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Rahul refuses to budge on exit

Cong chief asks Ahmed Patel, KC Venugopal to look for his replacement

DEEPAK KUMAR JHA ■ NEW DELHI

Adamant on his resignation from the post of the Congress president, Rahul Gandhi has conveyed to senior party leaders Ahmed Patel and KC Venugopal to look for his replacement as he has made up his mind not to continue as chief of the grand old party.

Patel is a close confidant of the Congress' first family and was one of the most powerful politicians during the 10 years of the UPA rule. After the disastrous performance of the party in the Lok Sabha polls, Rahul has cancelled all meetings and appointments and has declined to meet even elected MPs.

Taking responsibility for the drubbing at the hands of the BJP, Rahul on Saturday offered to resign as party president at a meeting of the Congress Working Committee (CWC), the highest decision-making body of the party, but it was "unanimously rejected".

"He has conveyed that the party will have to find a new chief as he won't change his mind. It is believed his mother Sonia and sister Priyanka, who were earlier advising Rahul to continue, too have backed his decision. The future course will be decided in some time now," said a top AICC leader.

While majority of the Congress leaders hoped that Rahul will "not abandon the post", sources close to him said he is determined not to take



Congress president Rahul Gandhi after paying tribute to India's first Prime Minister and his great grandfather Jawaharlal Nehru on his 55th death anniversary at his memorial Shanti Van in New Delhi on Monday

back his decision.

The Congress has mostly been led by members of the Nehru-Gandhi family except for the period after former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi was assassinated in 1991. The party did not do well under Sitaram Kesri and then several leaders convinced Sonia Gandhi to take charge of the

party.

At the CWC meeting, Rahul had accused three senior leaders — Ashok Gehlot, Kamal Nath and P Chidambaram — of placing their sons above the party. Priyanka said the entire top brass of the party left Rahul alone to fight it out against Prime Minister Narendra

Modi.

In the midst of the disquiet, several State Congress chiefs, including Punjab's Sunil Jakhar, Jharkhand's Ajoy Kumar, and Assam's Ripun Bora, too offered to resign from their posts following the party's drubbing in the elections. The party won only 52 seats in the Lok Sabha polls, just six more

than its 2014 tally. The party could not open its account in 18 States and Union Territories.

As crisis beset the Opposition party, its chief spokesperson Randeep Surjewala on Monday urged everyone to respect the sanctity of the CWC meeting and asked the media not to fall into the trap of "conjectures, insinuations, gossip and rumour-mongering".

Surjewala said it is a democratic forum for exchange of ideas and taking corrective action. It was a "closed-door" meeting and any speculation about it was unwarranted and uncalled for. He was reacting to news reports about happenings at the May 25 meeting, the first of the CWC after the Congress's humiliating defeat in the parliamentary polls.

"The Congress party expects everyone, including the media, to respect the sanctity of a closed-door meeting of the CWC. Various conjectures, speculation, insinuations, assumptions, gossip and rumour-mongering in a section of the media is uncalled for and unwarranted.

"The CWC held a collective deliberation on the performance of the party, the challenges before it as also the way ahead, instead of casting aspersions on the role or conduct of any specific individual. The gist of the deliberations was made public in the CWC resolution of May 25, 2019," the Congress leader said in a statement.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi, along with BJP president Amit Shah, offers prayers at Kashi Vishwanath Temple during a visit to his parliamentary constituency Varanasi on Monday

Our chemistry with voters beat experts' poll math: PM

BJP workers killed in Bengal for their ideology, says Modi

RAMESH K SINGH ■ VARANASI

Chemistry has beaten arithmetic in the recent Parliamentary election, said Prime Minister designate Narendra Modi, who is going to assume the charge as the PM for second time on May 30.

"It was not for the first time when this political change was seen in Indian politics when the chemistry of social strength was clearly visible but shockingly, the political pundits were not ready to change their established perception," he said.

Modi was addressing party workers in thanksgiving function at Deen Dayal Updhyay Haskala Sankul (Trade Facilitation Centre) at Bada Lalpur here on Monday.

"We had made a hat-trick of victories performing remarkably well in 2014, 2017 and 2019 but, unfortunately, the political pundits were not ready to change their established perception of the last 70 years and sometimes they used

logical and illogical analysis to prove their point," Modi added. Earlier, Modi offered prayer at Kashi Vishwanath temple, seeking the blessings of the Almighty again as he did five years ago before assuming the charge as PM.

Modi appealed to the party workers to overlook established negativity in politics and continue to adopt positivity. "Our success is the result of our perfect synergy between Government policies and organisational politics," he said, asking the party workers to continue with the same so that the people of the country can get optimum benefits of Government schemes.

"Work and workers create a wonder," said Modi, adding that "with our work we succeeded in winning the faith of the people. We have not done any favour to them but it was their rights."

Modi went on to highlight the violence let loose against party workers in several States, and said, "Undoubtedly, in achieving the same, our party workers faced crises. Several of our workers sacrificed their lives in Kerala, Kashmir, West Bengal and Tripura and our

workers are still being beaten up in West Bengal, but shockingly a section of the national media had seen a selective humanism behind such sacrifices of our party workers."

"We'd also faced political untouchability," he said, citing the example of Gujarat when a section of film industry had raised strong voices when his Government had invited a senior star (Amitabh Bacchan) for tourism promotion.

In his marathon address, Modi highlighted how for vote-bank politics the Opposition parties never showed courage to look into the pains of the common people.

Kyrgyzstan Prez, Mauritian PM to attend Modi's swearing-in

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Heads of BIMSTEC group-which includes Bangladesh, India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Nepal and Bhutan will be attending the swearing-in ceremony of Prime Minister Narendra Modi on May 30. The Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) is an international organisation of seven nations of South Asia and South East

Kyrgyz President, currently Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) chair, and Mauritian Prime Minister are also invited for swearing-in ceremony, according to the Ministry of External Affairs.

In his 2014 swearing-in ceremony, Modi had invited Government heads of SAARC which included Pakistan. The then Pakistan Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif had attended the oath taking of Modi.

However, Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina would not be attending Modi's swearing-in this time too as she would be on a three-nation tour close to May 30. Liberation War Affairs Minister AKM Mozammel Huq will represent her at the ceremony.

CAPSULE

BSP MP FACES ARREST FOR RAPE POST SC CALL

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday refused to grant protection from arrest to newly elected BSP MP from Ghosi Lok Sabha constituency in Uttar Pradesh, Atul Rai, accused of raping a college student from Varanasi.

PS GOLAY SWORN IN AS SIKKIM CHIEF MINISTER

Gangtok: Sikkim Krantikari Morcha (SKM) president Prem Singh Tamang, popularly known as PS Golay, on Monday took oath as the CM of Sikkim.

MAN JUMPS FROM POLICE STATION BALCONY, DIES

New Delhi: A 58-year-old man died after he allegedly jumped from the balcony of the Bawana police station, where he was called for questioning regarding the whereabouts of his son, officials said on Monday.

THREE HELD FOR KILLING SMRITI AIDE IN AMETHI

Lucknow: Three suspects have been arrested in connection with the killing of a close aide of newly-elected Amethi MP Smriti Irani, police said on Monday.

IMD SENDS 65 LAKH FANI ALERT SMS TO PEOPLE

New Delhi: The IMD has sent nearly 65 lakh messages to the people in eastern and southern India to give them updates about cyclone Fani that hit the Odisha coast earlier this month, a report said.

BSP spares Gehlot Govt, but trouble brews inside

MLAs meet with Raj Guv put off after Sonia hails Mayawati cadre

PNS ■ NEW DELHI/JAIPUR

In a huge relief for the Congress in Rajasthan, six BSP MLAs cancelled their proposed meeting with Governor Kalyan Singh at the last minute and downplayed speculation about pulling out of the Gehlot Government.

However, the Congress faced trouble from within amid speculation of a Rajasthan Minister quitting in the wake of the party's electoral debacle. Two State Ministers came out in the open to demand a detailed assessment by senior leaders of the party.

Sources said the six BSP MLAs were scheduled to meet the Governor on Monday in the evening. However, later the Governor was informed that the meeting could not proceed due to illness of one of the MLAs, Deepchand.

The BSP has extended its support to the Congress in Rajasthan and Madhya



Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot and other leaders pay tribute to India's first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru on his 55th death anniversary, at his memorial Shanti Van in New Delhi on Monday

Pradesh, thus the news of its MLAs seeking appointment with the Governor sparked wild speculation.

BSP MLA Wajib Ali sought to downplay the significance of the MLAs' scheduled meeting with the Governor. "It was supposed to be a routine meeting," he said.

Sources, however, said the BSP MLAs changed their minds on the instructions from the party's Central leadership following the circulation of appreciation letter by UPA chairperson and senior most Congress leader Sonia Gandhi hailing the role of BSP workers along with

the SP cadre in the just concluded general elections.

Meanwhile, a review meeting scheduled in Delhi to evaluate reasons for party's drubbing in Rajasthan was postponed in the wake of unavailability of Congress president Rahul Gandhi. Party sources said the meeting would be held on Tuesday at Sonia's residence in the presence of Ashok Gehlot, Deputy Chief Minister Sachin Pilot and Congress State in-charge Avinash Pandey, Senior party leader Ahmed Patel and Venugopal are likely to participate in the meet.

Delhi orders fire audit of coaching centres after 22 die in Surat blaze

GAYATHRI MANI ■ NEW DELHI

In the wake of deaths of 22 students at a coaching institute blaze in Surat on Friday, Delhi Home Minister Satyendra Jain on Monday issued directions to the chief of Delhi Fire Services (DFS) to "take strict action as per the fire safety standards and guidelines to prevent recurrence of such accidents" in the national Capital.

The Director (Fire Services) has been asked to immediately inspect and shut and seal coaching centres operating in high-rise buildings above the fourth floor. The Delhi Government further issued notice to all the civic authorities to enforce the "Unified Building Bylaws" in coaching centres.

"In the first phase, all coaching centres operating in high-rise buildings (more than four floors excluding the still floor) shall be inspected by the Director (Fire Service)," the order read.

As per the law, kitchen/cooking and storage of inflammable material are not allowed on rooftops. Multi-storey buildings, hotels and commercial buildings will lose No Objection Certificate (NOC) for violation of norms.

On leave, ex-Kol CP skips CBI summons

Rajeev Kumar seeks a week time to appear

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Former Kolkata Police Commissioner Rajeev Kumar is on official leave to Varanasi for three days and will not be able to appear for questioning in connection with the Saradha Ponzi scheme, according to the letter by the West Bengal Criminal Investigation Department (CID) to the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI). A CID official delivered Kumar's letter to the CBI's office at Salt Lake in Kolkata on Monday.

Citing personal reasons, Kumar has sought a week's time



to appear before the CBI for questioning in the case.

"The CBI was awaiting Kumar's presence at the agency's Kolkata office but he did not turn up (on Monday). The CBI office in Kolkata received a letter from the West Bengal CID regarding his absence," sources said, adding several calls to the West Bengal cadre IPS officer went unanswered.

Jharkhand first State to issue online EWS certificates

PNS ■ RANCHI

In a first the State Government has asked competent authorities in State to issue online certificates for people belonging to Economically Weaker Sections of Society (EWS). The Personnel and Administrative Reforms department has issued a letter to officials and recruitment bodies of the State to adhere to the decisions taken by the State Government regarding recruitment for Government jobs and admission in Government run institutions.

According to the letter issued by Additional Chief Secretary, Personnel depart-

ment, the people belonging to EWS category will be able to take benefits of 10 per cent reservation in government jobs and admission in the educational institutions on the basis of online certificates issued by DCs, ADMs, ACs, SDOs, Executive Magistrates, Deputy Collectors and Circle Officers.

Although, Additional CS KK Khandelwal expressed ignorance about whether the State was first to issue online EWS certificates, sources at the National Informatics Centre confided that Jharkhand is the first State to issue such certificates online. EWS certificates are being issued offline in other States, they said.



As per the government decision those people will be considered under EWS category,

whose family income is less than Rs 8 lakh per annum, who have less than five acres of cultivable land, who have less than 1,000 square feet of residential flat, who have less than 100 square yard of land in a municipal area and who have less than 200 square yards of land in other than municipal area.

The family income, according to the decision, consists of combined income of the applicant, his/her spouse, mother, father and kids/siblings of less than 18 years of age. Also, the land possessed by all the members will be added and will be considered before issuing a certificate.

According to the resolution

of the Government scientific and technical posts will be free from the reservation category. Also, the recruitment of the applicant will be provisional subject to verification by the competent authority and will be cancelled if the detailed submitted by the applicant is found incorrect. Legal action may also be initiated if a person wrongly obtains the EWS certificate.

The State Cabinet on February 14 this year had decided to provide 10 per cent reservation to people coming from economically weaker sections (EWS) in recruitment for government jobs and admission in educational institutions in the State. It had

People belonging to EWS category will be able to take benefits of 10 per cent reservation in Government jobs

passed the proposal for implementing Centre's plan of reservation for EWS category persons, thus making the total reservation in Government jobs 60 per cent. Till date, 26 per cent reservation was given to scheduled tribes, 10 per cent to scheduled castes, 8 per cent to BC-1 and 6 per cent to BC-2, the total reservation being 50 per cent.

BJP targets to win 65 plus seats in Assembly polls: CM

Raghubar thanks party workers

PNS ■ JAMSHEDPUR

Chief Minister Raghubar Das has said that his party is working on a strategy to ensure victory on more than 65 seats in Jharkhand Assembly polls. Das, who received a heroic welcome after his arrival in the city, said that the State BJP is now focusing on preparations for the State Assembly elections. BJP and its allies will form the next Government in the State with a two-third majority.

dynasty politics. Only real performance and delivery will matter." Das said the BJP's historic win is the victory of the people of India. He said the people of Jharkhand, especially Adivasis, too, had shown self-interest regional parties the door.

"voters have given their verdict against Congress Party and other divisive policies of opposition parties. People have voted in favour of development schemes of the Prime Minister Modi and accepted them, and that the results proved it," he said.

He said that Modi's charismatic personality has helped party reach new heights under his leadership. He further said that under Modi's leadership the party is heading for Congress free India as the saffron party has established its imprint from North-East to Jammu and Kashmir. Das also congratulated Modi and party president Amit Shah for splendid performances.



"From the very first day we were confident of our party's win and we feel relieved to see our candidates heading towards an easy win. We are happy that the party has regained power. Every party worker had toiled and they deserve to be lauded. Modi's charismatic personality and his vision of development too favoured our party, voters has shown faith in his leadership," said the Chief Minister.

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City under heatwave condition, Met Dept forecasts rains in 24 hrs

PNS ■ JAMSHEDPUR

The city is gripped under searing heatwave with mercury shooting above 41 degrees C. However, respite from the sweltering heat is expected after the next 24-hours. The meteorological department has forecast rains in several parts of the State in next 24 hours.

An official of meteorological centre informed that a trough was running from east Bihar to Gangetic West Bengal extending upto 0.9 Km above the mean sea level. Another cyclonic circulation was hovering over south Chhattisgarh and neighbouring Odisha. The twin system is expected to trigger thunderstorm accompanied by gusty wind (speed 30-40 Kmph) at isolated places of Jharkhand tomorrow.

The Ranchi Meteorological Centre has also issued forecast of thunderstorm and light rain for three days from tomorrow. The Patna Met office also issued a warning of thunderstorm and squall in its forecast today.

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For about a week the industrial town of the state is experiencing an exhaustive atmosphere with temperature hovering above 40 degree Celsius making it difficult for the working professional and others to move on the street after 10 a.m.

A weatherman though asserted that heat waves would continue in the region and every precaution should be taken in this regard. "The only positive at this point of time is that mercury that was on the rise for the last couple of days is gradually subsiding and in the next four five days the temperature will either move down and remain constant," noted the weather professional.

The Mahatma Gandhi Memorial College and Hospital (MGMCH) that caters to the majority of the cases of sun stroke in the city and nearby has however claimed of putting in place all requirements in place to address the issue of sun stroke.

"We have a well spruced up 12 bed ward equipped with air condition for the sun stroke patients besides, we have sufficient doctors and para medical staff to deal with the cases," said official of MGMCH.

कार्यपालक अभियंता का कार्यालय पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमंडल, मेदिनीनगर
शुद्धि-पत्र
पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमंडल, मेदिनीनगर अन्तर्गत आमंत्रित ई-प्रोक्चोरमेंट अति-अल्पकालीन निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना -**DWS/ MED/GPT/SR/05/2019-20** जो PR No. 206843 (Drinking Water and Sanitation) 2019-20 द्वारा प्रकाशित है, के निविदा अपरिहार्य कारणों से निम्न प्रकार संशोधित किया जाता है:-

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State needs 'stations' for the seismographic study: Experts

PNS ■ BOKARO

After the second constitutive Earthquake tremor felt in Jharkhand within a short span of time (44 days), State Government has asked Indian School of Mines (IIT-ISM) Dhanbad to submit a project report on 'Study and Research on Earthquake' earliest.

On Sunday morning a mild tremor felt in several parts of Jharkhand after an earthquake measuring 4.8 on Richter scale with epicentre in Bankura district of West Bengal hits eastern India. Earlier an earthquake of the magnitude of 4.5 on Richter scale hit Andaman & Nicobar Islands at 7.49am too caused mild tremors in some parts of Jharkhand.

Earlier on 12 April this year, a mild tremor was also

felt in several parts of Jharkhand after an earthquake, the epicentre was in Jamtara.

Soon after the tremor felt in Jharkhand, officials from the Department of Disaster Management Jharkhand contacted Professor PK Khan, Department of Seismology IIT-ISM Dhanbad. "They have asked me to submit the project report related to Study and Research on Earthquake along with the erection of 'stations' across the state for the study," said Khan.

"Earlier they have (officials) rejected (four times) our project but now they have asked me to submit it again," added Khan.

Expressing deep concern over the consistently increasing intensity of the earthquake in the region Khan

said, Bankura has become the center of the earthquake; earthquakes often occur here and increasing its intensity is very dangerous for the future. So Jharkhand needs 'stations' for the seismographic study and research.

Last year on 28 August a tremor was also felt in several parts of Eastern India along with Jharkhand after an earthquake measuring 4.8 on Richter scale with epicentre in Burdwan district of West Bengal, said Khan.

He said, Dhanbad along with entire Jharkhand comes in the Eastern Regional Shield Area which is very sensitive for the earthquake. So this matter should be taken seriously.

"But neither any study is available in Jharkhand, nor any devices to get the information about the

different stages of the earthquake phenomenon or seismographic study, said Khan.

Earlier we have suggested to the State Disaster Department, CMPDI along with other concerned department and PSUs to erect 8 to 10 'stations' across the Jharkhand for the seismographic study, said Khan.

"We have submitted a project report with an estimated cost of RS 2.50 crore to erect stations in Ranchi, Jamshepur, Deoghar, Hazaribagh, Giridih, Gumla, Chaibasa, Pakur, Jamtara and in Maithan for the seismographic study and research but no one paid any heed.

Though, the Bihar government installed 10 such stations across the state for the seismographic study," added Khan.

2 students drown in Dhurwa Dam

PNS ■ RANCHI

In yet another case of drowning, two boys of same age group drowned in Dhurwa Dam under Dhurwa Police Station here on Monday.

Nagri Police Station In-charge, Santosh Pandey said that a group of five boys, all residents of sector 2 area under Nagri Police Station, went to take bath in the dam in the morning at around 9 am. "All of them started taking bath in the dam and two of them Aditya aged 14 years and Piyush aged 15 years started drowning then other friends are started screaming and one of them informed Dhurwa Police Station for help," he added.

"Dhurwa Police Station team immediately rushed the spot with rescue team of NDRF but the boys got drowned in the dam and NDRF team extricated the bodies. The Police team recovered the bodies and sent Rajendra Institute of Medical Science (RIMS) for post-mortem," said Pandey.

Locals said that the main reason for drowning in Dhurwa dam is that the dam slop is more than 12 feet in many places at the next step of two feet. In such a way, those who come to bath in the dam are not able to get an accurate understanding of the depth.

Suddenly, they go into deep water. Those who know swimming are saved, but those who don't know swimming, die. Now the water in the dam is reduced. But where both the students were drowned, there was only 12-13 feet of water.

During last one month a total of five persons died in the dam. 18-year-old Abhishek Vishwakarma died on April 16 due to drowning during a bath in Dhurwa Dam.

Abhishek was at the Dhurwa Dam for bathing with four of his friends.

Gang of thieves busted, 12 persons arrested

PNS ■ JAMSHEDPUR

The police busted a gang of thieves by arresting 12 persons in Ramjanam Nagar under Kadma police station area at wee hours of Monday. Those arrested include a 40-year-old woman and a jeweler and remaining thieves are youths between the age-group of 19 years to 28 years.

The police recovered a television set, smartphones, and one induction stove from the possession of the thieves. Moreover, melted gold as well as silver jewelries were recovered from a jewelry shop, Prasad Jewelry, at Bhatia Bustee in Kadma.

City SP, Prabhat Kumar said that at about 1.30 am, the patrolling party got an information that a gang of six thieves were assembled at football ground in Ramjanam Nagar with some motive.

"Acting on a tip off, the police party rushed to the spot and on seeing the police van, the thieves started flee-



ing. But the police chased them and nabbed one after another.

On being interrogated, those nabbed confessed that they were planning to commit theft at Kadma market.

When they were further interrogated, leading them to the divulge that they had committed theft at a vacant residence in ECC flat area in the

night of May 2 and at a house at Bhatia Bustee on May 10 night," said Kumar.

The City SP said the thieves revealed that their gang leader is Ganesh Prasad and divulged that they would target the vacant house for committing the thefts. He said Ganesh has also been arrested.

"As per the investigation,

there were two more criminals who would find out the vacant houses for committed the theft.

Three others, including the woman Manju Devi would keep the stolen goods.

The arrested persons also revealed that the gold and silver jewelries were being bought by a jeweler, Shankar Prasad.

The police had produced all the accused except the woman before a media during a press conference before producing them before a judicial magistrate for sending them to Ghaghidih Central Jail in the evening.

कार्यालय अधीक्षक, मंडल कारा, चतरा गृह कारा एवं आपदा प्रबंधन विभाग अतिअल्पकालीन पुनर ई-निविदा सूचना
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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER WATER WAYS DIVISION, MEDININAGAR
e-Procurement Notice, 2nd Call
Short e-Tender Reference No.-WRD-Water Ways Division, Medininagar-01SBD/2019-20 Dated :-25.05.2019

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Extension, Renovation/Restoration and Modernization of Temarin Reservoir Scheme under Palamu District.
01.	Name of Work	Extension, Renovation/Restoration and Modernization of Temarin Reservoir Scheme under Palamu District.
02.	Estimated Cost (Rs.)	Rs. 45707664.00
03.	Time of Completion	365 Days (Three Hundred Sixty Five Days)
04.	Period of availability of Bidding Document on Website	27.05.2019 (11:00A.M.) to 17.06.2019 (5:00P.M.)
05.	Period of online submission of Bids	From 27.05.2019 (11:00A.M.) To 17.06.2019 (5:00P.M.)
06.	Time and Date of Opening Technical Bids	20.06.2019 (1:00 P.M.)
07.	Time and Date of Opening Financial Bids	To be Announcement Later
08.	Place of Opening of Bids	e-Procurement Cell, Chief Engineer, WRD, Medininagar
09.	Officer Inviting Bids & Mobile No.	Executive Engineer, Water Ways Division, Medininagar-9430195390
10.	Help line number of e-Procurement Cell	06562-240841

Note:- Only e-Tenders will be accepted. Further details can be seen on website <http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in> Estimated Cost may be Increase or Decrease.
Executive Engineer, Water Ways Division, Medininagar
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Students prepare clay models of wild life at Youth fest

PNS ■ RANCHI

Students of State's eight universities are participating with zeal and enthusiasm at the first Jharkhand Inter University Youth Festival being held at Birsa Agricultural University (BAU). The BAU campus is humming with life.

Human Rights, Sports and Poverty and Unemployment, Entrepreneurship and Employment, Fundamental Rights and Unity and Digital Devices were the topics given to participants of six universities in the event 'Extempore'.

Judges appreciated that despite belonging to far flung areas of rural Jharkhand, participants' language, flow, confidence and way of presentation was better than those of several professional colleges having all the facilities.

In the Clay Modeling competition organized on the topic 'Animal Composition', participants from six universities prepared attractive models of wild animals like elephant, crocodile, fishery and use of cattle in crop husbandry etc in the allotted 2 and half hours time. In the Cartooning event, six participants tried their brushes in

drawing portrait of famous persons. Equal number of teams participated in Group Dance competition held at Ranchi Veterinary College Auditorium, where nature-dependent life of tribes became alive. Teams of three universities presented One Act Play. The famous play 'Nagmandal' written by eminent Kannad playwright Girish Karnad and directed by Deepak Jha dealt with the atrocities on women. 'Dhruvswamini' written by Jaishankar Prasad tried to prove the myth wrong that women are weak and soft and nature has made men to rule them.

SDO inspects coaching hubs to assess fire norms

PNS ■ RANCHI

In the wake up of devastating Surat coaching centre fire mishap which killed 22 students, the Ranchi district administration on Monday conducted raids at different coaching centres in order to ensure existing fire safety norms were followed by educational institutions. The raids were carried out by Ranchi Sub Divisional Officer (SDO) Garima Singh at Hariom Tower at Lalpur and other locations where number of coaching institutes run.



Ranchi SDO Garima Singh inspects fire safety tool during a visit to a coaching centre in Ranchi on Monday. Pioneer photo

The SDO during her inspection assessed whether the coaching centres have obtained the necessary fire safety certificates and whether existing safety guidelines are being followed. Directions were issued to coaching centres to upgrade fire safety norms. The

Ranchi district administration woke from slumber after twenty-two students, including 18 girls, of an art and craft coaching institute died in a massive blaze in the four-storeyed Takshashila Arcade in Sarthana

area of Surat (Gujarat) on Friday.

The incident was shocking as video and pictures of building showing children jumping off from fourth floor to save their lives. Prime Minister

Narendra Modi and Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani have expressed their grief and condolence in the shocking incident.

In State Capital there are mushrooming numbers of coaching institutes at Circular Road, Hinoo Chowk, Club Road and Main Road. But most of the coaching institutes lack proper infrastructure. There are several coaching institute which do not have proper fire fighting equipments.

The Hariom Tower at Circular road has numerous coaching institutes for engineering and medical entrance, but many of them lacks from proper infrastructure facilities. Deepthi Raman, a medical aspirant taking coaching at Hariom Tower said, "The coaching institute which I studies has no fire fighting sys-

tem. There coaching institute is crowded with students with lack of even sitting arrangements." The medical aspirant further said, "The coaching institute main aim is to earn money. They are least interested in providing facilities to students."

Echoing the views of Raman, another student Mayank Raj who prepares for engineering entrance test at a coaching institute at Circular road said, "The coaching institute in which I studies is at third floor at private building. The stairs are narrow if any incident occurs it will lead to stampede."

The students are worried that none of the coaching institutes have fire fighting equipments with even small fire can turn up to major causality as there is no mechanism to check fire.

Congress should play positive Opposition's role: Shahdeo

PNS ■ RANCHI

State Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) said on Monday that after getting crushing defeat in the election, the party had asked that Congress should play positive role of Opposition but the Congress leaders are still spitting venom on BJP leaders.



State BJP Spokesperson Pratul Shahdeo. File photo

Speaking on the issue, State BJP Spokesperson Pratul Shahdeo said that there is drama going on at Congress theatre. "Several leaders are resigning from their post. First of all, Congress Party's National president Rahul Gandhi tendered resignation then retracted. Now Jharkhand State Congress Chief resigned from his post along with some party chiefs from other States," he added.

Pratul Shahdeo said that there is drama going on at Congress theatre

soon. Just before the State Assembly Elections Ajoy Kumar ran away from the battlefield," said Shahdeo.

Criticising the Congress Shahdeo said that it seems that Congress will be wiped out in the State Assembly elections. "Ajoy Kumar should learn from BJP State Chief Laxman Gilua who is attending all party programme after getting defeated in the election. Congress should left drama and play a role of empowered opposition," he added.

Gilua, Tala Marandi, Neelkanth in line of fire

PNS ■ RANCHI

Axe is likely to fall on three senior State BJP leaders for their poor efforts to ensure party victory in two Lok Sabha constituencies and not getting adequate support in Khunti Lok Sabha segment. Laxman Gilua, the State BJP president and party candidate from Singhbhum Lok Sabha segment, former BJP president Tala Marandi and Neel Kanth Singh Munda MLA from Khunti and rural development minister in Raghubar Das's Cabinet are in the line of fire.

The State BJP's thumping victory in Lok Sabha elections has made BJP euphoric but the defeat of their State president from Singhbhum has left saffron party in self introspection as how the state president lost the election when there was Modi Tsunami blowing across the country.

The ruling NDA out of 14 Lok Sabha seats has won 12 seats with BJP winning 11 seats while one seat went to its

ally partner AJSU party. Sources said that though the BJP leadership is excited with party performance they are in no mood to go to people in State Assembly elections under Gilua's leadership.

A State BJP leader on condition of anonymity said, "The defeat of our State president from Singhbhum is shocking for us. We never expected that Gilua jee will lose the election at the time when BJP star campaigner and Prime Minister Narendra Modi had himself campaigned for him."

The leader further said, "In such situation it will be difficult for us to go to voters in Assembly elections under the leadership of Gilua Jee." Sources said that State BJP is unlikely to ask Gilua to quit his post as his tenure is till August this year. As per BJP constitution, a State president is appointed for a period of three years. In August 2016, Laxman Gilua was appointed as State president.

Gilua had won from West Singhbhum in the Lok Sabha

polls of 2014, defeating Geeta Koda, wife of former Chief Minister Madhu Koda. He won by a handsome margin of over 87,000 votes. At that point, he was also BJP MLA from Chakradharpur.

Apart from Gilua, axe is likely to fall on former BJP president Tala Marandi as he has been alleged of not working sincerely in his Lok Sabha segment Rajmahal. Apart from Singhbhum, the BJP lost Rajmahal at the time when Saffron party had successfully made a dent in JMM stronghold by winning Dumka seat of Santhal Pargana.

BJP losing candidate Hemlal Murmu from Rajmahal has blamed Tala Marnadi for his defeat. Murmu said, "I lost the election as Tala Marandi did not cooperate with BJP cadre of his areas Boriyo."

Apart from president and former president, the state BJP is also not happy with Neelkanth Singh Munda the Khunti MLA and minister in Raghubar Das' Cabinet as he has been alleged of not coop-

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erating fully with BJP cadres in Khunti Lok Sabha election. Though BJP candidate Arjun Munda won the election from Khunti with a slender margin of 1445 votes he had a face a herculean task in his victory. Despite Neelkanth Singh Munda being MLA from Khunti he was not able to draw votes from Khunti even from Khunti Assembly seat.

In Khunti, Arjun Munda was pitted against Congress Kalicharan Munda who is elder brother of Neelkanth Singh Munda.



Secretary, Health, Medical Education and Family Welfare Department Dr. Nitin Kulkarni interacts with a child during launching ceremony of 'anti-diarrhoea campaign fortnight' from May 28 to June 8, 2019 at State Dispensary Doranda in Ranchi on Monday. Director in Chief, Health Department Rajendra Paswan, State Malaria Officer, Vijay Nath Khanna, Director IPH Sanjay Kumar and others are also seen in the picture. Ratan Lal | Pioneer

Sensex to grow with stable Government, opine trade bodies

PNS ■ RANCHI

A landslide victory for Narendra Modi-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) propelled a sense of jubilation in Dalal Street in last few days, with Sensex gaining nearly 300 points when the market reopened on Monday.

Trade analysts opine that the markets will grow in coming days, but investors should be cautious while investing. On Thursday, when the results of Lok Sabha were out with television screen showing early trends for BJP led government, markets jumped to nearly 900 points, but next day the stability was not seen in Dalal Street as market crushed to 1300 points. However, the trade analysts believe that in long run the markets will definitely grow with Sensex crossing 4500 bench mark. Presently, the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) is at 40000 points

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market will reach 45,000 points. However, it is always advisable for an investor to invest carefully. While investing money a person should go through the portfolio details of the company in which he or she is investing."

Mehta further said, "The other important aspect is that investors should not think of short term gain as it is always advisable to invest for longer period." FJCCI treasurer, Rahul Maroo said, "The strength of the mandate for the BJP assures stability in government, stability in governance and continuation of the development agenda for next five years." However, Maroo said that share market too has chances of manipulation which was evident last week.

According to Maroo, on May 19 when the exit poll results were out market gained 1000 points and the gain remained for next three days, on May 23 when the results were out the market again gained to 900 points, but next day crushed to 1300 points with a negative of 400 points. Maroo said, "The fall in market was primarily due to investors withdrawing their money after initial gains." The trade bodies member claimed that though volatility is part and parcel of the stock markets it does not last forever. The markets factor in major events like the Lok Sabha elections but eventually go back to their normal functioning.

Echoing the views of Barnwal, Soni Mehta another vice president at FJCCI said, "A stable and strong government is good for economy. We expect that under the Modi regime in next five years the

JPCC chief Ajoy Kumar resigns

PNS ■ RANCHI

Pradesh Congress Committee president in Jharkhand, Ajoy Kumar, has sent his resignation taking moral responsibility for the party's poor show in the State where they won just one of the State's 14 seats.

"PCC chief has taken moral responsibility of the party's performance and sent his resignation on May 24. However, we got official information of his resignation today," said State Congress Media Incharge Rajesh Thakur.

Congress lost in Khunti by 1,400 votes and Lohardaga with 10,000 votes. Meanwhile, former Ranchi City Congress president Surendra Singh leveled serious allegations against Kumar and demanded his resignation on Monday. Addressing a press



meet Singh said that PCC Chief Kumar is the sole person responsible for the dismal performance of the grand old party in the State.

"As Prime Minister Narendra Modi led Centre Government and Raghubar Das led State Government has given us numerous issues to capitalise and ensure victory of the party candidates but due to the poor policies and strategies of the State Chief, the party has got crush-

ing defeat in the election," said Singh.

Lambasting on strategy of Kumar, in which he given all duties to the coordinators, Singh said that the Kumar assign duties to the coordinators but not a single coordinators were seen active during the election. "Kumar always ignored old party workers during his two year regime of the PCC Chief. He never meet with party workers except very few of them. There are around 15 spokespersons in the State but he used to talk to only one or two. After span of two years he still not constituted the State Committee," he added.

Criticising State Congress Chief for his poor activeness during the poll campaign Singh said that Kumar was only taking part in the programme of Rahul Gandhi and

he never campaign himself alone or with any party candidates from any seats. "I am saying this after consulting with several senior leaders of the party and at the same time I am requesting to the party High Command that it should immediately demand Kumar's resignation or remove him from his post," he added.

Congress National president Rahul Gandhi offered his resignation as the party president on Saturday taking moral defeat of the party's crushing defeat in the election. Following Gandhi's resignation some more PCC Chiefs such as Maharashtra unit president Ashok Chavan, Assam unit Chief Ripun Bora, Punjab Congress Chief Sunil Jhakar, Uttar Pradesh party Chief Raj Babbar and Odisha's Niranjan Patnaik were resigned from their post.

IN BRIEF

SUMMER CAMP CONCLUDES AT DPS

Ranchi: On the last day of DPS Ranchi's Summer Camp, students went for Fartlek training to Jagannathpur temple. Fartlek Training which basically means "speed play" is continuous training with interval training. Fartlek runs are a very simple form of a long distance run which means periods of fast running intermixed with periods of slower running. The training helps the students to maintain the neuromuscular coordination between body and mind. This training was followed by closing ceremony of the Summer Camp by the Principal himself.



OM STERLING INVITES STUDENTS

Ranchi: Om Sterling Global University, Hisar, Haryana invited students from the State to take admission in the University. Addressing a press meet on Monday the University Vice Chancellor, Devendra Pathak said that the university is affiliated to UGC. It provides every employment oriented courses. Its environment is fully students friendly.



SUB-JUNIOR NEHRU CUP

State women's team beat Andhra Pradesh

PNS ■ RANCHI

Jharkhand hockey prodigies won their first match at the 9th hockey India sub-junior women's national championship 2019 being held in Hisar, Haryana. The team won the match by defeating Andhra Pradesh by 9-0.

The maximum goals from the State team were made by Nikki Kumari, who shot the first goal in the 17th minute. She made a total of four goals in the match at the 40th, 46th and 47th minutes. Two goals were also shot by Kiran Bada and Ellen Ddungdung at the 19th, 37th minutes and 29th and 42nd minutes respectively. The last goal was shot by the captain Deepthi Goren in the 56th minute.

"The girls have started off to a great start. I wish them all the best for the coming matches. This is just a league match and I full confidence that they will also win the finals and come home," said Hockey Jharkhand president Bhola Nath Singh.



From (L) Elin Ddungdung, Deepika Soreng, Kiran Bada and Nikki Kullu during the first match of 9th hockey India sub-junior women's national championship 2019 being held in Hisar, Haryana. The team won the match by defeating Hockey Andhra Pradesh by 9-0. Pioneer photo

The State team will play the next three league matches against Hockey Coorg, Sports Authority of India and Uttar Pradesh Hockey on May 29, May 30 and June 1 respectively. The championship final will be held on June 7.

Apart from these four players, the other team members

include Sonamati Kumari, Dipti Kullu, Mahima Tete, Rajni Kerketta, Ropani Kumari, Kajal Bada, Pramodini Lakra, Priti Kullu, Neeru Kullu, Ankita Ddungdung, Elle Tirkey, Adelina Bage, Nirali Kujur and Rashim Horo. Anita Horo is the coach where as Sushila Minj is the team manager.

Need to eradicate misconceptions about blood donation: Sanchita

PNS ■ RANCHI

A blood donation camp was organised at Kusai Colony, Ranchi by Kusai Colony Welfare Society, JUVNL Ranchi and Blood Bank, RIIMS on Monday. Blood donation will not only saves many lives but also increases awareness and participation from the youth. The misconceptions related to blood donation can only be removed by creating such awareness camps, said eminent people present on the occasion.



Principal secretary to the Chief Minister Sunil Kumar Bunnrwal flashes the victory sign alongwith his wife Richa Sanchita and others during a blood donations camp organised by Kusai Colony welfare Society at Doranda in Ranchi on Monday. Ratan Lal | Pioneer

Senior Advocate of Jharkhand High Court Richa Sanchita donated blood on the occasion and said that blood donation does not cause any kind of weakness, but one can also avoid many major diseases. "In society, misconceptions about blood donation can be overcome only by awareness. Due to the lack of blood in hospitals, people should come forward and take part in blood donation camps particularly the youth. By donating blood we can save the lives of many strangers and together we should make this holy work a success."

Sunil Kumar Barnwal, Principal Secretary to the Chief

Minister said, "We should donate blood from time to time. This way we can keep ourselves healthy and also help others in the need for survival. One drop of your blood could save somebody's life and there is no substitute for blood. Blood donation is a mahadan. With regular camps being organised, the emergency situation in hospitals will also come to an end."

IAS officer, Manjunath Bhajantri, also donated blood and appealed to others to do the same. He said that people generally have the impression that blood loss is a physical impair-

ment, whereas this is not so, but blood donation releases more blood from the body and in some days new blood is formed. Dr Chandrabhusan of Rajendra Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS) said that 40-50 units of blood are given to the needy at RIMS on a regular basis. He also said that blood donation reduces the chances of heart diseases.

Secretary of Kusai Colony welfare society committee and JUVNL General Manager (Distribution) Rajkumar Agarwal said that the society has been making continuous efforts for social welfare.

Hry CM to expedite projects ahead of Assembly polls

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Buoyed by party's big victory in Lok Sabha polls 2019 in Haryana, the Chief Minister Manohar Lal who is heading the BJP Government in the state has already begun preparations for the State Assembly polls due to be held in October this year.

To expedite the development projects across the state ahead of Haryana Assembly election, the Chief Minister will be presiding over several rounds of meeting on Tuesday to review the progress of ongoing projects in 18 cities and speed up these projects.

In day-long meetings which will include five sessions, discussion will be held on AMRUT mission, status of smart city project, status of CM's announcements.

Under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme, the government is undertaking various projects to enhance civic facilities in Panchkula, Gurugram, Ambala, Jagadhri, Karnal, Rohtak, Hisar, Sonapat, Panipat, Kaithal, Rewari, Bhiwani, Thanesar, Bahadurgarh, Palwal, Sirsa and Jind, said an official



spokesman.

Projects including strengthening of the drinking water supply system, strengthening the drainage system and

sewerage management, rain water drainage management, urban transport among others are undertaken in these cities under AMRUT scheme, he

said. The Chief Minister will preside over five sessions in the day-long meetings to review the AMRUT mission, status of smart city project, status of implementation of his announcements. Urban Local Bodies Minister Kavita Jain, senior bureaucrats, Mayor and other representatives of the city would attend the meeting, the spokesman added.

On Monday also, the Chief Minister reviewed the progress of metro projects in the state.

After the BJP had won all 10 Lok Sabha seats in Haryana, the Chief Minister Manohar Lal had recently said that his government's priority will be to speed up the development projects in Haryana, which will go to State Assembly polls in next three-four months.

In the 90-member State Assembly, the BJP currently has 48 MLAs.

Manohar Lal has already directed all the MLAs to expedite the progress of various development works or projects in their constituencies and ensure to fix a deadline for the completion of key projects.



Girls walk under umbrella to protect themselves from scorching heat on a hot summer day in Ranchi on Monday

Vinay Murmu | Pioneer

झारखण्ड सरकार पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता विभाग ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट सूचना (द्वितीय आगमन)					
ई-निविदा सूचना संख्या - (धनबाद) 02/2018-19 (Group-A)			तिथि - 27-05-2019		
1	वेबसाइट पर निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि	01-06-2019	समय 02.00 बजे अपराह्न तक		
2	निविदा प्राप्ति (ऑन लाईन बिडिंग) की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय	17-06-2019	समय 05.00 बजे अपराह्न तक		
3	पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता यांत्रिक प्रमंडल, धनबाद में परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य, एवं अग्रघन की राशि की मूल प्रति जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय	18-06-2019	समय 04.00 बजे अपराह्न तक		
4	तकनीकी बिड खोलने की तिथि एवं समय	19-06-2019	समय 04.00 बजे अपराह्न तक		
5	तकनीकी बिड खोलने का स्थान	अधीनस्थ अभियंता का कार्यालय पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता यांत्रिक प्रमंडल, धनबाद।			
6	निविदा आमंत्रित करने वाले पदाधिकारी का नाम/पदनाम :-	ईओ अग्रघन अली, कार्यालय अभियंता, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता यांत्रिक प्रमंडल, धनबाद।			
7	निविदा आमंत्रित करने वाले कार्यालय का टेलिफोन नं०	0326-2308988, 9431161242			
8	ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट सेल का हेल्प लाईन सं०	0651-2480345			
कार्य का नाम	युप	प्राक्कलित राशि (₹ लाख में)	अग्रघन की राशि (₹ लाख में)	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य (₹ लाख में)	कार्य पूरा करने की अवधि
Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 1set 7.5 MVA 33KV/11KV Copper Wound Out Door Type Power Transformer with OLT for Raw Water Pumping Plant (Phase -I & II) at Gogna, Maithan of Dhanbad Urban Water Supply Scheme under D.W.& S. Mechanical Division, Dhanbad for the Year-2018-19.	A	82.00	1.64	10000	4 माह

नोट - केवल ई निविदा ही स्वीकार किये जायेंगे। उपरोक्त किसी तिथि को अवकाश घोषित होने पर अगले कार्य दिवस की तिथि को माना जायेगा। ऐसे निर्माता/निर्माता के अधिकृत चिकेता जिन्हें पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता विभाग झारखण्ड सरकार का निबंधन प्राप्त नहीं है वे भी निविदा में भाग ले सकते हैं बशर्त कि वे सफल निविदादाता को एकरारनामा के पूर्व पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता विभाग, झारखण्ड, में निबंधन पत्र प्राप्त कर लेना होगा। निविदा की सूचना तथा नियम शर्तों की जानकारी वेबसाइट www.prjdharkhand.in, प्रमंडलीय तथा अंचल कार्यालय से प्राप्त की जा सकती है। निविदा की जानकारी के लिए वेबसाइट <http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in> पर देखा जा सकता है।

P.R.207055 Drinking Water and Sanitation(19-20):D

कार्यालयक अभियंता का कार्यालय, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमंडल, जमशेदपुर

अति अल्पकालीन ई निविदा सूचना (1 st Call)					
ई निविदा सूचना संख्या-SC/ST Mini WSS/ Jamshedpur - 06/2019-20 dt. 25.05.2019					
निविदा जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि/समय	03.06.19 समय 2:00 बजे अपराह्न तक				
अग्रघन की राशि एवं परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य जमा करने की अंतिम तिथि, समय एवं स्थान	04.06.19 समय 3:00 बजे अपराह्न तक, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमंडल, जमशेदपुर				
निविदा प्राप्त टेकनीकल बिड खोलने की तिथि	04.06.19 समय 4:00 बजे अपराह्न तक				
वेबसाइट पर निविदा का प्रकाशन की तिथि/समय	28.05.19 समय 1:00 बजे अपराह्न तक				
निविदा आमंत्रित करने वाले पदाधिकारी का नाम एवं पता	कार्यालयक अभियंता, पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमंडल, जमशेदपुर।				
ई प्रोक्वोरमेंट सेल (e-Procurement Cell) का दूरभाष सं०	06512480345				
हेल्प लाईन सं०	8002536460				

कार्य का नाम	युप संख्या	लघु ग्रामीण जलदा योजनाओं की संख्या	प्राक्कलित राशि (₹ लाख में)	अग्रघन की राशि (₹ लाख में)	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य (₹ लाख में)	कार्य पूरा करने की तिथि
"मुख्यमंत्री जनजल योजना" अंतर्गत जनजाति क्षेत्र उप योजना शीर्षक के अधीन निर्माण कार्य मद से अनुसूचित जाति/ अनुसूचित जनजाति (SC/ST) बाहुल्य टोलों की शर्त प्रविष्टि आवादी को वर्तमान स्रोत (Existing Source) अप्रकारित सौर पंपिंग जलपूर्ति योजना के तहत पेयजल एवं स्वच्छता प्रमंडल, जमशेदपुर अंतर्गत विभिन्न प्रकल्पों में योजना का निर्माण कार्य।	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-1	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-2	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-3	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-4	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-5	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-6	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
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	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-16	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-17	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-18	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-19	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-20	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-21	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-22	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-23	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS(TSP)JSR-24	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-25	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-26	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-27	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-28	23	9679813.00	194000.00	10000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-29	11	4629476.00	93000.00	5000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-30	11	4629476.00	93000.00	5000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-31	11	4629476.00	93000.00	5000.00	3 माह
	SC/ST/MWSS/TSP/JSR-32	11	4629476.00	93000.00	5000.00	3 माह

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P.R.207062 Drinking Water and Sanitation(19-20):D

Hry to conduct entrance test for 'Super 30'

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

The Manohar Lal Khattar Government in Haryana will be conducting a written examination on June 10 under the 'Super 100' initiative to provide free coaching for JEE, NEET and boarding facility to meritorious students of government schools.

The students who have attained more than 80 percent marks in class 10th would be eligible to participate in the

entrance test. The last date of registration students for this programme is May 31.

Selected students in examination will be provided free of cost training for NEET, IIT and JEE by the State Government, a spokesman of the Department said.

He said that the expenses of boarding and lodging would also be borne by the government.

All the district education officers have been directed by

the Directorate of School Education to appoint the district Science expert and district Math expert in their respective districts as the nodal officer of the "Super-100" programme.

The Directorate has also directed to establish contact with Parents, School Heads and students who secured more than 80 per cent marks in Class X to encourage them to come for "Super-100" programme, the spokesman said.

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Loan A/C No.	Customer Name	Branch Name	Branch Name	Loan A/C No.	Customer Name	Branch Name	Branch Name
026505004584	Privesh Ranjan Kumar	Dhanbad	Dumka	141205000905	Vikram Kumar Kodia	Phusro	Phusro
242705000281	Privesh Ranjan Kumar	Bokaro - Sector 9	Dumka	184805000539	Rakesh Kumar	Ranchi	Ranchi
073705003133	Jayant Kumar Singh	Dhanbad	Dumka	043305001787	Kangra Devi	Ranchi	Ranchi
073705002078	Ashish Ranjan Pandey	Dhanbad	Dumka	115105000573	Lalan Sanjiv	Ranchi	Ranchi
062905001580	Sudhansu Kumari	Dhanbad	Dumka	115005000751	Prabha Devi	Ranchi	Ranchi
				114905000915	Ved Prakash	Ranchi	Ranchi

Date : 28.05.2019
Place : Bokaro, Deoghar, Dhanbad, Dumka, Palamu, Purbi Singhbhum, Ramgarh, Ranchi

Sd/
Authorized Officer
For ICICI Bank Limited

Government of Jharkhand Jharkhand Mineral Area Development Authority, Dhanbad e-Procurement Notice Inviting Tender no. JMADA/01/2019-20

Name & address of office		Managing Director, Jharkhand Mineral Area Development Authority, Luby Circular Road, Dhanbad			
1	Name & address of office	27-05-2019	at 11:00AM		
2	Date of publication of tender on website	01-07-2019	up to 05:00PM		
3	Last date & Time for receipt of bids	11-06-2019	at 11:00AM		
4	Predbid Meeting	02-07-2019	up to 04:00 PM		
5	Last date & Time for receipt of hard copy of Bid	03-07-2019	at 04:00 PM		
6	Date & Time of Bid Opening				
7	Contact no. of Procurement officer	Technical Member, JMADA, Dhanbad email- eeindresh@gmail.com			
8	Help line number of e-Procurement cell	Mob. No. - 9431120556, 8709782566			

Note :- (i) Only e-Tenders will be accepted. Further details can be seen on website <http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in> & udhd.jharkhand.gov.in

2. Estimated cost/ quantity may be increased or decreased.

3. Experienced in same nature of work, (Civil, electrical and mechanical) well equipped and financially strong contractor/Company may take part in this e-tender. They must be registered in Urban Development and Housing Department Jharkhand Govt. in appropriate class.

4. Contractor have not been enlisted in appropriate class in Urban Development & Housing Department, Jharkhand may also tender for the bid provided they will be registered in appropriated class within two months after award of work.

5. e-tender will be in Double envelopes system. (Indresh Kumar)

P.R.207146 (Jharkhand State Mineral Dev Co Ltd)19-20'D Technical Member, JMADA, Dhanbad.

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

ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट निविदा सूचना

निविदा सूचना संख्या-DHANBAD-1/OandM/03/2019-20 दिनांक - 25.05.2019

कार्य का नाम	विवरण
1	Operation and Maintenance services of 77 MLD WTP at Bhateland, Intake works at Gogna, Maithan Dam, Raw water rising mains 1000 mm dia D.I. K - 9 44 kms from Maithan Dam to Bhateland WTP, Clear water rising mains D.I. K - 9 800mm to 2 00mm 67.17 kms, Clear water distribution mains 600mm to 100mm dia 340.60 kms in Dhanbad City, water supply from 20 nos. of existing ESR under Dhanbad water supply scheme for two year. Excluding the energy cost and raw water cost. Daily water supply 45 MLD approx.
2	प्राक्कलित राशि
3	अग्रघन की राशि
4	कार्य पूरा करने की अवधि
5	वेबसाइट पर निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि एवं समय
6	प्री बिड मीटिंग की तिथि एवं समय
7	बिड प्राप्ति की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय
8	परिमाण विपत्र का मूल्य एवं अग्रघन की राशि जमा करने की तिथि, समय एवं स्थान।
9	तकनीकी बिड खोलने की तिथि एवं समय
10	निविदा आमंत्रित करने वाले पदाधिकारी एवं कार्यालय का पता
11	ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट कार्यालय का समर्क नं०
12	ई-प्रोक्वोरमेंट सेल का हेल्प लाईन नं०

विस्तृत जानकारी हेतु वेबसाइट नं०- <http://jharkhandtenders.gov.in> पर देखा जा सकता है।

P.R. 207075 Drinking Water and Sanitation(19-20)-D

कार्यालयक अभियंता का कार्यालय पथ निर्माण विभाग, पथ प्रमंडल, चतरा

अति अल्पकालीन निविदा आगमन सूचना सं० -2/2019-20

Call No. 1

टेन्डर रेफरेंस नं०: पाणिपति/चतरा/356 दिनांक : 24.05.2019

क्र.सं.	कार्य का नाम	दिनांक	विवरण
1.	कार्य का नाम	10.06.2019	टण्डरा - राय - खेलारी पथ के 19वें कि०मी० में दामोदर नदी पर क्षतिग्रस्त उच्चस्तरीय पुल का मरम्मत कार्य। (वर्ष 2019-20)
2.	प्राक्कलित राशि	03.06.2019	₹ 89.34,466-00 (नवारी लाख चौतीस हजार चार सौ छियासठ रुपये) मात्र।
3.	कार्य पूरा करने की अवधि	12:00 बजे दोपहर तक	4 (चार) माह
4.	निविदा प्राप्ति की अंतिम तिथि /समय	03.06.2019	12:00 बजे दोपहर तक
5.	वेबसाइट पर निविदा प्रकाशन की तिथि	10:30 बजे पूर्वाह्न	
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DUE TO DISSOLUTION OF LS Citizenship, triple talaq Bills lapse

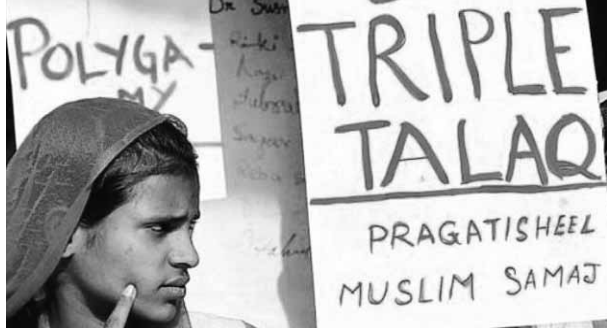
PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The new Government will have to bring the controversial Citizenship (Amendment) and Triple Talaq Bills once again as they lapsed due to the dissolution of the 16th Lok Sabha and the two legislations not being passed in the Rajya Sabha due to stiff Opposition.

The Government may continue with the contents of the Triple Talaq Bill but may consider minor changes in the Citizenship Bill taking into consideration opinions from the stakeholders in Assam and other North Eastern States.

The Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Bill which made the practice of instant triple talaq (talaq-e-biddat) a penal offence, was opposed by the opposition parties which had claimed that jail term for the husband for divorcing his wife is legally untenable.

The Government had pro-



mulgated the ordinance on triple talaq twice. Under the Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Ordinance, 2019, divorcing through instant triple talaq will be illegal, void and would attract a jail term of three years for the husband.

A Bill to convert the earlier ordinance, issued in September 2018, was cleared by the Lok Sabha in December and was pending in the Rajya Sabha.

Since the Bill could not get parliamentary approval, a fresh

ordinance was issued. Seeking to allay fears that the proposed law could be misused, the Government has included certain safeguards in it such as adding a provision for bail for the accused during trial.

These amendments were cleared by the Cabinet on August 29, 2018. While the ordinance makes it a "non-bailable" offence, an accused can approach a magistrate even before trial to seek bail. In a non-bailable offence, bail cannot be granted by police at the police station itself. A provision was

added to allow the magistrate to grant bail "after hearing the wife", the Government had said.

The Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2019 provided for according Indian citizenship to Hindus, Jains, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists and Parsis from Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan after seven years of residence in India instead of 12 years, which is the current norm, even if they do not possess any document. The legislation was passed by Lok Sabha during the Winter Session on January 8 but could not be cleared by the upper house. There has been strong Opposition to the bill in Assam and other Northeastern States.

Student organisations, political parties and socio-cultural bodies have been protesting on the grounds that it seeks to grant nationality to non-Muslims who have come into India up to December 31, 2014, thereby increasing the deadline from 1971 as per the Assam Accord.

Centre to identify tribals who fled due to Salwa Judum movement

New Delhi: The Centre will ask the Telangana and Andhra Pradesh Governments to identify tribals who allegedly fled Chhattisgarh due to the Salwa Judum movement around 15 years ago and settled there, according to officials.

Salwa Judum was a militia that had been deployed as part of anti-Maoist operations in Chhattisgarh. It was operational between 2005 and 2011, before it was banned by the Supreme Court.

The action came on a complaint of an NGO, CGNet Swara Foundation, that wrote to the ministry claiming that over 5,000 families had fled Chhattisgarh due to the controversial militia force formed by late Congress leader Mahendra Karma in mid-2005 to counter the Maoists.

"We received a complaint on May 12 stating that a number of tribal families fled to Andhra Pradesh and Telangana from Chhattisgarh due to Salwa Judum. We have to take all state



governments on board and verify these cases," a senior official of the Tribal Affairs Ministry said.

"Once the verification process is completed, we will sit together and decide the next course of action. We will have to see what political stand the Chhattisgarh government will take on it... Whether it acknowledges that these were families were displaced due to Salwa Judum," the official said.

Another official from Chhattisgarh said that once it is established that these families belonged to the state, a process can be initiated to rehabilitate them under the

Forest Rights Act, 2006.

Experts say the previous BJP-led administration had backed the movement and the Congress government at the Centre was seized of it.

The Supreme Court banned the militia force in 2011 after it acquired a notorious reputation for allegedly burning villages, killing people and sexually assaulting women after terming them Maoist sympathisers.

According to CGNet Swara Foundation, the militia force led to the displacement of 5,000 families from Chhattisgarh. These families settled in Andhra Pradesh, which got bifurcated in 2014.

The NGO claimed these families had been living without basic facilities in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, and could not benefit from the Forest Rights Act, which provides for giving land rights to those living on forest land for at least three generations before December 31, 2005.

New version of Akash missile test-fired successfully

New Delhi: India on Monday successfully test fired an Akash-MK-1S missile from the integrated test range at Chandipur in Odisha, the Defence Ministry said on Monday.

The surface-to-air anti-aircraft missile with a strike range of 25 km and capability to carry warhead of 60 kg was test fired on May 25 and May 27, they said.

"Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has successfully test fired AKASH-MK-1S missile from ITR, Chandipur, Odisha on May 25 and 27," the defence ministry said in a statement.

It said the Akash weapon system has combination of both command guidance and active terminal seeker guidance.

"Seeker and guidance performance have been consistently established in both the missions. All the mission objectives have been met," the Ministry said. **PTI**

IN SHORT

VISTARA FIRST TO OFFER PADS ON FLIGHT

New Delhi: In a first-of its kind move, Vistara Airline has launched thoughtful initiative #PadsOnBoard, whereby it will provide sanitary pads onboard its flights to women travellers on request. This initiative makes Vistara the first Indian airline to offer sanitary pads on flights within India, said a statement here issued on the eve of Menstrual Health & Hygiene Day.

ICMR HEAD WINS DR LEE JONG-WOOK PRIZE

New Delhi: Director General of the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) Professor Balram Bhargava has jointly won the 2019 Dr. Lee Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health at the 72nd World Health Assembly in Geneva, Switzerland. He bagged the award for his achievements as a clinician, innovator, researcher, and trainer.

GOVT BODY TO MULL TO CONTINUE BAN ON LTTE



New Delhi: The Centre on Monday set up a tribunal for adjudicating whether or not there is sufficient reason to continue the ban on the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), a fortnight after it extended for five years the proscription of the terror group that was behind the assassination of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

BLUE ROSE LAUNCHES SAVOURY OF POEMS

New Delhi: Blue Rose Publishers launched a new book 'Savoury of Poems (Romps through My mind, Mood, Emotions)', written by Leena Margaret. Speaking at the launch, Leena Margaret said that the book does give one a certain taste of rhythm and rhyme. Publisher Syed Arshad was also present during the launch.

Locals to be educated about tigers, humans coexistence

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

Months after its big cat relocation plan in Odisha's Satkosia Tiger reserve went haywire, the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has now decided to showcase the locals examples of other tiger habitats where villagers are peacefully co-habiting with the wild animals.

The locals had fiercely opposed the relocation of Sundari, a tigress and Mahaveer, a tiger, in the Satkosia forest from Madhya Pradesh last year. The area had witnessed serious law and order problem when Sundari allegedly killed two persons. She has been held captive since then by wildlife authorities. For his part, Mahaveer fell to poaching.

Since then the tiger relocation plan has been put on hold by the NTCA. Now realising that its relocation plan will not see the light of the day unless locals are engaged in the conservation plan, the top tiger body last week shot off a letter to the Chief Wildlife Warden of Odisha to organise a tour/exposure visit for capacity building of local community and forest officials of Satkosia Tiger



Reserve to Terai Arc landscape comprising of Corbett Tiger Reserve in Uttarakhand and Pilibhit Tiger Reserve in Uttarakhand.

The NTCA preferred to choose the two tiger reserves as it felt they were "very good examples of conservation where movement of tigers in human dominated areas has been monitored with involvement of local communities and forest departments of both the States have successfully ensured the rehabilitation of tigers back to forest areas."

During the tour, the locals will be educated to how to live peacefully with the animals and how they can earn their livelihood.

The move is in keeping with the NTCA guidelines which envisage involvement of local people in conservation for fulfilling the agenda of co-exis-

istence in buffer or fringe areas. "People's involvement becomes more crucial in tiger relocated sites like Satkosia tiger reserve where local communities are historically dependent on these forests. Therefore it quite relevant to ensure role of local communities as co-partners in conservation instead of just passive stakeholders.

"To achieve this, capacity building of local communities is very important so as to seek their active participation in conservation to achieve the co-existence agenda while minimizing man-animal conflicts," said the NTCA letter.

The tigress Sundari was brought from Bandhavgarh on June 28 last year while tiger Mahaveer was brought from Kanha in Madhya Pradesh to Satkosia Tiger Reserve in July last year. Mahaveer's carcass was found on November 15.

FROM SUPREME COURT

BSP MP Rai faces arrest for rape post apex court call

New Delhi: In a setback to newly elected BSP MP Atul Rai, the Supreme Court on Monday refused to grant him protection from arrest in a rape case while noting that 16 other criminal cases were pending against him.

A vacation bench of Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justice Aniruddha Bose said it was not inclined to entertain the petition of Rai, who has won Lok Sabha election from Ghosi constituency in Uttar Pradesh by a margin of more than one lakh votes.

At the outset, the bench asked the counsel for Rai about the number of criminal cases were pending against him.

The counsel replied that the MP had 16 criminal cases pending against him and he was out on bail in all the cases except the rape case.

The counsel also said that Rai had sought that the FIR against him in the rape case be quashed. "Sorry, we are not inclined to entertain this petition. Dismiss," the bench said.

The counsel then sought to withdraw the petition which was allowed by the court.

"Counsel for the petitioner seeks leave of this Court to withdraw the

present special leave petition. The special leave petition is dismissed as withdrawn," the bench said.

Earlier on May 17, the apex court had refused to grant interim protection from arrest to Rai who was then a SP-BSP alliance candidate from Ghosi Lok Sabha constituency in Uttar Pradesh.

Rai, who was accused of raping a college student from Varanasi had then sought interim protection from arrest saying polling in his constituency was scheduled on May 19.

"It is not a case for quashing. Fight it out. Fight the election and this case too," the top court had told him. An FIR was registered against Rai on May 1 on a complaint by a college student who had alleged that he took her home on the pretext of meeting his wife but sexually assaulted her. The SP-BSP alliance candidate, who has denied the rape allegations, has been on the run since the lodging of the FIR.

Rai had contended that there was no provision of anticipatory bail in Uttar Pradesh and the high court had on May 8 dismissed his petition seeking protection from arrest.

Ghosi constituency falls in Mau district of Uttar Pradesh. **PTI**

Plea challenging HC verdict on power to arrest in GST evasion cases dismissed

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Monday dismissed a plea challenging the Telangana High Court verdict that a person can be arrested by the concerned authority in cases of Goods and Service Tax (GST) evasion.

The plea came up for hearing before a vacation bench of Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justice Aniruddha Bose and the apex court said it was not inclined to interfere with the April 18 judgement of the high court.

"Having heard counsel for the petitioner and upon perusing the relevant material, we are not inclined to interfere. The special leave petition is accordingly dismissed," the bench said.

On April 18, the high court had said it was not inclined to grant relief against arrest to the petitioners who had approached it challenging the summons issued by Superintendent (Anti-Evasion) of the Hyderabad GST Commissionerate under the Central Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017 and invocation of penal provisions under the law.

The high court had delivered the verdict which dealing with a batch of petitions filed by some private companies, its top officials and others.

The Government had told the high court that petitioners before it were allegedly involved in incorporating several partnership firms and had claimed input tax credit on the basis of certain invoices, without there being any actual physical receipt of goods.

It had alleged that the fraudulent input tax credit claimed by them was to the tune of ₹224.05 crore. **PTI**

NIA court convicts four members of Bodo insurgent group for 2014 terror attack

New Delhi: Four members of Bodo insurgent group NDFB(S) were convicted by a special NIA court in Guwahati on Monday for a terror attack in Assam's Kokrajhar district in 2014 in which five tribals were killed, officials said.

Bina Basumatary, Jayanta Mushahary, Dwithai Basumatary and Khanda Daimary were sentenced to five years imprisonment and a fine was imposed on each of them, an NIA spokesperson said here.

"The case pertains to the terrorist attack on 23.12.2014 by NDFB(S)

cadres upon innocent people of Pakiriguri village under Serfanguiri Police Station in Kokrajhar district of Assam, in which five adivasis were killed and another five sustained grievous injuries due to indiscriminate firing by the terrorist group," he said.

He said one of the accused Gautam Mahalia had earlier pleaded guilty in April 2019.

"He was sentenced to 4.5 years. Trial against 10 other accused persons who are in judicial custody will continue," the spokesperson said. **PTI**

Delhi HC asks ED to reply on Talwar's interim bail plea

New Delhi: The Delhi High Court on Monday asked the Enforcement Directorate (ED) to file a reply on a plea by corporate lobbyist Deepak Talwar, an accused in a money-laundering case, seeking interim bail on medical grounds.

Justice Chander Shekhar also asked the jail authorities to file a medical report of Talwar and listed the matter for May 30 for further hearing. The court also directed the jail superintendent to provide necessary medical treatment to Talwar.

Talwar has been accused by the ED of acting as a middleman in negotiations to favour foreign private airlines over sear-sharing on Air India's profitable routes.

The ED is also probing various other cases related to money-laundering

against Talwar, who was deported from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) on January 30. Meanwhile, another division bench headed by Chief Justice Rajendra Menon asked Talwar's son Aditya to appear before the ED and satisfy it.

The bench's direction came after it was informed that Aditya was a "fugitive". The court was hearing Wave Hospitality Ltd's plea challenging a notice related to provisional attachment of its hotel in Aerocity area. The ED told the court that Aditya Talwar is connected with Wave Hospitality and since he is a "fugitive" from law, the company's plea should not be heard. But the company said that Talwar was neither one of its directors nor a shareholder. **IANS**

Modi thanks world leaders for congratulatory messages

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday thanked world leaders for their messages congratulating him for returning to power in the Lok Sabha elections.

Iranian President Hassan Rouhani wished Modi for his thumping electoral victory.

Thanking him on Twitter, the PM said, India and Iran enjoy civilizational links. "We will work to strengthen close ties between the two countries," Modi wrote. MHA spokesperson Raveesh Kumar tweeted that Kim Jae Ryong, the Premier of Cabinet in Democratic

People's Republic of Korea, also congratulated Modi on being elected to the office for a second term. In his response to wishes from Jamaican PM Andrew Holness, Modi said the victory is a reflection of the aspirations of 1.3 billion people of India. "I look forward to working with you to strengthen our friendly relations for the mutual progress and prosperity of our people," he said. Responding to South African President Cyril Ramaphosa's greetings, Modi returned the wishes on inauguration of his second term of presidency. **PTI**

Grammar of electoral politics has changed, says BJP leader

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

BJP vice-president Vinay Sahasrabudde on Monday said the grammar of electoral politics has changed in the country with development and nationalism taking centre stage in the political discourse.

The massive mandate has given a "body blow" to the established norms of politics in the country, he said.

The BJP won 303 of the 542 Lok Sabha seats that went to polls this time while the Opposition was left way behind with the Congress winning only 52 seats, two less than it needs for the Leader of Opposition post in the Lower House.

The discourse of politics was earlier confined to 'socialism, welfarism and patronage',

but now development and nationalism dominate it, the BJP leader claimed.

"The 2019 election's result is a watershed mandate. It has changed the very grammar of electoral politics in India. Traditional discourse of politics earlier used to remain confined to socialism, welfarism and patronage.

"This time it has gone far beyond all this as people have realised that development alone can bring a real change in their lives," Sahasrabudde said.

Development and nationalism are now the centre stage of the country's political discourse, he added.

Sahasrabudde underlined that this verdict has cornered identity politics and a new model of politics engineered by

the BJP based on development and nationalism has emerged.

The Modi-government has ensured that development becomes a part of one's everyday life bringing it at the experiential level, the BJP vice-president said.

Development has also given people a new aspirational identity.

Instead of being known by their caste, they feel better to be identified as those who have gas cylinders or electricity at their homes, he said, adding that this has enhanced their social dignity as well.

Sahasrabudde, who is the president of the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), is in-charge of BJP's policy research and good governance departments.

BJP nominates Kamakhya Tasa for RS from Assam

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

With the Lok Sabha results out, the BJP on Monday named Kamakhya Prasad Tasa as its candidate for the Rajya Sabha elections in Assam.

Tasa, who has long been associated with the BJP and working for tea garden workers, was elected to the Lok Sabha in 2014 from the Jorhat seat, but the party did not field him in this general election.

The party has not named the candidate for the second seat from the State, but it may support its Assam ally AGP for this.

There has been speculation that the BJP may back Union Minister Ram Vilas Paswan, its ally in Bihar, for one of the seats in Assam after it promised to send him to the Rajya Sabha at the earliest opportunity during seat sharing talks for the Lok Sabha polls.

Paswan did not contest the general elections this time.

The Congress held the seats, includ-



The election of party president Amit Shah, Union Ministers Ravi Shankar Prasad and Smriti Irani, currently members of the Rajya Sabha to the Lok Sabha, would leave three more vacancies in the Upper House for the BJP.

Shah, 54, was elected to the Upper House of Parliament in August 2017, making his parliamentary debut.

He won his first Lok Sabha election from the Gandhinagar constituency by a margin of over 5.57 lakh votes against his nearest rival Congress' C J Chavda.

Irani, 43, who had earlier also served as an HRD Minister and I&B Minister in the Modi Government, proved herself to be a giant-killer as she dethroned Congress chief Rahul Gandhi in Amethi by a margin of 55,120 votes, while Prasad, 64, dislodged sitting MP and former BJP member Shatrughan Sinha who fought on a Congress ticket by a margin of over 2.84 lakh in Patna Sahib constituency.

The TV actor-turned-politician had twice fought the Lok Sabha election unsuccessfully in 2004, losing to Congress leader Kapil Sibal in Chandni Chowk constituency and in 2014 suffered defeat at the hands of Rahul Gandhi in Amethi.

RSS chief: Ram ka kaam ho kar hi rahega

IANS ■ JAIPUR

Days after the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) scripted a resounding victory in the Lok Sabha elections, Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) chief Mohan Bhagwat said that "Ram ka kaam karna hai, Ram ka kaam ho kar hi rahega (Ram's work needs to be done and Ram's work will be done)."

Bhagwat made the comments during his visit to Udaipur on Sunday for a "mandir pran pratishtha" programme in Pratap Gaurav Kendra, where he was accompanied by spiritual leader Morari Bapu.

The programme was first addressed by Morari Bapu. Speaking on the occasion, he said, "Since centuries this country has been chanting the name of lord Ram. Today the country is passing through such circumstances that we need to think of doing Ram's work too. It makes me happy to see Ram's name written on the youth's hands."

Soon after his address, Bhagwat said, "We should remember the message given by Morari Bapu. Ram's work needs to be done and Ram's work will be done. Ram resides in our hearts. We all need to be active and move ahead to fulfil our goals."

Bhagwat was on a four-day trip to Udaipur since Friday to attend the RSS-run 'Sangh Shiksha Seva II' training camp. Soon after landing in Udaipur airport on Friday, Bhagwat told the media, "Aa gayi hai sarkar wapas (The government is back)."

Even before the Lok Sabha elections, the RSS had pitched



for the construction of Ram temple in Ayodhya, and had asked the Narendra Modi-led government to hasten the process of temple construction. The Ram Temple has been on the BJP manifesto since 2014.

Muslim clergy react sharply to RSS statement on Ram temple

Lucknow: Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) chief Mohan Bhagwat's support for a grand Ram temple in Ayodhya has evoked a sharp reaction from the Muslim clergy.

Maulana Khalid Rashid Firangi Mahali, Imam of Eidgah and a well known Sunni cleric, said, "It is not right to make such statements when the matter is in the Supreme Court. The mediation process is also on under the court supervision."

"Muslims are waiting for a decision and the Hindu leaders should also exercise patience. Such statements will only serve to create controversy and panic," Shia cleric Maulana Yasoob Abbas said that since matter is sub-judice, leaders of both communities should refrain from making statements. **IANS**

RAJASTHAN TEXTBOOK REVISION

BJP flays Cong for affixing 'son of Portugal' to Savarkar's description

PTI ■ JAIPUR

Former Rajasthan education minister Vasudev Devnani on Monday flayed the State Government for affixing "son of Portugal" to RSS ideologue Vinayak Damodar's description in Class X social science textbooks.

Recently, the Congress Government constituted a textbook revision committee in the school education department. Based on the committee's findings, the department revised a short biography of RSS ideologue Vinayak Damodar Savarkar introduced by the previous BJP Government.

Now, in the textbooks it is mentioned Savarkar had described himself as "son of Portugal" when seeking

clemency from the British Government in 1910-11.

In a series of tweets on Monday, Devnani said the State Government should take inspiration from former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi who had described Savarkar as the "byword for daring and patriotism."

The former Prime Minister had called Savarkar "a classical revolutionary and countless people drew inspiration from him", Devnani said. "Former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi recognised and hailed the legacy of great freedom fighter Veer Savarkar. The then Government had issued a commemorative stamp on Veer Savarkar in 1970.

"Indira Gandhi had donated a sum of Rs 11,000 from her



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personal account to Savarkar Trust and ordered the Films Division to produce a documentary on his life," Devnani tweeted.

The former State Minister said calling the freedom fighter "son of Portugal" is an insult. He alleged the Congress Government had the single-

point agenda of insulting heroic characters and eulogising only one family. In response, Rajasthan Education Minister Govind Singh Datasara said the changes were made by the experts committee.

"What can I say? A committee of experts have written it based on authenticity and their recommendations. I can only say that whatever has been written in the textbooks have been written based on the recommendations of educationists," Datasara told PTI.

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Godse on January 30, 1948, less than a year after India gained independence from Britain.

The revision of textbooks not only drew flak from the Opposition but also from a couple of leaders in the ruling Congress.

The panel had recommended the removal of a picture suggesting self-immolation under Sati or Jauhar from a Class VIII English textbook. It was replaced with that of a hill fort.

"We need to understand the practice of Jauhar. Without understanding the sensitive issue, any leader, be it from the Congress or the BJP, should refrain from making a statement," said State Transport Minister Pratap Singh Khachariyawas.

PS Golay sworn in as Sikkim CM



Governor Ganga Prasad administers the oath to Sikkim Krantikari Morcha (SKM) president Prem Singh Tamang as the new Chief Minister of Sikkim during a swearing-in-ceremony, at Paljor Stadium, in Gangtok, on Monday

Golay announces 5-day working week for Govt employees

PTI ■ GANGTOK

Newly-appointed Sikkim Chief Minister PS Golay on Monday announced a five-day working week for State Government employees.

After taking charge of the office at Tashiling state secretariat, he also held a meeting with top Government officials.

Talking to reporters after interacting with senior officials, Golay said there will be five-day working week for the Government employees in Sikkim.

"We have fulfilled one of our election promises to reduce the working week for Government employees from six days earlier to five days," he said. The Government employees will get an additional day as holiday which they will use to

take care of their health and that of their parents and family members, he said.

The Chief Minister also announced his Ministers and MLAs, including himself, will use Scorpio vehicles instead of Fortuner SUVs which were being used by the elected representatives earlier.

"For the time being we have no option but to use Fortuner SUVs, but we will use Scorpio vehicles once they are made available to us," Golay said. The SKM supremo had earlier accused the SDF government headed by his predecessor PK Chamling for "misusing public money."

Golay said the money saved on using less expensive vehicles like Scorpio will be used for betterment of the people of Sikkim. **IANS**

Pema Khandu to be sworn in as Arunachal CM tomorrow

Guwahati: Incumbent Pema Khandu will be sworn in as Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister on Wednesday after the State BJP won the recent Assembly and Lok Sabha polls.

The BJP legislature party in Arunachal Pradesh has elected Khandu as their leader during a meeting on Monday. Later, Khandu accompanied by legislator and former Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein and state BJP chief and MP Tapir Gao called on State Governor Brig BD Mishra at Raj Bhavan in Itanagar and staked claim to form the next Government.

Khandu informed the Governor about the meeting consisting of 41 elected members of Arunachal Pradesh Legislative Assembly from the BJP and said 40 members have unanimously elected him as their leader in seventh Legislative Assembly of the State. **IANS**

UP ATS nabs 6 Bangladeshis for making fake passports

Lucknow: The Uttar Pradesh Anti-Terror Squad (ATS) has arrested six Bangladeshi citizens for allegedly preparing fake passports using false documents, an official said on Monday.

The accused were arrested from Agra. "The UP ATS was getting information that some Bangladeshis, living illegally in Uttar Pradesh, used to call

other Bangladeshis and make fake documents (used for identity) such as Aadhaar cards and ration cards. Based on these fake documents, they used to even get their passports made," Asim Arun, Additional Director General of Police, UP ATS, said in a statement.

He added the six Bangladeshi nationals were picked up from the Agra railway

station on Sunday. "During interrogation, it was revealed that all of them were residents of Bangladesh, who were living in India on the basis of fake documents. A case has been registered against them and they have been arrested," Arun said.

He added the data retrieved from the accused revealed that they had also visited Punjab and Rajasthan.

"During interrogation, they said they had unsuccessfully tried to go to Pakistan by crossing the barbed-wire fence. Their Pakistan-based accomplices had told them to sneak into Pakistan with the help of an electric tester to find out whether current was flowing through the fence. Four testers were seized from their possession," the officer said. **PTI**

IED defused by Army, tragedy averted on Jammu-Poonch NH



Security personnel cordon off the area where an IED was recovered at Kallar Chowk on Jammu-Poonch highway on Monday

PNS ■ JAMMU Security forces averted a mishap on Monday by timely detecting a suspected improvised explosive device (IED) near Kallar chowk along Jammu-Poonch highway in frontier Rajouri district.

According to spokesman of the J&K Police, "a road opening party (ROP) of the Army first detected the suspected IED lying near Kallar Chowk alongside the highway that connects Rajouri district with Jammu."

Police spokesman said, "during close examination, a bottle filled with liquid material and a polybag filled with some solid material was found. The ROP immediately flashed an alert and traffic was halted on both sides of the road to prevent any untoward incident."

"After senior army and police officers, took stock of the

situation, army's bomb disposal squad launched its operation following SOP and after hour long exercise, the said suspected IED material was destroyed on the spot thereby averting any possible mishap," police spokesman added. Traffic on the busy road was restored to clear the rush of stranded vehicles.

Senior superintendent of police, Rajouri, Yougal Manhas said that timely action by the alert jawans of army ROP averted any untoward incident.

He also clarified that during initial investigation of the matter, it has come to fore that no banned explosive material was present in the suspicious object found along highway in Rajouri.

"It seems that some miscreant placed a suspicious object in a disintegrated form to give it the shape of an IED to create social disorder", he added.



Karnataka Chief Minister HD Kumaraswamy, along with Deputy CM G Parameshwara, pays tribute to former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru on his 55th death anniversary in Bengaluru, on Monday

DMK, allies to protest in LS against NEET, hydrocarbon plants

DMK promises to nominate MDMK leader Vaiko as RS member

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ CHENNAI

Though the Narendra Modi-led NDA Government at the Centre has a comfortable majority in the Lok Sabha, the Tamil Nadu brigade led by the DMK is all set to make life difficult for the ruling party.

The Secular Progressive Alliance (SPA) led by the DMK has 37 members and it is expected to win the rescinded Vellore Lok Sabha as and when it is held making the rally to 38.

"We were able to sustain the anti-Modi campaign throughout the last few years and in every nook and corner of the State," said RS Bharati, Rajya Sabha member as well as the organising secretary of the DMK.

The immediate target of the DMK is winning the Local Body elections in Tamil Nadu as and when they are held. "This will be precursor to the assembly election to be held in 2021 which we are sure to sweep," said a senior party leader. Hence the DMK and its allies would keep the heat going on against the Modi government in both Houses of Parliament.

The DMK has promised to nominate Vaiko, the MDMK leader as a member of Rajya

Sabha when election is due on July 2019. Vaiko is expected to make life difficult for the ruling dispensation at the Centre. He had already assured the people that he would make the Centre agree to exempt Tamil Nadu from the National Eligibility and Entrance Test (NEET), the qualifying examination for admission to undergraduate and post graduate courses in the country's medical colleges.

Vaiko has already "fired" warning shots by asking the Prime Minister to ensure the safety of the minority communities in the country. He condemned the BJP and Modi for the attack on a couple belonging to the minority community at Bhopal allegedly by cow vigilantes. Adding headache to the Modi government would be Thol Thirumavalavan, the VCK leader who scraped through from Chidambaram constituency by a margin of 3,219 votes, the smallest margin in Tamil Nadu.

The southern bench is a myriad combination of youth and experience. MK Kanimozhi, former DNK chief Karunanidhi's daughter by his third wife, Dayanidhi Maran, Karunanidhi's grand nephew, A Raja, the 2G spectrum fame former Union Minister, Tamizhachi Thangapanian who was Karunanidhi's beloved disciple and Kalanidhi Veerasamy, son of former DMK minister Arcot Veerasamy are the leading lights in the DMK array.

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Annexure I

Format for publishing financial results in newspapers
(Regulation 52 (8), read with Regulation 52 (4), of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015)

S. No.	Particulars	Half year ended		Year ended	
		31.03.2019	31.03.2018	31.03.2019	31.03.2018
		Audited	Audited	Audited	Audited
1	Total Income from Operations	-57.69	53.36	19.29	53.64
2	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items*)	-509.48	-46.89	-721.56	-78.96
3	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items*)	-509.48	-46.89	-721.56	-78.96
4	Net Profit / (Loss) for the period after tax (after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items*)	-2.77	-46.89	-21,504.89	-341.19
5	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit / (Loss) for the period (after tax) and Other Comprehensive Income (after tax)]	-2.77	-46.89	-21,504.89	-341.19
6	Paid-up Equity Share Capital	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
7	Reserves (excluding Revaluation Reserve)	-1,821.28	19,683.61	-1,821.28	19,683.61
8	Net worth	-1,820.28	19,684.61	-1,820.28	19,684.61
9	Paid-up Debt Capital / Outstanding Debt	57,161.37	52,776.91	57,161.37	52,776.91
10	Outstanding Redeemable Preference Shares*	-	-	-	-
11	Debt Equity Ratio*	-31.40	3.00	-31.40	3.00
12	Earnings Per Share (of ₹10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) -				
	1. Basic:	-27.68	-468.90	-2,15,048.89	-3,411.93
	2. Diluted:	-27.68	-468.90	-2,15,048.89	-3,411.93
13	Capital Redemption Reserve*	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
14	Debt Redemption Reserve*	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
15	Debt Service Coverage Ratio*	-0.008	-0.004	-0.01	0.00
16	Interest Service Coverage Ratio*	-0.11	-0.01	-0.08	-0.01

- Note:**
- The above is an extract of the detailed format of half yearly/annual financial results filed with the Stock Exchanges under Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The full format of the half yearly/annual financial results are available on the websites of the Stock Exchange(s) and the listed entity.
 - For the items referred in sub-clauses (a), (b), (d) and (e) of the Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the pertinent disclosures have been made to the Stock Exchange(s).
 - The impact on net profit / loss, total comprehensive income or any other relevant financial item(s) due to change(s) in accounting policies shall be disclosed by means of a footnote.
 - # - Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items adjusted in the Statement of Profit and Loss in accordance with Ind AS Rules / AS Rules, whichever is applicable.
 - * - The pertinent items need to be disclosed if the said disclosure is required as per Regulation 52 (4) of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors
Getamber Anand Updesh Singh Tomar
Sd/- Sd/-
Director Company Secretary

Date: 27/05/2019
Place: Noida

UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY



General Public is hereby informed that one Male Namely: unknown, S/o: unknown, Address: unknown admitted in L.N.J.P. Hospital from ISBT Flyover, Kashmir Gate, Delhi on 15.05.2019 from the Jurisdiction of P.S. Kashmiri Gate, Delhi. During the treatment doctors declared him dead. In this regard a case has been lodged vide DD No. 21-A dated 15.05.2019 at P.S. Kashmir Gate, Delhi. The description of the dead person is as under:- Age: 60 years, Sex: Male, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Hospital Clothes. If any one having any information about this dead person please inform undersigned. **SHO**

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Ph.: 011-23967889, 8750870123
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RJD MLA demands Tejashwi's resignation

PTI ■ PATNA

The simmering discontent in RJD has come to the fore following its rout in Lok Sabha election with a senior party legislator Maheshwar Prasad Yadav on Monday asking Tejashwi Yadav to resign from the post of Leader of Opposition taking moral responsibility of the drubbing.

Alleging that parivarwad (family politics) has cost the party most, Maheshwar, RJD MLA from Gaighat Assembly constituency in Muzaffarpur district, claimed the party will break if his demand is not fulfilled.



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As a party MLA, I would request Tejashwi Yadav to resign from the post of LOP taking moral responsibility of the Lok Sabha poll debacle and appoint any other senior party leader hailing from a caste other than Yadav to the post of LOP, failing which the party will have to face crushing defeat in 2020 Assembly elections, he told reporters.

The RJD is the second party of the five members mahagathbandhan to face the heat of resounding defeat in the hands of NDA in Bihar.

Except for one seat of Kisanganj won by the Congress, the BJP, JD(U) and LJP combine bagged 39 out of a total 40 Lok Sabha seats in Bihar.

Earlier, Upendra Kushwaha led RLSPs three legislators — two MLAs and one MLC — merged with the JD(U) on Sunday following the massive drubbings at the hustings.

If my demand (to appoint

someone else as LOP) is not fulfilled, then the legislature party will break as party's several legislators are with me, Maheshwar Prasad Yadav claimed.

Asked whether he has the support of two-third of RJD legislature party to avoid disqualification under anti-defection law, he answered in affirmative saying that he has the support of large numbers of party MLAs as no one wants to board the sinking ship...But please, don't ask me the names and numbers at the moment.

Asked whether he would attend the two-day RJD meeting scheduled to be held on May 28 and 29 to discuss the poll debacle, the rebel MLA said he would not participate in the meeting till his demand (Tejashwi resignation) is met.

Maheshwar, who has been seen in close company of Bihar CM Nitish Kumar in the recent past, said Lalu Prasad's affection for his family cost the party most and the party (RJD) would not have staged a come-

back in the 2015 Assembly polls, if the RJD would not have stitched an alliance with Kumar's JD(U).

It was because of Kumar that the RJD came to power in 2015 in the State, he said, adding but the party supreme again chose to anoint his both sons as Deputy CM and Minister in Nitish Kumar-led Grand Alliance Government ignoring senior party leaders.

When Nitish Kumar parted his ways, RJD chief again foisted his son Tejashwi and wife Rabri Devi as LOP in lower and upper house respectively. I had opposed the party chiefs move to make Rabri Devi as the CM in 1997 and had suggested him to appoint any other senior leader of the party as CM but he ignored my opinion. There was a time when the party was reduced to 22 MLAs and four MPs. But people in recently held general elections have thoroughly rejected the RJD for carrying out 'parivarwad' politics, the MLA added.

POSTLOKSABHAPOLLSDEBACLE

Deve Gowda holds talks with K'taka Cong chief

PTI ■ BENGALURU

Former Prime Minister and JD(S) supremo HD Deve Gowda had a discussion with Karnataka Congress chief Dinesh Gundu Rao on Monday, following the combine's rout in the just-concluded Lok Sabha election.

After the meeting that lasted for over an hour, Rao told reporters that Deve Gowda had asked him to come home to discuss various issues. He, however, refused to divulge what transpired between the former Prime Minister and him.

"I cannot disclose what discussion we had because he has said something outright about the two parties. We will have to take certain decisions after discussing with the senior leaders in our party," Rao said.



The Congress and the Janata Dal (Secular) only managed to win one seat each of the 28 in Karnataka, while the BJP won 25 seats. The other seat was bagged by BJP-backed Independent candidate Sumalatha Ambareesh, who defeated Deve Gowda's grandson Nikhil Kumaraswamy in Mandya. Deve Gowda too lost from

Tumkur. BJP leaders have predicted the collapse of the Congress-JD(S) coalition in Karnataka and an increase in the saffron party's tally in the Assembly after the Lok Sabha poll results, claiming that 20-odd Congress MLAs

were unhappy with the State Government.

The Deve Gowda-Rao meeting comes amid coalition worries and discontent within the Congress, with its MLA Ramesh Jarkiholi, who has been rubbing shoulders with

the BJP for some time, even threatening to resign, along with a few other lawmakers.

The Congress has convened a meeting of its legislature party on Wednesday to discuss the political developments in the southern State.

JD(S)-Cong Govt strong: Siddaramiah

Bengaluru: Former Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramiah on Monday asserted that the JD(S)-Congress Government was a 'strong' one and ridiculed State BJP president BS Yeddyurappa for repeatedly claiming that the coalition will collapse.

In a series of tweets, he also said the people's mandate was for continuation of the BJP-led Government at the

Centre and not for 'toppling' the State Government.

"Yeddyurappa has been saying for the past one year the Government will fall. He will continue to say the same for the next four years. I am confident the Government is strong," Siddaramiah said.

Referring to Prime Minister Narendra Modi bowing to the Constitution after being elected leader of the BJP-led NDA

on Saturday, he sought to know which article in the Constitution gave the BJP the right to topple a State Government.

Siddaramiah said the outcome of the Lok Sabha elections, in which the BJP won 25 seats, was for continuation of the NDA Government at the Centre and not for toppling the Government in the State and make Yeddyurappa Chief Minister again. **PTI**

UP Cabinet to meet today

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

After almost a month-and-a-half, the much awaited Cabinet meeting of the Yogi Adityanath Government will be held on Tuesday in which the state government is expected to finalise the transfer policy and take decisions on pending issues.

A Government official told *The Pioneer* here on Monday that the Cabinet meeting would be held at 11 am and was likely to continue for an hour or so.

Many decisions, which were pending because of the Model Code of Conduct being in force, were expected to be taken up on Tuesday, he said.

The last Cabinet meeting was held on March 8 before the

Model Code of Conduct came into force for 78 days.

Sources say the Cabinet may finalise the transfer policy whose nitty-gritty awaits Cabinet nod.

Generally, the deadline for transfer ends on May 31 but this year the deadline is sure to increase.

The Cabinet will decide the modalities as generally only 10 per cent of the staff are transferred and the policy also contains many riders.

The spokesman said the government may also take decision on wheat purchase and set guidelines for the construction of Purvanchal and Bundelkhand expressways.

"There are around a dozen issues which need Cabinet approval and these will be dis-

cussed threadbare in the meeting," the official said.

The Cabinet is also likely to congratulate Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the resounding success in the Lok Sabha election.

Three Cabinet ministers — Rita Bahuguna Joshi (Tourism), Satyadeo Pachauri (Khadi and Gramodyog) and SPS Baghel (Animal Husbandry) are also likely to attend the Cabinet meeting, their last in UP.

They have been elected to the Lok Sabha and would be taking oath as members of the 17th Lok Sabha.

Rita Bahuguna Joshi has been elected to the Lok Sabha from Allahabad, Pachauri from Kanpur and Baghel from Agra.

Rahul Gandhi to visit Wayanad in first week of June

PTI ■ AMETHI

Thiruvananthapuram: Congress president Rahul Gandhi would visit Wayanad in the first week of June to thank the electorate for his record breaking win from this Lok Sabha seat in Kerala, said a Congress leader on Monday.

Leader of Opposition Ramesh Chennithala said this after the Congress-led United Democratic Front (UDF) met for the first time after registering a resounding victory in the Lok Sabha polls, winning all but one of the 20 seats in the State.

A source in the know of things said Rahul Gandhi's visit could be either on Saturday or Monday.

Rahul won with the highest ever margin of victory in any Lok Sabha election with 4,31,770 votes.

He defeated his nearest rival PP Suneer of the Communist Party of India who secured 2,74,597 votes while Congress president received 7,06,367 votes.

"This huge victory has placed more responsibility on us and we assure the people that this victory will not get into their heads. They will always work for people of the State," said Chennithala. **IANS**

Three held over killing of Amethi BJP worker

PTI ■ AMETHI

Three suspects have been arrested in connection with the killing of a BJP worker in Amethi two days ago, police said on Monday.

Director General of Police (DGP) OP Singh said there was a local-level political rivalry between the deceased, Surendra Singh, 50, and the father of one of the accused.

"We have arrested three persons. After the incident was reported, as many as seven people were taken into custody and they were thoroughly quizzed," Singh told reporters here. "Among the seven people, there were three who were linked with the incident."

Amethi Superintendent of Police Rajesh Kumar said those arrested have been identified as Ramchandra, Dharmanath and Naseem, while two persons were absconding.

Singh, a close aide of newly-elected Amethi MP Smriti Irani, was shot when he was sleeping in his house at Baraulia village, 25 km from the district headquarters, on Saturday night. The former village head was referred to a Lucknow hospital, but succumbed to injuries during treatment.

SEARCH FOR MISSING

General Public is hereby informed that one man **Namely:** Bunty @ Vedant, S/o: Om Parkash, R/o: H. No. 106, Ram Nagar Colony, Nangloi, Delhi, **Age:** 35 Years, **Height:** 5'3", **Complexion:** Shallow, **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** White Printed Shirt-Blue Pant and Brown Sandal in feet has been missing/

BUNTY @ VEDANT kidnapped since 24.04.2019 from the area of PS. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard **DD No. 28-A dated 26.04.2019** has been lodged at PS. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing/kidnapped man but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone have any information about this missing/kidnapped man please inform the undersigned.

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PS, Nihal Vihar, Delhi,
Ph: 011-25946700, 25946710

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Namely:** Unknown S/o Unknown R/o: Unknown, **Age:** approx 35-40 yrs, **Height:** About 5'6", **Complexion:** Shallow, **Wearing:** White Checkard shirt and black colour half pant, who was found dead behind F-2, Block, Chhat Pooja Park, near Petrol Pump, Mangolpuri, Delhi. In this regard a case **DD No: 29A dated 10.05.2019** has been registered at P.S. Mangol Puri, Delhi.



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

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S. No. : 1. IREPS Tender No.-85-Refurbishment/OCoach	Rs. 44,96,76,734.28	Rs. 23,98,400/-
"Refurbishment of 156 ICF Coaches"	Cost of the Tender forms: Rs. 10,000/-	Period of Contract : 16 Months

Last date of tender submission: Upto 15.15 hrs., Date 26.06.2019

The details of above tenders are also available on Indian Railway website www.ireps.gov.in. **Dy. CME/W, Mechanical Workshop, CPRO/Mech-45**, N.E. Railway, Gorakhpur

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Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice / Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Richa Jha / Prabhu Chandra Mishra / LBGUR00002928099 / LBDEL00002960553	Flat No 69, Block No B, Kallol Cooperative Group Housing Society Ltd, Plot No. 35, I.P. Extension, Patparganj, Delhi 110092 / May 21, 2019	February 16, 2019 Rs.75,56,817/-	Delhi/ NCR
2.	Puneet Kumar Vishnoi / Poonam Vishnoi / LBFDB00002937711 / LBFDB00002937713	Plot No-3061, Block-J 2nd Floor, Sainik Colony, Extension II Sec- 49, Faridabad / May 24, 2019	February 27, 2019 Rs.28,89,822/-	Delhi/ NCR
3.	Arvind Bhan / Neetu Bhan / LBDEL00001255374	HIG Flat No. 153, First Floor Block-B, Type-C Sector 18 B Dwarka Delhi 110075 / May 21, 2019	September 29, 2018 Rs.22,61,812/-	Delhi/ NCR
4.	Mohd Safdar / Falak Safdar / Alpna Novelites Mfg Co / Mohd Sami / LBNDD00002073457	Flat No. A-505, Skyview Apartment, Gh Plot No.02, Vasundhara Nagar, Bhiwadi / May 21, 2019	December 31, 2018 Rs.20,25,071/-	Delhi/ NCR
5.	Dinesh Kumar Singh Chauhan / Madhu Kumari / LBFDB00001020887	Khasra No. 109/21/1, Tuhi Ram Colony, (shyam Nagar Colony), Shyam Nagar, Palwal, Faridabad / May 24, 2019	December 05, 2018 Rs.10,34,386/-	Delhi/ NCR
6.	Suman Jain / Rajesh Jain Huf / Rajesh Jain / Anshul Jain / LBFDB00002441050	Plot No. R1- 02, Block R, Parklands, Sector 75, Faridabad. / May 24, 2019	December 04, 2018 / Rs.61,24,852/-	Delhi/ NCR

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

Date : 28-05-2019
Place: Delhi/NCR
Sd/-
Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

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NIT NO. 04 (19-20)

S. No.	Name of Work	Amount put to tender Rs.	Tender/ Fees (in Rs.)	EMD (in Rs.)	Date of release of tender in e-procurement solution	Last date/time of receipt of tender through e-procurement solution
1.	Replacement of old damaged/deep water line by 100mm dia DI pipe line to avoid contamination in Dharampura and Kailash Nagar in Ward No-25E AC-61 NE-III Tender I.D.No. 2019_DJB_172668_1	40,88,376/-	500/-	82000/-	24.05.19	15.06.19

Further details in this regard can be seen at <http://delhi.govtprocurement.gov.in>

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Amarnath Yatra arrangements reviewed

PTI ■ JAMMU

A high-level meeting to review the arrangements being put in place for the upcoming Amarnath yatra in south Kashmir Himalayas was held here on Monday, an official said.

The annual 46-day pilgrimage to the 3,880 metre high holy cave shrine is scheduled to begin from the twin routes of Pahalgam in Anantnag and Baltal in Ganderbal districts on July 1.

Principal Secretary Home Shaleen Kabra chaired the meeting which was attended by Divisional Commissioner, Jammu Sanjeev Verma, IGP MK Sinha, IG Traffic Alok Kumar, IG CRPF AV Chauhan and other senior civil and police officers, the official said.

The Divisional Commissioner gave a detailed presentation on the arrangements being put in place by different departments to ensure smooth conduct of the yatra, the official said. The commissioner also apprised those present in the meeting about the number of SRTC buses being made available, halting points set up in Kathua, Samba, Jammu, Udhampur and Ramban districts, langar (community kitchen) points enroute, shelter sheds, accommodation for pilgrims and other related arrangements, the official added. **PTI**

Bangladeshi nationals detained in Ahmedabad for illegal stay

Ahmedabad: Ahead of Rathayatra in Ahmedabad, Special Operations Group (SOG) on Monday detained 47 Bangladeshi nationals from various parts of the city for illegal stay, police said.

The Ahmedabad SOG had formed five different teams to carry out a search operation, as per an official statement. Patrolling was conducted in different areas of the city during which as many as 47 Bangladeshis were detained from areas including Chandola lake in Ishanpur, Danilimda, Chirag Park Society, Naroda Patiya, Juna Wadaj etc, and brought to SOG police station, it said.

They were detained as they were found to be staying illegally in the city without any valid documents. **PTI**

MISSING/KIDNAPED

General public is hereby informed that one boy, **Namely:** Chatter Pal Verma, S/o: Pujari Lal Verma, R/o: H. No. RZH-182, Nihal Vihar, Nangloi, Delhi, has been missing/ kidnaped since 28.04.2019 from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. In this regard, a Case Vide DD No. 27-A, Dated 02.05.2019, has been lodged at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Investigations has been carried out but despite best efforts, the boy could not be traced. The description of the missing/kidnaped boy is as



Chatter Pal Verma

Name: Chatter Pal Verma, **S/o:** Pujari Lal Verma, **R/o:** H. No. RZH-182, Nihal Vihar, Nangloi, Delhi, **Age:** 19 years, **Height:** 5'1" Feet, **Face:** Round, **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Wearing:** Red Shirt, Blue Jeans Pant and Black Sleeper in feet. If anyone has any information about the missing/ kidnaped boy, then please inform P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi.

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DP/2252/OD/19

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APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is here by informed that an unidentified person (depicted in the photo) name: **unknown**, residence and family is **unknown** about 45 years of age was found dead at Behind the NDPL Office underpas Road, Mangolpuri, Delhi on 12.05.2019 at 05:53 PM. In this regard a FIR/DD No. 18-A, dated 12.05.2019 has been registered at Police Station **Raj Park, Delhi**.

His physical description is as under:-
Sex: Male, **Age:** approx 45 years, **Height:** 5'5" ft., **Complexion:** Shallow, **Wearing:** Blue Colour Pajama. Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or Telephone Numbers.

SHO
P.S. Raj Park, Delhi
DP/2282/OD/19 Ph. No. - 011-27910070, 27910071

TENDER NOTICE

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PAPER WITH PASSION

What talks?

While Pak may try peacenik moves with a call for dialogue, India is right to stick to 'no terror' clause



One of the news reports before the outcome of the Indian elections was about a dipstick among Pakistanis, where some expatriates hoped Prime Minister Narendra Modi would return so that the scourge of terrorism could be finally wiped out from their home country. Whatever the nature of this back-handed compliment, it sort of bears out why Pakistan's Prime Minister Imran Khan, too, thought a Modi-led stable government in India would be decisive enough to do business with. And though widely seen as a puppet prince foisted by the fundamentalists and the military, one would on the face of it think that there would be some remnants of his Oxford-groomed liberalism that perhaps wished Modi's muscularity, fed by Pakistan-groomed terror networks, to force a change of domestic policy and maybe pitch economics higher than geopolitics as a doable proposition. But beyond this facetiousness, what really bothers Khan is his wavering conviction whether he could justify a proxy war with India anymore. Simply because the world, too, where Pakistan has been selling the Kashmir cause as a bargaining chip for exporting terror, has now turned against old tropes after the terrorist attack at Pulwama and the Balakot airstrikes. With Modi's victory, Khan has to live with the fact that anti-India histrionics of the past will have to be reinvented if he wants to perpetuate "India, the big boy in the hood" theory. Particularly when its friendly saviour China, too, after allowing the UN listing of Jaish chief Masood Azhar as a global terrorist, has made it clear that its relations with India and Pakistan would be single-point and have no areas of convergence. Besides, Modi's reminder that talks could only resume in the absence of terror clearly is intended to drive home the point that Balakot was not just a major electoral issue but would define the rules of engagement hereon. If there's a terrorist attack again, one can retaliate with a non-military hot pursuit of terrorist camps, staying well under the confrontation threshold. The perceived "morality" of attacking terror hubs, as has been practised by the US several times, is now acceptable.

In such a situation, Pakistan, by proposing the talks first, is trying to project itself as a practical neighbour and a first-mover in the peace process. It attempted this image makeover with grandiloquent talk of dialogue as the only civil way of resolution even during Balakot. Clearly, the conflict may have conflated the nature of nationalism as we knew it here but has badly affected Pakistan, which has been taken aback by India's new-found aggression and is engaging in sweet talk now. In such a situation, Modi is expected to maintain the conditional clause of linking terror with talks for some time, if only to appear righteous before the citizenry. Post-Kargil, he has successfully brought Pakistan's role in our woes of national security to the centre court. So he won't go against this narrative that easily knowing full well Pakistan is desperate to show some gains for its domestic audience, too. In fact, the Modi government, which has also cracked down on border trade in its earlier stint, will wait to see if Pakistan changes its tactics vis-a-vis India over a period of time. Though the IMF has released a package to a fund-starved Pakistan, the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) is still watching it. China will become the new FATF chief with tacit approval of the US and India and may not be seen as entirely favouring Pakistan. So, India is hoping to have Pakistan in a cleft stick and climb down on terms for a dialogue. Even assuming preposterously that both sides agree to dialogue at some stage in the future, there is no guarantee that Pakistan can rein in its "non-state actors", a euphemism for exported terrorists to keep its strategic relevance in the region. So subservient are the government and military to the fundamentalist lobby that they may not know what their other hand is doing. It is this duality that has pitchforked Pakistan as a key player in the Afghan peace talks and it is unlikely it will retreat. Besides, the growing IS network in Afghanistan is a worry for Pakistan itself. Many such talks between India and Pakistan have been sabotaged before and no amount of confidence-building measure has been able to take off. In the absence of pragmatism and a desire to resolve the Kashmir question genuinely, the suggestion of a dialogue is nothing better than a sounding board of ideas.

Stop making demands

After staying away, Baba Ramdev has emerged with some bizarre ideas. The Govt should be cautious



Narendra Modi's stunning electoral victory has made his cheerleaders whoop with joy and rightly so, even some who remained oddly quiet this time around. But though there are still days to go before he is officially sworn in to his second term as Prime Minister, some of his cheerleaders have started to make some insane demands. Enter Baba Ramdev, who not only wants liquor sales banned but also wants to prevent the third child born to any family from having voting rights. There are

others, some washed-up Bollywood celebrities, talking of imposing strange cultural values and a perverted version of Hinduism upon the country and others still, who demand the expulsion of foreign companies from India. Frankly, India can't afford such crackpot ideas and the Prime Minister must let the slip from the suggestion box go straight into the wastepaper basket. While Modi's social programmes have been a winner, it is only the immense faith of the Indian people in him that did not lead to demonetisation being a political disaster, and that idea was not far removed from some of the suggestions he has received this time.

The Prime Minister, his Cabinet and his senior bureaucrats should, however, be open to good ideas that have been well-thought out and which can be implemented effectively. There are a slew of problems that face the nation — there is a jobs crisis, there is an agrarian distress, there is an impending environmental disaster with air and water let alone the fact that India will suffer most from global warming. The healthcare and educational systems, which are broken, will need to be fixed and, of course, there is that eternally vexing problem with Pakistan. There are far too many problems for India and India's decision-makers to deal with to get sidelined by crazy ideas and suggestions by those who claim to be fans and policy-setters by extension. The only fear though is that in the cacophony of bad ideas, a couple of them might actually slip through the filters and end up being implemented. Frankly, India does not have the time anymore to deal with the consequences of bad policies and ideas that get implemented. We have spent far too many decades debating stupid ideas, now is the time for decisive action on well-thought out ideas. Let the stupid ones die the natural deaths they deserve.

Reinventing the brand

Modi's victory marks a tectonic shift in the history of the republic. He may have seemed presidential but the spirit was republican



SANDHYA JAIN

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is accused of making the 2019 general election a presidential race centred on his formidable personality and powerful oratory, thus ensuring the landslide victory of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) 303; NDA 353. However, his principal challenger, Congress chief Rahul Gandhi, made the contest monarchical with his family-driven rhetoric and entitlement brigade — scions of political families close to the Nehru-Gandhis, who owe their eminence to proximity. Rahul Gandhi's closest colleague is sister, Priyanka Vadra, and his political advisors and mentors (Digvijay Singh, Sam Pitroda) are also inherited.

The Congress was hobbled by this baggage. In an age of soaring aspirations and quest for equality, it was clueless how to appeal to rural or urban voters, women, youth, farmers, traders, entrepreneurs and professionals among others. Decision-making within the party has shrunk to closed door meetings with unknown membership and little regular communication with the rank and file. In contrast, BJP president Amit Shah kept the party on its toes round the year and gave tasks to every booth worker.

The result of the lustreless campaign is evident in the collapse of the political blue-blooded: Rahul Gandhi (Amethi), Sheila Dikshit, Jyotiraditya Scindia, Milind Deora, Jitin Prasad, Salman Khurshid, Ajay Maken, Kumari Shailja, Priya Dutt, Meera Kumar, Vaibhav Gehlot, Manvendra Singh, RPN Singh, Ashok Chavan, Bhupendra Hooda and son Deependra Hooda and Kirti Azad. Indeed, hereditary politicians fared badly across State-based political parties, virtually a guillotine by ballot box.

The more disturbing news for Congress is that it has been reduced to a fringe party, with a decent presence only in Punjab and Kerala. It drew a blank in Arunachal Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Manipur, Mizoram, Nagaland, Odisha, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttarakhand, Daman Diu, Dadra Nagar Haveli, Lakshadweep, Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Chandigarh. A comeback would take a miracle. Meanwhile, the BJP vote share rose to over 50 per cent in several States.

The Left collapsed with the Congress, given its deep symbiotic relationship. The Leftist stranglehold over the media got huge coverage for Kanhaiya Kumar (CPI, Begusarai, Bihar), who was trounced. But public fatigue with the Left's shrill and negative rhetoric caused its fall from 59 seats in 2004, 26 in 2009, 10 in 2014 and five in 2019; recovery is unlikely.

Modi's success lay in shifting the electoral template away from the Nehruvian paradigm of default Muslim vote bank plus sprinkling of castes to fill the electoral kitty towards more inclusive voter participation. The process began in 2014 but was largely



ignored by analysts. Fine-tuned and implemented with greater vigour in 2019, it is being malignised as the rise of "majoritarianism." Western newspapers and their Indian echo chambers are warning of danger to minority groups. Yet none of these eminences ever criticised minority religious leaders, who asked their flocks not to vote for the BJP, thus tampering with the free will of voters and perverting the democratic system.

Simply put, Modi has removed the minority veto in the polity, a Nehruvian aberration that denied equality to the myriad groups comprising the non-monolithic Hindu community. Henceforth, minorities, like others, must vote as individuals on the issues of the day — nationalism, terrorism, farmer distress, budget and employment among others. The ancien régime, which pressured citizens to "vote your caste/community", while lampooning them for doing so, has made way for "vote your nation/issue". This caused the rout of the Samajwadi Party despite its pact with the Bahujan Samaj Party in Uttar Pradesh. The Congress won only Sonia Gandhi's seat, which means Priyanka Vadra (who failed to retain Amethi) may not win Rae Bareilly if Sonia Gandhi vacates it.

With hindsight, it seems amusing that Sonia Gandhi, Sharad Pawar and Telugu Desam Party's Chandrababu Naidu were so oblivious of the simmering Modi wave that they proposed a grand Opposition alliance in the event of BJP-NDA failing to win a clear majority and even wanted the President

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to call the post-post alliance before the pre-poll pact. They cast aspersions on the integrity of the Electronic Voting Machines (EVM) even after dodging a previous challenge by the Election Commission to publicly demonstrate that the machines could be hacked. Sadly, former President Pranab Mukherjee joined this chorus and blotted his copybook.

The truth is that EVMs cannot be tampered without physically handling each machine (which is impossible). Each machine is an independent recording device with no internet connection and cannot be hacked via internet/Wi-Fi. The VVPAT trail found no discrepancies. Anyway, Chandrababu Naidu vanished after the TDP's rout; Trinamool Congress chief Mamata Banerjee was chastened. At its working committee meeting, the Congress agreed not to question the EVMs.

In Jammu and Kashmir, the National Conference won Anantnag (Hasnain Masoodi), Baramulla (Akbar Lone) and Srinagar (Farooq Abdullah) and the BJP won Jammu (Jugal Kishore), Udhampur (Jitendra Singh) and Ladakh (J.T. Namgyal). The People's Democratic Party's rout is a message to the BJP to fulfill its promise to abolish Articles 370 and 35-A, which only needs a Presidential order and political will. In Assembly elections later this year, if a coalition is necessary, the BJP must cut a deal equal to that crafted by the Congress when it gave the Chief Minister's post to Omar Abdullah. In Delhi Assembly

elections, the BJP must field leaders with an electoral base and shun paratroopers who ruined the party in 2015.

Modi has promised cooperation to the new Governments of Odisha, Sikkim, Andhra Pradesh and Arunachal Pradesh; they will naturally reciprocate in Parliament. For India as a whole, some urgent priorities include updating the National Register of Citizens, passing the Citizenship Amendment Bill to protect Hindus fleeing persecution or instability in the neighbourhood, giving equal rights to Hindu refugees languishing in Jammu and Kashmir and scrapping the discriminatory Right to Education Act or applying its provisions equally.

Above all, Modi must give priority to the economy by securing investments and increasing the pace of infrastructure development. Agriculture needs a rethink outside the discredited paradigm of costly fertilisers, pesticides and depleted water tables. The growing health consciousness in society will make organic farming feasible and remunerative.

Modi's victory marks a tectonic shift in the history of the republic. Unlike Rahul Gandhi, who embodied elected monarchy and had little to offer the citizen, Modi wove city and *chaupal* together in a grand narrative of nationalism, national resurgence and regeneration. He may have seemed presidential but the spirit was republican.

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SOUNDBITE

UP is giving new direction to politics...2014, 2017 and 2019 hatrick is not small. Even after this, if the eyes of political pundits do not open, then they are living in the 20th century.



PM — Narendra Modi

In Gurugram, Muslim man told to remove skullcap, chant *Jai Shri Ram*. It is deplorable. Exemplary action needed by Gurugram authorities. We are secular.



BJP MP — Gautam Gambhir

I wanted to do something very relevant to society and to Indians, and not think about how much money it will make. For me, this has never been the benchmark for good cinema.



Actor — Ayushmann Khurana

I feel I have to meet face-to-face with Chairman Kim without attaching any preconditions and exchange frank views with him.



Japanese PM — Shinzo Abe

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Modi's charisma

Sir — There is no doubt that the Modi magic did wonders this election. How else can one explain the fact that a terror-accused won by a huge margin? Even though the Prime Minister made his communal agenda plain, it did not affect the poll results. BJP chief Amit Shah's organisational skills, too, had their impact. People seem to believe that Narendra Modi is some kind of a messiah who can solve all their problems. A study by the Centre for the Study of Developing Societies found that nearly one-third of the people who voted for the BJP did so in support of Modi rather than the party or the local candidate.

In a bitter and divisive campaign, Modi effortlessly created binaries — nationalists versus anti-nationalists, the watchman versus the entitled and the corrupt and so on — that eclipsed the other failures of his Government. Of course, the bountiful coffers of the BJP — funded by secret donations — helped his cause. This majority verdict proves that Modi has an appeal that cut across barriers of

Not all is lost for Congress

This refers to the editorial, "Rahul's reckoning" (May 27). The resounding victory of the NDA-led BJP has stunned the entire Opposition. The majority secured by the BJP is also a proof that gone are the days of caste-based politics on which many parties, including the Samajwadi Party-Bahujan Samajwadi Party combine, were still dependent on. Further, had the Congress chief not plunged headlong into the strategy centred around "chowkidar chor hai" rhetoric and instead flagged some flagrant issues concerning the country like unemployment and agrarian crisis, the party would not have suffered such an ignominious humiliation at the hustings.

Rahul Gandhi went on repeating the same epithet at least thrice a day, which made the public turn the tide



towards Modi. Some even used the sobriquet 'An imbecile tiddler of 50' for this rant of his and made him bite the dust. A slew of other aspects, too, played around that led to the massive debacle of the Congress. Take the example of seeking the proof of evidence of airstrike in Balakot at a time when nationalist emotions were high. It did so presuming that this might help in coalescing the minorities which did not happen. While the Congress president worked hard during the election campaign, his disconnect with reality backfired. But all is not lost for the grand old party. The Congress is still in power in a few States. It has good chances in many Assembly elections.

Sagar Singh
Muzaffarnagar

God save Britain

Sir—This refers to the editorial, "What's next for Britain" (May 27). By agreeing to leave the European Union (EU), Britain inflicted self-harm. With such a

massive divide between the people across the society, no one knows what lies ahead and what should be done. Some support no deal at all, others still hope no Brexit at all. The best option, however, is to go back to the EU and seek better terms. If not, then it's better to stay put as Britain in EU is a far better proposition for the rest of the world.

Theresa May tried her best to salvage the situation and handle Brexit well but probably damage was too big to be sorted out. Around 1.3 million British are living in 27 European countries while 3.8 millions EU citizens are living in Britain. Their interests need to be taken into account. The nations' interest must not be compromise. Hopefully better sense will prevail with the success-

sor who occupies 10 Downing street.

Bal Govind
Noida

Ambiguity rules

Sir — This refers to the editorial, "What's next for Britain" (May 27). British Prime Minister Theresa May tried thrice to broker a Brexit deal but could not make it since the proposals were time and again rejected by the Parliament. Parliamentarians themselves are divided about the country's EU exit. May had to quit due to mounting pressure from her party. Her stepping down has, however, put the country into uncharted waters. Being a seasoned politician her quitting is quite unfortunate. She now leaves the job to her successor. Britain's new leader will have to contend with an adamant Europe and disillusioned, exhausted citizens. Let's wait to see how Britain makes the EU exit with or without an agreement.

NR Ramachandran
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THE TIME IS NOW

Director PRAKHAR GAUTAM tells AYUSHI SHARMA that while talking about sexuality and relationships in the country, we need to look at society as a whole rather than just urban set-ups

In the land where *Kama Sutra* was written, explicit sculptures like the ones at Khajuraho, Ajanta caves and Konark temple prove how sex education and awareness were part of public discourse and sanctified under the hallowed portals of learning at temple complexes. India was not only rich in its heritage and culture but also in its thoughts and mentality which openly accepted nudity in art and public representations of the free spirit beyond the body consciousness. History is evidence of how progressive the mindsets were in the country until a series of invasions led to the alterations in the culture. Of course, things changed further as bigotry of all kinds became a political tool.

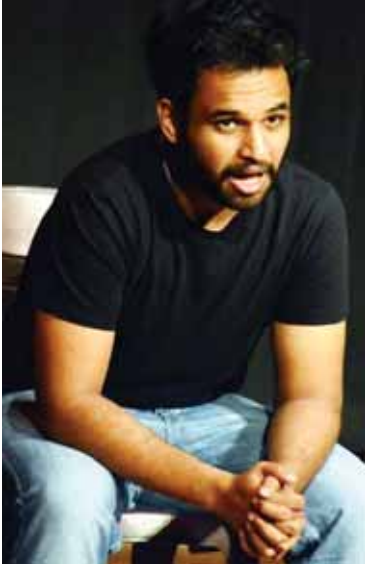
Director Prakhari Gautam's play *Let's Have Sex*, which is a rendition of Russian playwright Valentin Krasnogorov's drama, is based on the dichotomy of a liberated past and a confined present. He says, "I don't know much about the Russian societal norms, but the taboo has been there for so many years in our society. One has to admit that it's a highly patriarchal society. We have certainly evolved but the question is, have we really? The society doesn't just consist of the urban population."

The play is a satire which does not shy away from talking blunt on issues that we sugarcoat with humour or mask in daily interactions. It stays true to its basic objective of taking the taboo off sex and issues on mental health that require dialogue and open conversations relating to patriarchy, sexual performance, sexual violence and masculinity. The director says that sex is just a biological process. "We never talk about it and even if we do it, the connotation becomes funny. People start to giggle or shy away whenever the topic pops up," adds he.

The characters in the play talk and think only about sex. However, renditions of the term differ for each of them. The play gets more complicated and tragic as it gets. But while its characters are driven by the most basic of human emotions — loneliness, their yearning for love, their desire to escape their problems — they poignantly and hilariously never get past discussing, arguing about their favorite subject.

While there have been initiatives to make sex education a part of mainstream curriculum, many people are still reluctant to talk about it openly. For many, it is considered to be an offence to Indian "values." Beyond the metros, there is no acceptance that virginity could indeed be a rare commodity. However, most men are under peer-pressure to lose it and women are under societal pressure to maintain it till the "right" time.

Prakhar says, "If we want to get over with this taboo, we need to start talking more about it. Talking not just within close spaces, but as well in schools and universities. Initially, there will be inertia and resistance, only gradually they will start understanding its importance. Parents must talk about sexual intercourse as a biological process to their children after a certain age. For



instance, when we had learnt how to eat food, even that was a new process for us. We didn't know whether the process was acceptable. We thought that since everyone was doing it, so it was socially acceptable. Same is the case with sex. It's the need of a human body and a natural process, common to all."

Talking about the play, he says that it has been written in a very generic manner, so it is valid everywhere. Prakhar apprises us that there is a very fine line between entertaining or vulgarity. The essence has to be in the honesty of the actors. "I am a big believer of method acting. I ask the actors to get into the skin of the characters and analyse the subtext and truth of every line the writer has put on paper. If the actor can convince themselves that this isn't vulgar or wrong in anyway or beyond the acceptable lines, it won't even show in their performance. Their

conviction should be natural and that's how it isn't going to look vulgar in any way. The title of the play has been said a lot of times. Never have I ever tried to make it overly seductive, nor tried to exaggerate the lines. It should not look caricaturish. Hence, I have tried to keep its commonality and relatability intact," he says. The director tells us that he is "not" very fond of plays that give a very out-and-out message as they come to talk about social issues but keep harping on them throughout. "There needs to be a story. All the great films, which talk about a social issue, are always backed up with a strong storyline. Just like my play is not an out-and-out satire, it's not talking about this issue. It's a story of five people and how their lives are an analogy to the Indian society."

(Presented by *The Cacophony*, the play will be staged at 7 pm at *Akshara Theatre* on June 1 and 2.)



Jewel in the crown

Christies puts up an unprecedented group show of jewels, gemstones and decorative objects, consisting of over 400 pieces spanning 500 years. By UMA NAIR

A jade-hilted dagger once owned by Shah Jahan, creator of the Taj Mahal, a jade cup with an ibex head so realistically carved that the Chinese Emperor Qianlong composed a poem in its honour and a diamond and enamel covered gold *huqqa* pipe, revealing Indian opulence at its best... luxury could never be so lovingly curated. Then there are bejewelled objects, including a gem-set mace set on finial with large Mughal-cut diamonds and an emerald, ruby and diamond set gold pen case and inkwell, a symbol of power at court. Smitten by the description?

You can see (and even buy) all of these artifacts as they are a part of the *Maharajas & Mughal Magnificence* which will be unveiled in a historic sale at Christie's New York on June 19. This landmark auction is poised to be the most valuable and precious collection of jewellery and Mughal objects to ever come to auction.

MAHARAJAS AND MUGHALS

Maharajas and Mughal Magnificence puts together an unprecedented group of jewels, gemstones and decorative objects. Consisting of almost 400 lots spanning over 500 years, this auction showcases the illustrious culture of Indian jewelled arts from the Mughal period exploring the creative dialogue between India and the West, to the present day.

The collection begins in Mughal India, under the most important dynasty that ruled the country, famous for its emeralds, diamonds, sapphires, rubies, weapons and objects that are bejeweled beyond belief. It traces the history of jewelry from early Mughal India through the Maharajas and their collaboration with the world's most renowned jewellery houses to create some of the most exceptional pieces of jewelry ever made. The sale is presented in partnership between Christie's market-leading jewellery department, led by Rahul Kadakia and world art department, led by William Robinson, along with the independent art advisory firm The Fine Art Group.

MUGHAL INDIA

The collection showcases the sophistication of artistic production from the royal courts of India from the 17th century onwards. These treasures comprise the most delicate jades, vivid enamels, opulent jewels, gemstones and magnificent royal portraits.

From the regional courts within the Mughal empire, the collection encompasses sensational sarpechs (turban ornaments), necklaces like the diamond riviere originally from the collec-

tion of the Nizam of Hyderabad comprising almost 200 carats of Golconda diamonds and the Nizam of Hyderabad's diamond-encrusted state sword, which illustrates the rich history of bejewelled-ornamentation in India. Also featured are carved Mughal emeralds, ranging in weight from approximately 10 carats to over 200 carats, the famed *Arcot II* diamond, presented to Queen Charlotte, wife of King George III by Muhammad Ali Wallajah Nawab of Arcot, and the magnificent *Mirror of Paradise* which is an internally flawless Golconda diamond of 52.58 carats.

MAHARAJAS

The Patiala Ruby Choker created by Cartier in 1931 is a superb example of the fusion between India and the West. Commissioned by Maharaja Bhupinder Singh of Patiala, one of Cartier's most important Indian clients of the 1920s and 1930s, he often travelled to Paris with trunks of diamonds and gemstones from his treasury for Cartier's workshops. Another significant example by Cartier is the 'Carved Emerald Brooch', which uses an impressive 19th century hexagonal carved emerald of 380.98 carats. The two-sided carving depicts Lord Rama, his wife Sita, Hanuman, and a poppy blossom on the reverse.

Among more urban tastes, the Enamel and Diamond Peacock Aigrette, by Mellerio dits Meller, was purchased by the Maharaja Jagatjit Singh of Kapurthala in 1905 during one of his trips to Paris. The Maharaja was captivated by the peacock motif of the aigrette, a bird that is still greatly revered in India today. In later years, the aigrette would be worn by Anita Delgado, his fifth wife, whom he met while wearing the jewel on his own turban.

LANDMARK COLLECTION

Guillaume Cerutti, Chief Executive Officer of Christie's, remarks, "This landmark collection traces the history of Mughal jewels and objects to the present day representing the most significant collection of its type ever to come to auction. The sale of this notable collection will therefore present a truly significant cultural moment and offers a milestone opportunity for collectors. Having shared many of these impressive pieces over recent years through a series of publications and travelling exhibitions, we are honoured that The Al Thani Collection has entrusted us to find new homes for these exquisite objects. From next year, we can look forward to exploring other areas of this diverse and encyclopedic collection at the new museum space opening in Paris."

Why they love the cage

SHAKUNTALA KULKARNI's avant garde artworks at the Venice Biennale compel onlookers to ask questions, says U NAIR

Most people associate the Venice Art Biennale with the national pavilions in the Giardini (Biennale gardens) or the main site at the Arsenale — the former dockyards. At the India Pavilion at the former, visitors are swirling around the cane cages of the brilliant artist Shakuntala Kulkarni, and for once the language of the selfie is inclusive of avant garde contemporary Indian art. Utterly feminine, tall bamboo cane ensembles are catching the interest of the visitors for their quaintness.

These artworks belong to her project *Of bodies, armour and cages* (2013-2018) in which historical objects like the armour and the elaborately designed costumes/dresses of different communities are brought together in the contemporary context by re-articulating the usage and the medium. In collapsing and metamorphosing the two, she blurs cultural and visual boundaries.

CAGED BIRD

When you look at the long-skirted cages and bodies, you can't help but think of Paul Dunbar's famous poem,

I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings. In an interview to me in 2013 she said: "For long, I have been making inquiries into body violence, atrocities and experiences of women in different spaces. The impact of these atrocities against women are uncertainty and loss of freedom and power. Women are often blamed for crimes that happen against them; the men are set free and walk around with their heads held high. Morality or norms make a woman lose power."

But she was cautious to state that she didn't want to show women as weak beings. "I never show women as victims," she said emphatically. "They are victimised. They are not completely weak. I show how they fight it out, how they deal with it. My



As one looks through the cane, the ideation seems full of multiple perspectives. The cane is tenuous and tensile, flexible yet delicate in a strong sort of way

question is simple: This is how society is. How do I, as a woman, live powerfully?"

LINEAR AND DELICATE CANE

Shakuntala's sculptures have an Indian insignia. "I used the armour as a metaphor to explore how I could protect my body," states Shakuntala. "I borrowed from all kinds of cultures; Naga masks, Rajasthani ghagraas, hair styles from Bollywood in the 1960s — my pieces have no cultural, geographical or religious boundaries. I used cane because I am comfortable with it; also, it is linear, delicate and looks grand. There are rings, bangles, flared skirts and it is very feminine."

As you look through the cane — the ideation seems full of multiple perspectives. The cane is tenuous and tensile, flexible yet delicate in a strong sort of way. No doubt there are many references — history culture and the beauty of dances, Kathakali and Manipuri costumes and regalia become a translation — that are royal yet replete with rhythmic intonations.

BETWEEN DUALITIES

Her thought process is fascinating. "I wanted to explore what happens when you have a costume as protection... There's a freedom you experience when you're in armour, but at the same time, some part of your body is caught. You're trapped but you're also secure. That to me is interesting."

Visitors at Venice are fascinated by the very structure and the grandeur of the armour which is masculine, stiff, strong, lasting and peerless in nature. The cane figures and heads provoke us to ask questions. The cane armour /costumes in this project speak of the grandeur too. But the elaborately structured dresses look relatively feminine, linear, fragile, and organic in nature, protecting the body, breaking the gaze by the joineries of the pieces of cane and the weave. In more ways than one these cane installations are reflective of 'interesting times' in the words of curator Ralph Rugoff. These sculptures were part of her solo show at Chemould Gallery, Mumbai last year.

WATCH OUT



India Habitat Centre presents *Bahaar-e-Dilli*, a solo exhibition of works by artist Bahaar Jain, which showcases the springtime in Delhi during the late medieval and early Mughal period. **WHEN:** June 1 to 30 **TIME:** 12.30 pm to 3 pm and 7.30 pm to 11 pm **WHERE:** Dilli O Dilli Foyer, IHC, Lodhi Road.



Triveni Kala Sangam presents *Yugen*, exhibition of artworks by Ana Jain, that delves deep into the Japanese aesthetic that says that the universe triggers feelings too deep for words. **WHEN:** Till June 1 **WHERE:** Triveni Gallery, Triveni Kala Sangam, near Mandi House Metro Station.



I AM — Identity Art Marathon 2019 presents *Where do they belong?*, an exhibition of paintings by artist Ranjan Kaul and other artists like Shahanshah Mittal, Manu Sharma and Abid Zaidi. **WHEN:** Till June 16 **TIME:** 10 am to 7 pm **WHERE:** Arpana Fine Art Gallery, Siri Fort Institutional Area.

Introspection is an exhibition of graphic prints by artist Jaskanwal, which bears evidence of the three decades spent by her in the practice of printmaking. The exhibition is a landmark solo show of her career and contains a cache of fifty selected works. **TIME:** 11 am to 7 pm **WHERE:** Triveni Kala Sangam, Shridharni Art Gallery, 205, Tansen Marg.



Ashwani Kumar Prithviwasi (founder and director, Delhi College of Art) presents *17th Collage Annual Art Carnival*, showcasing 400 artworks by 150 students and artists like Ravindra Verma, Sneha Bhasin, Amit Dutt, Shyam Prasad, Amar Gosin, Ajit Kumar. **WHEN:** Till June 27 **TIME:** 12 pm to 8 pm **WHERE:** Lalit Kala Akademi, Rabindra Bhawan, Ferozeshah Road.

INDIA SEEK TO BOUNCE BACK FROM OPENING DEFEAT

Men in Blue look to find form & get back to winning ways against B'desh in 2nd warm-up tie



KEY PLAYERS

Jasprit Bumrah: Bumrah impressed in the four overs he bowled against New Zealand, which included two maidens, giving away just two runs and snaring a wicket. That is the sort of performance that has become customary of Bumrah. He is the world's top-ranked bowler, and can be stifling with both his ability to contain runs and pick up wickets.

Shakib Al Hasan: Bangladesh's talismanic all-rounder can do it all on the field. He is a strike bowler, gets in handy overs through the middle overs with his accuracy, makes vital runs across a number of positions and can help construct the innings. Shakib took two wickets in three matches during the Ireland tri-nation series, and struck two unbeaten half-centuries, giving a glimpse of how crucial he is to Bangladesh's chances at the World Cup.

first game was to send Hardik Pandya at No 5 ahead of Mahendra Singh Dhoni, who literally struggled in tough batting conditions scoring 17 off 42 balls.

If Hardik is seen as an enforcer at No 5 and Dhoni as a finisher at No 6, the second down slot will become all the more pivotal in the larger context as Rahul, Karthik or Shankar, whoever fits in will have to play the role of a sheet anchor.

The bowlers did a decent job in the first outing with both Jasprit Bumrah and Mohammed Shami being sharp and economical but a good spell from Kuldeep Yadav is likely to keep him in good head space after a dismal IPL.

AGENCIES ■ CARDIFF

The top-order will ideally like an extended session in the middle but injured Kedar Jadhav and Vijay Shankar's lack of game time will certainly be a bigger worry for India ahead of their final World Cup warm-up game against Bangladesh here on Tuesday.

The top heavy Indian line-up flattered to deceive in bowling-friendly conditions at the Oval as Trent Boult troubled them with both swing and seam movement.

The six-wicket defeat against New Zealand however won't be a big worry for Virat Kohli as he has some bigger issues to take care of.

Kohli is bound to be a worried man if Jadhav and Shankar are unable to get a decent hit against Mashrafe Mortaza's men before facing a tricky opposition like South Africa in its tournament opener at Southampton on June 5.

India's primary objective during the practice games is to fix their middle-order problems but the two protagonists, who are likely to fill in the important

Numbers 4 and 6 in the tournament proper, have not fully recovered from their respective injuries.

While Kedar injured his left shoulder during the IPL, Shankar was hit in the nets by a Khaleel Ahmed short ball.

This, however, is a Godsend opportunity for KL Rahul to score some useful runs against an attack comprising Mortaza, Mustafizur Rahaman, Rubel Hossain and Shakib al Hasan and cement the No 4 slot. Unless Ravi Shastri and Kohli decide to promote Dinesh Karthik and check him out.

Shakib is recovering from a niggle and Bangladesh coach Steve Rhodes expects him to play a pivotal role in the Tigers' campaign.

Rohit and Shikhar, who have enjoyed a decent amount of success against Bangladesh, won't mind some runs which is always a confidence booster ahead of the main event.

If the conditions in Cardiff remain overcast, playing out a testing first spell of Mustafizur or Rubel will certainly keep the top-order batsmen in good stead.

Apart from Rahul, the other player who will like to assert

himself in the middle will be Ravindra Jadeja, who was the only saving grace in the first warm-up game.

While Jadeja's core strength remains batting, his accurate bowling and razor sharp fielding will keep Jadhav on toes once he gets hundred percent fit.

An interesting move in the



Kiwis aim to extend form against WI

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

New Zealand have well and truly announced themselves as a side to be respected at the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2019, after their convincing victory against India on Saturday. Their new-ball pair of Tim Southee and Trent Boult exploited the conditions to great effect to get rid of the strong Indian top-order, before the all-rounders, Colin de Grandhomme and James Neesham took over. Trent Boult's rhythm and accuracy must've surely given ominous signs to all the top-order batsmen in the competition.

Ross Taylor continued his consistent run in 2019 with a steady 71, whereas Kane Williamson reminded everyone of his batting prowess with a well compiled 67. With most senior players in fine form, the Blackcaps appear as a settled unit going into the World Cup. They'll, however, hope that their wicket-keeper batsman, Tom Latham recovers quickly from his finger injury.

West Indies will be desperate to get some match practice, after their first warm-up game was cut short

due to rain on Sunday. The essence of this match increases further given the fact that their senior players Chris Gayle, Andre Russell weren't a part of the recently concluded tri-series in Ireland. Chris Gayle's form during the home series against England and Shai Hope's consistency in recent times will act as a huge morale booster for the two-time World champions.

The bowling unit has consistently failed to take wickets in recent times. The new ball pair of captain Jason Holder and Sheldon Cottrell have not been able to create any opportunities, conceding runs at over run-a-ball in their nine-over combined spell against South Africa. To add to the woes, Shannon Gabriel, who left the field after bowling the first two balls of the ninth over, didn't take the field post the first rain interruption. He seems to have suffered a strain of some sort. The team management and the fans will hope that the Trinidad pacer recovers quickly before their first game against Pakistan in the tournament proper.

(Venue: County Ground, Bristol)



Bangladesh happy with underdog title

IAN ■ CARDIFF

Bangladesh coach Steve Rhodes believes the team is well prepared going into the World Cup and they are happy with the "underdog" title.

Bangladesh didn't have an ideal start to their preparation for the World Cup as their first warm-up game against Pakistan was washed out on Sunday. They will now take on India in their second practice match on Tuesday before beginning their tournament campaign against South Africa on June 2.

"One of the things the dressing room feels is quietly confident," Rhodes told ICC. "But we are well aware that we are playing against some very good teams. We respect the opposition; we don't fear them. But what we have been trying to do is play that down a little bit, and actually it is great to be an underdog."

"Because if we can keep surprising all these big teams, everybody is going to be commenting about what is going on with Bangladesh — 'how do they do this sort of thing; how do they keep doing this sort of thing?' If we don't get too big for our boots, then we will keep surprising, and we should handle the pressure a lot better," he added.

One of the key boosts for Bangladesh will be the availability of Shakib al Hasan, the number one all-rounder, who had missed the series against New Zealand due to a finger injury.

Shakib recovered from that injury in time for the IPL and played an important role in Bangladesh winning their first ever non-bilateral ODI tournament in Ireland, scoring two unbeaten fifties and bowling economically. However, he missed the final with a side strain.

The 32-year-old is now fit again in the lead-up to the World Cup, and, according to Rhodes, the presence of the T20 captain will have a great impact on Bangladesh's campaign.

"When he (Shakib) doesn't play, it can cause a few issues. Not only (in) missing the best player that you have got, but also your balance of the team," said Rhodes.

The Bangladesh coach also heaped praise on Mashrafe Mortaza saying, he leads in a warrior-like fashion.

"He (Mashrafe) is very much the person at the front, very much the person that people respect. He wouldn't ask anybody to do something that he couldn't do or wouldn't try himself," said the Bangladesh coach.

ROY COMPLETES ENGLAND ROUT



AFP ■ LONDON

Jason Roy sealed an England thrashing of Afghanistan as the tournament hosts cruised to victory in their final match before the World Cup.

Roy made 89 not out on his Surrey home ground on Monday as England hammered outsiders Afghanistan by nine wickets with nearly 200 balls to spare.

England, two days after losing their previous practice match to world champions Australia, returned to winning ways in convincing fashion ahead of their tournament opener against South Africa at the Oval on Thursday.

A target of 161 was never likely to test England, with Roy proving as much in a 46-ball innings that included 11 fours and four sixes.

Before play started, England were boosted by the news that fast bowler Mark Wood had been passed fit to face South Africa after a foot injury and that one-day captain Eoin Morgan was back in the team following a fractured finger.

Morgan did not field, however, and was not required to bat with the only wicket Afghanistan took coming when Jonny Bairstow was stumped by Rahmat Shah off Mohammad Nabi for 39.

Roy ended the match in the

18th over of England's reply with a six over midwicket.

Earlier, Jofra Archer and Joe Root took three wickets apiece as Afghanistan slumped to 160 all out.

Fast bowler Archer struck twice with the new ball to dismiss Hazratullah and Rahmat before ending some late resistance from Nabi.

Opener Noor Ali scrapped his way to 30 before he played on to all-rounder Ben Stokes.

Hashmatullah could not get going and that prompted Asghar Afghan to attack the occasional off-spin of Test captain Root.

But, having missed out on a first-ball full toss, Asghar tried to drive Root over the top but found Roy in the deep instead.

Afghanistan lost their next four wickets in a mere seven deliveries. Hashmatullah and Najibullah Zadran carelessly run out, Gulbadin Naib holding out to Moeen Ali and Rashid Khan steering Root to slip for a golden duck.

Afghanistan were in danger of being dismissed for under 100 before Nabi, with 44, helped the last two wickets add 68 runs.

Nabi's defiant hitting, which included three sixes, kept England at bay before he was last man out when a thick edge off Archer carried to Bairstow on the boundary.

जल है तो जीवन है

“ पानी की हर बूंद से जीवन की डोर बंधी है, आइए संकल्प लें पानी की बर्बादी को रोकेंगे, अपना भविष्य सुरक्षित बनाएंगे। ”

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