclusive power to make provisions relating to the management of affairs of religious institutions inside its territory.

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All-India Flamingo census from next week

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

If you are a bird lover or/and avian expert, you have an opportunity to be the part of this first ever all-India Flamingo census to be carried out in two phases—first one on February 23-24, and then in April at several sites across 12 States including the national Capital and neighbouring Haryana. The all India count is expected to help in assessing the current population trend of Greater Flamingo *Phoenicopterus rosus* and Lesser Flamingo *Phoeniconaias minor* and their habitats in India to help prepare the species action plan for their long term conservation, said an official from the Bombay Natural History Society (BNHS) which is conducting the mega census. Greater Flamingos, which are taller and whiter, have a mixed feeding pattern. It feeds on insects, small fishes and algae. The Lesser Flamingos are comparatively smaller and more pink and only feed on algae. These two birds are also included in the India's National Action Plan (NAP) for Conservation of Migratory Birds and their habitats along Central Asian Flyway (CAF) prepared by the Union Environment Ministry. "This is the first initiative



Greater Flamingo



Lesser Flamingo

for a coordinated PAN-India flamingo count. We have in the past undertaken several studies including colour tagging, satellite tracking of Greater Flamingo and conservation actions in the past decades. "Currently, we are monitoring both migratory birds population in some locations including the Mumbai seascapes," said the official adding that as this work is initiated through the citizens science, this also fulfil another activity of the NAP to promote migratory bird conservation initiatives through raising public awareness and local peoples' participation, including citizen science groups. The Central Asian Flyway (CAF), one among the nine flyways in the world, encompasses overlapping migration routes over 30 countries for different waterbirds linking their northern most breeding grounds in Russia (Siberia) to

the southernmost non-breeding (wintering) grounds in the Maldives and the British Indian Ocean Territory. The BNHS has short-listed major Flamingo congregation sites by referring available literature, past and present BNHS studies, Asian Waterbird Counts (AWC) and e-bird India database. Majority of these wetland sites are in Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan and Telangana. In Delhi, these birds are sighted at Najafgarh jheel area while in Haryana the hotspots are Sultanpur National Park and Dighal wetlands. "The government institutions, Indian Bird Conservation Network (IBCN), ornithologists, researchers, academicians and nature lovers across India are being encouraged to visit any of the short-listed sites or any site of their choosing where Flamingos are seen," said the official.

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Govt amends norms for setting up EVs charging stations

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

In a move to make it easy for people to switch to electric vehicles (EV) and to reduce dependence on fossil fuels, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) has made amendments to the Model Building Byelaws (MBBL) 2016 and Urban Regional Development Plans Formulation and Implementation (URDPFI) guidelines 2014 making provisions for setting up EVs charging stations in residential and commercial buildings, bus terminals and service stations and multi-level parking lots. The amendments include offering round-the-clock charging infrastructure facility to all electric vehicles in residential buildings, increasing electricity load for all buildings, setting up charging bays at 20% capacity of all vehicles and on-spot metering and payment services in both commercial and residential buildings. If successful, this will make EVs more attractive and cost-effective to people - driving the way they have been changing till now. This will make easy for people to switch to EVs. The amendments in the guidelines have been circulated to all the State Governments and Union Territories with the request to amend their Building



Byelaws and Master Plan Regulations. Additionally, the building premise will have to have an additional power load, equivalent to the power required for all charging points (in a Public Charging System (PCS)) to be operated. There should be sufficient space for charging and entry/exit for vehicles. Any PCS installed at Public/Private areas or building premises of any category that caters to commercial mode of charging of EVs shall be deemed as a Public Charging Station and shall have to install the minimum requirements of chargers as specified in the guidelines. The amendment allows one public charging system to be set up at every 25 kms on both sides of highways and inter-city corridors. Similarly, one fast charging station is to be set up at every 100 kms on both sides of highways and roads. In industrial parks or

estates, land for at least one point charging station is to be reserved within a grid of 10km x 10 km. The amendment also allows setting up a battery swapping station along the highways and intercity corridors. As per amendment, the tariff for supply of EVs will be determined by the competent authority and Central Electricity Authority will create a data base to this effect. According to the amendment, the government will create 'favourable ecosystems' in nine polluted cities having over 4 million populations. It will gradually be extended to cities that have population of one million-plus. It will also cover Mumbai-Pune corridor, Delhi-Jaipur expressway, Ahmedabad-Vadodra expressway, Delhi-Agra Yamuna expressway, Bengaluru-Mysore expressway, Bengaluru-Chennai, Surat-

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PULWAMA TERROR ATTACK



Communal violence in Jammu, Poonch

SIANS ■ JAMMU

Shops, vehicles and other property belonging to a particular community came under attack in Poonch and Jammu, forcing authorities to clamp curfew in Jammu, during a shutdown to denounce a suicide bombing that killed 44 CRPF troopers in the Kashmir Valley.

Authorities first imposed curfew and sought the Army's help to restore order in the winter capital of Jammu & Kashmir where scores of youths protesting against the suicide attack torched some vehicles and smashed many more believed to be from the Valley.

Jammu District Magistrate Ramesh Kumar said curfew had been imposed in the entire Jammu city to maintain peace.

Police used tear smoke and batons to disperse the mobs. The curfew was imposed initially in Jammu's Gujjar Nagar, Talab Khatikan, Janipur, Bakshi Nagar, Chennai Heemat, Bus Stand and some other places in old city area and later extended to the entire city.

Violence also erupted in Poonch district, where too

shops and vehicles belonging to a particular community were attacked in Aala Peer area, forcing police to use tear smoke and batons.

"People are advised to maintain calm and not play into the hands of anti-social elements who want to exploit the situation for their nefarious objectives," a police officer said.

The Jammu Chamber of Commerce and Industry (JCCI), an influential body of traders and industrialists, had earlier called a shutdown in Jammu city against the terror strike in the Valley's Pulwama district on Thursday on a CRPF convoy.

Rakesh Gupta, President of JCCI, an influential body of local traders and industrialists, told IANS, "I appeal to the people belonging to different sections of the society to maintain the traditional harmony and brotherhood for which Jammu has been known ever since the fires of violence spread in the (Kashmir) Valley."

Meanwhile, Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh attended the wreath laying ceremony of the troopers at the Humhama Regimental Training Centre of the CRPF



A protester shouts slogans against Thursday's attack on a paramilitary convoy, in Jammu, on Friday

Rajnath among pallbearers

PTI ■ SRINAGAR

With the bugler playing the 'last post', Home Minister Rajnath Singh turned a pallbearer on Friday as the bodies of 44 paramilitary personnel killed in an audacious terror strike in South Kashmir's Pulwama district were sent on their last journey home.

Singh, accompanied by a high-level team comprising officials from the CRPF, NIA and Home Ministry, arrived here on Friday afternoon and drove straight to the adjacent CRPF campus where a wreath laying ceremony was held for the slain jawans.

As the bugler played the 'last post' and guard called for 'shok salami shastra' (reversing of arms in honour of fallen soldiers), a two-minute silence was observed after which the Union Home Minister gave a shoulder to the coffin of a jawan which was being taken to his native place in a special aircraft. The Home Minister, Governor Satya Pal Malik, Home Secretary Rajiv Gauba, CRPF Director General RR Bhatnagar, Jammu & Kashmir DGP Dilbag Singh besides others attended the wreath laying ceremony.



Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh, along with Director General of Jammu & Kashmir Police Dilbag Singh, shoulders a coffin of a slain CRPF jawan during a wreath-laying ceremony for the martyrs at the CRPF camp in Budgam on Friday

Aadhaar cards, force IDs help identify martyrs

New Delhi: Aadhaar cards, ID cards, leave applications and certain other articles were the only things left of most of the 44 CRPF personnel killed in the Pulwama terror attack that helped their colleagues identify them, officials said on Friday.

Officials said as the bodies of the troops were badly mutilated and charred due to the impact of the RDX-triggered blast, it became very difficult to ascertain their identities. Most of the slain jawans were either identified by their Aadhaar cards, force IDs, PAN cards or leave applications kept in their pockets and bags.



Security forces personnel stand guard near charred vehicles after a violent protest over the killing of CRPF personnel in the Pulwama terror attack, in Jammu, on Friday

ATTACK KILLS DREAMS OF SLAIN JAWANS

Patna/Bhagalpur: One was planning wedding of his daughter, the other eagerly awaiting arrival of his second child.

The dreams of Sanjay Kumar Sinha and Ratan Kumar Thakur went up in smoke in a trice. They were among the 44 CRPF jawans who lost their lives. Family and friends of Sinha received the earth-shattering news of his death with sorrow, anger and disbelief.

His father Mahendra Prasad is proud of his son but equally concerned about what would happen to his family. "He has two grown-up, unmarried daughters. While leaving for duty, he had said that on his next visit to the village he will finalise marriage of elder one. We are distraught," grief-stricken father said.

The atmosphere is sombre at Thakur's home in Bhagalpur. He has left behind a four-year-old son and a wife who is expecting their second child. "We were expecting a call from Ratan by the evening as he had told us he would speak to us after joining duty in Srinagar. Instead, we received a call from one of his superiors who broke to us the terrible news," Niranjan Thakur, the slain CRPF constable's father, said.

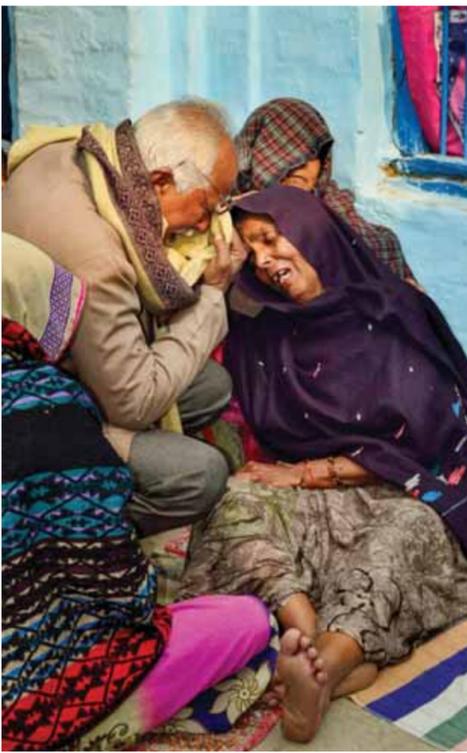
CRPF jawan's brother recalls last talk hours before attack

Nagpur: Rajesh Rajput spoke to his younger brother Sanjay, a CRPF jawan, on phone on Thursday morning. Little did he know that it would be their last conversation.

Sanjay Rajput (45) was among the 44 jawans of the Central Reserve Police Force killed when a terrorist rammed a bomb-laden vehicle into their bus in Pulwama on Thursday.

A pall of gloom descended over the CRPF Group Centre Colony here, where Sanjay's family lives, as the news came. Rajesh told PTI that his brother was attached to the CRPF's 213th battalion, based in Nagpur, for the last four years. He lived in the CRPF colony with his two sons Jai (13) and Shubham (11) and wife Sushma Rajput.

"He left Nagpur on February 11 for his new posting with the 115th battalion in Srinagar. I called him yesterday morning, around 9.30 am, when he told me he had left Jammu at 3.30 am to join his new posting," said Rajesh.



Family members mourn the death of CRPF jawan Kaushal Kumar Rawat, at his residence in Agra, on Friday

Families recall martyrs' passion, love for country

PTI ■ JAIPUR/DHOLPUR/KOTA

When Rohitash Lamba, Bhagirath Singh and Hemraj Meena left their homes in Rajasthan earlier this week with the promise that they would return to their families soon, few imagined that it would turn out to be their last visit.

Lamba, Singh and Meena were among the 44 CRPF personnel killed in a terrorist attack in Pulwama in Jammu & Kashmir on Thursday.

Their families on Friday recalled their passion and love for the country as they grieved the demise of their loved

ones. Barely two months ago, Lamba had expressed his joy on becoming a father on the social media. He rejoined duty on February 12 after spending several days with his family, including his two-month-old son. A pall of gloom descended at Govindpura Basadi village near Shahpura, around 65 km from Jaipur, as the news of Lamba's death reached.

Former Deputy Speaker of Rajasthan Assembly and former Shahpura legislator Rao Rajendra Singh met Lamba's family members on Friday and expressed his condolences. He said that Lamba's wife fell unconscious on hearing the

tragic news and had to be hospitalised.

The family of 27-year-old Bhagirath Singh, a resident of Jaipur village in Dholpur district, was struggling to come to terms with the loss. On Friday, the entire village of Jaipur mourned the death of the young man.

"We never knew that he would leave us so early. He had promised his father and family to return soon two days ago but they had never imagined that it would be his last visit home," Jaipur sarpanch Kapur Chand Gurjar said.

He said Singh's mother had passed away when he was

a kid. His father Parshuram, a farmer, brought up his two sons alone. Singh joined CRPF four years ago, whereas his younger brother Balveer joined Uttar Pradesh Police.

Singh got married Ranjna four years ago and has three-year-old son Vinay and a year-and-a-half-old daughter Shivangi. Hemraj Meena's wife Madhu received a call from the CRPF camp in Jammu around 10 pm Thursday, informing her about his demise.

Soon after the news reached the area, villagers came out their homes and gathered outside Meena's home to pay their tributes.



Punish perpetrators: Bereaved daughter

Kalabari/Guwahati: "The perpetrators must be punished for killing my father, our jawans, even if it means carrying out surgical strikes across the border," demanded the daughter of CRPF Head Constable Maneswar Basumatari, who was martyred in Thursday's terror attack in Jammu & Kashmir.

Basumatari, the head constable CRPF 98 Battalion was among the 40 soldiers who were killed in the Pulwama attack. He is survived by his daughter, Didmaswari, wife, Sunmati, and son. "We want justice. Give a befitting reply to the cowards responsible for the Pulwama attack," said an inconsolable Didmaswari on Friday. Talking to reporters at the family's residence in Kalabari village in Assam's Baksa district, she also

demanding that the Government should look after the family now.

Basumatari had recently visited home, said the slain head constable's wife with tears running down her face. She was unable to talk further.

After the attack, there were rumours circulating on social media that three more soldiers from Assam had been killed in the attack. The CRPF jawans rumoured to have been killed in the blast took to Facebook on Friday to refute the rumours. One of the soldiers, Mizing Basumatary of Udalguri district said in a Facebook post, "This is fake news. I am doing fine and nothing has happened to me. Please don't share the fake post."

CRPF jawan, Pabitra Barman, a native of Bongaigaon, said, "Hi

friends...I am fully safe & sound. I'm deployed in other district of Kashmir, which is far away from Pulwama where the mischief happened. Jai Hind."

Family of the third CRPF jawan, Ananta Saiki of Nagaon district's Gorubandha, also stated that he was safe. His sister, Purnima, told reporters, "By God's grace, Ananta is safe. He called us today. He was on a bus which was ahead of the convoy of 78 vehicles, carrying 2,547 CRPF jawans, that was attacked."

Meanwhile, various organisations held protests across Assam. Protesters burnt effigies of Pakistan-based terror outfit Jaish-e-Mohammad, which claimed responsibility for the attack, and flags of the neighbouring country.

AMU suspends student from Kashmir over controversial post on Pulwama attack

Aligarh: The AMU on Friday suspended an undergraduate Student from Kashmir for allegedly lauding a terrorist outfit in a social media post after the terror strike in Pulwama in which 40 CRPF personnel were killed.

Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) spokesperson Omar Peerzada told PTI that the matter is being further probed and "strong deterrent action" will be taken once the investigation is complete. "AMU has zero tolerance for any such pernicious activity and anyone indulging in such an act will not be spared," Peerzada said.

Ajmer Sharif chief asks Govt to not allow Pak devotees to visit shrine

PTI ■ AJMER

Condemning the terror attack on a CRPF convoy in Jammu & Kashmir's Pulwama, Ajmer Sharif Dargah dewan Syed Zainul Abedin Ali Khan on Friday urged the government to not allow devotees from Pakistan to visit the shrine.

Ali Khan, the descendant of Sufi saint Hazrat Khwaja Moinuddin Hassan Chishti, paid tribute to the personnel killed in the attack.

He urged the Government to not allow 'jatha' or group of devotees from Pakistan to visit the famous shrine in Rajasthan's Ajmer during festivals, including Urs,

which commemorates the death anniversary of the Sufi saint.

Describing the attack as "non-Islamic," he said harming lives of innocent people by attacking them cowardly is against the fundamental principles of the religion.

Several devotees from Pakistan visit the Ajmer Sharif Dargah every year. On Thursday, an explosives laden truck rammed into a CRPF convoy in Pulwama outside Srinagar, killing 44 soldiers in one of the biggest terror attacks in recent years.

Pakistan-based terror group Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) has claimed responsibility for the attack.

As anger flares, Pune shop sells Pak flags with free lighters

Pune: As protests erupted in the city over the attack on CRPF convoy at Pulwama, a flag-seller here did a brisk business — in Pakistani flags. Murudkar Zendevala, a famous flag-seller, sold over 100 national flags of Pakistan on Friday and gave a lighter free with every flag.

Pakistani flags were burnt at many places in the city in the wake of the terror attack at Pulwama in Jammu & Kashmir Thursday in which at least 44 CRPF personnel were killed. People expressed anger about the neighbouring country, which is accused of harbouring Jaish-e-Mohammad, the terror outfit which has claimed the responsibility for the ghastly attack, by burning Pakistani flags.

Assam announces ₹20 lakh aid

Guwahati: Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal announced Rs 20 lakh to the family of Maneswar Basumatary, a CRPF soldier from the state, who was martyred in the terrorist attack in Jammu & Kashmir on Thursday. Condoling the death of Basumatary, Sonowal Friday said his sacrifice would be remembered by the whole nation.

Pulwama attack due to Intelligence failure: Mamata

Kolkata: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Friday said the terror attack in J&K on a CRPF was due to "intelligence failure" and demanded that there be three-day nationwide mourning to show respect to the martyrs.

She questioned why the Centre was not declaring national mourning for the CRPF jawans and said "Will mourning take place only when political leaders die?" "I demand 72 hours mourning for the ultimate sacrifice of the soldiers. At least for national respect. Only one flag is not enough for it," she told reporters after returning from New Delhi.

Banerjee said that the Government as well as all the political parties should put a stop to all scheduled programme in view of the terror attack.



Police personnel deployed on Aligarh Muslim University campus in the view of protests after some students were booked on alleged sedition charges on Friday

Tripura to give ₹2 lakh aid

Agartala: Tripura Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb on Friday announced Rs 2-lakh compensation for each family. "People of Tripura and the State Government would remain behind the families of 45 martyred CRPF personnel," the Chief Minister told the media after announcing the compensation.

PULWAMA TERROR ATTACK

Thousands protest in Mumbai

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Thousands of Muslims from south Mumbai joined the wide-spread protests staged by several groups and political parties across the metropolis against Thursday's Pulwama terror attacks which left 44 CRPF personnel dead, even as the Maharashtra Government announced an ex-gratia of Rs 50 lakh each to the next of kin of two jawans from the state killed in the attack.

Muslims, carrying the Indian Tricolour, banners, placards and raising anti-Pakistan slogans, took out a massive procession along the busy Mohammed Ali Road in downtown south Mumbai.

The slogans like "Pakistan Murdabad, LeT Murdabad, Down with Masood Azhar and Hafiz Saeed" and "Jem Murdabad" rented the air, as



Protesters stamp over pictures of Jaish-e-Mohammad chief Masood Azhar during a protest in Mumbai on Friday

the Muslims staged protest marches in localities of Saifee Jubilee Street, Handiwala Mosque, Sunni Bilal Mosque. Most of these areas observed a spontaneous bandh.

In a related development, the BJP-led by Ram Kadam, Raj Purohit and others -staged protests against the Pakistani-sponsored terror strike in different parts of the metropolis.

The Maharashtra and Mumbai Congress units organised special condolence meetings at the state, city and district party headqua

"We are all one who mourned the death of live under and all are sons of BharatMata! We should not think of caste, a ligion or faith. We are the followers of Vasudhaiv Kutumbakam," Fadnavis said, while describing the Pulwama terror strikes as an "absolute cowardly and con-

Maha Govt announces ₹50L aid to martyrs' families

demnable act". Ruling Shiv Sena, MNS and the NCP organised similar protests and demonstrations at various parts of the city other parts of the state, while the MNS activists burnt the Pakistan flags in Mumbai and Thane.

The Bharat Diamond Bourse, Gem & Jewellery Export Promotion Council and Mumbai Diamond Merchants Association also held a joint condolence meeting for the martyred troopers at the BDB Complex in Bandra Kurla in north-central Mumbai.

The city also witnessed protests outside major suburban railway stations where lakh home-bound commuters raised slogans against Pakistan and the perpetrators behind the Pulwama attacks

Meanwhile, Maharashtra mourned the death of two Army jawans — identified as

Sanjay Rajput (45) and Nitin Rathod from Buldhana district in eastern Maharashtra — in the attacks.

While Sanjay Rajput is originally from Malkapur, Nitin Rathod belonged to Chorpangra village in Buldhana district.

Sanjay's brother Rajesh said that his brother is survived by wife Sushma Rajput and two sons Jai (13) and Shubham (11). Sanjay said his brother had left Nagpur on 11 February for his new posting with the 115th battalion in Srinagar. "I called him morning of the day of the incident, around 9.30 am, when he told me he had left Jammu at 3.30 am to join his new posting," Rajesh said.

Nitin (36) is survived by wife Vandana, who said has a new couple have two minor children — Jeevan (8) and Jivika (5).

Uddhav: Time to strike inside Pak

PNS ■ MUMBAI

Shiv Sena president Uddhav Thackeray on Friday attributed the Pulwama attacks to the "intelligence failure" and said it was time to "strike inside Pakistan".

Talking to media persons, Uddhav said that those in charge of the intelligence machinery in the valley state should be removed.

"The issues of alliances, elections will be there. But Pakistan must not be allowed to go scot-free. It should be taught a befitting lesson," the Sena president said, while replying to a question about his meeting with Maharashtra chief minister Devendra Fadnavis on Thursday.

Maintaining that Thursday's terror attack should be condemned in the strongest possible terms, Uddhav said: "This is not just a terror attack. It has exposed the chinks in the country's intelligence system." "You (the BJP-led Union government) conducted surgical strike in Pak-occupied Kashmir. Now the time has come to strike inside Pakistan. The entire country supports the government on this issue," the Sena president said.

"Instead of making tall claims, Pakistan needs to be taught a lesson once and for all. If intelligence inputs were not available, one wonders what do the people who are holding the reins were doing. They should be removed," Uddhav said.

AIADMK-BJP poll alliance gets going

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ CHENNAI

The process of forming an electoral alliance between the AIADMK and the BJP for the upcoming Lok Sabha poll began in right earnest late Thursday evening. Union Minister for Railways Piyush Goyal who is in charge of the Lok Sabha election for Tamil Nadu reached Chennai late Thursday evening and drove down to the residence of late industrialist from south-west Tamil Nadu and had a discussion with the AIADMK representatives — P Thangamani (Power Minister) and SP Velumani (local administration minister).

This is the first official meeting between the AIADMK and the BJP though backroom discussions were on for quite some time about the poll alliance, according to sources in both the parties. "We do not see any reason why there should not be any alliance between the AIADMK and the BJP. A formal announcement about the alliance would be made soon," said Narayanan Thirupathi, spokesman of the BJP.

Another BJP leader told The Pioneer that discussions were on with leaders of the Pattali Makkal Katchi (PMK), the DMDK (led by film actor Vijayakanth) and Dr

Krishnasamy's Puthiya Tamilakam. "There is a possibility that Tamil Manila Congress led by GK Vasan too would join the AIADMK-BJP alliance though it may take some more time for an announcement," said the BJP leader.

Since Stalin is not enthusiastic in including the TMC in his front, Vasan is left with only two options, either to pitch his tent in the AIADMK-BJP front or to sail with TTV Dhinakaran's AMMK. But Anbazhagan, political commentator who is close confidante of Dhinakaran said Vasan would not join the BJP alliance and would join hands with the AMMK.

Goyal returned to New Delhi early Friday morning and is expected back in Chennai for further talks sometime next week. Meanwhile, the DMK -led front has started its campaign for the election buoyed by the opinion poll results by some of the leading private agencies which forecast a total sweep in Tamil Nadu by the DMK.

Though Stalin has not announced the constituents of the rainbow alliance, it is certain that the Congress, the Islamist parties, the Lefts, the VCK and the MDMK led by Vaiko would figure in the DMK-led front.

Swamy seeks Swaraj's intervention on behalf of Tamil refugees

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ CHENNAI

Subramanian Swamy, MP and Senior BJP leader has sought the immediate intervention of Sushma Swaraj, Union Minister for External Affairs, to help the Sri Lankan refugees who are stranded in Tamil Nadu for the last four months because of non-availability of a ship to take them home.

In a letter addressed to Sushma Swaraj on Friday, Swamy said that during his last visit to Chennai, he was 'apprised by the Sri Lankan refugees that they have been

waiting for four months for a ship to be provided as promised to return to their home country, Sri Lanka."

"There appears to be some bureaucratic turf war on who can decide when to provide the ship required. Hope it will be possible for you to intervene assure that a ship is provided to take a batch of Sri Lankan Tamil refugees who have been waiting patiently for the last four months back to their homes," said Dr Swamy in the letter.

Though the Tamil chauvinist parties are in the forefront agitating for the rights of the Tamils in the island nation, Dr Swamy is

the first politician from Tamil Nadu to take up cudgels on behalf of the Tamils in Sri Lanka, pointed out Sri Lankan observers based in the State.

The Sri Lankan High Commissioner to India Austin Fernando, has been quoted as saying that there are 97,000 Sri Lankan refugees in India. The High Commissioner who was in Chennai recently along with a team of officials from Colombo to find out the first-hand details pertaining to Tamil refugees had made it clear that Sri Lanka needed the refugees and would take all steps to ensure their return to the home country.

2 disgruntled Cong MLAs meet Siddaramaiah

Bengaluru: Two out of the four disgruntled Congress MLAs, against whom a disqualification petition is pending with the assembly Speaker, Friday met party leader and former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah here and reportedly pledged loyalty to the party. "MLA Shri Nagendra and Shri Ramesh Jarkiholi met CLPleader Shri @siddaramaiah along with minister Shri Zameer Ahmed Khan," Karnataka Congress said in a tweet.

Though what transpired at the meeting was not known, party sources calling it a one-to-one meeting said, the legislators pledged their loyalty to the party and requested the CLP leader to withdraw the disqualification petition while narrating their grievances.

Siddaramaiah is said to have advised both Jarkiholi and Nagendra not to take any decision in haste until the Lok Sabha elections are over, according to the sources.

The CLP leader Thursday had said his petition seeking disqualification of four disgruntled party MLAs was pending with the Speaker, who is the competent authority to take action under the anti-defection law.

The former CM said his petition to Speaker has nothing to do with four MLAs attending Session since Wednesday, as he noted that the legislators have violated the whip in earlier instances.

NORTHERN RAILWAY						
TENDER NOTICE (through e-tendering)						
S. No.	Name of Work with its location	App. Cost of the work (in Rs.)	Tender Inviting Officer Address	Tender Document Fee (in Rs.)	Earnest Money to be deposited (in Rs.)	Date & Time for Closed of tender
1.	Comprehensive Annual Maintenance contract and Repair of DG sets installed over DLI Division. (For one year)	Rs. 3828394/- only	Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/C, Northern Railway 3rd Floor, Annex-1, DRM office, New Delhi-110055	Rs. 5900/- only	Rs. 76570/- only	Tender uploaded date & time- 13.03.2019 up to 15.00 hrs.

Tender No. :- 558-Sig/16/M/Tender/AMC/036/2018-19 Dated : 14.02.2019 472/19

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Extract of Audited and Unaudited Standalone & Consolidated Results for the quarter and Nine Months Ended 31.12.2018

Sl. No.	PARTICULARS	Standalone						Consolidated					
		Quarter Ended			Nine Months Ended			Quarter Ended			Nine Months Ended		
		Dec-18	Sep-18	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-17	Dec-18	Sep-18	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-17		
1	Total Income from Operations	12842.42	10701.27	8847.56	33706.81	28525.74	17907.51	15054.81	13507.43	45964.56	41574.99		
2	Net Profit for the period (before tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	962.49	865.72	701.35	2903.63	2525.07	1064.95	974.45	1035.97	2966.57	2895.66		
3	Net profit for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or extraordinary item)	959.35	863.03	701.35	2898.15	2525.07	1061.81	971.76	1035.97	2961.09	2895.66		
4	Net Profit for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	613.52	565.66	455.79	1871.48	1648.70	683.45	640.15	683.65	1912.81	1901.17		
5	Total comprehensive income for the period	613.52	565.66	455.78	1871.47	1648.66	683.45	640.15	683.64	1912.8	1901.13		
6	Equity Share capital	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74	1502.74		
7	Earnings per share of Rs. 10/- each												
	a) Basic	4.08	3.76	3.04	12.45	10.98	4.55	4.26	4.56	12.73	12.66		
	b) Diluted	4.08	3.76	3.04	12.45	10.98	4.55	4.26	4.56	12.73	12.66		

NOTES :-

- The above standalone and consolidated financial statements of M/s CMI Limited ("the Company") have been prepared in accordance with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 (Ind-AS) prescribed under section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 and other recognized accounting practices and policies to the extent applicable.
- The above financial results have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting on February 14, 2019
- The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of SEBI (Listing and other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the quarterly financial results are available on the stock exchange website(s), NSE-www.nseindia.com, BSE-www.bseindia.com and Company's website-www.cmilimited.in.
- Previous period figures have been regrouped / reclassified, wherever necessary.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors of CMI Limited
Sd/-
V.K. Gupta
Whole Time Director
DIN: 00995523

Place : New Delhi
Date: 14.02.2019

NEW DELHI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

ROAD-V DIVISION, CIVIL ENGINEERING DEPTT.
ROOM NO. 229, SBS PLACE, GOLE MARKET, NEW DELHI

Short e-Procurement Tender Notice

Name of Work: Repair and Maintenance of Infrastructure Assets in R-V Division during 2018-19.
Sub Head: Repair of boundary wall & M.S. gates in DIZ area in the jurisdiction of R-V Division.
Estimated cost: ₹7,53,400/-
Date of release of tender through e-procurement solution on: 14.02.2019
Last date/time for receipt of tenders through e-procurement solution: 22.02.2019 upto 04:00 PM
Further details can be seen at <https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>
Note: To participate in e-tender in NDMC registration with e-tendering system, Government of NCT of Delhi is mandatory. Sd/-
Tender ID No. 2019_NDMC_168640_1 EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (R-V)
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NORTHERN RAILWAY

OPEN E-TENDER NOTICE

The Sr. Divisional Operations Manager, Northern Railway, New Delhi invites E-Tender for the following work.

1. Name of work with its location	Round the clock Loading/Unloading and transportation of Loco Pilot and Guard Line Boxes from train to running room and vice-versa at Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Station (HNZM) Station
2. Approx. cost of work	Rs. 40,46,955.75/- + GST as applicable for three years.
3. Earnest Money	Rs. 81,000/-
4. Date and time of submission of tender bid and opening of tender.	15.00 hrs. on 11.03.2019
5. Website particulars where complete details of tender documents can be seen.	www.ireps.gov.in

No. : Otpg-Line Box-03-2019 Date : 13.02.2019 464/19
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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified body of a male namely Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, was found dead on 09.02.2019 at 10:40 am from under Footover Bridge, Near Jhule Lal Mandir, Moti Nagar, Delhi . In this regard DD No.74-A, dated 09.02.2019 has been lodged at Police Station, Moti Nagar, Delhi. Identification of unidentified dead body of male is as under:
Name: Unknown, Age: 60 Years, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: White Jersey, Grey Pant and Socks in feet.
If anyone have any information or clue about this male deceased may kindly be inform undersigned.
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Police Station, Moti Nagar, Delhi
Ph.: 011-25101150, 8750871125
DP/8109/WD/19

DELHI JAL BOARD: GOVT OF NCT OF DELHI

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (NW) III OVER HEAD TANK ASHOK VIHAR DELHI

PRESS NIT No. 71 (2018-19)

Item No.	Name of Work	Estimated Cost	Date of release of tender in E-procurement solution	Last date/time receipt of tender through e-procurement
1	Providing laying 400 mm dia and 250 mm dia main peripheral sewer line in Block C-3 Keshav Puram in AC-17 Wazirpur Constituency under EE (NW)	Rs. 27,12,846/-	Tender ID No. 2019_DJB_168394_1 on 12.02.2019 at 03:24 PM	27.02.2019 Up to 3:00 PM

Further details in this regard can be seen at <https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>
ISSUED BY P.R.O. (WATER) Sd/-
Advt. No. J.S.V. 824/2018-19 Ex. Engineer (NW)III

DELHI JAL BOARD GOVT OF N.C.T OF DELHI

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (NORTH)-I OVER HEAD TANK, MUKHERJI NAGAR, DELHI-110009.

NIT No 67 Item No.I (North)-I (2018-19)

S. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Earnest Money	Date of release of tender in e-procurement solution	Tender fee (Non refundable)	Last date/time of receipt of tender through e-procurement solution
1	Replacement of old and damaged Sewer line in Gali Dabbevali, Gali Shastri, Gali Ration wall and Gali Gautam in Kairi Basti Malika Gani Ward. No. 09 under EE (N)-I (Re-tender)	Rs. 25,55,040/-	51,100/-	12.02.2019 15.00 PM onward	500/-	Technical bid to be received on 27.02.2019 3.00 PM & opening of Financial bid after completion of technical bid & confirmation of EMD from Bank

Further details in the regard can be seen at <https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>
ISSUED BY P.R.O. (WATER) Sd/-
Advt. No. J.S.V. 821/2018-19 EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (North)-I

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SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

General public is hereby informed that a female namely **Istesham @ Amrin, D/o Khurshid Anwar, R/o RZB-236, Pipal Wali Gali, Nihal Vihar, Delhi** has been missing/kidnapped since 24.12.2018 from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard a case vide DD No. 26-A, dated 26.12.2018, has been registered at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped female but no clue has come to light so far. The description of the missing/kidnapped female is as under:
Name: Istesham @ Amrin, Gender: Female, Age: 24 years, Height: 5', Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Round, Wearing: Black colour Shirt, Black & White colour Pajami and Black colour Sandal in Feet.
If anyone has any information regarding this missing/kidnapped female, kindly inform SHO/Nihal Vihar, Delhi.
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SEARCH FOR MISSING

General public is hereby informed that a male namely **Lok Pal, S/o: Bhajan Lal, R/o: Vill. Nagla Samba Po, Aliganj, Dist. ETHA (UP) has been missing since 17.01.2019 from AIIMS Hospital, New Delhi.** In this regard DD No. 34A, dated 20.01.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Hauz Khas, New Delhi. The description of missing male is as under:
Name: Lok Pal, Age: 27 Years, Height: 5'3", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Long, Wearing: Blue Shirt, Full Sleeve, Cream Sweater, Dark Cream pant and Mentally Disturb.
If anyone have any information about this missing male please inform P.S. Hauz Khas, Delhi.
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PAPER WITH PASSION

Hit Pakistan back hard

While the Government must retaliate, it must be pro-active and not reactive and use its strategic chips



Beyond all the condemnation and blood-curdling fury of the dastardly Pulwama attack, the worst offensive by terrorists in Jammu & Kashmir, and the candlelight vigils for the young martyrs, the only big takeaway is that we can no longer be seen as a soft state and notch up a timeline of *fidayeen* honours; we need to take demonstrable muscular action. So even if the world, US and Russia included, have condemned the attack and we have withdrawn our MFN status to Pakistan to choke it economically, there has to be a strong message to the Jaish-e-Mohammad. India must junk strategic delicacies and robustly

insist its chief Masood Azhar be named a UN-designated terrorist, global action be taken against him and Pakistan be isolated diplomatically if it does not hand him over. The message should be that Jammu & Kashmir can no longer be milked politically as years of talks have yielded nothing and backdoor engagement has only meant that one or the other group and local politicians have wangled some relevance and power in the process. The only winner here has been the Pakistani deep state, which is using terror to maintain its hold over the strategic backyard, especially in relation to Afghanistan and China. And now that the Taliban, to whom Pakistan has provided safe havens all these years, is reclaiming its hold in Afghanistan following the US plans to pull out troops, it is chuckling *vis-a-vis* India. We have to be proactive, not reactive, considering the size of our economy and consequent relevance in South Asian geopolitics.

The attack is disturbing not only for the unprecedented scale of human devastation but for other reasons. Coming as it does after attempts on a series of defence establishments, it shows that our standard operating procedures are no good for protecting Army bases and the militants have somehow not only innovated but penetrated deep layers of our security systems with the ease of a sly fox. There has been talk of armoured vehicles for convoys but the proposal has hardly got off the ground. Second, though the Army and our intelligence claim to have penetrated local networks, they have not picked up the radicalised mutation of terrorist modules. What else could explain that though the security forces have smashed the Jaish and Lashkar camps and taken out their top commanders, the propaganda machine from across the border has managed to nurture and proselytize local teenagers into believing that *shahadat* for the liberation of Kashmir is greater than life itself. True, Jaish has been worried about its receding pockets of influence as November and December 2018 have been the deadliest months with 39 terrorists killed in Jammu and Kashmir. One of the major kills was of Lashkar-e-Toiba commander Naveed Jatt. The Army is in fact now focussing on terrorist leadership in the hubs of Shopian, Anantnag, Budgam, Kulgam and Srinagar. Significantly, credible local intelligence also came from the local population, who are tired and exhausted after losing family members and want to be stakeholders in their own lives. Without local cooperation, security forces could not have neutralised about 18 terrorists, including top commanders, in South Kashmir over four days! So Jaish was indirectly sending a message to the local Kashmiris as well by roping in one of them as a suicide bomber. Third, the tactics employed by the assailants, ramming in an explosive-laden vehicle into the intended target, were painfully similar to those of the ISIS in Syria and Afghanistan and seems Kashmir will be their new hunting ground for nihilistic attacks against the Indian state. Most importantly, any hitback, which will be expectedly brutal and punishing, can polarise society further and worse drive modern Kashmiris, some of whom have just begun the process of mainstreaming themselves economically and socially in our metro cities, back into ghettos of suspicion. If the communal riots in Jammu are any indication, then we have set back that process by decades. As for the government, which has mouthed "josh" far too many times, it is time to show one and end Pakistan's adventurism once and for all.

End of the runway

Production of Airbus A380 is coming to a close by 2021 and we should not forget this engineering marvel



In May 2007, Vijay Mallya and his Kingfisher Airlines were both still flying high. A year earlier, the flamboyant businessman and the then Member of Parliament had ordered five of Airbus' massive A380 superjumbo aircraft at the Paris Air Show and got the European manufacturer to fly in the aircraft into India to show off. In flights over Delhi and Mumbai, Mallya regaled the high and mighty of both cities and those, who were not lucky enough to enjoy a flight on-board, were mesmerised by the sheer sight of something so large, so massive even being able to take to the skies. The A380

defied, it would appear to someone on the street, the fundamental laws of physics. The huge plane could fly close to 900 people over 12,000 km and it was meant to revolutionise air travel across the world by not just providing extreme luxury but also propelling prices down for budget travel.

Twelve years on, Kingfisher Airlines collapsed in a heap, exacerbating India's bad loan crisis and Mallya is currently a fugitive in London fighting extradition. And Airbus just announced that they would deliver the last Airbus A380 in 2021. The Airbus A380, an aircraft that cost over \$25 billion to develop, could not even recoup its developmental costs. While Airbus basically prints money on every narrow body A320 aircraft it sells to low-cost airlines, the failure of the A380 will be a huge hit to its pride. Not least because the plane it was meant to replace, the Boeing 747, which celebrated the 50th anniversary of its first flight, will possibly outlive the Airbus A380 on the production line. A lot of things went wrong for the Airbus A380 starting with production delays and the fact that the plane entered an aviation market that was transforming rapidly thanks to low-cost short-range and long-haul travel. Extremely efficient aircraft such as the Boeing 787 and Airbus' own A350, that used new manufacturing technologies and engines, sipped fuel at ridiculously low rates. But analysing why the aircraft failed to be the sales success that Airbus executives thought it would be is a story for a different time. The fact is that the world is losing an engineering marvel from the production line. However, it is likely that this Leviathan of the skies will keep flying for at least another decade or two, and those who must experience this aircraft still have a few years left to do so. Residents of Delhi and Mumbai can still marvel at the sight of this plane filling their skies on a daily basis for a few more years.

Emperor in peril

The Royal Bengal Tiger is not only at the top of the food chain in the wild but constitutes a vital link in maintaining nature's rich diversity and ecosystems. Will it become extinct?



HIRANMAY KARLEKAR

A recent *PTI* report cites researchers as saying that rising sea levels, caused by climate change, could destroy the world's biggest mangrove forest — Sunderbans — spanning more than 10,000 square kilometres in India and Bangladesh, in the next 50 years. It quotes Sharif Mukul, an assistant professor at the Independent University, Bangladesh, as saying that analyses by researchers indicate that the Sunderban's tiger habitats would vanish by 2070. The area being perhaps the most important habitat of the majestic animal, the development has serious implications for the Royal Bengal Tiger's survival. The report further quotes Bill Lawrence, a professor at Australia's James Cook University, as stating that the animal, now "mainly confined to small areas of India and Bangladesh", is "facing a double whammy" — the increasing unavailability of the Sunderbans area for themselves and their prey as well as encroachment by industry, construction of roads and poaching.

All of this warrants concern on two counts — the future of the Royal Bengal Tiger as a species, the consequences of the extinction of tigers and the developments leading to both. As to the first, around 97 per cent of the world's tiger population perished in the last 100 years and, according to the latest statistics, only 3,890 tigers are left in the world. The developments leading to the extinction of tigers include the destruction of their forest habitats for human settlements, industry and infrastructure, the consequent increase in human-tiger conflict and the extensive use of tiger parts in Chinese medicines.

Encroachments on tiger habitats are liable to grow given the continuing increase in human population, the rising demands for housing settlements and industrial and agricultural products arising therefrom. The incidence of conflict between people and tigers is also set to rise as the decline in the availability of prey, who share tigers' shrinking habitats, compels the latter to target domesticated animals like cattle. Finally, there is no sign of any fall in the demand for tiger parts in Chinese medicines despite it being medically established that they have no medicinal value at all.

China has postponed the implementation of its decision to lift the ban on the use of tiger bones and rhino horns — from both animals bred in captivity — by hospitals, and domestic trade in antique tiger and rhino products, which would have given a cover of legitimacy to the sale of parts from poached animals. The decision, though most welcome, needs to be made permanent and Beijing has to further step up its efforts to stanch illegal trade in animal parts.

The fate of the Royal Bengal Tiger will be determined by the interplay of these factors and the measures taken to conserve and increase their number. Significant measures



have been taken towards the latter. The international ban on the trade in tigers, instituted in 1993, has vastly reduced the mass slaughter of the species by poaching and trade. Nevertheless, poaching and illegal trade continue not only to provide the manufacturers of traditional Chinese medicines but fuel a demand for tiger heads and skins as status symbols and decorative items.

At the national level, China has done much to increase its tiger population in the country's North-eastern region by recently establishing the Tiger and Leopard National Park — 1.6 times larger than Yellowstone National Park in the United States. India, home to 70 per cent of tigers in the world, launched Project Tiger in April 1973 when Indira Gandhi was Prime Minister. It aims at ensuring viable population of Royal Bengal Tigers in their natural habitats, protecting them from extinction and setting up reserves for the purpose. There are now 50 of the latter. In September, 2006, it set up the National Tiger Conservation Authority to extend statutory authority to Project Tiger to provide legal sanction to its directives, foster accountability on the part of the Centre and the States in the management of tiger reserves by providing a basis for MoUs among them, providing parliamentary over-

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sight and address the interest of local people in areas around tiger reserves.

In June, 2007, it constituted a multi-disciplinary Tiger and Other Endangered Species Crime Control Bureau (Wildlife Crime Control Bureau), to combat organised illegal trading in wildlife and their derivatives. In May, 2012, the Centre advised the States to each create, arm and deploy a Special Tiger Protection Force around the habitats of the big cats. A number of States, including Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and Maharashtra, have already done so.

The results have been gratifying. The number of tigers has risen from 1,411 in 2006 to 1,706 in 2010 and 2,226 in 2014. The current census, which began in 2018, is expected to produce a higher figure. Yet complacency would be disastrous. Poaching, particularly in the form of poisoning, which causes prolonged and painful death, continues. Encroachments into tiger habitats continue. It would be illustrative to cite a few examples from Maharashtra that has a very poor record in this respect. Last year, it sanctioned the diversion of 467.5 hectares of forest land in Yavatmal district for a cement plant. Also, its recommendation has led to the clearance, in principle, of 87.98 hectares of land in Kondhali and Kalmeshwar ranges — barely

160 km from Yavatmal — to an explosives company in Chakdoh for manufacturing defence products. Worse, the land earmarked being reportedly in the tiger corridor between Bor and Melghat tiger reserves, the factory would prevent the movement of tigers between the two. Also, the proposal to widen, from meter to broad gauge, the 176-km Akola-Khandawa railway, a 39 kilometre stretch of which passes through the Melghat reserve, threatens to cause more accidents, wildlife mortality and fragmentation of habitat.

Much of what has been achieved in protecting the tiger would be lost if the trend continues. The results would be disastrous. The Royal Bengal Tiger is not only at the top of the food chain in the wild but constitutes a vital link in maintaining nature's rich diversity and ecosystems that sustain both nature and people. And it is not just the tiger. Over 3,000 species are becoming extinct every year. Indeed, the world is now in the midst of its sixth mass extinction of plants and animals in the last half-a-billion years, and the worst since the extinction of dinosaurs 65 million years ago. At this rate, as many as 30 to 50 per cent of all species would be moving toward extinction by the middle of this century.

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SOUNDBITE

The US calls on Pakistan to end immediately the support and safe haven provided to all terrorist groups operating on its soil.



White House Press Secretary — Sarah Sanders

We have given the full authority to security forces to decide the time, place and nature of any further operations to retaliate.



Prime Minister — Narendra Modi

The aim of terrorism is to divide the country and we are not going to be divided. We will support the Government in its actions.



Congress chief — Rahul Gandhi

He (Modi) had said the Congress did not have ability to teach a lesson (to Pakistan). Everyone has seen what happened.



NC chief — Sharad Pawar

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Exposing fake peddlers

Sir — This refers to the editorial, "Comptroller revived" (February 15). Indeed, the Comptroller and Auditor General of India's (CAG) job is very tough considering the low strength of its employees and the amount of scrutiny it always faces. Since the auditing body has made some gross miscalculations in the past so as to deliver its report fast, it became all the more pressing for it to be impartial and accurate in its findings.

As far as Congress chief Rahul Gandhi's obsession with the Rafale deal is concerned, it is but yet another ploy to find faults with the Prime Minister and his Government. Now that the CAG has given clean chit to Modi and the BJP, Rahul Gandhi's criticism sounds hollow. Having said that, the Government should have reacted to all these false allegations smartly and not allowed it to snowball into a controversy. What a shame that a genuine need and demand of the Indian Air force has turned into a bizarre drama.

Bal Govind Noida

Address systematic deficiencies to end terrorism

This refers to the report, "42 CRPF jawans martyred in *fidayeen* crash" (February 15). The dastardly attack on a Central Reserve Police Force convoy on the Srinagar-Jammu highway in Pulwama district is a cowardly attempt on the part of extremist forces to perpetrate terror on Indian soil from across the border. It is unfortunate that even after being admonished publicly and warned of surgical strikes against any form of outrageous aggression or violation of the ceasefire agreement, the Pakistani leadership has not mended its ways or differentiated itself from non-state actors. At the same time, the gruesome incident has once again brought to light the vulnerabilities in India's counter-terrorism policy.

In an attempt to radicalise the anaemic internal security mechanism, the National Counter-Terrorism Centre (NCTC) was envisaged by the Government in the aftermath of the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks. The NCTC, it was proposed, would have access to counter-terrorism intelligence generated by India's covert services as well as have authority over the National Security Guard and the National Intelligence Agency. Newly-created electronic databases would make up the NCTC's backbone, pro-



viding it with vast access to real-time information. It is time our lawmakers wriggle out of political quagmire and address the lack of institutional arrangement for the management of India's counter-terrorism response. While procurement and indigenous manufacturing of arms are welcome, it is imperative to remove system-wide deficiencies in skills and capabilities. The country can ill-afford repeated embarrassments and loss of precious lives at the hands of a few extremist forces.

Shreyans Jain Delhi

Face the test

Sir — This refers to the editorial, "Comptroller revived" (February 15). When it comes to public spending, the Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG), like any

other internal auditor, earned the high reputation of being 'nosy'. This time, it seems, in the nation's interest, they closed their nose while preparing the report of the Rafale deal. Selective reading makes it clear that the Government wants to say that they have got another

clean chit. Earlier, the Supreme Court, too, had found no irregularities in the deal. If both the Constitutional bodies have given the Modi Government a clean chit over the Rafale deal, why not close the issue and place the records before a Joint Parliamentary Committee unless

the Government wants use the CAG's report — which claimed that NDA's Rafale deal was 2.86 per cent cheaper than the UPA's — to safeguard their political interests?

N Nagarajan Via email

Payback time

Sir — It is heartening that the Supreme Court thinks that Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) chief Mayawati should return the 'hundreds of crores' of public money she spent on statues of herself and the BSP's party symbol to the exchequer.

The apex court should look into similar misuse of funds — there are numerous such instances — by both the Central as well as State Governments and hold them accountable. This will not only boost India's failing economy but also come to the aid of the thousands who still live below the poverty line in our country.

Jameel Ahmad Via email

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FIRST COLUMN

How e-cigarettes can save lives

They are better than smoking the real thing as they can wean smokers from bad habits and reduce tobacco-related diseases



KONSTANTINOS E FARSALINOS

Electronic cigarettes are recently developed products that have created intense controversy among the scientific and public health community. The uproar was expected considering the fact that e-cigarettes contain nicotine and their use resembles smoking. However, both these characteristics are crucial for the role of e-cigarettes in tobacco harm reduction. But what is tobacco harm reduction? It is a strategy to reduce harm from risky behaviours through the use of less harmful alternatives. It is an approach as we use in our every day lives. The use of seatbelts and helmets are typical cases of harm reduction — in this case the aim is to reduce risks of injury and death in accidents. And while the use of cars and motorcycles is essential (going to work and transferring goods), no one ever suggested that the use of cars for recreation, as when we go for a trip on weekends with our family, should be banned because of the risks associated with accidents.

The same concept applies to tobacco harm reduction, considering the difficulty in quitting smoking and the use of other harmful tobacco products. Tobacco harm reduction is based on the absence of combustion, which is a process that creates almost all of the toxins that a smoker inhales, resulting in high risk for disease and death. E-cigarettes have no combustion and do not contain tobacco. Available scientific evidence provides that e-cigarettes are by far less harmful than smoking. In fact, they fit perfectly to the definition of tobacco harm reduction.

But why is it hard for people to realise the potential of these products? The key answer to this lies in the demonisation of nicotine. That was understandable in a period when the only source for nicotine intake was the harmful tobacco cigarette. But the use of nicotine through a non-combustible less harmful source has been proven to be of little harm. In the US and the UK, health authorities have approved the long-term (even life-long) use of nicotine in the form of pharmaceutical nicotine replacement therapies as smoking and tobacco substitutes, acknowledging that there is no circumstance in which nicotine intake through a clean product would be more harmful than smoking. In that respect, tobacco harm reduction with the use of products such as e-cigarettes can offer tremendous opportunities.

For start, this is an intervention that costs nothing to tax payers and the Government. These products are self-funded by users, do not require expertise and organised smoking cessation clinics and are not subsidised by the healthcare system. In fact, trying to provide access through prescription would be disastrous; e-cigarettes are chosen based on the smokers' self-preference, making it impossible for any healthcare professional to understand which product would fit the needs and preferences of every smoker. Thus, in countries with limited availability and accessibility to organised smoking cessation clinics, e-cigarettes represent an amazing opportunity for smokers to quit. Additionally, these products represent a new business challenge. Local development and production of e-cigarettes can open up new business opportunities, develop a new flourishing industry while serving public health and creating products that fit better to the needs of the local community.

Of course, all products, including e-cigarettes, need to be regulated. This is not a complex task. The European Union has created a simplified and easy-to-comply regulation that has been implemented since 2016. While not perfect, it can form the basis for regulatory decisions in any country. According to the regulation, e-cigarettes are not medicinal products and they are clearly distinguished from combustible or other harmful tobacco products. The latter is a key factor — any framework should be based on a clear differentiation between tobacco cigarettes (or other harmful forms of tobacco) and e-cigarettes so that smokers have a clear understanding about the risk difference between products. Quality standards should be set, which should be reasonable and not make the products unnecessarily expensive. Marketing should be regulated so that only smokers and users of other harmful tobacco products are targeted. Finally, taxation should be avoided because of the role of these products as smoking substitutes; in that respect, any taxation would favour use of cheaper but very harmful tobacco products.

E-cigarettes have a strong potential for a positive public health impact. Such an impact has already been documented in countries where they have been available for years, such as the UK. As for India, where access to smoking cessation services is difficult and tobacco use has a deep cultural background, there is an even stronger potential to reduce tobacco-related disease and death. Banning e-cigarettes would be a perfect 'gift' for tobacco and would strongly (though unintentionally) protect tobacco cigarette sales.

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POINT COUNTERPOINT

JUST CHECK OUT THE STATEMENTS MADE BY POLITICAL LEADERS. THEY ARE ACCUSING US OF COMMUNALISM, AND PLAYING WITH FIRE.

—JAMMU & KASHMIR GOVERNOR SATYA PAL MALIK



THE GOVERNOR SHOULD STOP GIVING MEDIA INTERVIEWS AND TAKE CONTROL OF THE SITUATION ON THE GROUND.

—FORMER CHIEF MINISTER OMAR ABDULLAH

Rise to the jihadi challenge

The Pulwama terror attack is a rude call to the nation to accept the fact that militancy in Kashmir has been overtaken by radicals who now want absolute Talibanisation



ANIL GUPTA

The deadly suicide car bomb attack on a convoy of the Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) at Awantipora in Jammu & Kashmir's Pulwama district, which claimed the lives of more than 40 troopers and left many injured, is a rude call to the nation to smell the coffee and accept the fact that militancy in Kashmir has been overtaken by radical *jihadists*, who want the Talibanisation of Kashmir. The latest attack was the most severe of all and led to the highest number of 'deaths'. Kashmir witnessed the last such attack in 2001, when three terrorists belonging to the Jaish-e-Mohammed carried out an attack on the Jammu & Kashmir State Assembly complex in Srinagar using a Tata Sumo loaded with explosives that rammed into the main gate. Around 38 civilians and three suicide bombers were killed. The next spate of such car bomb attacks was witnessed in 2005 when between June and November, three attacks on different targets killed 23 civilian and security forces personnel. Car bomb attacks bear the signature of Taliban and Al Qaeda style of fighting, both of whom are radical *jihadist* terror groups.

The preferred mode of suicide attacks by terrorists in Kashmir was the attack on the security forces camps termed as "fidayeen hits" and ambushes close to the Line of Control (LoC) referred to as "BAT attack" till the killing of dreaded terrorist Burhan Wani. The reason was obvious. Terrorists and their *akas* in Pakistan were reluctant to cross the "threshold" fearing loss of popular public support. Till this period, Kashmir was being radicalised. The aftermath of Burhan Wani's killing indicated that the enemy had succeeded in radicalising the Kashmiri society. Large-scale public support to the terrorists, rise in stone-throwing attacks on security forces and senseless killings of Army men, policemen and civilians not receiving the type of condemnation they deserved were indicators enough to assess that *jihadists* had overtaken the reins of the ongoing movement in Kashmir. Subsequent statements made by Zakir Musa, one-time accomplice of Burhan Wani, and the present self-styled commander of Al Qaeda-affiliate terrorist organisation, Ansar Ghazwatul Hind, ridiculing the Hurriyat leadership and the so-called *azaadi* movement were clear and loud enough to be ignored but did lead to the present state.

Despite the reverses suffered by various *tanzeems* due to the successful intelligence based operations launched by the security forces, the resolve of the *jihadists* did not waver. Their attacks became more deadly, barbaric and daring. There was a clear divide in the Kashmiri society between the peace-seekers and pro-*jihad* radicals. While the peace-seekers provided intelligence to the security forces for launching surgical operations against the terrorists, the radicalised supporters of *jihadists* provided them shelter, food and cover from the security forces by resorting to stone-pelting on those involved in anti-terror operations. The *modus operandi* of the *jihadists* bore more and more semblance to the Islamic State (IS), Al Qaeda and Taliban style of operations.



The Kashmiri youth has been lured into *jihad* on the understanding that *azaadi*-related activism would lead them to "heaven." As veteran Kashmiri politician Muzaffar Hussain Beig said, "It is an IS-sponsored religious war in Kashmir. It is not a fight for political freedom or choice between India and Pakistan but between heaven and hell." It is the race to heaven that has brain-washed the Kashmiri youth and the likes of alleged car bomber, Aadil Ahmad *alias* Waqas Commando of Gundi Bagh, Pulwama. This also explains the fact as to how the Jaish has been able to carry out this dastardly attack despite the claim by security forces of virtually eliminating the JeM leadership in the Valley, including two close relatives of Jaish supremo Masood Azhar. A spurt of sniper attacks on the security forces camps also indicated the aggressive posture adopted by the *jihadists* but was soon neutralised by the Army through its counter-strategy.

Ironically, the mainstream political leadership of Kashmir, which has of late become pro-*jihadist*, is refusing to accept the obvious and continues to harp the same old story of a 'political problem' and 'misled innocent boys' who need to be dealt with sympathy rather than an iron hand. This attitude of theirs has only emboldened the *jihadists*. The latest attempt of to set up a communal and religious divide is evident from the politicking over the grant of divisional status to Ladakh by raising similar demands for Kargil and Muslim-majority districts south of Pir Panjal, mischievously referring to them as Chenab Valley and Panjal regions.

The Governor's administration will have to act firm and quick to douse the fire lit by these forces. It may well become the *alibi* for spreading the wings of *jihadists* to these hitherto peaceful areas. The timing of the attack

is also worth noting. It not only coincides with the renewed efforts of peace talks with the Taliban but also with the heat building up within India in view of the 2019 elections.

The security forces will have to remain alive to the growing *jihadist* challenge and act swiftly and firmly to counter their new strategy. It is important to note the claim made by JeM that Adil Ahmad was inspired to become a suicide bomber after the Taliban claimed "victory" due to the announcement by US President Trump to reduce the American boot strength in Afghanistan. Any decline in resolute and integrated response by the security forces in Kashmir may lead them to harbour such ideas of presumed "victory" and embolden the *jihadists* further.

Though it is too early to get involved with fact-finding, many inputs lead to believe that there has been "negligence." In an active conflict zone where *jihadists* are purportedly fighting for the fulfilment of divine will — *Ghazwa-e-Hind* — there is no scope for negligence. Despite the warning issued by the Jammu & Kashmir Police through their signal dated February 8, and circulation of a video captured from terrorists showing car bomb attack in Afghanistan, there are many questions to be answered about the sanitisation of the area and the efficacy of Road Opening Parties. There once again arises the need to review the higher command system of the Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs). The present system of deputing Indian Police Service (IPS) officers to occupy higher ranks has been found wanting on numerous occasions in the past as well. There is a strong case for higher command posts to be occupied by cadre officers who have gone through the rigours of ground-level functioning of their respective forces instead of general cadre IPS officers who lack combat experience.

Since JeM has claimed the attack, involvement of Pakistan is obvious. Another fact that is obvious and unambiguous is that in Pakistan, the reins of the Government are firmly in the hands of the notorious triad of Mullah-Military-Militants with the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) and terrorists ruling the roost and calling the shots. The so-called peace gestures of their Prime Minister and the Army Chief are only a smoke-screen to their real intents. India should not fall prey to the trap laid by the triad in the form of opening the Kartarpur Corridor by using their puppet Imran Khan.

There is no doubt that Pakistan continues with its policy of state sponsorship of terrorism and abetting and aiding cross-border adventurism fully embedded with *jihadi* terror. The reduction of American boots will provide ISI the additional strength of the Taliban and other Afghan-specific *jihadist* terrorists to be employed against India. Pakistan has been temporarily able to tide over the economic crisis due to the hidden Chinese support and magnanimity of its Muslim friends. This has further emboldened the country to support *jihadists* and use them to implement their anti-India policy. How much effect the Government's decision to withdraw 'most favoured nation' status to Pakistan will have, only time will tell. Nevertheless, its immediate response will be of playing the 'victim hood' card and further generating anti-India hysteria. The Government of India will have to use its diplomatic strength and international good will to designate Pakistan as a "terror state." The nation needs to unite to counter the *jihadist* challenge.

(The writer is a Jammu-based political commentator, columnist and security and strategic analyst. The views expressed are entirely personal)

Democracy not real test in Catalonia trial

Even as elections loom large in Spain, the 'Catalan problem' will not go away. Neither will the 'Basque problem', which involves almost identical dilemmas on the other side of the country. There is no 'fair' solution, just endless unsatisfactory compromises



GWYNNE DYER

It's been a busy week in Spain. On Tuesday, twelve Catalan leaders of the attempted secession from Spain in 2017 went on trial in Madrid, charged with rebellion, sedition and misuse of public funds. And on Wednesday the Spanish Government fell when two small Catalan nationalist parties voted against its budget, essentially to punish it for not stopping the trial.

But Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez's Government couldn't have stopped the trial at this point: Spanish courts are independent. And the 'Catalan Twelve' are certainly guilty of something, although it isn't 'rebellion', which in Spanish law involves a violent uprising. They are guilty of cheating but there isn't any law against that. Sanchez's now defunct

Government would almost certainly not have brought such extreme charges against the Catalan would-be martyrs. (Oriol Junqueras, former Vice President of the separatist regional Government of Catalonia, faces a possible 25 years in prison.) But the charges were brought under the previous Right-wing Government of Mariano Rajoy and Sanchez couldn't just cancel them.

Sanchez's Socialist Party, which took power last June, depended on two small Catalan separatist parties for its majority. It has fallen because the Catalans felt he had done too little to prevent the trial of the 'Catalan twelve'. The trial will continue and the snap election that must now follow will be held in an atmosphere of super-heated nationalism. The separatists probably don't mind.

We are already being treated to a feast of nationalist rhetoric cloaked in the idiom of democratic rights over this trial. Former Catalan President Carles Puigdemont, who declared Catalonia's independence but chose to go into exile rather than face trial when the gambit failed, declared that the trial is "a stress test for the Spanish democracy."



As the trial began, Jordi Sanchez, one of the twelve, tweeted: "I am going in with my head held high, convinced that self-determination is not a crime." The trial is really about "the right to self-determination and the democratic principle," said defence lawyer Andreu van den Eyde. But all this talk of high principle is quite beside the point.

What actually happened in Catalonia in 2017 was that Catalan nationalists, unable to win a convincing majority for their project of independence, decided to skip the bit about a convincing majority. They did control the regional Government, so they declared a referendum on inde-

pendence in which only those in favour of separation would vote.

Such a referendum was illegal under the Spanish Constitution, which forbids secession, so the pro-Spanish parties would boycott the referendum. They would have to boycott it in order to stay within the law. Whereas all those who wanted independence — almost half the population — would defy the law and cast their votes.

That's exactly how it worked. Every opinion poll for years had shown that Catalonia was split right down the middle, with around 45 per cent for independence, 45 per cent against it and 10 per cent undecided. Just

speakers do back independence. How can you choose to disregard the views of the Spanish-speaking half of the region's current population in order to sneak your independence project through? By believing that they are not entitled to a view because they are not real Catalans. Of course, you never say it quite like this in public.

These views persist and the 'Catalan problem' will not go away. Neither will the 'Basque problem', which involves almost identical dilemmas on the other side of Spain. It's the classic problem facing long-established ethnic and linguistic groups that have become minorities, or just barely majorities, in their own lands. There is no 'fair' solution, just endless unsatisfactory compromises.

The new Spanish Government that emerges from the forthcoming snap election, whatever it is (nobody knows), won't be able to solve the problem either. The most it can do, if it's sensible, is to commute any prison sentences imposed on the 'Catalan Twelve' and deny them martyrdom.

(The writer is an independent journalist)



FOREIGN EYE



DRUG WAR: PROTECT THE INNOCENT

The war on drugs must be fought, but like most wars it causes most casualties among non-combatants. The strategic objective is not so much the capture of occasional kingpins, but minimising the harm they, and their products, do to their customers, whether by addiction or incarceration. The jailing of a notorious cocaine smuggler will not end the drug wars. We must fight them with more regard for the victims. (The Guardian editorial)

Aadhaar-PAN link must for tax filers: CBDT

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The CBDT has stressed that Aadhaar-PAN linking is "mandatory" for those filing an Income Tax Return (ITR) and this procedure has to be "completed" by March 31 this year.

"Constitutional validity of Aadhaar has been upheld by the Supreme Court of India in September, 2018. Consequently, in terms of Section 139AA of Income Tax Act, 1961 and order dated June 30, 2018 of the Central Board of Direct Taxes, Aadhaar-PAN linking is mandatory now which has to be completed till March 31, 2019 by PAN holders requiring filing of ITR," the CBDT said in an advisory Thursday.

The Supreme Court on February 6 had confirmed that linkage of PAN with Aadhaar is mandatory for filing of ITRs.

This reiteration of the September order of the apex court came on an appeal filed by the Centre against a Delhi High Court order allowing two persons, to file their ITRs for 2018-19 without linking their Aadhaar and PAN numbers.

A bench comprising Justices A K Sikri and S Abdul Nazeer said the top court has already decided the matter and upheld the section 139AA of



the Income Tax Act.

The apex court on September 26 last year had declared the Centre's flagship Aadhaar scheme as constitutionally valid but struck down some of its provisions including its linking with bank accounts, mobile phones and school admissions.

Former CBDT Chairman Sushil Chandra, early this month at an event, had said that just 23 crore PAN card holders — over half of the total PAN card holders — have so far linked their cards with biometric ID Aadhaar.

He had said the I-T Department has so far issued 42 crore permanent account numbers (PAN), of which 23 crore have been linked with Aadhaar.

Chandra said that once

Aadhaar is linked with PAN and PAN is linked with bank account, the I-T department can find out spending pattern and other details of the assessee. Also since many agencies are linked with Aadhaar, it would be easier to gauge whether the benefits of welfare schemes are availed by eligible persons, he said.

Section 139 AA (2) of the Income Tax Act says that every person having PAN as on July 1, 2017, and eligible to obtain Aadhaar, must intimate his Aadhaar number to tax authorities.

While Aadhaar is issued by the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) to a resident of India, PAN is a 10-digit alphanumeric number allotted by the IT Department to a person, firm or entity.

Arun Jaitley resumes charge as Fin Min

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Arun Jaitley on Friday resumed charge as the Finance Minister after a gap of over a month, which was the second break within a year that he had to take to undergo medical treatment.

The President of India, as advised by the Prime Minister, has directed to assign the portfolios of the Minister of Finance and Minister of Corporate Affairs to Arun Jaitley, an official statement said on Friday.

Jaitley tweeted on Friday: "Resumed work at the Ministry of Finance today (Friday). Thankful to Shri Piyush Goyal who discharged the responsibility at the MoF diligently & competently."

Jaitley, 66, who last week returned from the US after undergoing medical treatment, first attended the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) meeting that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had called to discuss the terror attack in south Kashmir's Pulwama district that killed around 40 CRPF personnel, and then came to North Block — the seat of the Finance Ministry.

Comm Min to notify WTO regarding revoking MFN status to Pakistan

India granted MFN status to Pak in 1996

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Commerce Ministry would soon notify to the World Trade Organization (WTO) its decision to revoke the most-favoured nation (MFN) status to Pakistan on security grounds, an official said Friday.

The decision would enable India to increase custom duties on goods imported from Pakistan. India imported goods worth \$488.5 million in 2017-18.

"Now, the Commerce Ministry will notify to the WTO to revoke the MFN status to Pakistan by invoking Article 21 of the WTO which is the security exception," the official said.

The Ministry would work on a list of goods imported from Pakistan over which India would increase the customs duties.

After the Pulwama terror attack on Thursday, India on Friday withdrew the MFN status to Pakistan. Following this, India can raise customs duties on goods being imported from Pakistan up to the bound level duty rates. Currently, India's

custom duties on goods to members of the WTO are below the bound level rates. The current customs duties imposed are called applied rates and the level at which one can increase is known as bound rates.

The main items which India imports include fresh fruits, cement, petroleum products, bulk minerals and ores and finished leather.

India granted the MFN status to Pakistan way back in 1996, but the neighbouring country had not yet reciprocated.

Total India-Pakistan trade has increased marginally to \$2.41 billion in 2017-18 as against \$2.27 billion in 2016-17. India imported goods worth \$488.5 million in 2017-18 and exported goods worth \$1.92 billion in that fiscal.

India mainly exports raw cotton, cotton yarn, chemicals, plastics, manmade yarn and dyes to Pakistan.

Trade experts said this decision would not have a major implication on bilateral trade between the countries as the value of trade is below \$3 billion annually.

They said that although Pakistan can drag India into the WTO's dispute settlement mechanism on the matter, their case would be weak as they have not yet granted the tag to India.

Business Corner



Prime Minister, Narendra Modi dedicated POWERGRID 765/400 KV Orai Sub-station & 765 KV Aligarh sub-station and associated lines today at a mega event held in Jhansi, as part of Transmission System for inter-regional strengthening scheme for Western Region (WR) and Northern Region (NR) (Part-B).



KVS Baba, CMD, Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO) awarded as 'CEO with HR Orientation' by World HRD Congress for enhancing the HR Technology areas and best practices, at Mumbai. World HRD Congress brings together over 1870 professionals in attendance from over 133 countries.



Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Ram Vilas Paswan administers swachhita pledge to all officials and employees of the Ministry marking celebration of Swachhita Pakhwada from 16th to 28th February 2019



AN Verma, ED (HR), NTPC Limited, was conferred the prestigious Business Communication & HR Excellence Award at the 13th Global Communication Conclave of Public Relations Council of India (PRCI) at Jaipur on Friday. The award was presented by Sunil Arora, the Chief Election Commissioner of India in recognition of his immense contribution towards building brand NTPC

MICROSOFT HOLDS SUMMIT TO EMPOWER DISABLES WITH AI SOLUTIONS

New Delhi: Microsoft India hosted the second edition of its Accessibility Summit — Empowering for Inclusion on Friday in collaboration with The National Association of the Deaf and National Centre for Promotion of Employment of Disabled People (NCPEDP). The summit is a platform that brings together multiple stakeholders to spark a dialogue on inclusive technology, evangelize accessibility standards & highlight inclusive technology solutions, as well as assess policy's role in creating an accessible India. This includes people with disabilities, their support-system, developers of assistive technologies, policy makers, CSR professionals and service-providers.

RBI lifts cap on FPI investments in corporate bonds

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Friday withdrew the 20 per cent limit on investments by FPIs in corporate bonds of an entity with a view to encourage more foreign investments.

As part of the review of the FPI investment in corporate debt undertaken in April 2018, it was stipulated

that no FPI should have an exposure of more than 20 per cent of its corporate bond portfolio to a single corporate (including exposure to entities related to the corporate).

While the provision was aimed at incentivising FPIs to maintain a portfolio of assets, market feedback indicates that foreign portfolio investors (FPIs) have been constrained by this stipulation, the RBI said.

EXPORTS UP 3.74 PC IN JAN; TRADE DEFICIT NARROWS

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The country's exports grew 3.74 per cent to \$26.36 billion in January on account of growth in sectors such as gems & jewellery, pharmaceuticals and chemicals, according to data from the Commerce Ministry.

Imports almost remained flat at \$41 billion during the last month, narrowing the trade

deficit to \$14.73 billion.

The trade deficit stood at \$15.67 billion in January 2018.

Gold imports also grew 38.16 per cent to \$2.31 billion in January this year as against \$1.67 billion in the corresponding month of 2018.

During the April-January period of the current financial year, exports grew 9.52 per cent to \$271.8 billion.

Orientbell Ltd launches campaign for bathrooms solutions

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Orient Bell Limited, a tile industry company, has launched a new marketing campaign, that breaks industry norms by addressing consumer needs.

The new campaign, 'Chote bathrooms ke bade solutions' i.e. big solutions for small bathrooms promises Orientbell's expertise in making even small spaces look bigger by choosing the right colors of tiles & laying them in a recommended way.

Building on this universal truth, Orientbell and their tile experts will make even the smallest room, the bathroom, look bigger by helping choose the right color combination of tiles & recommending the best patterns to lay them. To avail the services, Consumers can visit an Orientbell showroom or give a missed call on 8750733333. With this brand campaign, Orientbell has taken a relatable yet humorous approach to a problem most homeowners live with.

'Let State Govts deal with HSRP issue'

New Delhi: The Central Government has recently amended the High Security Registration Plates (HSRPs) law and introduced the Motor Vehicles (New High Security Registration Plates) Order, 2018. As a result, HSRPs which are supplied under the strict watch and scrutiny of the State Governments through manufacturers selected by the State Government, would from the 1st of April be supplied through Motor Vehicle manufacturers and affixed by their dealers. Addressing the media, international road safety expert, chairman Raahat, Dr. Kamaljit Singh Soi said, "the move will lead to a massive increase in crimes as the forged number plates will be easier to acquire. So, such move must be scrapped forthwith because it a national security issue too. We must let the State Governments continue to deal with this."



PATNA SMART CITY LIMITED

(SPV formed by Government of Bihar & Patna Municipal Corporation)

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (2nd CALL)

Short Notice

Dated-13.02.2019

NIT No.- 04/MD/PSCL/2019

Development of Bakarganj Nala under Smart City Mission. Important dates for the RFP are as under.

Sl. No.	Activity	Timeline & Address
1	Online Sale/Download date of Tender documents	From 22.02.2019 (10:00 Hrs) Till 28.02.2019(14.00Hrs)(www.eproc.bihar.gov.in) (Under Patna Nagar Nigam)
2	Pre-bid Meeting date (Only two members per bidder are allowed).	24-02-2019 (15:00 Hrs.) (At Patna Municipal Commissioner's Office, Patna)
4	Last date for submission of Bids (online) and hard copy.	28-02-2019 Till 15.00 Hrs
5	Opening of Technical Bids	28-02-2019 At 16:00 Hrs
6	Date of opening of Commercial bids	To be informed later to technically qualified bidder.
7	Estimated Project Cost	Rs.15,71,44,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Crore Seventy One Lakhs Forty Four Thousand Only)
8	Cost of Bidding Document(Tender Fee)	Tender Fee Rs. 10,000 (Non Refundable) to be paid through online mode on https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in/BELTRON .
9	EMD	Rs.25,71,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Only) (Refundable), in the form of Bank Guarantee (BG).

Instructions for Online Bid Submission

1. The RFP document containing the project profile, invitation for qualification and criteria for evaluation may be obtained from the website: www.eproc.bihar.gov.in (Under Patna Nagar Nigam) 2. For support related to e-tendering process, bidders may contact at following address "e-Procurement HELP DESK, First Floor, Plot No.- M/22, Road No.-25, Sri Krishna Nagar, Bank of India Compound, Patna-800001, Contact No: 0612-2523006; 7542028164". Vendor may visit www.eproc.bihar.gov.in. 3. PSCL will not be responsible, in case of any delay, due to any reason whatsoever, in receipt of Bid Documents by the Bidders. 4. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or cancel/withdraw the Invitation for Bids (IFB) without assigning any reason whatsoever and in such case, no Bidder/ intending Bidder shall have any claim arising out of such action. 5. The bidder must have the Class II/III Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) and e-Tendering User-id of the e-Procurement website before participating in the e-tendering process. The bidder may use their DSC if they already have the DSC. They can also take DSC from any of the authorized agencies. For user-id they have to get registered themselves on e-procurement website <https://www.eproc.bihar.gov.in/BELTRON> and submit their bids online on the same. Offline bids shall not be entertained by the Tender Inviting Authority for the tenders published in e-procurement platform 6. The detail of the bidding process and summary of the scope of works for the project is included in the RFP document. 7. Any clarifications may be sought online through the tender site, through the contact details or during pre-bid meeting if any. Bidder should take into account the corrigendum if any published before submitting the bids online. Corrigendum/ Addendum, if any, will be published on the website itself. 8. In the unlikely event of the server for www.eproc.bihar.gov.in being down for more than two consecutive hours (in the period from midnight to closing time for receipt of tenders) on the last date of receiving of bid, the last date of the same shall be extended by concerned authority only to the next working day till the last receiving time stipulated in the original NIT. 9. No claim shall be entertained on account of disruption of internet service being used by bidders. Bidders are advised to upload their bids well in advance to avoid last hour's technical snags. 10. In exceptional circumstances, the competent authority, PSCL may solicit the Bidder's consent to an extension of the period of validity. 11. The bidders shall submit their eligibility and qualification details, Technical bid, Financial bid etc., in the online standard formats given for respective tenders in e-Procurement website (www.eproc.bihar.gov.in) at the respective stage only. The bidders shall upload the scanned copies of all the relevant certificates, documents etc., in support of their eligibility criteria / technical bids and other certificate / documents in the e-Procurement website. The bidder shall sign on the supporting statements, documents, certificates, uploaded by him, owning responsibility for their correctness / authenticity. 12. A bid processing fee (Non-Refundable) to be paid only through e-Payment modes i.e. Internet Payment Gateway (Master or Visa Card) / Internet Banking / NEFT or RTGS towards charges for online processing charges of e-procurement website.

Address: Patna Municipal Corporation, 2nd floor, Block-C, Mauryalok Complex, Budhamarg, Patna-800001, Tel: 0612-2200634 Email: patnasmartcity.psc@gmail.com Website www.pmc.bihar.gov.in

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PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(SECTION 82 Cr.Pc.)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that the accused (1) Sajib @ Saizib (2) Md. Samir, S/o Kamil, R/o H.No.1810, Katra Shek Chand, Lal Quan, Delhi has committed (or are suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No.141/18 U/s 326/341/34 IPC, PS Hauz Qazi, Delhi, and it has been returned to warrant of arrest there upon issued that the said accused persons (1) Sajib @ Saizib (2) Md. Samir, cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused (1) Sajib @ Saizib (2) Md. Samir, has absconded (or are concealing themselves to avoid the service of said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused (1) Sajib @ Saizib (2) Md. Samir, Under the FIR No. 141/18 U/s 326/341/34 IPC, PS Hauz Qazi, Delhi, are required to appear before the court on or before 25.03.2019.

By order
Sh. Dinesh Kumar,
MM-08, Central District,
Room No. 272, Tis Hazari Court,
Delhi

DP/6051/CD/19

SEARCH FOR MISSING LADY



General public is here by informed that one lady
Name: Saraswati (along with her son Name: Anubhav, Age: 1.5 years) W/o Munna Mandal, R/o H.No. 23, Pkt-5, Sec-A/6, Narela, Delhi Age: 23 Years, Height: 5'3", Face: Round, Complexion: Fair, Wearing: Unknown, have been missing/kidnapped since 25.01.2019 from the area of P.S. Narela, Delhi.

In this regard a DD No. 023-A, Dated 28.01.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Narela, Delhi.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this lady but no clue has come to light so far.

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

SHO
P.S. Narela, Delhi
Ph. 011-27282350, 27285839
DP/45/ON/19

E-Mail: cic@cbi.gov.in
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>
Fax: 011-24368639
Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED GIRL

General Public is hereby informed that one girl (depicted in the photo) namely Anjali D/o Pawan Kumar R/o A-21, Gali No.12, Badli, Extension, Delhi Aged-17½ Years has been reported missing/kidnapped since 27.01.2019 from the area of P.S. S.P. Badli, Delhi vide FIR No.51/19 Dated 28.01.2019 registered at Police Station S.P. Badli, Delhi. Her physical description is as under:-



Anjali

Complexion: Fair, **Height:** 5'4", **Face:** Round, **Built:** Normal, **Clothing:** White Colour T-Shirt & Blue Colour Payjama with Black & Red Churni and Slippers in feet.

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

Sd/-
SHO, S.P. Badli, Delhi
DP/46/ON/19

Tele No. : 11-24368638 or 24368641
FAX No. : 11-24368639
Tel.: 011-27854757, 27854799

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that one unknown male, Age 60 years, Height 6'1", Complexion Sallow, Wearing Pink colour shirt and black colour pant was admitted in Rajan Babu TB Hospital from the area PS Kotwali, Delhi during the treatment doctor declared him dead on 08.02.19. In this regard a DD No. 15-A dated 08.02.19 has been lodged at PS IP Estate, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this male deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned.

SHO
PS : Kotwali, Delhi
Ph.: 23912100, 23811927

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Regd. Office: 110, Babar Road, New Delhi 110001

EXTRACT OF STATEMENT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31.12.2018

Sr. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended			Nine Months Ended		Year Ended
		31.12.2018	30.09.2018	31.12.2017	31.12.2017	31.12.2017	31.03.2018
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
1	Total Income from Operations	0	0	0	-0.40	3.50	7.98
2	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	-5.07	-6.31	-3.87	28.60	(11.26)	2.17
3	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	-5.07	-6.31	-3.87	28.60	(11.26)	2.17
4	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	-5.07	-6.31	-3.87	28.60	(11.26)	2.17
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	7.94	3.73	-3.87	53.92	(11.26)	2.17
6	Equity Share Capital	300.89	300.89	300.89	300.89	300.89	300.89
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	313.12	318.2	272.13	313.12	272.13	284.50
8	Earnings per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (not annualised)	0.26	0.12	-0.13	1.79	(0.37)	0.07
	1. Basic	0.26	0.12	-0.13	1.79	(0.37)	0.07
	2. Diluted	0.26	0.12	-0.13	1.79	(0.37)	0.07

Notes:
1. The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly/Annual financial Results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly/Annual financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange website www.bseindia.com. The same is also available on the Company's website www.jiltltd.co.in
2. The above results were reviewed by the Audit Committee, were approved by the Board of Directors in their meeting held on 14.02.2019.

For JINDAL LEASEFIN LIMITED
SURENDER KUMAR JINDAL
Sd/-
MANAGING DIRECTOR

Date: 14.02.2019
Place: New Delhi

OJSWI TRADES INVESTMENT AND FINANCE LIMITED

Kh. No. 300, Gopi Ram Building, Sultanpur Village, New Delhi- 110030

Tel. No.09810836602, Fax No. 0124-4699333

CIN: L67120DL1990PLC042059

Website: www.ojswi.com; Email Id: corporate.ojswi@gmail.com

EXTRACT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTH ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

(Rs. In lacs except earning per share)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended	Nine Month	Quarter Ended
		December 31, 2018	Ended December 31, 2018	December 31, 2017
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited
1	Total Income from Operations	68.95	217.59	62.43
2	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(26.64)	(83.80)	1.04
3	Net Profit/(Loss) before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(26.64)	(83.80)	1.04
4	Net Profit/(Loss) after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	(26.64)	(83.80)	1.04
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	(26.64)	(83.80)	1.04
6	Equity Share Capital (Face Value Rs. 10/- Per Share)	675	675	675
7	Reserves (Excluding Revaluation Reserves)	-	-	-
8	Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -			
	(a) Basic	(0.39)	(1.24)	0.02
	(b) Diluted	(0.39)	(1.24)	0.02

Notes:
(1) The above results for the quarter ended December 31, 2018 have been reviewed by the Audit Committee and Approved by the Board of Directors at their Meeting held on February 14, 2019. The Statutory auditors have carried out a "Limited Review" of above results.
(2) The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Results filed with the Metropolitan Stock Exchange of India Limited (MSEI) under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the said Quarterly Results is available on the Stock Exchange website www.msei.in and on the company's website www.ojswi.com.

For and on behalf of Board of Directors

Sd/-
SandeepGarg
Director
(DIN: 00021295)

Place: New Delhi
Date: February 15, 2019

ADDI INDUSTRIES LIMITED

REGD.OFFICE: 23 EASTERN AVENUE, MAHARANI BAGH, NEW DELHI- 110065

CIN: L51109DL1980PLC256335

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STATEMENT OF UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

(₹ in Lakh, except per share data)

S.No	Particulars	Standalone		
		Quarter ended 31.12.2018	Nine Months ended 31.12.2018	Quarter ended 31.12.2017
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
1	Total income from operations	-	-	-
2	Net Profit for the period (before Tax and exceptional items)	(17.41)	(46.62)	(14.00)
3	Net Profit for the period (before Tax, after exceptional items)	(17.28)	(46.16)	(28.11)
4	Net Profit for the period after Tax (after exceptional items)	(21.43)	(59.85)	(24.95)
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period (Comprising Profit for the Period after Tax and Other Comprehensive Income after Tax)	(21.21)	(59.17)	(25.90)
6	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	-	-	-
7	Paid-up equity share capital (Face Value ₹ 5/- each)	540.00	540.00	540.00
8	Earnings Per Share (of ₹ 5/- each)(Not Annualised)			
	Basic	(0.20)	(0.55)	(0.23)
	Diluted	(0.20)	(0.55)	(0.23)

Note:
1. The above results were reviewed and recommended by the Audit Committee and then approved by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on February 14, 2019. The said results for the nine months ended December 31, 2018 have been limited reviewed by the Statutory Auditors of the Company.
2. The above is an extract of the detailed format of quarterly financial results filed with the stock exchange under regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and other Disclosure requirements) Regulation, 2015. The full format of the quarterly financial result is available on the stock exchange websites (URL-www.bseindia.com).

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors

Addi Industries Limited
Sd/-
C.L. Jain
Managing Director

Place: New Delhi
Date: 14.02.2019

SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed that one girl (depicted in the photo) namely **Sharda**, D/o Kamta Prasad, R/o In front of Kabir Mandir, Gali No. 6, Libaspur, Delhi, has been missing since Dated 18.01.2019. In this regard a D.D. No. 104-A, Dated 19.01.2019 has been lodged at Police Station - Samaipur Badli, Delhi. Her physical description is as under:-

Age: 18 years 6 months, **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Height:** 4'6", **Face:** Round, **Build:** Normal, **Clothing:** Wearing black colour T-Shirt, blue colour Jeans, red colour Stole and white colour Jutti in feet.

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

Website: http://cbi.nic.in
E-mail: pic@cbi.gov.in
Fax: 011-24368639
Ph.No.: 011-24368638, 24368641
P.S. Samaipur Badli, Delhi
Ph.: 011-27854757, 27854799

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REGENT ENTERPRISES LIMITED

REGD. OFFICE : E-205 (LGF), Greater Kailash-II, New Delhi-110 048

CIN: L15500DL1994PLC153183

Landline: 011-29213191 Email ID: straderstid@gmail.com

Extract of Standalone Un-Audited Financial Results for the Quarter Ended 31st December, 2018

(Rs in Lakhs)

PARTICULARS	QUARTER ENDED	NINE MONTHS ENDED	CORRESPONDING
	31st December 2018	31st December 2018	QUARTER ENDED 31st December 2017
		Un-Audited	Un-Audited
Total Income from operations	25,783.33	98,127.26	47,541.18
Net Profit/(Loss) for the Period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	50.49	163.68	51.28
Net Profit/(Loss) for the Period before Tax (after tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	50.49	163.68	51.28
Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary Items)	31.39	107.99	51.28
Total Comprehensive Income for the Period (Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax))	31.39	107.99	51.28
Equity Share Capital	3345.635	3345.635	3345.635
Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of Previous Year)	0	0	0
Earnings Per Share (of Rs. 10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operation)			
	Basic	0.09	0.32
	Diluted	0.09	0.32

NOTE:
1) The above Financial Results were reviewed by the Audit Committee at its meeting held on 14th February, 2019 at 4.00 P.M. and approved by the Board of Directors at its meeting held on 14/02/2019.
2) No complaints received from the shareholders during the quarter. Hence, at present no complaint pending against the Company.
3) Previous year's figures regrouped and rearranged, wherever necessary.
4) The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchange under regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The Full format of the Quarterly/Nine Months Financial Results are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange https://www.bseindia.com and on Company's website http://regententerprises.in.

For Regent Enterprises Limited
Sd/-

Vikas Kumar
Whole Time Director
Din:05308192

Place: New Delhi
Date: 14/02/2019

COSCO (INDIA) LIMITED

CIN : L25199DL1980PLC010173

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Website : www.cosco.in Email : mail@cosco.in

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EXTRACT OF STANDALONE UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE QUARTER AND NINE MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 2018

(₹ in lacs)

Sl. No.	Particulars	Quarter Ended			Nine Months Ended		Year Ended
		31.12.2018	30.09.2018	31.12.2017	31.12.2018	31.12.2017	31.03.2018
		Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited
1	Total Income from operations	3,609.26	3,226.78	2,858.78	10,159.46	9,318.29	12,676.91
2	Net Profit for the period before Tax and Exceptional items	106.68	158.91	167.41	407.74	511.79	627.06
3	Net Profit for the period before tax and after Exceptional items	106.68	158.91	167.41	407.74	511.79	627.06
4	Net Profit for the period after tax and Exceptional items	85.55	90.35	111.06	239.29	302.37	393.02
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	85.55	90.35	111.06	239.29	302.37	401.19
6	Equity Share Capital	416.10	416.10	416.10	416.10	416.10	416.10
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve) as shown in the Audited Balance Sheet of the previous year	-	-	-	-	-	3,029.39
8	Earnings Per Share (of ₹ 10 each)						
	(a) Basic (₹)	2.06	2.17	2.67	5.75	7.27	9.45
	(b) Diluted (₹)	2.06	2.17	2.67	5.75	7.27	9.45

Notes :-
1 The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly / Annual Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the Quarterly / Annual Financial Results are available on the Stock Exchange Websites (www.bseindia.com/corporates) and on the Company's website www.cosco.in.
2 The Company adopted Indian Accounting Standard ("Ind AS") from April 1, 2017 and accordingly these financial results have been prepared substantially in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in the Ind AS 34 "Interim Financial Reporting" prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with relevant rules issued thereunder and the other accounting principles generally accepted in India. Financial results for the quarters presented have been prepared substantially in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles of Ind AS 34.

By Order of the Board
for Cosco (India) Limited

Devinder Kumar Jain
Managing Director and CEO
DIN : 00191539

Place: Delhi
Date : 14.02.2019



RATHI BARS LIMITED

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Web: www.rathisteels.com, E-mail : contact@rathisteels.com

CIN : L74899DL1993PLC054781

Statement of Standalone Unaudited Results for the Quarter / Nine Months ended 31st Dec., 2018

(Rs. In Lakhs)

Particulars	Quarter Ended			Nine Months Ended		Year Ended
	31-12-2018	30-09-2018	31-12-2017	31-12-2018	31-12-2017	31-03-2018
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
1 Revenue						
(a) Revenue from Operations (Including excise duty)	12,078.35	8,999.47	6,373.84	29,021.85	17,779.52	25,225.23
(b) Other Income	16.41	9.48	9.75	29.04	28.35	35.13
Total Revenue	12,094.76	9,008.95	6,383.59	29,050.89	17,807.87	25,260.36
2 Expenses						
(a) Cost of Materials consumed	8,574.21	6,190.40	4,408.10	20,738.27	12,306.01	15,827.29
(b) Purchase of stock-in-trade	2,003.72	1,080.11	694.24	3,289.01	811.06	2,700.00
(c) Changes in inventories of finished goods, work-in-progress and stock-in-trade	64.40	(75.90)	(132.97)	(56.59)	(105.44)	229.94
(d) Excise duty	-	-	-	-	560.71	560.71
(e) Employee benefits expense	267.73	233.77	113.91	716.81	492.58	743.28
(f) Finance Costs	37.90	36.50	69.67	101.01	156.97	181.69
(g) Depreciation and amortisation expense	99.39	98.13	146.12	296.28	322.08	395.04
(h) Other expenses	987.01	1,332.73	1,005.46	3,732.23	3,089.40	4,415.37
Total Expenses	12,034.36	8,895.74	6,304.53	28,817.02	17,633.37	25,053.32
3 Profit / (Loss) before exceptional items and Tax(1-2)	60.40	113.21	79.06	233.87	174.50	207.04
4 Exceptional Items	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 Profit / (Loss) before tax (3 - 4)	60.40	113.21	79.06	233.87	174.50	207.04
6 Tax expense*	-	-	-	-	-	-
(a) Current Tax	-	-	-	-	35.58	42.23
(b) Deferred tax	-	-	-	-	-	33.67
(c) Excess Provision of Earlier Years Tax Written off	-	-	-	-	-	(8.78)
7 Net Profit / (Loss) for the period from Continuing Operatin (5 - 6)*	60.40	113.21	79.06	233.87	138.92	139.92
8 Profit & Loss from Discontinuing Operation	-	-	-	-	-	-
9 Tax Expenses from Discontinuing operation	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 Profit / (Loss) from Discontinuing Operation after Tax (8-9)	-	-	-	-	-	-
11 Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (7 + 10)	60.40	113.21	79.06	233.87	138.92	139.92
12 Other Comprehensive Income	-	-	-	-	-	-
A -Items that will not be reclassified to Profit or Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-
-Income Tax relating to items that will not be reclassified to Profit or Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-
B -Items that will be reclassified to Profit or Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-
-Income Tax relating to items that will be reclassified 'to Profit or Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Comprehensive Income (11+12)	60.40	113.21	79.06	233.87	138.92	139.92
13 Earnings Per Share (EPS) (of Rs. 10/- each)						
(a) Basic and diluted (EPS) (in Rs.)	0.37	0.69	0.48	1.43	0.85	0.86

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US-MEXICO BORDER WALL

Trump declares national emergency

Washington: President Donald Trump on Friday declared national emergency, a move that would unlock billions of dollars of federal money to construct a wall

along the US-Mexico border, saying the move was essential to prevent the country from "invasion" of illegal immigrants.

Trump's move followed a

rare show of bipartisanship on Thursday when legislators voted to fund large swaths of the government and avoid a repeat of the recent five-week government shutdown.

The money in the bill for border barriers, about \$1.4 billion, is far below the \$5.7 billion Trump insisted he needed to build the physical barrier. It would finance just a quarter of the more than 322 kilometres he wanted this year.

Amidst slamming by Democrats and human rights

organisations as unlawful and abuse of his constitutional powers, Trump told reporters in the Rose Garden that the move to declare emergency was essential to prevent the US from "invasion" of illegal immigrants, drug dealers and criminal cartels.

"It's a great thing to do because we have an invasion of



Trump argued that he has taken this path to speed up the process of building the wall. "I could do the wall over a long period of time. I didn't need to do this, but I would rather do it much faster," he said.

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Trump's move is already drawing bipartisan criticism on Capitol Hill and the opponents have already announced to legally challenge it.

However, Trump exuded confidence that he will win the court battle.

The White House said the administration has so far identified up to \$8.1 billion that will be available to build the border wall once the national emergency is declared and additional funds have been reprogrammed.

This includes about \$601 million from the Treasury Forfeiture Fund, up to \$2.5 billion under the Department of Defence funds transferred for Support for Counter Drug Activities and up to \$3.6 billion reallocated from Department of Defence military construction projects.

World leaders condemn Pulwama terror attack

Washington/Moscow: Countries from across the globe, including the US, Russia, Australia, France, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh, have condemned the brutal Pulwama terror attack carried out by Pakistan-based terror group Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) and extended support to India in the fight against terrorism.

At least 40 CRPF personnel were killed and many injured on Thursday in one of the deadliest terror attacks in Jammu & Kashmir when a Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) suicide bomber rammed a vehicle carrying over 100 kg of explosives into their bus in Pulwama district.

Condemning the attack, Russian President Vladimir Putin on Friday said perpetrators and sponsors of the attack should be brought to book and reiterated his country's support for further strengthening counterterrorist cooperation with India.

In a message to President Ram Nath Kovind and Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Putin said, "Please accept the most sincere condolences in connection with the loss of Indian law enforcement officers in the terrorist act in the state of Jammu & Kashmir. We strongly condemn this brutal crime. The perpetrators and sponsors of this attack, undoubtedly, should be duly punished."

"I would like to reiterate the readiness for further strengthening counterterrorist cooperation with Indian partners. In Russia, we share the grief of friendly people of India and hope for speedy recovery of the injured," he said.

The US specifically singled out Pakistan in its statement condemning the attack. In a stern message to Pakistan, the White House has asked Islamabad to "immediately end" its "support" to all terror groups and not to provide "safe haven" to them.

"The US calls on Pakistan to end immediately the support and safe haven provided to all terrorist groups operating on its soil, whose only goal is to sow chaos, violence, and terror in the region," White House Press Secretary Sarah Sanders said in a statement. "This attack only strengthens our resolve to bolster counterterrorism cooperation and coordination between the US and India," she said in the statement issued by the White House.

Oz political leaders also condemned the "heinous" terror attack. "We convey our deepest condolences to the families of the victims, and all those injured. Our thoughts are with my friend Prime Minister @narendramodi and the Indian people," Prime Minister Scott Morrison tweeted on Friday.

Opposition leader Bill Shorten said it was an atrocious attack. "To the family and friends of the soldiers killed and injured — we send our deepest condolences, support, and hope for a timely recovery for the injured," he said in a statement.

Saudi Arabia said it stood with India's fight against terrorism and extremism and denounced as "cowardly" the suicide attack. The strong condemnation came days ahead of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud's state visit to India next week for talks with the top Indian leadership. **PTI**

S. NO.	PARTICULARS	Amount Rs. In Lacs					
		Quarter ended		9 Months Ended		Year ended	
		Un-Audited	Audited	Un-Audited	Audited	Un-Audited	Audited
1	Income From Operations	2029.00	2541.70	3249.86	7173.00	8153.18	11159.45
2	Expenses						
3	Profit (loss) from operation before other income, finance cost and exceptional items (1-2)	(39.00)	(63.33)	688.19	149.00	1076.43	1613.43
4	Other Income	0.00	36.14	22.42	90.00	78.32	126.37
5	Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before, finance cost and exceptional items (3+4)	(39.00)	(27.19)	710.61	239.00	1154.75	1739.80
6	Finance Cost	11.00	225.73	422.54	191.00	1362.44	1793.48
7	Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after finance cost but before exceptional items (5-6)	(50.00)	198.54	288.07	48.00	(207.69)	(53.68)
8	Exceptional Items***	0.00	7121.00	0.00	7121.00	0.00	0.00
9	Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before Tax (7-8)	(50.00)	(6922.46)	288.07	(7073.00)	(207.69)	(53.68)
10	Provision for Tax	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	Profit (loss) from ordinary activities after Tax (9-10)	(50.00)	(6922.46)	288.07	(7073.00)	(207.69)	(53.68)
12	Extraordinary items, Provisions for, or of Fee claim	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	61.77	61.77
13	Net profit (loss) for the period (11-12)	(50.00)	(6922.46)	288.07	(7073.00)	(207.69)	(53.68)
14	Paid up Equity Share (Capital face value of Rs. 10/- per share)	5787.29	5787.29	5787.29	5787.29	5787.29	5787.29
15	Reserves Excluding Revaluation Reserve						
16	Earning per Equity Share						
	i) Before extraordinary items						
	- Basic (Rs.)	-0.09	-11.96	0.50	-12.22	-0.36	-0.94
	- Diluted (Rs.)	-0.08	-11.37	0.50	-11.62	-0.36	-0.94
	ii) After extraordinary items						
	- Basic (Rs.)	-0.09	-11.96	0.50	-12.22	-0.47	-1.15
	- Diluted (Rs.)	-0.08	-11.37	0.50	-11.62	-0.47	-1.14

NORTHERN RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE

Principal Chief Engineer, Northern Railway, Head quarters office, Baroda House, New Delhi-110001, Publication in newspaper of E-Tender Notices for procurement of Small Track Machines, spare thereof and Spare parts for Track machines has been stopped by the office of Principal Chief Engineer, Northern Railway, Head quarters office. Firm's desires to participate in tenders for procurement of Small Track Machines, spares thereof and Spare parts for Track machines Northern Railway are requested to visit the website www.ireps.gov.in regularly after registering themselves on this portal and submit their e-bids on this portal only. **Notice No. 219-S/1/TMC/21/2018-19 Dated: 14.02.2019. 481/2019**

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

59, Shakuntala Apts. First Floor, Nehru Place New Delhi-19
Tel.: 011-26431534, 26281659, Fax: 26461388
E-mail: br.9044@syndicatebank.co.in

REF: 9044/973/36/REC/2019 DATE: 13.12.2019

APPENDIX-IV-A (See proviso to rule 8 (6))

Sale notice for sale of immovable properties
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Secured Creditor, will be sold on "As is where is" "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on 22/03/2019, for recovery of Rs. 44,55,437.51 (Rupees Forty Four Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Seven and Paise Fifty One Only) as on 31/01/2019 with future interest and charges with effect from 01/02/2019, due to the Secured Creditor from Shri Ranbir Singh and Mrs. Chandar Mukhi and Mrs. Saroj Bansal. The reserve price will be Rs. 39,60,000.00 and the earnest money deposit will be Rs. 3,96,000.00

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Flat No. 303 third floor, built up on part of property No RZ 1414 & 1414A, out of khasra no. 423 situated in at Gali No. 28, Tughlakabad Extension, New Delhi-110018 in the name of Shri Ranbir Singh and Smt. Chandar Mukhi

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provide in Secured Creditor's website i.e. www.syndicatebank.in

Date : 13.02.2018
Place : Nehru Place, Delhi

Authorised Officer
Assistant General Manager
Syndicate Bank

SR. NO.	NAME OF DEPARTMENT	NAME OF WORK/NOTICE/TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE	AMOUNT/EMD (APPROX.) in Rupees	WEBSITE OF THE DEPARTMENT	NODAL OFFICER
1	WOMEN & CHILD DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, HARYANA, PANCHKULA	INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR SETTING UP SEMI AUTOMATED KITCHEN IN DISTRICT GURUGRAM INCLUDING FINANCIAL DETAILS.	CLOSING DATE 21.02.2019	NIL	wcdhry.gov.in	9416654430, dd1.wcd@gmail.com
2	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES, AMBALA	PROVIDING & FIXING OF DOORS & WINDOWS IN PLACE OF DAMAGED DOOR & WINDOW IN CANAL COLONY AMBALA + 12 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 25.02.2019	2.79 CRORE	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	0171-2973270 xensylambala@gmail.com
3	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES, GOHANA	RE-CONSTRUCTION OF V.R. BRIDGES AT RD 3050, 8870, 10180, 14100, 12700, 15400 OF BHAWAR LINK DRAIN + 1 OTHER WORK	15.02.2019 22.02.2019	65.62 LACS	www.hid.gov.in	EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, GOHANA WS DIVN, GOHANA.
4	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES, M/GARH W/S MECH DIV NARNAUL	INSTALLATION SUPPLY AND COMMISSIONING OF 02 NO. 35 CS. VT AXIAL FLOW PUMP HAVING LIFT 23.02' AT PUMP HOUSE HD-1 OF HASSANPUR DISTY (FOR ADDITIONAL BAY). (RE-TENDER) + 2 OTHER WORKS	CLOSING DATE 25.02.2019	37.98 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01282-251353
5	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES, JAGADHRI	REHABILITATION OF RAKSHI NALLAH FROM RD 0 TO 90000.	14.02.2019 20.02.2019	1 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01732-237837 Xerwsjgd1@gmail.com
6	IRRIGATION & WATER RESOURCES, ADAMPUR W/S DIV HISAR	LINING OF EXTENSION OF SUB BRANCH 'XX' ON THE WATERCOURSE AT OUTLET RD 25000- TAIL KOHLI DITCH DISTY UNDER MPLADS + 2 OTHER WORKS	04.02.2019 25.02.2019	6.08 LACS	https://etenders.hry.nic.in	01662-230030 xenawsdn@gmail.com
7	PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING, GOHANA	TENDER NO. 112906- DNIT ESTIMATE FOR DE-SILTING OF SEWER LINES OF DIFFERENT SIZES IN GOHANA TOWN DISTT. SONEPAT FOR THE YEAR 2018-19	14.02.2019 20.02.2019	7.62 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01263-258417 ee1gohana@gmail.com
8	PWD B&R, SIRSA	PROVIDING AND LAYING 20MM THICK PC/80MM IPB OF VARIOUS ROADS IN PD-1, SIRSA DISTT. ROADS ID 5698	11.02.2019 24.02.2019	99.10 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01666-220530 pwd-eeepd1-sirsa@hry.nic.in
9	PWD B&R, HISAR	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVT. VETERINARY DISPENSARY AT VILLAGE SALEMGARH IN DISTRICT HISAR (CM ANNOUNCEMENT NO. 22337 DATED 25.06.2018) + 7 OTHER WORKS	15.02.2019 25.02.2019	330.78 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01662-239887 pwd-eeepd3-hissar@hry.nic.in
10	PWD B&R, SIRSA	SPECIAL REPAIR PWD REST HOUSE WITH PROVIDING/ REPLACEMENT FURNITURE AND FURNISHING ITEMS ETC. IN PWD REST HOUSE AT SIRSA IN SIRSA DISTT. (RE-INVITE)	09.02.2019 17.02.2019	9.92 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01666-220530 pwd-eeepd1-sirsa@hry.nic.in
11	PWD B&R, BHIWANI	SPECIAL REPAIR OF DEPUTY COMMISSIONER GARAGES, 4TH CLASE QUARTER AT BHIWANI IN BHIWANI DISTT.	13.02.2019 23.02.2019	19.62 LACS	https://pwbdr.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01664-242436 pwd-eeepd-bhiwani@hry.nic.in
12	PWD B&R, BHIWANI	CONSTRUCTION OF GOVERNMENT COLLEGE FOR WOMEN AT VILLAGE KAIRU IN BHIWANI DISTRICT (EXCLUDING EI WORKS)	14.02.2019 24.02.2019	1111.02 LACS	https://pwbdr.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01664-242436 pwd-eeepd-bhiwani@hry.nic.in
13	PWD B&R, FATEHABAD	CONSTG. A ROAD FROM TOHANA (BHATIA NAGAR) TO VILLAGE DHAMKORA ALONG FATEHABAD DISTY. AT TOHANA IN FATEHABAD DISTT. KM. 0 TO 3.20 (C.M. ANNOUNCEMENT CODE NO. 23698 DATED 28.09.2018) + 1 OTHER WROK	13.02.2019 24.02.2019	420.15 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01667-220120 pwd-eeepd-fatehabad@hry.nic.in
14	PWD B&R, NARAINGARH	CONSTRUCTION OF NEW ROAD FROM AMB WALA ROAD TO SHAMSHAN GHAT BILASPUR IN YAMUNA NAGAR DISTT. (CM ANNOUNCEMENT CODE - 23332)	15.02.2019 25.02.2019	145.22 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01734-284035 pwd-eeepd-naraingarh@hry.nic.in
15	PWD B&R, HISAR	S/R TO PARK LIGHTS IN DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT FATEHABAD.	15.02.2019 26.02.2019	1.05 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01662-225651 pwd-eeed-hissar@hry.nic.in
16	PWD B&R, NUH	PROVIDING BC ON PUNHANA KOT ROAD 0 TO 11.30 IN NUH DIST. (ROAD ID 1271) (RE-INVITED) + 2 OTHER WORK	14.02.2019 24.02.2019	420.60 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01267-271237
17	PWD B&R, KAITHAL	SPECIAL REPAIR/ RENOVATION OF DISTT LIBRARY AT KAITHAL	CLOSING DATE 22.02.2019	21.66 LACS	https://pwbdr.haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01746222282 pwd-eeepd-kaithal@hry.nic.in
18	PWD B&R, FARIDABAD	CONSTRUCTION OF 5'-11 1/2" HIGH STAGGERED BOUNDARY WALL AND PROVIDING & FIXING CRESTINA WIRE FENCING OVER "Y" SHAPE ANGLE AT SITE OFFICE CUM REST HOUSE MOHNA IN FARIDABAD DISTT. (RE-INVITED)	12.02.2019 21.02.2019	9.50 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	0129-2288187 pwd-eeepd1-faridabad@hry.nic.in
19	PWD B&R, REWARI	IMPROVEMENT BY PROVIDING 4-INVERTING ON NIZAMPUR NANGAL CHAUDHARY ROAD KM 0.90 TO 15.600 (MDR-128) IN MOHINDERGARH DISTRICT.	14.02.2019 24.02.2019	4566.80 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01274-256936 pwd-serewari@hry.nic.in
20	PWD B&R, KARNAL	WIDENING AND STRENGTHENING WITH WBM + PC RD 0 TO 1170 ON HATHLANA APP. ROAD (ROAD ID-7269) IN KARNAL DISTRICT. + 1 OTHER WORK	14.02.2019 01.03.2019	120.62 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	0184-2251029 pwd-eeepd-karnal@hry.nic.in
21	PWD B&R, AMBALA	UPGRADATION PHC TO CHC AT BARARA DISTT. AMBALA (PDG. 200 KVA 11/0.433 KV SUB STATION). + 2 OTHER WORKS	15.02.2019 26.02.2019	34.35 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	0171-2630877 pwd-eeed-ambala@hry.nic.in
22	PWD B&R, REWARI	CONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS 2 NOS NEW ROAD IN PROVINCIAL DIVISION REWARI + 1 OTHER WORK	09.02.2019 18.02.2019	650.40 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01274-253703 pwd-eeepd-rewari@hry.nic.in
23	PWD B&R, REWARI	PROVIDING 30 MM THICK BC ON 2 NOS ROADS ON PROV DIVISION PWD B&R REWARI	10.02.2019 19.02.2019	322.60 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01274-253703 pwd-eeepd-rewari@hry.nic.in
24	PWD B&R, NARNAUL	CONSTRUCTION OF 12 NOS CLASS ROOM IN THE CAMPUS OF GOVT COLLEGE AT NARNAUL IN MOHINDERGARH DISTRICT (CM ANNOUNCEMENT CODE NO 20483 DATED 21.11.2017	CLOSING DATE 21.02.2019	2.82 CRORE	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	0182-251267 pwd-eeepd-narnaul@hry.nic.in
25	SKILL DEVELOPMENT & INDUSTRIAL TRAINING DEPT.	TOOLS & EQUIPMENTS TENDER FORM	07.02.2019 18.02.2019	4 LACS	gitiunchagaon.com	9811706230 unchagaongtiw@gmail.com
26	CONTROLLER PRINTING & STATIONERY DEPARTMENT HARYANA CHANDIGARH	PURCHASE OF DIGITAL COLOURED PRODUCTION MACHINE AND DIGITAL HIGH SPEED COPIER MACHINES	CLOSING DATE 05.03.2019	60 LACS	pandsharyana@gov.in	6239476892 basurajender1946@gmail.com
27	SPORTS DEPTT, PANIPAT	RFP FOR TURNKEY EVENT MANAGEMENT FOR BHARAT KESRI DANGAL ON DATED 21 MARCH TO 23 MARCH 2019 IN SHIVAJI STADIUM, PANIPAT + 2 OTHER WORKS	07.02.2019 22.02.2019	2.84 CRORE	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	DISTRICT SPORTS & YOUTH AFFAIR OFFICER
28	PANCHAYATI RAJ, YAMUNA NAGAR	CONSTRUCTION OF 2 NO GATE AT BABA BANDA SINGH BHADUR CHOWK VILLAGE SADHAURA BLOCK SADHAURA DISTT. YAMUNA NAGAR	14.02.2019 01.03.2019	9.75 LACS	https://haryanaeprocurement.gov.in	01732-237833 prexeeng.ynr@hry.nic.in

China again blocks India's bid to list JeM chief as global terrorist

Beijing: China on Friday expressed deep "shock" over the Pulwama terror attack carried out by a Jaish suicide bomber but did not give an assurance to India that it will back New Delhi's appeal to list the UN-proscribed Pakistan-based terror group's chief Masood Azhar as a global terrorist.

At least 40 CRPF personnel were killed and many injured on Thursday in one of the deadliest terror attacks in Jammu and Kashmir when a Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM) suicide bomber rammed a vehicle carrying over 100 kg of explosives into their bus in Pulwama district.

"China has noted the reports of suicide terrorist attack. We are deeply shocked by this attack. We express deep condolences and sympathy to the injured and bereaved families," spokesman of the Chinese Foreign Ministry Geng Shuang told a media briefing here when asked about the incident.

In a carefully worded response to a number of questions on the Pulwama incident, Geng said China condemned the incident as part of its overall stand on terrorism. "We firmly oppose and strongly condemn

all forms of terrorism. We hope relevant regional countries will cooperate to cope with the threat of terrorism and jointly uphold regional peace and stability," Geng said.

Without directly referring to India's persistent demand to declare Azhar as a global terrorist, Geng said JeM has already been included in the sanctions list of the UN committee but he was not forthcoming on why China is opposed to extend the ban on the leader of the group.

When asked about China's stand on the listing of Azhar as a global terrorist by the UN Security Council, he said: "As for the issue of listing, I could tell you that the 1267 Committee of Security Council has a clear stipulation on the listing and procedure of the terrorist organisations".

"JeM has been included in the Security Council terrorism sanctions list. China will continue to handle the relevant sanctions issue in a constructive and responsible manner," Geng said in an apparent reference to External Affairs Ministry's appeal to all members of the UN Security Council to list Azhar as a global terrorist.

US-China to hold trade talks next week

Beijing: The trade talks between China and the US will continue in Washington next week after both sides made "progress" but not enough to seal a final deal, ahead of a planned American tariff hike on \$200 billion of Chinese imports from March 2.

Top officials from the world's two biggest economies wrapped up the two-days of talks here on Friday in a bid to at least create sufficient goodwill to stave off an escalation of their tariff war.

Both sides have agreed to continue talks in Washington next week after two days of negotiations in Beijing produced "progress" but not enough to seal a deal to end the trade war, the Hong Kong-based South China Morning Post quoted officials as saying.

"Talks will continue next week among the same group of people, but at a different place," said a source, who declined to be identified.

"The last two days in Beijing made progress but not enough to seal a final deal," the source said, adding that the Chinese delegation may leave for

New Brexit talks in Brussels next week



Brussels: Both Britain's Minister for Brexit Stephen Barclay and Opposition leader Jeremy Corbyn will visit Brussels next week for talks with EU negotiator Michel Barnier.

"Mr Barnier's door is always open," an EU spokesman said, confirming that Barclay was expected to visit EU headquarters on Monday and Corbyn on Thursday.

Prime Minister Theresa May is also expected in Brussels next week, but he visit has not been confirmed.

Britain is due to leave the EU on March 29, but Prime Minister Theresa May is struggling to persuade parliament to back a divorce deal. EU leaders fear severe economic disruption if London leaves the bloc without a follow on agreement providing for a transition period to negotiate a trade deal.

Corbyn has suggested Labour MPs would rescue the withdrawal plan if EU leaders promise to allow Britain to remain in the EU customs union. May and many of her Conservative MPs reject that idea, but Barnier and EU Council President Donald Tusk have described it as "interesting". **AFP**

SHORT CIRCUITS



TAAPSEE PANNU

Indian homemakers have been strong torch bearers for bringing about progressive changes in their family lives and the society at large. I strongly believe that it is imperative to celebrate this progressive thinking amongst women that has kept them motivated to break barriers and pursue passions.



SHILPA SHETTY KUNDRRA

I love watching Madhuri (Dixit) ji. I've been a big fan of her since *Tezaab*. Shamita (sister) and I had bought the film's cassette and watched *Ek Do Teen* dance over and over to learn the steps. I always felt that if I became an actor and people remembered me as a dancer like her, it would be a great compliment.



MANOJ BAJPAYEE

One needs to have thick skin to survive in the film industry. During my initial time, I went for a film's premiere where the media saw me and said that he is not important to be clicked. I didn't let vanity affect me. I thought that when my films will be successful, people will come back to click my photographs.



MARSHMELLO

India is special to me. This is my third time in the country and I love it even more each time I come back. I wanted to make this trip even more special and give my fans here their own anthem. It was great to work with (composer) Pritam over the last few months and give the MelloGang my new release, *Biba*.



BEN AFFLECK

I tried to direct a version of it (*Batman*) and worked with a really good screenwriter, but just couldn't come up with a version, I couldn't crack it. Hence, I thought it was time to let someone else take a shot at it. They got some really good people now, so I'm excited. I guess, I am not Batman.

IMMERSIVE 50 MINUTES

STUDIO CHAT 30 MINUTES

There is an insatiable desire in every jewellery designer to better his/her last piece. A similar kind of zeal runs through Smriti Sangal's veins while working to create the most intricate design. Each time she picks up her iron stand, heating it up in a furnace, she fashions yet another beautiful piece of Meenakari earring.

As the workshop commenced at the Jaypore store, Sangal, founder of Culture Chauraha was ready with her array of tools and equipment to help art connoisseurs learn about the Persian craft. It began with choosing the right kind of shape one wants to give to their earrings. It's then cut on a copper sheet, flattened by a hammer and nail, pierced through a drill machine, moving on to cleansing the black coat and turning it into a shiny pink. The base coat is prepared through white crystal powder before starting its painting with powdered glass colours.

When Sangal started learning it from her mother, Ritu Sangal, who is a master of this art since the last 33 years, she felt the need to make it accessible for more people. "I saw that people were fascinated and were eager to learn about the entire process of jewellery making. Even if they don't join the extensive course, they could come to these workshops and learn the basics. This would also in turn make them connect more to the art," she says. She calls the melting of glass crystal colours as "surreal."

Her three-hour workshops that also recently took place in Bengaluru teach two basic techniques of enameling — sgraffito (decoration done by scratching through a surface before firing) and paint-on. They are aimed at creating an enamelled jeweller who is able to "notice and appreciate the effort and time it takes to produce one piece of jewellery."

Sangal lists a number of processes that go through in the making of one piece of Meenakari jewellery. She says, "People through these workshops could notice the technicalities as well. For instance, how much temperature is it fired at, what kind of colours are being used, how the shape is given, what are the do's and don'ts, etc."

Well, the motive of Culture Chauraha was in itself to create a space for people and teaching them mural painting, enameling, paper crafts, fine-art sketching, drawing, porcelain painting, woodcut printing, and helping kids to prepare for art colleges. She says that this was also founded "to make people go back to their art space that ends after school when a busy hectic schedule hits life and



A SURREAL CRAFT

Artist SMRITI SANGAL draws her inspiration from all things vintage including her mother's 33-year-old practice of Meenakari and ancient cultural extravaganzas, says CHAHAK MITTAL



you find yourself away from such a therapeutic practice."

Why *Chauraha*? Well, she says that it was inspired from the central place of the city where people from all corners of the town came together in olden days and

had a cultural extravaganza, doing a number of activities.

Among an array of her hand-made earrings and designer jewellery are an infusion of colours — green, yellow and shades of red — amalgamated with contemporary



architecture and traditional Persian flower motifs. There are shapes like diamonds, hearts, butterflies, circles, and even pyramids.

She ends with telling us that even though the teaching has been a slow journey but "it has

had been picking up very well. At the end of the workshop, what matters is that people are very happy with what they have created. As a mentor, you feel blissful that you made them learn something new."



'Home is where family is'

Actress SOAIRSE RONAN says it took her about a year to get into the skin of the character in *Lady Bird*. By TEAM VIVA

Creating the character of *Lady Bird* was a time consuming one. How did you prepare for the same?

Lady Bird had intricate characteristics, creating that or becoming her needed time so as to ace the perfection. I was in New York for another project and our director Greta Gerwig gave us both the opportunity to work on the character and its emotions. We used to plan and meet for a few weeks where we were just hanging out with each other and we would go down the sweet memory lane of our teenage days and how that time flew so fast. Teenage is all about the moments we wished we had, decisions we regret, not having the experience to navigate and so much more, all of this discussion with Greta really helped me to know *Lady Bird* and be that character. It is not easy to bring in the complexity of this character on screen but Greta was of great help to make me achieve it. This whole process was quite interesting and inspiring. It took about a year for me to get in the role before shoot schedule started.

How much do you relate to the character of *Lady Bird*?

The character and I share a lot of similarities. I am very assertive and outspoken like the lady bird. In fact, I admire her. It's not very often that we find a teenager with stern principles. A person can have flaws and not be perfect, and still be really special and have something to offer. Everyone is dealing with their own stuff, they have their own issues, and their sadness. Even if you don't see that directly, it doesn't mean it's not there or it doesn't exist for someone. My character is content with herself and things around her doesn't really matter. So, it is an empowering thing in a way.

The movie has a lot of themes and things to explore. What do you think is the heart of this film?

In this movie, the heart of it is the relationship of lady bird with her mother where it is quite evident that the two of them are close and really love each other but there is just something off or not working right between them. Some incidents in life take you to the rough road and that's what they have been going through in this film. That infact is so relatable for any teenager, as there has always been some turbulence between the guardian and the teenager because of that generation gap and understanding it which gets difficult. But this doesn't really mean that you abandon each other and move on. That's even shown in the movie that no matter the fights or arguments, the bond between the mother and the daughter is beyond breakable.



You have been nominated for the second time for Oscars?

I feel obliged to be nominated once again and also have a better understanding about it now, as during my first one, I was a kid. It really makes huge impact with the second nomination but both of them were equally fantastic. With every film there is a different equation and every film gives you a different experience which makes each and every work we do as important and as appreciative as it could be. With this one, I really think it is completely a group effort. With Timothee Chalamet, Laurie Metcalf too being nominated, it's a full house.

So, it is a great job done by the whole cast and crew. Also, it is a really great feeling to see Greta nominated as she is the fifth women director to be nominated in Oscars.

We heard that you used to visit open houses? Is that true?

Yes, I have had some great memories about the same. I used to visit open houses with my parents just for fun as that time we really couldn't afford those houses. We used to live in a 1970s designed bungalow and whenever we would get a wind of new house on the market in the vicinity, we would go visit them. We would have the attitude that we might just buy it, thinking what if we can, one day? This is actually one such part of my real life that really connected with my character in the *Lady Bird* as she sees her home and on the other hand, a beautiful house marking it as success ratio which most of us do. But like the saying goes... Home is where the family is. (Watch *Lady Bird* only on Sony PIX.)

CHALLENGE TO THE GULLY BOY



The kids from forthcoming film *Mere Pyare Prime Minister* have challenged actor Ranveer Singh with their *Gully Boy* rap.

As seen in the trailer of *Mere Pyare Prime Minister*, the children who went to Prime Minister's office to request him to make more toilets in the slums are not just fierce in reel life but also in real life.

Kanhu from the film named Krishna took to his social media posting a video wherein along with his companions, he challenged actor Ranveer Singh by rapping in a unique way. He posted the video and wrote, "Hui Hai Gandhi Baat Meri Gully Mein. Kya Tu Dega Mera Sath Meri Gully Mein?" #RanveerKoChallenge."

The kids could completely relate to the *Gully Boy* Ranveer so they made a rap challenge for him, asking if he will help them.

The film shows the real-life problems faced by people who reside in the slums. The makers of the film decided to launch the trailer on Vasant Panchmi as it marks the beginning of the Holi season and is cited to be the harbinger of spring.

Presented by Jayantilal Gada, Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra and P.S.Bharathi, the film also stars Anjali Patil, Om Kanojija, Makarand Deshpande, Rasika Agashe, Sonia Albizuri, Nachiket Purnapatre and Atul Kulkarni.

(The film releases on March 15.)



RAZZLE-DAZZLE 30 MINUTES

LIGHTS WILL GUIDE YOU HOME

Retro-inspired candlesticks, ring-like fixtures, asymmetrically-armed finishing or jewellery-like chandeliers are brought under one roof at the India Design Fair. By lensman PANKAJ KUMAR



OPULENCE 10 MINUTES



Metallica

Designer K RAJESH combines a historic aura with contemporary interiors at ITC Maurya

It was a range of experimentation and analysis of various media like glass, wood and other metals that went before finalising copper to create the artwork that gave the interiors of ITC Maurya a new luxurious touch.

Designer-artist and founder of East Craft Designs, K Rajesh finally chose copper as he believes that it brings "a sense of richness" without looking gaudy or loud.

The project, that began in March 2018, finally got into shape recently. Rajesh shares that the idea behind *Prive* was to have an entrance that looks elegant and graceful with a touch of luxury and also

portrays Delhi's rich architecture. "The hotel uses a signature 'East meets West' style of Mauryan diplomacy that combines a historic aura with contemporary interiors," he said.

He revealed that the team decided to recreate the iconic Rashtrapati Bhawan's architecture designed by Lutyen. The design was inspired by Edwardian Baroque of the colonial British era.

The team accounted for four sculptors. The entire mural is made in ceramic. It was given a shape through sand-casting technique. Well, the entire artwork that weighs 350 kgs, was indeed a challenge, including installing the artwork on the wall.

Without ruining it for anyone, she doesn't know how to swim.

Everything comes out of my memory of Libo. She is one of the women who raised me. I decided to shoot at the places where it happened. I made people dress in the same way how they used to dress. The same cars were kept which used to be in our streets. Every extra looks like

DIALOGUE 20 MINUTES

An unknown script

Roma's story is a reflection of director ALFONSO CUARÓN's childhood memories. By TEAM VIVA



the neighbours. If the places didn't exist anymore, we recreated them.

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brings all the details like the little cracks in the walls, the objects that were used. The challenge for Eugenio was to bring real occasions back to period. We shot in most of the original places and transforming some of them. Mexico is a big city but it also has a third world which has no urban setup. For one scene, we had to produce around five blocks of the city, where Eugenio Caballero had reproduced the same kind of avenue, wedding dress shop, cinema, and even pharmacy. Everything was identical.

It was a part of the DNA of the film. When I decided to make the film, I didn't want a nostalgic black and white. I didn't want a period film.

We shot 65 mm in digital so it was in black and white that could not have been done at that time. It's a very pristine grainless black and white. It's a very contemporary photography to look into the past.

(Oscars will air on February 25 at 6.30 am on Star Movies and Star Movies Select HD.)

SINDHU, SAINA & SUMMIT CLASH

PTI ■ GUWAHATI

PV Sindhu and Saina Nehwal won their respective semifinals in contrasting fashion to set up a mouth-watering women's singles summit showdown at the 83rd Yonex-Sunrise Senior National Championship on Saturday.

In a repeat of last edition's title clash at Nagpur, the two stalwarts will look to outdo each other and write another chapter in their on-field rivalry.

While Sindhu overcame a challenge from Assam's promising 19-year-old Ashmita Chaliha 21-10, 22-20 in the first semifinal, Saina got the better of Nagpur qualifier Vaishnavi Bhale, who was part of India's Uber Cup squad last year, 21-15, 21-14 to storm into the finals.

Saina had the last laugh against Sindhu in the last two encounters at the Nagpur Nationals in 2017 and the Gold Coast Commonwealth Games Gold-medal match last year.

While Saina has won the title in 2006, 2007 and 2018, Sindhu clinched the trophy twice, in 2011 and 2013.



"It will be just another match and I don't think it will help me for All England, I will just look to focus and give my best," Sindhu said about the final.

In men's singles, Lakshya Sen, who

is Asian junior champion and a Bronze medallist at the World Junior Championship, secured his second final with a 21-15, 21-16 win over former winner and 2014 Commonwealth Games champion Parupalli Kashyap in the second semifinal.

The 17-year-old Sen, from Uttarakhand, had lost the finals of the 81st edition against Sourabh Verma and he would look to settle the scores when he faces the 26-year-old from Dhar in the finals on Saturday.

Two-time former champion Sourabh sealed his final spot after beating Mumbai's Kaushal Dharmamer 21-14, 21-17 in 44 minutes.

Earlier in the day, former champions Saina, Kashyap and Sourabh advanced to the semifinals with contrasting wins.

The three-time former champion Saina hardly broke a sweat to get the better of former India No 1 Neha Pandit of Mumbai 21-10, 21-10 in a lop-sided quarter-final contest.

Kashyap, a 2012 winner, prevailed 21-18, 21-16 over Bodhit Joshi, who had reached the finals of Iceland International last year.

Former world No 30 Verma, who had clinched Super 100 titles at Russia Open and Dutch Open last year, eked out a hard-fought 21-11, 21-23, 21-18 triumph over B Sai Praneeth.

In the other semi-final matches of the day, Rohan Kapoor and Kuhoo Garg lived up to their reputation as the top seeds in mixed doubles. The world No 46 pair needed only 32 minutes to dispatch Vignesh Devlekar and Harika V 21-15, 21-16 to enter the final.

They will take on the unseeded combine of Manu Attri and Maneesha K, who continued their rampage with a fine 21-18, 21-17 win over Shlok Ramchandran and Mithula UK.

In women's doubles, top seeds Meghana Jakkampudi and Poorvisha S Ram continued their quest for the title with a strong 21-13, 21-16 victory over Kuhoo Garg and Anoushka Parikh. They will take on the unseeded Shikha Gautam and Ashwini Bhat K in the summit clash after the latter edged Aparna Balan and Sruthi KP 21-19, 24-22.

Men's doubles second seeds Pranaav Jerry Chopra and Chirag Shetty beat Arun George and Sanyam Shukla 21-17, 21-18 to secure a place in the final.

Nishikori eases into Rotterdam last eight

AFP ■ ROTTERDAM

Japan's Kei Nishikori carved out a comfortable 6-1, 6-4 win over Latvian Ernests Gulbis on Thursday to power into the Rotterdam Open quarter-finals.

Asia's top player, the world number seven, needed an hour and a quarter to advance as he booked a third victory against former French Open semi-finalist Gulbis, who was a lucky loser at the Ahoy Arena.

Nishikori will on Friday meet Hungarian Marton Fucovics, who defeated Nikoloz Basilashvili of Georgia 7-6 (7/1), 6-1, for a place in the semi-finals.

Nishikori, who won his 12th ATP title in Brisbane earlier this year, earned his 10th victory of the season against a single loss --



when he retired in the Australian Open last eight against Novak Djokovic.

"This was so much better than my first match," Nishikori said. "I was returning well and putting him under pressure."

"The second set was tight for a while but I was not worried even after he got the break back."

"I was able to play good tennis today, I'm very happy with my level."

Earlier, Jo-Wilfried Tsonga won a lengthy opening set and then accelerated past Dutchman Tallon Griekspoor for a quarter-final place.

The Frenchman's 7-6 (7/5), 6-1 victory was a match of two parts, with the labourious first set taking 53 minutes while the second lasted just 23.

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PANT SET FOR WC BERTH

Young wicket keeper pips experienced Karthik in ODI squad for Aus series; Markande receives maiden T20 call



PTI ■ MUMBAI

Young Rishabh Pant took a giant stride towards realising his World Cup dream, pipping veteran Dinesh Karthik in the 15-member ODI squad for the Australia series while KL Rahul all but clinched the reserve opener's slot for the mega event by earning a recall.

While the selectors announced two different teams for the first two and last three ODIs, the side that is expected to travel to England will be the one for the last three games of the series. The engagement with Australia starts February 24 with the first T20 International in Visakhapatnam, while the World Cup is scheduled from May 30.

Rahul returned to the side after he was controversially called back midway through the tour of Australia following his and all-rounder Hardik Pandya's loose talk on women in a TV show.

Regular captain Virat Kohli and pace spearhead Jasprit Bumrah are also back in the squad for the entire Australia series after a break and even vice-captain Rohit Sharma will not be resting.

The committee headed by MSK



Prasad also announced the T20 squad for the two-match series, in which rookie Punjab leg-spinner Mayank Markande made the cut and Kuldeep Yadav was rested.

However, all eyes were on the ODI squad which is supposed to be a mirror image of the team that will be travelling to England.

One of the biggest calls was regarding the second wicketkeeper-

reserve batsman's slot. Karthik seems to have missed the bus to a much younger Pant, who is considered to be the future of Indian cricket and heir apparent to Mahendra Singh Dhoni behind the stumps.

Karthik was criticised for his on-field decision-making during the last final T20 International against New Zealand in Hamilton. The Tamil Nadu veteran refused a single when

Krunal Pandya was on a rampage at the other end.

Karthik later justified the call by saying that he was confident of pulling off a six which didn't happen as India lost by four runs.

Pant, on the other hand, is yet to get a significant knock in ODIs but his big-hitting prowess has made him a potential match-winner in big-ticket events like the World Cup.

Shortlisted 18 players & will rotate them: Prasad on WC plans

PTI ■ MUMBAI

National selection committee chairman MSK Prasad on Friday said that 18 cricketers have been shortlisted for the upcoming ODI World Cup and the BCCI is in talks with their respective IPL franchises to manage their workload ahead of the mega-event in England.

There have been discussions that India's World Cup hopefuls' workload management should be monitored during the IPL, starting March 23, so that they remain fresh during the May 30-July 14 extravaganza.

"We have shortlisted 18 players and we will rotate them during the World Cup. As far as workload management is concerned, it is yet to be worked out. There are discussions happening on that front and we will let you know," Prasad said after selecting various squads for the home series against Australia.

Whether the franchises will agree to rest top India players on their roster after paying millions to have them has been a subject



PTI ■ MUMBAI

of debate.

When acting secretary Amitabh Choudhary was asked this question, he admitted that the franchises have diverse views on the matter.

"If your question suggests that the franchises will be wary of resting players, it is an issue we will deal with considering it's a World Cup year. There have been views from franchises and I am not going into specifics," he said.

He also urged the franchises to keep the national interest in mind.

"And also considering the fact that all the franchises are Indian franchises, the interest of the country, of doing well at the highest international level, is paramount," Choudhary said.

"That we have included him (Pant) considering many factors. He is a left-hander and we needed to discuss with the team management, which we have already done," Prasad said after the meeting.

"Virat was also a part of the meeting. We will try and figure out the best possible batting position, because being a left-hander, there is an advantage of playing left-right combination, we are discussing all that," Prasad added.

Prasad also dropped elaborate hints that Pant, who is expected to bat in the top-order, was always in the reckoning for the Australia series.

"Definitely. Prior to this series, we had two series in New Zealand and Australia and that's where

Karthik was chosen because Rishabh played four Test matches.

"So we wanted him to get a good break. He had a 20-day break, then he played couple of ODIs against England lions where he did well, then we send him to T20 matches. We want to give him a few games before taking a final call," said the former India stumper, informing that 30-member probabilities list will be released by March 25.

Karthik's chances of making it to the World Cup are even more slim after Rahul made the cut on the back of his 89 and 81 for India A against England Lions.

Punjab seamer Siddharth Kaul seems to have joined the race for the fourth pacer's slot at the business end of the preparation cycle.

"Siddharth Kaul is doing well and is now a part of the mix," Prasad said.

Kaul made it to the first two ODIs from which Bhuvneshwar Kumar has been rested but more importantly, there are no left-arm seamers in the line-up.

Khaleel Ahmed, who was a disappointment in New Zealand, has been dropped and with Jaydev Unadkat not considered for selection, it is unlikely that the scenario will change prior to the World Cup unless there are some ground-breaking performances in the IPL.

"Khaleel has been playing for the last two series and we seen him and we would like to see Siddharth Kaul also," said Prasad.

Vijay Shankar's decent run with the bat in New Zealand has "changed the dynamics of the squad".

With two leg-spinners Kuldeep Yadav and Yuzvendra Chahal being automatic selections, there are no finger spinners in the squad. Kedar Jadhav is expected to chip in with a few overs of off-break.

Quizzed on the oft-repeated aspect of workload management, BCCI acting secretary Amitabh Choudhary said the IPL franchises are being spoken to on the matter.

THE SQUADS

1st and 2nd ODI: Virat Kohli (Capt), Rohit Sharma (VC), Shikhar Dhawan, Ambati Rayudu, Kedar Jadhav, Mahendra Singh Dhoni (WK), Hardik Pandya, Jasprit Bumrah, Mohammed Shami, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Vijay Shankar, Rishabh Pant, Siddharth Kaul, KL Rahul

Last three ODIs: Virat Kohli (Capt), Rohit Sharma (vc), Shikhar Dhawan, Ambati Rayudu, Kedar Jadhav, Mahendra Singh Dhoni (WK), Hardik Pandya, Jasprit Bumrah, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Yuzvendra Chahal, Kuldeep Yadav, Mohammed Shami, Vijay Shankar, KL Rahul, Rishabh Pant

T20I series: Virat (Capt), Rohit, KL Rahul, Shikhar Dhawan, Rishabh Pant, Dinesh Karthik, MS Dhoni, Hardik Pandya, Krunal Pandya, Vijay Shankar, Yuzvendra Chahal, Jasprit Bumrah, Umesh Yadav, Sidharth Kaul, Mayank Markande

Hanuma smashes hat-trick of hundreds



PTI ■ NAGPUR

Hanuma Vihari scripted history by becoming the first player to score a hat-trick of hundreds in the Irani Cup, helping Rest of India rally and set Vidarbha a tricky 280-run target at VCA stadium on Friday.

Enjoying a good run of

form, the 25-year-old Vihari created the record with a single down the ground on the fourth day, his second century of the match and third straight in Irani Cup.

The India player had scored 183 for Rest of India during last year's Irani Cup match against Vidarbha, who recently retained the Ranji

MOST 100s IN IRANI TROPHY					
Batsman	M	Runs	AVG	HS	100
Dilip Vengsarkar (Mumbai/ROI)	9	779	59.92	151	4
Gundappa Viswanath (Karnataka/ROI)	9	1001	77.00	200*	4
Hanuma Vihari (Rest of India)	2	477	238.50	183	3
Abhinav Mukund (Rest of India)	4	596	74.50	161	3
Sunil Gavaskar (Mumbai/ROI)	12	733	40.72	156*	3
Wasim Jaffer (Mumbai/ROI/Vidarbha)	12	1294	64.70	286	3

Faisal Features

Trophy with another exemplary showing.

Besides Vihari's 180, India's Test vice-captain Ajinkya Rahane made 87 and Shreyas Iyer raced to a 52-ball 61, helping Rest of India to declare their second innings at 374 for three, a day after conceding a big first-innings lead.

Needing 280 for an outright win, Ranji champions Vidarbha were 37 for one at close of play, still 243 runs shy of the target with nine wickets in hand.

While Akshay Karnewar's gutsy century on the third day

powered Vidarbha to a 95-run first-innings lead, Rest of India rode on a third-wicket partnership of 229 runs between Vihari and Rahane to grab the initiative on the penultimate day.

After Rahane's dismissal, Iyer took the attack to Vidarbha as Rest of India looked for quick runs before the declaration.

Vihari struck 19 fours and four sixes during his 300-ball knock, while Iyer smashed five boundaries and four sixes. During his stay in the middle, senior pro Rahane found the fence six times and cleared it once.

Ind A secure innings victory

PTI ■ MYSURU

Young leg-spinner Mayank Markande scalped five wickets to steer India 'A' to a series-clinching innings and 68-run win over England Lions in the second and final unofficial Test on Friday.

Markande (5 for 31) spun a web around the visitors to bowl them out for 180 in the second innings on the third day of the four-day match. England was following on.

Resuming at 24 for no loss and faced with the daunting task of handling the Indian spinners on a turning wicket, the Lions' batsmen came a cropper with only Ben Duckett (50) and Lewis Gregory (44) showing some fight.

Besides Markande, Jalaj Saxena (2/40) claimed two wickets.

The 21-year old Markande, who performed creditably for Mumbai Indians in the IPL last year, troubled most of the England batsmen with his guile. The talented Ollie Pope was



Markande's first victim, trapped leg-before.

He then removed Steve Mullaney, Dominic Bess and Zak Chappell in quick succession as the Lions capitulated.

Running out of partners, Gregory went on the offensive and hit six fours and a six during his 49-ball knock before becoming the last wicket to fall, handing India 'A' victory with a day to spare.

Pace bowlers Varun Aaron (1/39), Navdeep Saini (1/25) and left-arm spinner Shahbaz Nadeem (1/25) picked up a wicket each.

against third-tier Blackpool.

Elsewhere, Napoli began life without record goalscorer Marek Hamsik with a 3-1 win in a fiery atmosphere at FC Zurich.

Lorenzo Insigne, who has replaced Hamsik as captain after the Slovakian's move to China, scored the opening goal, with Jose Callejon and Piotr Zielinski also on target.

Celtic's European adventures appear to be over for another season after being outclassed 2-0 by Valencia at Parkhead.

Denis Cheryshev and Ruben Sobrino got the goals as the Spaniards extended their recent unbeaten run to six matches.

Inter Milan claimed a 1-0 win at Rapid Vienna despite Mauro Icardi snubbing the trip after being stripped of the captaincy over a contract row, with Lautaro Martinez scoring the winner from the penalty spot.

Wissam Ben Yedder's 22nd-minute strike helped record five-time winners Sevilla take a large step towards the last 16 with a 1-0 victory over Lazio in Rome, while Benfica backed up their 10-0 weekend thumping of Nacional by winning 2-1 at Galatasaray.

Salzburg, semi-finalists last season, lost 2-1 at Club Brugge, while 10-man Sporting Lisbon were beaten 1-0 by Villarreal in the Portuguese capital.

AFP ■ LONDON

Chelsea claimed a 2-1 victory at Malmö in the Europa League last-32 first leg on Thursday to ease some of the pressure on beleaguered coach Maurizio Sarri, while Arsenal suffered a shock loss to BATE Borisov.

Visitors Chelsea desperately needed a response after back-to-back humiliating away losses, with last Sunday's 6-0 thrashing by Manchester City following a 4-0 reverse at Bournemouth.

Ross Barkley took advantage of a defensive lapse by the home team to put Chelsea ahead on the half-hour mark, with Olivier Giroud adding a 58th-minute second before Malmö's late goal gave them a glimmer of hope ahead of next week's return match at Stamford Bridge.

Chelsea face Manchester United in the FA Cup on Monday, before facing City again in the League Cup final on February 24.

"I am happy because we played with confidence and it wasn't really very easy after the last match (the defeat by City)," Sarri told BT Sport.

Sarri named a strong team, although he did leave Gonzalo Higuain and Eden Hazard on the bench.

Chelsea found themselves up against a spirited Malmö outfit in the



Dragun fires as Lacazette sees red

Stanislav puts BATE ahead just before half time to script 1-0 triumph; Chelsea, Napoli and Inter secure away win

first half, roared on by a vociferous home crowd, but kept the Swedes at arm's length before Barkley grabbed their first away goal of 2019.

Pedro swung over a cross which Lasse Nielsen should have headed away, but the defender failed with his attempted volleyed clearance and Barkley was on hand to control and stab into the net.

But the Premier League giants took total control of the tie in the 58th minute with a wonderful counter-attack.

Barkley led the charge before picking out Willian, and the Brazilian powered to the byline before cutting the ball back for Giroud to flick in a cool back-heeled finish.

The French striker has now scored five goals in six Europa League games this season, despite only netting once in 23 matches in domestic competitions.

But Malmö did grab the goal their



efforts deserved in the 80th minute, as Anders Christiansen slotted past Chelsea goalkeeper Kepa Arrizabalaga.

ARSENAL BEATEN IN BELARUS

Arsenal face an uphill battle to progress after a 1-0 defeat by BATE in a game which saw Alexandre Lacazette sent off for elbowing Aleksandar Filipovic with five minutes remaining.

Stanislav Dragun put BATE ahead just before the break in Barysaw and Arsenal never threatened an equaliser, with Lacazette's late dismissal also ruling him out of next week's second leg in London.

Unai Emery's side have now won just two of their last nine away matches — last weekend's victory over the Premier League's bottom club Huddersfield and an FA Cup win

SINGLES

SPAIN, CROATIA FACE OFF IN DAVIS CUP FINALS

MADRID: Rafael Nadal's Spain will host defending champions Croatia in the Davis Cup finals with the 17-time major winner set to be the only member of the sport's big four taking part in the controversially rebooted tournament. He will likely face Marin Cilic, Croatia's top player who won both his singles in the 2018 Davis Cup final victory over France. Russia, the two-time champions, make up Group B. Ten-time champions France, 2010 winners Serbia and Japan contest Group A while 2016 victors Argentina, Germany and Chile are in Group C. Group D sees Belgium and Colombia pooled with 28-time champions Australia while Britain, who have been champions on 10 occasions, Kazakhstan and Netherlands make up Group E. Group F sees record 32-time winners United States clash with Italy and Canada.

SIMEONE SIGNS NEW ATLETICO CONTRACT

MADRID: Diego Simeone has extended his contract as coach of Atletico Madrid until 2022, the club announced on Thursday. Simeone has been in charge of Atletico since 2011 and has turned them into one of the most feared teams in Europe. Under him, they won the Europa League last season and La Liga in 2014, as well as twice reaching the final of the Champions League. "The future that lies ahead of us until 2022 is very exciting but it will also be full of challenges," Simeone said in an announcement made by the club. "I've decided to renew my contract once again with Atletico Madrid because I have high hopes for the future." Simeone's success, built on a defensive style, has come despite Atleti earning half as much revenue and spending half as much on wages as Real and Barca.

ASHISH TO COMPETE AT DOHA WORLD CUP

GUWAHATI: Asian Games Bronze medalist gymnast Ashish Kumar will be competing at the Doha World Cup but is set to miss the Baku World Cup after failing to send his entry on time. Ashish, the first Indian gymnast to win medals at the Asian Games and the Commonwealth Games, had sent his request to participate at the Baku World Cup to the Gymnastic Federation of India (GFI) after the deadline set by the International Gymnastics Federation (FIG). The 29-year-old from Allahabad, who had won a Bronze medal in the floor exercise and later a Silver medal on vault at the 2010 CWG, said the competition will be tough at the Doha event and he would look to qualify for the 2020 Olympics at the World Championship in Stuttgart to be held from October 4 to October 13.

VALVERDE EXTENDS BARCELONA STAY

BARCELONA: Spanish champions Barcelona on Friday announced that they have extended the contract of coach Ernesto Valverde for another season with the option of one more. Valverde, who took over at the Camp Nou in 2017 after joining from Athletic Bilbao, won the league and cup double last season. "FC Barcelona and Ernesto Valverde, the first team coach, have reached an agreement to extend the contract between the two parties for another season (2019/20) with the option for one more (2020/21)," the club said in a statement. Valverde's previous contract would have expired at the end of this season. He came within a whisker of leading Barca to an undefeated 2017/2018 season when only a defeat late in the season at Levante prevented the team from making history.

SONIA, LOVLINA ENTER STRANDJA QUARTERS

NEW DELHI: Former world Silver-medallist Sonia Lather (57kg) was among the three Indian women boxers who advanced to the quarterfinals but the men were off to a disappointing start at the 70th Strandja Memorial Tournament in Sofia, Bulgaria. World championships Bronze-medallist Lovlina Borgohain (69kg) and Pwllao Basumatari (64kg) also made the quarters of the prestigious European event on Thursday night. However, there was disappointment for the country's men with former Commonwealth Games Silver-medallist Mandeep Jangra (69kg) and rookie Harsh Lakra (81kg) bowing out following opening round losses. Jangra lost 0-5 to Ukraine's Viktor Petrov, while Lakra was beaten by Azerbaijan's Rauf Rahimov. AGENCIES