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CONGRESS CALLS MODI VERY BIG SALESMAN

New Delhi: The Congress party leader in the Lok Sabha, Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury, on Monday said the BJP returned to power as Prime Minister Narendra Modi was a "very big salesman" and Congress failed to gain grounds in the 2019 LS polls as it could not market its products. **P5**

DERA HEAD PAROLE: SIRSA POLICE TO GIVE REPORT

Chandigarh: Sirsa Police is yet to give its report to the deputy commissioner on the parole application of jailed Dera Sacha Sauda chief Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh, with a senior police official on Monday saying it will be prepared keeping in view merits and demerits of the plea. **P4**

S JAISHANKAR JOINS BJP, TO ENTER RS FROM GUJ

New Delhi: External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar formally joined the BJP on Monday in the presence of party working president JP Nadra. Meanwhile, the BJP on Monday named Jaishankar as its candidate for a Rajya Sabha seat from Gujarat. Jaishankar, a career diplomat and former foreign secretary, was inducted by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his Cabinet and given high-profile job. **P4**

Murder spurts torment Capital

9 killings in 24 hours echo in Upper House; facing flak, Delhi Police says crime under control

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The issue of law and order in the national Capital in the wake of nine murders in the last 24 hours has created an atmosphere of unease among Delhiites, particularly senior citizens. The latest being the sensational murder of a septuagenarian couple and their domestic help in their South Delhi house.

The issue reverberated in the Upper House of Parliament after Sanjay Singh of the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) raised it. Singh said Delhi is emerging as the "crime capital" of the country and urged the Home Ministry to convene a meeting to discuss the issue.

Meanwhile, a day after his party held the BJP responsible for a spurt in crimes in the national Capital, Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal said, "I will fully cooperate with the Centre to improve the law and order situation in the city."

"The city has reported nine murders since Saturday. We

need to work together to improve the law and order situation in Delhi," Kejriwal said.

It may be noted that the AAP Government has started installing CCTV cameras at a large scale. "This will help a lot in controlling crimes in the Capital. We will get the feed of any crime taking place in the city. It will help in taking necessary steps immediately," the Delhi CM said.

"All agencies, Governments and residents of Delhi need to work together. We will fully cooperate with the Central Government. Keeping politics aside, we need to work together to improve the law and order situation in the city," Kejriwal said.

The CM's remarks came a few days after he assured Prime Minister Narendra Modi of his Government's cooperation to develop Delhi. At a meeting with the PM recently, he had said he would examine the possibility of integrating the Centre's Ayushman Bharat programme with his Government's



health scheme in Delhi.

Since the AAP came to power in 2015, the Delhi Government has been at loggerheads with the Centre over several issues. Kejriwal, his Ministers and party leaders have often accused the Modi

Government of creating hurdles for the city Government.

Facing flak for the deteriorating law and order situation and an increase in crime rate, Delhi Police top brass came claimed the crime situation is well under control in the city.

However, the murder of elderly couple Vishnu Mathur and his wife Shashi Mathur, along with their domestic help Khushbu Nautiyal in their South Delhi house, has sent shock waves.

All the nine murders were

committed within the confines of homes and the perpetrators were either family members or known to the victims. "The job of police is to investigate and then prevent crime and the force is committed to do so," said a top police official of the Delhi Police on the condition of anonymity.

The official said private tutor Upendra Shukla had killed his wife and three children at their Mehrauli home on Saturday morning. Some wrappers of medicines were also recovered from the house and two handwritten notes in Hindi and English in which Shukla confessed to killing his wife and children. He, however, did not give any reason for it, said the police official, adding that Shukla is suspected to be suffering from depression.

Later on Saturday evening, a 47-year-old woman, along with her husband, was brutally stabbed to death in Dwarka's Mohan Garden extension. Police said prima facie it appeared that there was a

friendly entry at the house and there was no sign of ransack in the house. They are survived by two sons.

When asked about the sensational triple murder in DDA flats of Basant Gaon that was spotted on Sunday morning, a police official privy to the investigation said, "The areas comes under the Delhi Police 'Neighbourhood Watch Scheme' and around 30-40 CCTV cameras are installed on the complex where the murder took place but there was no CCTV camera installed on the stairs leading to the house of the victims."

In the Basant Gaon's septuagenarian couple's murder, police are questioning their domestic help Khushbu Nautiyal's boyfriend, her relative and another person. So far police suspect that Khushbu was in cahoots with the accused and it was she who opened the doors for the accused person(s) to gain entry into the Mathur's household. **Continued on Page 4**

Bua chucks Bhatija, BSP to go it alone

SP raps Maya as she blames it for political divorce

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

BSP president Mayawati on Monday declared her party in the future will contest all elections "small and big" on its own, signalling the end of the Bahujan Samaj Party-Samajwadi Party alliance forged for the Lok Sabha polls.

The BSP chief, known to have made and broken many an alliance in her political journey, said her party had adhered to the "gathbandhan" dharma in the interest of the country but was now forced to do a rethink.

Hours after Mayawati announced her plans to go solo in future elections in a series of tweets, a senior SP leader made a caustic reference to "malkin" (woman owner) of the alliance and accused her of weakening the fight for social justice.

The RLD, a minor partner in the grand alliance, said it had nothing to do with Monday's developments and its alliance was with the SP, not the BSP. Mayawati's announcement came a day after she held a meeting with party workers to review the BSP's performance in the recent Lok Sabha polls.

"Everyone is aware that



forgetting everything of the past as also the anti-BSP and anti-Dalit decisions like reservation in promotions and bad law and order during the SP rule in 2012-17, the BSP adhered to the 'gathbandhan dharma' with the Samajwadi Party in the interest of the country," she tweeted in Hindi.

"But the SP's attitude after the elections has forced the BSP to think, will it be possible to defeat the BJP in the future? This is not possible," she said.

"Therefore, in the interest of the party and the movement, the party will contest all small and big elections on its own strength," Mayawati added.

She did not elaborate on what she meant by the SP's attitude. Soon afterwards, SP national general secretary Ramashankar Vidyarthi told journalists in Balia that

Mayawati was speaking against the SP in haste because of the Dalit support to his party and its leader Akhilesh Yadav.

"She is weakening the fight for social justice," he said, adding that Dalit society is getting connected with the SP and Akhilesh in a big way. People know about the reality about what the "malkin" of the alliance has done, he said.

"Our party has nothing to do with the BSP," said Uttar Pradesh RLD president Masood Ahmad.

He said the RLD was in alliance with the Samajwadi Party and not the BSP. "... And our alliance is intact," he said. "Today's development concerns the SP and the BSP and they have to decide," Ahmad said, adding it will not impact RLD's alliance with the SP. **Continued on Page 4**

Viral Acharya quits as RBI Dy Governor

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Viral Acharya, the RBI Deputy Governor who had in October last year brought to light tensions with the Government over independence of the central bank, has resigned six months before the scheduled end of his term in the office.

Acharya, 45, who was the only Deputy Governor of Reserve Bank on the six-member interest rate-setting monetary policy committee, resigned from his position "a

few weeks" back citing "unavoidable personal circumstances", the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) said in a brief statement.

In his resignation, he expressed inability to continue beyond July 23, 2019, it said.

The RBI, which had previously not disclosed the resignation and was forced to do so following a media report, said: "Consequential action arising from his letter is under consideration of the Competent Authority". **Continued on Page 4**



SIT formed, 4 more held for Jamshedpur lynching

SHO, another cop suspended

PNS ■ JAMSHEDPUR

A special investigation team (SIT) was formed in Jamshedpur on Monday to probe the lynching of a 24-year-old man who was thrashed by a mob for alleged theft and seen in a purported video being forced to chant "Jai Shri Ram" and "Jai Hanuman" in. Police arrested four more accused on Monday. Two policemen — the offi-



cers in charge of the local police station and police outpost — have been suspended for not filing a lynching case on June 18. Sub-inspector Chandramohan Oraon and

assistant sub-inspector Bipin Bihari Singh "have been suspended for not reporting the seriousness of the issue on June 18 to higher authorities properly and register a case of lynching the very same day," the district police chief said in a statement.

The victim, Tabrez Ansari, a resident of Kharsawan — who was allegedly caught after stealing a motorcycle, a purse, a voter I-card and mobile phone from Dhatkidih along with two of his associates — succumbed to his injuries in hospital on Saturday. **Continued on Page 4**

No reliable estimates of black money: House panel

Unaccounted income highest in real estate, mining, pharma sectors

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

A Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance on Monday said there are no reliable estimates of black money generated and held within and outside the country.

In its report titled "Status of Unaccounted Income/Wealth Both Inside and Outside the Country — A Critical Analysis", the standing committee cited the studies conducted by the three premier

institutes — NIPFP, NCAER and NIFM — between 1980 and 2010 — which estimated black money in the range of \$216.48 billion to \$490 billion.

The studies conducted by the three institutes have found that the sectors where unaccounted income is found to be the highest included real estate, mining, pharmaceuticals, pan masala, gutkha, tobacco, bullion, commodity, film, and education.

According to the report, which was tabled in the Lok Sabha on Monday, there are no reliable estimates of black money generation and accurate methodology for making such estimation. The report said the



draft report on demonetisation could not be adopted by the committee due to the lack of consensus among the members.

The committee, headed by M Veerappa Moily, had submitted its report to the Lok Sabha Speaker on March 28, well before the dissolution of the 16th Lok Sabha.

The BJP had come to power at the Centre in 2014 on its promises to clean up corruption and get rid of black money. It was also promised that black money stashed abroad would be brought back to the country. In 2016, while announcing the note ban, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had said the one of the key objectives was to flush out black money. The Congress has repeatedly targeted the Government over the issue, accusing it of failing to meet its promises.

The committee has asked the Government to continue their efforts "with greater vigour" to unearth and bring to

book unaccounted wealth and income both within and outside the country, including follow-up action on the seven reports of the special investigation team (SIT) constituted on black money as well as the three study reports on estimation of unaccounted money.

The UPA Government had in 2011 commissioned the studies by the Delhi-based National Institute of Public Finance and Policy (NIPFP) and the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) and the National Institute of Financial Management (NIFM) in Faridabad. **Continued on Page 4**

'Concerned' SC seeks Bihar, Centre's replies on encephalitis care

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Monday said the deaths of more than 100 children in Muzaffarpur due to the outbreak of acute encephalitis syndrome (AES) is a matter of "grave concern" and directed the Centre and the Bihar Government to file their response on medical care facilities there within a week.

A Bench of Justices Sanjay Khanna and BR Gavai asked the Bihar Government to file an affidavit on the adequacy of medical facilities, nutrition and sanitation and the hygiene conditions in the State.

"This public interest litigation relates to outbreak of acute encephalitis syndrome virus that has caused deaths of



about 150 children in different districts in the State of Bihar. The writ petition raises issues of grave concern and importance relating to public medical care facilities, nutrition and sanitation or hygiene.

"The respondents will file their response within seven days specifically dealing with the question of public medical care facilities, nutrition and sanitation or hygiene. List the writ petition after 10 days," the Bench said. **Continued on Page 4**

Haldia waterways may put Varanasi turtles in deep waters

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

As the Narendra Modi Government embarks on its ambitious Haldia-Varanasi Inland Waterways Project along the Ganga, researchers from Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur and Wildlife Institute of India (WII), among others, have red flagged the project over its adverse impact on the Varanasi Turtle Sanctuary (VTS).

The project, National Waterway-1 (NW-1) under the Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP), requires dredging of the river, which will severely impact the aquatic life as well as entire biodiversity of the river, said researchers in a study that appeared in the latest edition of "Current Science".

Notified under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, way back in 1989, the VTS — a 7-km long stretch from Ramnagar to Malaviya Bridge in Ganga River — is the world's



only protected area dedicated to freshwater turtles.

Gaurav Kailash Sonkar and Kumar Gaurav from Department of Earth and Environmental Sciences, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhopal, Niladri Dasgupt and Syed Ainal Hussain from Wildlife Institute of India (WII) and Rajiv Sinha from Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur examined the eco-geomor-

phology of the VTS for its stability using hydraulic geometry of the channels, such as width, depth and discharge acquired from an acoustic doppler current profiler, and the mapping of planform morphology from remote-sensing images.

"The assessment suggests a well-defined, stable cross-section profile along this stretch of the river. It provides conclusive evidence that the geomorphology of the Ganga river

within the VTS has remained stable for the past 50 years, except for some minor changes in the form of bar growth and erosion both upstream and downstream of the sanctuary," the report said.

However, the researchers warned that any construction activity, which is bound to happen once the National Waterway-1 starts, does not augur well for the tortoise as well as other aquatic animals in the sanctuary.

"Construction activities along the bank, movement of large vessels, sand mining in the sanctuary or dredging of the main channel may destabilise the river geomorphology that will negatively affect the integrity of the VTS as well as the ghats at 'Varanasi,'" they cautioned.

A part from turtles, this stretch of the Ganga is important for

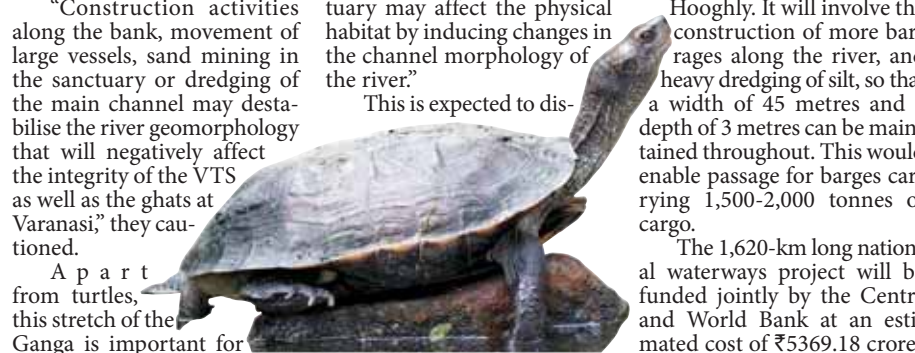
other conservation dependent species such as gharials (Gavialis gangeticus), dolphins (Platanista gangetica) and several island nesting birds.

The proposed Jal Marg Vikas Project (JMVP) is aimed at enabling the passage of cargo ships and boats through VTS. After a preliminary analysis of the morphology and hydraulic parameters of the Ganga at VTS, the researchers discuss how the passage of boats and cargo ships through the sanctuary may affect the physical habitat by inducing changes in the channel morphology of the river.

This is expected to disrupt the morphological and ecological sanctity of VTS. In order to evaluate the impacts of these large-scale interventions, it is important to assess the scale of alteration(s) they may cause to the eco-geomorphic attributes of the river, the researchers concluded.

As per the Government plan, NW1 will go from Allahabad in Uttar Pradesh to Haldia in West Bengal along the Ganga and then along its arms — the Bhagirathi and the Hooghly. It will involve the construction of more barrages along the river, and heavy dredging of silt, so that a width of 45 metres and a depth of 3 metres can be maintained throughout. This would enable passage for barges carrying 1,500-2,000 tonnes of cargo.

The 1,620-km long national waterways project will be funded jointly by the Centre and World Bank at an estimated cost of ₹5369.18 crore.



Man rapes, kills minor; nabbed after 10 days

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police has arrested a 28-year-old man who had allegedly raped and then strangled a seven-year-old to death in outer Delhi's Narela area. The incident had occurred on June 14.

The accused Imran a resident of Swarn Jayanti Vihar, Tikri Khurd, after offering 'frooti' took the girl to a sewage plant at a park in Tikri Khurd where he strangled the minor girl with bare hands after raping her. The accused was arrested on Sunday.

According to Gaurav Sharma, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Outer North district, the minor girl was reported missing on June 15.

"The next day, the body of the girl was found at an abandoned water sewage plant in Swarn Jayanti Vihar in outer



Delhi's Narela. The post-mortem report confirmed that the girl was raped and then strangled to death," said the DCP.

"Investigation revealed the involvement of the neighbour in connection with the incident following which he was apprehended," said the DCP.

"During interrogation, the accused told the police that his wife was not home since couple of days. He was under the influence of alcohol. When he

spotted the girl, he offered her 'frooti' and took her to a water sewage plant and raped her," said the DCP.

"The families of seven-old girl and accused have known to each other since long as both the families shifted from Shahdara (where they were neighbours) to Swarn Jayanti Vihar," the DCP added.

"The minor girl often spoke to accused and called him Mama. The accused also used to give her toffees and eatables. The father of girl was in an illicit relationship with the sister of accused and both were caught red handed earlier," the DCP said.

"The accused is a driver by profession but since the last few months he was working at a pickle manufacturing factory where he used to cut mangoes. The father of the deceased sells spices at Seelampur," the DCP added.

26-year-old dentist held for celebratory firing in Shahdara

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police has arrested a 26-year-old dentist in connection with the celebratory firing incident which got viral on social media. On June 22, a video got viral on social media in which some people were seen involved in open firing in the air at Muskan Chowk, near Shyam Lal College in Shahdara area.

According to Ved Prakash Surya, the Additional Deputy Commissioner of Police, Shahdara district, after the video got viral, a case was registered at police station Shahdara and a police team was formed to investigate the incident.

"One of the accused was identified as Kamal Deep and he was arrested on Monday. During interrogation, the

accused revealed that on the night of June 21, he along with his friends had gone to attend the marriage party of their best friend in Lotus Grey Banquet Hall, Sahibabad (Uttar Pradesh)," said Surya.

"When they were returning in the night, they reached near Muskan Chowk and stopped their vehicle. Later they opened fire in the air to show up. He has disclosed the names of other accused too. Efforts are being made to nab them," said the additional DCP.

"Kamal has worked at a government hospital earlier and he has not been working anywhere for the last two weeks. We are also checking whether the weapon used was a licensed weapon or not. Further investigation is underway," said the additional DCP added.

Gang leader held for shooting at national judo player over turf

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police has arrested a 23-year-old man for allegedly firing at a national level judo player and gang rival in outer Delhi's Ranhola area early this month. The accused has been identified as Monu (23), a resident of Vikaspuri. He was active on Tiktok.

According to Dr Ajit Kumar Singla, the Additional Commissioner of Police, Crime Branch, a tip-off was received on Friday that Monu would come near Charak Apartment, Budela, Vikaspuri to meet his aid with illegal weapons.

"Thereafter, a trap was laid and the accused was arrested. During interrogation, it was revealed that there was a rivalry between Jasmit and Suraj fighter gang over the supremacy in the area. There was dis-

pute over protection money from illegal satta operators," said Dr Singla.

"On the intervening night of June 1 and 2, Monu, along with his five associates, fired bullets at Manoj, a national level judo player, and Suraj. Manoj sustained severe bullet injuries on their head and legs, while Suraj sustained gunshots in his leg in the incident," said the additional CP.

"Monu and Ashu have been arrested and police are looking to nab Jasmit, the gang leader, and other associates who are absconding," the additional CP added.

"Monu had procured the pistol from Sunny, who was already arrested on June 15. Police has recovered one country-made pistol and four live cartridges from his possession," said the additional CP.

Rain likely today, temp to drop, predicts IMD

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi will witness rain and strong winds from Tuesday morning onwards as per the predictions of Indian meteorological Department (IMD). On Monday, the mercury in the national Capital dropped considerably owing to light rainfall, easterly winds and a western disturbance.

The city recorded a high of 35.4 degrees Celsius, two notches below normal, and a low of 27.4 degrees Celsius. Humidity levels oscillated between 55 and 78 per cent, according to the weather office. The weather stations at Lodhi Road and the Delhi Ridge recorded traces of rainfall.

Moisture-laden easterly winds are moving towards Delhi and a western disturbance is also affecting weather activity in the hills and the northern plains, including the Delhi-NCR region, said Kuldeep Shrivastava, a senior scientist at India Meteorological Department (IMD).

Similar weather conditions will prevail in the city for another three to four days, he said.

Private forecaster Skymet Weather said a thundercloud over Haryana is moving towards Delhi and light rain is likely in the next 24 hours which will keep the mercury in check.

Light rain activity will continue in patches for another two-three days. Thereafter, the temperatures will rise slightly, chief meteorologist at Skymet Weather Mahesh Palwat said.

The weatherman has predicted a generally cloudy sky on Tuesday. The city is likely to witness light rain, thunderstorm and winds gusting up to 40 kilometers per hour. The maximum and minimum temperatures will hover around 34 and 26 degrees Celsius respectively.

Labour dept served notice on Placement Agency Bill

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Seeking action against the illegal placement agencies operating in the national Capital, Delhi Commission for Woman (DCW) on Monday issued a notice to Labour Department on the Placement Agency Bill. The DCW stated that the city has become a hub of human trafficking and unregulated private placement agencies functioning in the Capital play a major part in trafficking of young women especially minors.

Recently on Sunday, two brothers were arrested for allegedly raping a woman over a period of four days in Delhi's Amar Colony on the pretext of providing work.

DCW Chairperson Swati



Maliwal issued a notice to labour department to seek the progress of the regulation of private placement agency bill in the Delhi Assembly. She has also asked what other steps are being taken by the Government to regulate the private placement agencies.

The Commission has stated that Delhi has become a hub of trafficking and placement agencies are fielding trafficking in the State. They need to be

urgently regulated. The Commission has been following up with the Labour Department since 2015 for the passage of the bill to regulate the Private Placement Agencies but the same has not happened till date.

In September 2018, the Government of NCT of Delhi had also informed the Delhi High Court that a bill for the regulation of private placement agencies was under consideration and would be introduced in the Delhi Assembly shortly. However, it is observed that till date the Bill has not

been introduced in the Assembly and there appears to have been no significant progress in this matter.

On Sunday police have arrested two brothers for allegedly raping a 22-year-old woman over a period of four days in Delhi's Amar Colony. A tea shop owner promised her a job as domestic help. She also made her work at the tea shop for that day.

In the evening, the tea shop owner's two sons, Shatrunda and Bharat took the victim home, and raped her repeatedly for four days.

One day, when the two brothers were asleep, the victim escaped the house and reached out to her neighbors after which case was registered and they were arrested.

Gold worth ₹1 cr seized at IGIA

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi Customs Official at Indra Gandhi International (IGI) airport have seized gold worth more than ₹1 crore in three separate incidents in last four days.

In first incident, customs officials have seized gold worth ₹34 lakh from a toilet at Delhi international airport. "A cleaner found a packet wrapped with white colour doctor tape while cleaning a toilet near the arrival gate on Thursday last week. On unwrapping the packet, three pieces of gold bars weighing one kg and having a market value of around ₹34 lakh, were seized," said a senior Customs official.

In second incident, a foreign origin passenger has been



arrested for allegedly smuggling nine rectangular gold pieces, weighing around 1421 grams and worth ₹27 lakhs in market.

According to a senior Customs official, the man was intercepted after his arrival from Ashgabat to Delhi on June 21. "He was stopped by officials



and during his personal and baggage search resulted in recovery of nine gold bars. Police has seized the gold and the passenger has been arrested," said the senior customs official.

In third incident, on June 20, two men were arrested after Customs officials found six gold kada (bangles) and four gold chains weighing around 1689.5 gram with total market value around ₹58 lakh, in their baggage.

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public is hereby inform that my client Col. Dhan Raj (Retd.) S/o Late. Sh. R.L. Sharma & Smt. Satya Devi Wife of Col. Dhan Raj (Retd.) both Permanent Resident of House No. 529, sector 29, ArunVihar, Noida Distt Gautam Budh Nagar, (U.P.) have disowned and debarred their son and Daughter in law namely Mr. Shailendra Sharma and Smt. Darpan Singh from all their immovable & movable assets and properties henceforth. My above name clients have severed all relation with him and his wife for all intents and purpose for all the time come. Any person dealing with him and his wife shall do so at his own risk and consequence and my clients shall not be responsible for any claim against Mr. Shailendra Sharma and Smt. Darpan Singh under any circumstances.

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Armed robbers loot ₹17L from cash van in G'gram

STAFF REPORTER ■ GURUGRAM

Three armed miscreants robbed 17 lakh from the staff of a cash management company at gunpoint. The incident took place in full view, outside the Cromia Centre located at Sector-29 on Monday afternoon.

The Radiant Company works as cash management agency for various establishments in the city. The employees of the company collect cash from the establishments and deposit them in their accounts in different banks and charge fees from the establishments in lieu of this.

According to the police, the driver Dinesh Bharti told the police that he had reached Sector-29 on Monday afternoon collecting cash from different establishments along with the cashier Gagan.

"We had to collect cash

'A case under relevant sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) has been registered against unknown persons at the Sector-29 police station. Further probe into the matter is underway. The accused will be arrested soon'

from the Cromia Centre. For this, I parked the van outside the establishment and the cashier went inside the establishment to collect cash. At the same time three men reached the spot in a car and put their car in front of the van and took me on gunpoint and looted the cash bag placed inside the vehicle and fled-- the spot," Dinesh stated to the police.

"The cashier informed the police about the incident and the total money that is missing

is calculated to be around ₹17 lakh 299 rupees which they had collected from various establishments," the police said.

On receiving the information, the DLF Sector 29 police station rushed to the spot and started investigating the matter. Investigators are also scanning the CCTV footages to find out if the victims were being followed along the routes.

The police are now questioning the driver and the cashier of the company. A senior police officer said that prima facie they suspect an insider could be involved as the entire episode appeared to be a well planned one.

"A case under relevant sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) has been registered against unknown persons at the Sector-29 police station. Further probe into the matter is underway. The accused will be arrested soon," Subhash Boken spokesperson Gurugram police said.

LoP Gupta's wife robbed at Mandi House

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Leader of Opposition in Delhi Assembly Vijender Gupta's wife Shobha was robbed off her belongings at Mandi House in Lutyen's Delhi on Monday morning.

Shobha who runs an NGO claimed that, the incident took place at about 10:15 AM when she left her Pandara road residence in her car along with her associate and driver.

"When she reached near Mandi House, unknown bike borne persons intercepted her car and later threw some flammable substance on their car's bonnet," she said.

"When her driver and associate got out of the car to look into the matter, taking the advantage the alleged persons fled away with her handbag," she said. Later she approached the police and reported the matter after which a police complaint was lodged at Mandi house police station.

2 notorious snatchers held, pistol cartridge seized

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi police has arrested two notorious snatchers just hours after they snatched a mobile phone from a person in Delhi's Safdarjang area on Sunday.

Police said that the accused were also found involved in nine cases of snatching and robbery in the area. Police have also recovered one country made pistol along with a live cartridge from the possession of the accused.

The accused have been identified as Harish Chand (30) and Rohit Singh (25) both residents of Malvia Nagar in Delhi.

According to Devendra Arya, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), South-West district, the two snatchers riding a scooter, snatched a mobile phone of the victim Rahul just after he bought it from a store in Yusuf Sarai market.



"The snatchers even threatened the victim with a gun, after the victim raised the alarm.

A complaint was registered at Safdarjang Enclave police station and all the pickets and patrol parties in the neighboring areas were alerted about the snatchers in an effort to nab them," said the DCP.

"A similar scooter was spotted at the Arjun Nagar picket and were signaled to stop by the patrolling team. Both the rider and the pillion were apprehended on spot as they tried to flee" said the DCP.

"During checking, one country made pistol, a live cartridge and a mobile phone were recovered from the possession of the accused and the scooter they were riding on was also seized," said the DCP.

"During interrogation, the accused confessed to the snatching of the phone from the victim and it was learnt that the duo are involved in nine cases of snatching and one case of theft which are being verified by the police," said the DCP adding that further investigation is in progress.

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Amar Colony traders meet BJP leader against sealing

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Residents of Amar Colony - Old Double Storey met Delhi Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) general secretary Kuljeet Singh Chahal to address their grievances pertaining to ongoing sealing drive at Pradesh office on Monday.

Traders of the area said Environment Protection Control Authority (EPCA) is sealing the establishments on the pick and choose basis. "Sealing is a threat to our livelihood.. earlier, our shops were sealed and now our houses.. Why such treatment with Amar Colony traders," a trad-

er put his grievance before BJP.

Assuring unconditional support to traders, Chahal said, "BJP has always fought against injustice and continue to fight."

"The shops and buildings in which unauthorized constructions have been made are protected from sealing under the Special Provision Act 2006 till December, 2020 and hence these shops cannot be sealed," said the BJP leader citing amendments.

"Under the Master Plan 1962, constructions in the Double Storey Building Flats can be regularized for which the notified fee as on

February 7, 2007 have been deposited," he emphasized.

"BJP had initiated campaign against sealing and it is against sealing of any kind. Under the leadership of Pradesh president Manoj Tiwari, we have fought with the residents of Amar Colony," he added.

This may be recalled, Tiwari had opened a front against sealing in which he had exposed the corruption in Monitoring Committee and also brought in the cognizance of Supreme Court the issue of sealing being done on pick and choose.

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CM urges Centre to increase Capital's water share

PROMISES 24X7 WATER SUPPLY BY 2024

SAPNA SINGH ■ NEW DELHI

Demanding fresh allocation for Delhi's water share fixed in 1996, Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Monday met Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat and requested to give quick approval for Yamuna floodplains water storage project, also explained that with this project Delhi will be able to meet its water demand for at least half year with the storage of single day monsoon rain.

Citing the escalated graph of the national Capital in terms of population, Kejriwal said, in 1996, the water share was fixed at 875 cusec and remained static since then. The population of city was 1.25 crore at that time, which has now increased to 2.25 crore, but water share has not changed."

During the meeting with Union Minister Shekhawat, Kejriwal appealed to urgently address the issue of increasing the water allocation to Delhi. "Today's water requirement of Delhi cannot be met with what was fixed in 1996, I also appeal

to you to consider the fact that Delhi is the country's Capital and all concerned authorities must ensure that drinking water is available to all the residents. It must be the primary responsibility of all," Kejriwal said.

Mentioning about Delhi Development Authority's (DDAs) land pooling policy, according to it, at least 16 lakh new flats will be constructed in the city and this will further increase the water demand in a major way, Kejriwal said it would be difficult to meet water demands in near future.

Importantly, Shekhawat assured that the Centre will examine the Delhi Government's proposal and give its opinion within three days of receiving it.

Delhi Government is also installing localised Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) in all Delhi Government school buildings to minimise wastage of water and also working on a project to conserve water in residential areas, which will begin with the Group Housing Societies, where the plan is to



install a double piping system for segregating toilet and kitchen/bathroom waste water for recycling. "We need drinking water," Kejriwal said during the launch of Chandrawal Phase-II treatment plant.

At present, Delhi gets its water from the Ganga canal, the western Yamuna canal, the Bhakra canal and the Yamuna river. Besides, the DJB draws 80 million gallons of groundwater per day.

The Chief Minister also said his Government would provide round-the-clock clean drinking water supply to the entire city by 2024.

"It is our mission. In the last four and a half years we have made a lot of progress. By 2024, the Government would provide clean drinking water to every house through taps," he said. The 105-MGD water treatment plant (WTP) at Chandrawal comes after a gap

of 13 years. It will be constructed at a cost of ₹598 crores in three years. "At present, we are supplying 930 million gallons of water per day (MGD) against the demand of 1,200 MGD," Kejriwal said.

Chandrawal Phase-II will have the advanced technology of ozonisation and activated carbon to ensure uninterrupted working of the plant.

It will be able to treat high ammonia content up to four



parts per million (PPM) in the raw water. Earlier, the plant had to be shut down whenever ammonia content increased to one PPM, resulting in disruption in water supply in its entire command area.

Speaking about the project, he said, "The Government is launching the construction of a 47.7 crore litre water treatment plant at Chandrawal today which will help supply clean drinking water 24x7 to 22

lakh people living in the command area of this plant, that is, the people of Chandni Chowk, Rajendra Nagar, Civil Lines, Patel Nagar, Karol Bagh, New Delhi, among others."

When the Government was elected 4.5 years ago, Delhi's water supply was woefully inadequate and ridden with irregularities; however, the scenario has changed in the last four and half years. "In 2015, we inherited a 70 year old

- Delhi has a peak requirement of about 1,200 MGD water
- During rains, 6 lakh cusecs of water flows through the Yamuna every day
- Johads and baolis of Delhi are also being revived on a large scale. 250 such water bodies have been identified and work has begun to revive these, some of which the Chief Minister has already inaugurated
- Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) need to be used more effectively

system that was completely mismanaged, corrupt and exploitative of people. I am happy to share that over the last four and half years, with the engineers and officials of the Delhi Jal Board we have significantly improved the management of the system." The CM credited the DJB for working with the Government towards fixing the system.

Meanwhile CEO, DJB, Nikhil Kumar said, "We, at DJB, get full support of the Chief Minister. The whole Delhi Jal Board family is working to fulfil the vision of the Chief Minister."

IIIT to help cops curb cyber crimes, use technology in policing



LG Delhi Anil Bajjal and Delhi Police Commissioner Amulya Patnaik look on as the Registrar of IIIT Delhi shake hands with Additional CP Prem Nath after signing the MOU in the Raj Niwas on Monday

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In keeping pace with technological development and discharging duties more effectively and efficiently and further to

control crime, particularly cyber crimes a memorandum of understanding (MoU) has been signed between IIIT-Delhi and Delhi Police for setting up of Centre for Technology and

Policing (CTP) at the Okhla campus of IIIT, Delhi.

Registrar of IIIT-Delhi and Additional Commissioner of Police, Cyber Technology signed the MOU, in presence of Delhi

Lieutenant Governor Anil Bajjal, Delhi Police Commissioner Amulya Patnaik and Director IIIT-Delhi. The Centre of Technology will assist Delhi Police in identifying appropriate

technology for crime investigations, maintenance of law and order, traffic management, administration, intelligence gathering and Citizen Services.

It will further provide research based inputs to provide the various ways in which the technologies can be adopted and accepted by the various stake holders and will induct various technological solutions for capacity building and skill enhancement.

It will also help in framing policies and guidelines for use of technology in policing. LG Anil Bajjal, stated that in the age of technology, police should be thoroughly conversant and equipped with technology based tools for crime control.

The use of engineering and technology, artificial intelligence and augmentation of existing communication systems would serve as force multipliers in boosting police efficiency and

effectiveness.

Delhi Police informed the LG it is continually modernising its force to keep pace with advent of new technology in policing and actively exploring the possibilities of state-of-art technology and innovative technological solutions for handling crime, cyber crimes particularly financial crimes, criminals, law and order management, traffic management, intelligence gathering, combating terrorist activities and delivering citizen services.

It was also further stated that to keep pace with technology development, it has become necessary to involve different stake holders from research organisations, Universities and private organisations operating in specialised fields like engineering, technology, law and public policy to assist Delhi police in discharging its duties more effectively and efficiently.

HC upholds dismissal of cops who let convict Vikas leave AIIMS without parole on Diwali



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi High Court has upheld the dismissal of two policemen, who allowed Vikas Yadav, who was sent to jail for 25 years for the murder of Nitish Katara, to leave his hospital room in AIIMS without parole on the night of Diwali in 2011, when he was facing trial in the case.

A bench of justices Vipin Sanghi and Rajnish Bhatnagar rejected the policemen's appeals against the decision of the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), which had agreed with the disciplinary action taken against them.

"The disciplinary and the appellate authorities have said enough and the gravity of the misconduct established against the petitioners is enough to justify the punishment imposed upon them," the high court said, while dismissing the appeals of Constable Ramesh Kumar and Head Constable Ishwar Singh.

According to the enquiry report, the two policemen had allowed Yadav to leave the hospital on the intervening night of November 26-27, 2011 from 12.45 am to 6.00 am.

The disciplinary authority had concurred with the findings in the enquiry report and by a common order, had dismissed both policemen on August 14, 2012.

The two policemen, in their appeal in the high court, had contended that neither the disciplinary authority nor the appellate authority had said that their misconduct had made them unfit for police service.

Rejecting the argument, the high court, in its 12-page judgment, has said, "We do not find merit in the submission...For the reasons that the disciplinary authority, while passing the order of punishment, has clearly recorded that in view of the grave and serious misconduct found against the petitioners, their conduct is intolerable."

Katara was kidnapped from a marriage party on the intervening night of February 16-17, 2002, before he was killed for his alleged affair with Vikas Yadav's sister Bharti, the daughter of Uttar Pradesh politician D P Yadav.

Katara was killed as Vikas Yadav and his cousin Vishal Yadav did not approve of his affair with Bharti as they belonged to different castes. On August 29, 2017, the Supreme Court had dismissed the pleas of

Vishal and Vikas Yadav, seeking a review of its verdict sending them to prison for 25 years. It had also awarded a 20-year jail term to the third convict, Sukhdev Pehalwan, in the case.

Rebel AAP MLAs facing defection charge seek more time to appear before Speaker

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Rebel Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) legislators Devender Sehrawat and Anil Bajpai, are facing charge of defection to Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), presented their written submissions to the secretary of the Delhi Assembly on Monday and sought deferment of personal hearing before the Speaker on the issue. The hearing is scheduled to take place on Tuesday.

Notices were issued to the duo on a petition of AAP MLA and party spokesperson Saurabh Bhardwaj accusing them of joining the BJP ahead of recent Lok Sabha polls.

In their replies, Sehrawat and Bajpai said that the newspaper clippings annexed with Bhardwaj's petition were "illegible" and demanded that they be provided typed and translated copies so that they are able

to submit their response on the charge of defection...I request you to defer the hearing on June 25 and grant me six weeks time from the date of supply of clear typed and translated copies of the petition and annexed documents," Bajpai said in his written submission to the Delhi Assembly secretary.

Citing the same reason, Sehrawat, MLA from Bijwasan Assembly constituency, sought four weeks time to furnish his reply over the charge of joining the BJP. "The office of the Speaker acts as a tribunal as per Supreme Court laid guidelines, while deciding cases under anti-defection law and hence the documents furnished before it should be up to the standard," Sehrawat said at a press conference.

Sources, however, said that both legislators were given time of seven days, which is

"sufficient to respond to the notice of Delhi Assembly Secretariat."

"There is a hearing on the issue on Tuesday. The Speaker will go by the laid down rules," they said. Gandhi Nagar MLA, Bajpai said an 'office of profit case' was pending against him and before applying anti-defection law against him, it need to be clarified whether he was a legislator or not.

Sehrawat and Bajpai had joined the BJP in presence of senior party leaders including Union minister Vijay Goel, in May, although both maintained that they had not applied for membership of the party.

"Even on the BJP dais, I had said that I have not taken the party membership. Kirti Azad and Shatrughan Sinha shared dias with leaders of opposition parties and still continued to be Members of Parliament," Sehrawat said.

DU receives only one admission application from transgender candidate

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi University has received only one admission application from a transgender candidate. In 2018 there were applications from transgender aspirants but none of them enrolled for regular courses. The varsity had introduced the "other" category in its admission forms in 2015 but there have been no admissions to the regular courses under the category.

According to experts, this dismal number is due to the lack of infrastructure including absence of gender neutral toilets in the varsity and the stigma attached to being identified as the third gender.

Rajesh from the Department of Adult Continuing Education and Extension said, "Around 15 transgender students had come to us with queries but they all had queries about School Of Open Learning and Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU)."

"They usually prefer to enrol as male or female in regular courses or for distance learning education. They face the problem of identity. After they are born, their families hand them over to 'gurus' who name them and start identifying them as a male or a female. They do not have the provision of changing their name yet as the Transgender Rights Bill is still pending," said Rajesh.

"There is also a lack of infrastructure and facilities and the fear of stigma. There is no gender neutral toilet in the varsity," Rajesh added.

Hearing in case against Kejriwal, Sisodia deferred

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

A Delhi court on Monday deferred the hearing on a defamation complaint filed by BJP leader Vijender Gupta against Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal and his deputy Manish Sisodia for allegedly "maliciously" his image by accusing him of attempting to kill the AAP chief.

The matter was adjourned for June 26 as the concerned judge was on leave. In the complaint, Gupta, who is the Leader of Opposition in Delhi Assembly, has sought Rs 1 crore as compensation from Kejriwal and Sisodia, besides litigation costs. He claimed that due to widespread circulation of tweets and news reports on the statement of the two Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leaders, his reputation was harmed for which they have not expressed any remorse or apologised.

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Exemption of speed governors for luxury vehicles sought

GAYATHRI MANI ■ NEW DELHI

Scores of ultra luxury foreign S-made cars like BMW, Audi, Mercedes, Rolls Royce and Jaguar being used for commercial use by the elite taxi tourist services are not being allowed to ply on the roads of the national Capital by the Transport department of the Delhi Government as these vehicles are missing the important transport condition of having 'Speed Governors'.

Following huge losses, the representatives of the Taxi Tourist Associations recently met the Delhi Transport Minister Kailash Gahlot and submitted a memorandum seeking exemption of speed governors for such vehicles (models) for which the device is not available in the market and to allow them to undergo for the fitness test without the speed governors.



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policy was implemented from 1st April 2018 and it was made compulsory in Delhi from 16th February 2019.

"Earlier, such cars were given exemption for a period of three months in Delhi but it has made compulsory this February because of which 32-33 numbers of taxi model in my services is stating still in the garage as speed governors for these

LUXURY MOVE	
□ Rolls Royce	□ Chevrolet Enjoy
□ Toyota Camry Hybrid	□ Ambassador
□ Audi- A/A4/A6/A8/Q3/Q5/Q7	□ Skoda Superb
□ Jaguar- XF/SF	□ Land Cruiser/Land Rover
□ BMW-3/5/7 series	□ Maruti Ciaz
□ Mercedes Benz C/E/S Class	□ Volkswagen
□ Toyota Alpha RD 4x4	□ Toyota Coaster
□ ISUZU MU7	□ Volvo/Mercedes Benz/BHARAT Benz Coaches
□ Toyota Fortuner	□ Renault Duster, captive and Lodgy
□ Mercedes Viano Toyota Hiace Commuter	□ Nisan Terranon and Evalliaa
□ Fiat Ducato	

vehicles are not available in the market. It is becoming a major loss for all the taxi services who has put such expensive cars into taxi and tourist services. We met the minister and submitted much representation requesting exemption from fitment of speed governors but nothing concrete has come out yet," said Sanjay Samrat, President of Delhi Taxi, Tourist Transporters

and Tour Operators Association. However, as per the sources, the government is actively considering memorandums submitted by the associations and is planning to exempt the mandatory guidelines for the foreign made luxury vehicles.

As per the motor vehicle policy, any commercial vehicles

playing on the roads must have fitness certificate issued from the STA and if it will not that it cannot run into services as well as will be issued challan of Rs 5000 by the enforcement team and traffic police.

Transport officials from STA and Road Transport Office (RTO) also said that many people and owners of such vehicles are coming with the problem of speed governors as the device is not available for these vehicles because of which high end cars and SUVs are facing problem in getting the fitness certificate. Moreover, late fitness fees are also being imposed on these vehicles for default.

As per the taxi association, about 10000 such foreign manufactured cars are lying idle in Delhi because of not having mandatory fitness certificate from the STA.

Free health check up for traffic police

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Witnessing the worsening of air quality and following its effects on the Delhi traffic police personnel, the Saroj Super Specialty Hospital conducted a free health check up for the police personnels to spread awareness about the number of health ailments traffic police department is succumbed to.

The free health check up camp was organized at District Commissioner of Police (DCP) office in Rohini where about 100 Police officers participated in the health check up camp that included medical consulta-

tions, Blood pressure tests, ECG monitoring, blood sugar measurement, pulmonary function tests.

During the check up it has been revealed that 30 per cent of the police personnel are suffering from some kind of breathing ailments such as asthma, lung congestion, throat irritation which were commonly detected.

"We mainly found the patients with high cholesterol problems, hypertension and some of them suffered joint pains due to long standing hours," said a Doctor of Saroj Super Specialty Hospital, New Delhi.

BJP fields S Jaishankar for Guj Rajya Sabha seat

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The BJP on Monday named External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar as its candidate for a Rajya Sabha seat from Gujarat, hours after he joined the saffron party in the presence of its working president JP Nadda.

Jaishankar, a career diplomat and former foreign secretary, was inducted by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his government and given the high profile ministry in a surprise development.

He was sworn in as a Cabinet minister along with other members of the government on May 30.

A minister who is not a member of Parliament has to be elected as its member within six months of his or her swearing in.

His joining the BJP was a mere formality after he was inducted in the government. He became a party member at



BJP working president JP Nadda presents a membership slip to External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar as he formally joins the Bharatiya Janata Party, in New Delhi on Monday

a ceremony at its office in Parliament.

Bypolls to two Rajya Sabha seats were necessitated after BJP president Amit Shah and another party leader Smriti

Irani were elected to the Lok Sabha, causing the vacancies.

The BJP is set to win both the seats. It has named Gulalji Mathurji Thakor its candidate for the second seat.

Akhilesh betrayed his father & uncle for power, now he has been punished by Maya: BJP

PTI ■ LUCKNOW

Hours after Mayawati announced her plans of going solo in all future elections thus ending the SP-BSP alliance, the BJP took a swipe at Akhilesh Yadav, saying he has been "punished" by the BSP supreme as he "betrayed" his father and uncle for power.

Uttar Pradesh BJP spokesperson Harish Srivastava said the SP-BSP alliance was an opportunistic coming together

of the two parties just for the Lok Sabha polls.

"Mayawati sought votes from the Dalits and marginalised them. She cannot think about anyone beyond her family. Her history is full of betrayals. On the other hand, Akhilesh had termed corruption and nepotism as socialism. He should have thought 100 times before joining hands with Mayawati for opportunistic and selfish politics," Srivastava said in a statement.

Schools in remote village of naxal-hit Sukma reopen after 13 years

PTI ■ RAIPUR

Deprived of educational facilities for 13 years, students in Chhattisgarh's Jagargunda area under the naxal-affected Sukma district of Bastar region have finally seen a ray of hope with commencement of a new academic ses-

sion from Monday.

Jagargunda was the main commercial centre of the area before 2006, when people left their village and moved to relief camps because of violence during the Salwa Judum movement to counter naxalism. The village wore a deserted and haunted look.

PAROLE TO GURMEET RAM RAHIM No decision so far, process is on, says Haryana Govt

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Jails Minister Krishan Lal Panwar on Monday said that the matter relating to giving parole to jailed self-styled Godman Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh is still under consideration and the final call will be taken by divisional commissioner.

Dera Sacha Sauda chief Ram Rahim, who has sought parole for over a month for farming at his fields in Haryana's Sirsa is currently lodged at Sunaria jail in Rohtak after being convicted in two separate cases of rape and murder.

Jails Minister Krishan Lal Panwar, while talking to the mediapersons in Ambala said that Ram Rahim has applied for parole, which he is entitled to. There is a procedure involved. The Sirsa Police will prepare its report and submit it to the deputy commissioner,



he said.

The Jail Superintendent in his letter has mentioned that Ram Rahim's conduct in the prison has been good, he added. Following his application for the parole for 42 days, the jail superintendent had written to the Sirsa district administration. In a letter dated June 18, the official had sought a report on whether releasing Gurmeet on parole would be feasible or not.

In the communicate, the jail superintendent mentioned that Ram Rahim's conduct in the jail has been good and he has not violated any rule.

The Sirsa district administration has been asked to submit a report to the commis-

sioner of Rohtak division with a copy marked to the jail superintendent.

However, the Sirsa Police is yet to give its report to the deputy commissioner on the parole application with a senior police officer saying that the report will be made taking into account merits and demerits of the parole, if granted. Each case is different as far as parole applications are concerned and report related to Ram Rahim's case will also be submitted after analyzing the merits and demerits related to his case, he said.

The officer further said that there are apprehensions that his parole could create law and order problem in the state at the time of his release and surrender later.

On receiving the letter, the Sirsa Police had also approached the Revenue Department to ascertain how much land the Dera chief owns.

Sena's Neelam 1st-ever woman Dy Chairperson of Maharashtra Council

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Senior Shiv Sena leader Neelam Gorhe on Monday became the first-ever woman to become the deputy chairperson of the Maharashtra Legislative Council, as she was elected to the post unanimously after People's Republican Party

(PRP) legislator Jogendra Kawade withdrew from the fray.

Gorhe, who has become the 14th deputy chairperson of the upper House, replaces Congress MLC Manikrao Thakre. The post had been lying vacant ever since Thakre's term expired on July 17, 2018.

Bua chucks Bhatija...

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The BSP-SP-RLD alliance in Uttar Pradesh for the Lok Sabha polls failed to make an impact in the politically crucial State. The BSP won 10 seats, a big gain from the zero in 2014, but the SP just managed to maintain its tally of five seats though it faced humiliating defeats in Badaun, Kannauj and Firozabad where its sitting MPs and family members. The RLD drew a blank in all the three seats it contested.

Commenting on the development, Congress spokesperson Dwijendra Tripathi said commitment is most important in politics. "Commitment with the people as well as among political parties is very important... If people feel that politicians cannot keep their words while dealing with each other, they will not be able to keep their promises made to the people," Tripathi said.

The problem that we are seeing now is an outcome of lack of commitment, he remarked. The BJP was equally scathing. "BSP chief Mayawati had sought votes from the Dalits, and had marginalised them. She cannot think about anyone beyond her family. Her history is full of betrayals... "Akhilesh should have thought 100 times before joining hands with Mayawati for opportunistic and selfish politics," BJP's UP spokesperson Harish Srivastava said in a statement.

An inkling of what was to come was available immediately after the Lok Sabha poll results were out on May 23. Mayawati then said her party would go it alone in the upcoming bypolls to a dozen Assembly seats in UP.

Mayawati, according to party sources, had said the alliance was useless and Yadav votes were not transferred to the BSP. For the record, however, she said at the time that electoral ties with the SP would continue.

In a statement 10 days after the defeat of the alliance in the Lok Sabha elections, Mayawati had said she can work with the SP in future if Yadav is able to "fulfil his duties". The often mercurial leader has patchy loyalty record with her party known to make and break alliances with more than one party.

No reliable estimates of black money: House...

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As per the report, the NIPFP study said that during the period 1997-2009 illicit financial flows out of the country have been in the range of 0.2 per cent to 7.4 per cent of Gross Domestic Products of the country. "NCAER in its study said unaccounted wealth accumulated outside India is estimated to exist between USD 384 billion and USD 490 billion between 1980 and 2010 period while the NIFM's study said that results of estimation suggest that total illicit outflow at the present value (including opportunity cost) from India in the reform period (1990-2008) is Rs 94,1837 crore (USD 216.48 billion). Importantly, illicit outflows from the country are estimated on average to 10 per cent of the estimated unaccounted income," the report says.

"It appears that the reliable estimation of unaccounted income and wealth inside and outside the country is a difficult task, this inference is validated by the widely varying estimates of the unaccounted income arrived at by these

three institutes.

"The Chief Economic Adviser has opined that there is no scope for arriving at a common estimate of unaccounted income by combining estimates from the three reports (studies)," the report said. The committee also noted that as only a "limited number of stakeholders" could be examined by it, owing to the paucity of time, "this report might be considered as a preliminary report", pending examination of other witnesses including non-official witnesses or experts on the subject and after evidence replies of the Finance Ministry which are awaited.

The committee, the report added, would thus expect more fruitful outcomes on this count, both in terms of much wider tax base as well as actual tax yield.

In the context, it also desires that the long-delayed direct tax code should also be finalised at the earliest and reintroduced in Parliament with a view to simplify and rationalise the direct tax laws in the country.

'Concerned' SC seeks Bihar, Centre's replies on encephalitis...

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During the hearing, one of the lawyers informed the court that similar deaths had occurred earlier in Uttar Pradesh. The court took note of it and directed the state government to apprise it on the issue.

The matter has been posted for hearing after 10 days.

The petition was filed by an advocate, Manohar Pratap, who said he was deeply "pained and saddened" by the deaths of more than 126 children, mostly in the age group of one to 10 years, in the past weeks. The figures were rising day by day, the petition stated.

"The deaths of children are a direct result of negligence and inaction on the part of the respective state governments of Bihar, Uttar Pradesh and Union of India in handling the epidemic situation which arises every year due to outbreak of AES also called Japanese encephalitis," the plea said.

Viral Acharya quits as RBI Dy Governor

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Acharya had in a hard-hitting speech in October last year brought to light a growing rift between the BJP-led government and the RBI headed by the then Governor Urjit Patel.

A staunch defender of the central bank's autonomy, he had made public disputes with the government over issues ranging from lending curbs, more cash availability to non-banking finance companies (NBFCs), and who controls the RBI's reserves.

In his speech, he had warned that undermining the central bank's independence could be "potentially catastrophic", a possible indication of the RBI being pushed to relax its policies ahead of general elections.

Patel quit in December last year, weeks after the government used hereto unused power to direct the RBI Governor to discuss contentious issues.

The government replaced Patel with former finance ministry bureaucrat Shaktikanta Das and the RBI has cut interest rates by 25 basis points each in all three monetary policy reviews that have happened subsequently. Acharya had voted against a rate cut in the February and April review but voted for the reduction in this month review but with "some hesitation".

He had also raised red flags over the worsening fiscal picture, according to the minutes of the June monetary policy committee.

334 soldiers killed from 2016-18 in areas where AFSPA is in force: Govt

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

As many as 334 soldiers were killed from 2016 to 2018 in areas where the Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA) is in force, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh told Parliament on Monday.

In a written response to a question in the Rajya Sabha, Singh said 113 soldiers were killed in 2016, 125 in 2017 and 96 in 2018 in areas where the AFSPA is in force.

The AFSPA, which gives special powers to the armed forces, is in place in Jammu and Kashmir and certain parts of the north-east.

Singh said 69 soldiers were killed in border skirmishes from 2016 to 2018.

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He was declared "brought dead" by doctors at the Tata Main Hospital in Jamshedpur on June 22, said police. Seraikela-Kharsawan Superintendent of Police (SP) Karthik S said on June 17, Ansari and two others had entered a house in Seraikela village at night allegedly with an intention to commit theft. However, the occupants of the house woke up and raised an alarm, following which villagers caught hold of Ansari and "manhandled" him, while his accomplices managed to flee, the SP told reporters. "We are investigating the incident. We have, so far, arrested five persons in this connection but have, at the same time, set up a high-level team to probe the entire matter meticulously," said Karthik. Ansari was found to be in possession of valuables, which he and his associates had allegedly stolen from other villages, the officer said. Police reached the spot in the morning and took Ansari to jail on the basis of a complaint from villagers, after administering first aid to him. However, when his condition deteriorated in jail on the same day, he was taken to the Sadar Hospital, where he was diagnosed with multiple injuries, the SP said.

Ansari was subsequently referred to the Tata Main Hospital in Jamshedpur. However, locals of Dhatkidih village came out with a different version. "As per our understanding, Ansari died at the hospital four days after he was thrashed up by the villagers. During the probe, it was found that Ansari and two of his associates, Noomar Ali (19) and Seikh Irfan (18) had first committed a theft at the house of Rajesh Pramanik at Mahalimurup and Fulcham Pradhan at Murup villages, before committing theft at Sagar Pradhan, also in Murup," said locals. After theft at the three houses, the trio had climbed on the roof top of Bishnu Pradhan's house at Dhatkidih, but incidentally as Pradhan's son was awake on the roof top, he raised an alarm, leading the three to flee, they said. While Noomar and Irfan managed to escape by jumping down the building, Ansari sustained grievous injury in his left ankle in course of the jump. While the people were searching for the thieves here and there, Ansari kept on hiding in the bush and could be traced only by two women who had gone there to respond nature's call at about 1 am. It was after the women found Ansari there that they raised an alarm and villagers turned up and caught him.

Murder spurts torment Capital

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"It seems that she had called the accused as per their plan. Due to fear of getting arrested by police for the heinous crime, the accused even murdered Nautiyal, with the same weapon," the official said. Police is scanning CCTV cameras in the area to identify the accused. Police had earlier even detained a neighbour, who was seen in the CCTV footage at around 6 am but during questioning it was revealed that he was going to gym that time and he had no clue regarding the incident.

However, Khushbu's boyfriend, who also hails from Pauri Garwah, was caught in a CCTV camera installed opposite Mathurs house. He was seen entering their flat on Saturday night at round 11.30 pm. He was accompanied by another girl who had covered her face. Khushbu's boyfriend and the unidentified girl were later seen exiting at 2 am. While her friend had covered his face with a helmet, the girl was seen covering her face with a scarf.

Police have found two cups with residue of tea and there was another

glass with liquor in Khushbu's room. It seems that they murdered Mathurs at around 12 pm and then killed Khushbu to obliterate all the evidences from the spot.

However, the police have not been able to unravel the 'motive' behind the triple murders as all articles and belongings were found to be intact. Two mobile phones belonging to the Mathur couple and two of their domestic help were found missing. All the four phones were switched off soon after the murder. The boyfriend of Khushbu had met her on a social networking site in December last and since then they had started talking to each other over phone. There were 800 calls between them, police said.

They have been detained by police for questioning but no arrest has been made so far, police officials said adding that the scope of the probe has been widened to unmask the killers. "We have lifted certain chance prints from the spot and motive behind the triple murders will be clear ones the accused are interrogated in police custody," the official added.

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S. No.	Name of District	Name of Work	Total estimated cost (in Lakh) Excluding GST	Bid security (EMD) in lakh	Cost of Bid document including GST (in Rupees)	Period of completion including rainy season
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Hathras	Construction of New Road Work From Nakatpura To Tatidandia. Work (Work I.D.2456)	106.00	2.12	(300+54+2000) =2354.00	3 Months
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7	Hathras	Construction of Road Work From Hardpur To Basgoi Road (Work I.D.885)	47.000	0.940	(300+54+2000) =2354.00	3 Months
8	Hathras	Construction of Road From Dhatriol To Amokhari.(Work I.D. 887)	58.000	1.160	(300+54+2000) =2354.00	3 Months
9	Hathras	Construction of Road From Kunwarpur to Nagla Lakshmi Via Garhi (Work I.D. 881)	53.000	1.160	(300+54+2000) =2354.00	3 Months
10	Hathras	Construction of Road From Hathras Iglas Road to Nagla Kunwar Ji (Work I.D. 882)	42.000	0.840	(300+54+2000) =2354.00	3 Months

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CONGRESS CALLS MODI SALESMAN

Adhir: Cong failed to sell

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Congress on Monday said the comeback of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to power was the result of his "salesmanship" and asserted its primary role in the nation-building, even as the BJP insisted that it was the ten-year-long "policy paralysis" of the Congress rule which made the country realise the importance of strong leadership.

Initiating the debate on the motion of thanks on President's address, Congress leader in the Lok Sabha Adhir Ranjan Chowdhury launched a blistering attack on the Modi Government as the chair expunged some of his comments against the ruling dispensation.

Lashing out at the BJP for alleging a scam in the sale of 2G spectrum, he said if there was a wrongdoing why are UP chairperson Sonia Gandhi and Congress president Rahul Gandhi not in jail. "Why are they still in Parliament," he said and challenged the Modi Government to walk the talk.

He charged the BJP Government has developed "political plagiarism" syndrome and is only a "travesty of truth", saying it only tries to highlight its achievements ignoring the foundation laid down by his party.

Recalling former Prime Ministers Jawaharlal Nehru, Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi, Chowdhury listed out the achievements under the Congress Government and accused the BJP of just renaming 19 of the 23 schemes of the Congress party.

"This Government has developed a new syndrome called political plagiarism... Congress party has been contributing to growth (since Independence), but one morning you suddenly say the Congress has done nothing and you are doing all development work. It is nothing but travesty of truth..."

"You are a Government which can be called complacent addicted Government driven by manipulation," said Chowdhury who was the first speaker from Opposition to



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ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY

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initiate discussion on the Motion of Thanks.

Congress leader Sonia Gandhi continued to prompt Chowdhury while he was attacking the BJP in his speech. Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah were present in the House.

Stating it was the Congress party which initiated revolution like Green Revolution, White Revolution and Technology Revolution in the country, and increased GDP growth, Chowdhury said it was under the Congress that host of CPSEs like ONGC, IOC, NTPC, SBI and HAL were set up.

"The Congress is the soul of the nation. The Congress is synonymous with India... For us, country is ahead of the party... Although we have 52 members in the House, but we will continue to fight for the common man," he said.

He said the BJP rode-back to power as Modi is a "very big salesman" while the Congress failed to market its product in the Lok Sabha polls, he said, adding he accepted this fact.

"Our Prime Minister is a very big salesman. We (Congress) have been unable to sell our product, that is why we lost (Lok Sabha elections)," he said.

Taking a dig at Union Minister Pratap Sarangi, who had initiated the discussion for the Government, he said Sarangi crossed limits in his praise of Modi. This invited sharp reactions from the Treasury Benches as they referred to "India is Indira, Indira is India" remarks made by Congress leaders when Indira Gandhi was Prime Minister.

He said BJP MPs did not take steps to mitigate miseries of the people as they think

Modi will do everything. "They think that praising Modi is sufficient, he will help them sail through (Modi baba paar lagayenge)," he said.

Opening the debate for the Government, Sarangi hit out at what he called the Congress Government of "policy Paralysis", "accidental Prime Minister" and "Tukde-tukde-gang".

In his address, which barely touched on the contents of President's address, Sarangi was effusive in his praise for Modi and his leadership. Sarangi said he is grateful to Modi for making a man like him, who hails from a humble background, a Minister. Sarangi's long speech was replete with "Sanskrit slokas" and interspersed with Bangla, Odiya, Hindi and English quotes.

Sarangi's jibe at the Congress on its refusal to accept people's mandate to Modi, made the Prime Minister smile. Taking on the Opposition party, Sarangi said the Congress made the BJP realise the importance of strong leadership as policy paralysis was a "new norm" during the ten-year rule of the party with the "accidental Prime Minister" at the helm.

"Policy paralysis was a new norm during those ten years. And it was Congress which made us realise the importance of strong leadership," he said.

Without naming former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, he said even the Congress Prime Minister was an "accidental Prime Minister".

Emphasising that both Modi and his Government are committed to the welfare of the poor and downtrodden, Sarangi said by 2022 every poor person will have a "pucca" house with toilet.

Return old India where there was culture of love: Azad

Keep New India to yourself and give the old India where there was no lynching and no hatred...Where Hindu and Muslims used to feel the pain of each other, says LoP in RS

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha, Ghulam Nabi Azad, on Monday said the BJP won the Lok Sabha polls by practicing divisive policies, but in the process the 'nation stood defeated'.

Unleashing a fierce attack on the Government, Azad said under the 'New India', humans dreaded humans, glorifiers of killers of Mahatma Gandhi were in the ruling party, and incidents of mob lynchings were rampant.

Speaking on the motion of thanks to the President's address in the Rajya Sabha, Azad said unemployment is at all time high and heinous crime like rape on minors are abnormally on the rise.

Launching a scathing attack on the Government and its policies, Azad said a party could win elections on divisive policies but the "Nation stood defeated".

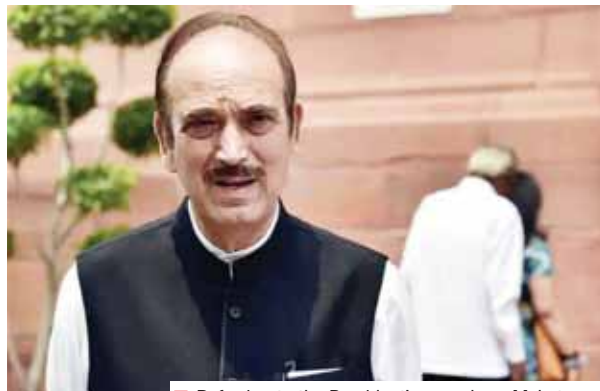
"Keep your New India to yourself but return our old India where there was a culture of love and... Where there was no lynching and no hatred...Where Hindu and Muslims used to feel the pain of each other," he said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was present in the House during Azad's address.

Referring to the President's speech on Mahatma Gandhi's 150th anniversary celebrations, Azad said unfortunately a candidate of the ruling party called the killer of the Father of the Nation a patriot and no action was taken and the candidate was a parliamentarian now.

"My tongue will burn...I cannot repeat the remarks...I have a complaint to the Prime Minister, why didn't you take action. Mahatma Gandhi may be Congress President but he was Father of the Nation...I would not have mentioned it here but President's speech mentions his birth anniversary celebrations...BJP should take action...It still has time till October..." Azad said.

While attacking BJP for defending 2008 Malegaon blast accused Sadvhi Praga Thankur, Azad, however did not mention her by name and said, "How is this possible and how someone can defend this? Though it doesn't make any difference to us, this is a blot on



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the face of the ruling party which cannot be wiped out."

He also referred to how former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru on complaints about a Congress candidate in 1952 had instead urged people to vote for an Independent candidate who had a clean image.

On New India, he said it was full of hatred where people were afraid of people and not afraid while being in jungle.

"In old India, there was no hatred, anger or lynching. New India is one where humans are enemies of each other. You won't be scared of animals in a jungle but you'll be scared of humans here. Give us India where Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs and Christians live for each other."

Reacting to a recent case of lynching in Jharkhand, he said, "Jharkhand has become a factory of lynching and violence. Dalits and Muslims are being killed there every week. PM Modi, we are with you in the fight of 'Sabka saath sabka vikas' but it should be there for people to see it. We can't see it anywhere."

In a recent lynching incident, Tabrez Ansari, 22, died in a Jharkhand hospital on Sunday, days after he was brutally thrashed by a mob at Dhatkidih village in Seraikela district on suspicion of stealing a bike.

"We prefer to remain in opposition for 1,000 years but

cannot adopt your path...We cannot run government through TV. We can afford to be out of Parliament...A party can win on decisive policies but the Nation has lost. We want victory of the country," he said.

He said rapes were at all time high including heinous crimes like rapes on minor and that "Beti Padhao and Beti Bachao" was just plain talks.

Azad said crime against women have risen manifold and urged government to ensure 50 per cent reservation to women in Parliament as it was having absolute majority.

He said Congress's attempts were thwarted last time though the Women's reservation Bill was passed in Rajya Sabha. Unemployment, he said was at its peak with government trying to curb reports by various agencies and that the youth who voted for BJP needed justice. He said as per NSSO report, the unemployment was highest in the last five years.

On triple Talaq legislation, he said, the Opposition was also in favour but the government's intent should be clean.

He also attacked the BJP saying if the former Prime Ministers Jawaharlal Nehru, Indira Gandhi, Lal Bahadur Shastri and Rajiv Gandhi did not do anything then who laid the foundation of power plants, dams and hydro-electric projects, and cautioned the government to not be so callous.

Nadda reaches out to Opp for smooth RS run

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Reaching out to the Opposition parties and seeking their cooperation in smooth conduct of the House, BJP working president JP Nadda on Monday asked the Opposition to realise that disruption affected them the most.

Initiating a debate on the Motion of Thanks to the President's address in Rajya Sabha, Nadda said, "We should agree to disagree in the House. But we should not disagree just for the sake of disagreement. I appeal. I need all of yours support. There were many disruption in the House in the past. This (disruption affects) the opposition the most."

Outlining the direction of newly formed Modi 2.0, he told the House that this Government would work toward improving ease of living in the next five years to further reach out to the commoners in the country.

On Prime Minister Narendra Modi getting several international awards, he said, "These are all awards for India. Now India is not just a spectator but also a player in the international scene."

Seconding the motion, BJP member Sampatiya Uikhey lauded the NDA Government for working for women's progress and improving their lives through various social sector schemes and policies during the past five years.

Speaking on the motion, SR Balasubramanian of the AIADMK suggested that elections which stretch too long should be avoided in the future, citing the example of the recently concluded general elections spread over seven phases across the country.

Referring to electronic voting machines (EVMs), he said, of late, there have a number of demonstrations by a political party that it can be tampered with on a booth level. Many advanced economies have paper ballot system. We must also go back to the paper ballot system, he said.

On the suggestion of hold-



ing Lok Sabha and State polls simultaneously, Balasubramanian said he does not know how feasible such a proposition is as reports so far suggest it is impractical.

Observing that funds which have to be disbursed to states must be given in time, he claimed that Central Government owes thousands of crores to Tamil Nadu which must be released at the earliest as otherwise the implementation of schemes would suffer.

Ram Gopal Yadav of the Samajwadi Party said some of the schemes cited in the President's address seem unachievable based on their proposed size and scale.

He alleged that fake encounters were taking place in the country on a large scale and FIRs are also not being lodged in such cases.

"If the country is safe then why our borders are shrinking," Yadav said, asking if it is not true that China is doing something or the other on our borders regularly.

"You (Government) can always raise your eyebrows against Pakistan but what happens when it comes to China," Yadav said.

He claimed that there was discrimination being practiced on the basis of religion and caste and alleged that some Samajwadi Party workers had been killed in Uttar Pradesh after the BJP-led Government came to power in the State.

Referring to the situation of jobs in the country, Yadav said the youth are disgruntled and disappointed.

Opp protests against EVMs, cheers for ballot paper

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

TMC leader Saugata Roy on Monday demanded avoiding of Electronic Voting Machine (EVM) and bring back the ballot system to ensure "transparency" in election process. BSP leader Danish Ali also questioned the reliability of EVMs. Both MPs were speaking on the Motion of Thanks to President's address in Lok Sabha.

"EVMs should be jettisoned. I am opposed to EVMs. Ballot papers should be brought back," Roy said in the Lok Sabha. He questioned how BJP leadership "knew" in advance the number of seats they were going to win in the Lok Sabha elections.

Roy said BJP president, a day before the election results were announced, declared that his party will win 300 seats. The party won 303 seats. "How is it possible?" His speech was interrupted by BJP MP Nishikant Dubey who objected to Roy raising the issue of EVMs in the House saying that Election Commission cannot be questioned. On point of order raised by Dubey, the Chair said that whatever is objectionable would be removed from records.

Danish Ali (BSP) said Prime Minister Narendra Modi should have convened an all-party meeting on the issue of EVMs and not simultaneous

polls. He claimed that the EVMs have helped the BJP return to power. Several BJP members hit back, saying that he, along with several other opposition members have also won the polls. He also alleged that the electoral bonds were used to help parties like BJP get funds from corporate houses.

Ali said corporate houses do not fund parties like the BSP, hence the electoral bond scheme was aimed at helping parties like the BJP.

Saugata Roy also charged that BJP is dividing the nation and has created mayhem in West Bengal. "They are dividing the country. We shall resist NRC tooth and nail," he said, regretting that former pracharak of RSS outfit, which was banned in 1948 for murder of Gandhi, has become the Prime Minister. "We will resist with all our might to save secularism".

Earlier in the morning, TMC MPs are holding a sit-in in front of Mahatma Gandhi's statue on the Parliament's premises, demanding election be held by ballot paper instead of electronic voting machines (EVMs).

The party, which has been crying foul over the use of EVMs in the recently-concluded Lok Sabha polls, on Monday said their agenda for the protest was — "No to EVMs, Yes to paper ballots."



TMC MPs stage a protest against the use of Electronic Voting Machines (EVM) in elections, at Parliament complex, in New Delhi, on Monday. PTI

Bill proposing voluntary use of Aadhaar as ID proof tabled

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Government on Monday introduced the Bill to allow voluntary use of Aadhaar as identity proof and reservations in jobs at Jammu & Kashmir to replace the Ordinances. Opposing the Aadhaar Bill, RSP MP NK Premchandaran said it was a "grave violation" of the Supreme Court's judgement on Aadhaar. He argued that private entities can get hold of Aadhaar data and violate fundamental rights especially the Right of Privacy.

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identity proof in opening of bank accounts and procuring of mobile phone connections. The Bill also seeks to give a child an option to exit from the biometric ID programme on attaining 18 years of age, while stipulating stiff penalties for violation of norms set for use of Aadhaar and violation of privacy.



The move is aimed at making Aadhaar people-friendly. It also paves the way for use of alternative virtual identity number to conceal actual Aadhaar number of an individual, said Prasad. The Bill also proposes deletion of section 57 of the Aadhaar Act relating to use of biometric identifier by private entities. This amendment will also prevent denial of services for refusing to, or being unable to, undergo authentication.

Disclosure of Lavasa's dissent note may 'endanger life' of individual: EC

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Election Commission (EC) has refused to disclose under the RTI Act the dissent notes of its Commissioner Ashok Lavasa on decisions pertaining to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's speeches which were alleged to have violated model code, saying it was exempted information which may "endanger the life or physical safety" of an individual.

The EC was responding to Pune-based RTI activist Vihar Durve who had demanded Lavasa's dissent notes, pertaining to speeches given by Modi in rallies at Wardha on April 1, Latur on April 9, Patan and Barmer on April 21 and Varanasi on April 25.

The full commission of the panel, comprising Chief Election Commissioner Sunil Arora and members — Lavasa

and Sushil Chandra — had deliberated on the contentious issue, after which the EC said dissent notes and minority views would remain part of records but would not be part of its order.

"In the meeting of the Election Commission held today regarding the issue of MCC (Model Code of Conduct), it was, inter alia, decided that proceedings of the commission's meetings would be drawn, including the views of all the commission members," the EC had said in a statement after the meeting on May 21.

In the meeting, Lavasa is learnt to have stuck to his ground, pressing for his demand to include dissenting views in the orders. Since copies of the orders are sent to the complainant and respondents, they become public even if the commission does not share it with media.

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Raj BJP chief Madan Lal Saini passes away

Jaipur/New Delhi: Rajasthan BJP president Madan Lal Saini died on Monday while undergoing treatment at AIIMS in Delhi, a party spokesperson said. Saini, also a Rajya Sabha MP, was 75.

He was diagnosed with infection in lungs and was admitted at a private hospital in Jaipur. On Saturday, he was shifted to Delhi owing to his deteriorating health and was being treated under the Hematology Department at AIIMS. "He was later shifted to the ICU after his condition further deteriorated. He passed away today around 7.09 pm," a source at AIIMS said.

Saini, who hailed from Sikar district, was appointed BJP state president last year. He was a former MLA and RSS volunteer who held vari-

ous posts in the Bhartiya Kisan Morcha as well. A pall of gloom descended at the party's state headquarters in Jaipur where a large number of BJP leaders and workers gathered after hearing the news of Saini's death.

His body will be kept at the party office in Jaipur for visitors on Tuesday morning.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed grief and said Saini's death was a major loss for the BJP. "The passing away of Madanlal Saini Ji is a major loss for the BJP family. He contributed to strengthening the party in Rajasthan. He was widely respected for his congenial nature and community service efforts. My thoughts are with his family and supporters. Om Shanti," he tweeted. PTI

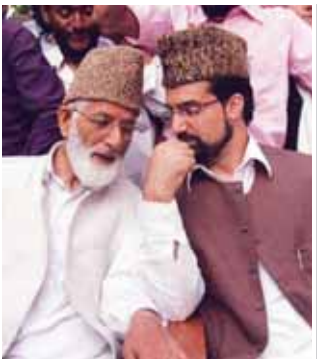


Delimitation debate

In no other State has 'political reservation' of seats taken place as in J&K. Governor Malik must use legislative powers to set up a commission and fix glaring anomalies

Will talks take off?

J&K Governor Satya Pal Malik and Hurriyat's Mirwaiz Umar Farooq may yet find a salve to a seriously damaged Valley



Given the shadow of the worst militant attacks in Pulwama and the ice-cold freeze on talks between India and Pakistan following the Balakot airstrikes, one had not expected this reciprocity. But the relentless overtures of Jammu and Kashmir Governor Satya Pal Malik in reaching out to the Valley's youth, village communities and now even the Hurriyat Conference for talks and dialogue have clearly got things moving. Hurriyat's moderate face and chairman Mirwaiz Umar Farooq has confirmed being part of the talks, saying a government with a massive mandate should initiate a political process and end the cycle of violence. At least the acquiescence to the Governor's olive branch assumes significance at a time when Hurriyat leaders are being watched closely and have certain security restrictions in place. It is no secret that the Government is cracking down severely on Pakistan's funding of militant activity, a move that has affected the Hurriyat, too. This squeeze perhaps explains the willingness of its leaders to sit across the table. But practically speaking, it seems the Hurriyat doesn't want to be seen as a deal-breaker either. Of course, the bigger question is whether the talks will indeed take place or just be reduced to another round of tokenism as it has happened before.

Looking at the offer through the post-Balakot prism, which redefined the dynamic of deterrence for Pakistan-exported terrorism for good, there are new realities to be confronted by both sides. The most worrying aspect of the Pulwama attack was that the suicide attacker was a local youth who had been drafted in by the Jaish-e-Mohammad. The government can hardly afford more young men falling into the snare set by Pakistan-sponsored militant networks and trainers. And the hostile environment cannot be allowed to fester. So it is looking for ways and means to mainstream the dispossessed youth, the village contact programme breaking the status quo of the local leadership, which had almost taken this section of society for granted. Besides, unlike the flagrant belligerence of tall claims made by the central leadership of the ruling BJP, the Governor has been prudent, staying away from committing himself to any talk on Article 371 and Article 35 A, declaring how the flag of Kashmir was being placed next to the national flag on his car, publicising his earnestness to settle the anger of the younger generation and pledging to fight the drug menace in the State, a plank raised by the Mirwaiz, too. Further, by announcing the distribution of free-to-air *Doordarshan* set-top boxes to residents of border areas in Jammu and Kashmir, Malik has also neutralised the one-way information propaganda rather tidily. Even before Pulwama, the government had been insisting on talks with locals, acknowledging separatists as stakeholders in the dialogue process in its earlier term. By making the right noises, the government is trying to steer the Hurriyat away from the Pakistan-dictated narrative and reminding its leadership that its appeal too would be lost without a connect with the local youth. At the same time, by trying to heal the disturbed youth, it is reaching out to a society that is clearly tired of the violence and whose members do not have it in them to send more martyrs to a lost cause. The common Kashmiri now wants peace, stability and anchorage and does not want to consider being a migratory species. Already the apolitical Kashmiri talent pool has all but left the Valley. Even the Hurriyat realises that it cannot lose its social endorsement. And though it is still in the Government's calipers, it doesn't want to lose its psychological hold over the locals or risk their weariness. Particularly at a time when Pakistan is under global pressure to tone down its adventurism. This is the reason why the pathological hatred of the hawkish Hurriyat leader Syed Ali Shah Geelani towards any peace move, which has been scuttling the talks process for years, is no longer relevant. And though the Hurriyat has been a collective identity, individually Mirwaiz and Yasin Malik had taken divergent positions. While there is no dilution of the Government's "no talks without terror" line with Pakistan, Governor Malik's non-adversarial, velvet glove approach has clearly softened the edges. Trust takes time to develop and the Government has to tread the ground cautiously without fanning jingoistic irritants and avoid missteps like the rubber pellet firing at children instead of stone pelters.

Delhi crimes

The easy availability and influx of illegal arms is a serious matter and should not be politicised



It would be easy enough to dismiss Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal's claim of the city soaring high on the crime graph and the Delhi Police refuting his claim of nine murders in 24 hours as another bout of the persistent Centre-State duel. Some would even argue that the heightened rhetoric was geared towards the Assembly elections at the end of the year or early 2020 and that the Chief Minister was busy building a case for full statehood and handing over of policing powers to the State government. But that would be facetious for cold facts seldom lie. So it is that 1,169 crimes have already been recorded till May 2019 as against 842 in 2018. At least 220 bullets have been fired on the streets in 43 incidents over the last 30 days, resulting in 16 deaths. Of course, these do not include cases where victims were held at gunpoint or were waylaid, accosted, stabbed or bludgeoned. The crime map is uniform, equally prevalent in east, west, north and south. Worst, the shootings are not the result of gangland rivalries but triggered by petty issues of personal enmity, attempted robbery or snatching, even extortion, and have all taken place in the public eye.

There is no doubt about growing criminality in a stressed society as a tool for negotiation, considering that the justice redressal system is horribly compromised. But to get killed at the drop of a hat, either by strangers or friendlies, clearly is a major anomaly in the country's capital. Except, a surgical analysis clearly shows that street crimes have proportionately increased with the entry of illegally manufactured and procured weapons. Sleuths have actually narrowed down on illegal supplier networks. These retailers are safely ensconced in the Mewat region of Haryana, Aligarh in West Uttar Pradesh, Khargone in Madhya Pradesh and Bhawani Mandi in Rajasthan. Surprisingly, retired engineers and craftsmen, too, have been drafted into the illicit trade of arms manufacturing. For example, the Government owned British-era gun factory in Munger was shut down four decades ago and left hundreds of workers unemployed. They took to arms manufacturing in illegal units as they knew no other work. Besides, Delhi itself is fast emerging as a transit hub for arms. These illegal manufacturers have built factories, taking cover in forested areas or non-descript residential complexes. Though Delhi Police might be defending itself, let it not be forgotten that the High Court has been pulling it up for not evolving an effective pan-city mechanism of crime control and instead selectively addressing complaints and more recently, scaring citizens with brutalisation. Clearly, there is a security breach.



SANDHYA JAIN

The recent euphoria over a fresh delimitation exercise to restructure the lopsided constituencies in Jammu & Kashmir quickly dissipated as the Centre denied media reports that Home Minister Amit Shah is considering such a move. Since then, Governor Satya Pal Malik has earned the public ire for asserting that the Government has no intention of scrapping Articles 370 and 35-A; his recommendation that the time is ripe for talks with separatist Hurriyat leaders has further inflamed some passions. Perhaps these are straws in the wind that suggest some changes are in the offing.

In a little-noted development, on June 16, the Bharatiya Janata Party's (BJP) Jammu & Kashmir unit passed a resolution seeking fresh delimitation of Assembly constituencies and de-freezing of at least eight of the 24 seats reserved for Pakistan-occupied territories. It lamented the "gross injustice done to Ladakh and Jammu regions" by previous National Conference (NC) Governments that gave undue weightage to the Kashmir valley and proposed that the eight seats be allotted to the Jammu region, for families that fled Pakistan-occupied Jammu & Kashmir (PoK) in 1947-48, currently estimated at 12-13 lakh.

It bears stating that the BJP has tried to ensure Indian citizenship to Hindus fleeing religious persecution in Pakistan. Under the first Modi Government, refugees settled in Rajasthan were granted citizenship and the trend continues. On World Refugee Day (June 20), 19 Pakistani migrants in the border district of Barmer received citizenship and another 10 people in Pali and five in Jalore were promised citizenship. Reports suggest that there are thousands of Pakistani Hindus in Rajasthan who are likely to receive citizenship soon. It is difficult to believe that the Centre will indefinitely ignore the plight of West Pakistan refugees in Jammu & Kashmir.

The BJP State unit also urged political reservation for Scheduled Tribes (Gujjars, Bakarwals, Gaddis and Sippis), who were given Schedule Tribe (ST) status in 1991, but denied reserved seats. Further, it objected to the law requiring Kashmiri Pandit migrants to fill the "M Form" for voting in the Valley. The regional angst over Kashmiri domination over the State is valid. After Maharaja Hari Singh's accession to India, the Constituent Assembly was set up but Sheikh Abdullah used the political weightage gifted to him by former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru to unilaterally declare the delimitation: Kashmir (43), Jammu (30) and Ladakh (2). This became the entrenched orthodoxy that was later only tinkered with: Kashmir (46), Jammu (37) and Ladakh (4). Abdullah reserved 25 seats for the occupied regions, which was subsequently reduced to 24.

When the delimitation controversy broke out on June 4, former Chief Minister Omar Abdullah, in a number of tweets, offered the "legal position" on delimitation in Jammu & Kashmir. The freeze, he claimed, was imple-



mented only to bring the State at par with the rest of the country after the Constitution (84th Amendment) Act 2001 froze delimitation throughout India, until the first census is taken after the year 2026. The truth is a little more complex.

During Emergency, the Congress moved the Constitution (42nd Amendment) Act 1976, to freeze fresh delimitation after Census 2001, on the plea that changing the number of seats according to population punished States that had controlled their population growth. This protected the number of seats of southern States like Tamil Nadu, Kerala and Karnataka in the Lok Sabha and was generally viewed as fair by the rest of the country. In 1977, the Congress fared well in precisely these States.

A quarter century later, the Constitution (84th Amendment) Act 2001, postponed delimitation and prevented reallocation of seats to the States to reflect their growing population until the Census after 2026, ie, Census 2031. However, the 84th amendment permitted redrawing of boundaries of constituencies within the States to mitigate large differences and enable constituencies of more or less equal population strength.

The problem in Jammu & Kashmir begins with the arbitrary and partisan allocation of seats on provincial basis by

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Sheikh Abdullah, long before the fig-leaf of Article 370 bestowed a special political protection to the actions of the State leadership. In no other Indian State has this kind of "political reservation" of seats taken place to preserve the ethno-religious supremacy of one group.

Consider the recently divided Andhra Pradesh — there was no *en bloc* reservation of seats for any district or division before or after the separation of Telangana. Previously, the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Government divided the States of Madhya Pradesh, Bihar and Uttar Pradesh and here, too, there was never any rigid and arbitrary allotment of seats to any region. Take Maharashtra, where demand for a separate Vidarbha has been simmering for decades — there is no fixed allocation of seats for the region.

This astonishing development is exclusive to Jammu & Kashmir and gave the Muslim-dominated Valley undue power over the State. Strangely, Jammu activists, who rail against Kashmiri domination, have never fought to do away with this artificial division and to treat the entire State as a single unit, with delimitation on the basis of population. Instead, they have validated this artifice by demanding trifurcation (and sometimes quadrification) of the State along these lines — a cause that does not find much

resonance in the rest of the country. Many citizens feel that once Article 370 is removed, many sources of discrimination will simply vanish.

It seems doable to use the leeway granted by the 84th Amendment Act to redraw the constituencies within Jammu & Kashmir afresh, without a predetermined weightage to any province, giving due regard to population on the basis of Census 2011. As the last delimitation of Jammu & Kashmir was in 1995, it would be an abominable injustice to wait 60 years till Census 2031 for a fresh delimitation.

It is also unconscionable to continue to deny reservations to the STs. Moreover, the seven Schedule Caste seats have been stagnant in Jammu Pradesh since 1996, viz, Chhamb, Domana, RS Pura (Jammu district); Samba, Hiranagar (Kathua district); Chenani (Udhampur district) and Ramban. There is no merit in freezing this rotation until 2031 and denying the SC population in other constituencies (in both Jammu & Kashmir provinces) of representation in the Assembly. Nor is this system followed in any other State. Under President's rule, the Governor enjoys all legislative authority and can set up a delimitation commission to fix these glaring anomalies.

(The writer is Senior Fellow, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library; the views expressed are personal)

SOUNDBITE

We can survive if we have to do without a Nehru-Gandhi as the titular head of the party, provided they remain active.



Congress leader —Mani Shankar Aiyar

My autobiography can be perceived as an inspiration for those who live in small towns or even big cities. If I can reach here, then they can, too.



Actor —Anupam Kher

They (Pakistan) have closed their airspace that is their problem. Our economy is vibrant and air traffic is a very important part.



Air Chief Marshal —BS Dhanoa

I request you (Prime Minister Modi) to keep New India to yourself and give us our Old India where there was love and culture.



Congress leader —Ghulam Nabi Azad

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Afghan shocker

Sir — In Saturday's nail-biting encounter between India and Afghanistan, it was Mohammed Shami who ensured India's victory. He produced a brilliant hat-trick, thereby becoming the second Indian after Chetan Sharma to achieve this feat at the World Cup. Afghanistan put up a brave fight till the last over. The collapse of India's middle order is a cause for concern. This needs to be worked upon.

Sravana Ramachandran
Chennai

Not mending ways

Sir — This refers to the editorial, "Financial pressure" (June 24). Pakistan's bluff has been called many a time in the recent past. So this time, its failure to act against terrorism will not find any takers on world fora. India has done well to reiterate its position time and again that talks and terrorism cannot go hand-in-hand. But this alone has not pushed Islamabad into taking demonstrable action.

Now, Pakistan has been told by the Financial Action Task Force

India's 'shameful' malnutrition crisis

In Bihar, more than 150 children lost their lives to the outbreak of encephalitis. Still, the avoidable mass deaths — a national tragedy and disgrace — do not seem to have galvanised the nation into action to mitigate malnutrition. Skeletons found adjacent to a hospital made a statement about the value attached to human life. Medical scientists have found out that malnourished children, who eat the litchi fruit during the day and go to bed on empty stomach, are more vulnerable and less immune than well-nourished children who miss the supper after eating the fruit.

The real killer is not the fruit but malnutrition — a by-product of dehumanising poverty. Malnutrition, like caste status, is inherited and can be eliminated by bringing about radical changes in political, social and economic order. The chance of that happening in the foreseeable future looks bleak. At the same time, it is practically possible 'here and now' to strengthen the public distribution system and provide guaranteed



minimum income to those living at or below the poverty line so as to combat hunger and starvation and avoid deaths. We are such an unequal society that we are faced with tackling the twin dialectical problems of obesity and malnutrition.

G David Milton
Maruthancode

Luck by chance

Sir — India's thrilling win over Afghanistan at Southampton by just 11 runs has sent the message loud and clear — no team should be underestimated. All rounder Mohammed Nabi, who played exceptionally well, deserves compliments for performing consistently so far.

Afghanistan's star leg-spinner Rashid Khan, who conceded 110 runs in his nine overs against England, also made a good comeback during the match with India. Had Mohammed Shami not accomplished his hat-trick in the final over, things for both the teams could have been entirely different.

Tushar Anand
Patna

Precarious situation

Sir — It is a sorry state of affairs in Chennai that water tankers take up to a month to deliver the volume you have booked. Consequently, people have to be dependent on private operators, who demand ₹3,000-₹5,000 for one tanker. Certainly, things would not have reached such alarming proportions had the water bodies been maintained properly and if sewage and garbage had not been dumped into them.

Shashank
Via email

Send your feedback to: letterstopioneer@gmail.com

FIRST COLUMN

A real solution to water woes

The Chennai water crisis calls for the establishment of a National Water Committee, consisting of scientists, administrators and domain experts



MARKANDEY KATJU

The country is witnessing acute water shortage in many areas either due to the failure of rains or inadequate rainfall. The crisis has been brewing in many States like Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Rajasthan, Gujarat and even the national capital of Delhi because of which people are suffering terribly.

In Chennai, women were seen lining up in queues, holding plastic buckets and waiting for tankers, some of which are reportedly fleecing the public. IT firms, restaurants and the construction industry have all admitted that they are struggling without water. Violent clashes between residents on the issue of water sharing, too, have been reported. Meanwhile, reservoirs supplying water to Chennai have all dried up.

A BBC report said, "India is facing its worst water crisis in its history." *India Today* stated that "50 per cent" of the country is staring at "drought." In this connection, this writer had written an article titled, "Water Woes", which was published recently in *The Hindu*. I also issued an appeal to Prime Minister Narendra Modi to immediately set up a 'National Water Committee' consisting of scientists, administrators and other eminent people to deal with the problem on a war footing.

This writer had set up a similar committee by a judicial order as a judge of the Supreme Court in *MK Balakrishnan vs Union of India* (2009) case under the chairmanship of former Secretary in the Union Ministry of Science and Technology, Thirumalachari Ramasami. In the case of *Delhi Water Supply & Sewage Disposal Undertaking vs State of Haryana* (1996), the Supreme Court observed, "Water is a gift of nature. Human hand cannot be permitted to convert this bounty into a curse, an oppression." However, scant notice was given to this admonition and the natural resource has been converted into precisely that.

When this writer was the Chief Justice of the Madras High Court (2004-2005), a Bench, presided over by him in *L. Krishnan v. State of Tamil Nadu* (2005), noticed that most of the lands marked in the revenue records of the State as ponds or lakes had been encroached upon. Many houses and illegal shops were built on them. The Bench directed the removal of all illegal encroachments. It is doubtful if the order was effectively implemented by the authorities. In Karnataka last year, a piquant situation cropped up. While in the coastal and Malnad region as also some districts of the State, the rain fury wreaked havoc, other regions, especially the northern part of the State, witnessed drought-like situation during the same time. This was unbelievable.

China, too, experienced a similar situation before the 1949 Revolution. Some areas (those next to Hwang He, also known as the 'river of sorrow') experienced frequent floods, while others experienced drought. After the Chinese Revolution of 1949, the authorities constructed huge dams on these rivers. Canals were built to carry excess water to drought-hit areas. This way, flood as well as the drought problem was solved. Why could this not have been done in India, too?

States along the coastal lines have access to unlimited sea water but it needs to be desalinated. Desalination methods like reverse osmosis are extremely expensive. But with the help of scientific research, inexpensive methods can be found out. The Himalayas, too, have almost unlimited water in the form of snow but it needs to be harnessed properly. Other techniques like rain water harvesting must be made mandatory in all human settlements. All such efforts call for a strong political will — on the part of the Central as well as State Governments — using scientists (both Indian and foreign). Unfortunately, this will was missing until now.

Now that his Government has a mandate, it is hoped that Prime Minister Narendra Modi will not miss this opportunity. He should immediately set up the National Water Committee, giving it adequate funds and other support.

(The writer is a former Judge of the Supreme Court)



THE BJP RETURNED TO POWER AS MODI WAS A VERY BIG SALESMAN WHILE THE CONGRESS FAILED TO MARKET ITS PRODUCTS IN THE LOK SABHA POLLS.

—CONGRESS LEADER
ADHIR RANJAN CHOWDHURY

POINT COUNTERPOINT



THE OPPOSITION SHOULD RESPECT PEOPLE'S MANDATE FOR A MAN WITH HUMBLE BACKGROUND LIKE MODI AND AGAINST DYNASTY.

—UNION MINISTER
PRATAP CHANDRA SARANGI

The Emergency saga

Successive failures of the Congress are stern lessons for those in power as well as the Opposition. Perhaps one can find succor by reading the *Jnanappana*, which is still relevant



KUMAR CHELLAPPAN

The 44th anniversary of the Emergency is an ideal occasion to recall what George Santayana, the Spain-born essayist, poet and novelist had said: "Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it." Santayana may not have studied much about Indian politics or democracy but what he said is relevant even today. He was brought to the Indian narrative by the legendary Nanabhoy Palkhivala. He was the one who gave us back our democracy from the very people who robbed us of it. The Emergency declared by the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi on June 26, 1975, remains a blot on the nation. Fundamental rights were suspended by Indira Gandhi to safeguard her authority and power from marauders in the Congress itself for which there was no dearth.

The run-up to the declaration of the Emergency had begun immediately after the 1971 general election, which returned the Congress to power with a record number of 352 seats. Raj Narain, the Opposition candidate who was defeated by Indira Gandhi from Rae Bareilly constituency, challenged her victory by filing a complaint in the Allahabad High Court. Narain's contention was that Indira Gandhi had violated all norms mentioned in the Representation of the People Act, 1951, and had even misused official powers during the election campaign. Interestingly, the truth was that she would have won the election even if she had not used her official position because the Rae Bareilly constituency was the home-turf of the Nehru-Gandhi clan.

Justice Jagmohanlal Sinha, who heard the petition filed by Narain, was convinced that Indira Gandhi had committed Constitutional impropriety by misusing the services of her officials as well as senior pilots of the Indian Air Force, who ferried her from one place to the other for campaign meetings. On June 12, 1975, Justice Sinha, in a landmark judgement, set aside the election of Indira Gandhi and disqualified her for six years from contesting elections. Once the court delivered its verdict, a race for the top post began in the Congress, which threatened the Gandhi clan's hitherto unchallenged supremacy in the party and in the Government. It was to quell this rebellion that Indira declared internal Emergency by subverting the Constitution.

Chroniclers attribute the advice to declare Emergency to Siddhartha Shankar Ray, the then Chief Minister of West Bengal, who was an eminent jurist and trouble-shooter for the Congress. The rest is history as the party resorted to blatant misuse of official machinery and throttled civil rights. The media was subjugated to suit the convenience of Indira Gandhi and her second son, Sanjay Gandhi, who was in a hurry to occupy the chair of the Prime Minister. Those, who now cry from the rooftops over the violation of media freedom, should also focus on historicity and analyse why it is so easy to coerce the media today. Sadly, the Emergency doesn't have a discernible recall in recent memory simply because there was no internet or 24x7 news channels back then.

The official national media, the *All India Radio*, ended up as *All Indira Radio*, broadcasting the speeches made by her and singing paean in her support. People started whispering that *akashvani* has degenerated into *Indirawani*! Newspapers and magazines had to get news reports and features cleared by the official censor appointed by the Government. The management of the anti-establishment *Indian Express* was usurped by the

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JNANAPPANA HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HINDUTVA, SECULARISTS, COMMUNALISTS AND RATIONALISTS WILL GAIN A LOT BY READING THIS POETRY. IT IS AN IDEAL FOUNDATION STONE THROUGH WHICH ONE CAN BUILD A SELFLESS AND DEDICATED CAREER. IT IS WRITTEN IN CHASTE MALAYALAM SO THAT EVEN ILLITERATE MASSES CAN UNDERSTAND THE PRIDE AND THE TRUE WORTH OF WEALTH



Government of the day. But what shook the conscience of the nation and the world was the scant disregard shown by Indira Gandhi towards the titans of India's freedom movement.

Opposition leaders like Jayaprakash Narayan, Morarji Desai, Pilloo Mody, George Fernandes, Biju Patnaik, Charan Singh and hundreds of leaders like them were arrested and put behind bars under the provisions of the dreaded Maintenance of Internal Security Act. But the Communist Party of India stood like a solid rock behind Indira's misadventure. Many activists in Kerala were taken into custody by the police and subjected to third degree torturing, which resulted in them losing their health and source of livelihood. Members of the Association of Emergency Victims, who are still around in Kerala, recount the police brutalities experienced by them during the dark days.

As she came under international pressure, Indira Gandhi was forced to call for the general election in March 1977. As per the norms, the general election should have been held in 1976 after the customary five-year tenure. But Indira Gandhi had got the Constitution subverted and managed to prolong the tenure of her Government. The 1977 election saw the Congress getting decimated by the Janata Party, a hastily formed conglomeration of Opposition parties, many of whom hated each other. The Indian voters gave a befitting reply to the high-handed behaviour of the rulers. It was a warning to the dictators that howsoever hard they suppress the people and keep them subjugated, the voters would repudiate and reject them at the first available opportunity. The 1977 results were a reminder that *ahimsa* was still alive. But rulers failed to learn the cardinal law about democracy that people are the king-makers.

Though the Janata Party was formed under the guidance of Jayaprakash Narayan, by merging a number of political outfits, it did not last long because of a turf war between some prominent lead-

ers and their insatiable thirst for power and wealth. Instead of fighting against anti-democratic forces and those undermining the country from inside, the Janata *parivar* fought among themselves.

"Divided we fought, united we fell" was the moral of the Janata story. In the 1980 general election, voters were left with no alternative other than Indira Gandhi, who approached the voters with slogans like "Government that works" and "Indira bulao, desh bachao".

She was given a huge mandate with 353 seats. It is doubtful whether Indira Gandhi or her party, the Congress (yes, it was Indira's Congress. DK Baroah, former Congress president had declared that Indira was India and India was Indira), had learnt anything from the ignominy of the 1977 defeat. For thereafter, corruption reached new levels. When her detractors cried foul, Indira Gandhi retorted that corruption was a global phenomenon and India could not stay insulated from its impact.

While a decimated Opposition looked on helplessly, Chief Ministers were ousted in quick succession. State Governments led by the Janata Party were made to defect *en masse* to the Congress and declare support to Indira Gandhi. The likes of Bhajan Lal, the then Haryana Chief Minister, were the 'mascots' of Indian politics. The name of Bhajan Lal cropped up recently when one saw the defection of four Telugu Desam Party MPs to the BJP under the guise of merger. These were the same MPs who had stalled the proceedings of the Rajya Sabha for days in 2018, demanding special category status to Andhra Pradesh. Isn't this a repetition of history?

Neither Indira Gandhi nor her son Rajiv Gandhi learnt from past mistakes. To a question from the media whether he would resort to internal Emergency, Rajiv Gandhi, who succeeded Indira after her assassination, replied that he would declare Emergency if the situation demanded. The then Prime Minister went

to the extent of describing the Opposition as limpets and parasites. Victory had gone to Rajiv's head and there was no return from that "exalted" position.

Successive failures of the Congress are a stern reminder to those in power as well as the Opposition. Poonthannam Nambudiri, the great Malayalam poet (1547-1640) wrote in *Jnanappana* (the *Song of Divine Wisdom*) that "Maalikamukal Eriya Mannante Tholi Maarappu Kettunnathum Bhawan", meaning: "God can make the King who is sitting in his palace to end up as a beggar with a dirty bag hanging from his shoulders." *Jnanappana*, written in chaste Malayalam so that even illiterate masses could understand the follies behind pride and arrogance and the meaninglessness of wealth, is a mirror where we can see the reflections of modern-day life.

No, it has nothing to do with Hindutva. Secularists, communalists and rationalists will gain a lot by reading this poetry. It is an ideal foundation stone through which one can build a selfless and dedicated career. In modern times, dirty bags might have given way to smart phones as we find any number of opportunists in Tamil Nadu and Kerala operating with connectivity provided by telcos. *Jnanappana's* relevance to modern-day politics increases when one sees MK Stalin of the DMK calling for the coronation of Rahul Gandhi as the Prime Minister of India. It was Indira Gandhi who summarily dismissed the democratically elected DMK Government headed by M Karunanidhi in 1976 and that too during the days of internal Emergency. The English version of *Jnanappana* is still available around. People can approach Swami Chidanandapuri of Kulathur Ashram in Kerala for a discourse on the same. Listening to *Jnanappana* is a refreshing experience and can help us to stay firmly with our foot fixed on the ground.

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Some merit in 'one poll' idea

Both the Centre and States should focus on governance for a full five years without any distraction and implement structural reforms for sustainable development besides saving tens of thousands of crores in election expenses. Let's at least debate the idea



UTTAM GUPTA

The Prime Minister's idea of "one nation, one election" is being staunchly opposed by many political parties, mainly on the grounds of it being undemocratic and an assault on the federal polity and, hence, unconstitutional. Opposition parties have argued that in the case of simultaneous poll to both Parliament and State Assemblies, national issues will dominate over State-specific subjects. This may yield fortuitous benefit to the dominant national party as the voter won't be able to clearly articulate his/her choice while casting the vote to elect members to the Assembly.

Thus, a national party, which gets a clear majority in the Lok Sabha and

which does not enjoy the confidence of the State subjects on local issues, will get to rule the States, too. Most parties fear that in the pursuit of "one party rule," the Modi-Shah duo intends to use the "one nation, one election" idea to install and perpetuate the BJP-led Government across the country.

Frankly, the political apprehensions need to be dispelled. One might argue that while voting at the same time for the Parliament and the Assembly, the choice of the voter will get obliterated. Yes the centrist party stands to benefit from a nationalist swell, particularly if it is in a dominant position in the State. And unless the voter is able to make educated and informed choices on local and national issues, things could go its way. But we should not under-estimate the voter as is amply corroborated by the just-concluded Lok Sabha polls. Elections to some State Assemblies, viz Andhra Pradesh and Odisha, were held co-terminus. Despite an overriding national narrative favouring Prime Minister Modi, voters in these States showed clear preference for regional parties, namely the YSR Congress and the Biju Janata Dal, who



got an absolute majority. Just because the voters exercised franchise at the same time for both the Lok Sabha and the State did not deter them from giving overriding importance to local issues. Nevertheless, one cannot write off the possibility that there could be uniformity of narratives.

Critics have also raised doubts about uncertainties that could arise if the ruling party loses the vote of confidence before its mandated term. But they need to recognise that these can

at best be a rare situation and not a matter of routine (public gives mandate to a Government to run its full-term and all stakeholders should ensure that this is honoured). Still, such a scenario (albeit rare) can be addressed by either electing a new leader (who enjoys the confidence of the House) or holding fresh election for the "residual" term.

Even so, our forefathers had contemplated simultaneous elections only. Things were on the right track till the mid-1960s, when the then ruling dis-

pensation disturbed the appellation by "premature" dissolution of some State Assemblies (1968/1969) and the Lok Sabha (1970). With the dismissal of many more elected Governments (courtesy, misuse of Article 356 on most occasions) thereafter, the mismatch got aggravated.

At present, a State Assembly goes to polls almost every other year. Of course, this does jeopardise the continuity and implementation of Central policies in a continuous manner. This imposes unprecedented social and economic cost on the nation. It is not just the official expense of conducting elections (in a big state like Maharashtra, it can go up to ₹1,000 of crores) but also several thousand crores being spent by political parties. In turn, this gives boost to corruption and other unethical practices even as parties seek to raise funds to support the mammoth expenditure.

The bigger damage, however, arises due to distraction from issues of governance (as parties are in election mode all through) even as the imposition of the Model Code of Conduct (MCC) — each time an election exercise is taken

up — leads to stoppage of all major policy decisions which impede development (a case in point is delay in completion of the dedicated freight corridor project).

Furthermore, with almost every political party prone to promising more and more sops/subsidies to win elections, no incumbent Government has the gumption to implement hard reforms, which would entail withdrawal of certain subsidies like fertilisers and power among others, not even to the better-off sections of the society or not so poor. Forget that, it can't even take harsh measures needed to rein in power theft due to the fear of losing its vote bank in *juggis/slums*.

This subsisting chaotic system needs attention. Both the Centre and States should focus on governance for a full five years without any distraction and implement structural reforms for sustainable development besides saving tens of thousands of crores in election expenses. It would also pave the way for electoral reforms. Of course, the ball has just got rolling. Let there be a comprehensive debate.

(The writer is a policy analyst)



FOREIGN EYE



LOST GROUND

In the case of trade with China and North Korea's nuclear weapons development, getting deals that Obama couldn't would be welcome. But without a road map, Trump's brinkmanship with China could still escalate into a mutually ruinous trade war, and Kim might decide that North Korea's only option is to accelerate its nuclear programme. The G-20 meeting will be Trump's chance to show that he has learned what friends are for. (The New York Times)

Jet creditors asked to submit claims by July 4



PTI ■ MUMBAI

The resolution professional for Jet Airways, which was admitted to the NCLT last week for bankruptcy, has invited claims from all creditors to the grounded airline.

The airline owes over ₹8,500 crore to a consortium of 26 banks led by State Bank, and over ₹13,000 crore to the tens of hundreds of vendors and around 23,000-odd employees.

"The creditors of Jet Airways are hereby called upon to submit their claims with proof on or before July 4, to the interim resolution profession-

al. Financial creditors shall submit their claims with proof by electronic means only," resolution professional Ashish Chhawchharia of Grant Thornton said in a public notice.

All other creditors shall submit their claims with proof in person, by post or by electronic means, it added.

The lenders, who had been owning the airline since March 25 with 51 percent stake, had on June 17 decided to take the airline, which stopped flying on April 17, to the NCLT as they could not find a buyer.

Even the only preliminary bid from the Etihad-Hinduja

consortium reportedly wanted the banks to take 90-95 percent haircut and also exemptions from open offer norms, which would not have been possible for the lenders to commit.

On June 20, the National Company Law Tribunal admitted the insolvency petition filed by State Bank of India against the airline.

On that day, the tribunal comprising VP Singh and Ravikumar Duraisamy had given a verbal direction to the RP to try and finish the resolution process in three months even though the law allows six months, as "the matter is of national importance."

₹ does U-turn, rises 23 paise to 69.35 against US dollar

PTI ■ MUMBAI

After opening on a weak note, the rupee recovered the lost ground and finally settled 23 paise higher at 69.35 to the US dollar amid weakening of the greenback against major currencies.

At the interbank foreign exchange (forex), the domestic currency witnessed heavy volatility. The local unit opened at 69.58 a dollar and touched a low of 69.60 and high of 69.34 during the day.

The local unit finally closed at 69.35 against the American currency, registering a rise of 23 paise over its previous close.

On Friday, the rupee had settled at 69.58 against the US dollar.

"Sustained weakness in the Dollar Index could be the prime reason for strength in the domestic currency," said V K Sharma, Head PCG & Capital Markets Strategy, HDFC Securities.

The dollar index, which gauges the greenback's strength against a basket of six currencies, fell 0.22 per cent to 96.00.

Forex traders said the uptick in the rupee assumes significance amid Brent above \$65 per barrel, foreign fund outflows and resignation of RBI Deputy Governor Viral Acharya.

Brent crude futures, the global oil benchmark, fell 0.14 per cent to trade at \$65.11 per barrel.

I-T Dept issues notices in 380 cases of undisclosed foreign assets of ₹12,260 cr



PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Income Tax Department has issued notices in 380 cases involving undisclosed assets of over ₹12,260 crore under the foreign black money act, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said Monday.

In a written reply to a question in the Lok Sabha, she said prosecution has been launched in 68 cases.

"As an outcome of the actions taken by the I-T Department under Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015, as

on April 30, 2019, notices under the Act have been issued in over 380 cases involving undisclosed foreign assets and income valued over ₹12,260 crore," Sitharaman said.

The Department takes actions, like searches, surveys, enquiries, assessment of income, levy of tax/interest/penalty and launching prosecution, against those possessing black money.

As per data, the Department has conducted searches on 983 groups and seized ₹1,584 crore in 2018-19, up from 582 cases involving seizure amount of ₹993 crore in 2017-18 fiscal.



Another moment of pride came into the lap of Assam Rifles, when the legendary woman boxer MC Mary Kom agreed to guide, motivate & interact with the Assam Rifles Boxing Teams



Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID), has signed MoU with Energy Management Centre (EMC), Kerala to have long term association in the areas of Energy Efficiency and Sustainable Energy



NHDC Limited, a Joint Venture of NHPC Limited and Government of Madhya Pradesh, has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the financial year 2019-20 at Faridabad with NHPC Limited, India's Premier Hydropower utility and a Schedule 'A' Mini Ratna Enterprise of the Government of India.



Rakesh Kumar Arora has assumed the additional charge of Director (Finance), NBCC (I) Ltd., in addition to his current assignment of Director (Finance) in Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO). An order to this effect has been issued by the Company's Administrative Ministry, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India

Indian suppliers integral part of our global supply chain: Boeing

HAL celebrated a milestone with Boeing with the delivery of 150th gun bay door for F/A-18 Super Hornet

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Indian suppliers are an integral part of Boeing's global supply chain, a top official of the aerospace major said as Boeing and Hindustan Aeronautics Limited marked an important milestone in their collaboration.

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) celebrated a milestone with Boeing with the delivery of the 150th gun bay door for the F/A-18 Super Hornet.

The Boeing F/A-18 Super Hornet is a twin-engine supersonic all-weather, carrier-capable multi-role combat jet delivering cutting-edge, next-generation multi-role strike fighter capability.

HAL has been Boeing's

long-term supplier in India for over 25 years. Boeing awarded HAL the contract to manufacture gun bay doors for the Super Hornet in 2007.

"We are proud of our partnership with HAL. This delivery of the 150th gun bay door for the Super Hornet demonstrates that Indian suppliers are an integral part of Boeing's global supply chain," Salil Gupte, president, Boeing India, was quoted as saying in a statement.

"This milestone is yet another endorsement of our commitment to India, which is well recognised today, because we've been investing and making in India for several years now," he said.

"Our investments in India are robust and ongoing, spanning technology, hi-tech innovation, production capacity, establishing a supply chain network, and developing skilling centres for aerospace manufacturing in India," Gupte added.

Boeing has offered to build a 21st century aerospace ecosystem in India for manufacturing the F/A-18 Super Hornet with Indian partners, HAL and

Mahindra Defence Systems (MDS), the statement said.

This production will create thousands of jobs and hundreds of suppliers in India, similar to the largest Boeing aerospace ecosystem that exists in the US, to help realise the Make in India vision to its full potential, it said.

DLF Camellias tops super luxury segment in India: PropEquity study

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In a note released by PropEquity, a real estate data, research and analytics firm on Monday, it said DLF Camellias has emerged as the No 1 project in the Super luxury segment in India both in terms of Price appreciation and Absorption.

The project has appreciated annually by 15% since its launch in 2014 and has appreciated by 88% on an absolute basis. Over 65 percent of the project has been sold.

Ready to sign 'no back-door' pact with Govt; others should also sign it: Huawei

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Chinese telecom gear maker Huawei Monday said it is ready to sign "no back door" agreement with the Indian Government to discourage espionage, and other companies should also follow suit.

Huawei's business engagement in India is under scrutiny by the Government after the US restricted hardware as well as software supplies to it.

"We are proposing to the Indian government that we are ready to sign 'no back door' agreement. We encourage other OEMs (original equipment manufacturers) also to sign this kind of agreement with the government and telecom operators," Huawei India Chief Executive Officer Jay Chen told PTI.

"Back door" in technology products refers to arrangement with government or with any third party to share customers' data in an unauthorised manner with mala fide intention.

The telecom department had come up with security

guidelines in 2011 that mandated telecom operators to install certified equipment and devices in their network to ensure they are free from malicious softwares or bug.

It proposed hefty penalties on telecom companies for failing to ensure compliance to the law. However, the government is yet to set up labs to examine security issues in telecom gears and products. The US Government has alleged that law in China warrants its companies to share data with country's intelligence for national security.

Chen said that Huawei has conducted research on Chinese law on its own and with the help of big legal firms based in the US, UK and Australia.

"They did some comparison. The Chinese intelligence law says that citizens and companies are supposed to cooperate if there is some national security threat but they never asked to share data or cooperate for state spying. Similar laws exist in the US, UK, Australia and India too," Chen said.

BHEL wins ₹840 cr emission control equipment order from NPGCL

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Amidst stiff competitive bidding, Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) has won an order for emission control equipment from Nabinagar Power Generating Company Limited (NPGCL) - a subsidiary of NTPC Ltd. Valued at about ₹840 crore, the order involves supply and installation of Flue Gas Desulphurization (FGD) system for control of SOx emissions at the 3x660 MW Nabinagar project of NPGCL in Aurangabad district of Bihar.

BHEL has been a major player in this area for over a decade and was one of the earliest entrants in the Indian market for emission control equipment, having successfully executed FGD system at Tata Power's Trombay Unit 8 in 2008. With this order, BHEL is presently executing FGD systems for 23 units of NTPC and its JVs.

Thomas Cook India launches 'Travolution'

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Thomas Cook (India) Ltd., an integrated travel and related financial services company, championing the spirit of Yoga with the introduction of "Travolution", on the occasion of International Yoga Day. Giving impetus to physical and mental well-being, its Travolution wellness packages, invite Indians to travel to find inner peace; yoga being an integral component.

Through this initiative, the company plans to revolutionize holidays into transformational travel via its unique yoga and wellness experiences.

Bajaj Allianz Life unveils 'Life Goals Preparedness Survey'

New Delhi: Leading private life insurer, Bajaj Allianz Life, on Monday, unveiled India's first ever study on the country's life goals. India's Life Goals Preparedness Survey 2019 is the company's first flagship survey to identify the life goals, and aspirations of India, and how Indians are preparing to get them done.

In the Bajaj Allianz Life India's Life Goals Preparedness Survey 2019 over 150 life goals were mapped. What stands out in these goals is how seriously Indians are considering unconventional life goals. PNS

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



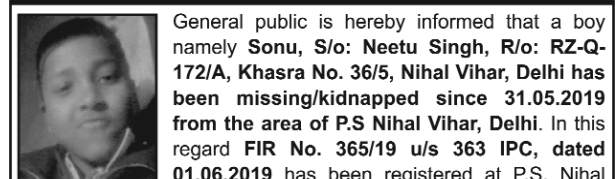
General public is hereby informed that an unidentified male Age : About 50 years, Height: 5'7", Complexion: Shallow, Face: Round, Build: Thin, Identification: "卐" tattoo on both hands, wearing White colour lining shirt and Grey colour half pant, was found unconscious on 19.06.2019 at Chowk Hauz Qazi. He admitted in LNJP Hospital, during the treatment doctor declare him dead. In this regard a DD No. 42-A dated 19.06.2019 u/s 174 Cr.P.C. has been lodged at P.S. Hauz Qazi, Delhi. The dead body has been preserved for identification for 72 hours in the mortuary of MAMC, Hospital, Delhi.

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

SHO : P.S. Hauz Qazi, Delhi Ph.: 011-23210414, 23212482, 23234511

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SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED BOY



General public is hereby informed that a boy namely Sonu, S/o: Neetu Singh, R/o: RZ-Q-172/A, Khasra No. 36/5, Nihal Vihar, Delhi has been missing/kidnapped since 31.05.2019 from the area of P.S Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard FIR No. 365/19 u/s 363 IPC, dated 01.06.2019 has been registered at P.S. Nihal Vihar. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped boy but no clue has come to light so far. The description of missing/kidnapped boy is as under:

Name: Sonu, Age: 12 Years, Height: 4'6", Face: Round, Complexion: Shallow, Wearing: Black T-Shirt, Blue Jeans Pant and Red Sandal in feet, Identification: A black mole on right side thigh.

If anyone has any information about this missing/kidnapped boy please inform P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi.

Email: cbc@cbi.gov.in Web: http://cbi.nic.in SHO Ph.: 011-23015229, 23015218 Police Station, Nihal Vihar, Delhi Tel.: 011-24368639 Fax: 011-24368639 Ph: 011-25946700, 25946710

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PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

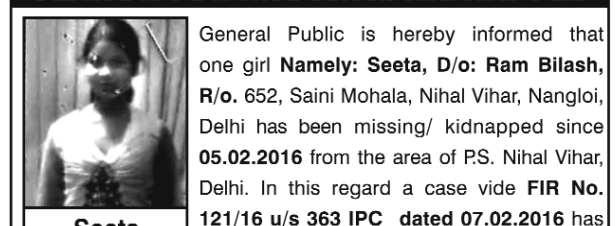
See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person Upender, S/o: Brij Kishor, R/o: C-755, Mangol Puri, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case E-FIR No. 873/16 u/s 379/411 IPC at P.S. Mangol Puri, Delhi and his warrant of arrest there upon issued has been return with the report that the said Upender, cannot be found and whereas if has been shown to my satisfaction that the said Upender, has absconded (or is evading himself to avoid the service of the warrant.) Proclamation is hereby made that said Upender, accused in E-FIR No. 873/16 u/s 379/411 IPC at P.S. Mangol Puri, Delhi is required to appear before this court to answer the said complaint on or before 14/11/2019.

By Order Sh. Rakesh Kumar-II, Metropolitan Magistrate, (North-West Distt.) Room No. 105, 1st Floor, Rohini Court, Delhi

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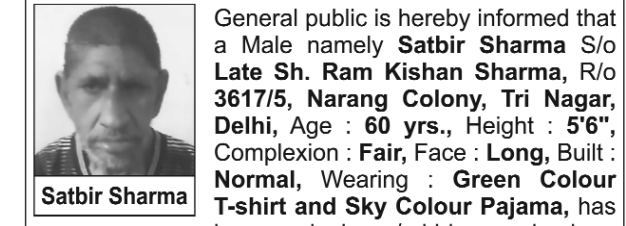
SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED



General Public is hereby informed that one girl Namely: Seeta, D/o: Ram Bilash, R/o. 652, Saini Mohala, Nihal Vihar, Nangloi, Delhi has been missing/ kidnapped since 05.02.2016 from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard a case vide FIR No. 121/16 u/s 363 IPC dated 07.02.2016 has been registered at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. The description of the missing/kidnapped girl is as under: Age: 15 years Height: 4'10", Face: Long, Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Red Suit-Black Salwar and cream plastics chappal in feet. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the girl but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this girl kindly inform to the following.

Website: http://cbi.nic.in E-mail Id - cbc@cbi.gov.in Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641 SHO Fax No. 011-24368639 P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi DP/2327/OD/19 Ph.: 011-28363001, 7065036120

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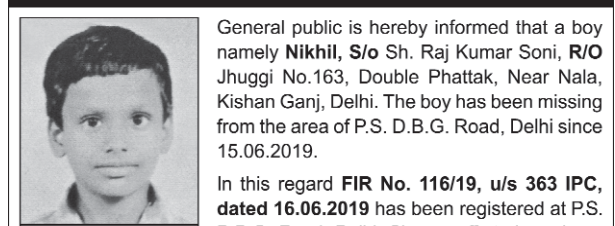


General public is hereby informed that a Male namely Satbir Sharma S/o Late Sh. Ram Kishan Sharma, R/o 3617/5, Narang Colony, Tri Nagar, Delhi, Age : 60 yrs., Height : 5'6", Complexion : Fair, Face : Long, Build : Normal, Wearing : Green Colour T-shirt and Sky Colour Pajama, has been missing / kidnapped since 11.06.2019. In this regard a case DD. No. 14-A dated 13.06.2019 has been lodged at PS. Keshav Puram, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local Police to trace out the missing / kidnapped Male but no clue has come to light so far.

if anyone have any information about this missing / kidnapped Male please inform undersigned. Website: http://cbi.nic.in, Email: cbc@cbi.gov.in, Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641, Fax : 011-24368639

SHO DP/9077/NW/19. Ph.: 011-27181325, 27156090 P.S. Keshav Puram, Delhi

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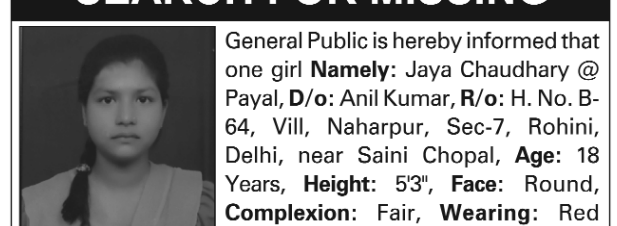


General public is hereby informed that a boy namely Nikhil, S/o Sh. Raj Kumar Soni, R/O Jhuggi No.163, Double Phattak, Near Nala, Kishan Ganj, Delhi. The boy has been missing from the area of P.S. D.B.G. Road, Delhi since 15.06.2019. In this regard FIR No. 116/19, u/s 363 IPC, dated 16.06.2019 has been registered at P.S. D.B.G. Road, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the missing boy but no clue has come to light so far.

The description of the missing boy is as under: Name: Nikhil, Age: 9 Years, Height: 4'2" Complexion: Shallow, Face: Oval, Built: Thin, Wearing: Light Green & Black Colour Full Sleeve Shirt, Black Colour Jeans and Black Colour Foam Sandal in his Feet. If anyone has any information regarding this missing boy, kindly inform SHO/P.S. D.B.G. Road, Delhi.

Email: cbc@cbi.gov.in, Website: http://cbi.nic.in SHO Ph.: 011-23011334 P.S. D.B.G. Road, Delhi DP/6376/CD/19 Ph. No. 011-23537374, 08750870429

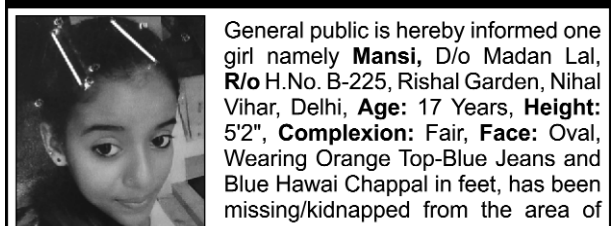
SEARCH FOR MISSING



General Public is hereby informed that one girl Namely: Jaya Chaudhary @ Payal, D/o: Anil Kumar, R/o: H. No. B-64, Vill, Naharpur, Sec-7, Rohini, Delhi, near Saini Chopal, Age: 18 Years, Height: 5'3", Face: Round, Complexion: Fair, Wearing: Red Colour Suit & Salwar has been missing/ kidnapped from the area of PS North Rohini since 24.02.2019. In this regard DD No. 33-A dated 26.02.2019 has been lodged at PS. North Rohini, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped girl but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing/kidnapped girl please inform the undersigned.

SHO DP/2930/RD/19 Ph.: 011-27048210, 27048211 P.S. North Rohini, Delhi

SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed one girl namely Mansi, D/o Madan Lal, R/o H.No. B-225, Rishal Garden, Nihal Vihar, Delhi, Age: 17 Years, Height: 5'2", Complexion: Fair, Face: Oval, Wearing Orange Top-Blue Jeans and Blue Hawaii Chappal in feet, has been missing/kidnapped from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar since 21.05.2019. In this regard a FIR No. 346/19 u/s 363 IPC, Dated 22.05.2019 has been lodged at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi.

Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out the girl but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about her please inform undersigned. Website : http://cbi.nic.in E-mail : cbc@cbi.gov.in Ph. No. : 011-24368638, 24368641 SHO DP/2287/OD/19 Ph.: 011-25946700, 25946710 P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi

ADMK, DMK in water war

Opp says it won't allow transportation of water from Jolarpettai in Vellore district to Chennai



Water woes
CHENNAI

The water crisis plaguing Tamil Nadu has turned out to be a full blown out water war between the ruling AIADMK and the Opposition DMK. As part of its efforts to unseat the AIADMK Government, the DMK leadership declared on Monday that it would not allow transportation of water from Jolarpettai in Vellore district to Chennai.

Chief Minister Edappadi Palaniswami had announced on Friday that a 50 wagon train would be pressed into service to transport 10 million litres water per day from Jolarpettai to Chennai. The Government has set apart Rs 65 crore to meet the cost of transporting the water and other expenses. Palaniswami told mediapersons after a Cabinet meeting which was convened to discuss the water shortage in Chennai.

But Durai Murugan, treasurer, DMK, declared that his party would oppose the State Government's move to transport water from Jolarpettai to Chennai. Murugan who was the Minister for Public Works Department in the previous DMK Government disclosed that at present the Tamil Nadu Government was bringing stagnant and polluted water from quarries. "I have seen people dumping carcasses of animals in these quarries. The AIADMK Government is supplying water through tanker lorries so that it could get commission from lorry owners," alleged Murugan.

The declaration of Murugan that his party would prevent transporting water from Jolarpettai to Chennai has taken the people by surprise. "Till now, the water war was confined to States. The announcement by Durai Murugan would lead to a situation where people in one district fight their counterparts in neighbouring district," said Narayanan Thirupathi, BJP leader.

Murugan is reportedly worried over the poll prospectus of



DMK chief MK Stalin addresses protesters (below) during protest against AIADMK Government over water crisis in Tamil Nadu, in Chennai, on Monday



his son Kathir Anand, the DMK candidate from Vellore Lok Sabha constituency. The poll from this constituency was rescinded following large scale seizure of unaccounted money from the residence and business premise of Durai Murugan.

Meanwhile, the AIADMK is planning to launch a counter agitation blaming the DMK for its efforts to derail the Water Train project.

Dr Nanditha Krishna, director, CPR Environmental Centre said this was the worst water crisis to hit Chennai in the last three decades. "Groundwater has almost been depleted and there is no possibility of finding any new water bodies in the metropolis or in surrounding areas," Dr Krishna said.

This week will see Tamil Nadu Government launching the works of the third desalination plant in a Chennai suburb which has the capacity to supply 150 million litres water per day is expected to be operational in three years. The AIADMK Government is going ahead with plans to set up a fourth desalination plant for the metropolis.

"This is too late and too little. The Government should have launched the works of three or four desalination plants at least in 2012. Under the present conditions, the only option

BJP warns TMC goons of 'encounter' and 'UP model'

In what the Trinamool Congress promptly saw a "safron roadmap to paint Bengal in blood," two senior BJP leaders from the State on Monday said their party would chart the Uttar Pradesh model should they come to power in order to teach the TMC's "Tolabai" (extortionist) and criminal brigade a lesson.

The BJP leaders' statements came against the backdrop of one more shootout death at Mathurapur in South 24 Parganas where a person was shot dead by alleged TMC goons and three others were received serious bullet injuries during a political clash.

Senior State party leader Sayantan Basu said "if the TMC goons do not chart the right path and come back to their senses then the police will be told to either arrest them or shoot them in encounter."

Most of these "TMC goons have created havoc in their regions by extorting money from the people and spreading violence," he said, adding when the BJP would come to power it would follow the UP model. "I warn you TMC goons we will chart the UP model and ask the police either to arrest the goons or if they try to flee away to Bangladesh then simply kill them through encounters before they can cross the border."

Basu who lost from Basirhat parliamentary seat to TMC's actress-turned-politician Nusrat Jahan was pulled up by the Election Commission when he

appealed to the CRPF to "shoot through the TMC goons chests instead of aiming at their legs." Echoing Basu's statements another State party general secretary Raju Banerjee warned the Trinamool men who were extorting money from the people to "watch out and mend your ways or else when we will come to power we will not stop the police from dealing with you in encounters."

He said "after BJP comes to power you (TMC goons) will be seen standing in front of your houses with placards asking for pardon and saying 'spare us and we will never do it again,'" Banerjee said adding "we will not intervene if the police dealt you in encounters." Reacting sharply to the BJP leaders' statements senior



BJP activists protest in front of the office of Superintendent of Police, Birbhum, against the deterioration of law & order, on Monday

Trinamool leader Firhad Hakim said "what they are telling now only speaks of their character ... This only speaks about the encounter ideology that their party, particularly their former party president and present Home Minister Amit Shah fol-

Another setback for TMC as more leaders, MLA join BJP

All the TMC leaders joined the BJP in Delhi in presence of Kailash Vijabargiya the party's observer for Bengal and Mukul Roy.

With the South Dinajpur 10 ZP members joining the BJP the 18-member district board will naturally go into the hands of the saffron outfit. Former TMC MP and present TMC district president Arpita Ghosh who replaced Mitra in the wake of the general elections that saw South Dinajpur (Balurghat seat) going to the BJP however said at least four out of the 10 ZP members who had joined the BJP would soon come back to the TMC.

"They told me that they were forcibly taken to Delhi and promised to rejoin the Trinamool after their return to Balurghat," she said. In Delhi, Roy told reporters, "this is only a part of the first phase of the seven stages in which the TMC leaders will join the BJP ... by the end of the seventh phase Mamata Banerjee Government will fall from power," reminding "yeh to abhi trailer hei, pura picture abhi baki hei (this is only the trailer and the whole film is to come)."

On why he joined the BJP Champramary said "Mamata Banerjee has converted TMC a one-man party. She runs it according to her own whims and fancies. No one has any voice in the party as everyone must carry out her orders. She suppresses the voices of the people in a manner that today her party is trying to impose Bengali language on the people. They are telling that if anyone has to live in Bengal he has to read Bengali. This is unacceptable." The turncoat MLA further said, "TMC is charting the CPI(M)'s path with more ferocity."

Even in the absence of any formal invite from the BJP-led Central Government, peace talks are gradually gaining momentum in Jammu & Kashmir.

After Hurriyat leadership, several mainstream political parties have welcomed the 'idea' of resuming talks with in the ambit of the Indian constitution. But it seems the State unit of the BJP is still not in sync with the ruling dispensation in Delhi.

After several Kashmir-based politicians, including National Conference Chief Dr Farooq Abdullah and PDP Chief Mehbooba Mufti batted for early resumption of talks, State BJP spokesman on Monday issued a written statement claiming, "any talks with the Joint Resistance leadership/Hurriyat at this stage without them publicly accepting pre-conditions will be counter-productive and a retrograde step."

On the other hand, BJP national vice-president and the J&K affairs in-charge, Avinash Rai Khanna, in Srinagar said, "Centre was open for dialogue with the Hurriyat leaders "but within the ambit of Indian constitution."

"We are open for talks. Hurriyat leaders are own people, they are the residents of J&K so they are most welcome to talk to us including the Prime Minister Narendra Modi but within the ambit of Indian constitution," Khanna told mediapersons on the side-lines of a party function in Srinagar.

First of all, the ball was set rolling by the J&K Governor Satya Pal Malik in Srinagar on Saturday where he made a first 'cryptic' statement saying, "it was encouraging to see Hurriyat's readiness for talks".

Governor Malik had stated that the Hurriyat leaders, who had once shut doors on Ram Vilas Paswan, when approached for dialogue, were "now ready for talks, which was an encouraging sign."

Without wasting any time Hurriyat Conference (M) led by Mirwaiz Umar Farooq too reacted positively claiming, "the amalgam has always been in favour of talks "as the means of resolution."

Reacting to the political

TN CM seeks Modi's intervention on Mekedatu issue

PTI ■ CHENNAI

The Tamil Nadu Government on Monday sought the Centre's 'urgent' intervention on the Mekedatu reservoir issue, saying Karnataka seeking environmental clearance for the project was in violation of an award of the Cauvery Water Disputes Tribunal and a Supreme Court judgment.

In a letter to Prime Minister

Narendra Modi, Chief Minister K Palaniswami requested him to direct the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change to "reject outright" Karnataka's proposal.

Palaniswami sought Modi's "urgent personal intervention" to deny permission to the proposal of Karnataka's Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Niyamita seeking environmental clearance for the Mekedatu Balancing Reservoir and

Raj to implement Centre's health insurance scheme jointly with its own

Jaipur: The Rajasthan Government has decided to implement the Centre's flagship health insurance scheme, Ayushman Bharat, by integrating it with the state's own Bhamashah insurance scheme.

State Health Minister Raghu Sharma on Tuesday said the Centre's scheme will be implemented in integration with the State's Bhamashah insurance scheme. Ayushman Bharat provides for cashless medical treatment worth up to Rs 5 lakh to the beneficiary families per year.

Sharma said the amalgamation of the two schemes has been completed. Rajasthan is currently providing benefits to 97 Lakh families under the Bhamashah scheme and many of the eligible families under the Ayushman Bharat scheme are already covered under the Bhamashah scheme.

Peace talks gains momentum in J&K

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

development, National Conference President and sitting Member Parliament from Srinagar Dr Farooq Abdullah Monday said, "The Governor says Hurriyat has agreed to talks. Then, talks should be held with them."

Similarly, former Jammu & Kashmir Chief Minister and Peoples Democratic Party president on Monday said she was relieved that Hurriyat has "finally" softened its stand on talks with the Centre.

Quoting a famous Persian couplet, daer ayad durust ayad (Better later than never), Mehbooba said on Twitter, "Dair aye durust aye. The underlying purpose of PDP-BJP alliance was to facilitate dialogue between GoI & all stakeholders. Tried my best to make it happen in my tenure as CM but relieved that Hurriyat has finally softened their stand."

Meanwhile in Jammu, State spokesperson of BJP Brig Anil Gupta said, "None of the Hurriyat leaders have signaled any change in their stance and continue to promote separatism." "Mere appeals for talks with the Centre is no indicator of any change in their mindset", he added.

BJP spokesman said, "Hurriyat is the perpetrator of most of the problems in Kashmir. With the inflow of Hawala money controlled, they are now strapped of cash and thus asking for talks. The JRL should publically acknowledge the undisputable status of J&K and it being an integral part of India. They should also commit their loyalty to Constitution of India and seek talks only under its ambit," asserted Brig Gupta.

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Amendment

Following amendment is issued in PHQ NIT No.29 of 2019 dated 22.05.2019 floated to purchase Anti Riot Gas Mask :-

- The basic objective is quick donning and doffing along with safety. There is no bar for the 6 strap system if the above objectives are fulfilled.
- The material must be of high quality. Halo Buty Ruber has been quoted only as an example.
- The following requirements must be fulfilled :-
 - o Rigid and strong.
 - o Impact resistant.
 - o Light design.

The vendor is free to offer any solution that fulfils the above requirements.

- 1/4 inch steel sphere travelling at a velocity of 450 m/sec" is what is ideally required. It is not a qualifying condition but any bidder offering it would be preferred.
- Clause "that provides maximum resistance to the known CBRN agents" is dropped from the tender.
- Conformation Certificate with regard to NIOSH compliances to be provided.
- Gas Mask must be guaranteed against leakage for facial hair upto 1 inch.

Detailed tender documents with terms and conditions are available on J&K State e-procurement Portal www.jktenders.gov.in.

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Amendment

As a follow up of Pre Bid Meeting and also pursuant to report received from the Technical Committee with references to queries of various intending bidders, following amendment is issued in PHQ NIT No. 25 of 2019 dated 21.05.2019 floated to purchase X ray baggage Scanners 100 x 100 cm :-

- 3D view is not a qualifying condition. Requirement is clearly defined in Annexure "A" of the NIT, serial no 1.
- The machine must be able to generate clear images that can be visualized appropriately. Vendors are free to offer any solution that fulfils requirement as defined in Annexure "A" of NIT, serial no 1.
- Conveyor capacity = 200 Kg or above.

Other terms and conditions of tender shall remain unchanged. Detailed tender documents with terms and conditions are available on J&K State e-procurement Portal www.jktenders.gov.in.

Sd/- (Mubassir Latifi) JKPS, AIG (Provision/Transport) For Director General of Police, J&K Srinagar

No: DIPK-NB-1367/19 Dated: 24.06.2019

PRESS E-TENDER NOTICE

The Executive Engineer, Civil Division No. VII, Irrigation & Flood Control Deptt. Govt. Of NCT Of Delhi, Sector-15, Rohini, Delhi invites online percentage E-tenders on behalf of the President of India from approved and eligible contractors of I&FC Deptt. The contractors who are registered with other Departments but granted provisional permission by the Chief Engineer (I&FC) are also eligible for participation of e-tendering for the following works:-

Sr. No.	NIT No.	Name of Work	Head of Account (In Rs.)	Estimate Cost (In Rs.)	Earnest Money	Time Allowed	Tender ID No.	Last date & time for submission of Price Bid
1.	EE/CD-VII/NIT/2019-20/18	Construction of protection wall on both side of sub minor no -4 at Kadi Vihar in Burari A.C.	2702	19,15,564/-	38,311/-	03 Months	2019_IFC_174357_1	03.07.2019 upto 15.00 Hrs
2.	EE/CD-VII/NIT/2019-20/19	Maintenance of Bankner Link drain from RD-0 m to RD- 5400 m by keeping it clear from maiba/MSW/garbage/floatng material including brooming on road sides and cutting of unwanted vegetation/ bushes & C&D waste etc. from the banks berms & bed of drain including disposal of accumulated waste to the near by Dhalao complete for the period of six month.	2711	6,86,766/-	13,735/-	06 Months	2019_IFC_174342_1	03.07.2019 upto 15.00 Hrs.

- The enlistment of the contractors should be valid on the last date of opening of tenders. In case, the last date of opening of tender is extended, the enlistment of contractor should be valid on the original date of opening of tenders.
- Earnest money in physical form and self attested copy of Registration of enlistment & other documents (eg. ESI & EPF registration, copy of PAN card, Copy of VAT documents) should be submitted in the Office of Executive Engineer, Civil Division-VII, I&FC Deptt., Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Sector-15, Rohini, Delhi-110085 upto 2.00 PM on the last date of submission of technical bids for obtaining the deposit slip for uploading.
- The details of above mentioned work(s) can be seen and downloaded from the website <http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>
- The agencies who do not fulfill eligibility criteria do not submit required documents upto the stipulated time, their tenders shall be rejected summarily at technical bid stage.
- Tenders submitted through e-procurement portal shall only be considered and no manual tender shall be accepted.
- Intending tenders participating in tendering process in EE CD-VII, I&FC shall furnish ESI & EPF registration along with other required documents and the same shall be uploaded while bidding. Moreover the ESI & EPF registration documents of all contractors shall be kept on records and ESI & EPF registration documents of lowest tenderer to whom the work awarded shall form the part of the agreement. (I&FC department office order No.1417-48 dated 29.01.2016).

Sd/- DIP/Shabdarth/0257/19-20 EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (CD-VII)

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E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tender are invited from firms/contractors registered with UPLC Lucknow for the following jobs against which bids can be uploaded and same shall be opened/downloaded as per schedule mentioned. The details and conditions of all tenders are available on Noida Authority's official website: www.noidaauthorityonline.com & <http://etender.up.nic.in>

Please ensure to see these websites for any changes/amendments & corrigendum etc.

A. (1/43/Noida/GM(K)/SM-WC-6/ET/2018-19- Name of Work:- P/F Barbed wire fencing (P/F Barbed wire fencing and Board in different place of Work Circle-6 area) Noida, Cost Rs. 48.90 Lacs. Which can be uploaded by date 02.07.2019 upto 5.00 PM. Pre-qualification shall be opened/downloaded on date 03.07.2019 at 11.00 AM.

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TENDER NOTICE

No. RRO/Tender-AMC/2019-20
Sealed offers are invited from the interested parties/ Agencies/ Firms for Empanelment for providing following services:

Sr. No.	Description	E.M.D./ Security (In Rs.)	Date for the sale of tender	Last Date for the sale of tender	Cost of Tender Form (In Rs.)
1.	Security Guards (Armed and unarmed)	2.00 Lac	25.06.2019	23.07.2019	1000
2.	Manpower Services (Stenographer, Computer Operator, Cook, Sweeper, Helper/ Multi-task staff, Sales Girls / Boys	4.00 Lac	25.06.2019	23.07.2019	1000
3.	Rental Taxi Services	0.50 Lac	25.06.2019	23.07.2019	1000

The detailed terms and conditions are given in tender document which can be purchased in cash, on any working day between 10.00 Hrs. to 17.00 Hrs. Tender forms can also be downloaded from our website www.kvic.org.in, however, the cost of tender form will have to be deposited along with the tender in the shape of demand draft / pay order drawn in favour of "Resident Representative, KVIC, New Delhi".

Tenders will be opened in the presence of bidders on 24.07.2019 at 15.00 Hrs. The Dy CEO/RR will be empowered to cancel one or all the tenders without assigning any reason.

(Vinay Kumar) Director

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Alia, all smiles in RK's family photo

Actress ALIA BHATT is all smiles in a photograph featuring actor Ranbir Kapoor's family. Actress Neetu Kapoor shared a series of photographs on social media. The first image features veteran actor Rishi Kapoor, Riddhima Kapoor Sahni, Ranbir, Alia and Neetu posing for the camera. Neetu captioned the image, "Your family is your whole world. So so many loves in these beautiful moments." Alia's mother and veteran actress Soni Razdan commented, "All looking so well and happy."



'I play a popular model from a local city in Lucknow in Bala. Unlike a lot of characters shown on the screen so far, my character is a local model who's famous in a local town. There are basics I understand of the character. Of course this character is very different and something I haven't done before.'

—Yami Gautam



Actor SALMAN KHAN is giving major fitness goals as he flaunts a perfect 180 degree split. This is not the first time the star has shared his workout routine. The *Bharat* star, who is praised for his well-chiselled body, had previously shared videos showing his workouts to stay fit and flexible, how his security team helps in his fitness regime and a clip of him doing a back flip into a pool. His forthcoming projects include the next season of TV reality show *Bigg Boss*, Sanjay Leela Bhansali's *Inshallah* and another instalment of his popular franchise *Dabangg 3*.

'Love having career as a songwriter'

Swedish singer TOVE LO, who received a Grammy nomination for co-writing Ellie Goulding's chart-topper *Love me like you do*, takes a lot of pride in having a big pop star sing a song co-written by her. She says its an amazing feeling. Tove along with Max Martin, Ali Payami, Savan Kotecha and Ilya had co-written the 2015 song that had featured in the film *Fifty Shades of Grey*. Didn't she feel like singing that song instead of letting Ellie go behind the mic for it? "No, I mean it's funny with that song. I helped out with the lyrics a little bit and I think it was always meant for her. I really love having a career as a songwriter too, so I take a lot of pride in having a big pop star sing a song that I have co-written," Tove said.



'Everyone can see the irony'

Amid controversies, SUNAINA ROSHAN's boyfriend RUHAIL AMIN talks about how Roshans had put a security ring around her when she told them about their inter-religion relationship

Ruhail Amin's name had hit the headlines when Sunaina Roshan, Hrithik Roshan's sister and his alleged girlfriend, said that her family was not accepting him for being a Muslim. Ruhail said in an interview with a TV news channel, "This incident has once again exposed the dark underbelly of identity politics at play in today's liberal times which are totally uncalled for." Sunaina had earlier called her life as "hell" and talked about how her family has been making her life unbearable. In an interview with an entertainment website, she revealed that she had asked Kangana Ranaut and Rangoli Chandel to help her fight for justice. Talking about the love jihad angle their story has taken, Ruhail

called it as unfortunate. "Labelling someone extremist just because he/she belongs to a certain religion is simply outrageous and needs to be condemned in strongest words," he said. Ruhail said that the two had lost touch for some time while he was covering entertainment for news channel, and only reconnected through social media. Ruhail said that when he first spoke to Sunaina's family, they were not happy about their bond. He added, "They did not approve of our friendship. I also got to know that her parents put a security ring around her post our friendship and when she told me about it, my first reaction was of disbelief and later a good laugh." In a previous interview, Sunaina had revealed that she fell in love with Ruhail, a journalist,



a year ago. Her father Rakesh Roshan, however, slapped her and allegedly called Ruhail a 'terrorist'. "Calling someone a terrorist just because of his Islamic identity is unjustified. Religions and geographies should not become the cornerstones of defining extremism. We need to move beyond that mindset. Most importantly, we need to stand up against ignorant viewpoints, whoever has them," said he. Ruhail said that he has been in touch with Sunaina. "She wants to restart her life on a positive note and wants her family to support her decisions," he said. When asked why is there a problem now even though Hrithik Roshan was married to Suzanne, a Muslim, Ruhail said, "Everyone can see the irony here."

Earlier, actor Hrithik Roshan's former wife Suzanne Khan had come to his defence amid ongoing family tensions regarding his sister Sunaina Roshan, whom she had called a loving and a warm person. Suzanne had written on social media, "As a part of my experiences with all concerned and in my lifespan of being a part of this close knit family, I know Sunaina, to be an extremely loving, warm, caring person, who is in an unfortunate situation. Sunaina's father is undergoing a major health crisis. Her mother is herself vulnerable to say the least. Please respect the families tough period, each family goes through such times. I needed to say this as someone who has been a part of this family for long." —Agencies

Halfway there

Producer AJIT ARORA tells SAKSHI SHARMA that just like inter-caste marriages took a long time to be accepted in society, embracing the LGBTQ community is an emotional change, which demands time and patience



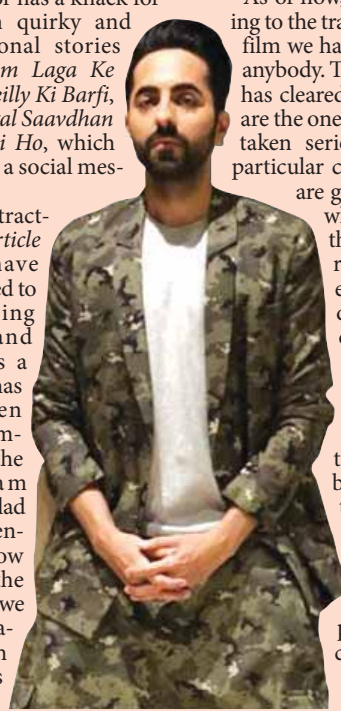
As they say your gender preference does not define you. Your spirit does. Ajit Arora made his foray into film production through *377 Ab Normal*, which vividly portrayed the journey of hardships that members of LGBTQ community had undergone. He is all set to bring its second edition soon. His commitment to the cause prompted him to step beyond the horizons and venture into cinema. He said enthusiastically, "Whenever the instance on *377* will be recalled, ours will be the first film on it." On being questioned about commencing his journey through this film, he said, "When the Supreme Court gave the verdict that they are to decriminalise section 377, it was one enough reason to start with. This film was just a portrayal of what people had gone through before the verdict. So many people had lived their lives the way they shouldn't have had." This landmark verdict had put across that this is not a crime and the film portrayed the same, the real-life captivating journey of emotional display of people who suffered and are now happy about how things are being accepted in the country. Citing his reasons for choosing *377* over any other topic, he said, "We would have only shown the cause but not the solution. Here, we got the chance to portray the solution as well. The court is coming to take the action. So the bracket is closed, right?" On the forthcoming series, he merely hinted, "It is an extension of the first film. I am leaving it on the audience to decide whether it is the same linear story which will continue or is it the futuristic thing?" Emphasising on the community further, he said that as human beings, they also have the right to move around without having the fear of going behind bars. "I am glad that this personal choice was respected by the law," said he. Ajit apprised us that people will evolve with time. As they say change is the only constant thing in this world. Decades ago inter-caste marriages were not

prevalent. If people did, they were disowned. Eventually, things changed with time. They broadened their mindsets. This is an emotional change, which is why it demands time for people to adapt to changes. Talking about the impact of the film, Ajit said, "People were asking, 'Acha ye crime tha kya, iske liye jail ho sakti thi kya?' (Was this a crime? Could somebody be imprisoned for this?) They were not aware of the fact that *377* was a crime and the bearer were these people. They did not know that it was legalised by the High Court earlier and then reversed by the Supreme Court." His first film was streamed on ZEE5, an online channel. Hence, talking about the intricacies of the platform, he said that web has a longer shelf life as compared to cinema. One can watch it even after 10 days. This has taken the space of TV viewers and given it a big time dent. India has been fortunate enough to be the youngest populated country. People have evolved, the new generation is completely young at heart and mind at the same time. They are so well aware of the happenings in the world. We are lucky enough that such content is coming to our route. It offers the option of watching any genre and 500-1,000 things at a time. He apprised us that powerful content is important, it can not always be driven by social causes but by a regular person's dream too. Good content has to be supported by the treatment of how you show it on screen. Ajit laid stress on portraying reality. "I can't fabricate the content to make it larger than life or blow it out of proportion so that everyone likes it. It is not the way reality should be shown. If tomorrow people say that the law has put a big embargo on the Haryana panchayat then I will be happy to make a film right then and there. We should not think about the verdict or the film as supportive of one community. We are supportive of social cause, it is something which was a landmark." He is currently working on many verticals, one of which is a common person's journey to achieve a goal. It's a film which conveys a social message. Through this, he is trying to portray social causes coupled with regular life content. It might drown you in a pool of emotions to ignite some thought.

'No discrimination in film industry'

Discrimination has been a burning topic in the country. Actor Ayushmann Khurrana, who is continuing on the path of backing groundbreaking content with *Article 15*, says the film industry is a secular world where no one discriminates on the basis of caste or religion. Ayushmann, whose filmography is dotted with unconventional stories, features as a police officer in Anubhav Sinha's *Article 15*, a film which emphasises on prohibition of discrimination on grounds of religion, race, caste, sex or place of birth, which finds a mention in the Indian Constitution. As for the film industry, Ayushmann said, "There is no discrimination in the industry. It is purely on the basis of merit. Nobody discusses caste and religion in the industry. If you are good, you are applauded and rewarded. The industry is very secular and democratic." The actor has a knack for working on quirky and unconventional stories such as *Dum Laga Ke Haisha*, *Bareilly Ki Barfi*, *Shubh Mangal Saavdhan* and *Badhaai Ho*, which also give out a social message. What attracted him to *Article 15*? "I have always aspired to do something different and *Article 15* is a film which has never been tried by filmmakers in the mainstream space. I am glad this is happening right now as this is the time where we can be courageous with the subjects

of our films. This is the era where we can do different stuff and still command credibility at the box office at the same time," he said. After *Article 15* Ayushmann, who will be seen as a gay man in *Shubh Mangal Zyada Saavdhan*, says he never thought about the "box office game" while shooting *Article 15*. "This is something very close to my heart and I completely believe in it," said Ayushmann. The film, releasing on June 28, has earned the ire of the Brahmin community in Uttar Pradesh over the fact that the story has been "tweaked". With the intention of portraying the accused men as Brahmins, they feel it will defame the community. It depicts how caste equations are prevalent in the area. Ayushmann is sure that the film does not take any sides and has no intention to show any community in a bad light. "As of now, they are reacting to the trailer but with the film we have not offended anybody. The censor board has cleared the film. They are the ones who should be taken seriously. Like the particular community who are getting offended, when they will see the film, they will realise that whatever they are doing is a redundant exercise as there is nothing like that in the film," he said. He also said the film is not based on a particular event. "It is an amalgam of different events which keep on happening in our country." —IANS



Breaking old chains

Actress KAMYA PANJABI tells JAYESH PAWAR that television and theatre are like her children. While one is of 15 years, the other is a new-born



pendent." While everybody on the team had a lot of time for rehearsing for the play, Kamya had to manage the shooting schedule of *Shakti* and the rehearsal of the play. Speaking about what she used to do to make the most out of the short practise sessions, she says, "I made sure that I knew my lines by heart, not just my lines, infact I knew other actor's lines as well. By doing this I had the whole play in my mind. Now when you have memorised everything then you actually know what is happening in which

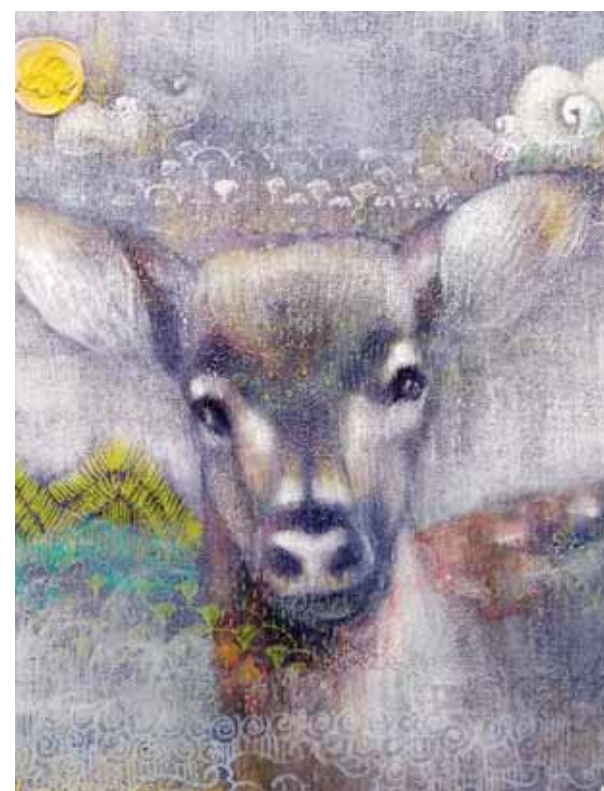
scene, like after my dialogue, I knew who will speak and even what are they going to speak. So the whole situation became a bit easy." Kamya feels that there is a huge risk that one takes while improvising in theatre, whether the other actor can handle the improvisation or not, that's a chance that one takes. "In television if I improvised something and if the other actor didn't understand it, the scene can be cut but in theatre there are no cuts. Even if you have handled the situation by improvising it and still the



other actor cannot deliver his dialogues then it'll still be a big mess," she adds while comparing the process of improvisation in television to that in theatre. Further talking about the theme of the play, Kamya shares that what does it mean to be a modern Indian woman. "In our society people are really judgemental and everybody is worried about the fact that what will people think. This thought of what would people think or say is the biggest worry. Sometimes in the fear of this thought, we don't share our views, opinions and our pain with our family also. So, we need to stop that and stand up to express ourselves. I mean it is literally the high time that we start taking a stand. This is the time when kids and women are being abused both physically as well as mentally. The things that are happening in today's era must come to an end and this can only be done by taking a firm stand for ourselves. The concept of modern Indian women for me is to speak for yourself and stand up against wrong because if you can't take a stand for yourself then nobody else will." Apprising us about her experience of the time spend in the world of theatre, the newbie says, "I have realised that there's still a lot to learn and it's a never-ending process. The world of theatre has a lot to offer and I am looking forward to learn new things as well as performing better. Television and theatre are like children to me, while one is of 15 years, the other is a newborn. Although I want to keep on doing television for the rest of my life but theatre has got a different kind of high in it." (The play will be staged on June 29 at Sri Ram Centre for Arts.)

A sea of emotions

Through metaphysical imagery, dripping colour and an array of symbolism, *My Summer Garden* aims to resurrect harmony and hope. By UMA NAIR



remind us of the little *kinmaris* from ancient lore. Her colours are warm and inviting, having about them a certain echo of the past and the present.

GEORGE MARTIN
Lithe and light, George

or moments that help in understanding or interpreting the present. Martin insists that this is an open-ended effort and one is totally free to look at his artworks from different or maybe original perspectives.

He plays with an ensemble of images to convey fundamental ideas, he also invites viewers to glance, gleam and enjoy multiple reactions and interpretations from the multiple mappings of thoughts he presents with. His world is highly receptive and resonant and is an amalgam of his love for films, literature and memories.

BISWAJIT PANDA

The Odisha-born artist recently described his works as "cathartic cleansing, a powerful house of positive energy that has culled itself out of vicissitudes and trying times." At Art Positive, his circular earth-shaped canvases have a charming energy that recall the beauty and balance of a cosmic dance, in an interplay

of dynamic and spiritual energies flows, reflecting eternal life forces. Panda plays with the brilliance of abstract as well as figurative forms to create corollaries in his cosmic oeuvre.

His circular charcoal grey canvases echo endless nights, his streaks of red, brown and silver trace their own path like a conscious cascade that breaks the monotony of the charcoal. Panda plays with metaphysical imagery, within the profusion of dripping colours and the flight of butterflies, who symbolise hope, change and resurrection in the Christian theology. He also gives us an array of symbolisms that actually are deeply rooted in the entire cosmos of the creativity of man and nature. Impressionable and full of a stirring impact are his works that make them a perfect choice by Maddox.

SEEMA KOHLI

The largest work in the show belongs to artist Seema Kohli. It reflects the panora-

ma of feminine subjectivities. She alters the concept of feminine sexuality with a deepened tenor of spiritual essence and ethos. She extols the balance and beauty of physical attributes, with a profound arc of intellect, thoughts, dreams and realities, all woven into the paradigms of patterns that are born of the womb and of the earth.

She engages, studies and recreates the power and the deeper intensities of the *Hiranyagarbha*, that has evolved from one of the *mantras* of the *Yajur Veda*. It reflects the quiet and subtle beauty of constant procreation. The feminine spirit and the form are itself a prayer to the eternal self — a sojourn of deeper tenets of meditation. Her composition echoes the dynamics and design of the spiritual but it is by no means religious, and yet it explores a poetically elegant and richly sensual female form.

Kohli's work is symbolic of the progress and recycling of thought processes in the human mind, portrayed as calm, evolved and serene, both in palette and poise. If this large canvas is a gesture of the divine, a prayer to the eternal self, then being in the *Garden of Flowers* itself is elevating.

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One-woman man

As actor FARHAD COLABAVALA single-handedly enacts six characters on the stage in *Kasturba Panda Ki Pantie*, director MADHAV MEHTA tells CHAHAK MITTAL why this aspect did not majorly become a challenge, rather gave more layers to the play

In a red-bordered white-coloured saree, with a large maroon *bindi* adorning his forehead, Farhad Colabavala plays a demure 'Auntie Ji' for a while, then switches over to being a man, performing animated stunts, flirting with other males and even faking an orgasm. In the process, the actor challenges all notions of gender politics and cliches and drives home the point of the satirical play, *Kasturba Panda ki Pantie*. It was the summer of 2012 when the idea of presenting a solo show through theatre birthed in theatre actor and director Madhav Mehta's mind.



questions stereotypes. Enacting all the characters was indeed a challenge but it did turn out to be a lot of fun."

But this, he says, did not only involve acting skills but a lot more other things. "There is voice modulation as I have to keep changing my voice with every character. I remember, in my school, at inter-school drama competitions, I used to engage in acts where I had to portray more than one character and change my voices. So it was like revisiting the old days. We also had to keep a check on the body language, which again changes with the characters. It's different for a man and a woman."

Talking about the focus, in both the title and the plot, on the particular garment — underpants — how did they make it appear to be satirical and funny and not awkward or vulgar for the audience? Madhav says, "He was a man at the end of the day. Even though the audience looks at him as a woman in the play and not think about the truth in his real life, it still is just a story with an aim. And this aspect that he plays all the six characters by himself is the very reason why the play has so many layers to it even when it has only one man on the stage."

Farhad, on the other hand, says, "This very part of the play is its funniest aspect. And we have worked hard to make it not look weird to the audience. The story was originally inspired by the German and European culture. But here, in India, we contextualised the Indian society and how a woman operates when surrounded by a group of over- and ever-dominating conservative males."

(The play will staged on June 26 to 29 and July 3 to 7 at 7:30 pm at Akshara Theatre.)

WATCH OUT

Prameya Art Foundation presents *A Time for Farewells*, an international group exhibition, curated by Premjish Achari. Through the exhibition, he attempts to resurrect the importance of the idea of future, which was a part of modernity, was later abandoned and whose arrival is now delayed. **WHEN:** July 19 till August 10 **TIME:** 7 pm **WHERE:** Shrine Empire, Defence Colony.



Korean Cultural Centre presents *The Food Diplomacy*, an exhibition curated by M Haryo Hutomo, who has collaborated with a few Indonesian artists who work individually or collectively. **WHEN:** Till July 30 **TIME:** 5 pm onwards **WHERE:** KCC, Lajpat Nagar.

India International Centre, in collaboration with Embassy of Mexico, presents an exhibition by Joel Rendón, a Mexican Master Engraver, presenting a combination of Mexican tradition of relief prints, contemporary techniques and motives linked to the cultural heritage of the country. **WHEN:** June 25 **TIME:** 6:30 pm onwards **WHERE:** Annexe Art Gallery, IIC.

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Top Sri Lanka defence official faces charges

AFP ■ COLOMBO

Sri Lanka's most senior defence official on Monday became the latest government figure to face possible criminal charges over "major lapses" linked to the Easter Sunday bombings that killed 258 people.

Hemasiri Fernando, who was defence secretary before the April 21 bombing of three churches and three hotels, should be investigated for his failure to prevent or minimise the attacks, Attorney General Dappula de Livera said.

The attorney general said in a letter to Sri Lanka's acting police chief that a presidential commission of inquiry had found "major lapses" by Fernando, who has since resigned from his top job.

EASTER ATTACKS

While Fernando is the most senior defence official to face action, President Maithripala Sirisena also suspended police chief Pujith Jayasundara after he refused to step down over the handling of the attacks.

Jayasundara and Fernando have testified before a Parliamentary inquiry and accused Sirisena of failing to follow established protocols in assessing threats to national security.

Last week, the attorney general ordered investigations against nine police officers for failing to act on warnings ahead of the bombings, carried out by Islamic State-backed local jihadists.

All nine were senior offi-

cers in the districts where the attacks were carried out and have now been transferred from their posts pending disciplinary action and criminal investigations.

Authorities have admitted that warnings sent by India of an impending attack by a local group, the National Thowheeth Jama'ath (NTJ), were ignored.

Some 45 foreign nationals were among the dead and 500 people were injured in the attacks. The tourist hotspot has been under a state of emergency since.

Sri Lanka's State Intelligence Service (SIS) has also been criticised for failing to act on the Indian warnings, but no-one from the state spy service has been put under investigation.

Pompeo in Saudi Arabia, Iran threatens more US drone attacks

AP ■ DUBAI

US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo held talks on Monday with the Saudi king and crown prince after days of mounting tensions following the downing of a US drone last week and after President Donald Trump pulled back from the brink of retaliatory military strikes on Iran. Iran's naval commander, meanwhile, warned that Iranian forces would not hesitate to act again and shoot down more US surveillance drones that violate Iranian airspace.

The US denies the drone, valued at more than \$100 million, violated Iranian airspace. Trump said he backed away from planned strikes after learning that 150 people would be killed but that military action remained an option.

On Monday, Pompeo held separate talks with King Salman and Crown Prince Mohammed



US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo meets with Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman at Al-Salam Palace in Jiddah, Saudi Arabia

bin Salman in the Saudi port city of Jiddah to discuss the escalation with Iran.

Pompeo wrote on Twitter that he had a "productive meeting" with King Salman and discussed "heightened tensions in the region and the need to promote maritime security" in the Strait of Hormuz near the Persian Gulf, through which roughly a fifth of the world's traded oil passes.

From the kingdom, Pompeo

will travel to neighbouring United Arab Emirates, another close US ally.

The regional stops, made on his way to India, may be aimed at reassuring Washington's Sunni Gulf Arab allies that the White House remains committed to maintaining pressure on Shiite Iran following Trump's last-minute about face, which likely raised questions about US willingness to use force against the Islamic Republic.

Opposition win in Istanbul a blow to Turkey's Erdogan

AP ■ ISTANBUL

The opposition candidate for mayor of Istanbul celebrated a landmark win Sunday in a closely watched repeat election that ended weeks of political tension and broke the long hold President Recep Tayyip Erdogan's party had on leading Turkey's largest city.

"Thank you, Istanbul," Ekrem Imamoglu, 49, said to the tens of thousands of people who gathered to mark his victory after unofficial results showed he won a clear majority of the vote.

The governing party's candidate, former Turkish Prime Minister Binali Yildirim, conceded moments after returns showed him trailing well behind Imamoglu, 54% to 45%. Imamoglu increased his lead from a March mayoral election by hundreds of thousands of votes.

Erdogan congratulated Imamoglu in a tweet. Analysts noted the president, who is grappling with an economic downturn and several international crises, could limit the mayor's power or undermine

Imamoglu's authority in other ways.

Imamoglu narrowly won an earlier mayoral election on March 31, but Erdogan's Justice and Development Party, AKP, challenged the vote over alleged irregularities. He spent 18 days in office before Turkey's electoral board annulled the results after weeks of partial recounts.

Trump puts Saudi arms sales above Khashoggi enquiry

AP ■ WASHINGTON

President Donald Trump brushed aside the grisly killing of Washington Post columnist Jamal Khashoggi, saying his death has been investigated and a Saudi pledge to spend billions of dollars on U.S. military equipment "means something to me."

He spoke just days after an independent U.N. report revealed new details of the Saudi journalist's death and apparent dismemberment at the hands of Saudi agents. It said there was "credible evidence" that war-

ranted further investigation into the possible involvement of Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman and called for an FBI investigation.

Trump, in an interview on NBC's "Meet the Press," said the subject of Khashoggi "didn't come up" when he and Salman spoke on Thursday, the day after the report was released.

The president said the Middle East is a "vicious, hostile place" and that Iran and other countries in the region are also guilty of the type of behavior Saudi Arabia has been accused of engaging in.

China says it 'won't allow' G20 discussion on Hong Kong

PTI ■ BEIJING

China said on Monday it would not allow the G-20 nations to discuss the mass protests in Hong Kong during their summit this week, as US President Donald Trump plans to raise the issue during his meeting with President Xi Jinping in Japan.

Hong Kong has been rocked by major protests over a bill that would allow people to be extradited to the mainland to face trial in courts controlled by the Communist party.

Protesters block Hong Kong building access, plan new action

AP ■ HONG KONG

Protesters fearing an erosion of Hong Kong's legal autonomy blocked access to a government office building for nearly two hours Monday and plan more demonstrations to draw the attention of leaders attending the G-20 summit this week.

About 100 demonstrators jammed the entryway and lobby of the Inland Revenue Tower, a skyscraper in the Wan Chai district in the city center.

US cyberattack on rocket launchers failed attempt: Iran

IANAS ■ TEHRAN

The recent US cyberattack against Iranian missile control systems failed to cause any problems for Tehran, a Minister said in a tweet on Monday.

"They (the American) try hard, but they haven't yet carried out a successful attack," Iran's Minister of Information and Communications Technology Mohammad Javad Azari Jahromi tweeted.

According to media reports on Saturday, the Pentagon launched a cyberattack on Iranian rocket launch systems which disabled the military machinery, reports Xinhua news agency.

On Monday, the Iranian minister decried American cyberattacks on Iran over the past years, saying that "we have been facing cyber-terrorism for a long time."

"Last year, we neutralized 33 million attacks with the (national) firewall," Jahromi added.

Iran plays down threat of new US sanctions

AFP ■ TEHRAN

Iran on Monday played down the threat of new US sanctions as Washington was expected to tighten punitive measures on Tehran in a standoff sparked by the US withdrawal from a nuclear deal.

Tensions have flared after Iranian forces shot down a US drone Thursday, the latest in a series of incidents including attacks on tankers in sensitive Gulf waters that have raised fears of an unintended slide towards conflict.

Both the US and Iran have repeatedly said they want to avoid going to war, but the spiralling tensions saw US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo travel Monday to meet with Saudi leaders to build a "global coalition" against the Islamic republic. Tehran says the drone violated Iranian airspace and Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif has backed the claim with maps and coordinates -- allegations dismissed by Washington.

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General public is hereby informed that one girl, **Name: Reshu Shukla D/o Ram Prakash Shukla, R/o Baba Haridas Colony, Sotam ka Makan, Tikari Border, Delhi** has been missing/kidnaped since 23.04.2019 from the area of P.S. Mundka, Delhi. In this regard, a report vide **DD No. 39-A Dated 25.04.2019**, has been registered at P.S. Mundka, Delhi. Investigations has been carried out but despite best efforts, the girl could not be traced. The description of the missing/kidnaped girl is as under:

Name: Reshu Shukla D/o Ram Prakash Shukla, R/o Baba Haridas Colony, Sotam ka Makan, Tikari Border, Delhi, **Age:** 18 years, **Height:** 5'1" Feet, **Face:** Round, **Complexion:** Shallow, **ID Mark:** Old Cut Mark on Left Cheek, **Wearing:** Pink Suit-Salwar. If anyone has any information about the missing/kidnaped girl, then please inform P.S. Mundka, Delhi. and inform on the following Nos.

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 DP/2343/OD/19.

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(See Section 82 Cr. P.C.)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Kunal Singh S/o Shivji Singh R/o 2094/4, H-1, Gali No. 19, Prem Nagar, New Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **C.C. No. 433/1/18, u/s 138 N.I. Act** registered at P.S. Mangol Puri, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon that the said **Kunal Singh** could not be found and where it has been shown to my satisfaction that the accused **Kunal Singh** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused **Kunal Singh** is required to appear before the court to answer the said complaint on or before **07.11.2019**.

By Order
Sh. Rakesh Kumar-II
 Metropolitan Magistrate, (North-West Distt.)
 (Court Notice) Room No. 105, 1st Floor, Rohini Courts, Delhi

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PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF A PERSON ACCUSED

(See Section 82 Cr. P.C.)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person namely (1) **Santosh Jha S/o Devendera Jha R/o A-35, R.No.11, Near Well No.-2, Katwaria Sarai, New Delhi** (2) **Vinod Kumar Chauhan S/o Prem Singh R/o Kh. No.38/9/1, Near Railway Colony, Vill. Khera Kalan, Delhi** and also H.No.445, Near Pandit Niranjan Chakki, Vill Khera Kalan, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 47/2004 u/s 420/468/120-B IPC, PS Paschim Vihar East, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused (1) **Santosh Jha** (2) **Vinod Kumar Chauhan** could not be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused (1) **Santosh Jha** (2) **Vinod Kumar Chauhan** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused person (1) **Santosh Jha** (2) **Vinod Kumar Chauhan** of **FIR No. 47/2004 u/s 420/468/120-B IPC, PS Paschim Vihar East, Delhi** are required to appear in the court to answer the said complaint on or before **28.07.2019**.

By order
Sh. Puneet Nagpal
 Metropolitan Magistrate
 Room No. 268, 2nd Floor
 Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi

B'desh 'Tree Man' wants hands amputated to relieve pain

AFP ■ DHAKA

Bangladeshi known as the "Tree Man" because of bark-like growths on his body said Monday he wanted his hands amputated to relieve him of unbearable pain.

Abul Bajandar has had 25 operations since 2016 to remove growths from his hands and feet caused by a rare syndrome.

Doctors had believed they had beaten the disease but Bajandar fled a Dhaka clinic in May last year following a relapse.

The 28-year-old father of one was readmitted to hospital in January because the condition worsened, with some growths several inches long.

"I cannot bear the pain anymore. I can't sleep at night. I asked the doctors to cut off my hands so I can at least get some relief," he told AFP.

His mother Amina Bibi supported the plea. "At least he will be free of pain. It's a hellish condition," she told AFP.

Bajandar suffers from epidermodysplasia verruciformis, a rare genetic condition also known as "tree man syndrome".

Bajandar said he wanted to go abroad for better treatment, but he does not have the money to cover the expenses.

Samanta Lal Sen, the chief plastic surgeon at Dhaka Medical College Hospital, said a board of seven doctors will discuss Bajandar's condition on Tuesday.

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10	MUNICIPAL CORPORATION GURUGRAM	PROVIDING & LAYING OF STORM WATER DRAIN AND REPAIRING OF EXISTING STORM WATER DRAIN IN SECTOR-38 GURUGRAM, WARD NO.28 UNDER MCG AREA.	CLOSING 29.06.2019	25.34 LACS	https://etender.hry.nic.in	7988669791 ee3@mcg.gov.in
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TAKING A HATTRICK IS A BIG THING AND DOING IT AT WORLD CUP STAGE IS EVEN BETTER. THERE WERE 16 RUNS TO DEFEND IN THE FINAL OVER. I THOUGHT IT WAS ENOUGH FOR ME — MOHAMMED SHAMI

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TODAY LIVE
STAR SPORTS
England vs Australia
3:00 pm IST
VENUE: Lord's, London



Pakistan fan holds a banner that proclaims that Pakistan recovered from India defeat at Manchester during Pakistan-South Africa World Cup game in London on Sunday. ICC/Twitter

Win not an answer

Pakistan were desperate for a positive result after enduring a "difficult" week following a below-par performance against India in the World Cup but the win over South Africa is "not an answer to the critics", says skipper Sarfaraz Ahmed. Pakistan faced severe criticism from fans and former players alike after their seventh World Cup defeat to arch-rivals India on June 16 but the team bounced back to outwit South Africa by 49 runs on Sunday, reviving their semi-final hopes. "Our win is not an answer to the critics. We are here to play cricket, and like any other side, believe we can win the World Cup," said Sarfaraz in an interview released to the Pakistani media by the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB). The under-fire Pakistan skipper insisted that the mantra of the team was "we lose as a team and we win as a team". "This has been the mantra of the Pakistan cricket team," he said. "The win over South Africa was the result of a complete team effort. We badly needed a positive result following a difficult last week, when our below-par performance against India was followed by severe criticism, some justified and some unjustified."

Jr Sachin at nets

India Under-19 pacer Arjun Tendulkar, son of cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar, was seen helping England batsman at the nets ahead of their crunch World Cup tie against Australia here on Tuesday. Arjun, who impressed with his bowling in the three-day Second-XI Championship contest in High Wycombe, was seen bowling in full tilt to English batsmen, who are all set to take on fellow favourites Aussies at Lord's. Playing for MCC Young Cricketers, Arjun recently took two wickets against Surrey Second XI, including one off a beautiful delivery that was shown on a video on Twitter via Lord's Cricket Ground. It made quite a buzz on the social media platform. Arjun ended his spell with figures of 2 for 50 in 11 overs.

Mohsin returns

Former Test batsman and head coach Mohsin Hasan Khan is set to return in an important role in Pakistan cricket either as chief selector or national team manager after the ongoing World Cup. Mohsin, who was head coach and also the chief selector in 2012, recently stepped down as head of the PCB's Cricket Committee. But a reliable source said Mohsin is being considered for an important responsibility after the World Cup. "Mohsin is being considered for the job of chief selector or manager of the Pakistan team," the source said. Mohsin, 64, was chief selector in 2010 and 2011 before the PCB made him the interim head coach of the national team. But after Zaka Ashraf took over as PCB Chairman, Mohsin was replaced for a foreign coach, Dave Whatmore despite the fact that Pakistan whitewashed England in the Test series in early 2012 in the UAE. The PCB has announced that after the World Cup its Cricket Committee, which until now was dormant, would hold a robust inquiry into the team's and support staff's performances in the last three years before making recommendations to the Chairman and Board of Governors.

Agencies

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	B'DESH	7	3	3	1	-0.133	7
6	SL	6	2	2	2	-1.119	6
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	7	0	7	0	-1.634	0

India favourites to take Cup home

Bumrah, Warner to decide World Cup fate as Clarke rules out England as contenders

PTI ■ MANCHESTER

Jasprit Bumrah's amazing skill-set gives India a realistic chance of winning the World Cup but a "freak" called David Warner might just retain it for Australia, feels 2015 World Cup-winning captain Michael Clarke.

Former Aussie skipper Clarke explained why India and Australia are top three contenders while making it clear that the coveted Cup may not "come home" for the hosts contrary to what the likes of Kevin Pietersen and Michael Vaughan are wishing.

One of the most delightful batsmen to have played the game, Clarke is in awe of the legend of Bumrah which has been on the upswing for two years now.

"I think there is nothing that he (Bumrah) doesn't have. He is fit and healthy. I hope he stays that way as he would play a big part in India's success in this World Cup," Clarke observed.

But Bumrah will face quite a challenge from Australia, especially Warner, who has already scored 447 runs in six games with two hundreds.

"I did expect an exceptional performance from David because he is an exceptional player. He is a freak. He is the X-factor in this team. If Australia go on to win the World Cup, David Warner will be the highest run-getter in my opinion," opined Clarke and then went on to separately analyse what made the two individuals special.

Questioned as to what makes Bumrah such a difficult proposition for batsmen, Clarke elaborated, "With the brand new ball, he can swing and seam it. When the ball is doing nothing in the middle overs, he has the extra pace to trouble batsmen."

"He can bowl close to 150 clicks and then at the death, he bowls those yorkers as good as anyone else. And if there is reverse swing, he is a genius," the former Australian cap-



Jasprit Bumrah prepares to bowl in the nets during a training session ahead of their World Cup match against Afghanistan. AP

tain summed up the Indian pace spearhead in a nutshell. Virat Kohli or for that matter no captain could have asked for a better 'Go To' option than Bumrah, according to Clarke.

"As a captain, probably, you need someone like him to throw the ball to when you need wickets. He can open the bowling, bowl that 35th over when nothing is happening or bowl those last four overs at the death, which can win India a World Cup final," said

the veteran of 115 Tests and 245 ODIs.

Would Bumrah be as good as Wasim Akram had there been just one new ball instead of two?

"I think he would have. He is that good that he would have found out ways to adapt," the former Australian skipper said.

Nothing makes Clarke more happier than to see Warner in prime form putting all the controversies behind him.

Warner was roundly criticised for his slow batting against India but that is the approach which is now giving Australia a real chance against a lot of other teams.

"ODI is different from T20s and it has taken him a bit of time to get back into ODI format. He has been patient at the start of his innings."

"People are saying David Warner is not at his best. But he has had two scores of 150. That shows how good a player he is and he is now a lead-

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ing run-scorer in the tournament," Clarke looked excited and happy speaking about his former teammate.

"David has probably played a little bit differently to what everybody expected at the start of the World Cup. But he has played smart. He has batted for a period of time. Remember before he got back into ODI cricket, he was back in T20 cricket after a 12-month lay-off."

As far as captaincy is concerned, Aaron Finch's leadership has been "impressive" according to Clarke, who lauded Kohli for using two wrist spinners, which he termed both "positive and aggressive".

"India is a very skilful team and I think they have made the right decision in going in with two wrist spinners. That's the aggressive approach and that probably made the difference with two-wicket taking bowlers in those middle overs."

"Virat's captaincy has been very good so far in the tournament. They are playing unbelievable cricket at the moment," said Clarke, who has always rated the Indian captain highly.

The Australian humour comes out when asked if he, like the England fans, thought that the "Cup is coming home".

"Well, I am not sure if everyone was thinking that. I know Kevin Pietersen and Michael Vaughan were thinking that. I wonder if they will change their mind now. It's still a long way to go," he grinned.

"We will find out how good an ODI team England are now because they will probably need to win 2 out of the next 3 games and they have got Australia, India and New Zealand to play."

"If they do it and go on to win the World Cup, it will be a fantastic achievement. I would be commenting on the June 25th game (England vs Australia) at Lord's. I can't wait for that game to begin," he said.

PTI ■ MANCHESTER

West Indies were dealt a severe blow ahead of their crucial match against India after all-rounder Andre Russell was ruled out of the remainder of the World Cup with a knee injury.

Russell, who had a terrific IPL prior to the mega-event, has been replaced by Sunil Ambris for the remaining three matches of West Indies.

"The International Cricket Council has confirmed that the Event Technical Committee of the ICC World Cup 2019 has approved Sunil Ambris as a replacement player for Andre Russell in the West Indies

Russell ruled out



Russell gets up before walking off the field of play with an injury. AP

squad for the remainder of the tournament," the ICC said in a statement.

"All-rounder Russell has been ruled out of further participation in the event due to an injury to his left knee. The 26-year-old Ambris, a top-order batsman, has played six Tests and six ODIs for the West Indies," it added.

The replacement of a player requires the approval of the Event Technical Committee before the replacement player can be officially added to the squad.

Much was expected from Russell

Actions speak louder than words

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By CLIVE LLOYD Former WI Captain

I'm hoping that after his hundred against New Zealand, Carlos Brathwaite realises that he can be as good as any all-rounder in the world.

He hits the ball so well and is a top-class cricketer; he's not a T20 player alone, as his performance at Old Trafford demonstrated.

There's no doubt in my mind that Carlos can make big scores and win games for the West Indies, but now he needs to turn his potential into reality. West Indies could be one of the best teams around - they have the talent. Had the West Indies batsmen turned some of those 50s 60s & 70s 80s into hundreds they would have been in a better position in the points standing. As for the bowlers with a better understanding of the English conditions and better homework done on the opposing players they could have performed much better.

A team with Darren Bravo sat on the bench is a team with some talented cricketers. They weren't outplayed in at least three of their games that they lost (New Zealand, Australia, Bangladesh) it's just that they're not putting the clinical finishing touches necessary to win games.

Against New Zealand, they were well aware of the asking rate; all they had to do was knock it around. It wasn't about playing big shots.



Carlos Brathwaite celebrates after scoring a century against New Zealand. AP

It's just reading the game properly, however it was a great team effort when you think about it they can be proud of some of their performances.

I just hope that they've learned from their mistakes and that they can rectify them because they are talented cricketers. Ultimately, the difference has been that the West Indies just aren't settling in and making big scores.

Everyone in this tournament is making hundreds, but it says a lot that

Carlos is the only West Indies player so far to do so. We have the talent it's just a case of pushing on and batting long.

In that regard, they need to look at the example set by Kane Williamson. The New Zealand captain didn't break sweat at all, and just knocked it around on his way to a match-winning 148. There hasn't been much balance in the choosing of the squad in this competition, either.

Sheldon Cottrell wants to bowl fast,

but he's a swing bowler — and when he swings the ball he takes wickets.

In previous games, West Indies tried to bounce people out. This was an improvement, but only time will tell if they have learned those lessons.

There's also no spin option there when the rest of the sides have two or three. Now, they have to try to produce a spinner capable of playing in the ODI format and in Test matches.

Roston Chase could play the same role as Moeen Ali does with England, and they also need someone who can hold the fort in the way Kane Williamson is doing for New Zealand.

West Indies have a lot of good strikers of the ball, but they don't have a player like Larry Gomes to stick around or Royston Chase who can also do that job.

Shai Hope is the type of player they need to produce more of. If he hadn't made the 96 against Bangladesh, the West Indies wouldn't have made runs.

For all the criticism over his strike rate, if someone had stuck around with him against Bangladesh, Jason Holder's side would have made 360 or above.

With three games left, the West Indies now have to focus on leaving here with some sort of pride, because they started well enough.

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Play as a unit

Reverse Swing



By WAQAR YOUNIS
Former Pakistan Captain

It was all about the positive intent for Pakistan against South Africa.

Today, they played fearless cricket and weren't really worried about losing the match, which in turn gave them the freedom to play their natural game.

Coming after the disappointment of Old Trafford, Pakistan badly needed such a win.

They have been criticised a lot and the last week has been hard on them, so coming out of that and producing such a performance was particularly pleasing.

Haris Sohail, in particular, was a breath of fresh air. He played magnificently well, and ultimately, his innings of 89 off just 59 balls was the difference.

Others got runs but his knock was the icing on the cake because Pakistan have needed someone to come in at five or six and up the ante.

He really batted well, and it's probably a different Haris Sohail to the one I've seen before.

Haris has always been a very conservative and technically sound batsman but against South Africa, he took the mantle and played in a very different fashion.

For me, he's my No 4 batsman in the team because he's technically sound and you can give him more overs to build that innings.

He and Babar Azam could



Pakistan players celebrate after Mohammed Amir dismissed Faf Du Plessis

ICC/Twitter

really complement each other. They both have a habit of making hundreds and could push the run rate also.

Haris is one for the future, for sure. We've also started to get the

old Mohammad Amir back, where he's got that mojo of swinging the ball back into the right-hander.

It's not swinging massively, but the line is right and that's his strength.

Amir is picking up wickets on a regular basis now and that really gives him that confidence to go out and be himself.

Whenever Pakistan get early wickets, Wahab Riaz and the rest

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will follow up. In the middle overs, when the ball is reversing, that's where Wahab comes into his own.

It's about bowling as a unit, which Pakistan did at Lord's, but the ones I actually enjoyed watching the most were Shadab Khan and Imad Wasim as they controlled the middle overs while also picking up wickets.

They never allowed the South African batsmen to settle, and as a result the Proteas were always under pressure.

Qualification is still up in the air, but I'd really like to see them play the same way in the coming matches.

There's not much time between now and the next game against New Zealand, but I think they'll stick to the same team unless there's a real difference in the pitch.

If Pakistan keep playing with that freedom, you never know what can happen.

Before going to Birmingham, I think Pakistan will be closely watching England against Australia on Tuesday.

That will be crucial, particularly if Australia beat England.

Pakistan will be hoping and praying for an Australia win as that would be best for their own qualification hopes.

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Cover it like Kohli



Babar Azam plays a shot during his 69-run innings against South Africa during a World Cup match at Lord's on Sunday

AP

PTI ■ LONDON

Former Pakistan speedster Shoaib Akhtar Monday said Virat Kohli fan Babar Azam should learn to play like his "idol" and convert good starts into big knocks by adapting to match situations the way the Indian captain does.

Akhtar said while Azam has been scoring some crucial runs for Pakistan, he fails to go the full distance.

"I would like to tell Babar Azam that when you consider Virat Kohli your idol then you should also learn to play like him. Virat has scored runs in very difficult situations. Babar

should learn to take singles like Virat, learn to improvise like him," Akhtar said in a video posted on his YouTube channel.

"If you look at players like Virat, Rohit Sharma, Kane Williamson...All these guys accelerate their scoring after reaching fifty. Babar should learn from them. He should

have more range of shots," he added.

Akhtar, however, showered praise on Haris Sohail, who scored a 59-ball 89 during Pakistan's convincing 49-run win over South Africa in their crucial World Cup fixture here on Sunday. Babar chipped in with 69 off 80 deliveries.

"I was constantly saying that Haris Sohail should be included in the playing XI because he is a very compact player. Against South Africa, he showed how to score runs. In fact he looked better than Babar Azam.

"Haris provided the thrust and helped Pakistan get a total in excess of 300. Haris Sohail was a great addition and Shoaib Malik was dropped which was a fair call," said Akhtar.

The 'Rawalpindi Express' hoped that Pakistan will continue to play fearless cricket in the remaining games of the World Cup and somehow sneak into the semi-finals.

"I recommend Pakistan to hold their ground, play pressure-free cricket, play according to the best of their abilities and display their talent.

"Pakistan have a good chance of making it to the semi-finals. They need to play fearless cricket without any pressure. If England lose their three matches against Australia, India and New Zealand, Pakistan can come through," said Akhtar.

With five points from six games, Pakistan still have an outside chance of making the last four stage. They will next be playing New Zealand, followed by Afghanistan and Bangladesh.

If Pakistan manage to win all three of their remaining matches and results of other teams go in their favour, they could make the cut.

The 43-year-old applauded Pakistan's bowling against South Africa, saying the attacks managed to get the ball to reverse swing.

"Pakistan's bowling was very good. (Mohammad) Amir picked up wickets upfront and that was crucial. Pakistan have raised alarming bells for other teams as their bowlers — Wahab Riaz and Amir — have been able to get the ball reverse swing."

Akhtar, however, was critical of Pakistan's fielding.

"They dropped as many as seven catches. They dropped fairly easy catches and that needs to be rectified. The fielding needs to be improved," he insisted.

English lessons



Faf Du Plessis, center, David Miller, left, and Rassie van der Dussen trains during South Africa practice session

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AFP ■ LONDON

South Africa great Jacques Kallis has urged the Proteas to learn lessons from England's one-day international revival following the team's miserable early exit from the World Cup.

A 49-run defeat by Pakistan at Lord's on Sunday ensured that, with two games in the 10-team round-robin phase still to play, there is no way South Africa can qualify for the semi-finals.

Faf du Plessis, the South Africa captain, did not pull any punches, labelling his side's 259-9 in response to Pakistan's 308-7 as "borderline embarrassing".

But Kallis, the outstanding all-rounder of his generation, said South Africa should take heart from the way England recovered after suffering an equally woeful first-round exit at the 2015 World Cup.

Eoin Morgan's side have since risen to the top of the ODI rankings and are among the leading contenders to lift the trophy this year.

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pointment of their performances in 2015 to rebuild their team and totally change their mentality and approach to one-day cricket," wrote Kallis in an *International Cricket Council* column.

"England now play without fear and aren't afraid to make mistakes. For me, South Africa

have approached things too defensively at this tournament and they need to attack each match with much more positivity going forward."

Kallis said altering their approach did not mean the Proteas had to start from scratch with a new squad.

"You don't need to make wholesale changes, England are still captained by Eoin Morgan, as they were four years ago," he said.

"A total clean-out is just not the way ahead. We need to be more considered and thoughtful.

"South Africa have some great young players in their 20s (Kagiso Rabada, 24, Lungi Ngidi, 23, Andile Phehlukwayo, 23, and Aiden Markram, 24) and they can be the foundation for the future."

Kallis added: "The first thing that needs to be looked at is the brand of cricket South Africa are playing.

"England are proof how quickly things can change in four years, so long as you have the right approach."

■ LONDON

South Africa's premier leg-spinner dived slow to his right and plucked the ball just millimetres from the ground.

It was as athletic a caught & bowled as you'll see this tournament and sent a disbelieving Imam-ul-Haq back to the hutch for 44.

Immediately after the catch, for a South African record 39th time in a World Cup match, the Tahir train left the station and chugged excitedly around the Lord's infield.

At 40 years of age, Imran Tahir is the oldest player at this World Cup. For context, the competition's youngest cricketer — 18-year-old Mujeeb Ur Rahman of Afghanistan — was born more than four years after Tahir made his first-class debut.

So, it's almost poetic that he celebrates wickets with more unadulterated, childlike glee than every one of his younger contemporaries.

The enthusiastic manner in which he wheels away and sprints, endearingly aimlessly but with arms spread wide, further than most quick bowlers' run-ups, is infectious.

Just ask Babar Azam — who couldn't help but smile from the non-striker's end at his opponent's jubilation.

But even by Tahir's standards, this celebration seemed to contain more vim and vigor than normal.

Perhaps it was because he had just pulled off a reaction catch with a high degree of difficulty that most 20 or 30-year-olds, let alone 40-year-olds, would struggle to make.

Perhaps it was because the wicket came against Pakistan — the country of his birth and team for which he played Under-19 and A-grade cricket in a previous century.

Perhaps it was because, having announced his retirement from ODI cricket at the end of this World Cup, he knows

Age no bar

there won't be many more moments like this on the grandest stage.

Or perhaps it was because he had just surpassed the great Allan Donald's to become the leading South African wicket-taker of all-time at World Cups with 39.

Most likely, it was a combination of all these and as he prepares to ride off into the sunset, it's worth reflecting on just how remarkable it is that Tahir became a South African record-breaker.

Some players are earmarked for greatness from an early age but the leg-spinner didn't make his ODI debut until February 2011 — just a month before his 32nd birthday. It's fair to say he swiftly made up for lost time. He was the quickest South African

bowler to reach 100 ODI wickets, taking just 58 matches, and is still the only spinner to do so.

He became his country's first player to take a seven-for in a one-day international when he ended with 7/45 against West Indies in 2016 and perhaps his finest moment in a Proteas jersey was the man-of-the-match-winning 4/26 in the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2015 quarter-final with Sri Lanka.

In England this summer, he has continued to rack up the milestones: the oldest South African to appear in a World Cup match, playing his 100th ODI against Bangladesh, the first spinner — of any nationality — to bowl the first over of a



Imran Tahir reacts after dismissing Fakhar Zaman

World Cup match, and now leapfrogging every one of his countrymen atop the World Cup wickets ranking.

At Lord's, in addition to his athletic exploits to remove Imam, Tahir also had Pakistan's other opener, Fakhar Zaman, caught at first slip attempting an ill-advised ramp shot to end with figures of 2/41.

His ninth and tenth victims of the competition mean he currently has the most wickets of any wrist-spinner at the event — just another record to add to his CV.

His efforts ultimately weren't enough to stop Pakistan racking up an intimidating total of 308/7 that South Africa were unable to chase down — and defeat means their chances of reaching the knockout stages are now over.

As a result, the Tahir train will only have two final chances to get up to speed, so make sure you catch it while you still can.

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First of the summer

Hosts England take on Aussies in World Cup game before fierce Ashes battle



Joe Root smiles as he arrives for a training session at Lord's cricket ground in London on Monday

UPNEXT

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AFP ■ LONDON

Are England just a bunch of "flat-track bullies"? That's the uncomfortable question facing Eoin Morgan's side as they look to get their World Cup campaign back on track against arch-rivals Australia.

Today's match at Lord's was always going to be a showpiece occasion, but it has been given added spice by England's 20-run loss to Sri Lanka.

Faced with a relatively modest target of 233 on a tricky Headingley pitch, England slumped to 212 all out.

Despite their second defeat of the pool phase following an earlier loss to Pakistan, the tournament hosts remained in the top four and on course for a semi-final spot.

But England, bidding to win the World Cup for the first time, cannot afford many more slip-ups in their remaining pool fixtures against fellow title contenders Australia, India and New Zealand — teams they have not defeated at a World Cup since 1992.

England's rise to the top of the one-day international rankings since their woeful first-round exit at the 2015 World Cup has been based on aggressive batting.

They have twice posted a world record score at this level in the intervening four years, including the current mark of 481-6 against Australia at Trent Bridge just over 12 months ago.

Doubts, however, persist about England's ability to bat in less than ideal conditions for shot-making.

Their problems were summed up against Sri Lanka when Moeen Ali marked his 100th ODI by hitting a six, only to try to repeat the shot next ball and hole out to leave England 170-6.

Former England captain Michael Vaughan was unimpressed, writing in Britain's *Daily Telegraph*: "He (Moeen) was there to win the game but it was dumb cricket taking on the man at long off having just hit the ball for six."

According to research by cricket statisticians *CricViz*, on the 11 toughest one-day pitches for batting England have played on since losing to Pakistan in the

HEAD TO HEAD

	Played	Eng	Aus	Tied/NR
Matches	147	61	81	2/3
Day matches	77	36	38	2/1
In World Cup	7	2	5	-
Last 5 matches	5	5	-	-

HIGHEST TOTALS

Australia	342-9 in 50 overs at Melbourne	14-02-2015
England	481-6 in 5 overs at Nottingham	19-06-2018

PERFORMANCE IN WC

Team	P	W	L	T	N/R	Success%
England	78	45	31	1	1	58.97
Australia	90	67	21	1	1	75.55

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2017 semi-finals of the Champions Trophy on a slow Cardiff surface, they have lost five. By contrast, on the 11 best pitches for batting they have played on since then, Morgan's men have won nine.

England's problems have been compounded by the absence of Jason Roy from their past two matches, with a torn hamstring threatening to sideline the in-form opener from the Australia clash as well.

Yet while former players such as Vaughan bemoaned England's lack of nous against Sri Lanka, Jos Buttler said the problem was they were not aggressive enough. "I think we were a little bit passive as a group," said the usually big-hitting Buttler, who made just 10 before becoming the last of four wickets for veteran paceman Lasith Malinga.

"That doesn't just mean hitting fours and sixes, that means showing intensity and trying to put pressure back on the bowlers," he said.

By contrast, Australia have been buoyed by the productive opening partnership between captain Aaron Finch and David Warner and are second in the table after five wins from six matches.

Mitchell Starc is the joint-leading wicket-taker at the World Cup — his tally of 15 putting him level with fellow pacemen Jofra Archer (England) and Mohammad Amir (Pakistan) — but Australia's bowling in support of the left-arm has looked vulnerable.

Allan Border, Australia's captain when they beat England in the 1987 World Cup final in Kolkata, believes it will be the

XFACTOR

- English pace attack
- Eoin Morgan's leadership
- Aaron Finch and David Warner's opening stand
- Ben Stokes and Maxwell's all-round performance
- Mitchell Starc's opening spell
- Jos Buttler's power hitting
- Usman Khawaja and Steve Smith's batting in middle overs

bowlers who are decisive. "The game will be won and lost in the bowling," he wrote in an *ICC column*.

"If Australia can hold their ground against the onslaught and put pressure back on England, that'll be key."

SQUADS

England: Eoin Morgan (c), Moeen Ali, Jofra Archer, Jonny Bairstow, Jos Buttler (wk), Tom Curran, Liam Dawson, Liam Plunkett, Adil Rashid, Joe Root, Jason Roy, Ben Stokes, James Vince, Chris Woakes, Mark Wood.

Australia: Aaron Finch (c), David Warner, Usman Khawaja, Steve Smith, Shaun Marsh, Alex Carey (wk), Marcus Stoinis, Glenn Maxwell, Mitchell Starc, Kane Richardson, Pat Cummins, Jason Behrendorff, Nathan Coulter-Nile, Adam Zampa, Nathan Lyon.

MEN WHO MATTER

JOS BUTTLER (ENGLAND)

The wicket-keeper batsman has the potential to change the course of any match with his exemplary batting skills. Buttler, who scored a match-winning 110* in his last outing against Australia, will once again be an important player for the hosts, against an in-form Australian bowling unit.



AARON FINCH (AUSTRALIA)

The Australia captain has been leading from the front in this tournament, having amassed 396 runs in six innings so far. Finch, who set the tone for Australia's World Cup campaign in 2015 with a stroke-filled 135 against England, will once again look to play a long innings on Tuesday.



UNDER THE COVERS

Though lingering overnight rain is expected to ease out by morning, the day is expected to be largely cloudy. Heavy and thundery showers might develop, leading to a delayed start. Teams batting first have won three of the last four games at Lord's, which makes the toss crucial.

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Team to beat

AFP ■ LONDON

Australia coach Justin Langer says England are still the team to beat at the World Cup despite their surprise loss to Sri Lanka.

England's seemingly assured path to the semi-finals now looks a lot less smooth after a 20-run reverse at Headingley followed an earlier group-stage defeat by Pakistan.

They next face arch-rivals Australia at Lord's, with the reigning champions in fine form after winning five of their six pool games so far — the only blot on their record a defeat by title rivals India.

But Langer said England fully deserved their place at the top of the one-day international rankings, having climbed to the summit from the ruins of a woeful first-round exit at the 2015 World Cup.

"They are the best team in the world. Just look at their team... Nothing has changed in a week," Langer said on Sunday.

"I can't wait for Tuesday (today) — England at Lord's, World Cup. That is what we are thinking about," added the former Australia opening batsman.

Langer had a stint in the English domestic game with southwest side Somerset, where he first encountered a young Jos Buttler.

The England vice-captain is now regarded as one of the quickest-scoring and most innovative batsmen in the game today, with Langer nominating the wicket-keeper-batsman as the natural successor to veteran India great MS Dhoni.

"Jos is an unbelievable player. I love watching him bat. He is the new Dhoni of world cricket," said Langer.

"I hope he gets a duck in this (Tuesday's)



Liam Plunkett, centre, stretches with team mates during a training session at Lord's cricket ground

game obviously, but I saw him at Somerset and he is an unbelievable athlete and an incredible finisher.

"They (England) have a very strong batting unit and we will have to be right on it."

But Australia have several in-form batsmen of their own, notably opener David Warner, who is the tournament's current leading run-scorer with 447 from six innings. Both Warner and former captain Steve Smith are making their comebacks from year-long ball-tampering bans, with the pair roundly booed when they faced England in a World Cup warm-up match in Southampton.

Langer, asked if he expected more of the same even from the traditionally polite spectators at Lord's, replied: "Yes, probably but that is okay. "There is nothing we can do about the crowds or the opposition. We will just go about our business."

"I did not know Davey that well (before being appointed as Australia coach) but he is good company."

"His runs speak for themselves. He is smiling a lot. He is hungry. He is playing well. He loves his family."

"Like Steve, the return has been seamless and they are playing well too, which is pleasing," Langer added.

AFP ■ LONDON

England fast bowler Jofra Archer has told his Australian Indian Premier League teammate Steve Smith there will be "nothing friendly" when the teams meet in the World Cup today.

Archer, together with England colleagues Jos Buttler and Ben Stokes, played in the same Rajasthan Royals side as Smith during this year's IPL.

But the England trio and Smith will be on opposite sides for the rest of the season, starting at Lord's this week — a fixture that takes place ahead of an Ashes series.

Tuesday's game has added significance for England after a surprise loss to Sri Lanka left them with little wiggle room in their quest to reach the semi-finals.

Asked if he thought of Smith as a friend, Archer said Sunday: "Yes, and I'd like to think he considers me the same way as well."

"He's a really good guy. But cricket is cricket and I guess it's time to be friends after. Until the game is over, there will be nothing friendly about it."

Smith and fellow Australia batsman David Warner have already received plenty of predictable crowd taunts following their returns from year-long ball-tampering bans.

But they have shrugged off the jeers, with Warner in particular finding his best form, with

Friendship on hold



Steve Smith shake hands with Ben Stokes after end of warm up game

two centuries so far.

Archer hopes his rapid pace and some inside knowledge could prove useful at Lord's, even though he playfully suggested Smith had not been keen to face him in the nets during their time at Rajasthan.

"To be honest, I didn't bowl at him much," said Archer.

"A lot of the guys probably don't want to face me or (West Indies quick) Oshane Thomas in

Smith is a good guy. But cricket is cricket and I guess it's time to be friends after. Until the game is over, there will be nothing friendly about it — Jofra Archer

meaning Tuesday will be the first time he has played against Australia in a competitive international.

"Just from watching the Ashes and stuff I know it is a pretty intense game between them," he said.

"I'm not too sure if it will affect me coming in without having experienced it before. It could be an advantage, me not being part of what happened before."

Opening batsman Jason Roy was absent from training on Sunday, suggesting he may not recover in time from a torn hamstring to play against Australia but paceman Liam Plunkett did take part after a recent virus.

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Shakib keeps Tigers alive

All-rounder continues to shine as B'desh beat Afghans by 62 runs to keep semis hopes alive

AFP ■ SOUTHAMPTON

Bangladesh boosted their bid to reach the World Cup semi-finals as Shakib Al Hasan's superb all-round display inspired a 62-run win over Afghanistan on Monday.

Shakib's 51 laid the foundations for Bangladesh to score 262-7 and made him the leading run-scorer in this year's World Cup.

The 32-year-old then ripped through the Afghan batting line-up with his career-best ODI figures of 5-29 from 10 overs.

Shakib is only the second player in World Cup history to take five wickets and hit a 50 in the same match after India's Yuvraj Singh against Ireland in 2011.

Bangladesh, winners against South Africa and the West Indies earlier in the tournament, are up to fifth place in the 10-team group stage.

They sit one point behind fourth-placed England, who face Australia on Tuesday, in the race to seal a semi-final berth via a top-four finish.

Mashrafe Mortaza's side play India and Pakistan in their final two group matches.

Afghanistan became the first team to be eliminated after an agonising 11-run loss against India on Saturday, when Mohammed Shami's final-over hat-trick denied them a famous upset.

Gulbadin Naib's team have lost all seven of their matches, leaving with two games to avoid finishing the tournament without a single point.

Rahmat Shah and Gulbadin put on 49 for the first wicket, giving Afghanistan hope of a surprise win.



Man-of-the-match Shakib Al Hasan, 75, shakes hands with Samiullah Shinwari, second left, after Bangladesh defeated Afghanistan by 62 runs in the World Cup match

But Shakib's introduction brought the breakthrough as the spinner weaved his magic.

Rahmat carelessly flicked a flatter delivery to Tamim Iqbal at mid-on and

departed for 24.

Just 10 runs came from the next five overs and Hashmatullah Shahidi perished when he tried to accelerate, stumped by Mushfiqur Rahim off Mosaddek Hossain

for 11.

Bangladesh had victory in their sights after Shakib took two wickets in the space of four balls.

Gulbadin was removed for 47 after

Year	Venue	M	Runs	AVG	H.S	S/R	100/50
2007	West Indies	9	202	28.85	57*	57.22	-/2
2011	India/SL/Bang	6	142	23.66	55	71.00	-/1
2015	Australia/NZ	6	196	39.20	63	93.77	-/2
2019	England	6	476	95.20	124*	99.16	2/3
Total	(4 World Cups)	27	1016	44.17	124*	81.80	2/8

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driving low to Liton Das at short extra cover before Mohammad Nabi was bowled through the gate for a duck.

Shakib became the first Bangladeshi player to take five wickets in the World Cup when he had Najibullah Zadran stumped.

Earlier, Shakib became the leading run scorer in this year's World Cup so far as his side posted a solid score after being put into bat.

Shakib's 51 took him to 476 runs in the tournament, while Mushfiqur top-scored with 83 from 87 balls.

Liton was promoted ahead of Soumya Sarkar to open along with Tamim for Bangladesh, with the pair managing a

brisk 23 from the first four overs. But Liton fell for 16 in the next over after being fooled into a miscued drive by spinner Mujeeb Ur Rahman, who finished with 3-39.

That brought Shakib to the crease and he upped the tempo even further with some aggressive hitting that maintained his fine World Cup form.

When Shakib, who has two centuries already in the tournament, pulled Naib to the boundary, it moved him above Australia's David Warner's 447 runs.

Tamim and Shakib put on their fourth successive fifty partnership in one-day internationals.

Shakib went on to become only the second player to hit six consecutive 40-plus scores in a World Cup.

Not long after that milestone, Shakib brought up his half-century in 66 balls — his fifth score of 50 or more in this tournament — to huge cheers from the Bangladesh fans who made up the majority of the crowd.

Shakib was unable to turn his solid start into another century, but he would contribute more than enough with the ball to seal the victory.

OTHER SPORTS

Messi's birthday present



Sergio Aguero, left, celebrates with Lionel Messi after scoring Argentina's second goal against Qatar

AFP ■ PORTO ALEGRE

An early goal by Lautaro Martinez and Sergio Aguero's late second gave Argentina a 2-0 win over Qatar on Sunday that qualified them for the Copa America quarter-finals.

Already-qualified Colombia beat Paraguay 1-0 in the other Group B match to secure a place in the last eight for both Peru, who finished third in Group A, and Uruguay, currently second in Group C.

Argentina, who finish second in Group B behind Colombia, will play Venezuela at Rio de Janeiro's iconic Maracana stadium in the quarter-finals, while tournament debutants and guests Qatar are out.

Paraguay, on two points, must wait and see what happens in Monday's Group C clash between Japan and Ecuador before finding out if they qualify as one of the two best third-place finishers.

Peru, with four points, are sure of that while only a draw between Japan and Ecuador would see Paraguay progress.

Argentina coach Lionel Scaloni recalled Manchester City forward Aguero for the crunch tie while Martinez kept his place at the expense of Angel Di Maria.

Asian champions Qatar made a calamitous start when a weak headed clearance from Tarek Salman fell to Martinez 12 yards out, but the Inter Milan forward sent his volley

over the top.

He didn't have to wait long for another chance though as Bassam Hisham played a ball across his box and straight to the feet of the Argentina forward, who scuffed a shot into the bottom corner after just four minutes.

With the weight was lifted from Argentina's shoulders, they played with a freedom expected of a side boasting talents such as Aguero and five-time Ballon d'Or winner Lionel Messi.

Qatar played with limited ambition but their talented forwards looked dangerous when they did venture into the final third.

Hasan Khalid Al Haydos got in behind the Argentina backline and tried to chip Franco Armani but the goalkeeper got a touch to divert the ball behind, although the linesman's flag was up and it wouldn't have counted.

Messi burst into life with an acceleration towards Qatar's area before slipping a pass to Aguero, who dragged his left-footed shot wide under pressure.

Qatar were sporadically dangerous on the break and Portuguese-born Ro-Ro stole in at the back post to meet a Karim Boudiaf cross but couldn't direct his volley on target.

Up the other end, Nicolas Otamendi headed over from close range when it looked easier to score. Argentina almost scored a second after Qatar goalkeeper

Murray mulls US Open singles return

AFP ■ LONDON

Former world number one Andy Murray says he could resurrect his singles career at this year's US Open following a remarkable return to tennis with victory in the men's doubles at the Queen's Club tournament on Sunday.

The 32-year-old Scotsman teamed up with Spanish partner Feliciano Lopez to take a 7-6 (8/6), 5-7, 10-5 win over Britain's Joe Salisbury and Rajeev Ram of the United States.

The three-time Grand Slam champion's triumph comes after what he described as "life-changing" hip surgery earlier this year.

Murray said that while he had not made up his mind about a

return to singles, the US Open would be the tournament where it could happen.

If so, it would be a remarkable turnaround for a man who was tearfully pondering retirement in January and has seen his singles ranking tumble to 215 in the world.

"I mean, potentially, yeah," he said when pressed as to whether the US Open — where he won his first Grand Slam title in 2012 — could be the place to resume his singles career.

"But I don't care, really, either way. Like, it would be nice to play at the US Open, but if I don't — look, I got so much enjoyment and happiness

after winning a first round doubles match here that, you know, that's enough."

"I don't have to be getting to the US Open this year and be really competitive and have to win the tournament for me to enjoy it."

Murray, also a two-time Olympic singles champion, said he had to be mindful about his hip, although he came through the week at Queen's pain free.



Newcastle United's manager Rafael Benitez in a file picture

Benitez to leave Newcastle Utd

AFP ■ LONDON

Rafael Benitez's three-year reign as Newcastle manager will come to an end next week after failing to agree terms on a new contract, the club confirmed on Monday.

Benitez was a hugely popular figure among the Newcastle support after stabilising the Magpies in the Premier League and the news is likely to spark more protests aimed at the club's owner Mike Ashley.

"It is with disappointment that we announce manager Rafael Benitez will leave Newcastle United upon the expiry of his contract on 30th June 2019," Newcastle said in a statement.

"We have worked hard to extend Rafa's contract over a significant period of time, however it has not been - and will not be - possible to reach an agreement with Rafa and his representatives."

Despite failing to keep Newcastle in the top flight shortly after taking over in March 2016, Benitez earned here

status on Tyneside as he led Newcastle back to the Premier League at the first time of asking. He then comfortably secured survival by finishing 10th and 13th in the last two seasons. However, the Spaniard did not hide his displeasure at the lack of backing he was afforded by Ashley and was believed to be seeking assurances over the budget he would have to work with before committing his future to the club.

"I have been trying to win titles everywhere, in different countries, and we have to have a team that can compete," the former Liverpool, Inter Milan and Real Madrid manager told Sky Sports in April.

"The city, the club, everyone in Newcastle is supporting the team so it's massive. I'm not saying £200m but doing a little bit more, doing the right things, we can compete against the teams that are now maybe between seventh and 12th. But we have to do things right."

Benitez, who won the Champions League when in charge of Liverpool in 2005, has been reportedly offered a contract worth £12 million-a-year at Chinese club Dalian Yifang.

F1 needs dramatic overhaul

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Lewis Hamilton and Mercedes moved within reach of an overhaul of some of Formula One's most notable records with his flawless unchallenged triumph in Sunday's French Grand Prix.

But his extraordinary success — his victory was his sixth in eight races this year — prompted a negative reaction in some quarters from critics who find Mercedes' domination "boring" and the races lacking in suspense and thrills.

Hamilton, who admits his success feels "unreal," said on Sunday he understood if spectators, or the global broadcast audience, lost interest but urged them to blame the sport's rules, not the drivers.

"We need to see a dramatic overhaul," he said, adding that the structure of the sport's management was also in need of change.



Lewis Hamilton celebrates with the winner's trophy after winning French GP

a constant cycle of F1 for years and years. And before I got to F1, it's because the way Bernie (Ecclestone) had it set up and the decisions they made then.

"Until that structure changes, it will be the same in my opinion."

As Hamilton and Mercedes continue their relentless destruction of the records, it is unreasonable to ask his team to slow down, as the president of the sport's ruling body, the International Motoring Federation (FIA) Jean Todt, once the boss of the all-conquering team that powered Michael Schumacher to five of his seven titles, has pointed out.

"It is beautiful to see 20 cars at a marvellous circuit, truly modern, a real motor racing circuit, with the best teams and the best drivers in the world," he said.

"Then, if one team is better, and you see this in all

sports, it is because it is the strongest."

He suggested there are not the same complaints at seeing tennis star Rafael Nadal dominate at Roland Garros and said that Mercedes rivals should work harder to overhaul them.

Hamilton, meanwhile, will have to ignore the noise and carry on winning as he closes in on Schumacher's record of 91 wins — his victory on Sunday was his 79th — and a potential sixth world title.

"I definitely didn't expect to have six wins at this point and it doesn't feel real," he admitted after his pole-to-flag win, his second in succession at Le Castellet.

It also brought Mercedes their 10th consecutive victory and brought into prospect an 11th at this weekend's Austrian Grand Prix, a total that would be a record in the sport's modern era.