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## Kerala healthiest; UP, Bihar at nadir

Andhra, Maha too at the top of NITI Ayog health index

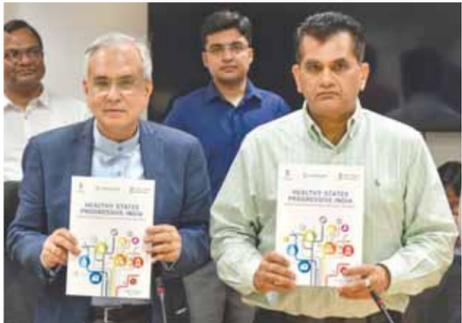
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Kerala, followed by Andhra Pradesh and Maharashtra, has emerged as the best health performer, while five States — Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Uttarakhand, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha — saw a decline in the overall health index score and "only about half the States and UTs had an improvement in the overall score between 2015-16 and 2017-18", reveals the second edition of health index released by NITI Ayog on Tuesday.

The health index is a composite measure of States and Union Territories calculated on the basis of health indicators with weightages on the basis of outcome.

In other words, the index is supposed to provide a comprehensive view of health outcomes, while taking into account the efficacy of governance, policies, processes and interventions.

The decline in the overall health index score for five Empowered Action Group (EAG) States that lag behind in demographic indicators and have high infant mortality rates



NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Rajiv Kumar, with NITI Aayog CEO Amitabh Kant, releases the second edition of 'Healthy States, Progressive India' report in New Delhi on Tuesday

— Bihar, UP, Uttarakhand, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha — is attributed to "deterioration of performance in several indicators", said the report which was prepared in collaboration with the Union Ministry of Health and the World Bank.

In Uttar Pradesh, for instance, the decline was attributed to "low birth weight, TB treatment success rate, average tenure of key positions at State and district level of birth registration." In fact, despite being among the fastest improving States, Uttar Pradesh ranked at the bottom among 21 large States on health indicators.

In Bihar, this was due to

"performance related to total fertility rate, low weight, sex ratio at birth, TB treatment success rate, quality accreditation of public health facility and time-taken for NHM (National Health Mission) fund transfer," it added.

In Odisha, the decline was attributed to the "worsening of the full immunisation rate and TB treatment success rate", while in MP there has been a "reduction in level of birth registration and TB treatment success," added the report. In Uttarakhand, the report cited a decline in neonatal mortality, unstable administrative appointments and issues with NHM fund transfers.

## PM raps Cong for family adulation

### Asks Opp to correct 'mistake' in Shah Bano case, back triple talaq Bill

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Making a scathing attack on the Congress for what he described as its "rootlessness" and culture of lauding only one family to the exclusion of others, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday affirmed that his Government would continue its fight against corruption and "follow law" in the cases involving Congress leaders as he asked Opposition party to correct its past "mistake" in the Shah Bano case and support the triple talaq Bill in Parliament.

In his first address to the Lok Sabha after being voted to power for the second-time, Modi stressed he had a dream of a Modern India with new infrastructure, ease of living for common men and equal opportunity to rural and urban Indians.

In a sharp retort to Congress' Adhir Ranjan Chowdhary's speech in the Lok Sabha where he said though low in numbers Congress never lost its height, Modi said the Congress has gone so high that it has lost its roots.

"Aapki uchayi apko mubarak, aap ite uche chale gaye hain ki jad se ukhad gaye hain aapko jameen dikhna band ho gaya hai," (let Congress be contended with its so-called height, it has turn rootless and lost ground), the Prime Minister said, adding "We don't need that kind of height and would always like to be grounded."



Prime Minister Narendra Modi speaks in the Lok Sabha during the Motion of Thanks on Presidents Address on Tuesday PTI

Replying to the Motion of Thanks to the President's address, the PM lashed out at the Congress for accusing him of not mentioning the first PM of the country Jawaharlal Nehru, saying he would perhaps be the first premier of the country who in his speech from the Red fort had praised the contributions of all Governments since Independence.

Interestingly, Modi concluded his address with Nehru's quote saying "citizens should be mindful of their responsibilities while demanding their rights". He posed a counter-question to the Congress whether it had for a single-time praised NDA Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

"Let alone praising us, please tell, did you even for once praised your own leaders Narsimha Rao or Dr Manmohan Singh?" he asked. "Why no Bharat Ratna given to Rao or Singh," he asked and went on to say it was the BJP that awarded Bharat Ratna to Pranab Mukherjee, a Congress leader. Modi alluded that in the Congress praise is reserved for only one family.

Modi recalled what he called a retrograde role of Congress in not implementing common civil code in 1950 and missing out the opportunity and thereafter in 1985-86 again not allowing women empowerment in the case of Shah Bano where the Supreme Court had given full support.

Having criticised Congress for its past "mistakes", the PM invited the Congress to "correct" itself and support the Muslim women (protection of rights on marriage) Bill which the BJP introduced in the Lok Sabha this week. The PM, however, did not leave the issue relating to Muslims without a final sting when he quoted a Congress Minister making a disparaging remark against the community during the Shah Bano controversy.

"Musalmanno ke utthan ki jimmedari Congress ki nahin hain, if they want to lie in gutter, let them be..." (it is not Congress responsibility to uplift Muslims, if they want to lie in gutter let them be...), Modi quoted a Congress leader as

saying amidst loud protests from Congress benches. "I will send you a youtube link of it," Modi responded to the protest.

On Adhir's apparent challenge to the Modi Government as to why it did not arrest Congress leaders (Sonia and Rahul) if they had done wrong, the PM said it was for the judiciary to decide, and hastened to add "Jamanat milti hain to enjoy karein".

Recalling that today was June 25, the day Emergency was imposed by the Congress, Modi said this was a black spot on democracy, it also prompted people to show their maturity in rising above the barriers of caste, language or religion to vote out the Congress and re-establish the democracy.

Modi said by the time India complete its 75 years of Independence in 2022 when Mahatma Gandhi's 150 birth anniversary would also be celebrated, all should together work for a new and modern India.

He said effort should be as how India reached five-trillion economy and gave a slogan of "Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan aur Jai Anushandhan". Modi said India has 200 years of manufacturing of weapons. "We had 18 weapon factories when China had none. But today China exports arms and we import them," he said and sought that the country invests into research.

The PM made a special plea for vigorous effort to regenerate and save every drop of water.

## Defence, trade on Pompeo-Jaishankar table

### Talks to iron out trade differences; Terrorism, Iran also on discussion list

PNS ■ NEW DELHI/GANDHINAGAR

The entire gamut of bilateral relations between India and the US will be discussed during US Secretary of State Michael Pompeo's two-day visit to New Delhi on Wednesday. This will be first high-level visit by a foreign dignitary since Prime Minister Narendra Modi assumed charge for the second time and will see issues, including terrorism, trade ties, growing defence and strategic ties figuring, prominently in the discussion.

India is likely to urge the US to supply armed predator drones, naval helicopters, surface to air missiles and attack helicopters to its armed forces.

Giving a hint on the issues which will be on the table during his forthcoming talks with Pompeo, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said on Tuesday that India will try to find common ground on trade issues during discussions. Terrorism, Afghanistan, the Indo-Pacific, Iran, trade issues, and growing bilateral defence ties will be the focus of the bilateral discussions on Wednesday. Pompeo will also call on Modi.



US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo arrives at AFS Palam in New Delhi on Tuesday PTI

"We will be meeting with a positive attitude," Jaishankar told reporters in Gandhinagar after filing his nomination papers for the Rajya Sabha poll from Gujarat.

"The meeting with Mike Pompeo will be an important

one. We will definitely discuss issues related to trade between the two countries," Jaishankar said.

"Both the countries are having their own interests. And it is natural to have some conflicts because of that. We

will find a common ground using diplomacy. We will hold discussions with the US with a positive approach," he said. His remarks assume significance against the backdrop of increasing tension in trade ties between India and US.

## Disability pension non taxable only if veterans lose job in harness

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The circular issued by the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) on Monday said the disability pension given to military personnel will be taxable unless they have to leave the service due to the disability sustained in service.

The order said tax exemption for disability pension will be "available only to armed forces personnel who have been invalidated from service on account of bodily disability attributable to or aggravated by such service and not to personnel who have been retired on superannuation or otherwise."

Facing criticism, officials justified the order on Tuesday by stating that those personnel who retire after serving full tenure with some disability will not get income tax exemption. Stating that this was always the case, they said there are instances where income tax exemption was availed by those who retired with disability and the latest order clarifies the position.

## Will strip Choksi of citizenship, repatriate to India: Antigua PM

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Antigua citizenship of diamond trader Mehul Chokshi — wanted in India in the ₹13,500 crore Punjab National Bank scam — will be scrapped once he has exhausted all his legal options, the Government of the island nation has said, according to a report in the *Antigua Observer*.

The revocation of citizenship will pave the way for his deportation to India to stand trial in the case. Antigua — among the many tax havens in the Caribbean — has no extradition treaty with India.

"His (Choksi) citizenship was processed; he got through but the reality is his citizenship will be revoked and he will be repatriated to India; so there is recourse. It's not a case that we are trying to provide any safe harbour for criminals, for those who are involved in financial crimes," Prime Minister of Antigua Gaston Browne was quoted as saying by the *Antigua Observer* on Monday.

"We have to allow for due process. He has a matter before the court and as we said to the Indian Government, criminals



have fundamental rights, and Choksi has a right to go to court and defend his position. But I can assure you, after he has exhausted all of his legal options, he will be extradited," Browne said.

Choksi, 60, had taken citizenship of Antigua and Barbuda in November, 2017 using Citizenship by Investment Programme (CIP) of the twin island nation. He fled India in the first week of January 2018, days before PNB credit fraud scam worth ₹13,400 crore was detected and reported by the bank.

Choksi, promoter of Gitanjali Gems, and his nephew Nirav Modi, who is currently in a London jail, are wanted by the Enforcement

Directorate (ED) and the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) for allegedly masterminding the biggest banking fraud of India and laundering the proceeds of the crime.

Under the CIP, a person can take Antigua Barbuda passport on a minimum investment of ₹1,00,000 in the NDF investment fund in the island nation.

The CBI has managed to get a Red Corner Notice against Nirav but its application to get a similar notice from Interpol against Choksi has met a deadlock at the Lyon-based international police body.

The ED recently told the Bombay High Court that it was ready to provide an air ambulance to bring Choksi to India.

Choksi, currently based in the Caribbean nation of Antigua and Barbuda, told the Bombay High Court that he left India for medical treatment and not to avoid prosecution in the case. He said he would return to India as soon as he is medically fit to travel.

He had escaped the country on January 4 last year on an Indian passport and took the oath of allegiance in Antigua on January 15, sources said.

## Nath: Prepare MoU for Metro project of Bhopal, Indore

Bhopal: Chief Minister Kamal Nath has asked the concerned authorities to prepare a tripartite MoU for the Metro project of Bhopal and Indore and implement it the earliest. He asked them to take up a time-bound program so that the project work gains momentum. The Chief Minister was reviewing the progress of the Metro project at Mantralaya here on Tuesday. The Minister for Urban Development Jayvardhan Singh was present. The Chief Minister said that issues concerning the land acquisition parking and residential areas must be addressed during the construction of the Metro project. He said that it should also include information about the financial burden on the government.

Nath said that timelines for construction work of different stages should be fixed and construction works should be completed within the decided time limit.

The Chief Minister has instructed to prepare a report on underground and elevated sections of the project.

The Chief Minister asked the officers to complete all the formalities for seeking loans from the Asian Development Bank and New Development Bank for Indore Metro Project and from the European Investment Bank for Bhopal Metro Project. He said that all measures should be taken to ensure that the people do not face any inconvenience during the construction and traffic remains undisturbed. SR

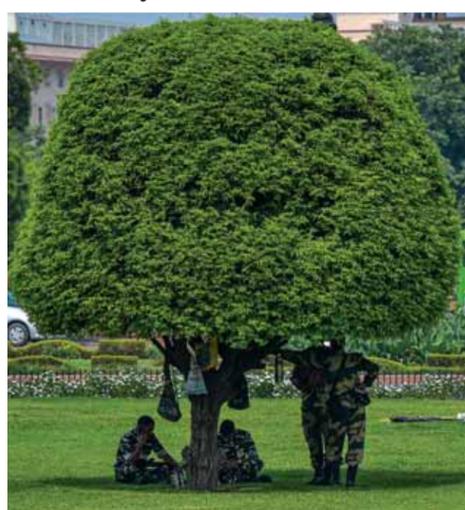
## Monsoon delayed, but summer past its prime in Delhi

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Even as monsoon is delayed in the national Capital by ten or twelve days from its normal onset date of June 29, the summer has passed its peak as the Regional Weather Department (Delhi wing) of Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) has forecast cloudy days ahead.

Met in weekly weather forecast updated that Delhi will witness strong surface winds during day time on June 27, 28 and 29 while on Wednesday i.e. June 26, light rain is predicted.

With the occurrence of thunderstorm, light rain, drizzle and surface winds, the maximum temperature throughout the week will fluctuate between 38 and 40 degrees Celsius while minimum temperature will oscillate between 28 and 30 degrees Celsius.



Jawans take rest under tree shade in New Delhi on Tuesday PTI

According to Skymet, after June 27, weather in Delhi would once again become dry and hot and temperatures would increase. As per weathermen, Delhi would have to wait for at least 14 days for monsoon to arrive in Delhi.

"Normal onset date of monsoon in Delhi is June 29. However, due to sluggish progress of Monsoon 2019, Delhi would have to wait and we expect Delhi monsoon to make an arrival between July 7 and 10," said Skymet.

The IMD updated its five observatories for Delhi which are — Palam, Safadarjung, Aaynagar, Ridge, Delhi University and Narela.

Safdarjung is considered as official observatory for the national Capital. Here the maximum temperature on Tuesday was recorded 39 degrees Celsius and minimum temperature was recorded 27.8 degrees Celsius.



# 'Supply power constantly, improve service'

Govt will look into your problems, says Nath to power employees

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL



Chief Minister Kamal Nath said that solution of power employees' problem is possible only if problems of power consumers are solved. Power employees should supply constant and quality services to the consumers. Government will safeguard their interest.

Nath was holding discussions with a delegation of Madhya Pradesh United Forum for Power Employees and Engineers Association at Mantralaya on Tuesday.

Nath mentioned that uninterrupted electricity should be

supplied to the power consumers of rural areas upto their satisfaction and improvement in bad image of the Electricity department. For this, employees of all the power distribution companies should work with dedication. The Chief Minister further stated all the power employees need self introspection today. Besides protecting interest of the power consumers, the government

will take every such decision to eliminate problems of power employees, which will strengthen power distribution arrangements in the state.

The Chief Minister asserted that the government has become victim of citizens' criticism the most owing to the improper power distribution arrangement and unannounced power cut. He said that it is needed that the elec-

tricity department should bring immense improvement in its working to improve its image. Our biggest concern is to strengthen power arrangement in the state in permanent form. For this, we have to contemplate on long term solutions. Consumers' satisfaction is the topmost priority of the government and no compromise will be made in this, he added.

Nath said that we have to bring parity between demand and supply. We have to take concrete steps to reduce the transmission and distribution loss too. Power theft should be stopped strictly. He further stated that only high quality power equipments should be purchased. We will have to make monitoring based arrangement in this regard.

Nath said that a big amount against subsidy is being

given by the state government to the electricity board. Despite this, it is a matter of concern that there is dissatisfaction in agriculture and non-agriculture sector because of the power arrangements. The Chief Minister told them to also think upon non-conventional sources of energy for producing low cost electricity and to reduce financial burden on the government.

The Chief Minister has told all the officers-employees of the association to make a comprehensive plan in connection to bring improvement in power distribution, to reduce the transmission and distribution loss and to purchase high quality equipments. He said that he is always available for discussions with the association. Whenever they need, they can meet him, he added.

# Professionalism helps in better implementation of law: DGP

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Professionalism in working would help in better implementation of law and would help in building trust and confidence among citizens towards police, said DGP Vijay Kumar Singh, during interacting with police officials through video conferencing on Tuesday.

He said that police should without fear and which would come only by working professionally.

The DGP was interacting directly with Inspector General of Police, Deputy Inspector General, Superintendent of Police, Additional Superintendent of Police, Sub-Divisional Police Officer and Police Inspectors. The evening attendance

should be done compulsorily and the instructions issued by the Police Headquarters regarding basic policing should be read in front of staff.

All police superintendents and police inspectors should maintain communication with their subordinate staff and constables. The daily activities of the day should be shared with the State Police Headquarters.

DGP gave special emphasis on maintaining discipline in the police station. Complainant should be heard patiently and solve problem in a professional manner and strict adherence to the guidelines issued by the Supreme Court in Police Stations in Police Stations.

He instructed the Inspectors General and the

**Police should act without fear which would come only by working professionally**

Superintendents of Police to regularly inspect the station and provide a feedback and instructed to use digital technology in police stations.

Additional Director General of Crime Police Rajiv Tandon said that inspecting the lockup should also be done while inspecting senior police officers. The accused in police custody should not be treated fairly. He emphasized on the need of coordination of Dial-100 and the District Police Force.

# Five held for robbing youth of ₹2.6 lakh

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Aishbagh police have nabbed five miscreants who robbed a 25-year-old salesman of ₹2.6 lakh at Abhiruchi Parisar on May 29; sharp edged weapon and motorbike used in the robbery were recovered while ₹80000 from their possession.

SHO Aishbagh Ajay Nayar said that victim's cousins Devendra Baghel and Arman Khan planned the robbery as they were aware of the fact that victim used to carry good amount of cash for making payment and used to collect money from shopkeepers provided with mobile recharge amount.

Devendra shared information with Arman and asked for robbery who roped in others identified as Mohammad Ayaz, Arbaz, Danish, Shahrukh and Bittu Kala alias Rehan.

Devendra and Arman provided location and move-

ment of the victim which helped the remaining miscreants to trace and rob the miscreants of ₹2.6 lakh cash which he was carrying. Except Danish and Shahrukh other miscreants involved in the robbery have been nabbed. Search has been intensified for the absconding accused. Rehan alias Bittu has been booked for robbery by Ashoka Garden police, he added.

Notably Rambabu Pal was robbed at knife point of ₹2.6 lakh at Abhiruchi Parisar on May 29. Police registered a case under section 394 and 34 of the IPC and nabbed the accused later in the investigation.

In the initial investigation police nabbed Bittu Kala alias Rehan from 80 ft road Ashoka Garden who revealed that the mastermind behind the robbery was victim's cousin Devendra and his friend Arman. They provided the information and planned the robbery with their help.

# Int'l racket of fake cryptocurrency: Couple held

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

STF Bhopal has nabbed a couple involved in operating an international racket of fake cryptocurrency and creating fake exchange for trading currency; numerous victims were duped to the tune of crores of rupees by the fraudsters.

The number of victims could be thousands as the accused have created a fake trading exchange in which the victims have invested. The nabbed accused are identified as Brijesh Raikwar (36) and his wife Seema Raikwar (36).

The fraud was managed in a systematic manner. Several big firms of designing were pitched for designing and to promote cryptocurrency conferences at Mumbai, Chandigarh, Bhopal, Raipur, Jalandhar and Amritsar were held.

After the complaint was lodged by one of the victims Rajiv Sharma regarding the Plus Gold Union Coin (PGUC) company having its exchange at Hongkong and deals through c.cex.com exchange and trading of cryptocurrency was done.

In India promoters of the company were Brijesh Raikwar and Rupesh Rai.

Among others who used to operate the network were



STF Bhopal nabbed a couple involved in operating an international racket of fake cryptocurrency and creating fake exchange for trading currency. Pioneer photo

identified as Rupendra Singh Pal, Vinit Yadav.

In the year 2017 the exchange c.cex.com was closed and the accused told that it has been transferred to Bitstrade exchange which was later found fake.

The accused met Kevin in

Delhi who offered them deal to operate in India and with the help of Daniel Francis they formed PGUC company and duped numerous victims across the globe.

The accused is resident of Jabalpur while two links Kevin in Hongkong and Malaysia in

Daniel Francis.

The accused created Bitstrade exchange which was fake and in which several victims were trapped and investment massively. During the investigation police have found transactions of over ₹3 crores.

# CM: BMHRC to be developed as PG Institute

**Bhopal:** Bhopal Memorial Hospital and Research Centre (BMHRC), will be developed as a PG Institute and a proposal regarding running it through the state will be sent to the Government of India. Chief Minister Kamal Nath gave this directive at a review meeting of the Medical Education Department held at the Mantralaya on Monday.

Chief Minister told to conduct a comparative study of Madhya Pradesh and other states in the field of medical education. Medical Education Minister Vijay Laxmi Sadho was present in the meeting.

Reviewing the progress of ongoing construction works in the Government Hamidia Hospital, Chief Minister Kamal Nath said that in this regard, the report should be given in the next seven days so that the hindrances during construction could be removed immediately.

The Chief Minister told to set up a policy to provide services of doctors studying in government and other hospitals in rural areas.

In order to provide medi-

cines, equipment, supplies and services as per requirement to the hospitals under the Medical Education Department, Nath said that a Medical Education Corporation on the lines of Madhya Pradesh Public Health Service Corporation Ltd. Should be formed. The Chief Minister asked the medical colleges to generate at least 10 percent of their income from their own sources in order to provide better medical services.

The Chief Minister gave instructions to collect information and to study about salaries paid to doctors and other facilities besides development of medical facilities with private-public-partnership in other states. He also gave instructions to establish police post in medical colleges for security of doctors and to maintain law and order in each hospital campus.

Besides, Nath said that appointments should be made as per the requirement for proper running of the Super Speciality Hospital, Indore by deciding the posts so that all the super speciality services could be started in it. SR

# Meet to discuss public transport issue held

PNS ■ INDORE

To seek solutions to its problems and beat challenges, the Bus and Taxi Operators Association of MP organised a one-day conference at Brilliant Convention Centre in Indore. This was the first time in Madhya Pradesh that public transport businessmen were gathered on such a large scale.

The event saw presence of more than 500 public transport businessmen which includes taxi owners, school bus service providers, contract carriage operators for marriage and events, tour bus operator, inter-state bus operators and stage carriage operators, etc.

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challenges related to public transport business and the pos-

sibilities of taking this business to the next level were discussed. The conference also discussed the representation and preparations of Madhya Pradesh for the National Convention 'Prawaas' of BOCI which happens once in two years. Bus Operators Confederation of India (BOCI) was constituted five years ago.

BOCI is a non-government, not-for-profit, Passenger transport industry-led and managed organization which plays a proactive role in India's development process.

On this occasion, chief guest of the program i.e. the chairman of the Institute KT Rajshankar, (SRS Travels, Bengaluru) said,

"Infrastructure should be built to promote public transport. Due to lack of adequate information and understanding, the officials working in government departments take some wrong decisions regarding public transport matters, which make the public transport system weaker rather than making it better.

Therefore, it is very important to raise awareness in this matter to the judiciary system to the general public and the operators. President of the Institute Prasann Patwardhan (Purple Mobility and Happy Travels, Pune) informed about the upcoming event 'Prawaas' to be held in Mumbai from July 25 to 27.

# Lack of medical staff, equipment, leave hospital in sorry state

**Gwalior:** Lack of permanent medical staff and an acute shortage of ventilator and other medical instruments have left the District Hospital in a sorry state. The entire system of the DH has collapsed as most of the doctors and other medical staff has been sent on attachment.

To add to the worries, Dr Mridul Saxena, the CMHO has gone on a long leave leaving the hospital rudderless.

According to sources in the District Hospital distribution of necessary drugs besides administrative work, has been badly affected due to the absence of the required medical staff. Most of the patients are being referred to JAH, resulting in an overload there.

Even the referral rate of new born babies in the Special New Born Care Unit has gone above 23.33% against the normal rate of 15%. If the referral rate is above 15% the SNBCU is considered to be dysfunctional.

As patients continue to suffer at the District Hospital due to lack of basic facilities the JAH Group of Hospitals is getting crowded affecting the quality of services there too.

Taking advantage of the situation at the DH, the private hospitals are doing brisk business by over charging heavily. Earlier, the District Collector, Anurag Chaudhary had taken a serious view of the deteriorating situation at the DH and had instructed the CMHO to immediately put things in order.

However, the CMHO went on a long leave, leaving things as they were. SR

# 27-year-old man attacked on refusal to pay for liquor

**Bhopal:** A 27-year-old man was attacked by two miscreants with sharp-edged weapons after he refused to pay money for liquor at Pansheel Nagar under TT Nagar police station late in the evening on Monday.

According to the police, the victim, Javed Khan was attacked by miscreants Nilesh Rajak and Bunty alias Chhota Country with a sharp-edged weapon. The injured victim was rushed to a nearby hospital where he was reportedly stable.

In the initial investigation, it was found that victim's elder brother Moeen Khan on his

return was parking his wife when the two accused came and tried to extort money and which was opposed by Moeen and soon they started to assault him and scuffled with him and hearing the fight victim rushed outside the house and found that Moeen was beaten by the two miscreants and when he tried to rescue Moeen he was caught Bunty and Nilesh attacked him with a sharp edged weapon in his thigh and escaped the spot threatening him of life.

Victim was rushed to a nearby hospital where his condition is reportedly stable.

A complaint was lodged by victim and based on the complaint and after the preliminary investigation, the police have registered case against the two accused who went absconding and have started further investigation.

Police said that the crime record of the accused would be investigated. The family and friends of the accused would be questioned to determine the whereabouts of the absconding accused. Victim's elder brother had also sustained injuries in the assault. SR

# House of lawyer burgled, goods worth ₹75K stolen

**Bhopal:** House of a lawyer at Idgah Hills was targeted by miscreants and electronic goods worth ₹75,000 were burgled in the afternoon on Tuesday.

Police said that the victim Krishna Sharma had gone to work and received information of burglary after his maid visited the house in the afternoon for work.

She found that the locks were broken.

Investigation Officer ASI Hariom Goswami said that the on receiving the information victim returned to house and found that the locks were broken and when he entered the house electronic goods were found burgled.

The police have registered a case under section 454 and 380 of the IPC and have started further investigation. SR



Police personnel checked safety measures in school buses in Bhopal on Tuesday

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Revenue Minister Govind Singh Rajput inspected tehsil office in Sehore and suspended tehsildar Sudhir Singh Kushwaha on the charge of laxity in discharging his duties

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# Hindi play 'Jab Jago Tabhi Savera' staged

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Giving a message 'Its never too late' the little artists of the city enthralled the theatre lovers with their spontaneous performance. The children performed a Hindi play 'Jab Jago Tabhi Savera' at Mayaram Surjan Bhavan here on Tuesday.

The play was performed marking the conclusion of one month theatre workshop for children. The workshop was organised by Saguna Theatre Troupe. The play was directed by Vishal Shrivastava.

After this the students presented Rang Sangeet of Alakhnandan's plays 'Alakh Sangeet'. The Rang Sangeet

was presented under the guidance of Surendra Wankhede.

While talking about the workshop, playwright Bishna Chauhan said, "Our organization 'Saguna', Sagar Gupta, has been involved in child coloring from time to time to keep the Bal Natya Parinam of Self Alakhnandan alive. In this episode, our organization 'Guru Alakhnandan' with the help of Nutt Bundale. The rang chakra was organized by the summer Children's theater workshop."

This workshop was organized from June 1 to June 25 at Mayaram Surjan Smriti Bhawan, in which senior artists of the city taught ash acting,

music, dance, painting etc. Rang Sangeet plays a vital role in the world of theatres and it was beautifully presented by the young theatre artists.

The presentation was a tribute to legend Alakhnandan Sinha. Under Rang Sangeet the music of his plays was performed.

The director selected more than 10 plays of all the genres like classical, folk and contemporary to make the event even more zesty. Plays of Alakhnandan Sinha were selected for Rang Sangeet.

The artists with beautiful performance made the event mesmerizing by performing melodious music of Indian theatres.



A woman after accusing Nobel hospital staff of stealing her newborn baby, demonstrated at district Collector office along with people of her Keer community on Tuesday. Pioneer photo

# Sculpture art exhibition held at DB City Mall

Bhopal: The world of great imagery and stunning creativity is experienced by the art lovers of the city. A sculpture exhibition Art Festival amazed the art enthusiasts as it portrays the colourful world of creativity of the ceramic artists.

At the exhibition the creative perceptions blended with the fizzy shades of huge imaginary, can be seen over the sculptures. A set of ceramic artists of the city have put up their exhibition at DB City Mall. The exhibition that began here from Tuesday was inaugurated by Devilal Patidar, Head of Ceramic Department Bharat Bhavan.

The artists have portrayed their perceptions over the canvas that clearly showcases their love for this ceramic art. They have tried to bring the charm and sheer beauty of various elements of society in their own way. Each one of the artists has his own way of handling the forms. The works displayed at the art gallery are spontaneous, expressive and open to any mode of art and material.

These artists have experimented with zest and finding their solutions to start a long journey.

The exhibition is a mass treat for art lovers, as they were able to watch different aspect of art forms in a single show at the gallery. SR



Guest teachers demanding regularization of their jobs staged dharna at the residence of School Education Minister Prabhuram Choudhary in Bhopal on Tuesday. Pioneer photo

# SHOOTING COMPETITION Aishwarya Pratap gets gold

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Madhya Pradesh State Shooting Academy's rifle player Aishwarya Pratap Singh Tomar after giving an impressive performance won the gold medal in the 19th Kumar Surendra Singh Smriti Shooting Championship.

Aishwarya showcased her brilliant performance on Tuesday. It is to be noted that the championship is being held in Delhi.

Aishwarya presented the gold medal to Madhya Pradesh at the junior 50 meter rifle prone event.

Earlier, Aishwarya Pratap Singh has won two gold medals while performing brilliantly in the senior and junior individual competition of 50m Rifle Three Position. In the final of the Junior 50

meter Rifle Prone event played today in the competition, Aishwarya Pratap Singh Tomar, with 616.3 points, was the first and the Academy's player Amit Kumayru secured 611.1 points.

Besides, Haryana player secured third position with 610.5 points. In the championship, the rifle players of the Academy have so far received 12 medals including three gold, four silver and five bronze medals. Director Sports and Youth Welfare S L Thousen said this achievement earned by the shooting players at national level was an encouraging result, saying that we are very proud of our shooters and their trainers. He has hoped that our players will continue to perform similarly in the upcoming competitions and win the medal and make Madhya Pradesh proud.

# Juniors of AISECT College organise farewell to seniors

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

The juniors of AISECT College gave a grand farewell party to their seniors to bid them a good bye.

A farewell party was organised here on Tuesday at college premises where all the seniors and juniors had a lot of fun together.

The seniors received a warm welcome by the juniors as they entered wearing elegant attire.

The programme began with the juniors performances. The juniors enthusiastically performed farewell songs for the seniors; they sang the good bye songs which again created an ambience full with emotions.

The programme then was followed with the group dance performances where the juniors gave outstanding performances on traditional and modern Hindi movies songs.

The juniors created an ambience of enjoyment and music for the seniors to enjoy their last memories in the college.

Games and quiz competi-

tions were also organised at the farewell, adding zest in the programme.

The event was made memorable with the flashback memories that were shared by some seniors in the speech that created an emotional moment.

As the performances were being so splendid, the faculty members while addressing the students said that being students they will always remember their college days and the faculty members also wished the seniors luck and well being for their future.

The programme was followed with the award ceremony and title distribution.

The students had a blast at the party.

There was also a dance party organised where the seniors and juniors together tapped their feet on fast tracks of Bollywood songs.

**The juniors enthusiastically performed farewell songs for the seniors; they sang the good bye songs which again created an ambience full with emotions**

# IN BRIEF

## MIN DEDICATES 3 CONSTRUCTION WORKS WORTH ₹14.28 CR

Bhopal: Minister for Panchayat and Rural Development Kamleshwar Patel dedicated 3 construction works costing Rs 14.28 crore in Balaghat district today. The Deputy Speaker Vidhan Sabha Hina Kanwre, Minister for Mining Pradeep Jaiswal, MLA Shri Sanjay Utkay and other eminent citizens were present on the occasion.

## MIN ATTENDS MASS MARRIAGE EVENT

Bhopal: Minister for Narmada Valley Development and Tourism Shri Surendra Singh Baghel attended a mass marriage programme organized under the Mukhya Mantri Kanya Vivah/ Nikah Yojana. He gave blessings to 620 newly-wed couples and distributed saplings to them.

## 7TH SWIMMING COMPETITION AT MHOW

Mhow: Master Shivang Tiwari, a student of Army Public School Mhow brought laurels to the school by participating in 7th District level Swimming Competition organized by Khandwa District Swimming Association on 20 May, 2019.

## INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY OBSERVED BY PRATIBHA

Indore: The International Yoga Day was observed by Pratibha Syntax Limited, a leading textile sector company, by organizing a yoga camp. This camp was organized in the office of Pithampur and Indore under the guidance of Yog Sansthan sahaj Yoga.

# Handloom & handicraft exhibition 'Hunar Mela' held

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Featuring the beautiful and enchanting handloom materials from across the State the handloom and handicraft exhibition 'Hunar Mela' is one-stop for the shopholics.

The exhibition cum sale is all about handicraft and handloom stuff put up by as many as 40 self help groups from across the country.

Set in the rustic backdrop of Gauhar Mahal, the exhibition cum sale features the most adorable handloom stuff. As the name suggests the vendors have showcased their creativity at the Hunar Mela.

Other than the most renowned dress materials of the State including Chanderi and Maheshwari, one can have a look at the huge collection of handloom materials made up

of jute, paper-mache and much more.

Besides, ladies' stuff it's a major part of this exotic shopping fair. As women love to buy stuff for their houses there is a huge collection of decorative items but, imitation jewellery captivated much crowd of the youngsters. The mela also shares a major collection of rugs and cotton duppattas that enthralled the ladies. The stalls

of household decoration are captivating a big crowd at the spot. Dress materials embedded with zari zardozi, luccnowi chicken, mulberry silk and more was explored at the mela. A wonderful collection designed in different patterns and prints is attracting people. There are printed materials beautifully embroidered with Batik Print, Dabu Print, Hand-Block Print and one of the most

renowned and loved in all seasons, Bagh Print there.

A variety of decorative items like rugs, carpets, imitation jewellery, dress materials, ladies hand-bags, metal crafts, bamboo showpieces and sculptures of metal are also on display.

The handloom and handicraft mela is evoking a great response by the city shopholics.

NORTH CENTRAL RAILWAY, ALLAHABAD			
No.-C/158/A, B/GMU/Noti/JHS Div/MS-II		Date: 17.06.2019	
Tender Notice No. 34/2019			
E-Tender for Provision of catering vending services at stations of Jhansi Division			
For and on behalf of President of India, Senior Divisional Commercial Manager, North Central Railway, Jhansi invites e-tender from food and catering service providers for 'Provision of catering vending services through Catering Static Unit of 10' x 6' Sq-ft (General Minor Unit) at following stations for a period of five years, mentioned as under:-			
NSG-2		Annexure-Z	
Station	Platform No.	Location	Stall No./Women Quota
Jhansi (A1 Category)	1/7	Between cop pole no. 17 & 19	03 (Women)
		Between OHE no. 1127/18 & 19	15
	6/8	Between cop pole no. 23 & 25	17
		Between cop pole no. 13 & 15	18
Gwalior (A1 Category)	1	Between cop pole no. 01 & 03	19 (Women)
		FOB Jhansi Cant.	02
	2/3	FOB Agra Cantt. End	04 (Women)
		Between pole no. 57-58	07 (Prime Location)
Morena (A Category)	1	Between pole no. 74-75	08 (Women)
		Station Building Jhansi end	10
	4	Near AWM Jhansi end	11
		Between pole no. 31-33	12 (Women) (Prime Location)
Banda (A Category)	1/3	Under FOB Agra Cantt. end	14
		50 mts from FOB towards Jhansi end	01
	2	20 mts from FOB towards Jhansi end	02 (Women)
		Near post office	04
Lalitpur (A Category)	1	Near pay office	05
		50 mts from FOB towards Jhansi end	06 (Women)
	2	10 mts from exit gate	08
		45 mts from exit gate	09
Morana (A Category)	1	85 mts from exit gate	10 (Women)
		In front of RCC tank towards Jhansi end	02
	2/3	In front of wash room	03
		Beside Water Vending Machine	04 (Women)
Chitrakoot dham (A Category)	1	Under ROB towards Jhansi end	06
		Beside water cooler	07
	2/3	Beside water stand	08 (Women)
		Behind FOB towards Agra Cantt. end	10
Mahoba (A Category)	1	In front of OHE Pole no. 1038/1A	01
		In front of OHE Pole no. 1037/39A	02 (Women)
	2	In front of upper class waiting room	04
		In front of OHE Pole no. 1037/31A	05
Datia (B Category)	1	In front of OHE pole no. 1037/41	06 (Women)
		In front of OHE pole no. 1037/27	10 (Women)
	2/3	Under COP at Banda end	01
		In front of General Waiting Hall	02
Dabra (B Category)	1	Under FOB, beside retiring room	03 (Women)
		At Manikpur end, under COP	05
	2/3	In front of General Waiting Hall	06
		In front of station building	07 (Women)
Khajuraho (B Category)	1	In front of barrack	09
		In front of PWI office	10
	2	Beside handicapped toilet	01 (Women)
		5 mts from DG shed Banda end	04
Babina (B Category)	1	Near station name board	05 (Women)
		In between COP columns 5 & 6	07
	2/3	In front of pole KM 1265/700	08
		In front of pole KM 1265/850	09 (Women)
Atarra (B Category)	1	In front of pole no. 1152/12	01
		Near water vending machine	03 (Women)
	2	In front of pole no. 1152/11	05
		In front of pole no. 1152/21	06
Chitrakootdham (B Category)	1	In front of pole no. 1182/22	01
		In front of pole no. 1182/34	04
	2	In front of pole no. 1182/17	05
		In front of pole no. 1182/27	06
NSG-3	1	In front of electric pole 13	02
		Left of water stand between electric pole 10 & 11	03
	2	Between COP pole 07 & 08	04 (Women)
		Between electric pole 11 and water stand	06
NSG-5	1	Between electric pole 05 & 06	07
		Between electric pole 04 and water stand	08 (Women)
	2	Between COP no. 1102/21 & 23	02
		Near COP no. 1102/15	04 (Women)
NSG-4	1	Between COP no. 1102/16 & 18	08 (Women)
		Near water booth Banda end	01 (Women)
	2	Under FOB	03
		In front of water booth Chitrakootdham end	05 (Women)
NSG-5	1	Under FOB	07
		Under COP	08
	2	Chitrakootdham end	09 (Women)
		Under COP	09 (Women)

Minimum reserve price per stall per annum in (₹): at Jhansi Station: ₹ 16,47,782/-, Earnest Money per stall in (₹): at Jhansi Station: ₹ 1,71,400/-, Minimum reserve price per stall per annum in (₹): at Gwalior Station: ₹ 1,37,100/-, Minimum reserve price per stall per annum in (₹): at Banda, Morena, Lalitpur, Chitrakoot dham, Mahoba, Datia, Dabra & Khajuraho Station: ₹ 11,08,800/-, Earnest Money per stall in (₹): at Banda, Morena, Lalitpur, Chitrakoot dham, Mahoba, Datia, Dabra & Khajuraho Station: ₹ 1,15,400/-, Minimum reserve price per stall per annum in (₹): at Babina & Atarra Station: ₹ 3,53,706/-, Earnest Money per stall in (₹): at Babina & Atarra Station: ₹ 36,800/-, Per Tender document Cost: For NSG-2, 3 & 4 stations: Non-refundable ₹ 5000+900 including GST total Rs. Five Thousand Nine Hundred only. For NSG-5 stations: Non-refundable ₹ 2000+360 including GST total Rs. Two Thousand Three Hundred Sixty only. Last date & time for upload of tenders: upto 14.00 hrs 19.07.2019. Tender closing date & time: 19.07.2019 at 15.00 hrs. Tender notification & tender form/document and term & conditions can be downloaded from website www.ireps.gov.in. 636/19 (R)	
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A meeting of the Rules Committee of the State assembly held under the chairmanship of State Assembly Speaker NP Prajapati on Tuesday. Pioneer photo

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 Vidisha Branch: Shop No. - A, 2nd Floor, Gaurav Complex, Ward No. - 11, Sanchi Road, in front of Satya Sai Soya Plant, Vidisha - 464001 (M.P.)

**APPENDIX IV POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property)**

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Aadhar Housing Finance Limited (AHFL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, Demand Notice(s) issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) mentioned herein below to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of the Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement rules, 2002. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of AHFL for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.

S. N.	Name of the Borrower(s) / Co Borrower(s) (Name of the Branch)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Date of Possession
1.	(App No. 00107787/ Vidisha Branch) (Mao) Vishwakarma (Borrower) Rekha Vishwakarma (Co-Borrower)	All that part & parcel of property bearing, Batravati Ward No. 01, Janki Nagar, Ramlala Chouraha Opposite Of Chatrali Mil Near Chaitanya ITI College, Vidisha, (M. P.)-464001. Boundaries: East: Seller's Plot, West: House of Vishwakarma, North: Land of Patodia Ji South: 20 Feet Proposed Road	12.07.2018 for ₹ 3,51,959/- Rs. Three Lakh Fifty One Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Nine Only.	25.06.2019
2.	(App No. 00109437/ Vidisha Branch) Surendra Singh Dangi (Borrower) Krishna Bai (Co-Borrower)	All that part & parcel of property bearing, Ward No. 29 Banti Nagar, Near Madhu Atta Chakki Tamoriya, Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh-464001. Boundaries: East: Plot of Sundar Bai, West: Plot of Jagdish Sen, North: 15 Feet Wide Road South: Seller's Land	09.11.2018 for ₹ 8,70,594/- Rs. Eight Lakh Seventy Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Four Only.	22.06.2019

**Place : Vidisha**  
Date : 26/06/2019

**Authorised Officer**  
Aadhar Housing Finance Limited

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No. 1025] NEW DELHI, FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2019/PHALGUNA 17, 1940

**MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**  
**NOTIFICATION**  
**New Delhi, the 6th March, 2019**

S.O. 1159(E).— In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3A of the National Highways Act, 1956 (48 of 1956) (hereafter referred to as the said Act), the Central Government, after being satisfied that for the public purpose, the land, the brief description of which is given in the Schedule below, is required for building (widening/2 laning with paved shoulder), maintenance, management and operation of National Highway No.146-B in the stretch of land from Km. 0+000 to 47+400 Km. Nasrullaganj-Rehti to Budhni-Road in the district of Sehore in the state of MADHYA PRADESH, hereby declares its intention to acquire such land.

Any person interested in the said land may, within twenty-one days from the date of publication of this notification in the Official Gazette, object to the use of such land for the aforesaid purpose under sub-section (1) of section 3C of the said Act.

Every such objection shall be made to the Competent Authority, namely, the Sub Divisional Officer (Revenue) and land Acquisition Officer Budhni, District Sehore, in writing and shall set out the grounds thereof and the Competent Authority shall give the objector an opportunity of being heard, either in person or by a legal practitioner, and may, after hearing all such objections and after making such further enquiry, if any, as the Competent Authority thinks necessary, by order, either allow or disallow the objections.

Any order made by the Competent Authority under sub-section (2) of section 3C of the said Act shall be final.

The land plans and other details of the land covered under this ratification are available and can be inspected by the interested person at the aforesaid office of the Competent Authority.

**SCHEDULE**

**Brief Description of the land to be acquired with or without structures falling within the stretch of land from Km. 0+000 to 47+400 Km. Nasrullaganj-Rehti to Budhni-Road National Highway No- 146-B in the district of Sehore in the state of MADHYA PRADESH.**

State: MADHYA PRADESH		District: SEHORE			
SL No.	Survey/ Plot Number	Type of Land	Nature of Land	Area (in Local Unit)	Area (in Hectare)

Taluk: Rehti

Village: Bayan

1	133/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0180000(Hectare)	0.0180000
2	133/2	Government	Nahar	0.0320000(Hectare)	0.0320000
3	133/3	Government	Sadak	0.0020000(Hectare)	0.0020000
4	140/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0690000(Hectare)	0.0690000
5	141/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2040000(Hectare)	0.2040000
6	150/1	Private	Irrigated	0.5410000(Hectare)	0.5410000
7	150/2	Private	Irrigated	0.3000000(Hectare)	0.3000000
8	150/3	Private	Irrigated	0.0280000(Hectare)	0.0280000
9	157/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0230000(Hectare)	0.0230000
10	157/2	Private	Irrigated	0.3470000(Hectare)	0.3470000
11	157/3	Private	Irrigated	0.6090000(Hectare)	0.6090000
12	159/1	Private	Irrigated	0.5930000(Hectare)	0.5930000
13	160	Private	Irrigated	0.2450000(Hectare)	0.2450000
14	178	Private	Irrigated	0.5760000(Hectare)	0.5760000
15	179	Private	Irrigated	0.1000000(Hectare)	0.1000000
16	181/1	Government	Rasta	0.0490000(Hectare)	0.0490000
17	282/1	Private	Irrigated	0.4550000(Hectare)	0.4550000
18	282/2	Private	Irrigated	0.3950000(Hectare)	0.3950000
19	282/6	Private	Irrigated	0.0600000(Hectare)	0.0600000
20	283/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2640000(Hectare)	0.2640000
21	285/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0160000(Hectare)	0.0160000
22	287/4	Private	Irrigated	0.0990000(Hectare)	0.0990000
23	294/1	Private	Irrigated	0.1070000(Hectare)	0.1070000
24	294/2	Private	Irrigated	0.1630000(Hectare)	0.1630000

25	294/3	Private	Irrigated	0.3420000(Hectare)	0.3420000
26	294/5	Private	Irrigated	0.0820000(Hectare)	0.0820000
27	296	Private	Irrigated	0.1760000(Hectare)	0.1760000
28	297	Private	Irrigated	0.1960000(Hectare)	0.1960000
29	298/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0310000(Hectare)	0.0310000
30	298/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0360000(Hectare)	0.0360000
31	299/1	Private	Irrigated	0.1120000(Hectare)	0.1120000
32	299/2	Private	Irrigated	0.1460000(Hectare)	0.1460000
33	299/3	Private	Irrigated	0.1830000(Hectare)	0.1830000
34	299/5	Private	Irrigated	0.0420000(Hectare)	0.0420000
35	309/1, 308/1/1	Private	Irrigated	0.5320000(Hectare)	0.5320000
36	310	Government	Nala	0.0470000(Hectare)	0.0470000
37	327	Government	Rasta	0.0260000(Hectare)	0.0260000
38	342/1	Private	Irrigated	0.3070000(Hectare)	0.3070000
39	342/2	Private	Irrigated	0.2320000(Hectare)	0.2320000
40	343	Private	Irrigated	0.3080000(Hectare)	0.3080000
41	344/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0870000(Hectare)	0.0870000
42	344/2	Private	Irrigated	0.2310000(Hectare)	0.2310000
43	344/3	Private	Irrigated	0.3040000(Hectare)	0.3040000
44	345/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2840000(Hectare)	0.2840000
45	434/293/3	Private	Irrigated	0.2640000(Hectare)	0.2640000
46	434/294/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0550000(Hectare)	0.0550000
47	434/294/4	Private	Irrigated	0.0510000(Hectare)	0.0510000
48	461/286	Private	Irrigated	0.6190000(Hectare)	0.6190000

Village: Bibda

1	12/3	Private	Irrigated	0.0090000(Hectare)	0.0090000
2	29/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0110000(Hectare)	0.0110000
3	29/4/29/5	Private	Irrigated	0.0410000(Hectare)	0.0410000
4	6	Private	Irrigated	0.0480000(Hectare)	0.0480000

Village: Itarsi

1	109	Government	Nala	0.0730000(Hectare)	0.0730000
2	76/3	Private	Irrigated	0.0550000(Hectare)	0.0550000
3	76/4	Private	Irrigated	0.0390000(Hectare)	0.0390000
4	76/6	Private	Irrigated	0.0970000(Hectare)	0.0970000
5	77/1	Private	Irrigated	1.1490000(Hectare)	1.1490000
6	77/2	Government	Nahar	0.0980000(Hectare)	0.0980000
7	77/3	Private	Irrigated	0.3730000(Hectare)	0.3730000
8	77/4	Private	Irrigated	0.6940000(Hectare)	0.6940000
9	84/1	Private	Irrigated	0.4990000(Hectare)	0.4990000
10	84/2	Private	Irrigated	0.2560000(Hectare)	0.2560000
11	85/2	Private	Irrigated	0.3930000(Hectare)	0.3930000
12	85/4	Private	Irrigated	0.2580000(Hectare)	0.2580000
13	85/5	Government	Nahar	0.1250000(Hectare)	0.1250000
14	86/2	Private	Irrigated	0.6980000(Hectare)	0.6980000
15	86/3	Private	Irrigated	0.4510000(Hectare)	0.4510000
16	86/4	Private	Irrigated	0.2640000(Hectare)	0.2640000
17	86/5	Private	Irrigated	0.2830000(Hectare)	0.2830000
18	99/3	Private	Irrigated	0.0410000(Hectare)	0.0410000

Village: Itawa Jadeed

1	31/3	Private	Irrigated	0.1260000(Hectare)	0.1260000
2	3133/2	Private	Irrigated	0.8310000(Hectare)	0.8310000
3	32	Government	River	0.1180000(Hectare)	0.1180000
4	33/1/1/1	Private	Irrigated	0.5070000(Hectare)	0.5070000
5	33/1/2/2/Ka	Private	Irrigated	0.3060000(Hectare)	0.3060000
6	33/3	Private	Irrigated	0.3520000(Hectare)	0.3520000
7	45/3/1/1	Private	Irrigated	0.6080000(Hectare)	0.6080000
8	45/3/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0870000(Hectare)	0.0870000
9	45/3/3/1	Private	Irrigated	0.4040000(Hectare)	0.4040000
10	45/3/3/2	Private	Irrigated	0.4080000(Hectare)	0.4080000
11	45/3/4/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2250000(Hectare)	0.2250000
12	82/33	Government	Nistar	0.5260000(Hectare)	0.5260000
13	9,53/4/9, 53/1/3/1/Ka	Private	Irrigated	0.1830000(Hectare)	0.1830000
14	NA	Government	Nahar	0.2360000(Hectare)	0.2360000

Village: Kakarda

1	101/1	Private	Irrigated	0.6930000(Hectare)	0.6930000
2	101/2	Private	Irrigated	1.0120000(Hectare)	1.0120000
3	101/6	Private	Irrigated	0.3960000(Hectare)	0.3960000
4	101/7	Private	Irrigated	0.0550000(Hectare)	0.0550000
5	104/1/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2040000(Hectare)	0.2040000
6	105/1	Private	Irrigated	0.3670000(Hectare)	0.3670000
7	105/2	Private	Irrigated	0.5520000(Hectare)	0.5520000
8	35/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0200000(Hectare)	0.0200000
9	35/4	Private	Irrigated	0.1740000(Hectare)	0.1740000
10	39	Government	Goha	0.0790000(Hectare)	0.0790000
11	70	Government	rasta	0.0360000(Hectare)	0.0360000
12	75/1	Private	Irrigated	0.9890000(Hectare)	0.9890000
13	76	Government	Goha	0.1250000(Hectare)	0.1250000

14	77/1	Private	Irrigated	0.4980000(Hectare)	0.4980000
15	77/4	Private	Irrigated	0.2070000(Hectare)	0.2070000
16	77/7	Private	Irrigated	0.3170000(Hectare)	0.3170000
17	82	Government	Marghat	0.5290000(Hectare)	0.5290000
18	88/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0350000(Hectare)	0.0350000
19	89	Government	Goha	0.0100000(Hectare)	0.0100000
20	90	Government	goha	0.0420000(Hectare)	0.0420000
21	93/1/1	Private	Irrigated	0.5100000(Hectare)	0.5100000
22	93/2	Private	Irrigated	0.5260000(Hectare)	0.5260000
23	93/3	Private	Irrigated	0.5720000(Hectare)	0.5720000
24	93/4	Private	Irrigated	1.0700000(Hectare)	1.0700000
25	93/8	Private	Irrigated	0.0720000(Hectare)	0.0720000

Village: Makodia

1	100/1	Private	Irrigated	0.9470000(Hectare)	0.9470000
2	100/2	Private	Irrigated	0.5250000(Hectare)	0.5250000
3	101/5	Private	Irrigated	0.1210000(Hectare)	0.1210000
4	104	Private	Irrigated	0.5450000(Hectare)	0.5450000
5	105/2	Private	Irrigated	0.2400000(Hectare)	0.2400000
6	106	Government	Nala	0.0350000(Hectare)	0.0350000
7	108/1	Private	Irrigated	0.1710000(Hectare)	0.1710000
8	109/2	Private	Irrigated	0.8030000(Hectare)	0.8030000
9	93/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0490000(Hectare)	0.0490000
10	93/2	Private	Irrigated	0.1990000(Hectare)	0.1990000
11	94/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2820000(Hectare)	0.2820000
12	94/2	Private	Irrigated	0.6530000(Hectare)	0.6530000
13	95/14	Private	Irrigated	0.0040000(Hectare)	0.0040000
14	95/15	Private	Irrigated	0.4210000(Hectare)	0.4210000
15	95/16	Private	Irrigated	0.1830000(Hectare)	0.1830000
16	95/17	Private	Irrigated	1.4380000(Hectare)	1.4380000
17	95/19	Government	Nahar	0.2260000(Hectare)	0.2260000
18	96	Government	Rasta	0.0350000(Hectare)	0.0350000

Village: Nayagaon

1	105/1	Private	Irrigated	1.3630000(Hectare)	1.3630000
2	106/1	Private	Irrigated	0.5360000(Hectare)	0.5360000
3	144	Government	goha	0.0810000(Hectare)	0.0810000
4	152/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0930000(Hectare)	0.0930000
5	153/1	Government	Nala	0.1310000(Hectare)	0.1310000
6	170/1	Private	Irrigated	0.6890000(Hectare)	0.6890000
7	174	Government	Sadak	0.0430000(Hectare)	0.0430000
8	177	Government	Nala	0.0900000(Hectare)	0.0900000
9	55/10	Private	Irrigated	0.4910000(Hectare)	0.4910000
10	55/2	Private	Irrigated	1.4390000(Hectare)	1.4390000
11	55/7	Private	Irrigated	0.0700000(Hectare)	0.0700000
12	60/1	Private	Irrigated	1.2920000(Hectare)	1.2920000

Village: Oadia

1	40	Government	chote jhad ka jangal	0.0060000(Hectare)	0.0060000
2	41	Private	Irrigated	0.0060000(Hectare)	0.0060000
3	50	Government	Rasta	0.0140000(Hectare)	0.0140000
4	51	Private	Irrigated	0.1000000(Hectare)	0.1000000
5	55	Government	chote jhad ka jangal	0.3700000(Hectare)	0.3700000
6	57/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2730000(Hectare)	0.2730000
7	57/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0380000(Hectare)	0.0380000
8	63	Private	Irrigated	0.3220000(Hectare)	0.3220000
9	64/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0680000(Hectare)	0.0680000
10	68	Government	Nala	0.0470000(Hectare)	0.0470000

Village: Pan Guradia

1	100/1	Private	Irrigated	0.4150000(Hectare)	0.4150000
2	100/2/1	Private	Irrigated	0.7410000(Hectare)	0.7410000
3	100/3	Private	Irrigated	0.2010000(Hectare)	0.2010000
4	101/3	Private	Irrigated	0.4410000(Hectare)	0.4410000
5	102/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0280000(Hectare)	0.0280000
6	14	Government	Nala</		

# Opp attacks NDA over 'rising communalism'

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Opposition on Tuesday attacked the NDA Government in the Rajya Sabha over the issue of rising communalism in the country and charged the ruling dispensation with following the policy of divide and rule. Rising unemployment and economic crisis also figured in the criticism during the debate on motion of thanks to the President's address.

The debate, which started on Monday saw senior Congress leader Digvijaya Singh leading the Opposition charge on Tuesday over alleged religious divide. "You have injected venom of communalism into the people of this country. Slogans of Jai Shree Ram and Allah Ho Akbar are being raised in Parliament. This is not the tradition of Parliament," Digvijaya stated.

Talking about economy, the former Madhya Pradesh Chief minister said, "Economy is in shambles. You want the economy to grow to USD 5 trillion by 2024. But that requires economic growth of 20.1 per cent every year. You fudged the statistics and two senior officials resigned."

The issue of lynching too figured prominently with NCP member Majeed Memon attacking the government for increase in such incidents. He sought to know how the Muslim youth could be living in constant fear trust and whether the 21 crore Muslims were getting the right to life under the constitution. "With all humility and

respect I am asking from the Prime Minister" how can the government win the trust of Muslim youth when Tabrez was mercilessly beaten and forced to say 'Jai Shri Ram' and 'Jai Hanuman'. He said it was a shame that the youth died despite the Constitution promising that every citizen of India is entitled to right to life which has been reinforced by the Supreme Court. "Mob lynching case is the worst kind of crime in a civil society", he said.

D Raja of the CPI claimed Prime Minister Narendra Modi had not uttered a word on the deaths in his home-state so far. Participating in the debate on the Motion of Thanks to President's Address, Raja accused the BJP of trying to impose a monolithic, illiberal and socio-political order in the country.

Raja claimed that Dalits and minorities were being targeted in the name of majoritarianism and that the attacks on the two communities have increased manifold. He also said the government was spending crores on the Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan (cleanliness campaign) but not doing anything for Safai Karamcharis.

"Seven people were killed in Gujarat while cleaning a sewer, that is our Prime Minister's state, what a shame the Prime Minister he has not uttered a word so far," Raja said. Seven persons, including four sanitation workers, died earlier this month after inhaling toxic fumes while cleaning sewer of a hotel in Vadodra district of Gujarat.



An activist of All India Peace and Solidarity Organisation holds a placard during a protest against the upcoming visit of US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo to India in New Delhi on Tuesday

# J'khand lynching blot on humanity: Rahul

Expresses shock over Govt's silence

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Congress president Rahul Gandhi on Tuesday said the alleged lynching of a 24-year-old man in Jharkhand was a "blot on humanity" and expressed his shocks over the "silence" of powerful voices in the BJP-ruled Centre and State governments over the incident.

Tabrez Ansari was thrashed by a mob for alleged



theft on June 18 and a video had emerged which purportedly showed that he was forced to chant "Jai Shri Ram" and "Jai Hanuman" in Jharkhand's Saraikela Kharsawan district. He was declared "brought dead" by doctors at the Tata Main Hospital in Jamshepur, Jharkhand, Saturday. "The brutal lynching of

this young man by a mob in Jharkhand is a blot on humanity. The cruelty of the police who held this dying boy in custody for 4 days is shocking as is the silence of powerful voices in the BJP-ruled central and state governments," Gandhi tweeted, along with a still from the video of the incident.

The Congress president used the hashtag 'India Against Lynch Terror' with his tweet.

Eleven people have been arrested in connection with Ansari's death and a special investigation team (SIT) has been set up to look into the matter.

# Chant Jai Shri Ram by embracing people, not by throttling them: Naqvi

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Union Minority Affairs Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi on Tuesday termed the lynching of a 24-year-old man in Jharkhand a "heinous crime" and said "Jai Shri Ram" can be chanted by embracing people and not by throttling them.

Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi made the remarks on the side-

lines of a training programme for Haj deputations and called for stern action against those involved in such incidents.

Tabrez Ansari was attacked by a mob, which accused him of theft and allegedly forced him to chant "Jai Shri Ram" and "Jai Hanuman" in Jharkhand's Saraikela Kharsawan district.

# RaGa to meet Cong leaders from poll-bound States

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After keeping himself in 'political hibernation' for almost a month following Congress' flop show in Lok Sabha polls, party chief Rahul Gandhi is all set to start interactions with leaders on a routine basis, particularly with the leaders from States headed for Assembly election in few months.

The reports of Rahul Gandhi expressing his interest to start the interactions after maintaining that there would be a no rollback on his decision to quit the party post, has raised hopes within the party men that he would keep on the helms of affairs.

Most significantly, the party has also decided to hold a meeting of the Congress Working Committee soon after the series of meetings scheduled between the Gandhi scion and other important leaders concerning the state assembly elections in Haryana, Jharkhand, Jammu Kashmir and Maharashtra.

Congress sources now say Rahul Gandhi will meet leaders of Maharashtra Congress on Thursday followed by Haryana and Delhi units a day later. The meetings are meant to discuss the preparations for upcoming assembly elections. All General Secretary in-charges of state units have been asked to submit a report on the performance of the units in the Lok Sabha elections to AICC General Secretary Organisation K C Venugopal. It is also believed the main aim of the meetings is to re-jig the state organizations.

The party has already dissolved its committees in Uttar Pradesh and Karnataka amid buzz that it was a churning before the party announces its new leadership. Sources said the rejig will be based based on recommendations of the state in-

charges. For more than a month, Rahul Gandhi withdrew himself from the party leaders. Two days after the results, he announced his decision to quit the top post taking responsibility for the rout in the Lok Sabha elections citing "accountability" over the failures.

Rahul's sister and General Secretary incharge of Uttar Pradesh Priyanka Gandhi, has already taken up the task to meet state leaders frequently focusing directly on the assembly elections in the biggest state two years from now. She has set up a two-member team to oversee election preparations and management of upcoming bypolls in the state for each constituency.

While the party is on a look for the new party chief which according to Rahul Gandhi has to be anyone outside the Congress' first family, notably during the last one month, he has limited his interactions only with senior party leaders Ahmed Patel and KC Venugopal. Sources said that Rahul's decision to hold sessions with regional leaders of the party could be outcome of information that state units like that in Haryana, Delhi are in trouble due to factionalism gripping the party for many years now.

"Though he may meet leaders and general secretaries in charge of election-bound states over the next few days to discuss preparations but should be no indication of his willingness to continue as Congress president," said a senior leader. He said Rahul has in fact yielded to pressure from states like Maharashtra, Haryana and Jharkhand where Assembly elections are barely three months away and he has agreed to discuss pressing issues and help them draw the roadmap for the future.

# Centre plans to set up common online platform for RERA of all States, UTs

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Union Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry on Tuesday said that interest subsidy under Prime Minister Awas Yojna (Urban) will not be extended if the project is not registered with the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA). The Ministry has planned to set up a common online platform for the RERA of all States and UTs, a move which will provide an opportunity to homebuyers, builders and authorities to exchange views.

According to Housing and Urban Affairs secretary, Durga Shankar Mishra homebuyers will not be able to avail Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme (CLSS) under the mission if real estate project is not registered under RERA. Under PMAY (U), home-buyers can avail an interest subsidy of upto 2.67 lakh.

Mishra said that with the common platform for RERA, the real estate law will become "more strong". We are working to introduce a common platform where RERA of all states and Union Territories (UTs) can exchange their views. With this, RERA will be more strong," he said.

As many as 14,170 crore has been disbursed and over 6.32 lakh are beneficiaries under credit linked subsidy scheme (CLSS) under the Prime Minister Awas Yojna (Urban).

Under the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act, 2016, all states are mandated to constitute their respective real estate regulator RERA which provides proper protection to home buyers. As many as 30 states and UTs have notified RERA, but West Bengal has notified its own real estate regulator — Housing and Industrial Regulation Act,



2017 (HIRA). In July last year, the ministry had sought the opinion of the Law Ministry over West Bengal notifying its own real estate law instead of implementing the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Act enacted by Parliament.

Earlier, interacting with media on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the Prime Minister's flagship programmes-PMAY (Urban), Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) and Smart City Mission (SCM), Union Housing and Urban Affairs minister Hardeep Singh Puri said that people should for those project which is registered with the RERA.

The minister expressed confidence that the target of completion of constructions of all houses under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban will be achieved by the end of 2020 as against the target of 2022. The minister validated demand for total houses under the scheme is one crore and so far more than 81 lakh houses have been sanctioned. He said, sanctioning of all the houses will be made by 1st quarter of next year. Puri expressed hope that all the houses will be handed over to the beneficiaries by 2020. The Minister said, an investment of Rs 8 lakh crore rupees has been made in these three schemes. "The PMAY

(Urban), AMRUT and SCM are not only transforming the Urban Landscape of the country but also ensuring ease of living for the citizens," he said.

Earlier, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday said his government is committed to further improving urban infrastructure and will leave no stone unturned to fulfill the dream of housing for all. Talking to Twitter, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, "Four years ago, today we started important initiatives PM Awas Yojana (U), AMRUT, Smart Cities with the aim of #TransformingUrbanLandscape in India. These initiatives have not only helped usher in a new paradigm of urban development but have also transformed crores of lives." In another tweet, he said, "These initiatives have seen record investment, speed, use of technology and public participation. We are committed to further improving urban infrastructure. No stone will be left unturned to fulfil the dream of Housing for All, which will give wings to crores of aspirations."

Highlighting the achievements of these three programmes, he said as compared to overall investment of ₹1.57 lakh crore during 2004-14, the investment in Urban rejuvenation during 2014-19 is ₹10.31 lakh crore which translates into 554 per cent increase.

22	64/2	Private	Irrigated	0.9270000(Hectare)	0.9270000	10	40/2/1	Government	Rasta	0.0500000(Hectare)	0.0500000	2	3/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0630000(Hectare)	0.0630000
23	65/3	Private	Irrigated	0.2110000(Hectare)	0.2110000	11	(40/2/2/Ka	Private	Irrigated	0.0100000(Hectare)	0.0100000	3	113/3	Private	Irrigated	0.5530000(Hectare)	0.5530000
24	65/4	Private	Irrigated	0.4950000(Hectare)	0.4950000	12	43/3/1/3	Private	Irrigated	0.0480000(Hectare)	0.0480000	4	3/4	Private	Irrigated	0.3220000(Hectare)	0.3220000
25	65/5	Private	Irrigated	0.1010000(Hectare)	0.1010000	13	5/3/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0830000(Hectare)	0.0830000	5	6/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0340000(Hectare)	0.0340000
26	66/6	Private	Irrigated	0.0790000(Hectare)	0.0790000	14	5/3/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0330000(Hectare)	0.0330000	6	6/2	Private	Irrigated	0.2400000(Hectare)	0.2400000
27	66/7	Private	Irrigated	0.5010000(Hectare)	0.5010000	15	7/1/3	Government	Nishtar	0.0060000(Hectare)	0.0060000	7	7/1	Private	Irrigated	1.4500000(Hectare)	1.4500000
28	76/4	Private	Irrigated	1.0680000(Hectare)	1.0680000	16	9	Government	Nala	0.0200000(Hectare)	0.0200000	8	8	Private	Irrigated	0.3650000(Hectare)	0.3650000
29	77/1	Private	Irrigated	0.4310000(Hectare)	0.4310000	17	Z83	Private	Irrigated	0.0160000(Hectare)	0.0160000	<b>Village: Uncha Kheda</b>					
30	77/3	Private	Irrigated	0.1270000(Hectare)	0.1270000	<b>Village: Satar</b>						1	134	Private	Irrigated	0.2320000(Hectare)	0.2320000
31	78/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2280000(Hectare)	0.2280000	1	15/2	Private	Irrigated	0.4170000(Hectare)	0.4170000	2	27/1	Government	Dimarkeshan	0.4850000(Hectare)	0.4850000
32	78/2	Private	Irrigated	0.1070000(Hectare)	0.1070000	2	15/6	Private	Irrigated	0.0150000(Hectare)	0.0150000	3	27/4	Government	Sadak	0.0820000(Hectare)	0.0820000
33	79/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0460000(Hectare)	0.0460000	3	16	Government	Goha	0.0900000(Hectare)	0.0900000	4	27/5	Government	Sadak	0.5150000(Hectare)	0.5150000
34	84/2	Private	Irrigated	0.1240000(Hectare)	0.1240000	4	17/3	Private	Irrigated	0.1170000(Hectare)	0.1170000	5	28/1	Government	Kabil Kast	0.0240000(Hectare)	0.0240000
35	92/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0400000(Hectare)	0.0400000	5	17/4	Private	Irrigated	1.0190000(Hectare)	1.0190000	6	28/3	Government	Rasta	0.0570000(Hectare)	0.0570000
36	95,95/1,95/2, 95/5,95/3,95/4	Private	Irrigated	0.2640000(Hectare)	0.2640000	6	19	Private	Irrigated	0.7840000(Hectare)	0.7840000	7	28/4	Government	Sadak	0.0150000(Hectare)	0.0150000
37	96/1	Private	Irrigated	1.0180000(Hectare)	1.0180000	7	20/1	Private	Irrigated	0.7890000(Hectare)	0.7890000	8	29/1	Government	Dimarkeshan	0.8850000(Hectare)	0.8850000
38	Z32	Private	Irrigated	0.0730000(Hectare)	0.0730000	8	20/2	Private	Irrigated	0.0560000(Hectare)	0.0560000	9	29/3	Government	Dimarkeshan	0.0550000(Hectare)	0.0550000
39	Z54	Private	Irrigated	0.0350000(Hectare)	0.0350000	9	21	Private	Irrigated	0.0160000(Hectare)	0.0160000	10	33/1	Government	Ban	0.3070000(Hectare)	0.3070000
<b>Village: Ramgarha</b>						10	23	Government	Rasta	0.0340000(Hectare)	0.0340000	11	34/1	Government	Dimarkeshan	0.0040000(Hectare)	0.0040000
1	10/1/3	Private	Irrigated	0.0880000(Hectare)	0.0880000	11	26/3	Private	Irrigated	0.5370000(Hectare)	0.5370000	12	40	Government	River	0.1070000(Hectare)	0.1070000
2	10/2/1/1	Government	Sewa Bhumi	0.1150000(Hectare)	0.1150000	12	27/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0040000(Hectare)	0.0040000	13	53-54-55,132/ 53,133/154/11	Private	Irrigated	0.3160000(Hectare)	0.3160000
3	10/2/1/2	Government	Nahar	0.0690000(Hectare)	0.0690000	13	27/2	Private	Irrigated	0.3200000(Hectare)	0.3200000	14	37	Government	Dimarkeshan	0.2120000(Hectare)	0.2120000
4	10/2/1/3	Government	Sewa Bhumi	0.2650000(Hectare)	0.2650000	14	27/3	Private	Irrigated	0.1140000(Hectare)	0.1140000	15	8/1	Government	Dimarkeshan	0.1170000(Hectare)	0.1170000
5	35/1/ka	Private	Irrigated	0.0560000(Hectare)	0.0560000	15	33	Government	Rasta	0.0680000(Hectare)	0.0680000	16	95 th	Government	Sadak	0.1430000(Hectare)	0.1430000
6	35/1/kha	Private	Irrigated	0.0220000(Hectare)	0.0220000	16	39/1	Government	Aabadi	0.0040000(Hectare)	0.0040000	17	95/Kha	Private	Irrigated	0.0040000(Hectare)	0.0040000
7	37/2/1	Private	Irrigated	0.0650000(Hectare)	0.0650000	17	4	Government	Nadi	0.0970000(Hectare)	0.0970000	18	95Ja	Private	Irrigated	0.2130000(Hectare)	0.2130000
8	37/2/3/1/1/1	Private	Irrigated	0.2010000(Hectare)	0.2010000	18	40	Private	Irrigated	0.1080000(Hectare)	0.1080000	<b>Total</b>					
9	39	Government	Rasta	0.0350000(Hectare)	0.0350000	<b>Village: Semariya</b>						<b>72.1070</b>					
						1	24/17	Private	Irrigated	0.4460000(Hectare)	0.4460000	<b>72.1070</b>					

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## Report most foul

The US State Department report on religious intolerance in India is nothing but the pot calling the kettle black



Both India and the United States (US) are among the world's greatest democracies with attendant challenges of accommodating all kinds of human freedoms, socio-cultural, economic and religious. So it is but expected that the US would at least have the maturity to understand the problems arising from a melting pot of different people rather than censure us for being "intolerant." Which is why the *Report on International Religious Freedom 2018*, available on the website of the US State Department, alleging that the

"authorities often failed to prosecute perpetrators of 'cow vigilante' attacks, which included killings, mob violence, and intimidation," is irresponsible, biased, ugly, acerbic and nothing short of a lobbyist rant. Worse, it has lumped our scenario with the same dismissive air as it has passed judgement on Croatia. But perhaps the US would have done well to subject its own record of religious intolerance and hate crimes to the perception of others. For if that is indeed the case, this report would seem nothing short of the pot calling the kettle black.

According to a recent analysis by the Pew Research Center, most American adults (82 per cent) say Muslims are subject to at least some discrimination in the US. A majority (56 per cent) feels Muslims are discriminated against a lot. Among US Muslims themselves, many say they have experienced "specific instances of discrimination, including being treated with suspicion, singled out by airport security or called offensive names," according to a 2017 survey of Muslim Americans. The FBI statistics of 2017 also show hate crimes against Muslims rising by more than 60 per cent. And we are not even talking of racist attacks, which have affected Indians, particularly Sikhs, who continue to be looked upon as some threatening species post 9/11. There has been an increase in anti-Semitic crimes like the desecration of 170 graves in a Jewish Cemetery in Missouri and threats to Jewish culture groups and journalists. This despite the Jews controlling a sizeable economic pie. Clearly, there has been no revision of mindsets despite changed realities. The Southern Poverty Law Center "counted 1,094 bias-related incidents in the month following Trump's November election victory, including 33 against Jews, 108 involving swastikas and 47 White nationalist fliers." Considering all these figures are coming out of the US itself, it is a comment on how Americans view other people who are not like them. And in the process deduce that others are capable of behaviour that they themselves are guilty of. India has a civilisational history embedded in plurality and has been welcoming of the world over millennia. This was even before statute books included the world called "secularism." So castigating a people based on specific incidents and localised contexts, which may not be representative of a whole nation, is quite uncalled for. Of course, the politics behind the circulation of such a report is unmistakable. Perhaps it was a tad mis-timed, considering that the Government of Prime Minister Narendra Modi has won the confidence of the people a second time, romping home with a massive majority in the Lok Sabha. Admitted, his first tenure had some embarrassing moments and cases, which were played up to suit an easy narrative. But that's the reason why he has made earning every community's trust, "sabka vishwas," his key plank and hopes to be an internationalist. Besides, the US must understand that our constitutional and institutional integrity and independence are bigger than any individual or brand of politics. And there are several cases where the top courts have protected religious freedoms even in the face of majoritarian pressure. The next time the US does a report, it would do well to do a comprehensive research than do activist-style cherry picking. And it must remember that bilateral relations flourish best with shared concerns rather than employing bullying tactics.

## Reset the relationship

Indo-US ties have been impacted by Donald Trump's talk on trade yet both nations need each other



US President Donald Trump is not an internationalist. Given half a chance, he would withdraw from the rest of the world, unless there was a nice golf course around. As he begins his re-election campaign, Trump is appealing to nativist American voters and plans to tell them that his tough stance on trade has led to more jobs being created at home. While the primary target of his trade ire has been China, Trump has been an equal opportunity trade war firestarter. He has quarrelled with

the European Union and Japan as well as Canada and Mexico. In his zeal for "fair" trade, he has damaged American military interests and his fascination with towers that bear his name has made him soft on nations he shouldn't privilege over others.

Needless to say, India has also been targeted by the Trump Administration for "unfair" trade practices. Some could argue that India is a blameless collateral victim in Trump's trade war-mongering, but that would require a suspension of belief. The fact is that India still has an extremely protectionist attitude towards its own industries and Trump has a point. In fact, a sensible decision with Trump would have been to have given him a few victories early on, a dramatic reduction on import duties for high-powered motorcycles and cars, as he initially railed against these. May be the boffins at Udyog Bhawan, like their counterparts in Beijing and Brussels, didn't take Trump seriously and thought his pronouncements were just politicking and that the free trade, capitalist instincts of the Republican party would kick in ultimately. However, Trump's victory in 2016 was a clear indication of the rise of nativist, nationalistic forces across the world and his latest tweets about US involvement in the Arabian peninsula are a sign that he would happily withdraw the US protection that has underpinned the global order since World War II. Trump's Secretary of State Mike Pompeo is visiting India with not just a wishlist of trade demands but also areas to expand India-US ties into. However, Pompeo should also assuage Indian authorities. While there should be scope for negotiation on some aspects, it is not India's job to always keep Trump and his cohorts happy. The US threat to reduce H-1B visa quotas for Indians is just a sign of the lengths the US will go to. However, it would be prudent for India to realise that Trump's main battle is with China and it is in the US' best interests to keep India onside. Yes, India should make some concessions on trade and give Trump a victory or two, better still invite him and give him a medal or three and take him to a Bollywood shoot and a round at the Delhi Golf Club. Traditional diplomacy is out of the window now, the Trump era of engagement is very different.

# Follies of allocation

It is obvious that spending on education can yield major economic returns. India must invest in this sector as it guarantees an all-round spinoff



RK PACHAURI

Subsidies are often part of public policy but in several cases can be used for helping vested interests and often result in misallocation of resources. A recent report clearly shows the major distortions that exist at the global level in respect of subsidies on fossil fuels. As it happens, these, in the case of the US, turn out to be 10 times more than the expenditure on education.

The recent publication referred to shows that the International Monetary Fund (IMF) estimates that \$5.2 trillion was spent globally on fossil fuel subsidies in 2017. This represents the equivalent of 6.5 per cent of the global Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in that particular year, representing half a trillion increase since 2015, when apparently China was responsible for subsidies of \$1.4 trillion, the US for \$649 billion and Russia for \$551 billion. These apparently were the largest subsidisers of fossil fuels.

What is particularly significant is the fact that in the Paris Agreement on climate change, carbon dioxide emissions were required to go down significantly through the implementation of renewable energy programmes, which are a substitute for fossil fuels. However, with the subsidies in place now, there would be little incentive for renewables to replace fossil energy. The IMF report explains that fossil fuels account for 85 per cent of all global subsidies and that they remain largely attached to policies that are formulated at the domestic level. It also estimates that had nations reduced subsidies in a manner that would create efficient fossil fuel pricing in 2015, this would have lowered carbon emissions by 28 per cent, fossil fuel air pollution deaths by 46 per cent and increased Government revenue by 3.8 per cent of the GDP.

With a new budget being formulated in India, it would be important to look at how perhaps some subsidies, which might have pernicious impacts on the economy and particularly on the disparity of income between rich and poor, could be tapped and utilised for generating resources that essentially lead to a much higher level of human welfare. In the case of the US, the \$649 billion subsidies in 2015 were more than the country's defence budget and happened to be 10 times the federal spending for education. Of course, this becomes even more significant when it is shown that 80 per cent of the US could, in fact, have been powered by renewable energy if the amount spent on fossil fuel subsidies would have been removed and used for investments in renewable sources of energy.

The case of education is particularly relevant because it has been found that education is by far, particularly in a developing country, the most attractive means of investments by which human society could benefit. It was actually way back in the 1960s when a researcher by the name of Nalla



Grounden carried out a detailed study in which it was estimated that net education capital formation during the period 1950-51 to 1960-61 actually provided an extremely attractive form of investment when compared with physical capital. And within the education system itself, it was found that primary education is the most attractive, providing a significantly higher return on capital invested than physical capital itself. The study, therefore, suggested a diversion of resources, which, perhaps, should take into account the levels of return that would be available from different levels of education as well as those for physical capital.

It is difficult to understand and certainly irrational as a form of overall macro policy that when it comes to impacts, for instance, on natural resources and the ecosystem services that human society and other species generally depend on, that we do not regard these as important. Similar concerns are also valid in the case of education policy. It is obvious that education has multiple benefits. It was found, for instance, in a detailed study that a 10 per cent increase in female primary education can be expected to decrease infant mortality by 4.1 deaths per thousand.

It is also significant that in the case of fertility, there is a direct link between the provi-

“IT IS ALSO SIGNIFICANT THAT IN THE CASE OF FERTILITY, THERE IS A DIRECT LINK BETWEEN THE PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES AND RISING LEVELS OF MATERNAL EDUCATION RESULTING IN BENEFITS, BOTH IN RESPECT OF FERTILITY AS WELL AS INFANT MORTALITY”

sion of health services and rising levels of maternal education, resulting in benefits both in respect of fertility as well as infant mortality. Studies have found that the influence of parental schooling operates through various medical services and changes in household behaviour as far as health is concerned, such as washing hands and using boiled water for drinking purposes. The study found that returns to investment in women's education far exceed those for men's, particularly for those women who obtain employment. When an addition is made to the health and fertility benefits in terms of externalities, the case for educating girls becomes substantially stronger.

Overall, there are various benefits that have been estimated through a set of detailed empirical studies, which can be attributed to expenditures and the activities related to education. It is obvious that spending on education is an investment with major economic returns. The empirical literature generally counts hundreds of studies that have estimated the economic return to investments in education and human capital formation as very attractive. Nevertheless, this is a subject on which considerable research has to be done in locations that define the context of socio-economic and other characteristics

in any society. The impact of the quality of human capital is also particularly important, quite apart from the quantity which can be measured. This is where major reform in provision of education will be extremely important because mere expenditure by itself will not necessarily result in an improvement in the quality of education that is provided. There are also various empirical studies that show the link of education with economic growth.

Further, as mentioned above, education also reduces infant mortality. Finally, the more educated the parents, particularly the mother, the lower is maternal mortality. The influence of parental education is particularly significant for any generation and the benefits it derives are not only confined to that generation itself, but also previous generations representing the level of education of parents. In a country like India, where education levels have remained pathetically low after seven decades, we need to allocate resources to this sector perhaps far beyond those for other investment options. And, subsidies, which often continue year in and year out, require evaluation both in respect of the social benefits they provide and the opportunity costs they carry.

(The writer is former Chairman, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, 2002-15)

## SOUNDBITE

There are some who feel only a few names contributed to the national progress. They only want to hear those few names and ignore the others.



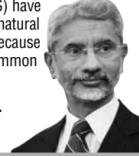
Prime Minister —Narendra Modi

As actors, we know what we sign up for before we get into it. It's part and parcel and you've to deal with people's opinion, criticism.



Actor —Sonakshi Sinha

Both countries (India, US) have their own interests. It is natural to have some conflicts because of that. We will find a common ground using diplomacy.



External Affairs Minister —S Jaishankar

A strong and independent media is one of the reasons why the democratic experiment has succeeded in India while it has floundered in many countries.



Shriromani Akali Dal patron —Parkash Singh Badal

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Use water efficiently

Sir — This refers to the article, "A real solution to water woes" (June 25) by Markandey Katju. The water crisis, especially in Chennai, has to be taken as a forewarning. We talk about water management but appear to be doing precious little despite credible scientific data indicating growing water poverty. We have ample means to harness nature's bounty.

Water bodies are used as dump yards, river banks are encroached upon and lake beds become sites for real estate. Proper water conservation techniques, recycling and reuse of water, mandatory installations for water harvesting, water collection in lakes and identifying water bodies can help avoid scarcity to an extent. Governments have to work out a plan.

M Pradyu Kannur

### Set priorities right

Sir — This refers to the article, "Some merit in 'one poll' idea" (June 25) by Uttam Gupta. Frankly speaking, 'one nation

one poll' may be an idea whose time may not have come yet. If implemented, it is bound to face insurmountable hurdles. First, many changes into the Constitutional have to be incorporated to bring the idea into practice. The existence of multiple regional parties, stable Governments in different States

### Justice Gogoi's demands merit attention

This refers to the editorial, "Longer term for judges" (June 24). Pendency of cases in the higher courts has been a perennial issue for litigants and judges alike. True, even doubling the Bench strength in the Supreme Court and High Courts may not bring respite because of people's tendency to file cases at the drop of a hat. In the absence of alternative dispute redressal mechanisms, the problem becomes all the more excruciating. Disproportionate number of cases are filed on a daily basis. The problem, therefore, is chronic. This does not mean that the Chief Justice of India (CJI) remains a mute spectator to the turn of events. And Justice Ranjan Gogoi has not. He has written three letters to the Prime Minister, talking about the ways to tackle accumulation of cases. Obviously, augmentation of the strength of judges in the top court has been the CJI's primary concern. But he did not stop there. One aspect which many legal luminaries have addressed in the past — hiring of retired Supreme Court and High Court judges to "tenure posts" to dispose of cases — was reiterated by Gogoi. These former judges will bring tremendous amounts



of experience and talent, familiarity with the task at hand and focus on the job with no worries over interference, promotion or transfer. The CJI has advocated for another long-standing demand: Of increasing the retirement age of High Court judges to 65 from the present 62. Judges with rare brilliance and integrity have missed out on showing their mettle due to the age factor. If the Prime Minister and the CJI join hands to espouse the cause of the litigant and make them a reality, so be it.

Ganapathi Bhat Akola

### Unhealthy practice

Sir — Stung by the Lok Sabha results, West Bengal Chief Minister and Trinamool Congress (TMC) chief Mamata Banerjee has asked her party leaders to return the "cut money" they extorted from beneficiaries of welfare schemes since 2011. Mamata's *diktat* has opened a Pandora's box. Reportedly, hundreds of people have lined up at the doorstep of municipality and gram panchayat members seeking refund of the amount.

Mamata's order bears testimony to the bribe taken by her party leaders. The concept of not treating the bribe-seekers as criminals seems to be the new normal. Complaints against bribe takers often fall on blind eyes and deaf ears by the concerned authorities. People, therefore, have come to the conclusion that getting the work done is easier by paying bribe than facing the ordeals of rule observation.

KV Seetharamaiah Hasaan

Prime Minister as well as the BJP must not be insouciant or indifferent in fulfilling the electoral promises made during the election campaigns. At the outset, the Government must focus on key areas like jobs, inequality and agriculture.

Nimai Charan Swain Bhubaneswar

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**FIRST COLUMN**

## Ethiopia's lucky premier

Abiy Ahmed has done everything he could think for the country and yet, he is in a very precarious position to have survived three deadly attacks



GWYNNE DYER

Ethiopia's Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed is a very lucky man. He has survived three attempts to kill or overthrow him in the past year. Last June, he escaped unhurt in a grenade attack that killed one and wounded scores at a political rally. In October, his office in the capital, Addis Ababa, was surrounded by angry soldiers, who threatened to kill him over low pay, but he talked them down. And recently, he emerged unscathed from an attempted military coup. It was a very serious attempt. In the Capital, Gen Se'are Mekonnen was shot dead by his own bodyguard as was another General who was visiting his home. Abiy had made Se'are the chief of staff of the Ethiopian Army, a controversial appointment, only a year ago.

At the same time, another of Abiy's appointees, Ambachew Mekonnen, the Governor of the key Amhara region, was murdered together with his top advisor in the region's capital, Bahir Dar. It was clearly a quite broad plot but its coordination must have been off. Police are still rounding up suspected plotters and Abiy Ahmed was still Prime Minister on Monday. That is a very good thing because Abiy Ahmed is Ethiopia's best chance of breaking the cycle of tyrannies that has blighted its modern history. It is Africa's second biggest country (102 million people) and one of the world's fastest growing economies but its politics has been cursed.

In the past century, it has gone from a medieval monarchy to rule by foreign fascists (it was conquered by Mussolini's Italy in the 1930s) and then back to an only slightly less medieval tyranny for another 30 years — until a Marxist-led military coup in 1974. The 'Derg' junta murdered the emperor and half a million other Ethiopians — mostly the better educated ones — in a 'Red Terror' that fell short of the Khmer Rouge's 'killing fields' but not by much. Then, after almost two decades, the Soviet Union collapsed, the foreign aid to the Communists stopped and the Reds were overthrown in their turn in 1991. The victor that time was a coalition of ethnic rebel groups, militarised and brutalised by a long guerrilla war against the Derg, who slid quickly into the seats of power and remained there comfortably until last year. The political killings declined but the tyranny they protected did not — until suddenly, last year, they handed the whole mess over to Abiy Ahmed.

They did so because the mess was getting out of hand. Ethiopia is a very complicated country: Four major ethnic groups, all of which have fought each other in the course of the country's long history, and a litter of smaller ethnic groups as well. The country is also divided between a Christian majority and a big Muslim minority. To make matters worse, one of the larger ethnic groups, the Tigrayans, dominated the military and intelligence services and, therefore, the regime as a whole — and there was no shred of democracy anywhere in the system. There were pro forma elections but in the last edition, in 2015, not a single Opposition candidate won a seat in Parliament.

The longer the Tigrayans dominated at the Centre, the more unpopular the federal Government became and in the meanwhile, the country's relentless population growth intensified the land disputes between rival ethnic groups. Since 2015, some three million Ethiopians have become internal refugees, mainly due to struggles over land. So in April 2018, in desperation, the ruling Ethiopian People's Revolutionary Democratic Front handed the prime ministership over to Abiy Ahmed. Abiy is certainly a "child of the Party", which he joined at 15, but he is a reformer who can be all things to all people. His father was Muslim, his mother was Christian. As an Oromo, he comes from the lowest rungs of the Ethiopian ethnic pecking order (no Oromo has ever held such high office before). He is fluent in Afaan Oromo, Amharic, Tigrinya and English. And he is a very modern man. He knew he had to move fast, so he immediately ended the state of Emergency and changed almost all the senior military commanders. He appointed a Cabinet that was half female, plus women as president and as head of the Supreme Court.

He released thousands of political prisoners. He freed the media, made the leader of an Opposition party head of the Electoral Board and put her in charge of organising free elections in 2020. He made peace and re-opened the border with Eritrea after 20 years of hot and cold war. He has done pretty well everything he could think of, and he did it in little over a year. And yet, he is still in a very precarious position. It could not be otherwise. He is trying to free a big, complex, traumatised country from a century of dreadful history, and the odds, of course, are against him. But he's not down yet.

(The writer's new book is *Growing Pains: The Future of Democracy and Work*)

**POINT COUNTERPOINT**

FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS, THE NATION WENT THROUGH A SUPER EMERGENCY. WE MUST FIGHT TO SAFEGUARD OUR DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS.

—WEST BENGAL CHIEF MINISTER  
**MAMATA BANERJEE**



THE WAY MAMATA IS RULING TODAY, SHE IS NOT LESS THAN THE EMERGENCY. SHE IS RUNNING A VERY POOR GOVERNMENT. THERE IS A LOT OF VIOLENCE.

—UNION MINISTER  
**PRAKASH JAVADEKAR**

# Articles of seclusion

Both Modi and Shah face their biggest challenge yet of translating the BJP's promise on Articles 370 and 35 A into reality and negotiating anxieties and sensitivities along the way



PRASHANT TEWARI

With a majority Government in the Lok Sabha and a near-majority in the Rajya Sabha, the Narendra Modi-led NDA Government is better placed to correct the historical mistake when the then Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and the then Prime Minister of Jammu & Kashmir Sheikh Abdullah signed the Delhi Pact in 1952.

Article 35A of the Constitution protects any laws in Jammu & Kashmir relating to the definition and privileges of permanent residents from being challenged as discriminatory or unconstitutional. As an example of these privileges, Jammu & Kashmir restricts anyone except permanent residents from acquiring immovable property. Article 35A grants the State Legislative Assembly the power to make such a restriction and prevents any challenge against this on the basis that this is inconsistent with the laws that apply to other citizens of India.

Several political and defence analysts attribute the instability in Jammu & Kashmir to India's inability to fully integrate the State into the Union. The challenges towards such integration have historical roots, dating to the circumstances under which the State, led by Maharaja Hari Singh, acceded to India, following Pakistan's attempts to annex the State through force. Pakistan has also pursued the "bleeding cuts" theory, consistently providing support to terrorist and separatist movements in Jammu & Kashmir and extending such support to promote terror in other parts of the country to further its own interests. The third factor is the imposition of Article 370 in the Indian Constitution and the addition of Article 35A, through the provisions of Article 370.

Article 35A was incorporated under Article 370 through a Constitutional order signed by former President Rajendra Prasad in 1954. Sixty-three years after Rajendra Prasad signed the Constitutional order bringing Article 35A into existence, its validity is being questioned because there is a complete change in the political architecture of the State and unrest in the Valley fuelled by the Pakistani establishment in the name of religion since many decades.

A Constitutional order is essentially an expansion of an existing provision that does not need to be voted on, or need the approval of the Parliament. Article 35A was included in the Constitution through a presidential order and not with the Parliament's approval.

What is the relevance of Article 370 to this debate? Prior to accession, the ruler of the princely State of Jammu & Kashmir, Maharaja Hari Singh, was in total control of all matters of administration and governance except defence, foreign affairs and communication, which came under the British. At the time of independence, Maharaja Hari Singh, albeit under pressure from tribal insurgents, chose to accede to India but agreed to sign the Instrument of Accession as long as the same arrangement was allowed to continue.

In 1949, all princely States were requested to send their representatives to the Constituent Assembly to help draft the Constitution of India. The princely States were also encouraged to set up their own constituent Assemblies. The Jammu & Kashmir Constituent Assembly's



only representation was to incorporate only those provisions in the Indian Constitution that corresponded with the Instrument of Accession. This came to be known as Article 370.

It must be noted, however, that Article 370 was stipulated in the Indian Constitution as a temporary provision. In the 60 years since, Jammu & Kashmir continues to enjoy its special status but its autonomous nature has eroded considerably. Over the years, the Reserve Bank of India and the Supreme Court have extended their jurisdiction to the State. A more recent and relevant example, however, is when India awoke to a brand new taxation system on the midnight of July 1, the State of Jammu & Kashmir stayed out of it. The latter came under a new tax regime a week after the Jammu & Kashmir State Assembly passed a resolution accepting the Goods and Services Tax, which was then formalised with a presidential order passed by the then President Pranab Mukherjee.

Article 35A violates the very concept of equality enshrined in the Constitution of India. Its treatment of non-permanent residents of Jammu & Kashmir is akin to treating its own people as second class citizens. The provisions of Article 35A also violate the principles of gender equality. Section 6 of the Constitution of Jammu & Kashmir, which derives its power from Article 35A, discriminates against women residents of the State, who marry a person from another State. The children from such unions are not entitled to the Permanent Resident Certificate (PRC) or the benefits accruing from it, such as the right to acquire immovable property and a Government job. The same, however, does not apply to the offspring of a male who marries a woman from another State.

Article 35A is in the limelight nowadays. There are two views prevalent in the country — one in its support and the other against it. This matter is sub-judice in the Supreme Court of

India. The Kashmiris feel that scrapping Article 35A would prejudice their identity as a Kashmiri and would disturb their privacy in the State. Farooq Abdullah, National Conference leader, says, "If 35A is abrogated, the revolt is going to be bigger." The other view, comprising the ruling party BJP and its supporters, believes that Article 35A should be scrapped to strengthen the unity and integrity of the nation. Article 35A is a symbol of "Kashmiri colonialism" over the rest of Jammu & Kashmir, they argue.

But there is a growing sentiment to relook at Article 370 and Article 35A. There will be violence instigated in the Kashmir Valley when the nation takes recourse to such action, but that cannot, and must not, deter the State from preserving the right to equality, enshrined in the Constitution. For the good of the people of India and for the residents of Jammu & Kashmir, Article 35A must be repealed forthwith as it will pave the way for the development of the state and its total integration with the union.

The Lok Sabha 2019 verdict, which gave Modi a massive second mandate, and his subsequent decision to allocate the Ministry of Home Affairs to his deputy Amit Shah, have predictably set off apprehensions. After all, Shah has been nothing short of belligerent in voicing his views on Articles 370 and 35A, and how these "special" Constitutional provisions have been an impediment to the progress of the Kashmiri people. The BJP election manifesto, jointly released by Prime Minister Modi and Shah ahead of the blistering poll campaign they crafted together, clearly lays out the party's position and intent: "In the last few years, we have made all necessary efforts to ensure peace in Jammu and Kashmir through decisive actions and a firm policy. We are committed to overcome all obstacles that come in the way of development and provide adequate financial resources to all the regions of the state. We reiterate our position

since the time of the Jan Sangh to the abrogation of Article 370. We are committed to annulling Article 35A of the Constitution of India as the provision is discriminatory against non-permanent residents and women of Jammu and Kashmir. We believe that Article 35A is an obstacle in the development of the state."

Now both Modi and Shah face their biggest challenge yet of translating this promise into reality and negotiating many anxieties and sensitivities along the way. Notably, after Partition, Jammu and Kashmir's prime minister Sheikh Abdullah carved out 30 seats for the Jammu region, 43 seats for Kashmir region and two seats for the Ladakh region. At present, the Assembly has 87 elected seats with Kashmir having 46 seats, Jammu 37 and Ladakh four. The BJP is hoping that since Jammu has more area than Kashmir, it would get more seats under delimitation than Kashmir. According to the 2011 census, the total population of Jammu region was 53,78,538 of which Dogras are the dominant group, comprising 62.55 per cent of the population.

Jammu has 25.93 per cent of the area and 42.89 per cent of the population. Against this, the Kashmir region's population in 2011 was 68,88,475 of which 96.40 per cent was Muslim. Though it has only 15.73 per cent of the state's area, the Kashmir region holds 54.93 per cent of the population. Ladakh has 58.33 per cent of the area and accounts for 2.18 per cent of the population. A mere 2,74,289 people reside in Ladakh, of which 46.40 per cent are Muslims, 12.11 per cent Hindus and 39.67 per cent are Buddhists.

The Modi 2.0 Government would like to correct the regional imbalance based on the area, population and proportionate assembly representation to solve the Kashmir riddle.

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# AI can do wonders for aviation

The era of robotics and AI promises to change the way airports will be designed in the future, making for an easier journey. The air transport community can minimise the impact of disruption, improve passenger experience and streamline services



MANEESHA JAIKRISHNA

One of the most interesting technological developments that is going to benefit various sectors of the global economy is Artificial Intelligence (AI). It has gained significant interest on the part of global tech giants who understand the potential of AI. Added to this are rapid technological developments in the past decade. For example, we have seen the world's greatest chess grandmaster Garry Kasparov being defeated by IBM's deep blue computer. More recently, Google's DeepMind's 'Go-playing AI' achieved victory of an even more complex game against a Korean grandmaster. This proves the significance of AI in terms of growth and the possibilities it can explore.

**Aviation and AI:** The future of air transport will be driven by digital transformation. The Asia Pacific is leading in terms of growth of this sector. By 2036, the region is expected to handle over 4.1 billion passengers — more than half of the world's passenger traffic. As per IATA's 20-year air passenger forecast, India stands as one of the top five fastest-growing markets in terms of additional passengers per year, with 322 million new passengers for a total of 442 million.

But with this growth come challenges and stresses on infrastructure and processes. In such a scenario, smart use of technology can help address issues of rising passenger numbers, limited infrastructure and increased complexity. The era of robotics and AI promises to change the way airports will be designed in future, making for an easier journey.

Smarter airports will need information and the required tools. A new era of real-time business intelligence and analytics is beckoning. And this demands a new approach to harness and exploit the massive amount of data at our fingertips. New technologies

promise to help airlines and airports to "look ahead" and to predict future events that threaten to disrupt travel. The aviation industry has been severely affected by disruptions, impacting the passengers, cargo and operations. A recent IATA report showed that the average on-time performance for 26 million flights globally each year stands at 76 per cent. With rising passenger numbers and growth of the aviation industry, there is a risk that even this performance will deteriorate.

**Beckoning a new era of business intelligence:** AI has the potential to radically change what has really been a set of airport processes that have been manual and have not changed much over the past few decades. It can potentially allow these processes or steps in the journey to be automated using intelligent machines without having to stop to interact with a person first, enabling people to focus on more complex or personal tasks. Today, airports and airlines are seeking more control and predictability over the situation and AI is one of the emerging technologies that offers future strategic and operational benefits. For pas-

senger experience, airlines are investing in digitalisation, especially new technologies such as AI and blockchain. As per our recent study, high on-airline agendas are AI-driven virtual agents and chatbots, with 85 per cent of them using or planning to use AI for services by 2021. This will help deliver a more connected experience for travellers by answering questions and relaying flight status information.

**Revolutionising operations:** AI embraces the disciplines of machine learning, machine vision, natural language processing and robotics. Embracing the Internet of Things and connecting everything across the industry will produce more data that can be used with AI to create valuable insights and expose new ways of working. Over the next 20 years, the use of digital technology to improve service, operations and efficiency will have profound effects on air transport.

Airports and airlines can harness the potential of advanced machine learning and AI to forecast aircraft arrival times as far out as 24 hours, giving airports the opportunity to manage and mitigate disruption. Singapore's

Changi Airport is an example of how AI can be leveraged to draw valuable insights from masses of historical data accumulated from flights and delays coupled with real-time information to predict flight delays.

At present, human interventions are required to make decisions — from maintenance and crew connections to ground handling and scheduling integrity. In order to improve operational efficiencies, collaboration of human and AI is required. AI will allow humans to identify passenger value and process quick re-bookings of flights of those valued passengers first if their flight has been cancelled. By accelerating historical data value analysis using AI, we can create a list according to priority — at speeds and with levels of accuracy simply impossible by humans. AI will also help ensure better visibility of aircraft turnaround and identify issues before they happen. It can be used in the form of computer or machine vision to monitor all stakeholders.

Smart tech and AI also promise to ensure reduction in the number of bags lost. Using AI, intelligent machines will

enable bags to be autonomously managed from the moment a passenger checks-in to when it arrives at the destination — all without human intervention. For example, in this vision of the future, autonomous loaders can be used to transport bags between the terminal and the aircraft. The data will also provide passengers real-time updates.

**View ahead of us:** The future for airlines and airports is undoubtedly getting smarter. AI is starting to link the players and the processes across the passenger journey, providing a smart way of managing an increasingly complex ecosystem. By adopting analytics and AI as part of the ecosystem, the air transport community can minimise the impact of disruption on passenger experience, support the customers and even make their services better. AI is taking us one step closer to operational excellence and we can expect the future to see more and more examples of AI starting to make an impact in the information security space alongside analytics.

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**FOREIGN EYE**

**NOT OK, GOOGLE**

Voice is going to become the chief way that we make our wants known to computers — and when they respond, they will do so with female voices. This detail may seem trivial, but it goes to the heart of the way in which the spread of digital technologies can amplify and extend social prejudice. Companies want them to be used, of course, and this requires making them appear helpful. That's especially necessary when their helpfulness is limited in the real world: Although they are getting better at answering queries outside narrow and canned parameters, they could not easily ever be mistaken for a human being on the basis of their words alone. (The Guardian editorial)

# Currency in circulation rises 22% in May



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Currency notes in circulation stood at ₹21.71 lakh crore at May-end 2019, showing an increase of more than 22 per cent over the pre-demonetisation level.

As per a written reply given by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in the Rajya Sabha Tuesday, the notes in circulation as on November 4, 2016 were ₹17,74,187 crore, which have now increased to ₹21,71,385 crore as on May 31, 2019.

In a shock decision, the government had decided to demonetise old ₹500/1,000 notes on November 8, 2016.

Sitharaman said the notes in circulation had grown at an

average growth rate of 14.51 per cent year on year wise since October 2014.

"As actual notes in circulation on May 31, 2019 are only 21,713.85 billion, the demonetisation, followed by digitalisation and reduction of cash use in informal economy has succeeded in reducing the notes in circulation by as much as 3,408.68 billion rupees," she said.

The demonetisation, the minister said, was done with a view to eliminate black money, curb fake currency and thereby to create deterrence to funding of terror and left-wing extremism, facilitate transition of India's non-formal economy into a formal economy and to

give boost to digitalisation, among other objectives.

Sitharaman further said that as reported by the RBI, 7,62,072 pieces of counterfeit bank notes were detected in the banking system during 2016-17, 5,22,783 pieces in 2017-18 and 3,17,389 in 2018-19.

Hence, demonetisation resulted in curbing of the counterfeit currency, she added.

The minister further said a significant growth has been observed in digital transactions in the country post demonetisation.

Growth of digital transactions in terms of value has increased to 188.07 lakh crore in September 2018 from 112.27 lakh crore in November 2016.

# Govt, RBI closely monitoring rupee exchange rate: Sitharaman

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Government and the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) are closely monitoring the rupee exchange rate against the dollar on an on-going basis, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said Tuesday.

The rupee has depreciated from ₹60.50 to a dollar in 2013-14 to ₹69.74 to a dollar in April-December of 2018-19, the minister said in a written reply to the Rajya Sabha.

"The Government and Reserve Bank of India are closely monitoring the emerging external position including exchange rate of the rupee on an on-going basis and are calibrating policies or regulations to support robust macroeconomic outcome," she said.

The rupee closed at 69.36 to a dollar on Tuesday.

Inward remittances from Indians residing abroad stood at \$58.31 billion in April-December 2018-19, against \$69.12 billion in the full financial year 2017-18.

It was \$61.29 billion in 2016-17, \$65.59 billion in 2015-16, \$69.81 billion in 2014-15 and \$69.63 billion in 2013-14.

Sitharaman said as per the latest annual report of the home ministry, over ₹15,000 crore and over ₹20,000 crore were received in 2016-17 and 2015-16 under the Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act, 2010. "No reason has been stated for the decline in the foreign contribution in the report".

# Sensex surps 312 pts; energy, auto, banking stocks rally

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The BSE Sensex on Tuesday rallied about 312 points, driven by energy, auto and banking stocks as monsoons swift progress revived investor sentiment.

After trading in the red zone for a better part of the session, the BSE gauge pared losses and soared over 350 points, before settling 311.98 points, or 0.80 per cent, higher at 39,434.94. The index hit an intra-day high of 39,490.64 and a low of 38,946.04.

Similarly, the broader NSE Nifty rose 96.80 points, or 0.83 per cent, to 11,796.45. During the day, the index touched a high of 11,814.40 and a low of 11,651.

RIL was the biggest gainer in the Sensex pack, rising 2.63 per cent, followed by NTPC, Axis Bank, Tata Steel, PowerGrid, HDFC twins, Bharti Airtel, M&M, ICICI Bank, SBI and Bajaj Finance — gaining up to 2.51 per cent.

While, Yes Bank, Asian Paints, IndusInd Bank, TechM, HUL, TCS, L&T, Hero MotoCorp and HCL Tech fell up to 1.70 per cent.

Markets pared initial losses following India Meteorological Departments (IMD) statement that Indias

annual monsoon rains have covered nearly half of the country, and conditions are favourable for further advancement into the central and western parts this week, said Narendra Solanki, Head Fundamental Research (Investment Services) — AVP Equity Research, Anand Rathi Shares & Stock Brokers.

"Positive sentiment further strengthened in the market in afternoon session on back of buying in banking, metals and realty stocks," he added.

Meanwhile, bourses in Shanghai, Hong Kong, Tokyo and Seoul ended on a negative note. Equity markets in Europe were also trading in the red in early deals.

On the currency front, the Indian rupee was trading flat at 69.36 against the US dollar intra-day.

Brent crude futures, the global oil benchmark, fell 0.36 per cent to \$63.95 per barrel.



## Business Corner



NTPC held its 17th Foreign Lenders Meet in Mumbai on Tuesday. The meet was aimed to brief the representatives of the foreign banks and financial institutions about the company's Operational and Financial performance during the financial year 2018-19, growth plans and funding requirements, etc. for the future



Rakesh Kumar, Chairman, SCOPE and CMD, NLC India Limited made a courtesy call to Arjun Ram Meghwal, Minister of State for Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises and Parliamentary Affairs



Guruprasad Mohapatra, Chairman, Airports Authority of India, inaugurated the Specialized Maintenance Unit (SMU) for in-country repairing of ELDIS Radars in presence of Ambassador of Czech Republic, HE Milan Hovorka on Monday. This Facility will help in reducing Turnaround Time (TAT) of repair of unserviceable modules of the radars, thereby reducing the down time of the important surveillance facility of Indian air space. More than 80% of Indian air space is under the coverage of Radars

## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that one person namely Prabhakar Gaud, S/o Shri Banchha Nidhi Gaud, R/o 746, Chirag Delhi, New Delhi, Age about 52 years, Height 5'6", Complexion Shallow, Face Oval, Thin Built, Wearing Green colour shirt, grey colour pant and bare footed was found dead at Near MCD Office Millennium Park, Chirag Delhi, New Delhi. In this regard a vide DD No. 69-A dated 16.06.19 has been lodged at PS Malviya Nagar, New Delhi. The dead body has been preserved at AIIMS mortuary for 24 hours.

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

SHO  
PS : Malviya Nagar, New Delhi  
Ph.: 26691861, 26691862

DP/5535/SD/19

## SEARCH FOR MISSING WOMAN



General public is hereby informed that this woman namely Suman Kumari W/o Manish Kumar R/o H.No. 723, Papi Line Road, Pooth Khurd, Delhi Age : 20 years, Complexion : Fair, Height : 5'3", Face : Round, wearing yellow colour saree and sandal in feet, has been missing since 12.06.2019 from the area of P.S. Bawana, Delhi. In this regard DD No. 53-A dated 14.06.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Bawana, Delhi.

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

E-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)  
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>  
Ph.: 24368639, 27756090

## CANCELLATION OF NOTICE INVITING TENDER

No. SSA/CW/KGBV-AUG/2018-19/490/2018/8307 Dated- 24/06/2019

The tender vide No.SSA/CW/KGBV-AUG/2018-19/490/2018/7016 Dated 06.03.2019 was published to carry out the construction of 11 nos. of KGBV buildings in various districts of Assam. Out of mentioned 11 nos. KGBV building, 2 nos. of KGBV Building package no. 11L and 18T against 2 nos. districts namely Dibrugarh (Panitola) and Tinsukia (Itakhuli) are hereby cancelled due to administrative reasons.

Sd/- Mission Director,  
SSA, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19

## PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

(See Section 82 Cr. PC)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person namely Gurdalay S/o Sadhu Lal R/o Village Pijora, District Jahanabad, Bihar has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in a FIR No. 803/18, u/s 377/IPC and 6 PCO Act, PS Nihal Vihar, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrants of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused Gurdalay could not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused Gurdalay has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused person Ganesh Gurdalay of FIR No. 803/18, u/s 377/IPC, 6 PCO Act, PS Nihal Vihar, Delhi is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before 03.08.2019.

By order  
Ms. Vrinda Kumari  
Addl. Session Judge-07 (West),  
Room No. 216, 2nd, floor,  
Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

DP/2332/OD/19

## GDA proposes to denotify 35 acres of land in Indirapuram

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Ghaziabad Development Authority is preparing to denotify 35 acres of land in UGDA Indirapuram. Since GDA no longer requires the land for the purposes it had acquired the land. In order to take action to cancel the notification, the GDA has made preparations for the proposal in the board meeting on June 25. If the proposal is passed then it will be sent to the State Government.

It is also pertinent to note that in the year 2005, GDA issued notification for the acquisition of 92 acres of farmers in Indirapuram in GDA. And the said notification was challenged before the court, due to which GDA has not taken possession of 35 acres of land, neither actual nor symbolic possession of the said land was taken.

## Govt likely to use ₹3tn RBI windfall to pay regular bills

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Bimal Jalan committee report, which is delayed, will lead to transfer of under ₹3 lakh crore of excess capital from the Reserve Bank to the Government, which will most likely use the money for meeting regular expenses, says a report.

The money will come in over three years and is most likely used for regular Government spending, Japanese brokerage Nomura said in report Tuesday.

The Bimal Jalan committee on the appropriate economic capital framework for RBI was formed last December, and has sought a third extension to present its report which will now be next month.

"Market expectations suggest ₹3 lakh crore (will be) distributed staggered over years, though we believe the ultimate transfer will be lower," the brokerage said.

## DoT asks BSNL to put all capex on hold, stop tenders

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The telecom department is learnt to have asked state-owned BSNL to put all tenders and purchase order on hold, as the company is facing financial crisis.

The finance department of BSNL issued order in this regard on June 2, directing all its circle head to take prior approval of corporate officer located in Delhi before floating any new tenders for capital expenditure, according to official sources.

"The order issued to circle heads on June 12 says that BSNL is passing through a temporary financial stress and is not in a position to clear the accumulated liabilities," a BSNL official on the condition of anonymity told PTI. He said the BSNL's Finance Department received the direction from finance wing of the DoT to put on hold all capital expenditure.

## GOVT SEEKS VIEWS OF STATES ON CROP INSURANCE SCHEME

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

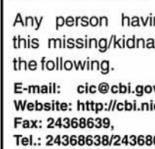
New Delhi: The Government Tuesday informed the Lok Sabha that it has written to states seeking their views on whether the crop insurance scheme should be made voluntary for farmers.

At present, the scheme is compulsory in nature. Responding to a supplementary, Minister of State for Agriculture Purushottam Ropala said during Question Hour that on Monday, PTI



On the occasion of International Day Against Drug Abuse & Illicit Trafficking, Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment, Thawar Chand Gehlot, said "roughly 450,000 people died as a result of drug use in 2015, according to WHO. Of those deaths, 167,750 were directly associated with drug use disorders (mainly overdoses). The rest were indirectly attributable to drug use and included deaths related to HIV and hepatitis C acquired through unsafe injecting practices. Customs, Department of Revenue Intelligence, Narcotics Control Bureau, State Police, Central Paramilitary Forces, State Excise, Forest Department, etc. regulate and check the diversion of substances from licit channels to illicit networks including internet pharmacies."

## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male namely Vicky, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, was found on 10.06.2019 at 11:20 AM on Sanjay Gandhi Memorial Hospital, Mangolpuri, New Delhi. As per MLC No. 8853/19. In this regard proceeding DD No. 45-A, dated 10.06.2019 has been lodged at Police Station, Mangolpuri, New Delhi. Identification of unidentified dead body of male is as under:

Name: Vicky, Age: Approx 50 Years, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Shallow, ID Mark: A old Hurt mark on right eye, Wearing: Blue Jeans paint only.

If anyone have any information or clue about this male deceased may kindly be inform undersigned.

SHO  
Police Station, Mangolpuri, New Delhi  
Ph.: 011-27922186, 7065036121

DP/2364/OD/19

## SEARCH FOR KIDNAPPED BOY



General public is hereby informed that one boy namely Md. Sakeel S/o Md. Wasil R/o Vill. & Post Madarganj, Distt. Arariya, Bihar. Age: 15 yrs., Height: 4'6", Wheatish complexion, Round face & Thin Build. Wearing Yellow colour sweater & jeans pant is kidnapped from Main Bazar, Pahar Ganj, New Delhi on 04.02.2013.

In this regard a case FIR No. 31/13 Dated: 04.02.2013 U/s 363 IPC has been registered at P.S. Paharganj, New Delhi. Any person having any information or clue about this kidnapped boy may kindly inform to the following.

E-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)  
Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641

S.H.O.,  
P.S., Paharganj, New Delhi  
Ph.: 011-23520787, 23524746

DP/6389/CD/19

## Appeal For Identification



General public is hereby informed that this person Name : Unknown S/o : Unknown, R/o : Unknown, Age : 55-60 Years Approx, Sex : Male, Height : 5 Ft. 6 Inch, Hair : White Long Beard and White Long Hair like Sikh, Wearing : White Colour T-shirt, Red Colour Baniyan, White Colour Lower and Blue Colour Underwear, has been found dead on

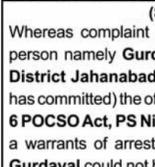
21.06.2019 at Haiderpur Water Treatment Plant, Sector-13, Rohini, Delhi. In this regard a DD No. 08-A Dated 21.06.2019 has been lodged at PS. K.N. Katju Marg, Delhi.

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

Any person having any information or clue about this person may kindly inform to the following. SHO  
PS. K.N. Katju Marg, Delhi  
Ph.: 011-27571162, 8750870327

DP/3010/RD/19.

## SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed that one person (depicted in the photo) namely Budh Singh, S/o Gangwa Singh, R/o H. No. 5261, Gali No. 115, Sant Nagar, Burari, Delhi, has been missing since 13.08.2016. In this regard a D.D. No. 17-PP, Jhadoda, Dated 17.08.2016 has been lodged at Police Station - Burari, Delhi. His physical description is as under:-

Age: 105 years, Complexion: Sallow, Height: 5'8", Face: Round, Build: Normal, Clothing: Wearing white colour Kurta-Pajama and Pagri.

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

SHO  
P.S. Burari, Delhi  
Ph.: 011-27616844, 27616234

DP/9980/N/19

## SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED



General Public is hereby informed that a boy namely Ankit Pathak S/o Jitender Pathak R/o RZF-82, Near Lucky Garden, Nihar Vihar, Delhi Age-14 years, Height-5'2" Face-Round, Complexion-Fair, Identification- A old Scare mark on left side of face. Wearing: White Colour T-Shirt Black Colour Pant and White Colour Sports Shoes in his feet has been missing/kidnapped since dated 25.05.2019 from the area of P.S Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard a vide FIR No. 352/19 u/s 363 IPC Dated 25.05.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi

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

E-mail : [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)  
Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641

SHO  
P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi  
Ph.: 011-25946710, 25946700  
7065036129

DP/2340/OD/19

## SEARCH FOR MISSING FEMALE



General public is here by informed that one female Namely: Panna, W/o Sh. Mohan, R/o Vill. Tiwari Pur, PS Galhara, Distt. Sidharth Nagar, UP Age: 68 years, Height: 5', Complexion : Shallow, Face: Round, Built: Thin, Wearing: Red Colour Saree, Green Shirt & Fiber Chappal in feet has been missing/kidnapped since

25.05.2019 from Shadipur Metro Station at the area of PS Patel Nagar, Delhi. She is Mentally Disturb.

In this regard a DD No. 134-A dated 27.05.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Patel Nagar, Delhi.

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

Any person having any information or clue about this female kindly inform to the following.  
E-Mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)  
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>  
Ph.: 011-24368639, 24368641

SHO  
P.S. Patel Nagar, Delhi  
Ph. 011-25872637, 8750870434  
DP/6382/CD/19



**GLOBE TROTTER**

**TRUMP-XI MEET TO HELP BRIDGE DIFFERENCES: FM**  
**Beijing:** China's Foreign Ministry says it hopes a meeting later this week between President Donald Trump and his Chinese counterpart Xi Jinping will help build trust and resolve "outstanding issues." Spokesman Geng Shuang gave no details at a daily briefing but there are hopes the planned encounter at the G-20 summit in Japan will help lower the temperature in the trade war between two largest economies.

**CHINA BANK STOCKS FALL ON POSSIBLE US ACTION**  
**Beijing:** Shares in three large Chinese banks fell on Tuesday after a media report said a US judge had found the banks in contempt for refusing to comply with subpoenas related to a North Korean sanctions violations case. The ruling could prompt the US to bar one of China's largest banks from the US financial system, the *Washington Post* report said.

**UNSC URGES 'MAXIMUM RESTRAINT' IN GULF**  
**Washington:** The UN Security Council is condemning the latest attacks on oil tankers in the Persian Gulf and urging all parties "to exercise maximum restraint and take measures and actions to reduce escalation and tension." The council says the tanker attacks represent "a serious threat to maritime navigation and energy supply."

**FRIDA THE RESCUE DOG RETIRES IN MEXICO**  
**Mexico City:** Frida the rescue dog, a Labrador retriever who gained worldwide fame for her heroics after the earthquake that devastated Mexico on September 19, 2017, officially retired from duty Monday. Frida, who adorably sniffed through the rubble in her protective goggles and booties in the hours after the tragedy, was sent into doggy retirement at 10 years old in a ceremony at the canine unit of the Mexican marines. "Our dear Labrador Frida is starting a new era," said Deputy Naval Minister Eduardo Redondo. "Frida stole the heart of all Mexico and thousands more abroad... Her bark always gave hope, and in moments of pain and uncertainty she brought relief."

# IRAN SAYS US 'LYING' ABOUT TALKS OFFER

AFP ■ TEHRAN

Iran vehemently responded Tuesday to new US sanctions against its leaders, saying they showed Washington was "lying" about an offer of talks and marked the end of diplomacy with the Trump administration, amid an escalating regional standoff.

Washington blacklisted Iran's supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and top military chiefs on Monday, saying it would also sanction Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif later in the week.

"At the same time as you call for negotiations you seek to sanction the foreign minister? It's obvious that you're lying," Rouhani said in a meeting with ministers, broadcast live on TV.

His comments came as US National Security Advisor John Bolton, on a visit to Iran's arch-enemy Israel, said Washington had "held the door open to real negotiations" but that "in response, Iran's silence has been deafening."

Iran and the US broke off



diplomatic relations in 1980 over the hostage crisis at the US embassy in Tehran following Iran's Islamic revolution.

Tensions between them have been escalating since US President Donald Trump unilaterally withdrew last year from a landmark 2015 nuclear deal with Iran and reimposed sanctions on the Islamic republic. Trump has since moved to choke Iran's economy, blacklisted Iran's Revolutionary Guards as a "terrorist organi-

sation" and nearly launched a military strike in retaliation to Iran downing a US spy drone.

Zarif said the drone had violated Iranian airspace, a claim the US denies. But Russia, a key ally of Tehran, on Tuesday backed Zarif's version of events.

Washington has also blamed Iran for mid-June attacks on two tankers in sensitive Gulf waters, a claim Iran hotly refutes. Trump has said

he is ready to negotiate with Iran "with no preconditions" and that Iran could have a "phenomenal future".

"We do not ask for conflict," he said, adding that depending on Iran's response, sanctions could end tomorrow or "years from now."

Rouhani also mocked the logic of blacklisting the supreme leader, who has few assets and no plans to visit the

US. "To sanction (the supreme leader) for what? Not to travel to America? That's cute," he said. Rouhani noted that there had been chances for talks between the two sides.

Zarif met former US secretary of state Rex Tillerson several times before Washington unilaterally withdrew from the nuclear deal in May 2018 and reimposed sanctions on Iran.

## Iran says US sanctions rupture 'path to diplomacy'

**Tehran:** Iran on Tuesday said US sanctions on its leaders represent the "permanent closure" of diplomacy with Washington, after President Donald Trump tightened the screws on a nation he has threatened with "obliteration".

"Imposing fruitless sanctions against Iran's supreme leader and the commander of Iran's diplomacy is the permanent closure of the path to diplomacy with Trump's desperate government," ministry spokesman Abbas Mousavi said in a tweet.

"Trump's government is destroying all established international mechanisms for keeping global peace and security," he added.

Prince Harry, Meghan's new home with Indian connection cost taxpayers millions

**London:** Prince Harry and his wife Meghan Markle's new home, a 19th century cottage with an Indian connection on Windsor estate, cost the UK taxpayers a whopping 2.4 million pounds in refurbishment, according to annual royal accounts released on Tuesday.

Frogmore Cottage on the grounds of Queen Elizabeth II's Windsor estate was chosen by the royal couple as their family home last year. The couple's new home has an Indian connection as a royal gift to Abdul Karim by Queen Victoria, then Empress of India, as a sign of her affection for her Indian aide and confidant. In 2018, it was a gift from Harry's grandmother, the Queen, to the newly-wed couple who are now settled into the cottage with new-born baby Archie.

According to the latest royal accounts, months of renovation work to turn the property spread over five separate spaces into one single home was paid for by the UK's Sovereign Grant. *PTI*

## Iran silence on US talks offer 'deafening': Bolton

**Jerusalem:** US National Security Advisor John Bolton on Tuesday described as "deafening" Iran's apparent silence on an offer to negotiate with Washington.

"The president has held the door open to real negotiations," Bolton told journalists in Jerusalem. "In response, Iran's silence has been deafening," he added.

Bolton is in Jerusalem for what Israel described as unprecedented talks with his Russian and Israeli counterparts, along with meeting Prime

Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Speaking alongside the US advisor, Netanyahu said there was "a wider basis for cooperation between the three of us than many believe."

Bolton's comments come a day after the United States imposed sanctions on top officials of Israel's archfoe Iran.

The measures against supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and others have led to a "permanent closure of the path to diplomacy" according

to Iran's foreign ministry.

Tensions are running high after Iran shot down a US spy drone last week and Trump considered, then cancelled, a retaliatory strike. Bolton said Tehran has carried out "attacks upon American personnel and assets in the Middle East" and accused the Islamic republic of seeking nuclear weapons.

Tehran denies it is seeking nuclear weapons and says its programme is for civilian use only. *AFP*

## Russia accuses US of being 'reckless'

**Moscow:** Russia accused Washington of being reckless with new sanctions on Iran, saying Moscow stood in solidarity with Tehran.

"US authorities should think hard about where this reckless course of action can lead," foreign ministry said in a statement. "It is capable of not only destabilising the Middle East but undermining the entire system of international security," the ministry added.

"There is an impression that Washington is 'burning bridges.'" By introducing sanctions against Iran's supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and top military chiefs, Washington is seeking to "punish those who are not going to submit to American diktat," Moscow said.

"Russia stands in complete solidarity with the friendly people of Iran and its Government," the Russian foreign ministry added. *AFP*

## Trump warns of 'overwhelming' retaliation to any Iranian attack

**Washington:** President Donald Trump on Tuesday warned Iran that an attack on US interests would trigger an "overwhelming" response and could bring "obliteration".

Amid rising tensions between Washington and Tehran, Trump tweeted: "Any attack by Iran on anything American will be met with great and overwhelming force. In some areas, overwhelming will mean obliteration."

Iran's leaders only understand "Strength and Power, and the USA is by far the most powerful Military Force in the world", Trump said in the series of tweets.

The United States and Iran have been locked in an escalating war of words since last week's downing of a US surveillance drone. Iran says it was in its airspace, which Washington vehemently denies. *Agencies*



**IRAN'S LEADERS ONLY UNDERSTAND "STRENGTH AND POWER, AND THE USA IS BY FAR THE MOST POWERFUL MILITARY FORCE IN THE WORLD"**  
 Donald Trump tweeted

Trump pulled back from plans to retaliate with military strikes on Iranian targets, saying the response — and the collateral damage — would not be "proportionate". *Agencies*

## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General Public is hereby informed that one unknown dead body of male, Age about 40 years, Height 5'7", Complexion Shallow, Identification Mark A tattoo mark Namely "Roshan" on right hand, Wearing Pink colour shirt and black colour pant was found

dead at Under the Sultanpuri Flyover, Sultanpuri, Delhi on 11.06.19. In this regard a DD No. 19-A dated 11.06.19 has been lodged at PS Raj Park, Delhi.

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

SHO

PS: Raj Park, Delhi

Ph.: 27910070, 27910071

DP/2365/OD/19

## SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed that this girl (depicted in the photo) namely: **Sakshi D/o Sh. Ramesh R/o L-398, JJ Colony, Wazirpur, Delhi,** has been missing/kidnapped since 13.04.2019. In this regard FIR No. 179/19 U/s 363 IPC Dated 14.04.2019 has been registered at PS. Bharat Nagar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the girl but no clue has come to light so far.

Her physical description is as under:-

**Sex:** Female, **Age:** 16 years, **Height:** 5'2" ft., **Complexion:** Fair, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Medium, **Wearing:** Dark Brown Kurta and Lagging and Black Slipper in Feet.

Any person is having information or clue about this missing/kidnapped girl may kindly inform to the following:-

SHO  
 Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>  
 E-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)  
 Tel. No.: 011-24368638/24368641  
 Fax No.: 011-24368639  
 P.S. Bharat Nagar, Delhi  
 Ph. No.- 011-27301200  
 Mob. No.- 8750870222  
 DP/9081/NW/19

## US kicks off Mideast plan, with Palestinians boycotting

AFP ■ MANAMA

After a wait of two and a half years, the US administration is launching its Middle East peace plan on Tuesday — with an economic initiative that the Palestinians are boycotting. For this most unconventional of US presidents, Donald Trump's Middle East peace-making bid is unlike decades of previous US attempts.

There is no talk of land swaps, a Palestinian state or other political issues that have vexed diplomats for decades. The Trump administration says it will get to the political issues later. For now, its plan will open over cocktails and dinner Tuesday evening in Bahrain at an intimate two-day "economic workshop" at a luxury hotel overlooking the Gulf.

Led by Trump's son-in-law and adviser Jared Kushner, the "Peace to Prosperity" framework dangles the prospect of USD 50 billion of investment in the Palestinian territories and neighbouring Arab countries over 10 years. Listing a slew of projects to develop roads, border crossings, power generation and tourism, the framework sets an optimistic goal of creating one million Palestinian jobs.

But the Palestinian Authority and its rival Hamas have both denounced the initiative, saying it amounts to a bid by the unabashedly pro-Israel Trump to buy them off in return for not enjoying their own state.

Saeb Erekat, secretary general of the Palestine Liberation Organization, said that the Trump administration "is insinuating that they know what is best for the Palestinian people" without addressing the underlying issue of Israeli occupation.

"Such inciting campaigns aim at making the people and leadership of Palestine accept the dictations, threats and tyranny of both the US and Israel — and they are doomed to fail," the veteran Palestinian negotiator said in a statement.

## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General Public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of Male Age: 50/55 years, Height: 5'8", Face: Round, Complexion: Shallow, Built: Strong, Wearing: Multi colour striped T-Shirt and grey pant was found dead on 09.06.2019 at 06.47 A.M. at Manglupuri Bus Terminal Red Light, Delhi. In this regard a FIR/DD No. 30-A dated 09.06.2019 has been lodged at PS Palam Village, Delhi.

If any one having any clue about deceased male may kindly inform the undersigned and contact on following numbers.

SHO

P.S. Palam Village, Delhi

Ph. No.: 011-25365980, 25365981, 25362243,

DP/6948/SW/19

Mob.: 7065036227



## SEARCH FOR KIDNAPPED



General public is hereby informed that one male namely **Ram Kishan, S/o Keshav Thorath, R/o: Parki Basti, Wengi Khirdi Takli Bhan, PS Shri Rampur, Distt. Ahmednagar, Maharashtra, Age: 37 years, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Fair, Face: Round, Built: Strong, Hair: Black, Mentally Disturb, wearing Pink colour T-Shirt & Black colour Pant and Plastic Chappal** in feet, has been missing from Yug Hotel, Kaseruwalan, Pahar Ganj, Delhi on 13.06.2019 around 10:30 PM. In this regard a DD No. 53A, dated 15.06.2019 has been registered at P.S. Pahar Ganj, Delhi.

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

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**Ref:-** This office N.I.T. No.-PHE/M&P/12 of 2019-20/E-TENDER/Dated:-14.06.2019

Kindly read Clause No: 39 Sub-Clause (h) as under:-

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The third Party inspection marking to be hard stamped/rubber stamping on bell mouth/ socket end of the pipes which should be clearly visible to naked eye.	The third Party inspection marking/ Stamp to be hard stamp on 10 % of the Supplied quantity (every lot of consignment) on bell mouth/ socket end of the pipes And rubber stamping on balance 90% of the quantity supplied which should be clearly visible to naked eye.

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Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset/ Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
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Date: June 26, 2019 Place: Delhi/NCR Sd/- Authorized Officer ICICI Bank Limited

## GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR J&K POWER DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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### Invitation of Expressions of Interest (Eoi) for leasing out of spare fibres of OPGW on 220 KV Alusteng - Leh Transmission line

Expressions of Interest (Eoi) is invited from reputed Telecom operators, Telecom infrastructure providers having experience in Telecom network operations and a valid license from competent authority for right of use of optical fibres on lease, for "Commercial Utilization of up to 8 (Eight) pairs of spare fibres of OPGW as laid on 220kV Alusteng-Leh Single Circuit Transmission System on lease basis."

### Place of submission of Eoi

For submission of the Eoi the address is: Chief Engineer, Commercial Survey Wing, Grid Complex Gladni, Narwal, 180006, Jammu. The proposal with all documents duly signed should be submitted in sealed envelope.

Envelopes should be super scribed "EXPRESSON OF INTEREST for "Commercial Utilization of up to 8 (Eight) pairs of spare fibres of OPGW as laid on 220kV Alusteng-Leh Single Circuit Transmission System on lease basis." along with name of the proposer.

### Indicative Timetable

An indicative timetable for the Eoi process is as follows:

**Start date for receiving proposal :- 20.06.2019 (12.00 Noon)**

**Expressions of Interest close :- 15.07.2019 (16.00 Hrs)**

**Evaluation completion :- 30.07.2019**

**Notification for tender :- 10.08.2019**

**Tender float :- 14.08.2019**

**Tenders close :- 05.09.2019**

**Contract award :- 10.10.2019**

**Note - The complete EOI can be downloaded from the portal <http://jktenders.gov.in> from 20.06.2019 (12:00 Noon IST onwards). The EOI is also available on [www.jkpdnet.net](http://www.jkpdnet.net), [www.emrekashmir.jkpd.net](http://www.emrekashmir.jkpd.net) and [www.dcpjkd.net](http://www.dcpjkd.net).**

Sd/- Chief Engineer, Commercial & Survey wing, JKPD

No.DIPK-NB-1393/19 Dated : 25-06-2019

## SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed that one girl (depicted in the photo) namely **Muskan, D/o Sanjay Gupta, R/o L-73, Mangolpuri, Delhi,** has been missing since Dated 27.05.2019. In this regard a FIR No. 516/19, u/s 363 IPC, Dated 28.05.2019 has been registered at Police Station - Mangolpuri, Delhi. Her physical description is as under:-

**Age:** 17 years, **Complexion:** Fair, **Height:** 5'2", **Face:** Round, **Clothing:** Wearing green colour Top, green colour Legging and ladies Chapple in feet.

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

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STAR SPORTS

New Zealand vs Pakistan

3:00 pm IST

VENUE: Edgbaston, Birmingham

# England feel the Finch

## England bounce back despite Finch-Warner 123-run opening stand

### Lara hospitalised

Brian Lara was on Tuesday admitted to a hospital in Mumbai after complaining of chest pain but is doing 'fine and will be discharged soon'. The 50-year-old from Trinidad was admitted to the Global Hospital in Parel. No official word has come out yet on his condition but a source close to the player said there was no major cause of concern. "He had an angioplasty (a procedure to open narrowed or blocked blood vessels that supply blood to the heart) done two years back and today was a regular check-up as there is always a fear of heart pain. He is fine now and will be discharged soon," the source told PTI. The hospital authorities were tight-lipped about why Lara was admitted and refused to divulge any details. "As a policy, we respect our patients and their right to privacy. Till the time the patient doesn't give us consent, we cannot divulge anything about him. Please respect his privacy. At this point, we cannot say anything," Dr Jigna Shrotriya, the Medical Superintendent of the Hospital, said in a brief statement issued in the evening.

### Tweet angst

Sachin Tendulkar had made his displeasure known over MS Dhoni's slow batting during India's World Cup game against Afghanistan. Tendulkar had said that the stumper should have shown more positive intent during his time at the crease. Tendulkar's views though haven't gone down well with Dhoni's ardent fans and they have taken to social media to make their disappointment known. An ardent Dhoni fan hit back not only at Sachin, but also his son Arjun Tendulkar and said: "@msdhoni is the King of cricket!! Sachin played only for self and trying to fit in his looser son in team India now. Height of nepotism! (sic)." "#MSD one slow innings and everybody is baying for his blood...unfair on @sachin\_rt to come out in public criticising Dhoni. Dear Great Batsman...the WK batsman has won many more matches for India than u did!! (sic)," expressed another fan and went on to add: "Atleast #MSD is much more a team player than the great @sachin\_rt...the little master always had a selfish intent when he came out to bat!! 100 tons and everything is good but one can count on their fingers as to how many matches India won/test matches saved coz #Sachin (sic)."

### Cric-tips for Jr Bangar

It's not everyday that a youngster gets tips from India's bowling coach but then Aryan Bangar is not just any youngster. Son of batting coach Sanjay Bangar, Aryan was watched by Team India's bowling coach Bharat Arun after the national side's optional practice session here on Tuesday. The 18-year-old Aryan is the elder son of Sanjay Bangar and is currently here to play junior county games for Leicestershire. Primarily a left-handed top-order batsman, Aryan also bowls left-arm spin and once Virat Kohli and Co. had finished their session, the youngster was summoned to bowl. Arun and fielding coach R Sridhar had a close look as he bowled for more than 20 minutes. He bowled a few classical left-armers' deliveries that spun away (for right handers) after pitching. Arun also gave him some tips after the session while Senior Bangar watched from a distance.

### 1 billion & counting

The World Cup 2019 is on track to shatter previous digital and TV records and become one of the world's biggest ever sports events — having already delivered over 1 billion video views across digital content on ICC's platforms and social media channels. In addition, TV figures have seen India alone amass a viewership of 342 million during the first fortnight of the tournament even before the much anticipated fixture between India and Pakistan. Hotstar, ICC's official digital licensee in India, delivered a record 15.6 million peak concurrent live viewers for the India v Pakistan match a record for an international cricket fixture across formats. The nail-biting India-Afghanistan fixture at Southampton also delivered similar peak number of concurrent live viewers for the platform.

**PRELIMINARY STAGE**

Pos	Team	P	W	L	N/R	Net RR	Pts
1	NZ	6	5	0	1	+1.306	11
2	AUS	6	5	1	0	+0.849	10
3	IND	5	4	0	1	+0.809	9
4	ENG	6	4	2	0	+1.457	8
5	SL	6	2	2	2	-1.119	6
6	B'DESH	6	2	3	1	-0.407	5
7	PAK	6	2	3	1	-1.265	5
8	WI	6	1	4	1	+0.190	3
9	RSA	7	1	5	1	-0.324	3
10	AFG	6	0	6	0	-1.712	0



Aaron Finch celebrates after completing his hundred

AFP ■ LONDON

Australia captain Aaron Finch hit a hundred before England fought back with the ball in their World Cup clash at Lord's on Tuesday.

Reigning champions Australia looked set for a huge total at 185-2 but, one ball after completing his century, Finch holed out.

Australia continued to lose wickets but, with Alex Carey 38 not out, they finished on 285-7 off their 50 overs to leave England with a stiff but not impossible chase against their arch-rivals.

However, an Australia attack led by left-arm quick Mitchell Starc defended a total of 288 to beat the West Indies by 15 runs earlier in the tournament, with Finch side's having won all four games in which they have bowled second at this World Cup.

"To get out straight after a hundred is never ideal," said Finch. "I think there is enough in the wicket. It is still a pretty good score."

"It wasn't the easiest wicket to start on. The ball was moving for the seamer. We were conscious to get through that and were able to. We could have got a few more runs but we have got to defend it regardless."

Both Warner, the World Cup's leading run-scorer, and Steve Smith were booed as they entered and exited the field following their recent return from year-long bans for ball-tampering.

England captain Eoin Morgan, who has said it is not his job to tell the crowd how to behave, won the toss in overcast conditions and on a green pitch that promised to help his attack.

Finch and David Warner (53) shared a fine first-wicket stand of 123, with Finch earning a reprieve on 15 when James Vince could not hold a tough chance at backward point.

The Australia skipper then looked to up the tempo with a



Jofra Archer celebrates with his England teammates after dismissing Aaron Finch

**HIGHEST OPENING STANDS FOR AUS AGAINST ENG**

RUNS	PARTNERS	VENUE	DATE
163	Aaron Finch/David Warner	Melbourne	12-01-2014
123	Aaron Finch/David Warner	Lord's	25-06-2019
118*	Adam Gilchrist/Matthew Hayden	Sydney	23-01-2003
110	Brad Haddin/Shane Watson	Melbourne	16-01-2011
109	Geoff R Marsh/Dirk Wellham	Sydney	22-01-1987

legside six off Moeen Ali but the stand was broken in the 23rd over when off-spinner Moeen induced Warner to lob a gentle catch to Joe Root, running round from backward point.

Finch went to his century thanks to a misfield by Chris Woakes but next ball he miscued a hook off Archer and Woakes made no mistake with the catch at fine leg.

He was out for exactly 100, having faced 116 balls, with 11 fours and two sixes and his exit saw Archer become the tournament's outright leading wicket-taker with 16 scalps.

New batsman Glenn Maxwell hit a six and four off successive Archer deliveries only to fall for 12 when caught behind trying to 'ramp' Mark Wood.

Smith and Marcus Stoinis

were then involved in a mix-up that saw Stoinis run out before Smith was caught in the deep off Woakes for 38.

England, bidding to win the World Cup for the first time, were unchanged from the side that suffered a surprise 20-run loss to Sri Lanka.

Australia made two changes from the team that Bangladesh by 48 runs in Nottingham, with off-spinner Nathan Lyon replacing leg-spinner Adam Zampa and Jason Behrendorff coming in for fellow pacesman Nathan Coulter-Nile.

Only the top four at the end of the 10-team round-robin stage will qualify for the semi-finals.

Australia are currently second in the table.

England are fourth but any more slip-ups for Morgan's men

**SCOREBOARD**

**Australia**

Aaron Finch c Woakes b Archer 100  
David Warner c Root b Moeen 53  
Usman Khawaja b Stokes 23  
Steven Smith c Archer b Woakes 38  
Glenn Maxwell c Buttler b Wood 12  
Stoinis run out (Jonny/Rashid/Buttler) 8  
Alex Carey (wk) not out 38  
Pat Cummins c Buttler b Woakes 1  
Mitchell Starc not out 4  
Extras (b 0, lb 4, w 4, nb 0, p 0) 8  
Total (7 wkts, 50 Ov) 285

**Fall of wickets:** 123-1 (David Warner, 22.4), 173-2 (Usman Khawaja, 32.2), 185-3 (Aaron Finch, 35.3), 213-4 (Glenn Maxwell, 38.2), 228-5 (Marcus Stoinis, 41.5), 250-6 (Steven Smith, 45.4), 259-7 (Pat Cummins, 47.1)

**Bowling**

Chris Woakes 10-0-46-2  
Jofra Archer 9-0-56-1  
Mark Wood 9-0-59-1  
Ben Stokes 6-0-29-1  
Moeen Ali 6-0-42-1  
Adil Rashid 10-0-49-0

in their three remaining pool games against Australia, India and New Zealand could imperil their chances of reaching the knockout stages.

Top-ranked England, however, have won 10 of their past 11 one-day internationals against Australia.

# Bhuvni returns to train at nets

PNS ■ MANCHESTER

Team India returned to training under rain and indoor nets at Manchester on Wednesday, the highlight being the recuperating Bhuvneshwar Kumar coming back to practice at nets.

The drill was supposed to be a full-team event but was turned into optional nets due to the constant drizzle soaking up the outfield at Manchester. The team had returned to training after a two-day well-earned break and winning a tense match against Afghanistan in Southampton.

Kumar had suffered a hamstring stiffness mid-field in the match against Pakistan at Manchester and had to leave the field four balls into his over with Vijay Shankar completing the task, to earn a first-ball wicket in his World Cup debut.

Bhuvneshwar, who had been restricted to slow walking the field and light exercise drills by team physio Patrick Farhartin the run-up to the match against Afghanistan, bowled at the nets for around half-an-hour as Virat Kohli, Ravindra Jadeja and Vijay Shankar took throw downs in paral-



Bhuvneshwar Kumar, left, speaks to team physiotherapist Patrick Farhart during an indoor training session ahead of their match against West Indies at Old Trafford in Manchester on Tuesday

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lel nets. He kept his run-up mostly small, increasing it only once in a while that too not to full stride and under the watchful eyes of Farhart.

India is scheduled to play its sixth match of the tournament against West Indies but Mohammed Shami who had replaced the injured Kumar for the Afghanistan match has since cemented his prospects in the playing 11 with a last-over hat-trick which turned the tide of the game and overall four wickets.

It now remains to be seen whether Kumar would be back for the West Indies game though it looks unlikely for now with Shami in full flow and the skipper Virat Kohli suggesting after the match against Pakistan that Kumar

would take at least two maybe three matches to recover completely from his injury.

India's next match after the one at Manchester is against England in Edgbaston, Birmingham, and a more serious look at Kumar's return would be taken only then by the team management.

Meanwhile, a full-drill nets had to be bifurcated into an optional indoor session due to rain with Kohli, Jadeja, Shankar and Kumar turning up for the session. Kohli, who batted for close to 45 minutes to throw-downs by the support staff and the balling machine as coach Ravi Shastri looked over. Kohli's full-throated shots came in as a decibel warning for the West Indies who play India tomorrow despite being all but out of contention for the semi-final.

Shankar, practised at length some outside off-stump deliveries from the machine, missing many of them even as Jadeja who has so far not got a game except as a substitute for first Shikhar Dhawan and then Kumar, swung his bat with elan with some square cuts and uppish straight drives over the head of the bowler.

# It's Manchester, they do things differently here

PNS ■ MANCHESTER

The quaint Old Trafford pub on the road leading up to the cricket ground here sports a brave stand: "Open only on match days." You try and book a table for yourself for the England-Australia cricket match and a sense of disbelief engulfs the booking agent at the other end. "Madam, when we say match day we mean only football!"

Cricket is second to many sports in England, the game's mother country, but nowhere more pronounced is this fall from grace than in football bastions like Manchester where a ticket to visit the famous

Manchester United Football Stadium, the real "Old Trafford" as they consider it, goes up to 50 pounds for a two-hour walk through.

The city itself, named Mancunium for having been built on a mound, well, resembling a pair of mammary glands, boasts of many firsts and ups a constant middle finger at any claimants otherwise, be it sport, industry or cyber inventions, not to mention its eventful journey from Mancunian to Manchester 2 to Manchester 3 & 4, in what locals call four avatars of a perennial pioneer.

There are many crimes in Manchester which have been



Vijay Shankar, Dinesh Karthik and Yuzvendra Chahal pose for photo during Manchester United football team home ground Old Trafford

doable down the ages, like drugs and gang violence, for instance. But the one that has been completely undoable is asking for a Liverpool jersey at any of their sports merchandise shop. The Liverpool-Manchester rivalry dates back to 1884 water canal and is not just about football.

The two cities, just 35 miles apart, have been slogging it out for premiership in everything from politics to transport to sports, with Manchester having an edge but also having to share its glory with Liverpool on logistics.

Manchester split the atom for the world and is the birthplace of the first computer,

thanks to Alan Turing, a harangued scientist who committed suicide after being discovered as a homosexual and preferred to take libido downer injections over jail.

His body was found in the kitchen with a bitten apple next to him, apparently laced with cyanide, giving wind to talk of Steve Jobs giving him homage through the flagship symbol even though England itself gave the man his pride back only in the 21st century apologising for his persecution despite him being the man who cut the big war short by several years through his decoding abilities.

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# Cornered Pak vs flying Kiwis

## Pakistan to battle for survival against New Zealand

UPNEXT



PTI ■ BIRMINGHAM

Their campaign revived by a win over South Africa, Pakistan will continue their battle of survival when they face an unstoppable New Zealand in a must-win World Cup clash today.

Pakistan faced severe criticism after their loss to arch-rivals India but their 49-run win over South Africa breathed life into their campaign but the road ahead is a tough one.

With just two wins and three losses, Pakistan are at the seventh spot with five points in six games.

Sarfraz Ahmed and his men will now not only have to win the remaining three matches, starting with New Zealand, but also hope that the results in other matches favour them to salvage any hopes of a semifinal berth.

While pacer Mohammad Amir has been their biggest star, claiming 15 wickets to top the list, none of the other bowlers have backed him, which has affected their campaign.

Their batting line-up too lacked spark before left-handed batsman Haris Sohail, who was dropped after the opening game, made a strong comeback with a 59-ball 89 to help Pakistan post a challenging 308 for 7 against South Africa.

Shadab Khan and Wahab Riaz also chipped in with three wickets in their last game after Amir once again delivered, accounting for two scalps.

While the batting and bowling units delivered against the Proteas, fielding is an area of concern for Pakistan and Sarfraz too admitted that the team will need to pull up its socks.

"We have to work harder on fielding. Again we dropped so many catches (against South Africa), some straightforward and some half-chances. All three matches now are very crucial and we have to sort it out," Sarfraz had said after the match.

New Zealand, on the other hand, have been invincible so far and currently hold the top position in the points table.

The Black Caps, led by inspiration



New Zealand pacer Trent Boult plays with the ball during team's practice session

ICC/Twitter

skipper Kane Williamson, have been on a roll ever since they steamrolled Sri Lanka in their opening match.

But no team is unbeatable and New Zealand looked vulnerable against South Africa and the West Indies but it was skipper Williamson's twin hundreds which helped them seal the wins.

Williamson, who also anchored the side against Afghanistan, is their highest scorer in the tournament so far. Ross Taylor too has been among the runs but opensers Colin Munro and Martin Guptill

are yet to click.

Their bowling unit, which includes Trent Boult and Lockie Ferguson, too has been in good form, while New Zealand also have two destructive all-rounders in Jimmy Neesham and Colin de Grandhomme in their ranks.

The only aspect that they seem to be struggling is delivering their quota of overs within the stipulated time and Williamson could be handed a suspension if the over-rate is slow in one more match.



Pak bowling coach Azhar Mahmood shares fun moment with players during practice session

ICC/Twitter

### HEAD TO HEAD

	Played	Pak	NZ	Tied/NR
Matches	106	54	48	1/3
Day matches	66	32	31	1/2
In World Cup	8	6	2	-
Last 5 matches	5	1	3	1

### HIGHEST TOTALS

<b>Pakistan</b>	364-7 in 50 overs at Sharjah	14-12-2014
<b>New Zealand</b>	369-5 in 50 overs at Napier	03-02-2015

### PERFORMANCE IN WC

Team	P	W	L	T	N/R	Success%
Pak	84	53	30	-	1	63.69
NZ	76	42	32	-	2	56.57

FAISEL FEATURES

### SQUADS

**Pakistan:** Sarfraz Ahmed (captain), Fakhar Zaman, Imam ul Haq, Babar Azam, Haris Sohail, Hasan Ali, Shahadab Khan, Mohammed Hafeez, Mohammed Hasnain, Shaheen Shah Afridi, Wahab Riaz, Mohammed Amir, Shoaib Malik, Imad Wasim, Asif Ali.  
**New Zealand:** Kane Williamson (captain), Martin Guptill, Matt Henry, Tom Latham, Colin Munro, Jimmy Neesham, Henry Nicholls, Mitchell Santner, Ish Sodhi, Trent Boult, Colin de Grandhomme, Lockie Ferguson, Tim Southee, Ross Taylor, Tom Blundell.

### XFACTOR

- Black Caps' pace attack
- Sarfraz Ahmed's leadership
- Imam-ul-Haq and Fakhar Zaman's opening stand
- Kane Williamson and Ross Taylor's middle order batting
- Mohammed Amir, Wahab Riaz's opening spell
- Colin de Grandhomme's all-round performance

## MEN WHO MATTER

### MOHAMMAD AMIR (PAKISTAN)

The left-arm pacer is delivering big time on the promise he showed when he arrived on the international scene a decade ago, as a 17-year-old. Amir in this tournament has been more incisive than he has in years. His battle against Williamson should be a mouth-watering one.



### KANE WILLIAMSON (NEW ZEALAND)

Williamson never ceases to amaze with his sponge-like ability to absorb pressure. Along with his unquestionable class, Williamson brings fantastic temperament, just the kind of which is required to succeed in a high-stakes environment, such as the World Cup.



There is rain expected on match eve, but by the time Wednesday comes around, the weather should have eased out considerably. There will, nevertheless, be a light cloud cover and some mild breeze, so watch out for some wicked in-swingers and away-angling rippers from Boult and Amir.

# 'Jeet karo repeat' Kane can, we can

IAN S ■ BIRMINGHAM

Former Pakistan speedster Wasim Akram has advised Sarfraz Ahmed not to tinker with the winning combination and go with an unchanged playing XI against New Zealand in their crucial World Cup match to be played on Wednesday at Edgbaston.

Pakistan kept their hopes of making it to the semi-finals of the ongoing tournament alive after registering a comfortable 49-run victory over South Africa on Sunday, thus knocking them out of the competition.

He also hoped for a repeat of 1992's show when Pakistan had defeated the Black Caps — who were also unbeaten till that match — by seven wickets in their crucial World Cup game played at the AMI Stadium in Christchurch.

"They were unbeaten in 1992 too before playing against us and we won the game, they're unbeaten again and I hope we repeat the show, but boys will have to give their best," Wasim told Pakistan's Geo TV. "There's no need to change the winning combination," he added.

However, Akram wants Pakistan to improve their field-



Wasim Akram appeals for lbw during 1992 World Cup final

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ing, especially their catching which has been very poor so far in the tournament.

Pakistan have dropped as many as 14 catches in the six games they have played so far. "We have dropped 14 catches in the tournament. We are top on the list of teams dropping most catches in the World Cup which isn't a good sign," Akram said.

"This isn't something new, but we need to overcome this problem," he added.

The former captain also added that Babar Azam needs to start converting his fifties into hundreds if he wants to

become a world-class batsman.

Azam has scored two half-centuries in the World Cup so far, which came against England and South Africa, but was subsequently dismissed for 63 and 69 respectively. He also scored 48 against arch-rivals India before being clean bowled by spinner Kuldeep Yadav.

"The openers did well, Babar did well, but Babar needs to convert his fifties into hundreds," said Akram while speaking of the Proteas game.

■ BIRMINGHAM

Forget skipper Kane Williamson for a second — New Zealand's unbeaten start to the Cricket World Cup has been a true team effort with everyone stepping up to the plate.

That's the view of Black Caps all-rounder Mitchell Santner as the Black Caps look to continue their impressive start to this year's competition against Pakistan in Edgbaston on Wednesday.

Boasting the highest batting average in the World Cup 2019 to date — a staggering 186.50 — after match winning knocks against both West Indies and South Africa, skipper Williamson has rightly been lauded for his wonderfully assured performances over the past month.

But with only one side — the WI — having scored over 250 against New Zealand so far, and the likes of Lockie Ferguson and Trent Boult excelling with the ball, Santner believes the Black Caps' success so far is as much a triumph of collective skill.

"We've had a couple of tight games, which I guess the key so far is other people have been stepping up, and I guess that's what you want to do as a team," he said. "You want everyone to step up at different times throughout the tournament, and I think that's what we've done so far."

"We haven't relied on a few guys to do the bulk of the work, but in saying that, being on the winning side of those tight encounters give the whole squad confidence. "So that's nice, obviously, going into each game, that you know you've got confidence. "The team, other people are standing up at different times, and you can back everyone to do a job rather than just relying on a couple of key players."

"You look at our side as a whole, we're quite a scrappy side, and we pride ourselves on winning those little moments, like I guess we have been, and saying that, we could have been on the other end of a couple of those games."

Opponents Pakistan head into Wednesday's game in Birmingham still well in the hunt for a semi-



M Santner in action

ICC/Twitter

final berth after victory over South Africa at Lord's on Sunday.

Key to the Men in Green's success resurgence has been Mohammad Amir's potent use of the new ball, with the seamer currently sitting close to the top of the bowling standings.

And with pre-tournament England another their victims over the past

month, Santner believes Pakistan's threat cannot be taken lightly. "I think they're very dangerous. Obviously, they've had a pretty good record over here," he added.

"They won the Champions Trophy a couple of years ago, and they've come off a pretty good win against South Africa."

"We've played Pakistan a lot recently. We're aware of their strengths, and I think Wahab back into their team is very good for them."

"Amir is bowling very well as well. Their bowling attack on the whole is very good. We can't take them lightly, and we'll have to prepare accordingly. I guess we've seen early in this tournament they've taken down big sides."

"They took down South Africa the other day. When they're hot, they're really hot. We have to, obviously, find ways of trying to cool them down when they're like that. We're playing pretty good cricket as well, so I think we're in for a pretty good match tomorrow."

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### coachSpeak

AZHAR MAHMOOD, PAK



■ How do you see today's match?

They're (NZ) definitely a very strong side. They won all of their games. So we know they're a strong side. If we can do our discipline right, like we did last game — batting, bowling, and fielding. Our ground fielding was really good, but unfortunately we dropped a lot of catches. If we do our discipline right, we can beat any side.

■ Where do you think NZ is most vulnerable?

They are a quality side. They've got a match spinner on their side. So with the ball, you know, it's crucial for us to take a wicket with the new ball. And when we bat, we need to get runs up front. So our top three is the most important for us. If we do our basics right, it's just about us, not about them. We need to do our things right.

■ Would you use spinners more than fast bowlers?

We haven't seen the pitch yet. We play two spinners anyway, and in our side, Haris can bowl as well and Hafeez. So we've got almost four spinners on the side. We'll see the pitch and assess the condition, and then we can use one thing against New Zealand. Change of pace is crucial.

■ As the bowling coach, what do you think has gone wrong with Hasan Ali.

Everyone in cricket, whether you're a batsman or a bowler, you have bad form. He's having a bad form. So he's low on his confidence. He has self-doubt in his ability. So he's running in, and he's working hard on and off the field. You can see that. But it's just a matter of getting two, three wickets, and he'll be back.

Same thing happened to Ahmed, you know. After Champions Trophy, Ahmed was struggling, but he was bowling well. Now you see that he's having a good time. It's same thing happened to Hasan Ali as well.

■ What do you make of the pitch out there at the moment?

We played in this ground before in Champions Trophy. So we know the condition really well. We'll find out today how the pitch look like. Maybe it's like the game played here was a slightly drier pitch. Let's see under cover.

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### Feather in the cap

**Birmingham:** New Zealand opener Martin Guptill will aim to add another feather to his cap when he comes to bat against Pakistan in their World Cup fixture to be played today.



Guptill needs 58 more runs to become the second Kiwi player after former skipper Stephen Fleming to score 1,000 World Cup runs. So far, the right-handed batsman has amassed 942 runs in 22 World Cup innings. The 32-year-old will become the 20th batsman overall to score 1,000 runs in World Cups.

Fleming scored 1,075 runs in 33 innings he played in World Cups for the Black Caps. Legendary Indian batsman Sachin Tendulkar holds the record for scoring the maximum number of runs in World Cups. He scored 2,278 runs in 44 World Cup innings.

Guptill also holds the record for scoring the highest score in a World Cup. He had played an outstanding innings of 237 against the West Indies in the 2015 edition of the World Cup. New Zealand, with 11 points from six games, will aim to seal their semi-final spot when they take on Pakistan at Edgbaston.

### Self-destruct mode

**London:** Pakistan head coach Mickey Arthur has claimed that he was feeling so low and disappointed after his team's loss to India in the ongoing World Cup that he wanted to "commit suicide".

On June 16 at the Old Trafford in Manchester, Pakistan had to face an embarrassing 89-run loss (D/L method) against arch-rivals India. This was their seventh loss against the Men in Blue in all the editions of the World Cups.

The entire team, including skipper Sarfraz Ahmed and the team management, had drawn a lot of flak from former cricketers and fans on social media.

However, Pakistan came back strongly to keep their hopes alive of making it to the semi-finals as they registered a convincing 49-run victory over South Africa, knocking the Faf du Plessis-led team out of the competition.

"Last Sunday I wanted to commit suicide," Arthur said at the post-match press conference after the Proteas game at the Lord's on Sunday. "But it was, you know, it's only one performance."

"It happens so quick. You lose a game; you lose another game; it's a World Cup; media scrutiny; public expectation, and then you almost go into sort of survival mode. We've all been there," he added.

He had also said guys in the team were "burnt" last week post their defeat to Virat Kohli's men.

— IANS

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## Secure your future



One can achieve great heights in career with the dawn of finance industry, says MAHESH SHUKLA

It's a no brainer that the finance sector is the holy grail to a nation's economic performance and standard of living. The industry that directly or indirectly espouses the population and businesses to fulfil their respective goals is also the one which contributes the lion's share to the total GDP of the economy. The financial services industry stands upright as the backbone of India's robust economy with a projected growth rate of 8.5 per cent.

The new entrants into the market such as commercial banks, insurance companies, mutual funds, non-banking financial companies (NBFCs), and FinTech startups are destined to accelerate the stable growth rate of the Indian finance sector. Notable, there are around 11,522 NBFCs that are registered with Reserve Bank of India (RBI), 2,050 FinTech startups spanning across digital payments, lending, wealth-tech, personal finance and many others, and more are underway. The mobile wallet industry is also expected to grow at CAGR rate of 150 per cent to touch the \$4.4 billion mark in the next four years. And, the government of India and RBI are joining the forces with the private sector to strengthen the financial services industry with policy-reforms, tech innovation, and pro-industry measures.

With such sweeping reforms, there is one thing sure to come-the far-flung wave of job creation for

youths and millennials in India. Where the jobs for financial analysts, accountants, investor relations manager, and commercial bankers are and will be on the rise, the demands for financial analytics professionals, data compliance and managers, International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) professionals, and many others will grow manifold.

■ **Offshoots of digital disruption**

The financial institutions and organisations are using new-age technologies such as artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, and machine learning (ML) for fraud detection, anti-money laundering strategies, and manage portfolios. With these intelligent tech solutions, the companies, providing financial support to the underserved population through the digital channels, personalise their services as per the clients' needs, improve pricing, billing, and underwriting process, and predict the risks and threats. But, as these financial companies go data-driven for increased profitability and growth, the need for talents with tech skills and expertise is urgent.

In Mumbai, Bengaluru, Delhi/NCR, and Chennai, the jobs for financial software developers, analytics professionals, data engineers, and technology consultants in dedicated analytics and AI CoEs are raging high. The students of finance and banking should develop quantitative and technical skills along with business acumen that would enable

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them to bagging the salary package of nearly 13 lakhs. The salary for an entry-level financial analytics or tech professionals revolves around 6-7 lakhs.

■ **Rise with the revival of micro-finance industry**

The credit rating agency, ICRA,

reports that that Indian micro-finance industry is going under a speedy recovery after the liquidity storm of the last year. The growth rate is estimated to be of 20-22 per cent this year with the burgeoning of NBFCs and FinTech lending startups, which signals high career prospects in the industry. Some top players perform exceptionally well in even in the volatile market conditions, while many fail to achieve their goals in the early three or four years. The reason behind the success of NBFCs and FinTechs is the strong underwriting and risk assessment system. With the recent traumatic funding crisis in the industry, it has become essential for NBFCs to augment risks management strategies.

And this is the reason why the Reserve Bank of India asked NBFCs whose assets size is over ₹5000 crore to appoint chief risk officers (CROs) and improve their risk management practices. And here comes another job role into the mainstream-CRO. Those who are looking to build a lasting career in finance, the best option is to become CRO, a senior official in the organisational hierarchy of the NBFCs and whose sole responsibility and duty is strategising risk management practices, predicting and mitigating the risks. For this, the candidates must have professional qualifications and expertise in both finance and risk management. The compensation package of CROs would range from ₹7-11 lakhs.

■ **Opening doors to women professionals**

Indian finance and investment industry has started embracing gender diversity, but still has miles to walk because today, men largely dominate the leadership roles. The times are changing as women continue to make their mark in the male-dominated industries. The gender gap in the finance industry is definitely a challenge, but since the time Boston Consulting Group, global management consulting firm, revealed the companies with diverse teams report better financial performance, the companies are more open to women professionals.

They can build a career in investment banking, corporate finance, portfolio management, and risk management and fill the C-suite positions in the finance companies. Their typical day will revolve around strategy-making, financial planning, risk analysis and others, the responsibilities that are growth drivers. Else, they can go for tech roles in FinTech space where the phenomenon of job proliferation is sky high. Or, entrepreneurship will be the perfect choice for them with tech innovation. After all, the finance sector holds enough potential for women from diverse educational backgrounds. Whatever be the choice, the decision should be made in early adulthood to make finance a lasting career.

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**QUOTE OF THE DAY**  
Look at the sky. We are not alone. The whole universe is friendly to us and conspires only to give the best to those who dream and work  
— Dr APJ Abdul Kalam

**HOTEL MANAGEMENT**  
The Lakshya Bhartee Institute of International Hotel Management invites applicants for undergraduate programmes and postgraduates programmes in Hotel Management.

**Duration:** For BSc — three years; For MSc — two years.

**Eligibility:** For BSc programme candidates must have passed Class XII from a recognised central/state board or from a recognised university. Selection will be based on the personal interview. For MSc programme candidates must have completed their graduation from a recognised university. Selection will be based on the personal interview.

**How to apply:** Log on to [www.lbihm.com](http://www.lbihm.com).

**Last date to apply:** July 6, 2019.

**DENTAL SURGERY PROG**  
Manav Rachna International Institute of



Research and Studies (MRI-IRS) invites applications for admissions to its Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) programme

**Duration:** Four years which includes 240 teaching days in each academic year, plus one year rotating internship in MRDC.

**Eligibility:** Based on merit in NEET 2019.

**How to apply:** Register at [www.mcc.nic.in](http://www.mcc.nic.in), through candidate log in, submit choice for BDS course and select participating institution (College Code 487 - Manav Rachna Dental College).

## Roadmap for success

**PNS ■ NEW DELHI**

With women occupying top executive spots like Indra Nooyi, Shikha Sharma and Vinita Bali, more and more organisations are relying on greater women employee strength. One such organisation is Bongchie that gives credit to the company's success to its strength of 750 women employees.

■ **Why women employees?**

The work procedure proceeds manually, employees make the rolling papers right from scratch in the factory. The women have proved that they are hard working and are more efficient than men.

■ **Employee engagement**

Being an employer and receiving amazing results in the organisation, there comes the duty of returning the hardwork back to the employees. The company understands the subject of employee retention and is therefore planning out a huge deal of employee engagement activities and benefits.

■ **Extra activities**

With fitness the new mantra for most, there are yoga and zumba classes for their employees for two hours every Saturday. Fitness activities are being arranged especially keeping the women employees in mind. The goal is to engage them into healthy activities.

■ **Flexible timings**

The work timings are from 10 am to 6 pm. However, the company is flexible enough to ignore the late comers.

■ **Safety measures**

Keeping in mind that he has the maximum strength of women employees, the employees have the provision of calling the superior directly if there seem to be any issues or issue regarding security.

■ **Prize and performance**

Top five performers in the company receive prizes. Rewards and prizes have made the employees more productive as it gives them a goal to achieve and also plays a big hand in making them goal oriented.

■ **Fun and entertainment**

In order to avoid the boredom from working hours at the office, there are installed speakers which have been arranged for the employees. They have the flexibility to operate and use it at any time of the hour.

■ **Challenges & development**

Employees are given out certain challenging tasks once-twice a month to increase their potency in strategy making or problem-solving skills. The tasks are given out to improve their self-learning skills and increase their scope of growth.

## STUDY CENTRES

The role of purchase manager is important in an organisation. The manager is responsible for buying different material — stationary to materials used for manufacturing. A purchase manager should have a bachelor's degree in Business Management or administration. For advanced positions an MBA is required. The job of a purchase manager varied based on the organisation. Purchase managers can find opportunities in public as well as the private sector. Salary depends upon individual skill, qualification, experience, nature of job, location and nature of the employer. A few institutes to study are:

- **Kochin Academy Of Research and Education, Ernakulam.** Course: Advanced Diploma in Material Management
- **Indian Institute of Materials Management, Chennai.** Course: Graduate Diploma in Materials Management
- **Indian Institute of Materials Management, New Delhi.** Course: Graduate Diploma in Materials Management
- **National Institute of Logistics and Material Management, Udaipur.** Course: MBA Material Management
- **Institute of Engineering and Rural Technology, Allahabad.** Course: MBA Material Management
- **Indian Institute of Materials Management, Navi Mumbai.** Course: MBA Material Mgt



## RAGGING FREE CAMPUS

On a day that over 5000 freshers were inducted in different courses at the SRM Institute of Science and Technology, parents from different parts of the country were assured that there was no ragging on the campus and their wards were quite safe to pursue their academic studies without worry.

Although SRMIST is ragging-free, it has been decided to form an anti-ragging committee as a confidence building measure, the Registrar Prof N Sethuraman told the aspiring students and their parents at the freshers' induction programme held at the T P Ganesan Auditorium, believed to be one of the largest of its kind in Asia.

The initial reference to the retrograde practice of ragging was made by SRMIST Vice Chancellor Prof Sandeep Sanchei who spoke among other things about the do's and don'ts for students while

welcoming them. He pointedly said they should not indulge in ragging or abuse of substances reported from some colleges. He also had advice for parents saying they should keep a vigil on their wards as well and adopt a friendly attitude of understanding problems that may be faced by their sons or daughters during their initial years on the campus.

Emphasising that there was a significant 7 per cent investment in R & D in SRMIST, he urged students to make full use of state-of-the-art facilities for research at SRMIST to experiment and innovate as their objective should be to go beyond their standard curriculum to emerge as entrepreneurs and trail blazers. While 75 per cent attendance was necessary to qualify for examinations, he advised freshers to aim for 100 per cent attendance to derive the full benefit of knowledge and guidance from their teachers.

## No room for fake news

Taking a dig at winners in the recently concluded Lok Sabha elections who had made an issue of so-called rigged Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs), former Chief Election Commissioner N Gopalaswami observed that these critics had fallen silent now and praised the *Janata Janardhan* (supreme public mandate) for their victory.

Speaking on Indian Elections and Enduring Myths at the SRM Institute of Science and Technology on June 22, Gopalaswami remarked in lighter vein spiced with sarcasm that leaders who contested from two constituencies, winning one seat and losing the other, should now ponder which EVMs in which booths were tampered with.

SRMIST founder chancellor and MP, Dr TR Paarivendhar said the lecture was the first in a series planned by the institution to spark public debates on burning issues.

The veteran bureaucrat who had supervised the 15th Lok Sabha elections flayed the rampant fake news relating to the



EVMs over the years even though they were 'stand alone machines' not connected to any online system. This fake news had created one of the biggest myths of Indian democracy that EVMs were tamperable and could be meddled with.

He recalled that Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amrinder Singh had challenged the use of EVMs in the state's high court in 2002 but trials failed to prove his charge and he had fallen silent after he won. In 1982 one contestant had challenged EVMs in the Kerala high court but the court did not agree. He said BJP spokesperson G VL Narasimha Rao in a book in 2009 had faulted the EVMs for the party's defeat and Dr Subramaniam Swamy had cited US experts to claim that EVMs could be tampered with. However, the matter could not be proved. Later a US expert at a gathering in Chennai had emphatically said that stand alone machines could not be tampered with.

# Sensex surts, Govt likely to use RBI windfall to pay regular bills

## energy, auto stocks rally

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The BSE Sensex Tuesday rallied about 312 points, driven by energy, auto and banking stocks as monsoon's swift progress revived investor sentiment.

After trading in the red zone for a better part of the session, the BSE gauge pared losses and soared over 350 points, before settling 311.98 points, or 0.80 per cent, higher at 39,434.94. The index hit an intra-day high of 39,490.64 and a low of 38,946.04.

Similarly, the broader NSE Nifty rose 96.80 points, or 0.83 per cent, to 11,796.45. During the day, the index touched a high of 11,814.40 and a low of 11,651.

RIL was the biggest gainer in the Sensex pack, rising 2.63 per cent, followed by NTPC, Axis Bank, Tata Steel, PowerGrid, HDFC twins, Bharti Airtel, M&M, ICICI Bank, SBI and Bajaj Finance — gaining up to 2.51 per cent.

While, Yes Bank, Asian Paints, IndusInd Bank, TechM, HUL, TCS, L&T, Hero

MotoCorp and HCL Tech fell up to 1.70 per cent.

Markets pared initial losses following India Meteorological Department's (IMD) statement that India's annual monsoon rains have covered nearly half of the country, and conditions are favourable for further advancement into the central and western parts this week, said Narendra Solanki, Head Fundamental Research (Investment Services) — AVP Equity Research, Anand Rathi Shares & Stock Brokers.

"Positive sentiment further strengthened in the market in afternoon session on back of buying in banking, metals and realty stocks," he added.

Meanwhile, bourses in Shanghai, Hong Kong, Tokyo and Seoul ended on a negative note.

Equity markets in Europe were also trading in the red in early deals.

On the currency front, the Indian rupee was trading flat at 69.36 against the US dollar intra-day.

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Bimal Jalan committee report, which is delayed, will lead to transfer of under Rs 3 lakh crore of excess capital from the Reserve Bank to the government, which will most likely use the money for meeting regular expenses, says a report.

The money will come in over three years and is most likely used for regular government spending, Japanese brokerage Nomura said in report Tuesday.

The Bimal Jalan committee on the appropriate economic capital framework for RBI was formed last December, and has sought a third extension to present its report which will now be next month.

"Market expectations suggest Rs 3 lakh crore (will be) distributed staggered over years, though we believe the ultimate transfer will be lower," the brokerage said.

It said there is a 45 per cent probability for the money to be used for regular government spending and only 20 per cent

chance that it will be used for bank recapitalisation.

Recouping state-run banks' capital buffers which have taken a beating due to the dud asset recognition is one of the most talked about uses for the excess RBI capital and is also backed for former chief economic advisor Arvind Subramanian.

Nomura gave a higher, 25 per cent probability for the money to be used for retiring public debt with the RBI, and a 10 per cent probability of no immediate transfer at all.

"The evaluation of 'excess' depends on the choice of stress-testing, and ranges from the RBI being under-capitalised to an excess as high as Rs 4.5 lakh crore," it said, speaking about the ways of computing.

It, however, said those expecting a large fiscal windfall of Rs 3 lakh crore are "at a risk of being disappointed".

Other members of the Jalan panel include Rakesh Mohan, former deputy governor as the vice-chairman, finance secretary Subhash Chandra Garg, deputy gover-

nor NS Vishwanathan, and two RBI board members - Bharat Doshi and Sudhir Mankad.

The panel is entrusted with the task of reviewing the best practices followed by central banks worldwide in making assessment and provisions for risks.

The government and the RBI during the tenure of previous governor Urjit Patel had been at loggerheads over the surplus capital with the central bank, and formation of the panel was among the first

major decision taken by Patel's successor Shaktikanta Das.

The finance ministry was of the view that the buffer of 28 per cent of gross assets maintained by the central bank is well above the global norm of around 14 per cent.

In the past, the issue of the ideal size of the RBI reserves was examined by three committees—V Subrahmanyam in 1997, Usha Thorat in 2004 and YH Malegam in 2013. But none of them called for paring the same from the then existing levels.

# 'National e-commerce policy within 12 months'

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The government will come out with a national e-commerce policy within 12 months to facilitate achieving holistic growth of the sector, an official said.

This was informed by commerce and industry minister Piyush Goyal in his second marathon meeting with stakeholders, including e-commerce companies, on Monday.

"We will put in place an institutional framework to bring out a national policy on e-commerce within next 12 months," the official said.

The government in February released the draft national e-commerce policy

proposing setting up a legal and technological framework for restrictions on cross-border data flow and also laid out conditions for businesses regarding collection or processing of sensitive data locally and storing it abroad.

Several foreign e-commerce firms have raised concerns over some points in the draft pertaining to data.

An inter-ministerial panel under DPIIT would be formed to address stakeholder grievances on FDI and draft e-commerce policy.

Goyal also said in the meeting that the Press Note 2, which talks about FDI in e-commerce, is clarificatory in nature and the government

has not made any changes in the existing law.

"Companies who participated (in the meeting) agreed with this. They confirmed unequivocally that the Press Note 2 of 2018 on FDI in e-commerce was only clarificatory in nature and did not change the provisions in the FDI policy," the official added.

The minister also stated that India wants to engage with the world on data and e-commerce issues "but there has to be reciprocity", the official said.

Top executives from Flipkart, Amazon, Snapdeal, Paytm, eBay, Makemytrip, Swiggy and others attended the meeting.

The minister will meet again with retail and e-commerce firms to further address their issues.

The e-commerce firms shared sectoral concerns like the ones related with GST, and discounts. Flipkart CEO Kalyan Krishnamurthy in a statement said the company appreciates the government's efforts to "engage in a candid, positive and progressive discussions aimed at creating a vibrant e-commerce market and Digital India".

"We look forward to working with the ministry and many other stakeholders to realise this growth dream," he added.

A Walmart spokesperson said the company welcomes the

multiple consultative meetings that Goyal has hosted with business leaders.

The minister has shown an open mind to discuss various issues related to e-commerce so that there is meaningful progress to ensure that every-one benefits from the growing digital economy, promoting a positive investment environment for both international and domestic companies, the spokesperson added.

"E-commerce is an incredible opportunity for India to enable 70 million medium and small Indian businesses to become the bedrock of India's digital economy. Snapdeal welcomes the government's determination to ensure that the

**Industry minister Piyush Goyal in the meeting that the Press Note 2, which talks about FDI in e-commerce, is clarificatory in nature and the government has not made any changes in the existing law.**

policies governing the sector are followed both in letter and spirit," a Snapdeal spokesperson said.

## NIFTY 50

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NIFTY 50	11681.00	11814.40	11651.00	11796.45	96.80
JSWSTEEL	254.40	268.30	252.65	266.00	8.20
BPCCL	379.00	394.60	379.00	392.40	11.50
RELIANCE	1258.90	1298.00	1254.25	1295.40	33.00
AXISBANK	671.25	788.00	756.55	780.10	17.25
TATASTEEL	474.00	499.80	473.95	496.10	9.85
HINDALCO	195.50	203.90	194.50	202.10	3.90
NTPC	135.95	139.70	135.15	138.25	2.65
IOC	152.05	155.00	151.75	154.50	2.45
GRASIM	886.55	906.45	877.05	900.50	13.85
TITAN	1309.00	1320.85	1296.05	1317.00	16.95
POWERGRID	199.00	202.30	199.00	201.50	2.45
M&M	635.00	644.65	635.00	641.65	6.80
VEDL	168.15	171.50	167.00	170.20	1.75
HDFC	2147.90	2176.80	2138.10	2171.00	22.10
SBIN	352.70	357.00	351.25	356.75	3.55
DREDDY	2502.10	2552.45	2488.05	2538.00	24.60
BAJAJ-AUTO	2814.00	2853.95	2786.00	2843.95	27.25
BRITANNIA	2776.00	2818.35	2753.60	2806.75	26.05
GAIL	305.50	310.55	304.25	309.45	2.75
KOTAKBANK	1471.85	1491.25	1467.00	1483.10	12.50
ICICIBANK	442.90	434.80	424.60	433.00	3.55
MARUTI	6259.00	6540.00	6227.35	6509.00	49.10
BAFINANCE	3545.35	3586.00	3530.35	3552.00	26.65
BHARTIARTL	345.45	352.00	344.50	347.65	2.55
COALINDIA	158.00	161.00	156.85	160.35	1.05
TATAMOTORS	255.00	259.00	254.55	258.10	1.35
ITC	275.05	280.00	274.25	277.65	1.40
ONGC	165.50	168.45	165.50	166.00	0.80
WIPRO	280.00	286.30	281.85	285.20	1.30
SUNPHARMA	382.50	387.50	377.55	384.40	0.95
ULTRACEMCO	4570.00	4627.00	4537.00	4585.20	10.40
HDFCBANK	2419.85	2441.50	2403.00	2422.00	4.00
EICHERMOT	19100.55	19248.90	18831.05	19128.00	29.80
ZEE	336.80	345.40	324.65	341.80	0.45
CIPLA	548.95	554.95	546.55	550.05	0.15
INFY	744.00	750.90	737.30	745.45	-0.05
IBULHSGFIN	611.00	629.90	608.00	619.00	-0.10
HCLTECH	1077.90	1081.10	1060.15	1077.30	-0.60
HEROMOTOCO	2571.00	2603.50	2550.00	2584.70	-1.55
BAJAJFINSV	8350.00	8399.65	8327.00	8336.00	-18.65
ADANIPORTS	400.40	407.20	402.65	405.00	-1.00
TECHM	727.00	728.15	720.00	724.50	-3.75
TCS	2220.00	2274.45	2250.00	2263.00	-12.50
HINDUNILVR	1767.90	1769.70	1745.00	1754.80	-9.65
UPL	93.90	93.80	91.45	91.10	-5.45
L1	1545.80	1552.00	1521.10	1531.95	-9.05
INDUSINDBK	1455.05	1460.50	1441.55	1451.75	-9.80
ASIANPAINT	1371.00	1372.45	1360.35	1362.00	-14.15
INFRATEL	272.00	272.55	266.00	269.30	-3.50
YESBANK	111.00	112.50	109.10	109.65	-2.30

## BSE 500

Script	Open	High	Low	LTP	IDBI	34.50	36.75	34.05	35.15
RPOWER	4.69	4.69	3.95	4.01	CANBK	271.60	276.30	271.00	274.25
JPASSOCIAT	2.95	3.00	2.86	2.96	VIPIND	444.75	445.75	438.00	441.45
JETAIRWAYS	69.00	77.00	67.05	73.60	DCBBANK	229.50	244.60	228.20	240.25
SUZLON	4.99	5.30	4.54	5.19	APOLLOHOSP	1340.00	1351.70	1310.10	1324.30
YESBANK	111.00	112.50	109.10	110.05	STAR	404.45	414.95	397.65	410.90
DHFL	79.40	80.65	74.50	75.40	RAIN	99.15	100.40	98.20	98.70
IBULHSGFIN	613.50	629.70	608.00	621.75	CADILAH	227.75	232.45	223.65	230.55
EMAMILTD	272.00	300.95	271.75	290.80	CHOLAFIN	272.65	280.90	272.10	280.25
RELCAPITAL	67.80	69.65	63.30	64.50	PHILPCARB	114.25	118.20	111.20	115.15
GCWELLER	49.80	51.80	46.90	47.45	IOC	153.00	154.90	151.65	154.45
POCELANE	1262.00	1297.80	1254.35	1295.80	WIPRO	283.50	286.40	281.85	285.35
ICICIGI	1180.00	1180.00	1081.35	1102.10	BATAINDIA	1405.30	1424.80	1402.25	1413.35
ZEE	337.50	345.35	325.00	343.00	DREDDY	2508.00	2551.00	2489.85	2534.35
INFY*	742.50	750.85	737.25	748.05	PTC	64.60	66.30	64.60	65.60
RELFINRA	56.90	57.00	50.35	51.90	SRTRANSFIN	1112.00	1121.00	1102.30	1116.40
ITC	275.70	279.95	274.45	278.25	RADICO	285.40	297.00	285.35	297.00
JSLJALEQS	28.05	29.40	27.30	28.25	OBEROIRLTY	546.00	569.00	543.60	565.35
TATASTEEL	479.50	499.65	474.15	497.60	ULTRACEMCO	4625.00	4626.00	4541.40	4590.00
SPICEJET	122.45	127.45	121.50	125.20	GSPC	91.65	92.40	89.90	91.50
TORNPOWER	241.00	275.90	241.00	272.05	RAJESHAWA	749.00	749.00	706.25	708.95
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GRAPHITE	339.90	343.00	334.10	336.65	TATAMTRDVR	76.05	78.35	76.05	77.75
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L1	1545.00	1551.60	1522.00	1535.05	PARAGMILK	244.05	259.15	244.00	255.75
HDFCAMC	1944.00	1971.00	1922.65	1938.00	FSL	50.90	50.90	48.90	49.55
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PFCE	131.50	135.05	130.90	134.25	COALINDIA	254.90	258.85	254.15	258.35
HEG	1380.00	1445.00	1376.35	1413.15	TATACHEM	610.00	621.70	601.10	616.45
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# Shades of Mancunians

PNS ■ MANCHESTER

Liverpool guys, however, are totally disdainful of anything their brother city has ever achieved. Manchester at worst is responsible for Hiroshima, Nagasaki and Bill Gates, is their chant.

But this one is about Manchester, not Liverpool. Mancunians, however, are passionate beings, taking pride in their revolutions, their music, place in world politics as also their propensity to make the unheard-of meet, like being the harbinger of capitalism and yet being the place where the Communist manifesto was written by Karl Marx and Engels.

The Chartist movement, the Anti-Porn Law League, the Free Trade Movement, the Co-Operative Movement, the Suffragette Movement (the movement for right to vote for women), and, please do believe me, vegetarianism too! The place where the first vegetarian cookbook was published and a vegetarian society founded.

Manchester fiercely prides itself as being the world's city of firsts. From hosting the world's first professional football league in 1888, to the first passenger railway train which ironically took its inaugural journey from Manchester to Liverpool if you please! This was the first time someone could go and buy a ticket and travel for the pleasure of it rather than just transporting goods.

At one point, 80 per cent of the cotton-based goods that showed up in the world were synonymous with Manchester and even today, the golden ball decorating the summit of their Townhall is a cotton ball and not a football as you would have thought.

To this day, in Australia and New Zealand, you get the Manchester departments in stores selling cottonalia despite most of the cotton mills and warehouses now being turned into clubs, housing and secret gems of the largely underground musical gigs. No wonder then, in Czech language, the word Manchester translates into cowdroy trousers! There are 36 cities named Manchester in the world, but none as prominent as this one which came into being in 78 AD.

The industrialisation peaked in 1913 and it was during the World War II when most of the warehouses were bombed triggering a decline to non-existence in 1968 by when just 15 mills were left in surrounding areas. Manchester, in that sense, brought the Industrial Revolution's other facet to the world too, it being called the Shock of the 19th Century, the de-industrialisation.

Today, the red brick buildings are a source of tours and vintage landscape, but these were largely warehouses where the cotton came and sat before being spun into textiles and shipped worldwide. Initially, and much to the chagrin of the Mancunians, everything had to come to them via, ahem, the Liverpool ship canal! And when the city built its own, it was the biggest and first middle finger it could show to Liverpool. People didn't have to go via Liverpool any more, they could come directly to Manchester and save themselves the despair of being obliged to this city's biggest rival.

Today, the rivalry brews as strong and locals tell you when Liverpool meets the Reds on home ground, the acoustics far exceed the decibel levels of an India-Pakistan cricket match in any part of the world. The Manchester United stadium has a 75000-strong stand capacity and tickets for this event are sold seasons before. This intense rivalry can only be compared to a more recent one fuelling the hyper pods against Manchester City, the other local club which has recently been giving a run for their fans. Thankfully for cricket, football is on a summer break, giving the World Cup some of its moment in the city.

Manchester's economic success was



Manchester United attacking midfielder Jesse Lingard tries to go past Liverpool goalkeeper Alisson Becker during Premier League match at Old Trafford stadium in Manchester on 24th February 2019. The match ended in a goalless draw

Premier League/Twitter



built by unsung slaves and working-class Mancunians who were primarily Irish or Italians, exploited much like slaves. They lived in highly unhygienic conditions with contaminated drinking water, leaving them with two choices. One, risk drinking the water and fatal water-borne diseases like typhoid and cholera. Two, switch to alcohol. So that's how you explain the great Irish zen for the liquid diet of the heady kind!

The world's first trade union meeting took place on the famous Princess Street in the 19th century. Today, the street hosts another becoming icon buster: The

Midlands Hotel which contributes significantly in Manchester's other precious tag of being the city where two become one, where the twain meet- like Capitalism and Communism, like anti-and-pro homosexuality laws, like isolation of women from politics to inclusivity.

For this generation, it is the hotel which hosted the first and very secret date of their football legend David Beckham and then Spice Girl Victoria. This is also the building which Hitler took to heart, asking its troops to save it from all the bombing. The shadow of the other dreary and

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empty buildings around this majestic hotel, not to mention the high percentage of joblessness, depression and angst of de-industrialisation, gave birth to a lot of pathbreaking cultural activities which today's Manchester signifies with, like its music. Its yuppie 21st century construction, however, dents some of the shine of a proud Mancunian, by having become non-inclusive, corporate and largely unaffordable! But an illegal and strong rave culture ridden with drugs, alcohol and joblessness besieged the youth. In 1976, came the symbolic arrival of Punk in the UK through Manchester's doors of course when the Sex Pistols premiered songs like "never mind the wallet" at the Free Trade Hall. But did you know that despite the highly publicised event wherein the band was brought in from London, how many people attended it? Just 40, the same number as the ones earmarked for billion-pound bunker that was built in the early 20th century with a fully functional bar, a tunnel to escape and food amenities for six months in case the A-bomb exploded, which never did and by the time the Cold War brought in the more powerful and destructive H-bomb, the bunker was shown up as too ancient to cut any kind of damage.

Back to music, Manchester boasts of an unending list of bands like The Stone Roses, Joy Division, New Order, Blue Mondays, The Fall, The Doves, Charlatans, The Smiths, Oasis, Take Date, signifying much

of present Manchester. This is where the transition from Manchester 3 to Manchester 4, from Mamucium to Manchester to Madchester started, the city never losing its identity or pride:

As famously said: "Despite the decades of decline, despite the wet weather, despite 11 years of Margaret Thatcher, despite the drugs and the gangs and the garbage in the street, Manchester still feels alive and this is an achievement for however long as it lasts. Manchester survives through small acts of defiance because in and around the ruins of an empire, the kids are alive and dancing!"

The thing about Manchester is, Mancunians believe it all comes from here, a city that thinks tables are for dancing, a people who pride in their sarcasm, its shops and its attitude and a generation who now keeps banging on its football team, the Reds and the Blues, Manchester United and the lesser Manchester City.

On a more global front, Manchester changed the world's politics: From vegetarianism to feminism to trade unionism to communism, every upstart notion that ever-got ideas above its station, every snotty street-fighter of a radical philosophy, was fostered brawling in Manchester's streets, mills, pubs, churches and debating halls. Well said, Stuart Maconie because, indeed, this is Manchester, they do things here differently!

# Learning curve for the team

## FirstSlip



By MIRWAIS ASHRAF Afghan all-rounder

This ICC Men's Cricket World Cup has been tough for Afghanistan but they'll take every lesson learned and come back stronger in the future.

There have been some tough moments but I'm still really excited for the future of cricket in the country, we know the interest is huge and we have the players.

We must remember that these are very tough sides and they were never going to be easy for Afghanistan to beat, so the expectation from the nation going into those games was not too high.

Nevertheless, they have done themselves proud with many of their performances, especially that match against India when we got so close. I think it's important to say that this is a big honour for Afghanistan just to compete at this ICC Men's Cricket World Cup

Afghanistan have just two games left now and we want to try and finish on a high against Pakistan and West Indies, we know how to beat both those teams so there's no reason to believe we can't again.

Whatever happens, though, this has been a very good experience for Afghanistan and the team would have learnt a lot from it, so I'm feeling very positive about the future.

I do think it has shown that Afghanistan need to arrange to play more games against the top nations to get that experience - that will be invaluable as we look towards 2023 in India where the conditions will suit our game.

I think if we can get more experience against those top teams and in different conditions around the world, then you will see a big improvement in Afghanistan in four



Rashid Khan poses for photo with Afghan teammate during Afghanistan team practice session

ICC/Twitter

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years' time. The first thing to improve is our fielding - that's where we often fall short when you compare the team to the best sides in the world, teams like England, India and Australia.

We saw the difference it made in the match with India. That game will live long in the memory and hopefully will inspire the players and give belief. To lose by 11 runs to the second best side in the world proves how far we've come and why this journey is just beginning.

We know we've got world-class bowlers in the likes of Mujeeb Ur Rahman, Rashid Khan and Mohammad Nabi but batting is still an area where we need work. In one-day cricket you need to confident your team can score 300 runs regularly.

# Devils relive summer of 83

PTI ■ MANCHESTER

They remember most of the things, may forget a few just like senior citizens tend to but then comes June 25 and they are all back in that Lord's balcony.

They are 'Kapil's Devils', who brought a nation to a standstill on a Saturday night, which remained young forever.

Thirty six summers have gone by and Kapil Dev's toothy grin with the Prudential Cup remains the most defining moment in Indian cricket. It refuses to fade away. On TV, one gets to watch it every four years. On YouTube, one can indulge in repeat telecast in a loop.

If that balmy evening in Lord's wouldn't have been there, India can't be sure if it would have had that 'starry starry' April night at Wankhede 28 summers later.

A Sunil Gavaskar was needed for a Sachin Tendulkar, without a Kapil Dev, there possibly wouldn't have been a Mahendra Singh Dhoni and Krishnamachari Srikkanth possibly was a mini prototype of a player called Virender Sehwag. A generation took to cricket and made it their passion because of that batch.

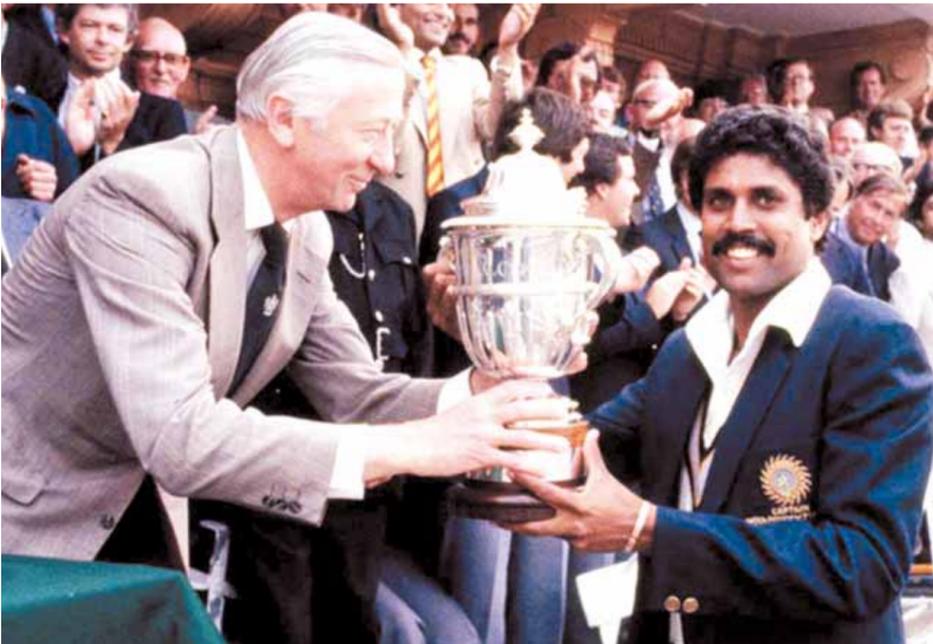
Not to forget, the buzz around the current lot which is also looking good for a Lord's fairytale.

The industry called Indian cricket exists because of the '83 squad.

Kapil recently, in a web show, said he doesn't remember a lot of things that happened during the World Cup, quite possible for a 60-year-old, who has had too many heady achievements in his illustrious career.

But certainly not for Madan Lal, who says that it remains in his muscle memory.

"How can I forget the biggest achievement of my cricket career? It's in my muscle memory," Lal, who got Vivian Richards' wicket, said.



Kapil Dev lifts the Prudential Cup '83 after India beat West Indies by 43 runs in the final played at Lord's on 25th June 1983

Cricket World Cup/Twitter

"You remember so many things. Kapil's knock at Tunbridge Wells, beating West Indies in the first World Cup, Kirti's (Azad) shooter to Ian Botham, getting better of Australia at Chelmsford and then the final," recalled Lal.

On a recent show on an OTT platform VIU, Srikkanth recalled how he had planned for an extended honeymoon in the US as they were pretty sure that India won't qualify for the semi-finals.

"I was 23, newly married and my wife was only 18. We had got married two months back and were planning a honeymoon in the States. We had in fact booked Air India tickets worth ₹10,000 from London to New York," Srikkanth said.

The batch of 2011 got ₹2 crore each for winning the World Cup from a rich BCCI but the batch of 1983 was not so lucky.

"Lata Mangeshkar did a concert for us at the National Stadium and from the proceeds, we were given ₹1 lakh each. Trust me, I didn't even have my own house, let alone have a car. I used to have a motorbike at that time playing for India for nine years then," he laughed.

But 1983 did give them that identity which they have been able to cash in on. "Yes, today I am an expert on a national channel and it helps. But yes, our

## Theatre of dreams

PTI ■ MANCHESTER

Ravi Shastri on Tuesday recalled the memorable win over the West Indies on the opening day of the 1983 World Cup at the Old Trafford stadium here, an unexpected result that gave them the "belief" of going all the way.

And India did go all the way as they beat the mighty West Indies again, in the final, to lift their maiden World Cup trophy 36 years ago.

"It has all begun here (at Old Trafford) in the summer of 1983. India played on the opening day against the West Indies, a team that had never been beaten in World Cup history. This was the meeting point and India beat the West Indies on this very ground. Plenty has changed here since then," Shastri told bcci.tv, referring to the complete makeover the stadium has undergone. India had won the game against the

West Indies on June 9, 1983 after posting 262 for eight in 60 overs, with Yashpal Sharma scoring 89 off 120 balls. The Indian bowlers then put up a brilliant showing to dismiss the West Indies for 228, with Roger Binny and Shastri taking three wickets each.

"Behind the ground are the railways tracks and I will never forget that. When the game got tight Joel Garner hit one right into the railway tracks. I for one will never forget that the game because I took the last wicket.

"That (win) started it all. It gave us the belief that we could beat any side, once we had beat the West Indies. There was no stopping us. Good to be back here. 1983 is what changed the face of Indian cricket," Shastri, now the India head coach, added.

Two weeks later, India beat the West Indies again to be crowned world champions for the first time.

success meant a lot and then the next generation reaped rewards which makes me happy," said Lal, who had also been a former chief coach and selector of the national side.

"Malcolm (Marshall) ke saath toh mera ek deal tha. Woh aa ke hi mujhe ek bounce deta tha (I had a deal with Malcom Marshall. He would come and bowl a lethal bounce)," Yashpal Sharma couldn't stop laughing as he regaled a handful of scribes at the Feroz Shah Kotla during a domestic game.

For Sunil Valson, it was an endless wait and he became an eternal eighth standard quiz question: "Who was the cricketer who didn't play a single game during the 1983 World Cup?" No marks

for guessing who that was.

"Kapil, Madan and Roger were bowling so well that I knew it was difficult to get a chance. In fact one game against West Indies at the Oval, I could have played but the manner in which Roger sprinted at the fitness test, I could only sit and watch. But no regrets," Valson had recalled in a recent interaction.

Just like those family WhatsApp groups, the batch of 83, also has a group although they won't say who the group admin is. Everyone sends each other messages and recall that glorious evening.

It was their story and they might have grown old but the story remains timeless. It's an epic and now a soon-to-be-released Bollywood movie too.

## OTHER SPORTS



Edinson Cavani celebrates with Luis Suarez after scoring against Chile during Copa America Group C match

## Cavani's header ends Chile's unbeaten run

AFP ■ RIO DE JANEIRO

Japan and Ecuador were left heartbroken as their 1-1 draw in Belo Horizonte on Monday saw them miss out on the Copa America quarter-finals, with Paraguay qualifying instead.

Uruguay, meanwhile, topped Group C as Edinson Cavani's goal eight minutes from time gave them a 1-0 win over champions Chile, who also qualify, at Rio de Janeiro's Maracana stadium.

Japan and Ecuador faced a must win match in their bid to reach the knock-out stages as one of the two best third-placed finishers.

Peru had already secured their spot from Group A while Paraguay, in Group B, were left sweating on Monday's result having finished their campaign on Sunday with two points from three games.

Shoya Nakajima gave Japan the lead on 15 minutes with a goal validated by VAR, but 10 minutes from half time, Angel Mena equalized for Ecuador.

Japan substitute Daizen Maeda was put clean through late on but saw his effort saved by goalkeeper Alexander Dominguez.

Deep into stoppage time teenage sensation Takefusa Kubo had the ball in the net but a dramatic winner was ruled out for

offside after consulting VAR. It meant Japan missed out on goal difference while Ecuador came up a point short.

Paraguay will play hosts Brazil in the first quarter-final on Thursday in Porto Alegre.

Japan coach Hajime Moriyasu had recalled 18-year-old Kubo but it was Nakajima who proved the Blue Samurai's most potent weapon, at one point trying to chip Ecuador's goalkeeper from halfway.

He and Ecuador's Enner Valencia both fired early shots over before Nakajima gave Japan a 15th minute lead with a shot from outside the box.

It was originally disallowed but then validated following a VAR review. Japan's Eiji Kawashima saved a shot from Valencia but Ecuador were level on 35 minutes after the veteran goalkeeper failed to hold a Robert Arboleda effort, allowing Angel Mena to tuck home the rebound.

Almost immediately, new Real Madrid signing Kubo came to life and forced a save out of Dominguez.

Maeda had a chance to win it in the dying moments when put through by Kubo but couldn't beat Dominguez.

And Kubo, nicknamed the "Japanese Messi" saw his hopes of becoming the nation's hero dashed by VAR.

### CONTROVERSIAL JARA

In Rio, Chile knew they needed only a draw to keep hold of top spot in Group C and avoid Colombia — the only team with a perfect group stage record — in the quarter-finals.

Chile, playing with greater urgency, were on top for the first 20 minutes with Alexis Sanchez lashing an early shot over the bar and Uruguay goalkeeper Fernando Muslera saving from Charles Aranguiz and Eduardo Vargas.

Uruguay found their feet, though, and Suarez pounced on a defensive mistake to nip around goalkeeper Gabriel Arias, but he was forced wide and the chance was snuffed out.

From the resulting corner Diego Godin headed over from three yards out.

Uruguay looked dangerous from set pieces and Martin Caceres bundled wide after Cavani's flick-on.

At the other end, Jose Gimenez headed the ball off his own line from Paulo Diaz's header. For a team with nothing to lose, Uruguay had shown little urgency but they took the lead with a moment of quality.

Just six minutes after coming on Jonathan Rodriguez chipped the ball into the box and Cavani planted an unstoppable header into the corner, securing top spot in Group C and a quarter-final date with Peru in Salvador.

## USA, Sweden reach WWC quarters



Sweden players run to their goalkeeper celebrating at the end of Women's World Cup round of 16 match between against Canada

AFP ■ PARIS

Megan Rapinoe scored two penalties as defending champions the United States beat Spain on Monday to set up a mouth-watering quarter-final against hosts France at the women's World Cup, with Sweden joining them in the last eight.

On another day in the limelight for VAR, Sweden's goalkeeper Hedvig Lindahl made a brilliant second-half penalty save as her country edged out Canada 1-0 in Paris, meaning they advance to a similarly enticing tie against Germany.

The showdown between the holders and the hosts had seemed inevitable from the moment the draw was made back in December, but after France laboured to beat Brazil in extra time on Sunday, the

USA did not find the going easy against Spain in Reims.

Rapinoe's first penalty gave Jill Ellis's team an early lead after Tobin Heath was brought down in the box by Maria Leon.

However, Jennifer Hermoso pounced to equalise moments later after Becky Sauerbrunn had been caught in possession, and Spain held their own after that against the World Cup favourites.

They were undone, though, by another penalty awarded for what looked a very slight touch on Rose Lavelle from Virginia Torrecilla.

The penalty was confirmed after a VAR check and Rapinoe smashed the ball into the same corner with 15 minutes left to give the USA the tightest of wins and line up the French.

In Paris, more than 38,000 fans saw Sweden edge out fifth-

ranked Canada 1-0 at the Parc des Princes thanks to a solitary second-half goal scored by Stina Blackstenius, superbly set up by Kosovare Asllani.

Sweden then held on for the victory thanks to Lindahl, who dived to her right to keep out Janine Beckie's 69th-minute penalty awarded after a VAR review showed Asllani had stopped a Desiree Scott shot with her arm.

That was the 22nd penalty awarded at this World Cup, equalling the total tally from the 2015 tournament and underlining the influence of Video Assistant Referees, although VAR later intervened to overturn a spot-kick awarded to Sweden.

Sweden will face Germany on Saturday in a repeat of the Gold medal match at the 2016 Olympics, which the Germans won 2-1.

## Neymar closer to Barca move

AFP ■ MADRID

Neymar is ready to cut his salary by 12 million euros to leave Paris Saint-Germain as part of a "verbal agreement" reached between the Brazilian and Barcelona, according to reports in the Spanish press.

PSG are yet to sanction the sale of their star striker, who they paid a world record 222 million euros to sign from Barca only two years ago.

But Neymar is reportedly eager to return to Spain and Barcelona are prepared to take him back, with Spanish sports newspaper *Diario Sport* claiming a five-year contract has been agreed.

The newspaper says the terms include Neymar reducing his salary from around 36 million euros at PSG to the 24 million euros he received at Barca in 2017, while also dropping his 26-million euro court case against the Catalan club.

Neymar claims he was due the amount before leaving as a loyalty bonus.

Barcelona sports newspaper *Mundo Deportivo* has reported Neymar will also have to make a public apology to the club's fans for the manner of his departure. The 27-year-old had spent four years at Camp Nou,



Neymar Jr in a file picture

Neymar/Twitter

winning the Champions League in 2015 and two La Liga titles. He had formed a brilliant attacking trio alongside Lionel Messi and Luis Suarez.

Any return for Neymar would likely require Barca to raise funds through sales. Antoine Griezmann is expected to join from Atletico Madrid for 120 million euros while Frenkie de Jong has already signed for 75 million euros from Ajax.



## Wimbledon seeding disrespects world rankings

AFP ■ MADRID

Rafael Nadal

has complained about Wimbledon's seeding system after the Spaniard was placed at number three, behind Roger Federer, for next week's grand slam in London.

The other three major tournaments all match their seeding to the official world rankings but Wimbledon uses its own formula to dictate the order, combining ranking points with form in grass-court competitions.

It means Nadal will be seeded three and Federer two at the All England Club this year, despite their positions being the reverse in the rankings list.

"Wimbledon is the only tournament of the year that does it like this," Nadal told Spanish television channel *Movistar* on Monday night.

"Obviously it would be better to be two than three but if they think I have to be three I will accept three and fight to win the matches I have to win.

"Having said that, the only thing that doesn't seem right about this issue is that it is only Wimbledon that does it. If they all did it, it would seem more correct.

"It's not only about my particular case. There have been many occasions when players have played well all year on all surfaces but Wimbledon does not respect the ranking they have earned.

"And for this reason they get more complicated draws."

Nadal is yet to play an official match on grass this year while Federer warmed up for Wimbledon last week by winning his 10th title at the grass-court tournament in Halle.

Federer and top seed Novak Djokovic will be at opposite ends of the Wimbledon draw, separated until the final, but Nadal is guaranteed to have either Federer or Djokovic in his half, and could meet them in the semis.

"For me personally, it means if I am three, to get to the final, Djokovic or Federer will be in my half," Nadal added.

"But that can only happen in the semi-finals and to get there I have to win five matches. Today I'm far away," Nadal claimed his 18th major title earlier this month by winning the French Open for a record-extending 12th time. He now sits behind only Federer's 20 grand slam triumphs in the all-time list of male champions.