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75% rise in fake notes post DeMo

₹28.1 crore FICN seized in 2017, it was ₹15.9 crore in 2016

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Fake currency continued to remain in circulation in a big way in the country even after demonetisation.

The value of fake Indian currency notes seized in 2017 was estimated to be at ₹28.1 crore, clocking a significant 76.5 per cent increase from 2016, when ₹15.9 crore worth of counterfeit currency was seized by law enforcement agencies, according to the latest data released by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) for 2017.

As per the data, almost ₹14.98 crore, more than half of the total value of money seized, was in the form of ₹2,000 notes, which were introduced in November 2016 after Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the demonetisation of ₹500 and ₹1,000 currency notes.

A total of 3,55,994 notes worth ₹28,10,19,294 were seized under Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICN) during 2017. As per the NCRB data, in 2017, cancelled ₹1,000 notes were printed as FICN, reflecting in seizure of ₹6.57 crore such notes.

Similarly ₹5.14 core worth of cancelled ₹500 notes were seized from fake currency printers. In 2017, new ₹500 fake currency were printed for value of ₹44.39 lakh. The new 200 and 100 notes were also printed by fake currency operators. As per the registered cases across the country in 2017, ₹17.7 lakh fake notes in the denomination of ₹200 notes and ₹83,000 fake notes in the denomination of ₹100 notes were seized.

Most of the old ₹1,000 and ₹500 fake notes were found by the banks when people tried to exchange it through banks soon after demonetisation. The latest NCRB data shows that the fake currency operators are engaged in ₹2,000 note printing.

Majority of the fake note cases were registered in Gujarat in terms of the value. More than ₹9 crore valued fake notes were seized from Gujarat, followed by Uttar Pradesh, West Bengal, Kerala and Andhra Pradesh.

The NCRB data of 2017, released on Tuesday evening shows that biggest populated State Uttar Pradesh topped in the registration of FIRs. UP is followed by Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala and Delhi. Overall, 30,62,579 cases were registered across the country in 2017, up from 29,75,711 in 2016 and 29,49,400 in 2015, according to the annual data which was released last night after a delay of more than one year.

Uttar Pradesh also the most populous State, registered 3,10,084 cases during the year and had the highest share of 10.1 per cent in the country, it stated. The data showed an upward trend for straight third year in UP, which had recorded 2,82,171 cases in 2016 and 2,41,920 in 2015.

Maharashtra, which accounted for 9.4 per cent of crime in the country, registered 2,88,879 FIRs in 2017 while it was 2,61,714 in 2016 and 2,75,414 in 2015, according to the NCRB. Madhya Pradesh registered 2,69,512 FIRs in 2017 and accounted for 8.8 per cent overall cases. It had lodged 2,68,614 cases in 2015 and 2,64,418 in 2016d.

The NCRB said certain States like UP and Delhi have provided citizen-friendly service of online registration of FIR under certain category of offences like "vehicle theft" and "other thefts".

"As this may have increased the crime reporting under such heads in these States, they become statistically non-comparable with other States not having such online registration facility," it added.

Fourth on the list was Kerala which registered 2,35,846 cases, while Delhi followed it closely with 2,32,066 cases, it stated. Bihar, which had 1,80,573 cases in 2017 and 5.9 per cent share in crimes, stood sixth on the list, while West Bengal was seventh with 1,63,999 cases and 5.4 per cent share, the data stated.

The NCRB, under the Union Ministry of Home Affairs, is responsible for collecting and analysing crime data as defined by the Indian Penal Code and special and local laws in the country.

NATIONAL CRIME RECORDS BUREAU

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In Net-free Valley, ultras connect via Bridgefy app

Offline messenger works within 100m

RAKESH K SINGH ■ NEW DELHI

Amid Internet restrictions in Jammu & Kashmir post-abrogation of Article 370, the terror groups have found out a way to circumvent the curbs by using a mobile application Bridgefy to facilitate communication with their cadre.

The app is effective within a radius of 100 metres and can operate without WiFi or Internet service. The app uses Bluetooth function to enhance the range of the message. Through the app, all kinds of data, including audios, videos and texts, can be transferred, officials said.

The app was extensively used by the anti-China protesters in Hong Kong, making it difficult for Beijing to contain the movement. According to reports, there has been an increase of 4,000 per cent in usage of the app in Hong Kong in the last two months.

While the mode of communication through the app becomes a little circuitous due to the network range limitation, it has given a way out to terror networks to spread messages emanating from the handlers of Pakistan Army-ISI combine.

The app has the potential to put a limitation on the surveillance and monitoring capacities of the security agencies that are already facing hassles in gathering technical intelligence (Techint) as the telecom networks in the Valley are operating with varying degrees of restrictions in different districts of the State.

JCO martyred in Pak BAT strike in Rajouri

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

A Junior Commissioned Officer (JCO) of the Indian Army attained martyrdom in a daring strike by the Border Action Team (BAT) of the Pakistan Army, comprising hardened terrorists and elite commandos of Special Services Group (SSG), in Kalal area of Nowshera sector in Rajouri district in the afternoon on Tuesday.

According to ground reports, "Heavily armed BAT team breached the LoC and entered approximately 400-500 inside the Indian territory and targeted one of the forward posts in which one JCO succumbed to his injuries."

Before one of the forward Indian posts was targeted, mysterious blast took place in the same area, officials said.

However, Indian Army authorities did not confirm the reports till the time of filing the report. Local police officers said they received independent reports claiming heavily armed terrorists, supported by regulars of the Pakistan Army infiltrated into the Indian territory and targeted one of the forward posts."

Japan's Emperor Naruhito, left, and Empress Masako, right, host the court banquet, in Tokyo on Tuesday. Japan's Naruhito proclaimed himself Emperor during an enthronement ceremony at the Imperial Palace, declaring himself the country's 126th monarch AP

Infosys shares tank 17% on 'unethical practices' claims

Nilekani pledges thorough probe

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Shares of IT services firm Infosys on Tuesday plummeted nearly 17 per cent, wiping ₹53,451 crore from its market valuation, on concerns over a whistleblower complaint which alleged that two top executives of the company were indulging in unethical practices to increase short-term revenue and profits.

The scrip tanked 16.21 per cent to close at ₹643.30 on the BSE. During the day, it tumbled 16.86 per cent to ₹638.30, the most since April 2013.

On the National Stock Exchange (NSE), it plunged 16.65 per cent to close at ₹640. The sharp fall in the scrip wiped out ₹53,450.92 crore from the company's market valuation which now stands at ₹2,76,300.08 crore.

It was the worst-hit among the frontline companies on both Sensex and Nifty. In terms of traded volume, 117.70 lakh shares of the company were traded on the BSE and over 9 crore shares on the NSE.

Infosys on Tuesday said it is investigating claims by anonymous whistleblowers accusing CEO Salil Parekh of "unethical practices" to shore up profits through irregular accounting, sending its shares to their worst intra-day fall in over six years.

Infosys chairman and co-founder Nandan Nilekani pledged a full probe, saying the complaint had been placed before the audit committee on October 10 and before the non-executive members of the board the next day.

Nilekani, in his statement on Tuesday, said the company was made aware of another letter (dated October 3) that was purportedly written to the Office of Whistleblower protection programme, Washington DC. This letter referred to the September 20, 2019, complaint, and to emails and voice recordings in support of the allegations.

"These complaints are being dealt with in an objective manner. The undated whistleblower complaint largely deals with allegations relating to the CEO's international travel to the US and Mumbai," Nilekani pointed out.

The audit committee began consultation with independent internal auditors EY, and has retained law firm Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co. To conduct an independent investigation, Nilekani noted in his statement to the stock exchanges.

Meanwhile, mounting troubles for Infosys, US-based Rosen Law Firm has said it is preparing a class action lawsuit to recover losses suffered by Infosys investors.

In a statement, Rosen Law Firm said it is "investigating potential securities claims on behalf of shareholders of Infosys Ltd resulting from allegations that Infosys may have issued materially misleading business information to the investing public".

SC grants bail to PC in CBI case but he stays in ED custody

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Tuesday granted bail to former Finance Minister P Chidambaram in the INX Media corruption case filed by the CBI saying he is neither a "flight risk" nor is there a possibility of "his absconding from the trial".

Chidambaram is currently under the custody of the Enforcement Directorate (ED), and he can't walk free till he gets bail in the ED case too.

Brushing aside the CBI contentions, a Bench headed by Justice R Banumathi said, "The CBI has no direct evidence against the appellant (Chidambaram) regarding the allegation of appellant directly or indirectly influencing the witnesses."

The Bench said statement made by the CBI that Chidambaram has influenced witnesses and there was likelihood of his further influencing them cannot be the ground to deny bail to him when there was "no such whisper" in six remand applications filed by the agency before the trial court. The Bench, also comprising justices AS Bopanna and Hrishikesh Roy, set aside the Delhi High Court's September 30 verdict denying him bail.

"The appellant is ordered to be released on bail if not required in any other case, subject to the condition of his executing bail bonds for a sum of ₹1 lakh with two sureties of like sum to the satisfaction of the special judge, CBI-06, Patiala House Courts, New Delhi," the Bench said.

"The passport if already not deposited, shall be deposited with the special court and the appellant shall not leave the country without leave of the special court and subject to the order that may be passed by the special judge from time to time," it said.

CAPSULE

PM MODI, ABHIJIT HOLD EXTENSIVE INTERACTION

New Delhi: Nobel laureate Abhijit Banerjee on Tuesday called on Prime Minister Narendra Modi and held a "healthy and extensive" interaction on various subjects.

ED ARRESTS CLOSE AIDE OF IQBAL MIRCHI

Mumbai: The Enforcement Directorate has arrested a close aide of late gangster Iqbal Mirchi in connection with a money laundering case, officials said on Tuesday.

GOVT SHOULD PAY $20 'JAZIA TAX': CONGRESS

New Delhi: Labelling the $20 service fee proposed by Pakistan for each Kartarpur pilgrim as "jazia tax", Congress leader Manish Tewari said on Tuesday that the BJP Government should bear the cost as a Sikh devotee paying for the visit to the gurudwara goes against the grain of "khule darshan".

ASHOK MALIK APPOINTED POLICY ADVISER IN MEA

New Delhi: Ashok Malik, former press secretary to the president, has been appointed policy adviser in the Ministry of External Affairs with the rank of additional secretary, an order by the Department of Personnel and Training said on Tuesday. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment of Malik.

Singh is king(maker) in Canadian politics

Jagmeet Singh-led NDP in reckoning as Trudeau poised to form minority Govt

PTI ■ OTTAWA

Indian-origin Canadian Jagmeet Singh-led New Democratic Party (NDP), which won 24 seats in the general election, is likely to emerge as the "kingmaker" where Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's Liberal Party held onto power in a nail-biting poll, albeit as a weakened minority Government.

In the just-concluded Canadian general election, the results of which were declared on Tuesday, the Liberal Party bagged 157 seats, the Opposition Conservative 121, Bloc Quebecois 32, NDP 24, Green Party 3 and one Independent.

Trudeau would now require at least 13 legislators from his left-leaning rival parties to reach the "magic number" of 170 to form a Liberal Party-led minority Government in the 338-seat House of Commons.

Jagmeet Singh

"The New Democratic Party is poised to play kingmaker in a minority parliament after Jagmeet Singh spearheaded a turnaround on the federal campaign trail that may have saved his leadership and pulled his party from the brink of irrelevance," the Toronto Star newspaper reported.

With 24 seats in its kitty, the NDP has lost nearly 50 per cent of the seats it had won in 2015. The party, led by Thomas Mulcair, had won 44 seats, becoming the third-largest party in the House of Commons in 2015.

Despite the drop in seats, Singh in a celebratory speech on Tuesday said his party will now be "working hard" to deliver on the "priorities that Canadians have".

Navjot Kaur leaves politics

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Months after senior Congress leader and party's "star campaigner" Navjot Singh Sidhu went into hibernation following differences with Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh, his wife Dr Navjot Kaur Sidhu on Tuesday declared renouncement from politics. In fact, Dr Sidhu claimed that she had also left the Congress "long ago".

Virtually out of the political arena ever since was denied ticket for contesting the 2019 Lok Sabha elections, Dr Sidhu maintained that she had left the party right then.

However, no one confirmed that Dr Sidhu had submitted her formal resignation with the party.

I WILL NOT JOIN ANY POLITICAL PARTY AND NOW I AM JUST A SOCIAL WORKER

Notably, Dr Sidhu wanted to contest election from Chandigarh Lok Sabha seat, and had been campaigning in the segment much before the announcement of the elections. However, the party chose former MP and Union Minister Pawan Kumar Bansal over her. Later she was expected party ticket from Amritsar, but it was given to the sitting MP Gurjit Singh Aujla.

Dr Sidhu had, at that time, accused Capt Amarinder along with party's State affairs in-charge Asha Kumari for denial of party ticket — an allegation categorically rubbished by the Chief Minister.

While Sidhu stood by his wife's claims saying that "she never lies", Capt Amarinder was not happy. But it was Sidhu's "friendly match" remarks against Capt Amarinder and the Badals, just couple of days before the polling, that proved to be the last straw for the Sidhus.

Following party's "not-so-good" performance in 2019 polls, Capt Amarinder directly blamed Sidhu for party's poor show in urban pockets, while prevailing upon the party high command to change his portfolio. In protest, Sidhu resigned from the Cabinet in July and went into hibernation.

Dr Sidhu's decision to "leave the Congress and the politics" came up as a surprise as Sidhu has decided to continue in the party even after rebelling against the party and his own Cabinet colleagues.

Inaugurating a local project at Verka in Amritsar, Dr Sidhu said that she had left the politicas and even the Congress since long. "I will not join any political party and now I am just a social worker," she said.

Dr Sidhu, speaking to the media, said that now her main aim was the development of Sidhu's constituency — Amritsar East. "I would even stage a protest against the Government if it does not work for the development of the people of Amritsar," said Dr Sidhu, who is known for her rebellious attitude.

Maintaining that only Sidhu can comment on his resignation from the Cabinet, Dr Sidhu said that the only reason for differences between Capt Amarinder and her husband is that "some close aides" of the Chief Minister empoisoned him against Sidhu".

48K youth to be trained for disaster mitigation

PNS ■ SHIMLA

Emphasising on the role of youth in disaster mitigation, Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur on Tuesday said at least 10 youth would be trained in every gram panchayat to handle mitigation after a natural disaster. In the first phase, 48,390 youth would be trained to carry out rescue work, and provide first-aid to the victims.

He said effective steps must be taken to build safer and disaster resilient Himachal by developing a holistic, proactive, multi-disaster, technology driven and community based strategy for disaster management through collective efforts of all Government agencies and non-Governmental organisations.

Presiding over the two days regional workshop on "Challenges of Disaster Risk Reduction in Hill Towns" for the stakeholders of Uttrakhand, Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh and Himachal Pradesh here, he said Himachal Pradesh was prone to various hazards both natural hazards such as earthquakes, landslides, flash floods, snow storms and avalanches, draughts etc. and manmade hazards like dam failures, fires, accidents,

In the workshop being organised by the State Disaster Management Authority (HPSDMA) and HP Council for Science Technology and Environment (HIMCOSTE) in collaboration with the National Disaster Management Authority, Ministry of Home, Government of India, Thakur said the State falls in seismic zone five and was prone to earthquakes and thus houses should be constructed by adopting scientific technologies to make them earthquake resistance. He said that effective steps must be taken to mitigate the same by ensuring effective early warning system. He also expressed concern that people were still occupying the houses which were in bad condition.

Thakur said that a target had been fixed to train as many as 16,130 carpenters to

promote construction of safe houses. Besides, a plan had been formulated under the Hospital Safety Scheme to strengthen health services up to community health centre (CHC) level so that effective services could be provided in case of any disaster. A special scheme had been formulated to strengthen lifeline building, he added.

He said that efforts were being made to train the youth for mitigation of disaster. At least ten to fifteen youth would be trained in every gram panchayat and in the first phase 48,390 youth would be trained in rescuing and providing first aid to the victims. He said the SDMA did a commendable service last year by rescuing over 4000 people struck in Chamba, Kullu and Lahaul Spiti districts due to untimely snow by executing operation 'White Himalaya'.

The Chief Minister said the State Government had also approved school safety project under which disaster management plan would be prepared and mock drills would be conducted by the educational institutions. The Government of India has sanctioned one National Disaster Response Battalion for the State and the State Government was also working on setting up its own State Disaster Response Force.

He said efforts should be made to build a disaster resilient Himachal by capacity building at all levels for preparedness to mitigate and stop occurrence of disasters. The active participation of stakeholders besides political and legal commitment, scientific knowledge, warning system and optimum use of technology was required for mitigation of disaster risks. "Better coordination between the Centre and State Governments was also vital to lessen the risks of disasters.

The State would consider setting up Disaster Mitigation Fund, so that funds could be released for providing immediate relief to the affected community," he said.

Thakur also released a booklet on school safety guidelines and two videos on disaster management and safe construction practices brought out by the SDMA.

Housing, Urban and Town Country Planning Minister Sarveen Chaudhary felt the need to adopt traditional technologies for construction of houses, particularly in the hilly states.

She said that the State Government was encouraging construction of houses as per map for which approvals were being given within one. She urged the general public for construction of their buildings as per rules so that losses due to natural calamities could be minimized. She also thanked the Prime Minister for implementing RERA Act in the country.

Chief Secretary Shrikant Baldi said that need was to strengthen the lifeline building such as Secretariat, DC offices, fire stations, police stations, telecommunication network, important bridges and water tanks etc.

which would provide immediate relief measures in case of natural calamity. He also felt the need for scientific approach for muck disposable coming out due to road and other infrastructure construction as it leads to landslides and flash floods.

Top officials of the state government were present in the workshop.

IN BRIEF

KUNDU URGES FUNDS FOR INVESTOR'S MEET

Shimla: Principal Secretary to Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sanjay Kundu on Tuesday met the Union Minister for Railways and Commerce and Industry Piyush Goel at New Delhi. Kundu briefed the Minister about the preparations for Global Investor's Meet being held at Dharamshala and requested to release financial assistance of ₹ five crores more for the event while thanking the Minister for providing ₹ five crore earlier. Goel assured of all possible assistance from the Ministry and confirmed to participate in the event on November 8.

LEGAL CONCLAVE CONCLUDES AT DPS CHANDIGARH

Chandigarh: The Legal Conclave at DPS Chandigarh came to a fruitful close on Tuesday after witnessing an illustrious guest list comprising Session Judge Inderjeet Mehta, State Legal Services Authority (SLSA) President Mahavir and former IAS sum author Vivek Atray. The overall winner's trophy and cash prize of ₹ 3,000 was bagged by Bhavan Vidyalaya, Chandigarh, while DPS Chandigarh secured the runners up trophy. But, being the host school, passed on the trophy to Learning Path School, Mohali, along with ₹ 2,000 cash prize.

TEWARI WANTS CENTRE TO PAY PILGRIMS' FEE FOR KARTARPUR

Chandigarh: Congress National Spokesperson and Sri Anandpur Sahib MP Manish Tewari on Tuesday said that since Pakistan was stubborn over charging the 'jazia' of 20 US dollars from pilgrims going to Kartarpur Sahib, the Central Government should come forward and bear these charges. He said that a Sikh pilgrim paying for 'darshan' goes against the spirit of the 'khule darshan' (free access). "Since the Governments of India and Pakistan were to sign the memorandum of understanding (MOU) on October 23, the Government of India should incorporate the provision in the MOU that it will bear the cost of the darshan," he added.

UT POLICE DDC DISPOSES OF DRUGS

Chandigarh: Drug Disposal Committee(DDC) constituted by UT Director General of Police, comprised with Superintendent of Police Manoj Kumar Meena as Chairman, DANIPS, DSP PHQ and Crime Rajeev Kumar Ambasta and Superintendent, Narcotics Control Bureau, Sector-25, Sachin Gularya as members have disposed of the contraband drugs, that is cocaine, charas, heroin, ganja, poppy husk and straw, intoxicant injections, capsules and tablets seized in 190 cases registered under NDPS Act by six Police Stations, that is Police Station, Sector-31, 34, 36, 49, Maloya and Mauli Jagran of Chandigarh Police and which were fit for disposal.

CHANDIGARH POLICE ARRESTS SIX THIEVES

Chandigarh: The Chandigarh Police has achieved a major success by arresting six thieves including five juveniles and worked out nine cases of burglary and other thefts registered in this police station and recovered the stolen property in several lakhs. During the course of investigation in case dated August 25, 2019, under sections 380, 457 IPC at Sector 31 police station, ASI Balbir Singh received a secret information that five to six boys, who had committed theft in Plot No 913a Ph-2 Industrial Area, and other different places, have been gathered with the stolen properties of different thefts near DRDO Building, PH-II Ram Darbar and they are planning to sell the said stolen properties.

CAMPAIGN PAYING TRIBUTE TO MARTYRS UNVEILED

Chandigarh: A campaign 'Shaurya Ye Diwali Veer Pariwar Ke Saath', which will focus on expressing gratitude and paying rich tributes to the Indian Army martyrs' and their braveheart families, was unveiled by Tricity NGO 'I am Still Human'(IASH). The formal unveiling of 'Shaurya' was done by holding a press conference to announce the details of the campaign. IASH founder Vivek Mehra said that the auspicious festival of Diwali gives the opportunity to express our love and gratitude by honouring the families our valiant martyrs.

FESTIVE OFFERS FOR WOMEN IN JALANDHAR

Jalandhar: Jalandhar to kick-start the celebrations in Jalandhar, Yes Madam, tech-driven beauty and wellness services platform, has announced several offers and discounts. It has rolled out four festive offers for women across the city to avail quality services in the comfort of their homes.

GODREJ INTERIO LAUNCHES MATTRESS STORES

Mohali: Godrej Interio on Tuesday announced the launch of their mattress stores in Chandigarh and Mohali. Avik Mukherjee, All India Head - Business Expansion and Manish Bhatt, Zonal Business Head - North Zone were present.

Establish cordial relations with media for efficient PR: Sharma

PNS ■ SHIMLA

Public Relations (PR) Professionals should make cordial and constant relations with media to establish trust and credibility among people to disseminate important information regarding developmental schemes of Government to public, B.D. Sharma, former Director, Information and Public Relations (IPR), said here.

Speaking on the concluding day of two days training programme of District Public Relations Officers, Assistant Public Relations Officers and Sub-Editors of Department of Information and Public Relations here at Himachal Pradesh Institute of Public Administration (HIPA), he said PR profession is full of challenges but by putting extra efforts it could be turned into opportunities to serve in public interest.

On the role of IPR department in publicizing Government policy, programmes and achievements, modes of publicity, hoarding, exhibition, display board and video display and advertisement.

He said PR plays a very vital role in publicizing the impact of good Governance and PR professionals should be pro-active to work on publicity of Government schemes.

He also stressed on the need of improving writing skills for better communication during talking on Press notes features, success stories and articles. Brevity is also a principle of PR.

Director Information and Public Relations Harbans Singh Brascon stressed on proper and timely publicity of the Government programmes and policies so that common people could avail benefits of the schemes.

He also emphasized on used of social media platform and other applications for better publicity of government programmes and policies.

Assistant Professor HIPA and Course Coordinator Dr. Rakesh Sharma, Joint Director IPR (Administration) Sanjay Sharma, Joint Director (Advt.) .Arti Gupta, Joint Director (Press) Pradeep Kunwar, Joint Director (Accreditation) Mahesh Pathania and other senior officers of the department were present on the occasion.

HP Guv stresses on making computer education effective at primary level

PNS ■ SHIMLA

Himachal Governor Bandaru Dattatraya on Tuesday presided over the meeting of Himachal Pradesh Skill Development Corporation and allied departments at Raj Bhawan to get first-hand information about various ongoing schemes and works being implemented for skill development in the state.

Dattatraya said that efforts should be made to take maximum benefit from various centrally sponsored schemes and said that he was ready to give any kind of support in central assistance. He asked to submit a report in this regard so that it could be submitted to Central Government.He stressed on making computer education effective at the primary level and introducing new vocational training. He said that such courses should be started on the demand of industries and training should be made in reputed institutions of the country.Managing Director, Himachal Pradesh Kaushal Vikas Nigam (HPKVN) Rohan Thakur gave the power-point presentation and briefed about the overall status of the activities being implemented by the Nigam.

SBI — Grain Market, Khamano Branch, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib

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(Mortgaged with State Bank of India Grain Market, Khamano Branch, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib)

Name of the Branch Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s)	Description of the Immovable Property/ies	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount Outstanding
Borrower : 1. M/s Harjinder Singh Govt. Contractor through its Prop. Sh. Harjinder Singh S/o Sh. Sarja Singh, Village Simbal Majra, Tehsil Kharar, Distt. Mohali. **2. Sh. Harjinder Singh** S/o Sh. Sarja Singh **Prop. M/s Harjinder Singh** Govt. Contractor, R/o Ward No. 7, Patti No. 8, Khamano, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib. **Guarantor : Sh. Surinder Singh** S/o Sh. Rajinder Singh, R/o Ward No. 7, Khamano, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.	**Property No. 1** All that part and parcel of Plot measuring 10 Marla being 10/113 share out of total land measuring 5 Kanal 13 Marla comprised in Khewat/Khatoni No. 199/210, Khasra No 26//19/2 (1-0), 20/1 (4-12), 41//84 (0-1) as per Jamabandi for the year 2011-12 situated at Village Khamano Kalan, Tehsil Khamano Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib in the name of Sh. Surinder Singh S/o Sh. Rajinder Singh vide Sale Deed No. 671 Dated 21.11.2015 Bounded as under; **East** : Property of Sh. Gurtej Singh, **West** : Rasta, **North** : Property of Smt. Sukhwinder Kaur, **South** : Rasta. **Property No. 2**. All that part and parcel of Plot measuring 9 Marla (4.5 Marla + 4.5 Marla) comprised in Khewat/Khatoni No. 109/115, Khasra No. 22//7/2 (6-14), 8/1/7 (0-1), 8/1/8/1 (0-12), 8/1/8/5 (1-13) as per Jamabandi for the year 2011-12 situated at Village Khamano Kalan, Tehsil Khamano Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib in the name of Sh. Surinder Singh S/o Sh. Rajinder Singh vide Sale Deed No. 669 Dated 20.11.2015 and 670 Dated 20.11.2015.	14.03.2019	22.10.2019	Rs. 43,54,389/- (Rupees Forty Three Lac Fifty Four Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Nine Only) due as on 14.03.2019 inclusive of Interest up to 13.03.2019.

Dated : 22.10.2019 **Place: Fatehgarh Sahib** **Sd/-Authorized Officer**

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - II, CHANDIGARH
(GOVT. OF INDIA, MINISTRY OF FINANCE)
SCO 33-34-35, SECTOR-17A, CHANDIGARH
Area of Jurisdiction-State of Haryana & Chandigarh (UT)

PROCLAMATION OF SALE

(Proclamation of sale under rule 38 and rule 52(2) of the Second Schedule to the Incomes Tax Act. 1961 read with The Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 as amended from time to time).

Title of Case & R.C. No	Recoverable Amount	Reserve Price	Earnest Money	Date, Time & Place of Auction	Name of Court Auctioner
Oriental Bank Of Commerce Vs. Sh. Romi RC No. 437/2019	Rs. 15,68,778.50p Jointly and severally, with costs, currents and future simple interest @ 11.65% p.a. from the date of filing of the OA i.e. 30.01.2017, till the date of realization	Rs. 1,95,00,000/-	Rs. 48,75,000/-	21.12.2019 from 11 :00 A.M. at the site of the property	Sh. Divesh Kumar, Branch Manager, Oriental Bank of Commerce, Rajound Distt. Kaithal Mob. 8930200639

DETAILS OF PROPERTYIES TO BE SOLD

The revenue detail of the mortgaged property measuring 91K-12M is given as under :-
I.) Land measuring 90k-12m representing 1812/25104 share in land measuring 1255K-4M vide Khewat No. 187 min, Khatoni No. 416, Rect. No. 238, Killa No. 6,7,14/2, 15, Rect. No. 239, Killa No. 1 min, 2min Rect. No. 259, Killa No. 20, 21, Rect. No. 260, Killa No. 11, 12, 13/1, 16, 17, Rect. No. 287, Killa No. 11/1/1, Rect. No. 288, Killa No. 5, Rect. No. 289, Killa No. 1, 2, Rect. No. 290, Killa No. 6, Rect. No. 291, Killa No. 10, 11, 12, 20, 21, Rect. No. 305, Killa No. 4/1, Rect. No. 352, Killa No. 1, 2/1, 5/2, 6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,Rect. No. 353, Killa No. 5,6,15, Rect. No. 381, Killa No.1,2,6 Rect. No. 383, Killa No. 21, Rect. No. 395, Killa No. 6, Khatoni No. 417. Rect. No. 260, Killa No. 22/2, 23, 24, 25, Rect. No. 289, Killa No. 3,4,5,6,7,8,15,16, Rect. No. 290, Killa No. 1,10,11, Rect. No. 381, Killa No. 3,4,5,15/1, Khatoni No. 418, Rect. No. 290, Killa No. 14/2, 15,16,17,18,19,20,23,24,25, Rect. No. 351, Killa No. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9, 10/1,10/2, 11,12, 13,14, 15,16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, Khatoni No. 419, Rect. No. 382, Killa No. 1,2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11,12/1,12/2, 13, 14, 15, 16,17,18,19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, Khatoni No. 420, Rect No. 350, Killa No. 1, 2,9,10, 11,12/1, 20,21, Khatoni No. 421, Rect No. 239, Killa No. 1min, 2 min, 11,12,13,17/2,18,19,20,21,22,23,24/1 Khatoni No. 422, Rect. No. 261, Killa No. 11/1, 11/2, 12, 13, 14,15,16,17,18,19,20min, 22/2,23,24,25, Rect. No. 262, Killa No. 1,2,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,18min, 17 min, 18 min 19min.
ii) Land measuring 1K-0M representing 1/12 share in land measuring 12K-8M vide Khewat No. 333, Khatoni No. 591, Rect. No. 336, Killa No. 20/2, 21, all land situated at Village & Tehsil Rajound, Distt. Kaithal, vide Jamabandi for the year 2003-2004. Owned by : Sh. Romi Son of Sh. Tej Pal, resident of Village & Tehsil Rajound, Bangran Road, District Kaithal.

TERMS & CONDITIONS:- 1. Property are sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS". 2.** The prospective bidders should submit a Demand Draft (DD) favouring Recovery Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Chandigarh as earnest money along with the bio-data giving their Name Address & Identity proof with photograph viz Photo copies of PAN Card, Voter Card etc. before the start of auction. All the bidders to remain present in person on the date of auction. After finalization of bidding, the DD of the highest bidders will be retained by the auctioneer and the DDs. of other bidders will be returned without interest thereon. The successful bidder will have to deposit 25% of highest bid amount after adjustment of earnest money already deposited by way of DD favouring **"Recovery Officer, Debts Recovery Tribunal-II, Chandigarh"** on the spot. The successful bidders shall also deposit poundage fee @ 2% on first Rs. 1000/- and @ 1% on balance of highest bid in the spot by way of DD favouring Registrar-DRT-II, Chandigarh. In case of failure of deposit of balance amount the earnest money deposited will be forfeited. The highest bidder will have to deposit the remaining 75% of the said bid amount within 15 days from the date of auction. In case of failure, entire earnest money plus 25% of the highest bid amount will be forfeited. The sale will be confirmed by the Recovery Officer, DRT-II, Chandigarh after 30 days from the date of auction subject to the conditions laid down in 2nd schedule to the Income Act, 1961 read with RDDB and FI Act, 1993. All the outstanding, statutory dues/takes will be borne by the purchaser. Other terms & conditions will be as laid down in the proclamation of sale and further subject to the Provisions of 2nd schedule to the Income Tax Act of 1961. For any other further information, contact the undersigned or Court Auctioneers **Sh. Divesh Kumar, Branch Manager, Oriental Bank of Commerce, Rajound Distt. Kaithel, Mobile No. 8930200639**. The undersigned will not be responsible-
-for any error/misstatement omission on the proclamation.

Recovery Officer -I
DRT-II, Chandigarh

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II, CHANDIGARH
SCO No. 33-34-35, 1st Floor, Sector 17-A, Chandigarh

RC No. 250/2019 **Diary No. 7088**
SBI **.....Certificate Holder**
Versus
CHANDIGARH FASTENERS **.....Certificate Debtor**

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER RULE 2 OF THE SECOND SCHEDULE TO INCOME TAX ACT, 1961 READ WITH SECTION 25 TO 28 OF THE RDDB & FI ACT, 1993

1. **M/s Chandigarh Fasteners & Fabricators,** a Proprietorship concern presently at House No. 477, Sector 12, Panchkula (Haryana) throuhg its Proprietor Hari Om Goyal S/o Shri S.K. Goyal.
2. **Sh. Hari Om Goyal** S/o Sh. S.K. Goyal, Proprietor of M/s Chandigarh Fastemers & Fabricators a Proprietorship Firm, R/o H. No. 477, Sector 12, Panchkula (Haryana).
3. **Sh. Love Goyal** S/o Sh. Hari Om Goyal, R/o H. No. 477, Sector 12, Panchkula (Haryana).

In terms of the **Recovery Certificate No. 250/2019** in **O.A. No. 119/2017** issued by the Hon'ble Presiding Officer, a sum of **Rs. 3,34,00,963.91p** has become due from you.

You are hereby called upon to deposit the above sum within fifteen days of the receipt of this Notice.

In addition to the aforesaid sum, you shall be liable to pay:-
a. Interest as per the order in the Recovery Certificate.
b. All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that I may have taken for recovering the sum due.

You are also directed to appear before the undersigned **on 30.10.2019** along with the affidavit disclosing your movable and immovable assets. In case you fail to appear, on the said date personally or through your authorized representative / counsel, the case will be decided as per Law.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on **09.07.2019** at Chandigarh.

(RECOVERY OFFICER)
DRT-II, Chandigarh

ORIENTAL BANK OF COMMERCE
RRL CLUSTER OFFICE, AMRITSAR

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY)

Whereas, the undersigned being the **Authorized Officer** of **Oriental Bank of Commerce** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of the Security Interest Act 2002, and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a demand notice on the dates mentioned against each account and stated hereinafter calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrowers / guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers / guarantors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken Possession of the property described herein below in the exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 and 9 of the said rule on date mentioned against account.

The borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of **Oriental Bank of Commerce** for the amounts, accrued interest, costs, charges and interest thereon.

The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Name of NPA Account / Branch	Date of the Demand Notice	Date of the Possession	Outstanding Amount
Sh Kishore Verma S/o Sh Haveli Ram and Sh Sanjeev Verma S/o Sh Kishore Verma **Branch :** Hamidpur, Amritsar	02-08-2019	19-10-2019	**Rs. 2,48,608/-** + Interest, other charges, expenses and less recovery if any, till date affected

Description of the Immoveable Property : Residential Property / House bearing Private no. 74, measuring 50 sq. Yards, bearing Khasra no. 82//15 min, situated at Wakia Rakba Kala Ghanupur, Sub Urban Abadi Sri Guru Hargobind Nagar, Tehsil and District Amritsar, standing in the name of Sh. Kishore Verma S/o Sh Haveli Ram and Sh. Sanjeev Verma S/o Sh. Kishore Verma, Registered vide Document no. 1881, Book no. 1, Vol no. 4397, Page no. 53/54 dated 23-05-2011 with Sub Registrar, Amritsar-II

Date : 23-10-2019 Place : Amritsar Sd/- Authorised Officer

PUNJAB & SIND BANK **SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES)**

Where as the undersigned being the **"Authorised Officer"** of **Punjab and Sind Bank**, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a demand notice on the date mentioned against account calling upon the respective borrowers / guarantors to repay the amount as mentioned against account within 60 days from the date of notices / date of receipt of the said notices.

The borrowers / guarantors having failed to repay the amount, notice hereby given to the borrowers / guarantors & the public in general that undersigned has taken possession of the Properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13(4) of said Act read with Rule 9 of the said rule on the date mentioned against each account.

The borrowers / guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the Properties and any dealing with the Properties will be subject to the charge of the **Punjab and Sind Bank**, for the amounts, other charges, costs, expenses and interest thereon. **The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section (8) of the Section 13 of Act, in respect of time available to them, to redeem the secured assets.**

Name of the NPA Accounts / Branch	Description of the Immovable Properties	Date of the Demand Notice	Date of the Possession	Amount Outstanding
(1) Sh. Manav Suri S/o Sh. Balwant Rai R/o (ii) Smt. Yogita Suri W/o Sh. Manav Suri (iii) Smt. Ramesh Rani W/o Sh. Balwant Rai and **Guarantor** (i) Sh. Pardeep Sareen S/o Sh. Kundan Lal **Branch :** Hall Bazar, Amritsar	Plot bearing Private no. 21 min, having 30' Length and 24' width, area measuring 80 sq. yards i.e 2 Marla bearing Khasra no. 126//12/1/6/1(0-2) and bounded and abutted as East : Plot no. 18, West : Remaining Portion of Plot no. 21, North : Plot no. 22, South : 20' wide Road, situated in the Revenue Estate of Village Naushera, Hadbast no. 284, Tehsil Amritsar -II Distt Amritsar as per Sale deed dated 03-01-2007 and Jamabandi for the year 2009-10	02-08-2019	18-10-2019	**Rs. 4,05,989/-** as on 31-07-2019 + interest, other charges and less recovery if any, till date affected
(2) S. Ravinder Singh S/o S.Darshan Singh and **Guarantor (i)** S. Darshan Singh S/o S. Harjit Singh **Branch :** Sri Guru Ram Dass Sarai, Amritsar	Property i.e One House bearing Private no.135 having Length 70 ft and Breadth 30 ft total area measuring 233.33 sq. yards bearing Khasra no. 544 min, situated at Patti Dadujalla, Sultanwind Sub Urban, G. T. Road, Amritsar and bounded as per sale deed) North : Road 16 ft wide, South: Buta Singh, East: Property no.137, West : Property of others vide sale deed dated 05-12-1991 duly Registered with the Office of Sub Registrar Amritsar vide Document no. 12197, Book no. 1, Volume no. 6020 at page 16 in favour of S. Darshan Singh S/o S. Harjit Singh	15-03-2018	17-10-2019	**Rs. 6,13,753/-** as on 22-02-2018 + Interest, other charges and less recovery if any, till date affected

Date : 23-10-2019 Place : Amritsar Sd/- Authorised Officer

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KARNAL RECORDED ALL-TIME LOWEST POLL PERCENTAGE

NISHU MAHAJAN ■ CHANDIGARH

On the day of polling to the 90-member Haryana State Assembly, Chief Minister Manohar Lal may have showed great enthusiasm by riding a bicycle to reach the polling station to exercise his franchise but the electors in his constituency-Karnal-showed little interest to come out of their homes to cast their votes.

Karnal was among the assembly constituencies witnessing the low voter turnout, when Haryana went to State Assembly polls on Monday. Infact, the Karnal constituency has witnessed the lowest ever poll percentage i.e. 52.29 on Monday, since the first State Assembly polls in the year 1967 in this assembly segment.

In 2014 State Assembly elections, Karnal assembly seat had recorded poll percentage of 67.84.

While the Chief Minister was busy making appeals to the voters across the state to turn up in record numbers on the polling day, the voter turnout fell to dismal 52.29 in his own constituency-Karnal.

In the past State Assembly elections, Karnal constituency had witnessed poll percentage of 63.84 in 2009, 63.2 per cent in 2005, 59.69 per cent in 2000, 68.01 per cent in 1996, 63.07 per cent in 1991, 62.44 per cent in 1987, 69.70 per cent in 1982, 62.20, 70.36 percent in 1972, 63.01 per cent in 1968 and 76.29 per cent in 1967.

High profile constituencies	Voting percentage 2014	Voting percentage 2019
Karnal	67.84.	52.29
Ambala Cantt	72.63	61.99
Rohtak	65.85	59.94
Narnaud	83.18	78.13
Kaithal	83.71	77.80

The state of Haryana, itself recorded the lowest voter turnout of 68.31 per cent in last three decades. 69.36 per cent male and 67.12 per cent female voters exercised their right to vote in the assembly elections.

A total of 1.83 crore voters including 98.78 lakh males, 85.12 lakh females and 252 transgenders were eligible to vote in the polls.

In the year 2014, when the Bharatiya Janata Party had roared to power recording absolute majority for the first time on its own in Haryana, the state had witnessed highest voter turnout ever registered since its inception.

The voting percentage was 76.13 in 2014, 72.35 in 2009, 71.96 in 2005, 69.01 in 2000, 70.54 in 1996 and 65.86 in 1991 in assembly polls in Haryana.

Interestingly, Karnal was not the only high-profile constituency which witnessed low voter turnout on the polling day. Most of the assembly segments represented by state Cabinet Ministers have witnessed low voter turnout this time as compared to last assembly elections.

Ambala Cantt assembly constituency, from where Cabinet Minister Anil Vij is seeking re-election recorded lowest ever voter turnout in its history. The constituency registered 61.99 per cent voter turnout while the percentage was 72.63 in 2014 assembly polls.

In Ambala Cantt, the five-time MLA and Haryana Health Minister Anil Vij is pitted against Congress' Venu Singla Aggarwal, Congress rebel candidate and independent Chitra Sarwara among others.

In prestigious Rohtak assembly segment, from where the BJP Minister Manish Grover is seeking re-election for a second consecutive term, has also seen lowest poll percentage of 59.94 in last two decades.

The poll percentage was 65.85 in 2014, 62.17 in 2009, 64.74 in 2005 and 59.68 in 2000 in the constituency.

Finance Minister Capt. Abhimanyu's constituency Narnaund recorded poll percentage of 78.13, which was again lower than last year's 83.18 per cent voter turnout. Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister OP Dhankar's Badli constituency recorded voter turnout of 69.70 per cent this time, down from 70.87 percent in 2014 polls.

Similarly in Cabinet Minister Kavita Jain's assembly constituency –Sonipat, the voting percentage was 64 as compared to 68.71 in 2014 assembly election.

In another high-profile constituency- Panchkula, the voter turnout fell from 65.72 in 2014 to 60 per cent this time. The Congress candidate and former Haryana Deputy Chief Minister, Chander Mohan is pitted outgoing BJP MLA Gian Chand Gupta in Panchkula.

Congress leader Randeep Singh Surjewala's constituency Kaithal recorded77.70 poll percentage, down from 83.71 during previous Assembly polls. Tosham assembly seat, represented by senior Congress leader Kiran Choudhry saw voter turnout of 70 per cent as against 81.39 percent in 2014.

The Badhkal assembly seat, which recorded the lowest voter turnout i.e. 49.18 per cent in the state had seen 60.23 percent polling in 2014.

Likewise, Faridabad Assembly segment saw low voter turnout of 49.63 as compared to 59.93 poll percentage in previous polls.

According to the polls analysts, the low voter turnout in high-profile constituencies in Haryana could be seen as the lack of enthusiasm among voters to elect the outgoing heavyweight candidates again.

While the voter turnout has declined in most of the prominent Assembly seats in Haryana, the poll percentage remained almost similar in Garhi Sampla-Kiloi, from where two-time Chief Minister and senior Congress leader Bhupinder Singh Hooda is seeking another term and pitted against his old rival Satish Kumar Nandal.

The constituency recorded voter turnout of 74 per cent as compared to 73.81 per cent in 2014. Nandal, who had contested the last Assembly poll as a candidate from the Indian National Lok Dal – joined the BJP in June this year and was fielded as a candidate by the saffron party.

Hooda had defeated Nandal by 47,185 votes in 2014 and by 72,100 votes in 2009.

Notably, Chief Minister Manohar Lal while making his poll debut from Karnal seat in 2014 had recorded victory margin of 63773 votes against an independent candidate Jai Parkash Gupta.

Foolproof three-tier security for EVMs in Haryana

PNS ■ **CHANDIGARH**

Haryana Police has made a foolproof three-tier security arrangement for the safety of Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) and Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trial (VVPAT) machines brought to the designated strong rooms after polling for the State Assembly polls on October 21.

Additional Director General of Police (Law and Order), Navdeep Singh Virk said that elaborate security arrangements have been made for safe custody of the EVMs and VVPAT machines at designated strong rooms where personnel of State Police and Paramilitary forces guarding the rooms under round the clock vigil. We are strictly going by the Election Commission instructions regarding the safety of EVMs and VVPAT machines till the day of counting, he said.

Giving details about the security measures, Virk said that in the first layer, personnel of Central Armed Police Forces are deployed near the strong rooms, Haryana Armed Police personnel posted in second layer and district police personnel are manning the outer layer.

He said that 90 strong rooms have been established at 59 different locations with round-the-clock vigil to ensure the safety of EVMs and VVPAT machines.

Virk further said that Haryana Police throughout the election season kept the information flowing about security arrangements, police deployment and seizures. The idea was to reassure the citizens of its presence and create a fear in the minds of those planning any disruption, he said.

The EVMs and VVPAT machines kept in strong rooms across the state will be opened on October 24 for counting.

DGP appreciates all ranks for peaceful conduct of polls

Haryana Director General of Police, Manoj Yadava has appreciated all ranks of State Police and other Central Armed Police Forces who have played a significant role in peaceful conduct of Vidhan Sabha Election in the State.

Yadava said that peaceful election has been possible due to the efficiency, diligence and strict monitoring of the officers and personnel of Haryana Police. The entire police force including all the Commissioners of Police, Range ADGPs/IGPs and district Superintendent of Police level officers had ensured strict enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct by hard work and proper planning for the past one month, he said.

Khaira withdraws resignation; says ready to fight it out

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Six months after he stepped down as the member of Punjab Vidhan Sabha in April this year, Bholath MLA Sukhpal Singh Khaira on Tuesday withdrew his resignation while declaring to fight out the "disqualification proceedings" against him with the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP).

It has been learnt that Khaira has requested Punjab Vidhan Sabha Speaker Rana KP Singh that he wanted to withdraw his resignation. However, the final decision on the issue would be taken by the Speaker.

Khaira's move to withdraw his resignation came a week after Jaiton MLA Master Baldev Singh, who, along with Khaira, had rebelled from AAP, and had contested the 2019 elections from Faridkot earlier this year, had returned to the party fold.

Both Khaira and Baldev Singh had contested the election in May on the tickets of Punjabi Ekta Party (PEP), a new political outfit floated by Khaira after resigning from AAP in January this year. Khaira had contested 2019 Lok Sabha elections from Bathinda, where he finished at distant third.

Justifying his decision, Khaira said that he has been approached by hundreds of respectable and elected people of Bholath constituency, who have advised him against resigning from the assembly, as it will only force an unnecessary by-election upon the electorate.

"It is an open secret, that by-elections only vitiate the atmosphere through blatant distribution of liquor, drugs, money etc, besides causing a huge loss to the public exchequer," he said.

"Therefore, acting upon the advice of my legal team, sentiments of people of Bholath and my colleagues, I have decided to withdraw the resignation," said Khaira.

He said that AAP leaders were free to prove their case of disqualification pending against him, for which he has a befitting reply to be given to these dictators at the appropriate time.

Taking AAP supremo Arvind Kejriwal head on, Khaira said that the "way I was suspended orally, I was later verbally conveyed that I stand expelled from the party too".

"Kejriwal acted purely as a dictator and never bothered to follow his own constitution, while throwing me out of AAP," said Khaira adding that it was Kejriwal who created a virtual split in the party "by meekly apologizing to drug mafia Bikram Majithia" over his repeated drug allegations.

Khaira said that when he and others opposed his cowardly apology, Kejriwal became vindictive towards him and other MLAs.

"Kejriwal, without summoning any meeting of party's legislature wing, unconstitutionally removed me as the leader of opposition over the Twitter on July 26, 2018.

This brazen and unconstitutional act showed that Kejriwal works like a dictator and not a democrat," he said.

Further lashing out at Kejriwal, Khaira said: "Unable to digest our opposition over ideological differences, Kejriwal once again, behaving like an autocrat, suspended him and Kanwar Sandhu MLA, on grounds of anti-party activity on November 3, 2018, once again verbally without following proper party constitution.'

He said that they learnt about their suspension only through electronic and print media and that they were neither given an opportunity to present their case nor served any show cause notice nor given anything in writing regarding their suspension.

Khaira said that similarly, later, a party office bearer again informed him, that he has been expelled from the party and was free to go anywhere.

Daring Kejriwal to produce any receipt of his regarding his suspension orders, Khaira said that Kejriwal and his bunch of sycophants are now likely to create or forge record to justify their illegitimate and unconstitutional act of suspending him and Kanwar Sandhu.

"The dictatorial and cowardly character of Arvind Kejriwal has been exposed time and again and this is precisely the reason why all prominent people including Parshant Bhushan, Yogendera Yadav, Kumar Vishwas, HS Phoolka, Gurpreet Ghuggi, Dr Dharamvira Gandhi etc, who were the architects of AAP, were humiliated and shown the door," said Khaira.

He said that Kejriwal is a "double faceted leader" and never shies to take a complete U-turn, be it apology to Bikram Majithia or sucking up to Congress for an alliance or his recent support to bifurcation of J&K into UT's, while demanding full statehood for Delhi.

Day after bypolls, Khaira heats up State politics

Chandigarh: A day after bye-elections to four assembly segments in Punjab, Bholath MLA Sukhpal Singh Khaira kept the political temperature soaring in the state with his decision to withdraw his resignation as Punjab Vidhan Sbaha member.

While the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) has made it clear that the party doors are "closed" for the former member, the Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) has demanded Khaira's immediate disqualification along with three other AAP MLAs.

"AAP's doors for Khaira are closed forever. While he was in AAP, he continuously tried to split the party, that is why he would not be taken back in the party," said the leader of opposition in Vidhan Sabha and senior AAP leader Harpal Singh Cheema.

Saying that now welcoming Khaira back in the party is not only his decision but that of the party, Cheema made it clear that party's doors are open for other disgruntled and rebel legislators. "We are making every effort to pacify them," he said adding that even Khaira's close associate Kanwar Sandhu is also welcomed.

Demanding Khaira and three other AAP MLAs' disqualification "for leaving their parent party and forming new political formations besides joining the Congress party", senior SAD leader and former minister Daljit Singh Cheema said that Khaira's attempt to backtrack from his resignation by approaching the Vidhan Sabha Speaker amounted to "playing a fraud upon the Constitution".

"As per the Constitution, all these AAP legislators are liable to be disqualified for violating The Representation of Peoples Act for resigning from the primary membership of AAP. They cannot escape disqualification by initiating any drama of taking back their resignations," he said.Stating that the Congress Government now wanted to run away from facing more by-elections, Cheema said: "this is why Sukhpal Khaira trooped to the Vidhan Sabha Speaker's office to take back his resignation even as Baldev Singh announced he was rejoining AAP." "This script, like the earlier resignations, has also been dictated by the Congress party and proves our contention that the AAP legislators are working as Congress agents and are part of the Congress party's B-team," he said.

SAD leader also asked the Cong party to disclose the give and take with the AAP legislators, saying that this 'unholy alliance' was proving costly to the State exchequer with the MLAs' drawing salaries & enjoying various facilities, including staff & security personnel, entitled only to legislators. Cheema said that Khaira and Baldev Singh had not only left AAP but had also formed a new party by the name of Punjab Ekta Party (PEP) and even contested the parliamentary polls on the new symbol. "Nazar Singh Mansahia and Aamrjit Singh Sandoa had resigned from AAP and joined the Congress party," he added.

"As per the tenth schedule of the Constitution, a member of a House belonging to any political party shall be disqualified for being a member of the House if he has voluntarily given up his membership of such a political party," Cheema pointed adding that since all four MLAs had resigned as primary members of AAP, the constitutional provision had being subverted.

Pointing that Khaira representing Bholath assembly segment, Mansahia from Mansa and Master Baldev Singh from Jaito had resigned from AAP seven months back in January 2019 while Amarjit Singh Sandoa had resigned in May 2019, Cheema said that the delay in taking action was a cruel joke on the electorate of the four constituencies and demanded that all the four seats be declared vacant immediately.

Cheema added that there could not be two sets of rules on the same issue while citing the example of Karnataka Assembly Speaker KR Ramesh who had disqualified 17 MLAs and debarred them from contesting elections for the remainder of the current term of the State Assembly for switching parties.

"The Congress party had lauded the decision of the Karnataka Speaker who was also a Congressman. Recently, the Haryana Assembly Speaker Krishan Pal Gujjar had also disqualified five legislators for switching their loyalties from their parent party," he pointed.

POLL BUZZ

RE-POLLING ORDERED AT 5 BOOTHS

Chandigarh: Haryana chief electoral officer Anurag Agarwal said that on October 23, re-polling will be done in five assembly constituencies of Haryana. He said that the re-polling will be held from 7 am to 6 pm. He said that complete arrangements have been made for re-polling which will be conducted in five assembly constituencies, which includes, booth number- 71 of Uchana Kalan assembly constituency in Jind district, booth number 161 of Beri assembly constituency in Jhajjar district, booth number 28 of Narnaul assembly constituency in Narnaul district, booth number-18 of Kosli assembly constituency in district Rewari, booth number-113 of Prithla assembly constituency in Faridabad district.

HRY CEO RUBBISHES ALLEGATION ON EVM

Chandigarh: Haryana chief electoral officer Anurag Agarwal said that the Election Commission has inquired into the viral video of Jannayak Janta Party leaders in Shahbad (SC) assembly segment, where he is accusing the assistant returning officer and others of exchanging the Electronic Voting Machines. Agarwal said that the issue has been investigated and no irregularities were found in the case.

The election officers were shifting the unused VVPATs and unused EVMs to a separate room as per EC directions but the JJP leaders had mistaken it as the EVMs used in the electoral process, the chief electoral officer said.

GURU NANAK DEV 550TH BIRTH ANIV

84 heads of foreign missions from New Delhi visit Amritsar

PNS ■ AMRITSAR

Eighty four heads of foreign missions from New Delhi led by Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri on Tuesday visited the Golden Temple to take part in celebrations of the 550th birth anniversary of Sikhism''s founder, Guru Nanak Dev.

The countries whose heads of foreign missions visited the shrine included Afghanistan, Australia, Bhutan, Cambodia, Georgia, Greece, Iceland, Israel, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, New Zealand, USA, Nepal.

On reaching the temple, they first visited the interpretation centre at its entrance, also known as Golden Temple Plaza. There they were received by SGPC chief Gobind Singh Longowal and given robes of honour with replicas of the shrine, woolen shawls and a set of Sikh religious books.

Inside the plaza, they watched four short documentaries about the Sikh religion and its history, the history of the Golden Temple and the role of the Sikh community for the well-being of humanity.All the foreign mission heads paid obeisance at the temple"s sanctum sanctorum and spent a few minutes inside. "All of them experienced a spiritual ambience as Sikh priests recited religious hymns," a SGPC official said.The dignitaries also visited the langar (community kitchen) hall where they saw how langar is prepared for thousands of devotees each day. Some foreign mission heads cooked chapattis with Sikh devotees and also partook in "langar" while sitting on the floor.Inside the temple plaza, Puri in a brief address said, "We are thankful to the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) which invited heads of foreign missions in New Delhi to visit the Golden Temple in Amritsar."

"This visit of envoys to the sanctum sanctorum of Sikh faith is a befitting mark of respect to Sri Guru Nanak Dev Ji who during his five "udasis" travelled to several parts of the world with his eternal message of peace and oneness of humanity," he tweeted later."Since time immemorial, seekers of spirituality and solace have headed to Guru Di Nagri Sri Amritsar Sahib and the holy city has always welcomed humanity with an open heart. The residents of Guru Di Nagri extended a very warm and enthusiastic welcome to the delegation of foreign envoys," he tweeted.

Following the Union Cabinet"s decision to celebrate the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev across the globe, the ICCR had invited heads of foreign missions in New Delhi to visit the Golden Temple.The visit was organised by the ICCR in collaboration with the Punjab government and the Shiromani Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee (SGPC). Puri and ICCR President Vinay Sahasrabuddhe were accompanying the heads of missions.

Punjab records 24% increase in farm fires, no challan issued so far

PTI ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab has recorded a 25 per cent increase in stubble burning incidents as compared to 2018, which the State Government attributed to early harvesting of paddy crop this year.

The number of farm fires in Haryana, however, has decreased by 10 per cent as compared to last year, despite the "moderate implementation of the ban on stubble burning due to elections", according to officials.

Till October 20, Punjab recorded 2,482 cases of stubble burning against 1,980 last year, an increase of around 25 per cent.

A significant rise in stubble burning was recorded on October 19 and 20. While 446 cases were reported on October 19, the number on October 20 touched the 500 mark.

Only 64 cases were recorded on October 18 when a western disturbance caused rainfall in parts of Punjab.

According to Punjab Pollution Control Board data, Tarn Taran, Amritsar and Patiala have recorded 450, 417 and 249 cases, respectively.

Haryana witnessed 2,048 farm fires as compared to 2,283 last year. Karnal, Kaithal and Kurukshetra have reported 543, 503 and 422 incidents of stubble burning, respectively, till October 20.

The period between October 15 and November 15 is considered critical as maximum number of stubble burning incidents take place in this span in Punjab and adjoining states, which is one of the main reasons for alarming spike in pollution in Delhi-NCR.

Despite a ban on stubble burning in Punjab and Haryana, farmers continue to defy it amid lack of financial incentives. State governments are providing 50 to 80 per cent subsidy to farmers and cooperative societies to buy modern farm equipment for in-situ management of paddy straw, and running a massive awareness campaign against stubble burning.

A Punjab government official, who did not wish to be named, said the high court"s September 19 order staying the recovery of fine from farmers found violating the ban on stubble burning has subdued the effect of challans. "Not one challan has been issued this year."

However, Karunesh Garg, member secretary of the Punjab Pollution Control Board, said the court had only stalled the recovery of fine imposed in previous years and that challans will be issued this time too. "The single bench referred the matter to the court of chief justice who has categorically said that stubble burning is banned. The government has also made it clear and issued strict directions to curb farm fires," he said. "We have identified the erring farmers and the process of issuing challans has been set in motion," Garg said.

Another official on condition of anonymity said that bypolls in some parts of Punjab "prevented the government from issuing challans this year". Secretary (Agriculture) K S Pannu said the number of farm fires seems large because of early harvesting of paddy crop.

"This year, the harvesting began around a week earlier as compared to the last year. That"s the reason the number of farm fires looks big. I am sure the cumulative figure at the end of the harvesting period will be much smaller," he said.

The Centre and the state government have made serious interventions, provided farm equipment and undertaken massive awareness drives to prevent stubble burning. If not this year, the problem will be completely resolved in the next two years, Pannu said.

Haryana Pollution Control Board Member Secretary S Narayanan said 102 challans have been issued against farmers for violating the ban on stubble burning, but the recovery of fine has been put on hold following the high court order. "The number of farm fires has gone down considerably, despite the harvesting season starting early and the official machinery being busy in elections," he said.

Joshi Foundation Media Awards presented

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

The Joshi Foundation Media Awards for journalists with outstanding contribution in field of journalism in Punjab were conferred on Tuesday with veteran journalist VP Prabhakar being conferred with lifetime achievement award.

Awards and citations were given to Prof PP Singh (posthumously) for Outstanding Contribution in Journalism Education. Award for Outstanding Reporting in affairs related to Governance, Civil Matters and Polity was conferred to Karamjit Chilla. Outstanding Investigative Reporting award was jointly bagged by Rajinder Taggar and Neeraj Bali. The award for Outstanding Reporting in the field of Education was conferred to Sanjeev Bariana, while Outstanding Report in Health Care was given to Ashwani Chawla. The Outstanding Sports Coverage award was given to Waris Malik and Outstanding Reporting award for reporting on Agrarian issues went to Kulwinder Sandhu.

Outstanding Reporting on raising Environmental issues award was given to Jyoti Magan Mahajan and Outstanding Reporting on Gender Sensitization issued went to Mohit Malhotra. Also Outstanding Positive News award went to Mohit Singla. Award for Outstanding Video Journalism was given to Sandeep Kumar. Raakhi Jagga was conferred with the Journalist of the Year Award.

Gurdaspur MP Sunny Deol and Chandigarh MP Kirron Kher were present in the function. Former Union Minister Vijay Sampla, Harpal Cheema Leader of Opposition Punjab Vidhan Sabha, Raveen Thukral Media Advisor CM Punjab, Vineet Joshi Chairman Joshi Foundation and Saurabh Joshi President, Joshi Foundation were also present.

CM Ram Thakur announces IPH Division at Baddi

PNS ■ SHIMLA

Himachal Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur on Tuesday announced that an Irrigation and Public Health Division would be established in Baddi for smooth functioning of the Irrigation and Public Health Department.

Addressing a public meeting at Hare Krishna Goshala in Malku Majra Baddi area of Solan district, the Chief Minister said twenty two month tenure of the present State Government was full of achievements and the people of the State were giving wholehearted support to the government.

"The State Government believes in delivering instead of making tall claims," he said, adding that the people gave their full support and ensured the landslide victory of the BJP candidates in the Lok Sabha Election and the party set a record in itself by winning in all the 68 Assembly constituencies of the State in the Lok Sabha elections. He said the vote share of the BJP was highest in these elections.

Thakur said Jan Manch programme launched by the State Government had been appreciated even by the political opponents where people get their grievances redressed on the spot on the required directions of the Ministers.

He said that now the 1100 Chief Minister Helpline was also proving a boon to the people for redressal of their grievances.

He said that Union Government had launched Ayushmaan Bharat Yojna for providing insurance cover of rupees five lakh. The State Government was also implementing this scheme effectively so that maximum people could be benefitted. He said that as many as 22 lakh people of the State had been covered under the scheme. He said that the State Government has launched Him Care scheme to provide health insurance cover to those families who were not covered under Ayushmaan Bharat Yojna.

Earlier the Chief Minister inaugurated Tehsil Office at Baddi constructed by spending an amount of about ₹2.15 crore. He also laid foundation stone of Tehsil Welfare Office building with Type IV quarters at Baddi to be constructed by spending ₹ 75 lakh.

Later, the Chief Minister laid foundation stone of cow sanctuary at Handa Kundu to be constructed by spending about rupees three crore. The Chief Minister also inaugurated administrative block of Police Line Baddi completed at a cost of ₹1.51 crore.

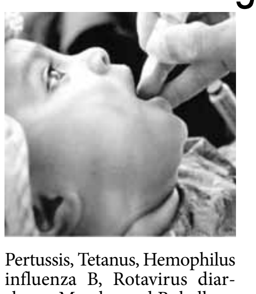
Rural Development and Panchayati Raj Minister Virender Kanwar said that in the very first cabinet of the State Government, decision was taken to levy cess of one rupee per bottle of liquor for setting up of Gau Sadans and cow sanctuaries in the State for ensuring the cows does not linger on the roads.

He said that several cow sanctuaries were being established by the State Government for proving a better shelter to the cows.

Punjab amongst leading States with 95% immunisation coverage of children

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab has become one of the leading States in the country in immunisation coverage of children with 89.1 per cent as per the National Family Health Survey (NFHS)-4 and 95 per cent coverage as per Health Management Information System (HMIS) 2018-19.



Expressing satisfaction that state's flagship immunization programmes had significantly reduced incidence of major common diseases amongst infants and children, the state Health and Family Welfare Minister Balbir Singh Sidhu said that the Department is vaccinating the children against 10 diseases including Tuberculosis, Hepatitis B, Poliomyelitis, Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Hemophilus influenza B, Rotavirus diarrhoea, Measles and Rubella.

He said that these essential vaccinations had ensured the proper growth of children and it also guaranteed safety of their life from the preventable diseases which caused death of lakhs of children in our country.

The Minister added that children, who, fail to get all these essential vaccines are more likely to fall sick more frequently, would be malnourished. "It is on official record that the mortality among unimmunised children is higher than the immunised. Over the past few years, India has seen remarkable reduction in the infants and under-five mortality whereas Punjab has seen much more reduction as compared to the national achievement," he said.

"Recently, the Health Department has introduced adult dose of Diphtheria Vaccine (shift from TT to Td) into the immunisation programme in order to combat the emergence of Diphtheria in older age groups. Continuing with the same process we have launched Rotavirus Vaccine in August 2019," he said.

Rural dispensaries of Punjab set to undergo transformation

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

State Govt would soon recruit 460 Medical Officers

To make the top-notch healthcare amenities available to the inhabitants of State's rural areas, Punjab Government has decided to provide all required facilities to the rural areas' dispensaries.

"The State Government would soon recruit 460 Medical Officers for which the process has been started. Clear instructions have been issued in this regard to the departmental officers," said the State Rural Development and Panchayat Minister Tript Rajinder Singh Bajwa on Tuesday.

The Minister said that medicines and other necessary paraphernalia would be provided in the rural dispensaries. For this purpose, medicines worth more than ₹ 48.30 lakh have been sent to the dispensaries in the rural areas. Apart from this, orders for purchasing ₹ 2.58 crore is being placed for the next three months.

Directing the Department's officers, Bajwa said that strict vigil be maintained over the process of providing top notch healthcare amenities to the people in the rural area dispensaries.

He also directed that the staff of the dispensaries must be punctual and the patients must not face any difficulty.

At the same time, directions were also given to prepare a project with regard to transforming the dispensaries situated in the rural areas so as to ensure better facilities to the people.

People within Cong created trouble between Amarinder, Sidhu: Navjot Kaur

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Blaming people within the Congress for causing unease between Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh and Navjot Singh Sidhu, the cricketer-turned-politician''s wife Navjot Kaur Sidhu on Tuesday said her husband never wanted to be in the spotlight.

Sidhu, who resigned as State Minister earlier this year, will continue to work as an MLA, Navjot Kaur told reporters, breaking her silence on the much discussed dispute between her husband and the chief minister.

The former MLA said they did not hold any grudges and emphasised that her husband would be working for the welfare of his constituency Amritsar East.

The couple has maintained silence ever since the portfolio reshuffle in June. "They (Sidhu and Amarinder Singh) enjoyed good relations. Nothing was going wrong in their relationship nor was anything going to go wrong. But some people could not tolerate that two forces could work together strongly," she said, adding that some people started spreading mischief.

Asked who these people were, Navjot Kaur said they are within the Congress and did not want different groups of leaders to be formed.

"But in our entire political life, we never formed any group. Navjot Sidhu never formed any group," she said, adding that her husband never wanted the spotlight. "Everybody does his own work and he was also doing the same thing. One person was doing some good work and he should have been allowed to do so," she said.

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It is notified for the information that I Hari Gopal S/o Sh. Roshan Lal R/o # 49, Sector 21, Panchkula have lost the previous registry of Vasika No. 216, Dated 20.4.1995 Dashmesh Enclave Plot No. 126 in the name of Hari Gopal S/o Sh. Roshan Lal. A DDR No. 132350661900490 Dated 20.10.2019 has also been registered for the same. Kindly Contact 9814089268 if found.

I, Krishna, R/o H. No. 378, Sec-7, Huda, Panipat Declare that Vasika No. 6229 Deed, documents has been lost on Dated 20.04.2016 at 11:00 am on Civil Court, Panipat If any person found Pls send it on my address.

I, Om Parkash S/o Triveni Das R/o House No. 3395-A/1 Street No. 4, Adarsh Nagar Rupnagar inform that old registry of my plot , Vasika No. 332, Dated: 30.04.2012, Hemkunt Enclave Ropar has misplaced somewhere. If anybody found please inform at above address.

I, Rajnish Kumar S/o Dinanath R/o Taruwal PSOC Behrampur Gurdaspur. My Registry Hadbast No. 336, Khasra No 5R/17/1/0-2, 17/2/0-3, Rakbha 6 Marla (Jaspreet Singh S/o Balkar Singh) Basika No 3821 dt 23-1-2007 has been actually lost. Anybody finds please contact the above address or 8146554734.

I, Balwinder S/o Buta Singh R/o Dera Gobindgarh VPO Nagla Megha, Karnal declare that I have actually lost of my CBSE Class 10th DMC, Roll No. 2153040, Certificate No. 1242594 at Karnal dated 15.10.2019. If anyone found, Please contact above said address.

I, Amrik Singh S/o Kartar Chand R/o Vill: Hethali Patti Dr. Manakpur Teh- Nangal (Ropar) declare that my son Sukhwinder Singh 10th class certificate session 2013-15 Roll No. 2248003 and 10+2 class certificate session 2017 Roll No. 2741718 and his Passport No. S0418074 has been lost in Coffee Shop Toronto (Canada). If anybody found then contact at my above address.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Salag Ram S/o S. Mansa Singh R/O # 2420 Mariwala Town, Manimajra, Chandigarh hereby disown my son Malkit Singh and his wife Mrs Rinki from my all moveable/ immoveable properties. They are out of my control. If anybody deal with them will do so at own risk. I shall not be responsible for their any deeds.

We, Inder Mohan Jain S/O Kasturi Lal Jain, Suman Jain W/O Inder Mohan Jain R/O. #3269/1, Sector 23D, Chandigarh. Declare That Our Daughter Preksha Jain, Is Out Of Control. We Disown Her From Our All Moveable/ Immoveable Property. Anybody Dealing With Her Own Risk.

I, Sunila Seth W/o Dinesh Seth R/o H.No.30-A, Anand Avenue Nagar Nigam Ward No.42, Amritsar have declare that my son Naresh Seth are out of my control I disinherit him from my all movable and immovable properties any body deal with them is his own risk and responsibility.

I, Tehal Singh S/o Kartar Singh R/o # 537, Village Khuda Ali Sher, Chandigarh declare that my son Jatinder Singh and his wife Rameena are out of my control. So, I disown them from all my moveable / immoveable properties. Anybody deals with them will do so at their own risk.

I, Ramesh Nandal S/o Sh. Peeru Ram R/o VPO Rithal Phougat Distt. Rohtak declare that my son Vivek Nandal and his wife Doli are out of my control. So I disown them from my all moveable / immoveable properties. Anybody dealing with them at own risk.

I, Ranjit Kaur W/o Late Mohan Singh R/o 5209/B, Sector 38W Chandigarh declare that my son Sandeep Singh is out of my control. I disown him from my movable and immovable property. Anybody deals with him at own his risk.

I, No 15356982P EX HAV Surinder Singh S/O Tarsem Singh R/O Village Chahal P.O Baich Tehsil Dasuya Distt HoshiarpurPunjab. Pin 144204 Declare That My Army Record My wife Name and DOB is wrongly Publish Lakhbir Kaur and 15/9/1976. But Correct Name and DOB is Lakhveer Kaur and DOB 15/05/1966 Concerned Note.

I. No.15454228K SEP/SKT Ratan Singh In My Army Record My Brother Wrongly Written Dob. 14 March 1996, Correct 14 March 2002 Which Was Written In His All Certificates.

CHANGE OF NAME

मैं, Salma पत्नी नूर दीन निवासी VPO- Gahar, Tehsil- Ghumarwin, Distt. Bilaspur Himachal ने अपना नाम बदलकर Meena रख हुआ है। मेरी जन्मतिथि है।

I, Charanjit Singh S/o Late Sh. Gurdev Singh R/o H.No. 139, Hallomajra, Chandigarh have changed my name from Charanjit Singh to Jeet Singh.

I, Rankaur W/o Jaibhagwan Malik (Army No.JC489755X) R/o Vill-Lalheri Kala, Distt-Sonipat declare that in my husband army record my name mentions as Ranu Malik. But Rankaur and Ranu Malik both are my names.

I, Jyoti Arora W/o Rohit Arora, Indira Colony, Pathankot declare that in the school record of my Daughter Leesha Arora my name has been entered Sejal Arora instead of Jyoti Arora.

I, Gurmit Kaur W/o Kabir Singh R/o VPO Khilchian Tehsil Baba Bakala District Amritsar have changed my name to Gurmeet Kaur.

I, Kalvinder Kaur W/O Kashmir Singh R/O Vpo Barar Tehsil Ajnala Distt Amritsar ,Have Changed My Name To Kulwinder Kaur.

I, Gurbachan Singh S/o S. Mahinder Singh R/o Village Babbehali Distt Gurdaspur have changed my name from Gurbachan Singh to Gurbachan Singh Babbehali. Concenred note.

I, Marzeena D/o Shri Sewak R/o House No. 248, Milk Colony, Dhanas, Chandigarh have changed my name from Marzeena to Aayat.

I, Parveen Kumar S/o Chamela Ram R/o Village Bhukhri, PO Kharwan, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt. Yamunanagar have changed my son's name from Asheesh to Asheesh Kumar.

I, Anita Sutradhar Singh W/o Satyawir Singh # Vill- Rolad Latifpur, Sonipat my husband services record have changed my name from Anita Devi to Anita Sutradhar Singh for all future purposes.

I, Daljeet Singh S/O Jarnail Singh R/O Vpo. Nasroli, Tehsil Naraingarh Distt. Ambala I Have Changed My Name Daljit Singh.

I, hitherto known as Mohinder S/o Jarnail R/o Village Nahal PO Kot Badal Khan, Distt Jalandhar Punjab, have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Mohinder Singh.

I, Manjeet Kaur W/o Satnam Singh R/o Near Grain Market, Majri Mohalla, Shahabad Markanda, Distt. Kurukshetra, have changed my name's spelling to Manjit Kaur.

I, Sukhvinder Kaur W/o Paramjit Singh R/o H.No. 661/10, Lucky Colony, Shahabad Markanda, Distt. Kurukshetra, have changed my name's spelling to Sukhwinder Kaur.

I, Urvashi D/o Jai Parkash R/o Village Randoli, Tehsil Indri, Distt. Karnal declare that Uma Devi and Urvashi both names are mine and correct.

I, Sohan Lal S/o Sh. Jasmat Singh R/o Village Bhana, Tehsil Pundri, District Kaithal declare that in my passport my wife`s name is wrongly written as Suman Devi instead of Suman Rani. Correct name of my wife is Suman Rani. Note all concerns.

I, Yuganshu Mahajan S/o Rajesh Kumar R/o H.No. 165 Moh. Acharjian Pathankot declare that in my Aadhaar Card & other document my father name written as Rajesh Kumar but in my 10th and all education certificate my father name entered as Rajesh Mahajan however Rajesh Kumar & Rajesh Mahajan is the name of the same person.

I, Bharti Spouse of No. 15489468A, Rank LD Name Hatmode Sujit Kisan R/o Post Palaspe, The. Panvel, District Raigad, State Maharashtra, Pin 410221, hereby declare that have changed my name from Bharti to Bharti Sujit Hatmode for all future purposes.

I, Hatmode Sujit Kisan No. 15489468A, Rank LD Name Hatmode Sujit Kisan R/o Post Palaspe, The. Panvel, District Raigad, State Maharashtra, Pin 410221, hereby declare that have changed my son's name from Ansh to Ansh Sujit Hatmode for all future purposes.

I, Suresh Kumar Heer S/o Charan Dass Heer R/o Vill. Pangoli Tehsil / District Pathankot, I have changed my minor son name from Ashutosh to Ashutosh Heer.

I, Deepika Kaur W/o Anil Singh R/o 476/B-2 Shiv Colony Pinjore District Panchkula declared that I have changed my name Deepa to Deepika Kaur. Concened Note

I, Kulwinder Kaur W/o Rashpal Singh R/o H.No.342, A-Block Guru Amar Dass Avenue Gumtala Road District Amritsar have changed my name to Kuljinder Kaur.

I, Rubina Arora D/o Gurdeep Singh Arora W/o Aditya Suneja R/o 1st Floor 78, Basant Avenue Near Fastway Cable Office Amritsar have changed my name to Rubina Suneja.

I, Palwinder Kaur W/o Gurdev Singh R/o Raja Tal District Amritsar have changed my name to Palvinder Kaur.

I, Balwnder Kaur W/O Giyan Singh R/O Vill Dhattal Tam Taran have changed my name from Balwnder Kaur to Balwinder Kaur. All concerned please note.

I, Ashwani Bali S/O Roshan Lal R/O 49, Gali No.18, New Pawan Nagar, Batala Road Amritsar Have Changed My Name To Ashwani Kumar Bali.

I, Jyoti W/O Ashish Puri # 241, Ram Nagar, Ambala City. Declare That Please Correct My Name Jyoti Instead Of Jyoti Puri In My Passport (J8037433).

I, Shamsher Singh S/o Late Dalel Singh R/o V.P.O Kutail, Karnal declare that Shemser Singh & Shamsher Singh Both are one & Same Person.

I, Poonam Laroiya W/o Karan Laroiya R/o H.N.228, Sec-13 Extn. Urban Estate, Karnal have changed my name Poonam Laroiya to Poonam.

I, Kanika Arora and Kanika D/o Harbans Lal R/o L-13/1138 Kot Baba Deep Singh Gali No.4, Amritsar have Certified that above both name's are mine one and same person.

I, Bunty and Harbans Lal S/o Krishan Lal R/o L-13/1138 Kot Baba Deep Singh Gali No.4, Amritsar have certified that above both name's are mine one and same person.

I, Lotika Sharma W/o Vikrant Narang R/o 582, Rishi Nagar, Near Income Tax Colony, Model Town, Jalandhar, Punjab Have Changed My Name To Lotika Narang.

I, Vimla Rani W/o Late Madan Mohan Singh R/o 22, Shalimar Garden, Hoshiarpur Road, Rama Mandi, Jalandhar have changed my name to Vimaljeet. That Vimla Rani is my maiden name (Before Marriage).

I Navdeep Singh S/O Pargat Singh R/O Village Bugha Tehsil & District Tarn Taran Have Changed My Name Navdeep Singh To Navdeep Singh Sandhu.

I Prem Lata W/O Ashok Kumar R/O Vpo. Nasrala District Hoshiarpur Punjab Have Changed My Name To Prem Kumara.

I Seema D/O Bishamber Singh R/O House No.69 Street No.2 Shanti Nagar Ferozepur City Have Changed My Name To Seema Rajput.

I Kuljit Kaur W/O Santokh Singh R/O Village Gatta Badshah P.O. Makhu Distt. Ferozepur Have Changed My Name To Kuljeet Kaur.

I, No.2486508L Ex NK Jarnail Singh S/O Late Lakha Singh Resident Of Guru Teg Bahadur Nagar Gali MC Phoola Singh Wali Tarn Taran Tehsil & Distt. Tarn Taran (Pb) Declare That I Have Changed Of My Minor Son Name From Jagraj Singh To Jugraj Singh.

I Kirpal Kaur W/O Gulshan Singh (And D/O Gurdev Singh) R/O Vill. Phulewala Distt. Moga Have Changed My Name To Jaspal Kaur.

I Manjit Singh S/O Satnam Singh R/O Vpo. Daudhar Sharki (Moga) Have Changed My Name To Manjeet Singh.

I Parminder Singh S/O Sukhwinder Singh R/O Vpo. Kaunke Kalan Distt. Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Parminder Singh Sidhu.

I, Amarjit Singh Sangha S/O Sohan Singh R/O Vpo. Daroli Bhai, Distt. Moga Have Changed My Name To Amarjit Singh.

I Parveen And Parveen Kaur W/O Arvinder Singh R/O H.No.-41 Ward No.-24 Bahona Chownk Moga Distt. Moga Declare That Am Known By Both Names As Above.

I, 10362089W Ex-Hav Balwan Singh S/o Baldev Singh R/o Mannanagal, Rattangarh, T/D Pathankot. Have changed the name of my son from Rohit Manhas to Rohit Singh Manhas & his correct DOB is 05.07.1999, instead of 27.06.1999.

I, Narinder Kaur W/O Paramjit V&P.O, Ward No. 2 Lohian Khas Tehsil Shahkot Distt Jalandhar Have Change Of My Name From Narinder Kaur To Rajwinder Kaur.

I, Satwinder Singh Ails Satvinder Singh S/O Dipti Singh R/O Village Harike Kalan District Sri Muktsar Sahib Declare That I Am Known By Both Names As Above.

I, Bibi Alias Bibi Kaur Alias Gurnam Kaur W/O Gheela Singh Resident Of Bhalaiana Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib Declare That I Am Known By Both Names As Above.

I, Jagmohan Singh S/O Parmatma Singh R/O Sue Ander Vichkar, Ballamgarh, Sri Muktsar Sahib Have Changed My Name To Jagmohan Brar.

I, Rajpal Singh S/O Jagjeet Singh R/O Village Bhagsar, District Sri Muktsar Sahib Have Changed My Name To Rajpal Singh Brar.

I, Gurmail Singh S/O Paramjeet Singh R/O Village Rukan Shah Wala P/O Sher Khan Wala Distt Ferozepur Have Changed My Name To Gurmail Singh Bhullar.

I, Nachattar Singh S/O Mukhtiar Singh R/O Street No 3 Out Side Makhu Gate Ferozepur City Have Changed My Name To Nachhatar Singh.

I, Gian Kaur W/o Surinder Pal R/o Vpo. Shahpur Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) my given name is Gian and my surname is Kaur.

I, Satpal Singh Raju S/o Mukand Singh R/o Vpo. Hafizabad Chamkaur Sahib (Rupnagar) changed my name to Satpal Singh.

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The Jammu and Kashmir Bank Ltd
J&K Bank — PUBLIC NOTICE — MANSA

This is for the information of the general public that by **M/S Khiva Brick Klin Co. Prop: Sh. Suresh Kumar S/o Sh. Mager Mall,** Village Khiva Khurd, Bhiki, Mansa. have approached this bank for sanction of Cash Credit Limit against Equitable mortgage of property i.e. Shop measuring 11x35 sq.ft. bounded as North-35 feet Neetu, South-35 feet Naresh Kumar-satpal S/o Sh Prem nath, East-Road thoroughfare width of Shop 11 feet, West-11 feet Shivji Ram situated at near Old grain Market, Gurudwara Chowk mansa belongs to Smt. Renu Jindal W/o Sh Suresh Kumar R/o Shakti Nagar, Lalluana Road Mansa Punjab by Sale Deed No 2018-19/65/1/2804 Dated 01-02-2019 registered in the office of Sub-registrar Mansa. Public in general is hereby informed that any person/s, body/ies, institution/s having any objection to the mortgage of the above said property in favor of the Bank as mentioned herein above may contact the undersigned and file his/her/their objection within seven days from the date of publication of this notice failing which no objection shall be entertained in this regard and it shall be presumed that nobody has any objection to the mortgage of the said property to the Bank & the same is free from all previous encumbrances, charges, liens, and litigations.

The J&K Bank
Mansa

Dated: 21.10.2019 Tel.: 0165-2234050, 9915031580

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is for the information of General Public that the Environmental Clearance of our project namely M/s Chopra Alloys" located at Village-Alour Bhadla Road Tehsil Khanna District Ludhiana, Punjab has been granted by State Level Environment Impact Assessment Authority, Punjab vide their letter No. SEIAA/2019/772 dated 22-08-2019. Copy of the Environmental Clearance is available with Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala and may be seen there, if desired, on any working day.

By,
M/s Chopra Alloys
Village-Alour Bhadla Road
Tehsil-Khanna
District-Ludhiana, Punjab.

ORIENTAL BANK OF COMMERCE
(A GOVERNMENT OF INDIA UNDERTAKING)
BRANCH OFFICE : CIVIL ROAD, IC COLLEGE FOR WOMEN SONEPAT STAND, ROhtak
Ph.: 01262-245342, bm0543@obc.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

The undersigned being the authorised officer of the Oriental Bank of Commerce (A Government of India undertaking) under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (as amended upto date) and exercise of powers conferred under section 12(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 20.09.2018 calling upon the Borrower **Suman W/o Rajesh** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 319482/- (rupees Three Lac Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred Eight two Only)** along with future with w.e.f 30/09/2019 & charges within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower being failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 9 of the said rule on 19th day of October 2019.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **ORIENTAL BANK OF COMMERCE** Branch Office : Civil Road, Sonepat Stand, Rohtak for an amount **Rs. 319482/- (rupees Three Lac Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred Eight two Only)** along with future Interest w.e.f. 01/10/2019 & charges.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrowers	Name of Owner of property	Details of Mortgaged Properties	Date of Demand Notice	Recoverable dues as per demand Possession Notice
1.	Suman W/o Rajesh	Suman W/o Rajesh	EQM of Property measuring 70 Sq.yds. situated at Beraq No.3, Ward no. 4, MC No. 562/27, Gandhi Nagar (Camp Area) Circular Road, Rohtak East : 35 Road Share AAM, West : 35 Kothi SH. Ashok KumarNorth : 18 Street Share AAM South : 18 Kothi Sh. Ashok Kumar	20.09.2018	Rs. 319482/- (rupees Three Lac Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred Eight two Only) As On 01.10.2019

This notice is without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Bank.

Date : 22.10.2019

Authorized Officer
Oriental Bank of Commerce, Rohtak

Public Notice

Public is informed that Pooja W/o Dungarmal has lost her Previous original Sale deed dated 12.01.07 no. 9061 in favour of Suresh Yadav S/o Raja Ram Yadav and sale deed dated 17.05.05 no.1659 in favour of Sunil Kumar S/o Chander Bhan regarding the property Plot no.15 min Middle in Khewat no. 369 Khata no.289 Rectt and Killa no.37/23/2 Mouja Sunari Kalan in Sheetal Nagar, Rohtak. New Vijay Nagar, Rohtak, Measuring 51.50sq yards. If any person has found/Information/Possession / Knowledge for above said missing documents then Submit/ Intimate within 07 days to Pankaj Sharma, Advocate, Chamber 392, and Distt. Courts Rohtak Ph. No. 98965-53019. There after any kind of claim will not be accepted.

Pankaj Sharma, Advocate

Notice

I Manjit Singh S/o Harbans Lal, R/o H.No. MIG independent 2007, Sector-70, Mohali, have changed my son's name Gomsi Juneja to Avi Juneja in my Red Card No.88, if anybody have any objection submit objection with in 21 days of this notice to R.R.A. Branch, Room No. 363, Second Floor, D.C. Office Mohali.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Rajbir Singh S/o Sh. Punna Ram R/o VPO Amupur, Tehsil Nissing, Distt. Karnal declare that My Wife D.O.B. is 20.03.1990. My Army Record Mentioned is 04.02.1988 Wrongly. Please Correct My Wife D.O.B. in My Army Record 20.03.1990.

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਰਾਕੇਸ਼ ਗਰਗ ਸਬ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ (ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ) ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ।

ਵਿਸ਼ਾ:- ਵਸੀਅਤ ਖਾਨਗੀ ਮਿਤੀ 26-06-2019 ਵੱਲੋਂ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸੁਮਨ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਮੀਰ ਚੰਦ ਬਾਂਸਲ ਵਾਸੀ ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਬਠਿੰਡਾ।

ਨੋਟਿਸ ਬਨਾਮ : ਜਨਰਲ ਪਬਲਿਕ

ਸ੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਸ਼ਸ਼ੀ ਬਾਂਸਲ ਪਤਨੀ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸੁਮਨ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਬਾਂਸਲ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਅਮੀਰ ਚੰਦ ਵਾਸੀ ਸਿਨਮਾ ਰੋਡ, ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ ਬਠਿੰਡਾ ਨੇ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਤੀ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸੁਮਨ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਮੀਰ ਚੰਦ ਬਾਂਸਲ ਵਾਸੀ ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਬਠਿੰਡਾ ਦੀ ਮੌਤ ਮਿਤੀ 16-07-2019 ਨੂੰ ਹੋ ਚੁੱਕੀ ਹੈ। ਉਸ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਲਿਖਵਾਈ ਗਈ ਖਾਨਗੀ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਮਿਤੀ 26-06-2019 ਅਧੀਨ ਧਾਰਾ 41 ਭਾਰਤੀ ਰਜਿਸਟਰੇਸ਼ਨ ਐਕਟ ਬਹੱਕ ਸ਼ਸ਼ੀ ਬਾਂਸਲ ਪਤਨੀ ਸੁਮਨ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਮੀਰ ਚੰਦ ਬਾਂਸਲ ਵਾਸੀ ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਬਠਿੰਡਾ ਦੇ ਹੱਕ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਆਮ ਤੇ ਖਾਸ ਵਿਅਕਤੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜੇਕਰ ਕਿਸੇ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਕਰਨ ਵਿੱਚ ਕੋਈ ਇਤਰਾਜ਼ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਇਸ ਇਸ਼ਤਿਹਾਰ ਦੇ ਜਾਰੀ ਹੋਣ ਦੀ ਮਿਤੀ ਤੋਂ 15 ਦਿਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ-ਅੰਦਰ ਅਸਾਲਤਨ ਜਾਂ ਵਕਾਲਤਨ ਹਾਜਰ ਹੋਕਰ ਉਜਰ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕਰ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ। ਬਾਅਦ ਗੁਜਰਨੇ ਮਿਆਦ ਇਹ ਵਸੀਅਤ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ। ਇਹ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਅੱਜ ਮਿਤੀ 04-10-2019 ਰਾਹੀਂ ਮੇਰੇ ਦਸਤਖਤ ਅਤੇ ਮੋਹਰ ਅਦਾਲਤ ਨਾਲ ਜਾਰੀ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ।

ਸਹੀ/- ਸਬ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਾਰ (ਤਹਿਸੀਲਦਾਰ) ਰਾਮਪੁਰਾ ਫੂਲ।

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform general public that AU Small Finance Bank Ltd. Branch office at SSN Tower 23-24, Ambala Chandigarh Highway is advance a loan INR Rs 11.50 Lacs vide RLOS No.579278 to Palwinder Singh S/o Maluk Singh R/o Saini Basti Patti Gadar Kaithal. Palwinder Singh S/o Maluk Singh is owner of the land area measuring 156 Sq yds i.e. 5/234 share of 11K-15M out of Khewat no.225, Khatoni No. 329, Khasra No. 8//24/3/2, 17//4/1/1,4/2/1,7/2,Kitte 4 situated at Patti Gadar Defense Colony Kaithal, Sub Tehsil Kaithal, Tehsil and Distt. Kaithal which is bounded as follow East:-Street 12', West:-Street 15', North:-Plot no.20, South:- Plot no.22 as per Sale deed Vasika No. 2899/1 Dated 07.08.2007 executed by Sukhwinder Singh S/o Shyam Singh in favour of Palwinder Singh S/o Maluk Singh. Sukhwinder Singh S/o Shyam Singh has purchase the above said land vide sale deed Vasika no.3921 dated 12.01.1998 from Mahavir Parshad S/o Bal Krishan. The AU small Finance Bank Ltd required the original previous sale deed Vasika no.3921 dated 12.01.1998 and sale deed Vasika no.2899 dated 07.08.2007 for creating equitable mortgage. but Sukhwinder Singh S/o Shyam Singh lost the previous original sale deed Vasika no.3921 dated 12.01.1998 in this regard lodged DDR no.132280081901685 dated 10.09.2019 at Civil Line Kaithal. As per declaration furnished by the present owner of the said property is unencumbered and no mortgage has been created over the said property in favour of any other Bank or any financial Institution. The said property has never been sold or transferred to any person and the same is not a subject matter of any dispute in court of law. All person/s having any claim against or in respect the said property more particularly described in the schedule hereunder or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, mortgage (equitable/registered). Gift, trust, inheritance, family arrangement, maintenance, bequest, partnership, possession, lease, sublease, tenancy, license, lien , charge, pledge, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby requested to notify the same in writing to me with supporting documentary evidence at the address mentioned herein below within 7 days from the date publication, failing which the claim, if any of such person will be considered to have waived and my client shall proceed with the disbursement of loan and creation of mortgage in respect thereof. If any person have gribants contact below.

Chamber No.377, 2nd Floor
District Courts, Patiala
Mb.98140-67300

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client has agreed to purchase Industrial Plot/Shed No.476, Industrial Area, Phase-1, Urban Estate, Panchkula, measuring 220 Sq.Meters from Sh.Ram Chander and Sh.Laxman Dass sons of Bimal Kumar, residents of House No.1939, Sector-21, Panchkula (Sellers). As per the sellers, the said property is free from all sorts of encumbrances i.e. Sale, Gift, Mortgage, Will, Claim, Demand, Charges & Litigation etc. If anybody has any claim or right over the said property or any litigation is pending qua the said property then the objections can be raised by anyone within a period of 15 days from the date of publication of this notice, otherwise, it will be presumed that property is free from all sorts of encumbrances.

Surinder Garg (Advocate)
Bar Room No-14,
(Punjab & Haryana High Court)
New Bar Complex, Chandigarh
Mob:-098140-98568

Public Notice

It is informed that house No. 149 MIG old Housing Board Colony ,Bhiwani was allotted to Sh. Ram Kumar S/o Sh Jai Narayan Sharma R/o V.P.O Dhareru, Teh & Distt Bhiwani vide this office Letter No.596 Dt-31-8-78 Sh.Ram Kumar has been expired on 12-1-2003 Sh.Ved Parkash Sharma & Surender Kumar Sharma of the deceased has submitted transfer documents and no objection affidavit of other legal heirs of for transfer of said House in his/her favour. if any person regarding this transfer of house in favour of Sh.Ved Parkash Sharma & Surender Kumar Sharma of Late Sh Ram Kumar Sharma any person has any objection/claim regarding this transfer he/she should file objection/claim in writing in person to this office within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice.if no objection is received within this stipulated period it will be presumed that there is no objection/claim regarding this transfer and furhter action for transfer of house will be taken by this office.

Estate manager
Housing Board Haryana.Bhiwani

India has never been offensive: Rajnath on Pak Min remark

PNS\PTI ■ NEW DELHI\ISLAMABAD

India on Tuesday did not fall into Pakistan's trap despite its provocation by firing at civilian inhabitations in Poonch and Rajouri even as Islamabad was facilitating a guided tour of envoys and mediapersons to some areas of Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (POK) across the Line of Control (LoC). Ironically, it was Islamabad itself which had requested New Delhi to hold fire in view of the envoys' visit.

The Indian Army showed extreme restraint by not retaliating forcefully and playing into the hands of Pakistan that wanted to portray India as the aggressor.

At least, two civilians were injured in mortar shelling by the Pakistan Army in Balakote area of Rajouri on Monday morning. The local authorities also rushed children attending schools in the border area to safety.

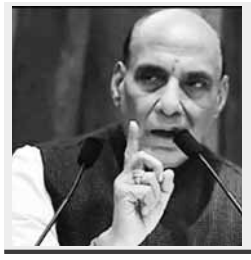
In this backdrop of tension between the two countries, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, while responding to questions on Pakistan Railways Minister Sheikh Rasheed Ahmed threat to use nuclear weapons after terror camps were destroyed in POK areas opposite Tangdhar on Sunday, said India has never been offensive. "We have never invaded anyone nor has India annexed an inch of territory from anyone." However, he added that Indian armed forces are fully capable of giving a befitting reply to any evil designs against the country.

Giving details of the sequence of events regarding latest ceasefire violations by Pakistan, officials said here, Pakistan through established channels on Monday requested India to refrain from firing as diplomatic community and journalists were to be conducted to a guided tour.

The visit was planned to show the international community about India's claims of destroying some terror launch pads in punitive strikes on Sunday in Tangdhar in North Kashmir.

Army chief General Bipin Rawat said on Sunday six to ten Pakistan Army personnel were killed and three terror camps destroyed in a retaliatory action by the Indian Army opposite the Tangdhar and Keran sectors in Jammu & Kashmir. He also said another terror camp was severely damaged in the action by the Indian forces and the retaliation had caused substantial harm to the terror infrastructure across the LoC.

Nearly 22 diplomats besides scores of journalists and social media professionals were to be taken to the area, officials said. However, Pakistan went back on its word on ceasefire violations and targeted civilian hamlets leaving several school children stranded.



'INDIAN ARMED FORCES ARE FULLY CAPABLE OF GIVING A BEFITTING REPLY TO ANY EVIL DESIGNS AGAINST THE COUNTRY'

Officials said the action from across the border was obviously to incite India to retaliate and show New Delhi in poor light.

Meanwhile, Pakistan on Tuesday said Indian officials did not join a handful of foreign diplomats visiting the sectors along the LOC, where the Indian Army destroyed three terror camps.

Pakistan Foreign Office spokesman Mohammad Faisal said diplomats from various foreign mission in Islamabad were visiting Jura and Shahkot sectors opposite Tangdhar where the terror camps were flattened by the Indian artillery fire.

It was in retaliation to killing of two Indian soldiers and a civilian on Sunday when the Pakistan Army tried to push in militants by giving them covering fire. "The Indian side has not joined us in the visit to the LoC neither have they provided coordinates of the alleged 'launch pads'," Faisal tweeted.

He said "claims by Indian Army chief remain just that: 'claims'." Faisal is also accompanying the diplomatic corps to the LoC. The numbers and nationalities of the foreign diplomats visiting the LoC was not shared.

Pakistan military on Sunday said India is welcome to take any foreign diplomat or media to the site of alleged terror camps to "prove" its claim on the ground. Director General (DG) army's media wing Major General Asif Ghafoor said, "What good Indian High Commission is which can't stand with its Army Chief? Indian High Commission staff didn't have the moral courage to accompany fellow diplomats in Pakistan to the LOC," he said.

7th pay commission benefits for J&K, Ladakh Govt employees from Oct 31

New Delhi: In the run up to the creation of Union Territories on October 31, the Centre on Tuesday implemented the 7th Pay Commission to the Government employees of Jammu & Kashmir, and Ladakh.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah has approved the proposal of payment of all 7th CPC allowances to the Government employees of Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh, which shall come into existence from October 31, an official statement said.

The move will benefit 4.5 Lakh Government employees who are working in the existing State of Jammu & Kashmir and will become the employees of UT of Jammu & Kashmir and UT of Ladakh from October 31, it said.

The annual financial implication of 7th CPC allowances like children education allowance, hostel allowance, transport allowance, LTC, fixed medical allowance, etc. In respect of 4.5 lakh Government employees of existing State of Jammu & Kashmir will be around ₹4,800 crore.

Of the total ₹4,800 crore, a modest ₹607 crore will be for children education allowance, ₹1,823 crore for hostel allowance, ₹1,200 crore for transport allowance, ₹1,000 crore for leave travel concession (LTC), ₹108 crore for fixed medical Allowance and ₹62 crore for other allowances. ***PNS***

CONG NATIONWIDE STIR AGAINST MODI GOVT

Protest not cancelled but postponed: Party spokesperson

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

With the exit polls predicting yet another poll debacle, tongues are wagging within the Congress circles as to why the scheduled countrywide 10-day mass protest this month against the Modi Government on economic issues did not take off.

The party had officially announced a month ago to undertake a massive protest between October 15 and 25 at all levels which was to have the participation of party chief Sonia Gandhi, her predecessor Rahul Gandhi, former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh and top party leaders.

AICC insiders pointed to the possibility of the protest being 'sabotaged' by a section of leaders midway during the poll campaign for Assembly elections in Haryana and Maharashtra. Sources also said that Sonia and party general secretary Priyanka Gandhi were kept off the campaign in both the States presuming the party's poor performance in both the States where the ruling BJP is slated to retain power.

When asked about what happened to the 10-day protest, a spokesman of the grand old party requesting not to be named said it has not been cancelled but postponed and will be taken up after the festive season is over in northern India. "Priyankaji is already working towards leading from the front in Uttar Pradesh and the new schedules would be announced very soon," said the spokesman.

However sources in the party said that a section of party leaders discouraged the high command to go ahead with the planned protest conveying that the time was not appropriate as the nationwide protest could divert the gains of total from Assembly campaigns in Haryana and Maharashtra.

Congress had announced to hold the massive agitations across the country from October 15 to October 25 against the Government's policies that have allegedly led to an "economic slowdown". The decision was taken at a meeting chaired by Sonia Gandhi at the AICC headquarters on September 12. The meeting was also attended by Manmohan Singh, AICC general secretaries and in-charges of various states and Congress Legislative Party leaders, among others.

Naidu for detailed Legislative Impact Assessment for informed law making

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu on Tuesday advocated detailed Legislative Impact Assessment (LIA) bringing out social, economic, environmental and institutional impacts of legislative proposals for informed law making in the country. Naidu, in his capacity as Chairman of Rajya Sabha said that it would be useful to indicate such impact assessment in the legislative proposals for wider dissemination among all the stakeholders.

Naidu elaborated on the need for such impact assessment while referring to legislative process in the country during his address to 151 officials who have recently joined the Rajya Sabha Secretariat. It is for the first time that Rajya Sabha Chairman has interacted with new recruits on joining the Secretariat. Desh Deepak Verma, Rajya Sabha Secretary General, was present on the occasion.

Naidu said that inter-ministerial consultations are held before the Cabinet considers and approves legislative proposals but the scope for undertaking and indicating the impact of such proposals is limited in the present context. "Informed legislation will help in realising the stated objects of various laws and this requires a detailed impact assessment of legislation at the stages of both pre-legislation and post-legislation. An account of pre-legislative impact assessment could be included either in the Bill or as an Annexure to the Bill," said the RS chairman.

Referring to Legislative Impact Assessment being undertaken by some OECD countries to good effect, Naidu said; "As the largest and vibrant democracy of the world, it is time that we do take a serious look at such impact assessment for ensuring more informed legislation. I am, hence, making this proposal for wider discussion and consideration by all the stakeholders."

During his interaction, Naidu suggested that the new recruits should take pride in the job as a source of motivation, pursue extensive study of the socio-political processes of the country and the issues being addressed by Parliament from time to time, acquire deep knowledge of the Constitution, understand Rules of Business of the House, be innovative and creative to make work more rewarding, move out of silos and to be aligned with the larger vision and objectives of the organisation and treat workplace as home.

Centre relaxes gift policy for employees, hikes monetary limits

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Central Government has increased the monetary limits for accepting gifts for all its employees, relaxing the ceiling by more than three-fold, officials said on Tuesday.

All officials under Groups 'A' and 'B' categories shall not accept any gift without the sanction of the Government if the value exceeds ₹5,000, they said, citing recently amended rules. The limit to accept gifts for these groups of employees was ₹1,500 earlier.

Similarly, Group 'C' employees will be able to accept gifts up to ₹2,000 instead of ₹500 without taking Government approval.

Government employees under Group 'A' are senior officials. Government employees under Group 'B' could either be gazetted or non-gazetted officials. Most clerical posts and multi-tasking staff fall under Group 'C'.

Officials said the ceiling limits were revised to bring them on par with those for the three all India services — Indian Administrative Service, Indian Police Service and Indian Forest Service.

Gifts include free transport, boarding, lodging or other pecuniary advantage when provided by any person other than a near relative or personal friend having no official dealings with the Government servant. A casual meal, lift or other social hospitality is not considered a gift, according to existing rules.

INSHORT

NIRVANI AKHARA TO FILE WRITTEN NOTE IN SC

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Tuesday allowed 'Nirvani Akhara', one of the Hindu parties in the decades-old case of Ram Janmbhoomi-Babri Masjid land dispute in Ayodhya, to file a written note seeking the "right to manage worship of the deity" as 'shebait' (devotee) at the site.

GOVT SHOULD PAY 'JAZIA TAX': CONG

New Delhi: Labelling the USD 20 service fee proposed by Pakistan for each Kartarpur pilgrim as "jazia tax", Congress leader Manish Tewari said on Tuesday that the BJP Government should bear the cost as a Sikh devotee paying for the visit to the gurudwara goes against the grain of "khule darshan" (open darshan).

Karnataka Congress MP KC Ramamurthy joins Bharatiya Janata Party in the presence of party working president JP Nadda, at BJP headquarters in New Delhi on Tuesday PTI

Health Min: Govt will soon achieve goal of Universal Immunization

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Government will soon achieve its goal of Universal Immunization of children, Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan said on Tuesday as he noted that at present, up to 90 per cent of children in India are being given free immunization. India's Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) is the largest in the world.

The Minister was briefing the media here in the run-up to the Government's celebration of the Pulse Polio Immunization Programme's Silver Jubilee, which will be held on the 31st of this month.

The Minister said that, in the early 90s, India saw over two lakh cases of polio annually, but, after the polio eradication programme was launched in 1994, India attained polio-free status over the course of the next two decade due to concentrated efforts and collaboration of the Government, international partners, civil society, health workers and millions of volunteers. The Minister further added that the best practices and the systems established by the Pulse Polio programme have benefitted other health programs, viz. the community mobilization, logistics management, reaching the last mile or setting up a surveillance system.

The learnings from Pulse Polio programme have helped implementation of other immunization programme i.e. the Mission Indradhanush (MI) and the Intensified Mission Indradhanush (IMI).

The Universal Immunization (UIP) basket of vaccines has expanded to cover 12 Vaccine Preventable Diseases (VPDs) from the earlier 7. Since 2014, five new vaccines have been introduced in UIP, which includes Rotavirus vaccine, Japanese encephalitis vaccine for adults, Inactivated Poliovirus Vaccine (IPV); Measles Rubella vaccine (MR) and, Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) in a phased manner.

As of today, "Mission Indradhanush and related drives have successfully reached out to and vaccinated 3.39 crore children and 87.2 Lakh pregnant women in India."

SC to hear pending cases on linking Aadhaar with social media

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Tuesday transferred to itself all cases related to the linkage of social media profiles with Aadhaar pending in different high courts and also asked the Centre to submit its report in January to check social media misuse.

A bench of justices Deepak Gupta and Aniruddha Bose, while allowing the transfer petition of Facebook, asked the registry to place all connected matters before the chief justice of India for listing before an appropriate bench in last week of January 2020.

The top court also asked the Centre to submit its report in January on the notification of rules by which social media misuse can be checked and liability could be fastened on intermediaries to decrypt messages.

The bench's order came after Attorney General K K Venugopal, appearing for Tamil Nadu, dropped his opposition to Facebook's plea seeking transfer of all cases pending in different high courts to the apex court.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the Centre, clarified that its is not a ploy to breach the privacy of individuals but it is an attempt to protect national security and sovereignty.

The attorney general then intervened and said a terrorist cannot claim his right to privacy. Mehta also rubbished the claim of some petitioners, who alleged that the draft rule under consideration of the Government, which would enable authorities to fasten liability on intermediaries to trace the originator of a particular message or a content, is Government's ploy to "trample individual's privacy".

On Monday, the Centre had told the court that internet has emerged as a potent tool to cause "unimaginable disruption" to democratic polity, and sought three more months for finalising and notifying the rules that would regulate the functioning of social media intermediaries in the country.

The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) had told the top court that though technology had led to economic growth and societal development, there was also an exponential rise in hate speech, fake news and anti-national activities.

The court had taken the affidavit on record after counsel representing the Centre said the government had sought three months' time for finalisation of the Information Technology Intermediaries Guidelines (Amendment) Rules, 2018.

Need to increase agri share in GDP to 50%: Agri Min

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Tuesday said there is a need to increase the share of farm sector in the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to 50 per cent from the current 14 per cent and stressed on balanced use of fertilisers to protect soil health as well as boost crop yields. Tomar also urged farmers not to burn crop residues as it affects solid health and leads to air pollution. He asked them to take advantage of various Government programmes to deal with stubble burning.

Addressing a conference for awareness of fertiliser application among farmers, Tomar said the share of agriculture in the country's GDP is currently 14 per cent, but this is not enough. "Can we increase this to 50 per cent of our GDP?" he added.

Tomar said the productivity and production of all kharif (summer-sown) and rabi (winter-sown) can be enhanced substantially through proper use of fertilisers in right quantity and as per the soil conditions. The balanced use of fertilisers would also boost farmers' income, he added.

"We have also been focusing on soil health and already distributed 8 crore soil heath cards to farmers," he said.

The Minister told farmers that excessive use of fertilisers would destroy agriculture fields. He also spoke about the need for more usage of micronutrients to improve soil health.

Tomar highlighted that the Centre has fixed the minimum support price (MSP) of crops at least 1.5 times of production cost and is also providing ₹6,000 per year to around 14 crore farmers under the PM-Kisan schem . He said about 8 crore farmers have already got benefit under the ₹87,000 crore PM-Kisan scheme.

ASCI orders removal of 299 misleading ads

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

The promos of web series 'Chernobyl' and Sanjay Leela Bhansali's movie 'Malaal' on print, electronic and social media were found misleading and violating the advertisement norms. Similarly, an advertisement featuring actress Deepika Padukone and Ranvir Singh promoting a product was found misleading.

The advertisement claims "100 Days Diabetes Healer" by Rathira Ayurveda and Kokilaben Dhirubhai Ambani Hospital and Medical Research Institute advertisement claiming to overcome Parkinson was not substantiated with proof. Taking note of these false and misleading advts, the Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI), a regulatory body, has issued directions for removal of content of 299 advts from print, television, Twitter and YouTube.

According to the ASCI findings, the promo of 'Chernobyl' showing a bloodied hand and a patient with the bloodied face related to nuclear energy during the live streaming of cricket was found violating the advertisement norms. Similarly, promo of the "Malaal' movie features the rider (male) and the pillion rider (female) on a two wheeler without helmets violating the traffic rules, shows dangerous practices, and manifests a disregard for safety.

The regulatory body also found the YouTube Channel video introduces the advertisement communication as "Wondering why you're so tired all the time? Watch how to take the #RiseUpChallenge by Horlicks Protein +".

"The video refers to complaints of "chronic tiredness" by participants of the Rise Up challenge, which is not necessarily linked to muscle strength alone. Such tiredness could be due to other health conditions such as loss of muscle mass, de-conditioning, nutritional deficiencies, oxygen delivery and anaemia. "Rise Up challenge" is to check ability to move which is linked to many factors mentioned above as well as neurological normalcy, balancing apparatus in the brain etc. Muscle strength is one of the outcome factors of the Rise Up challenge; connecting this as a direct "screening test" for "chronic tiredness" by the advertiser was considered to be incorrect," the ASCI said in its ruling.

In TV and YouTube advertisement of LIoyd AC, the advertisement featuring actress Deepika Padukone and actor Ranvir Singh claims "18 degree Celsius in 45 seconds" was found misleading.

The television advertisement's claim, "Jab Challenge Ban Jaaye Tagda, toh Mamuli Nahi Tagda Energy Drink, Rasna Insta Ener-G", "Ye de real tagadi Energy, kyunki dusro ke mukable sirf Rasna Insta mei hai Real Fruit Powder, 21 Vitamin, Minerals our Glucose ki tagadi shakti" were not substantiated. The pack visual indicated that the advertised product has 90 gm of sugar per 100 gm and has only 0.5 gm Glucose, an ingredient known to provide "instant energy".

The advertisement creates an impression that Rasna Insta EnerG gives more instant energy than glucose powder or Instant drink as the Boy Cadet rejects these products but gets instantly energised and keeps running for more than 19 rounds after consumption of the advertised product. The claim of instant energy was not substantiated with composition / FSSAI licence / pack artwork or samples, nor evidence of the ingredients present for the real fruit powder claim; also no comparison to show superiority over other generic glucose products was provided.

Bansal Classes Pvt Ltd print advertisement's claim, "The Leader" was not substantiated with verifiable comparative data of the advertiser's classes and other similar classes, to prove that they are superior than all the rest in providing coaching for the courses claimed, or through an independent third- party validation.

Low pressure areas form over Bay of Bengal: IMD

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Due to formation of low pressure areas over South West and Bay of Bengal and strengthening of northeast monsoon further, the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) predicts fairly widespread rainfall over the next four to five days in many parts of South India. The IMD also withdrawn the 'red alert' issued on Monday for seven of 14 districts of Kerala.

According to the IMD, the low pressure area over southwest and adjoining west central Bay of Bengal would intensify in the next 24 hours and move north-northwestwards. This is even as a persisting low-pressure area over the East-Central Arabian Sea awaits further traction to intensify a round to become 'well-marked', before further strengthening as a monsoon depression by Wednesday.

The IMD has persisted with an outlook for the system to North-North-East over East-Central Arabian Sea (towards the Konkan-Mumbai coast) till Thursday, and then re-curve West-North-West (towards Oman-Yemen) with gradual intensification. Unlike the four-month southwest monsoon which accounts for over 75% of India's annual rainfall, showers during the northeast monsoon season is limited to southern peninsula. It provides rainfall to Tamil Nadu, coastal Andhra Pradesh, Rayalseema, Kerala and south-interior Karnataka during October to December.

IN ASSAM

No Govt jobs for those with more than 2 kids from 2021

PTI ■ GUWAHATI

The Assam Cabinet on Monday decided that no Government jobs will be given to persons having more than two children after January 1, 2021.

The important decision was taken at a Cabinet meeting held late Monday evening that also adopted a New Land Policy, which will give three bighas of agricultural land to landless indegenous people and half a bigha for constructing a house.

A communique from the Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal's public relations cell stated that those having more than two children will not be considered for Government jobs with effect from January 1, 2021 as per the small family norm.

In September 2017, the Assam Assembly had passed the 'Population and Women Empowerment Policy of Assam' that specified that job candidates with two children only would be eligible for government employment and the existing government staff were to strictly follow the two children family norm.

"New Land Policy was adopted. Three bighas of land will be given to landless indigenous people. Landless people will be offered half a bigha to construct their houses. These cannot be sold for 15 years," the CMO statement said.

The Cabinet meeting also decided to increase the bus fares in the State by 25 per cent, it added.

Religious fanatics running schools to brainwash youth: Mamata Banerjee

Siliguri: West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Tuesday said religious fanatics have set up schools in the northern part of the State to "brainwash" younger generations.

Without naming anyone, she said this was a part of an attempt to spark communal violence in the region.

Speaking at an administrative review meeting of Cooch Behar, Alipurduar and Jalpaiguri districts in Uttarkanya (branch secretariat) here, Banerjee said, "A radical religious outfit has set up several schools in these three districts of north Bengal to be able to take control of our State.

"The money (to run such institutions) is coming from outside. The teachers in these schools get a monthly salary of ₹ 20,000 to brainwash the students."

Those threatening to implement Citizenship (Amendment) Bill and National Register of Citizens (NRC) are conspiring to fuel trouble in the State, she stated.

"These are the people who are striking off names (from citizenship list). They are pitting one section against another by threatening to bring NRC and Citizenship bill. This is a part of an attempt to spark communal violence," the Chief Minister maintained. *PTI*

Fall in polling in TN casts shadow over contenders

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ CHENNAI

The five per cent fall in the number of voters who cast their votes in the Nanguneri by-election has cast a shadow on the confidence of both the leading contenders, Ruby Manoharan (Congress) and V Narayanan (AIADMK).

According to Tamil Nadu Election Commission, Nanguneri recorded 66.35 per cent polling on Monday while the constituency had seen 71.35 per cent polling in the 2016 assembly election.

Adding to the woes of the Congress (which is supported by the Congress) and the AIADMK , thousands and thousands of Devendra Kula Vellalars stayed away from the polling station to drive home the significance of their demand to delisting them from the Scheduled Caste and elevation as OBC. *The Pioneer* had reported about the unique and rare demand raised by the leader of Puthiya Tamilagam Party, Dr K Krishnasamy that the State and Centre Governments for integrating seven sub-sects as Devendra Kula Vellalars and removing them from the ambit of the provisions of the Scheduled Caste.

"It was an aberration of history and that has to be corrected. We were not Scheduled Caste people but a class of land owning farming community which specialized in wet-land farming," Dr Krishnasami has told this newspaper.Voters belonging to the Devendra Kula Vellar in Nanguneri constituency boycotted Monday's by-poll and hoisted black flags atop their residences and all public places in the villages. The decision of the DKV community to stay away from the polling would affect the prospects of the AIADMK because the Puthiya Tamilakam is a constituent of the NDA in Tamil Nadu.

Dr Krishnasamy refused to say anything about the poll prospects of the AIADMK in the backdrop of the DKV's decision to boycott the poll. Southern Tamil Nadu has a considerable population of the Devendra Kula Vellalars and they are capable of tilting the balance in many constituencies in the region, said Krishna Pillai, an activist of the AIADMK from Kanyakumari.

Darjeeling BJP MP's car attacked in Kalimpong

Darjeeling: The BJP MP of Darjeeling Raju Bista was on Tuesday shown black flag and his car was attacked in West Bengal's Kalimpong district by alleged activists of TMC and Binay Tamang faction of the GJM.

The GJM faction of Tamang and the TMC have denied the charges as baseless and politically motivated.A police contingent arrived at the spot and dispersed the mob.

The incident took place at a time when West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee is on a tour of north Bengal. She is scheduled to arrive in Kalimpong after her administrative meeting in Siliguri.

According to sources, the incident took place on Tuesday afternoon when Bista along with his personal security officer (PSO) and two other officials was on his way to Kalimpong.

"When I arrived at Sinji area of Kalimpong to inaugurate a primary school, hundreds OF supporters of Binay Tamang surrounded my car and raised slogans against against me and the BJP Government. They waved black flags and banged on my car. Then all of a sudden they started pelting stones on it. When I tried to pacify them they threw stones at my PSO," Bista told PTI over phone.

A huge police contingent rushed to the spot and controlled the situation. It started investigation into it.

Reacting to the allegations, Suraj, a senior GJM leader of the Tamang faction, said none of its activists were involved in the incident. *PTI*

No one can touch reservation till Modi Govt is at the Centre: Sushil

Patna: Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Sushil Kumar Modi on Tuesday alleged that a false propaganda is being spread that reservation will be abolished by the BJP and emphatically said the job quota cannot be touched by anybody till Narendra Modi Government is in power.

Addressing a State-level Ravidas conference here, he said the BJP is in favour of reservation in promotion and against introducing creamy layer provision for the SC and ST categories.

The senior Bihar BJP leader said Modi Government has strengthened provisions of the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, 1989 through an amendment bill which was passed by Parliament.

"The Modi Government added 23 new sections in the Act through an amendment bill passed by Parliament. The Government restored the original provisions (that no acticipatory bail be granted to the accused) in the Act which was diluted by the Supreme Court," he said.Later, the apex court also held the amendment act legally valid, he added.

Notably, the amendment bill was passed by both the Houses of Parliament in August 2018.The central Government also increased 25 per cent compensation amount for dalits who are victim of atrocities, he said.

"No one can even touch the provisions of reservation till Narendra Modi Government is there at the centre," he said. *PTI*

No Ramrajya in UP, BJP Govt taken lessons from Ravan: Akhilesh

PTI ■ LUCKNOW

Trashing the BJP claim of good Governance in Uttar Pradesh, Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav on Tuesday said calling the State "Ramrajya" was unfair to Lord Ram."Ram ko dhoka hai" (It's cheating Ram)," Yadav said while accusing the Bharatiya Janata Party in the State of having taken lessons from "Kalyugi Ravan", the demon king.

Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has claimed in the past that the State is moving towards the ideal of "Ramrajya".

"They say there is Ramrajya in the State. Yeh Ram ko dhoka hai. It seems they have learnt from Ravan and that is why they are working as Kalyugi Ravan," Akhilesh Yadav said in an interview to PTI.

He claimed Adityanath has failed on all fronts and development taken a backseat.

"I can't call him Yogi as his behaviour is against what Lord Krishna has preached in the Gita," Yadav said.

"Had there been an institution where a complaint can be registered for using the term 'yogi', I would have been the first one to do so as he cannot provide justice to the people."

Citing an alleged fake encounter in which a Jhansi man Pushpendra Yadav was shot dead by police, Yadav said, "Anyone can be killed in this regime. There is no law and order. The police are killing the innocent and the Government, instead of punishing them, is shielding criminals."

Incidents of crime, particularly rape and murder, have increased, he alleged.

"The BJP is ruling by creating terror. Those who raise their voice against misdeeds are silenced. Corruption has increased manifold and there is no development work going on the ground due to which all sections of society are aggrieved," he said.

He referred to the recent murder in Lucknow of the leader of a little-known Hindtuva outfit.

"The CM has met the family members of slain Kamlesh Tiwari. What did they get? The mother is not satisfied with the probe. Hope the CM listens to what she is saying," he said.

About the SP preparations to counter the BJP in the 2022 Assembly polls, Yadav said, "Our party is all geared up and has emerged as the only hope of the people, who are realising their mistake of choosing the BJP."

"We talk of development and our cadre will move ahead with this agenda," he added.

He ruled out an alliance with the Congress, the Bahujan Samaj Party or any other group.

"(Assembly) elections are far but our party men are not in favour of an alliance. We don't intend to stitch up alliances," he said.The SP-BSP alliance ahead of the Lok Sabha elections unravelled soon after the results were declared.

On a possible patch-up with his feuding uncle Shivpal Singh Yadav, who founded Pragatisheel Samajwadi Party (Lohia), Yadav denied any such move. "Nothing," he replied.

Asked if his party is withdrawing its disqualification petition against Shivpal Yadav from the state assembly, he said, "We have given the petition. It's up to the assembly Speaker to decide. We are not withdrawing it."

The move to withdraw the petition had triggered speculation that the Shivpal Yadav may come back to the SP-fold.

On Monday's bypolls for 11 assembly seats in UP, Yadav predicted that the number of votes for the BJP will go down, "despite their having used all tricks and the blatant misuse of official machinery".

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

MAYA

General public is hereby informed that a girl (depicted in the photo), **Namely** : Maya **D/o** : Babu Lal **R/o** : Jhuggi No. G-124, Jahangir Puri, Delhi is missing/kidnapped since 09.10.2019. In this regard a case vide DD Entry No. 75-A dated 09.10.2019 has been lodged at PS Jahangir Puri, Delhi. His physical description is as under :-

Age: 18 Years 4 Months, **Height:** 5'4", **Complexion** : Shallow, **Built** : Thin, **Face** : Round, **Wearing** : Unknown.

Any person having any information/clue about this missing/kidnapped girl, may inform SHO, Jahangir Puri, Delhi at E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in or Website: http://cbi.nic.in.

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

No. : - 74-W/2/3/WA/Publication — Dated : 19.10.2019

SRDEN/C/MB acting for and on behalf of The President of India invites E-Tenders against following tenders closing date 18.11.2019 16:00. Bidders will be able to submit their original/revised bids upto closing date and time only. Manual offers are not allowed against this tender, and any such manual offer received shall be ignored. Contractors are allowed to make payments against this tender towards tender document cost and earnest money **only through online payment modes,** available on IREPS portal like net banking, debit card, credit card etc. Manual payments through Demand draft, Banker's cheque, Deposit receipts, FDR etc. are not allowed.

Tender No. Date	158-DRM-MB-19-20 Date - 10.10.19
Name of work	Manufacturing, supplying & loading of 60900 cum Machine crushed stone ballast of 65mm gauge as per Rly specification at Khurja city depot under DEN/Track
Tender Closing Date Time	18.11.2019 16:00
Advertised Value (Rs.)	83000001.00
Earnest Money (Rs.)	565000.00
Tender Doc. Cost (Rs.)	10000.00
Bidding Start Date	04.11.2019
Validity of offer (Days)	45 Days
Period of completion	6 Months

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Notice Inviting e-Tender

No.SSA/Esstt/GunotsavTechnical Matter/979/2017/9773 Date: 22/10/2019

Mission Director. Axom Sarba Siksha Abhijan Mission, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19,Assam invites tender through e-Tendering process from reputed agency having in execution of pre and post examination related work i.e. scanning of OMR using ICR/OCR/OMR technology and creation of database with necessary validation, Evaluation of Answer script etc. for Pre and Post Examination related activities.

To participate in this tender process through e-procurement document, bidder should have valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) of class-II (minimum) and have to register in the portal https://assamtenders.gov.in,by themselves.

The Bidder who have downloaded the tender schedules containing the tender details, terms and conditions, from the website shall submit their tender on-line on the website https://assamtenders.gov.in,with proof of payment of non refundable tender fee of Rs. 5000/- (Five thousands) for each tender as demand draft/ Bankers Cheque drawn in favour of Mission Director, Sarba Siksha Abhiyan Mission, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19, Assam, from any nationalized Bank and payable at Guwahati. The tender should be submitted on-line as per date and time of submission as per prescribed schedule.

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

RAPE CASE

Local court in UP dismisses Chinmayanand's plea to book student under Gangster Act

Shahjahanpur: A local court on Tuesday dismissed a petition from BJP leader Swami Chinmayanand, who is accused of rape by a law student, demanding that the Gangster Act should be slapped on the woman and three others for trying to blackmail him.

Chief Judicial Magistrate Omveer Singh dismissed the petition saying it was not in his jurisdiction.He directed that it should be moved before the relevant court, Chinmayanand's lawyer Pooja Singh told PTI.

Chinmayanand had also sent a letter to the State police chief demanding that the stringent Uttar Pradesh Gangsters and Anti-social Activities (Prevention) Act should be invoked against the woman and her three friends.

While the former Union Minister has been booked under the Indian Penal Code's section 376C, a charge short of rape, the woman and three others face a separate extortion case.

They were arrested last month on the basis Chinmayanand's complaint that they tried to extort ₹5 crore, threatening to upload online video clips showing him getting massages from her.

According to the petition, Sachin Sengar, one the accused in the extortion case, had come to meet Chinmayanand at his home on August 9.He allegedly told Chinmayanand that he had all the evidence with him and a false case will be lodged if the former Minister did not pay up.

The petition claimed that Sanjay Sengar has been earlier booked in two cases, including one for attempt to murder, at Shahjahanpur's Tilhar police station.The plea alleged that cases have also been lodged against the student's father. It levelled allegations against the woman's mother as well.

Chinmayanand has been booked under section 376C of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), which is usually applied in cases where a person abuses his position to "induce or seduce" a woman under his charge to have "sexual intercourse not amounting to the offence of rape". *PTI*

Student files bail plea, HC seeks reply from Chinmayanand's counsel

Allahabad: The Allahabad High Court on Tuesday gave two weeks to the police and BJP leader Chinmayanand's lawyer to file their objections to a bail plea by the law student who has accused the politician of rape.

While the former Union Minister has been booked under the Indian Penal Code's section 376C, a charge short of rape, the woman and three others face a separate case of trying to blackmail him.

A special investigation (SIT) of the Uttar Pradesh police has been probing the parallel cases.

Seeking bail for her, the Shahjahanpur woman's counsel argued that she is a victim of sexual harassment and all allegations against her are fabricated.

However, counsel for the State Government and Swami Chinmayanand opposed the bail plea, arguing that she is the main accused in the extortion case and there is sufficient evidence to prove it.They sought more time to file a counter affidavit.

Justice Siddharth granted two weeks' time to the SIT and Chinmayanand's counsel to file their reply and fixed November 6 as next date of hearing.

The SIT had booked the law student and three others on a complaint made by Chinmayanand that they had demanded ₹5 crore from him, while threatening the release of objectionable videos.

The videos mostly relate to the massages Chinmayanand got from the woman, who claims she secretly filmed them as evidence of sexual abuse she allegedly suffered.

The woman studied at a college run by the BJP leader's ashram.Meanwhile, the SIT also submitted in the high court a status report in the case against Chinmayanand. The court fixed November 28 as next date of hearing and asked the SIT to submit a further report by that day.

The bench of Justices Manoj Mishra and Pankaj Bhatia directed that the SIT should also submit the forensic report by the next date if it has received it.

The forensic report is mainly required to match voices heard in the video clips with those involved in the case. *PTI*

Two BSP leaders garlanded with shoes, paraded outside party office in Rajasthan

Jaipur: Two BSP leaders were garlanded with shoes, their faces blackened and paraded outside the party office on Tuesday by its workers who alleged corruption in ticket allocation in the 2018 Rajasthan Assembly polls.

The BSP workers also made Ramji Gautam, the national coordinator, sit on a donkey and paraded him and former state unit chief Sitaram outside the party office in Bani Park here.

"Our workers are upset with the leaders. The workers were active on the ground for five years but parachute candidates from the BJP and Congress were given ticket in lieu of money. BSP workers and leaders are being ignored and exploited," a BSP worker present there said.

He said they held three demonstrations in the state but the leaders did not convey their plight to BSP chief Mayawati. "Therefore, we had to take this step," he said.

Following the incident, Mayawati has dissolved the state committee of the BSP and lashed out at the Congress.In a tweet in Hindi, she alleged that the Congress first indulged in horse-trading and now it was getting BSP leaders attacked in Rajasthan. *PTI*

Any effort to save triple talaq will be futile: UP Min

Lucknow: A day after a Muslim body challenged the law criminalising instant triple talaq in the Supreme Court, Uttar Pradesh Minister Chetan Chauhan on Tuesday said any effort to save the malpractice, which became a "custom" because of slackness of previous Governments, will prove futile.

"Several Muslim countries have put a ban on triple talaq. It is difficult to understand why the AIMPLB has knocked on the doors of the Supreme Court against the new law," he said.

"This new law is in the interest of Muslim women and any effort to challenge it in the court will prove to be futile," the Minister said.

The All India Muslim Personal Law Board on Monday filed a plea in the apex court, challenging The Muslim Women (Protection of Rights on Marriage) Act, 2019, which makes talaq-e-biddat or any other similar form of talaq, having the effect of instantaneous and irrevocable divorce pronounced by a Muslim husband, void and illegal.

Chauhan said because of the slackness of previous governments, a malpractice went on to become a custom. *PTI*

Position of Guv is weak, not even allowed to hold Press conference: Malik

Jammu: Jammu & Kashmir Governor Satya Pal Malik on Tuesday said the position of a Governor in the country is very weak as he does not have the right to hold a Press conference or talk his heart out.

He also reiterated his Statement that a section of wealthy people in the country are like "rotten potatoes" because they do not do charity or come forward to help improve the education system.

"Governor is a weak entity. He does not have the right to hold a press conference or talk his heart out. I remain apprehensive for almost three days hoping that my words have not annoyed anyone in Delhi," Malik said, addressing the seventh convocation of the Mata Vaishno Devi University in Katra town of Reasi district. *PTI*

BSF keeping close eye on Pak's actions across border: Official

Jaisalmer: The BSF is keeping a close eye on Pakistan's actions across the border and is capable of dealing with any situation, a top official of the force said on Tuesday.

Border Security Force (BSF), Inspector General, Rajasthan Frontier, Amit Lodha, who is on a two-day visit to Jaisalmer, also said steps are being taken to further strengthen the border guarding force.

The BSF is alert and ready to deal with all situations on the India-Pakistan border in Rajasthan, he told reporters.

On spotting of drones near the border, the inspector general made it clear that the BSF has information about all actions.

The force always tries to maintain better coordination with people living near the border, Lodha said.

The BSF has launched a scheme 'ghar aangan' to maintain a better rapport with villagers and positive results are being seen, he said. *PTI*

P.WAY AND OTHER ANCILLARY WORKS AT ALIPURDUAR JN.

E-Tender Notice No. CON/APDJ/2019/OCT/01; Dated: 17-10-2019. Open tender through e-tendering system is invited from experienced and reputed Contractor(s)/firm(s) for the following works:- **E-Tender No. CON/APDJ/N-G/NI/2019/01. Name of work:** At Falakata-P.Way and other ancillary works during NI works and assistance to track machines in connection with New Maynaguri - Gumanihat BG Doubling project. **Tender Value:** ₹2,25,48,280.00; **Earnest Money:** ₹2,62,800.00. E-tender will be closed at **14:30 hrs. on 18-11-2019** and opened at **15.00 hrs. on 18-11-2019.** For Details Please visit www.ireps.gov.in.

Dy.Chief Engineer/Con, Alipurduar Jn.
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Cong for jammers in strong rooms

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Apprehending "tampering" of the Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) ahead of the counting of votes on October 24, the Opposition Congress in Maharashtra on Tuesday demanded that "network jammers" be installed in and around strong rooms where the EVMs are stored and that "certain" VVPAT machines be made available for physical verification of votes polled through EVMs.

A day after the State Assembly polls, Maharashtra Pradesh Congress Committee (MPCC) president Balasaheb Thorat— in a representation made to the Chief Electoral Officer (CEO), Maharashtra, said that "a large section of our citizens apprehend that these EVMs can be tampered with" and sought installation of "network jammers" in and around strong rooms storing EVMs in all 288 Assembly constituencies in the State.

"The citizens of our country at large fear that the said EVMs can be tampered via various wireless networks like mobile towers, Wi-Fi networks etc. Hence we feel that the installation of `network jammers' is highly necessary in and around strong rooms where these EVMs are stored till counting. These jammers should be installed during the counting process as well," Thorat said, urging the CEO to install network jammers in all 288 Assembly constituencies in the State immediately.

Thorat also requested the election authorities "to make and declare the result sheet for each round of counting and for that particular round. "Only after result sheet for that particular round is prepared, duly signed by the returning officer and provided to all the parties, then the EVMs of next round should be opened for counting. Prior to this, any request for recount should be considered round-wise," he said.

The MPCC chief said that as per the guidelines of the Election Commission, "certain" VVPATs be made available for physical verification. "We hereby request you to grant our candidates liberty to select the EVMs to be tested against the VVPAT slips out of the total EVMs available," he said.

In another request to the CEO, Thorat said-"in any doubtful EVM case, the same machine be allowed for counting four times in a row at that moment".

The MPCC chief went on to reiterate the Opposition parties' demand for testing 50 per cent of EVMs against VVPAT for physical verification.The MPCC's demand for installation of "network jammers and for "physical verification of votes polled in EVMs through "certain" VVPAT machines should seen in the context of an electoral rout of the Opposition Congress-NCP alliance predicted by the exit polls which have suggested that the two parties would win collectively anywhere from the 41 to 90 seats in Monday's state Assembly polls.

The Congress and NCP, it may be recalled, had won 42 and 41 seats (out of the total 288 Assembly seats in the state) respectively in the 2014 State Assembly polls.

Maha villagers claim every vote cast went in BJP's favour

Pune: Voters in a Maharashtra village have claimed that an EVM malfunction during Lok Sabha bypoll on Monday resulted in votes cast for any candidate going into BJP's account, a claim denied by election officials.

Kirti Nalawade, the returning officer for the Koregaon Assembly segment in Western Maharashtra, where this village is located, said the EVM was replaced but it (replacement) had "nothing to do" with the claims.

Villagers said votes cast in favour of the NCP nominee Srinivas Patil were going into the "account" of BJP candidate Udayanraje Bhosale, a claim district poll officials rejected.

"When Deepak Raghunath Pawar, a villager, went to cast his vote, the same thing happened," said Sayaji Nikam, former deputy Sarpanch of the village.

Nikam's claims were echoed by villagers Rohini Pawar, Ananda Pawar, Pralhad Jadhav and Dilip Wagh.

NCP legislator Shahshikant Shinde said he was witness to such a thing happening when he visited the polling booth at the Navlewadi village of Koregaon tehsil in Satara district.

Shinde said the Election Commission should take a serious note of this incident and initiate steps to check its recurrence.He said when he reached the polling station and raised the issue with the election officials from the booth, they hurriedly changed the EVM machine. ***PTI***

Deepika Padukone, PV Sindhu flag-bearers of PM's 'Bharat Ki Laxmi' initiative

Mumbai: Actor Deepika Padukone and shuttler PV Sindhu on Tuesday were named the ambassadors for 'Bharat Ki Laxmi', an initiative by Prime Minister Narendra Modi that aims at bringing commendable work done by women across the nation to light ahead of the Diwali festival.

The Prime Minister shared a video on the new campaign underscoring the cause of women empowerment."India's Nari Shakti epitomises talent and tenacity, determination and dedication. Our ethos has always taught us to strive for women empowerment.

"Through this video, @Pvsindhu1 and @deepikapadukone excellently convey the message of celebrating #BharatKiLaxmi," the PM wrote on Twitter.

Deepika and Sindhu registered their support for the campaign on the microblogging site.

"This Diwali, let us throw light on & celebrate the contribution & accomplishments of the women of our country! #BharatKiLaxmi," Deepika wrote as she shared the video.

Sindhu said societies grow when women are empowered and their accomplishments are given a place of pride.

"I support PM @narendramodi ji #BharatKiLaxmi movement. It celebrates extraordinary achievements of extraordinary women of India. This Diwali, let's celebrate womanhood," she added in the tweet. ***PTI***

Mirchi aide held in money-laundering case sent to ED custody til Oct 24

Mumbai: A Mumbai court on Tuesday sent a close aide of gangster Iqbal Mirchi, who was an associate of global terrorist Dawood Ibrahim, to the Enforcement Directorate custody till October 24.

Humayun Merchant was arrested under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) here on Monday night, according to the central probe agency.

He was produced before PMLA judge P Rajvaidya, who remand him to ED custody till October 24.Merchant is being probed by ED in connection with illegal real-estate deals of Mirchi, who died in London in 2013, and his family.The agency arrested two other people in this case earlier this month. ***PTI***

Bengal Guv slams Didi Govt again

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ SAJNAKHALI

A day after venting his grievances against the Trinamool Congress and its senior Ministers for humiliating his chair, a furious Bengal Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar on Tuesday once again slammed the State administration for dereliction of duty.

The Governor who had a prescheduled programme to meet electedrepresentatives and senior officials of South 24 Parganas district onTuesday and directed the District Collector accordingly, complainedthat none of the elected representatives and officials were present at the venue so that he was compelled to abandon his programme.

"When I enquired that why the elected representatives and othersenior officials were not present I was told that there was no prior permission from the State Government in this regard. This is not acceptable. Am I subservient to the State Government? " the Governor said, adding "the cultured people of Bengal will find it difficult to digest."

A visibly angry Dhankhar wondered whether "attending a meeting called by a Governor is beneath the dignity of the District Magistrates and senior Police Officers."

He asked, "before whom they (DMs South and North 24 Parganas) are trying to prove their credibility," without naming Chief Minister Mamta Banerjee.

The Governor's repeated attempts to conduct administrative meetings in North Bengal and South Bengal have allegedly been spiked by the State Government, Raj Bhavan sources say.

Reacting to Dhankhar's comments TMC leader and State Minister R.N Ghosh said, "Being a constitutional head he cannot enjoy administrative power. It is for the Chief Minister to convene such administrative meetings."

While TMC MPs like Pratima Mandal and MLAs like Sukumar Mahato said they had not been invited to the meeting by the Governor's House wondering whether he at all had the power to do so, senior minister Partha Chatterjee left it on the Chief Minister to counter the Governor's argument.

Reacting strongly to Tuesday's development State BJP President Dilip Ghosh said, "there is no administration, no democracy, no regard for the constitution in Bengal."

TEJPAL RAPE CASE

Victim cross-examined by defence for 2nd day

Panaji: The woman who lodged a sexual assault case against Tehelka magazine founder Tarun Tejpal was cross-examined by the defence counsel for the second consecutive day in a Goa court on Tuesday.

She appeared before the court for the first time on Monday for the trial, which was being held in-camera.

District Judge Shama Joshi in Mapusa town of North Goa was hearing the case against Tejpal lodged by his former colleague, who was cross-examined by the defence counsel on Tuesday.

Tejpal was present during the trial.

Later, Tejpal's lawyer Rajiv Gomes said the cross-examination will continue on Wednesday also.

A Supreme Court bench in August asked the Goa court to complete the trial in the case, preferably within six months, and refused Tejpal's plea to quash the First Information Report (FIR) filed against him.

Tejpal allegedly sexually assaulted the complainant inside an elevator of a five-star hotel in Goa in 2013.

He has denied the allegations levelled against him.

Tejpal was arrested on November 30, 2013 by the crime branch after his anticipatory bail plea was rejected by the court. He has been out on bail since May 2014. ***PTI***

Notice Inviting e-Tender

No.SSA/Esstt/GunotsavTechnical Matter/979/2017/9774 Date: 22/10/2019

Mission Director. Axom Sarba Siksha Abhijan Mission, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19,Assam invites tender through e-Tendering process from reputed agency for Printing, Packaging and Supply of Question Paper, Gunotsav 2019.

To participate in this tender process through e-procurement document, bidder should have valid Digital Signature Certificate (DSC) of class-II (minimum) and have to register in the portal https://assamtenders.gov.in,by themselves.

The Bidder who have downloaded the tender schedules containing the tender details, terms and conditions, from the website shall submit their tender on-line on the website https://assamtenders.gov.in,with proof of payment of non refundable tender fee of Rs. 5000/- (Five thousands) for each tender as demand draft/Bankers Cheque drawn in favour of Mission Director, Sarba Siksha Abhiyan Mission, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19, Assam, from any nationalized Bank and payable at Guwahati. The tender should be submitted on-line as per date and time of submission as per prescribed schedule.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE - TENDER CUM AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET

[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of movable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the **Physical** possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Ltd. will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) /Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price / Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(G)	(H)
1.	Satyaveer Singh (Borrower), Suman (Co Borrower) LBDEL00001386142	Flat No.1, 1st Floor, Plot No. S- 2 Blk- A Shlimar Garden Extn- 2 Ghaziabad, U.P. 201002 Area. - 600sq. Ft.	Rs. 2,813,529. 43/- (as on October 7, 2019.)	Rs. 22,20, 000/- / Rs. 2,22, 000/-	November 13, 2019 From 12 Noon to 1:00 P.M.	November 29, 2019 From 11 A.M. Onwards

The online auction will be conducted on website **(URL Link - "https://eauctions.samil.in")** of our auction agency **Shriram Automall India Ltd.** The Mortgagors/ noticee are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **November 28, 2019,** before **5:00 P.M** else these secured assets will be sold as per schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit their offer along with the earnest money deposit (refer column E) in a sealed envelope that mentions "Offer for purchase of property" to **ICICI Bank Limited, 2nd Floor Videocon Tower, Block E-1, Jhandewalan Extension, Rani Jhansi Road. Delhi-110055** or to our marketing agent **Shriram Automall India Ltd** at **2nd Floor, Best Sky Tower, Netaji Subhash Place, Pitampura, New Delhi – 110034** on or before **November 28, 2019** before **5:00 P.M .** The marketing agency has also been engaged as auctioneer for proper conduct of auction. Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalised/Scheduled Bank in favour of **"ICICI Bank Limited"** payable at **Delhi.**

For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact ICICI Bank Limited on **8657476284/8584874809** or **Shriram Automall India Ltd on 9910453434.** Tenders which are acknowledged by the Bank/e-auction vendor official and registered before the cut-off time with complete details shall only be considered for auction.

The Authorised Officer reserves the right to reject any or all the bids without furnishing any further reasons. For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please visit **www.icicibank.com/n4p4s**

Date: October 23, 2019
Place: Delhi NCR

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
ICICI Bank Limited.

KAMLESH TIWARI MURDER CASE

Accused forged colleague's Aadhaar card to join HSP

Surat: Surat resident Ashfaq Shaikh, a prime suspect in the Kamlesh Tiwari murder case, allegedly impersonated his colleague by forging the latter's Aadhaar card to join the Hindu Samaj Party (HSP) of the slain leader.

Tiwari (45), who headed HSP, was killed at his home in Naka Hindola area in Lucknow on October 18. He was earlier associated with a faction of the Hindu Mahasabha.

Shaikh and another suspect Moinuddin who have been on run have emerged as the key accused in the murder.Shaikh allegedly replaced his colleague Rohit Solanki's photo on the latter's Aadhaar card with his own. He also changed the birth date on the Aadhaar card.

Solanki told reporters that he had no idea about Shaikh's acts before his name cropped up in the murder."I used work as a medical representative for a pharma company and forged the Aadhaar card to assumed my identity". ***PTI***

Kerala MP's wife equates fate with rape, draws netizens ire

Kochi: The title of a Facebook post put up by Congress MP Hibi Eden's wife, drawing an analogy between fate and rape, has created an uproar on the social media. Hibi Eden represents Ernakulam constituency.

"Fate is like rape, if you can't resist it, then try to enjoy it," wrote Anna Lina Eden on top of two video clips posted on the site to depict the plight of her daughter and husband Eden during the floods following rains in Kochi on Monday.While one video showed her daughter being evacuated from their waterlogged residence on Monday, another clips showed her husband enjoying a sizzler somewhere. ***PTI***

New Okhla Industrial Development Authority
Office of the General Manager, Sector-06, NOIDA
Website : www.noidaauthorityonline.com

E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited from firms/contractors registered with UPLC Lucknow for the following jobs against which bids can be uploaded and same shall be opened/downloaded as per schedule mentioned. The details and conditions of all tenders are available on NOIDA Authority's official website: **www.noidaauthorityonline.com** & **https://etender.up.nic.in.** Please ensure to see these websites for any changes/ amendments & corrigendum etc.

Sl. No.		Job No.	Name of Work	Amount in Lac
A	1	16/GM(R)/SM (WC-1)/ 2019-20	M/o Admn. Building (Annual Maintenance & Repair of Work in Office Building Sec-6), Noida	₹33.24
	2	17/GM(R)/SM (WC-1)/ 2019-20	M/o Drain (Strengthening of Drain from Rose Garden, Sector-6 to B-1 Sector-1) Noida	₹43.13
	3	18/GM(R)/SM (WC-1)/ 2019-20	M/o Drain (Repair of Brick work and Up-gradation of Drain in C-Block Sector-56), Noida	₹56.95
	4	19/GM(R)/SM (WC-1)/ 2019-20	M/o Drain (Strengthening of Drain & Refixing of Tile in B-Block Sector-55), Noida	₹57.46
B	5	05/GM(R)/SM (NTC)/ 2019-20	Noida Traffic Cell (Supply of Innova Toyata Car, Crane, Hydra Crane and Ambulance on Hire Basis at Noida-Gr Noida Expressway to the Help of Traffic Police Inview of Traffic and Public Security), Noida	₹54.99

Which can be uploaded by Date : **04-11-2019** upto 5.00PM. Pre-qualification shall be opened/downloaded on Date : **05-11-2019** at 11.00 AM.

General Manager (R)

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (PROJECT) W-I
DELHI JAL BOARD, GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI,
ROOM NO. 511, VARUNALAYA PHASE-I
KAROL BAGH, NEW DELHI-110005
E-mail Id:- ee1.djb@gmail.com

NIT NO. 05 (2019-20)

S. No.	Name of Work	Amount Put to tender	Earnest Money (Rs.)	Tender Fees (Rs.) Non (Refundable)	Date of release of tender in e-procurement solution	Last date/time of submission of tender through e-procurement solution	Tender ID
1.	Re-boring of 05 nos. tube wells at (i) 7&8 Block, Malviya Nagar (ii) B-100, Malviya Nagar (iii) Prithvi Park, Khirki Village (iv) MCD Hospital, Malviya Nagar, (v) Toot Sarai Village under Malviya Nagar Constituency	29,56,956/-	59,200/-	500/-	22.10.2019	04.11.2019 upto 03:00 pm	2019_DJB_ 182695_1

Note:- Any further amendment/corrigendum made in this NIT will be uploaded and can only be seen on website **http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in**
ISSUED BY P.R.O (WATER)
Advt. No. J.S.V. 470/2019-20
Sd/-
EE(Proj) W-I

DELHI JAL BOARD: DELHI SARKAR
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (SOUTH)-I
OPPOSITE J-BLOCK MARKET, SAKET : NEW DELHI-110017.

NIT NO. 50/(S-I) (2019-20)

S. No	Name of work	Estimated cost	Date of release of tender in e-procurement solution	Last date/time of receipt of tender through e-procurement solution
1	Replacement of sewer lines from H.No. C- 705 to T-9/1 ward no. 3 (near Kalka Das), H.No. 281B to C-281/20 (Sunita Yadav), Near 211 C , 177 F-8, Prince Public School, Gaushala Gate N-2 to 266 P/20 ward no. 2 in Mehrauli Township in Mehrauli Constituency AC-45 under EE(South)-I	28,80,387/-	2019_DJB_182592_1 21.10.2019	11.11.2019 upto 3:00 PM
2	Replacement of old/damaged/ silted up sewer lines near Peepal Chowk Valmiki Basti Near Valmiki Mandir, old BDO office & H.No. 243/6 in Mehrauli in Mehrauli Constituency AC-45 under EE(South)-I	30,36,633/-	2019_DJB_182592_2 21.10.2019	11.11.2019 upto upto 3:00 PM

NIT along with all the terms & conditions is available on Web **https://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in.**
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Advt. No. J.S.V. 467/2019-20
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EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (SOUTH)-I

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NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Regulation 29 read with Regulation 47 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015 that a meeting of the Board of Directors of M/s Bharat Bhushan Finance & Commodity Brokers Limited (the Company) will be held on Friday, 01st November, 2019 at 04.30 P.M. at its Registered Office situated at 503, Rohit House, 3, Tolstoy Marg, Connaught Place, New Delhi – 110 001, inter-alia, to consider, approve and take on record the Un- Audited Financial Results of the Company for the quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2019 and to consider any other matter with the permission of Chair.

Further, pursuant to Regulation 47(2) of aforesaid Regulations, this intimation is also available on the website of BSE Limited (www.bseindia.com) where the Company's securities are listed and shall also be available on the website of the Company at (http://www.bbinvestments.in).

For Bharat Bhushan Finance & Commodity Brokers Limited
Sd/-
(Nisha Ahuja)
Director
DIN: 00001875

Place: New Delhi
Date: 23-10-2019

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General Public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male **Age:** about 23 years, **Height:** 5'6", **Complexion:** Shallow, **Built:** Thin, **Face:** Long, **Wearing:** Shirt and pant, was found injured in a road accident at Seemapuri Guru Dwara. He was admitted in GTB Hospital. Where he died. In this regard a **FIR No. 628/19 u/s 279/337 IPC** dated **19.10.2019** has been lodged at P.S. Nand Nagri, Delhi.

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

SHO
P.S. Nand Nagari, Delhi
Ph. No.: 011-22583307, 22585985

DP/7409/NE/19

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that one unknown dead body of male, Age 45 years, Height 5'5", Complexion Shallow, Round Face, Wearing Blue, green colour checkdar shirt & grey colour pant and blue colour underwear was found dead at Ring Road near divider under Matro Flyover Apposite 12 Area of PS R.K. Puram, New Delhi on 06.10.19. In this regard a DD No. 37-A dated 06.10.19 has been lodged at PS R.K. Puram, New Delhi.

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

SHO
PS: R.K. Puram, New Delhi
Ph.: 26185222, 26186963

DP/7119/SW/19

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform general public that Mrs. Rajni Jain is the owner of (Freehold Residential House bearing Municipal No.288 (219), Old No.172 & 159-C area measuring 100.55 Sq. Yds. i.e. 84.60. Mtrs., situated at Colony, Turab Nagar, Purvalsmile Khan, Ghaziabad, Tehsil & District Ghaziabad, U.P. Mrs. Rajni Jain had misplaced Original Will dated 23.05.1989 executed by Mr. Bhawani Shankar Mehta in favour of his wife Mrs. Malti Devi Mehta in respect of entire property & properties (doc. No.826). & anyone who found it, kindly handover the same to Manager, Fullerton India Credit Company Limited, Mrs. Rajni Jain is mortgaging the above property with M/s Fullerton India Credit Company Limited & in case anyone has any objection regarding purchase mortgage of the said property, the same may be raised within 15 days of this publication to Mr. MuneeshDhawan/ Mr. Sudhir Jain (Advocates), Law Veritas, Unit No. 405, 4th Floor, GD-ITL Northex Tower, (A-09), NetajiSubhash Place, Delhi-110034 or contact at 9066707172/9818228636 (M).

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Advt. No. RLAC/2019/ET-1/01 **Date: 18.10.2019**

Online applications are invited in the prescribed Application Form from eligible candidates for appointment to the post of Assistant Professor, in the Academic Pay Level 10 of the 7th Central Pay Commission Pay Matrix, in the College. The last date for receipt of application is 08.11.2019 or two weeks from the date of publication of the advertisement in the Employment News, whichever is later. For details, please visit the College website.

Any addendum/corrigendum shall be posted only on the College website **https://www.rlacollege.edu.in/.**

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The details regarding qualifications, publications, experience, screening guidelines and indicative proforma etc. are available on the College website along with this advertisement. The applicants are required to read these details before filling up the form.

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PAPER WITH PASSION

Is there voter fatigue?

Amid predictions of a cakewalk for the BJP in Haryana and Maharashtra, low turnout signals disenchantment

A crucial aspect got swamped by exit poll results that predicted a thumping and roadrolling win for the ruling BJP in the Assembly elections in Haryana and Maharashtra. While hyperactive anchors across TV channels wondered about the margin of victories and whether the BJP would best its own record in the Assemblies so far, Haryana recorded the lowest turnout in 50 years and Maharashtra in 39. According to the Election Commission's figures, 63.55 per cent turnout was recorded in Haryana, while only 56.65 per cent came out to vote in Maharashtra. The former has seen its lowest voter turnout in Assembly elections since 1968 whereas the latter's figures are lowest since the 1980 election. Not only that, both percentages are significantly lower than the turnouts in the last round of State polls in 2014 and the Lok Sabha elections in May. This means that almost half the voters did not exercise their choice despite greater awareness and an increase in polling booths, either out of a sense of resignation or a deep distrust. This is surprising considering that behaviourally, the voter seems most invested in local self-governance issues and, therefore, is expected to turn out for the Assembly elections that are fought on local affairs rather than national ones. Clearly, there is fatigue at work. Now this can be interpreted in many ways. Could it be that there is an immediacy of contexts, the Lok Sabha results having bolstered the image of Prime Minister Narendra Modi with such an overarching appeal that any other State, where his party is in power, is assumed to be operating as a satellite? The voter probably believes that the continuity of the same regime at the Centre and States would automatically ensure a Central-level urgency to resolving local issues. Perhaps, this unitary rather than federal character of governance has bred complacence. Even though both Chief Ministers, Devendra Fadnavis in Maharashtra and Manohar Lal Khattar in Haryana, have managed to consolidate their positions and blend in, the former a non-Maratha and the latter an outsider, they, too, encountered a voter slide. Nagpur south-west, from where Fadnavis is contesting, recorded 49.25 per cent of votes, down from 56.44 per cent in 2014, while Khattar's constituency Karnal recorded 49.3 per cent of voter turnout, down from 67.84 per cent.

Also, there is now legitimacy to a majoritarian discourse given the BJP's big win in the Lok Sabha and a larger acceptance of the muscularity of the party in pushing the One India narrative. The collective decimation of the Opposition parties and the total annihilation of the only other nationalist party of consequence, the Congress, have meant that the common man has already accepted the "there can be no alternative" formula in States where the BJP is in command. In the light of this understanding and absence of a real contest, many voters may have just thought that the ballot process would anyway be a futile exercise. Particularly for those with divergent views, there is a sense of helplessness that their vote would be too minuscule to matter or that their dissent was unwanted. Tidal verdicts in succession have meant that very few seats in "friendly" States are considered "unsafe" for the BJP. Besides, at the State level, not even the ruling party is seen as following through with pledges to keep the voter animated as a decision-maker. Or it could be plain disgust at the thought that nobody would anyway give them a hearing. This ennui is dangerous to the extent that it undercuts the value of election in a democracy and actually veers it to a measure of a personality cult and a presidential style debate. This could also mean that the committed Opposition voters have dissipated somewhat and driven to as much irrelevance as the parties they feel echo their concerns. Particularly in Haryana and Maharashtra, the Congress failed even to get its basic act together with faction fights tearing it apart and turf leaders working at cross purposes. In Maharashtra, the party bled like never before with several key leaders deserting the ship. No wonder the monolithic predictability has dampened enthusiasm and though there is a younger demographic that's perhaps gung-ho, the older registered voters are still a sizeable chunk of the pie. This is not new. Even in the UK, from where we have derived our parliamentary democracy, a large proportion of voters have shunned the "political elite." Indeed, the Brexit vote has been viewed by many commentators as a vote of disillusionment. However, this only lulls the political class into an illusionary sense of popularity. The vote matters in ensuring checks and balances.

In the firing line

Pakistan's use of deadly force on civilians is reprehensible. Not that condemnation will stop it

The military in Pakistan has always thought of civilians elsewhere as second-class citizens as was evidenced by the brutal genocides against Bengalis in 1970-71 or Indians. Proxy attacks by Pakistan-sponsored terrorists have cost thousands of Indian civilians their lives over the past three decades — be it during the height of the Punjab crisis or to this day, with Kashmiri terrorism being influenced by the likes of Lashkar-e-Tayyeba (LeT) chief Hafiz Saeed. However, Pakistan's Army, the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI), and the establishment have always had an answer. They were not directly responsible for the deaths. After all, anonymity is the advantage of proxy forces. However, the unprovoked firing of artillery and mortar shells over the Line of Control (LoC) in the Jammu region over the past few days has hit civilians hard, maiming and killing Indian villagers. This is unacceptable and serves little purpose unless the aim is to give covering fire to terrorists trying to cross the LoC.

Pakistan has been nursing the black eye that India gave it with the Balakot air strikes. Then the failure of its own counter-attacks and the subsequent revocation of Article 370 by the Indian Government, which caught the Pakistani military and its Government headed by Imran Khan off-guard, have dented its "bleeding cuts" strategy *vis-a-vis* India. The attempts by Pakistan-backed terrorists to sabotage the local economy, particularly targetting apple growers and truckers, have also fallen flat. While the Indian paramilitary forces and intelligence forces have managed to keep a lid on active acts of terrorism in the Valley, the area still remains in a virtual lockdown even after two months of the abrogation of Article 370, although things appear to be easing ahead of winter. Pakistan is getting desperate to hurt India despite its economic situation, which is still far worse than India's, becoming almost a virtual pariah state. Even the Chinese money, supposed to flow in through investments, is drying up. China, which has for long propped up Pakistan as a counterfoil to India, has realised that investing money in Pakistan is worse than burning it. Besides, Pakistan's own hypocrisy in condemning Indian actions on Kashmir while ignoring the Chinese treatment of the Uighur Muslims has become more apparent. The Army has made a few raids into Pakistan but if these unprovoked attacks on Indian villages continue, it seems we cannot get the new Rafale jets soon enough.

A ride into military school

The defence academy at Khadakwasla is truly tri-service and a unique training institution, which sows the seeds of camaraderie, military ethos, customs and traditions

ASHOK K **MEHTA**

Returning to one's roots in soldiering is replete with nostalgia, inspiration and feeling 10 years younger. Revisiting the National Defence Academy (NDA), Khadakwasla, Maharashtra, after more than six decades was re-living one's days when well-rounded heads were being fitted on square shoulders. We were the pioneers, who in 1955, moved from the Joint Services Wing (JSW) in Clement Town, Dehradun, to the emerging military township of Khadakwasla near an iconic lake — the spectacular landscape overlooked by Shivaji's impregnable Sinhagad Fort. In the sixth and final term, Sinhagad became the touchstone for long-range patrolling, stamina and survival. Sticking out of the earth was the majestic central cupola, the nerve centre of the academy, flanked by the cadets' mess and the education block. Neat rows of road radiate from these commanding heights in three directions — towards the Pashan Gate, the Central Vista and the Avenue to the Lake.

In January 1955, trainloads of cadets were relocated in their new home Khadakwasla, the pride of India. It was to become the cradle of military leadership and excellence where "jointness came naturally." All the 1,000 cadets would branch out after three years together for their choice of service: Army, Navy or Air Force. Potential Army cadets were cross-trained. For example, I was sent on Indian Navy frigate Cauvery for a week while a Navy volunteer went to an Army establishment and similarly, the Air Force to a different sister service. After the sixth term, one would go to the Naval, Air Force and Army military academies for the final year of training. Currently, cadets indicate their choice of service after the fourth term.

Last week in Khadakwasla, I witnessed change and what has not changed and is still reminiscent of 1955. First, the change. All the way from Pune's Southern Command Officers Mess, the 25-km stretch to Khadakwasla was then desolate, habitated with lush green woods. What took one hour on a bicycle, took two hours, given the concrete jungle that has crept towards NDA and much is in the possession of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) — its kingdom. Farmhouses, luxury resort hotels and restaurants have encroached on the precincts of Khadakwasla. The Pashan Gate is new with a massive security apparatus.

The welcome landmark is the Gole Market — nothing has changed here. This market is etched in my memory because a week before we were to "pass out" and move to the Indian Military Academy, Dehradun, our joyful celebration was rudely interrupted by one "Major The Sandhu", an infantry officer who was uniformly dreaded by cadets. It was past midnight. Four riding an ordnance-issued bicycle, strictly meant for one, was sacrilege, especially when Maj Sandhu, who was returning in his car from Pune, nearly collided with the overloaded bicycle. For breaking several military regulations, Maj Sandhu used multilingual invectives and had four of us charge-sheeted.

Punishment: While all of the 11th course was allowed to pass out on December 1, 1956, we were detained for 14 days. The driver of the bicycle was Divisional Cadet Captain Jaswant Singh, who was complimented by the Commandant, Maj Gen Inayat Habibullah, for "steering a bicycle as expertly as a horse."

The cadets' living room is the same except that a limited wi-fi is now available. Like Jammu & Kashmir was put in a lockdown, cadets are forbidden the use of cellphones. The technology of the bicycle is vintage though the satchels the cadets carry has improved.

From 12 squadrons, the academy now has 18 squadrons and a cadet strength of 2,000. "Item" has become "India" squadron, my "Fox" squadron to "Foxtrot" and "Dog" to "Delta." The Ante Room has the familiar aquarium but now a billiards table, too.

Barbara Bonny, the wife of our Squadron Commander, Maj LKM Bonny, used to teach us the Foxtrot and on the weekends, commandeered busloads of Pune lasses for live practice. Gen Habibullah and his wife Hamida put the cadets through sessions of Indian cultural training — music, drama, *mushaira* and once even Bollywood.

There was no change in the cadets' mess. Rations and quality of food match any reputable restaurant. Outside are pictures of early times. Former President Rajendra Prasad, dining with the cadets, flanked by Gen Habibullah and Gen Moti Sagar, both drinking port… the classic shows Premier Chou en Lai in a black Mao jacket in the cadets' mess during our passing out parade.

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As the chief guest, he presented me with the inter-company Squash trophy, which is captured in the film on 1962 war, *Hum Dono*. This was the era of Panchsheel and *Hindi Chini Bhai Bhai* (India and China are brothers) full of banter and bonhomie even as the Chinese had started building the road through Aksai Chin, which former Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru divulged to Parliament only in 1959.

There are fabulous pictures, which must be the envy of memorabilia collectors — Pandit Nehru and Gen Habibullah, both on horseback, surveying the academy from a vantage point as it was being built. It is clear from other pictures of Nehru that the Khadakwasla project was his baby. Another picture is of Lt Gen JN Chaudhury and Nehru engaged in serious conversation. Army Chief Gen KS Thimayya and Nehru in a tete-e-tete. Thimayya and Nehru were good friends, enjoyed immense rapport despite professional differences.

Today, like yesterday, there is total lack of rapport and conversation between top military leaders and the political elite. The last Army Chief, who could chat up politicians, was Gen Bipin Joshi. The absence of meaningful dialogue between the political and military leadership has let the bureaucracy usurp critical advisory space. Today, the Prime Minister cannot find the time to have a useful conversation with his Service Chiefs.

The Habibullah Museum, meagre in space, contains rich memories and souvenirs, including a stunning ornamental *khukuri,* presented by C in C Royal Nepal Army, Gen Surendra Bahadur Sahib (must be Shah) in January 1966. The once-splendid Bombay Stadium has alas gone to seed. So have the Squash courts near it. The cadets play individual sports like squash, tennis and golf. The Golf Course doubles as the military training area and is named after the legendary Russian language teacher Jaouralov.

Notwithstanding our fear of Maj Sandhu — he would famously counsel "do not trust wife, rain and enemy" — he taught us the best field craft to be a cat burglar, poacher and marksman that saved our lives and those of the men under our command in all the skirmishes and wars. NDA is truly tri-service and a unique training institution, which sows the seeds of camaraderie, military ethos, customs and traditions. That is how DCC Jaswant Singh became the Defence Minister of India.

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SOUNDBITE

I will love to see India-built applications used in the US. I would love to see India-built data system used around the world. That will be the biggest win.

Former Google CEO
—Eric Schmidt

My next one is about climate change, it's my obsession now. There's no time to discuss anymore, it's time to act.

Filmmaker
—Fernando Meirelles

We believe that direct dialogue between India and Pakistan, as outlined in the 1972 Shimla Agreement, holds the most potential for reducing tensions.

US diplomat
—Alice Wells

They say there is Ramrajya in the State. *Yeh Ram ko dhoka hai*. It seems they (BJP) have learnt from Ravan. This is why they are working as Kalyugi Ravan.

Samajwadi Party chief
—Akhilesh Yadav

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

More power to women

Sir — The story of the life and struggles of Pranjal Patil, the country's first visually challenged woman IAS officer, reminds us that nothing is impossible if one has the determination to persevere against all odds. Patil has truly struggled far more than others to achieve her goal of becoming an IAS officer. Losing vision at the age of six did not deter the young girl from Ulhasnagar, Maharashtra, from pursuing her dreams. In spite of several hurdles, Patil has become the first visually-challenged woman in the country to hold such a high post in the bureaucracy. The old English proverb, "where there is a will, there is a way", holds completely true in this instance.

M Pradyu
Kannur

Poll results shouldn't be surprising

As expected, a bunch of exit polls has projected an emphatic victory for the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)-led alliance in Maharashtra and Haryana, which went to the polls recently. They suggest that the Congress, the principal Opposition in both States, has not begun to recover from its decimation in the 2019 Lok Sabha election in May this year. Given the increasing power of State Governments in the day-to-day lives of people, the outcome of elections in Maharashtra and Haryana will have clear governance implications for their development and growth.

Though both States are currently ruled by the BJP, the notable fact is that before 2014, neither Maharashtra nor Haryana was a stronghold of the party. To their credit, both the Chief Ministers, Devendra Fadnavis and Manohar Lal Khattar, under the supervision of the Modi-Shah duo, have made the BJP the dominant player in their respective States. The rise of these two Chief Ministers and the free hand their party allowed them in running their Governments helped the BJP expand its vote base. But the BJP's dominance has also been due

to the collapse of the Opposition, with its major partner, the Congress, being in tatters. No wonder, most polls have given nearly three-fourths majority to the ruling BJP-Shiv Sena combine in Maharashtra and a similar margin to the BJP in Haryana. By this count, incumbents Fadnavis and Khattar are on the course for second terms as Chief Ministers in their respective States.

Padmini Raghavendra
Secunderabad

Guarding our lives

Sir — This refers to the report, "Efforts being made to demonise tech: PM" (October 21). The impact of technology on the future of human society is difficult to predict. With the advent of any widely accepted new technology, people's lifestyle changes in multiple ways. If in the future we need to stop the use of technology, we will need to campaign harder. For example, when plastic was discovered to be light weight, durable, cheap and easy to mould, people appreciated it as a symbol of progress in life. But today, the world knows how demonic it is. The tragedy of our society is that we either blindly reject any form of modernism or we accept it without providing space to reject it if necessary. When someone says, "Check it before use", we criticise that person either as "Leftist" or someone heralding foreign ideology.

PP Sen
New Delhi

Alarming figures

Sir — According to National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) data, India saw a total of 100 deaths in police custody in 2017, which is up by eight, compared to 2016. Police are known to apply third-degree methods to elicit confession from "criminals" to buttress their case in the courts. There are many cases where undertrials have succumbed to physical and mental torture from cops. Unable to bear the torture, there are also cases of people resorting to the extreme step of committing suicide. Sadly, even natural deaths in police custody are treated as custodial death.

Deaths of these kind would have, perhaps, occurred even if such a person was not in custody. In the case of undertrials, the courts are also to be blamed since many cases drag on for years before they are even listed for hearing. It is appalling that out of 56 cases registered, only three of 48 people were chargesheeted and convicted for human rights violation. The fall in custodial deaths is not possible unless the police involved in the crime of physical and mental torture are convicted of the offence. Expeditious disposal of cases in courts can substantially contribute to drastic reduction in custodial deaths.

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An alternative to direct investing

Through mutual funds, small investors can put money in the stock markets and benefit from any upswing in share prices

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The growth of mutual funds (MF) as a worthy alternative to direct equity investment over the years has been humongous. According to the Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI), the Assets Under Management (AUM) of the Indian MF industry has grown from ₹6.28 trillion in September 2009 to ₹24.51 trillion in September 2019, a four-fold increase in a decade. Depending on how the money is being invested, there are different categories of MFs based on asset class, structure and investment objective. On the basis of asset class, MFs are of the following type:

Equity funds: Here at least 70 per cent of the money is invested in stocks of listed firms. Equity funds can be further classified based on sectors like infrastructure funds, IT funds; size of the company like large cap, mid-cap; purpose, like equity-linked savings schemes that give benefit of tax savings; tracking a index through index funds; or fund of funds (FoF) which invests in other MFs.

Debt Funds: Here, majority investments are in debt instruments like Government bonds, firm debentures and other fixed income assets.

Hybrid/Balanced Funds: These invest in both the asset classes of equity and debt instruments with the proportion of equity and debt varying in different funds. A balanced fund could be 60 per cent invested in equities with remaining 40 per cent in debt or vice-versa.

Money Market Funds: These invest in money markets that are short-term in nature and are highly liquid and are mostly preferred by companies to park their idle cash and by large institutions and the Government to meet their short-term fund requirements.

MFs can also be categorised based on structure as open-ended or closed-ended. Although the industry is growing, investors are also increasingly concerned about fund selection and are demanding detailed information and investment advice. Due to the large number of funds, evaluating and selecting MFs can be challenging.

So what are the metrics that are used to analyse and compare the performance of different MFs? For debt schemes, credit rating is important as it is a known fact that debt funds are prone to interest rate risk, credit risk and liquidity exposure. While interest rate perils and liquidity exposure affect the returns and redemption of debt investments, the credit risk tends to affect the principal value of the investment. Hence, various credit rating agencies, like CRISIL, CARE, ICRA, measure and evaluate the credibility and creditworthiness of the borrower and these ratings are derived on the basis of the credentials of the entity, which may be the balance sheet, profit and loss statement, or any other financial information. Equity MF investors can also use several ratios to analyse the performance of their investments. It is a misconception that higher returns mean better performance, since returns cannot be judged in isolation and have to be simultaneously measured with the risk taken to generate the returns. This is where Sharpe Ratio is helpful, as it assesses the returns generated by a portfolio against per unit of risk undertaken. A higher Sharpe Ratio represents a higher return generated per unit of risk. Investors should also note that any ratio would only make sense if it is compared to the benchmark index.

Treynor Ratio, also known as reward-to-volatility ratio, like Sharpe Ratio, helps analyse returns in relation to the market risk of the fund except that it uses beta or market risk as the volatility measurement and gives the return over the risk-free per unit of market risk, whereas Sharpe Ratio uses standard deviation.

By comparing the beta of the investment to the volatility in the entire stock market, people can assess the risk associated with the investment. Stocks with a beta greater than one tend to increase and decrease in value faster and more quickly than stocks with a beta of less than one. Higher the Treynor Ratio, the better the performance under analysis. For instance, if the fund's average return is 10 per cent and the risk free rate is seven per cent, the difference becomes three per cent. If the historic beta of the fund is 1.5, then the Treynor Ratio is 2 (3 divided by 1.5). This means that in the past, the fund has given two units of return for one unit of its market risk.

Small investors, who are trying to make the most of their investments are often plagued by questions whether MFs are safe? Are they safer than direct equity investments?

MFs are an easier way for small investors to put money in the stock markets with low initial investment as they can get the benefit of any upswing in the prices of the shares because of the expertise of fund managers. However, small investors should be aware that since MFs in turn invest in shares, the returns are subject to the fluctuations of the stock market and are not fully insulated from it. The extent of risk, and also the returns come down with the inclusion of debt securities in the portfolio of MFs and investors should understand their risk tolerance before investing. MF investing can be a good alternative for small investors provided they tread with caution.

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POINT**COUNTER**POINT

SHE'S (GABBARD) THE FAVOURITE OF THE RUSSIANS. THEY HAVE A BUNCH OF SITES AND BOTS AND OTHER WAYS OF SUPPORTING HER. —DEMOCRATIC PARTY LEADER
HILLARY CLINTON

ANYBODY THAT IS OPPOSED TO HER (HILLARY) IS A RUSSIAN AGENT. THAT'S A SCAM THAT WAS PRETTY MUCH PUT DOWN. —US PRESIDENT
DONALD TRUMP

Finding the path to happiness

Most actionable solutions to the findings of a recent survey on the status of women and their health, literacy and employment, will come through the digital revolution

BINDU **DALMIA**

Last week I had the pleasure of releasing *The Status of Women in India* report in Nagpur, which is a comprehensive survey conducted by the Sangh-linked organisation Drishti Stree. I share my reflections in two parts on this very thought-provoking survey: The problems red-flagged in the report and how most of the solutions can be addressed through the big digital revolution in the offing in the country.

While the sample size of 74,000 is large, the fact remains that had more people from metropolitan cities and States with high literacy rates like Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Kerala been included and more inputs been taken from professionals like bankers, lawyers, corporate executives and so on, the report might have arrived at better averages. Because while the real *Bharat* resides in its villages, it also comprises the aspirational class in the cities. In some areas the report is an eye-opener, while in some it just confirmed preconceived notions.

The following findings did not surprise anyone: Recently, India slipped 10 places in the World Economic Forum's (WEF) Global Competitive Index. This was attributed to a poor employable skill base, lack of worker protection rights and critically-low participation of women in the workforce. All three factors were accurately captured in this survey conducted last year, confirming the authenticity of the Dristhi methodology.

Workers from tribal areas are given low wages and subjected to trafficking and inhuman exploitation in the unorganised sector of domestic staff. Therefore, employment agencies must be accredited and regulated and the Government must ensure that statutory provisions for medical coverage, dignity of labour and minimum wages are enacted.

The survey revealed that there is an increased participation by women in voting, which shows that there is more understanding of local and national issues, enough for them to assert their electoral preference.

According to the survey, there is also a need to ensure that women, especially in the rural areas, are equipped to handle every adverse situation in life. Any social scientist would confirm that over-dependency is a complacent state of being, hence women must also learn how to cope with every contingency.

Because, with life expectancy increasing — and wives are known to outlive their husbands — in order not to be economically vulnerable, women need to be included in the decision-making process of deployment of family savings and understand the basics of matters like title-deed, financial securities and savings instruments. The report confirmed the healthy trend that "today one-third of the women participate in decision-making in the family", which was earlier a male domain.

The survey captured high dropout rates up to high school and that women were falling off the employment curve due to family responsibilities between the ages of 18 to 30 years, which is also the peak earning period for most people. The future success of globalised economies will lie in the increased participation of women. Regrettably, on the Gender Inequality Index, India ranks as low as 132 out of 136 countries. Gender parity is a basic human right and its achievement has multiplier socio-economic implications. Empowering women makes for thriving economies, elevates their self-worth and protects them from domestic violence. Further, according to the survey, Jan Dhan Yojana figures revealed that 79 per cent women have individual bank accounts, which is a step towards financial inclusion. However, just opening a bank account without earning adequate income is not enough. The Drishti study confirmed the NABARD's (National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development) pan-India findings — which had a larger sample size — that median income was between ₹5,000 and ₹20,000.

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Most actionable solutions to Dristhi's findings on literacy, health and employment will come through the big digital revolution that is in the offing.

Low per capita income and low per capita savings can only increase through increased economic opportunities. The solution is rapid industrialisation of rural India by bringing employment to the villages. This can happen through increased digitisation and advancement of online commerce. Because rural women are hesitant to travel far in search of jobs and for skilling or educational purposes, we need to lower the cost of smartphones and increase internet penetration.

It is heartening that literacy rates improved to 79.63 per cent up to graduation levels. But acceleration is needed to improve the figure of 46 per cent in achieving primary literacy. To further improve India's low ratings in the Human Capital Index, NITI Aayog has proposed to increase education outlays from the current three per cent of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to six per cent by 2022.

Our education system has remained static for too long and we are ill-equipped for the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

The solution, according to the latest McKinsey report, lies in lifelong learning and upgradation of skills, so as to be continuously prepared for challenging technological disruptions and a paradigm shift from theoretical to experiential learning in specialised domains like agriculture, Information Technology, tourism and so on.

Online education through e-classes and skill training through distant learning will bridge the gaps in teaching quality of Government schools where there is a shortage of brick and mortar schools in villages, and bridge the low student-teacher ratio. There are mega e-learning platforms like Byju's and so on that have sprung up in the country, but awareness of these institutions is low. Increased digitisation will provide "stay-at-home employment" through e-commerce jobs for women in rural areas and Tier-1 and Tier-2 cities. Digital commerce bought millions out of poverty in China, as it linked the remotest craftsmen and farmers to the global marketplace. In India, we have the successful model of Khadi Gramodyog, that linked clusters and communities to national marketing networks, so as to get a market-linked price for their commodity.

As India progresses from being a high-cash economy towards a digital economy, even dispensing credit to those that lack credit histories and collaterals will become easier, as algorithms in future will determine creditworthiness of borrowers.

As regards healthcare, because India has a low patient-doctor ratio, and poor patient-hospital bed capacity, we need to progress to online doctor consultations. This will help take medical expertise to remote areas and fulfil the need for preventive care and diagnosis.

With this in mind, the NITI Aayog has proposed increased outlays for health from a paltry 1.5 per cent to three per cent of the GDP. Also, medical insurance premiums must be lowered for women, as only 20 per cent of them are covered by it at present.

However, the findings of the survey that surprised were that the Gross Happiness Index (GHI) scores were as high at 80 per cent, regardless of trying circumstances and stresses of daily life.

What was hard to endorse was that the survey found that "income has no influence on levels of happiness." I am sure that most would agree that money is not everything, but is surely a necessity for self-sufficiency.

To the contrary, the World Health Organisation's (WHO's) 2017 report on depression, shows India in the top 10 slot. It also states that depression has risen by 50 per cent in the last eight years.

Look at Punjab and Delhi, where substance abuse is on the rise and drugs are available freely in betel shops, the increase in farmer and student suicides and rise in divorce rates.

How can we be high on the GHI? There exists a powerful correlation between a country's economic development and social progress, and GHI is a composite picture of multiple feel-good factors linked to increased literacy levels and employment opportunities; increased per capita incomes and savings; advanced amenities for better living conditions; decrease in incidence of lawlessness and crime; social security; high quality and accessible healthcare; physical exercise and nurturing spiritual practices.

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Ayodhya holding its breath as verdict looms

The Supreme Court's ruling would have legal, political and religious ramifications. Though the apex court's order might put a lid on the legal aspect, its impact on politics and communal harmony will be equally significant

KALYANI **SHANKAR**

Ayodhya is getting ready to face the impact of the Supreme Court (SC) ruling on the Ram janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid title suit, next month. The verdict is expected to put a lid on the dispute between the two communities on the right of ownership of the site.

A violent mob of *Karsevaks* and prominent politicians had pulled down the mosque adjacent to the Ram temple in Ayodhya on December 6, 1992, which has tested the communal fabric of the country since then. The Hindus — represented by seven parties — have argued in the apex court that there was a temple dedicated to the birthplace of Lord Ram before the Babri Masjid was erected during medieval times. The verdict is likely to be delivered before November 17, by which time the present Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi will be retiring.

The BJP leaders are upbeat and hoping for a favourable ruling. The party is happy that their "*Mandir wahin banayenge* (we will construct the temple on that spot)" slogan could at last become a reality, after a wait of nearly three decades.

Local BJP leaders claim that over 65 per cent of the stone craving work for the proposed temple has been completed and a lot of *Karsevaks* have volunteered to work for its construction. According to BJP MP Sakshi Maharaj, if the verdict goes in favour of the Hindus, Prime Minister Narendra Modi could lay the foundation stone on December 6.

Uttar Pradesh (UP) Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has also said that he is hopeful of a favourable ruling. He has already prepared the State administration to face a post-verdict scenario. The Faizabad District has been renamed as Ayodhya, which is being developed as a tourist attraction with wider roads, spruced up ghats and refurbished heritage temples.

The Ayodhya verdict would have legal, political and religious ramifications. Though the apex court's order might put a lid on the legal aspect, its impact on politics and communal harmony will be equally significant.

It is likely that the two sides might accept the SC's judgment. Muslim religious scholars and leaders have also said that parties on both sides of the dispute should accept the verdict, whatever it may be.

It will be a big gain for the BJP, as the party's political and electoral fortunes in the past three decades owe their rise to it, as the BJP began its campaign for the Ram temple in the '90s. The razing of the Babri Masjid in 1992 was a turning point in the history of the BJP and its Hindutva politics. In fact Narendra Modi, who was a senior Gujarat leader at that time, had a role to play in BJP stalwart LK Advani's Ram rath yatra, which began from Somnath in Gujarat to Ayodhya in 1990. However, the yatra did not culminate in Ayodhya as planned, as Advani was arrested.

The Babri Masjid demolition not only changed the political narrative of the country but it also helped the BJP establish itself in national politics.

Post the Babri Masjid demolition, the BJP acquired a national identity and stature. The party, which was known as a Bania–Brahmin party and had a strong presence only in the Hindi belt, has expanded as a pan-national party now, replacing the grand old party, the Congress.

The Ayodhya agenda has been a recurring theme, to which the Sangh Parivar and its affiliates, most importantly the BJP, have returned to again and again. The party has been consistently talking about building the Ram temple and had included it in its poll manifesto since 1996.

However, after the demolition, Advani had said that "the agitation is not just for constructing a temple, but to propagate Hindutva's foundational idea — cultural nationalism."

Other political parties, including the Congress, Samajwadi Party (SP), the Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) and the Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) have been treading on the issue very cautiously.

Seeing the phenomenal rise of the BJP, the Congress has also been trying to play soft-Hindutva politics in recent times, with party leaders like Rahul Gandhi visiting temples before elections. The SP, BSP, RJD and other parties relevant in the '90s have lost their sheen now.

The BJP's future agenda depends on how it plays its Hindutva card. At present, the party would primarily like to consolidate its base all over the country. It has to expand in the North-East and the South and it is also planning to expand in West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. Moreover, the economic agenda needs priority as it is slipping beyond its control. Creation of jobs and boosting the economy needs immediate attention. It is easier said than done when the global economy is also facing a slowdown.

The saffron party's next agenda is likely to be Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (PoK). In fact, BJP chief Amit Shah and the Minister for External Affairs S Jaishankar have gone public on reclaiming the PoK after the revocation of Article 370. But there is enough time for this until the next elections. Of course, one week is said to be long time in politics and five years are a very, very long time and there could be other issues, which may come up.

(*The writer is a senior journalist*)

FOREIGN EYE

SOMETHING TO PONDER ABOUT

The size of the Extinction Rebellion (XR) protests over the past year add weight to the idea that people in this decade were in revolt before they had any clear idea what form a revolution might take. Politically it looked like a whole generation was up for grabs. In the beginning of the decade this anger veered leftwards with movements like Occupy, but at the end it has moved greenwards, under XR. The question is how much of the country will go with it.

(*The Guardian* editorial)

Infosys probing alleged 'unethical practices'

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

IT services giant Infosys Ltd on Tuesday said it is investigating claims by anonymous whistleblowers accusing CEO Salil Parekh of "unethical practices" to shore up profits through irregular accounting, sending its shares to their worst intra-day fall in over six years.

Chairman and co-founder Nandan Nilekani pledged a full probe, saying the complaint had been placed before the audit committee on October 10 and before the non-executive members of the board the next day.

A September 20 letter, signed by "Ethical Employees", had alleged that Parikh as well as Chief Financial Officer Nilanjan Roy engaged in forced revenue recognition from large contracts not adhering to accounting standards.

Its American Depositary Receipts were trading nearly 2 per cent down on the New York Stock Exchange on Tuesday.

US-based Rosen Law Firm has said it is preparing a class action lawsuit to recover losses suffered by Infosys investors. In a statement, Rosen Law Firm said it is "investigating potential securities claims on behalf of shareholders of Infosys Ltd resulting from allegations that Infosys may have issued materially misleading business information to the investing public".

"Rosen Law Firm is preparing a class action lawsuit to recover losses suffered by Infosys investors," the statement added.

The letter — dated September 20 — addressed to the board claimed that recent big deal wins carried negligible margins and that Roy directed certain people to make wrong assumptions to show margins.

The latest allegations came just two years after Infosys endured an internal turmoil that saw its then head Vishal Sikka resigning from the company.

In a statement to stock exchanges, Nilekani said the audit committee has begun consultation with independent internal auditors EY and has retained law firm Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co to conduct an independent investigation.

He said one board member had received two anonymous complaints on September 30, 2019 - one dated September 20, 2019, titled "Disturbing unethical practices" and an undated note with the title "Whistleblower Complaint".

He said both had been placed before the audit committee on October 10, 2019, and before the non-executive members of the board the following day.

"Post the board meeting of October 11, 2019, the audit committee began consultation with the independent internal auditors (Ernst & Young) on terms of reference for their prima facie investigation. The audit committee has now retained the law firm of Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co (October 21, 2019) to conduct an independent investigation," Nilekani noted in his statement.

The board, in consultation with the audit committee, will take such steps as may be appropriate based on the outcome of the investigation, he added. The whistleblower complaint by a group that calls itself "ethical employees" had alleged CEO Salil Parekh and CFO Nilanjan Roy were indulging in "unethical practices" to boost short-term revenue and profits.

"We have high respect for all of you and bring to your notice the unethical practices of CEO in recent quarters. The same measures are taken up in the current quarter also to boost short term revenue and profits," the letter addressed to the board of directors dated September 20, read.

The whistleblowers said they have emails and voice recordings on these matters.

Infosys on Monday had said the whistleblower complaint has been placed before the audit committee as per the company's practice, and that it will be dealt with in accordance with the company's whistleblower policy.

Nilekani, in his statement on Tuesday, said the company was made aware of another letter (dated October 3) that was purportedly written to the Office of Whistleblower protection programme, Washington DC. This letter referred to the September 20, 2019, complaint, and to emails and voice recordings in support of the allegations.

"These complaints are being dealt with in an objective manner. The undated whistleblower complaint largely deals with allegations relating to the CEO's international travel to the US and Mumbai," Nilekani pointed out.

"Although we have not been provided any of the emails or voice recordings, we will ensure that the generalised allegations are investigated to the fullest extent. Additionally, to ensure independence in these investigations, the CEO and CFO have been recused from this matter," Nilekani added.

He also noted that Infosys' statutory auditors, Deloitte, India, have been "completely updated" on this matter post the October 11 Board meeting.

In 2017, Infosys had witnessed a protracted stand-off between its high profile founders and the previous management over allegations of governance lapses and issues relating to severance package doled out to former executives, including ex-CFO Rajiv Bansal.

Following the tussle, the then CEO Vishal Sikka quit followed by some board members. Infosys co-founder Nandan Nilekani was then brought in as Chairman to steer the company. Parekh joined the company in January last year as the CEO.

Infosys has also settled with Sebi the case of alleged disclosure lapses regarding a payment made to Bansal earlier this year. It paid Rs 34.34 lakh to the market regulator to settle the case.

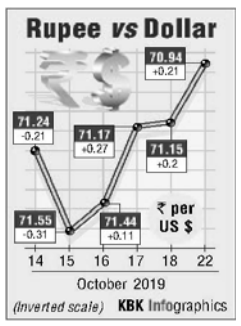
BUSINESS CORNER

OBC Q2 NET RISES 24% TO ₹126 CRORE

New Delhi: Oriental Bank of Commerce (OBC) on Tuesday reported a 23.5 per cent rise in net profit at ₹126 crore in the second quarter ended September of the current fiscal year. The state-owned bank had posted a net profit of ₹102 crore in the corresponding July-September period last fiscal. The bank's total income rose 15 per cent to ₹5,702 crore in July-September as compared with ₹4,967 crore in the year-ago period. Net interest income also rose 15 per cent to ₹1,456 crore in the quarter under review, while the non-interest income was up 35 per cent to ₹824 crore. The net interest margin (NIM), difference of interest gained and expended, also increased 0.06 percentage points to 2.62 per cent during the quarter ended September 2019. OBC's gross non-performing loan or bad loans came down to 12.53 per cent of the gross advances as on September 30, 2019 from 17.24 per cent at the end of September 2018. Net bad loans also reduced to 5.94 per cent from 10.07 per cent a year ago. However, provision for bad loans rose to ₹ 1,050 crore during the quarter as against ₹832 crore parked aside in the year-ago period. The bank said there were fresh slippages to the tune of ₹1,388 crore during the quarter that emanated from loans to retail, agri, MSME and other sectors.

₹ rises to 2-week high on US-China trade talks hopes

PTI ■ MUMBAI



The rupee on Tuesday rose to a two-week high against the US dollar on hopes of partial trade deal between the US and China next month.

The domestic currency closed at 70.94 to the dollar, a gain of 20 paise or 0.28 per cent over the previous close on Friday.

Forex market was closed on Monday on account of assembly elections in Maharashtra.

Analysts said growing expectations of a partial trade deal between the US and China next month bolstered the appetite for riskier assets like emerging currencies.

Also, Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal said India and the US will hopefully come out with the first set of agreements soon to address their trade issues.

Trade tensions have weighed on emerging and developing currencies as investors are looking for safe bets amid uncertainty over trade growth.

"Trade talks between the US and China have started to progress and the risk-on sentiment could further support the rupee. Brexit related uncertainty could continue as fresh updates on the same are likely to come in today's evening session. Parliament Brexit Vote is scheduled and we expect that could keep the volatility high for pound," Gaurang Somaiyaa, Forex & Bullion Analyst, Motilal Oswal Financial Services Private Ltd, said.

Malaysian PM stands by his remark on Kashmir

PTI ■ KUALA LUMPUR

A defiant Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad on Tuesday said he stands by his remarks on Kashmir, asserting that he speaks his mind and does not retract and change, days after India expressed regret over his statement.

Raising the Kashmir issue at the UN General Assembly last month, Mahathir alleged that India has "invaded and occupied" Jammu and Kashmir and asked New Delhi to work with Pakistan to resolve the issue, drawing strong reaction from the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

Speaking to reporters during a press conference in Parliament, he said "we felt that the people of Kashmir had benefited from the resolution of the United Nations, and all we are saying is that we should all abide, not just India and Pakistan, but even the United States of America and other countries".

"We speak out our minds and we don't retract and change," the Malaysian Prime Minister was quoted as saying by The Star newspaper.

MEA spokesperson Raveesh Kumar earlier this month said India and Malaysia have traditionally enjoyed good and friendly ties and "We deeply regret these comments since they are not based on facts".

Acknowledging the strained diplomatic relations between Malaysia and India over his remarks, Mahathir said that it is necessary to speak out on the issues, even though such remarks could be disliked by some.

"Sometimes, we have to have strained relationships but we want to be friendly with people. Malaysia is a trading nation, we need markets and so, we are nice to people.

"But, also, we have to speak up for people. So, sometimes what we say is liked by some and disliked by others," he said.

Shun Malaysia, palm oil buyers told amid Kashmir standoff

PNS/AGENCIES ■ MUMBAI

Top vegetable oil trade body called on Tuesday for the government to close a South Asian regional free-trade pact loophole it said had been used to circumvent tax by re-routing palm oil and soyoil imports through Nepal and Bangladesh.

The Solvent Extractors' Association of India said some traders were sourcing palm oil and soyoil from Nepal and Bangladesh under the South Asian Free Trade Agreement (SAFTA), even though both rely on imports from other countries.

"The palmolein being imported from Nepal is of Indonesian and Malaysian origin and soybean oil is of South American origin, routed through Nepal or Bangaldesh ... for getting the duty exemption for such imports," it said in a statement.

India charges 50% tax on refined palm oil and 45% on refined soyoil and another 10% surcharge on the duty.

Nepal imported 54,076 tonnes of palm oil from July to August and exported 35,706 tonnes to India during the period, the trade body said, citing import data as evidence.

Banerjee expresses worry about banking crisis; bats for aggressive changes

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Nobel laureate Abhijit Banerjee on Tuesday flagged concerns about banking crisis in India and called for aggressive changes to deal with the situation. There is a need to bring in important and aggressive changes to deal with the crisis, he said during interactions with media here.

Banerjee said there is need to bring down stake of the government to below 50 per cent in banks so that the decisions are taken without fear of Central Vigilance Commission (CVC). The banking system has been afflicted by the scourge of high NPAs for nearly five years now, which has led to networth erosion and discovery of scams in the sector, with the Punjab and Maharashtra Cooperative Bank (PMC) being the new addition.

Earlier in August, Central Vigilance Commission had constituted Advisory Board for Banking Frauds (ABBF) headed by former Vigilance Commissioner T M Bhasin to examine bank fraud over ₹50 crore and recommend action.

On August 30, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had said that the profitability of public sector banks was improving as the total gross non-performing assets of public sector banks came down.

CAIT urges PM not to yield ground to Walmart

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Traders' body CAIT on Tuesday urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi not to concede any ground to Walmart and other overseas e-commerce players, saying such firms have no regard for the sanctity of Indian laws and policies.

Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT) wrote to the Prime Minister after Walmart CEO Doug McMillon raised issues concerning data privacy and regulatory stability for the e-commerce sector and urged Modi to reduce the number of licences and permits for the opening of new stores.

Global retail giant Walmart, which has invested USD 16 billion in Flipkart, is facing challenges after the foreign direct investment rules for e-commerce marketplaces were changed by the government through a revised policy on FDI in online retail.

In the letter, CAIT Secretary General Praveen Khandelwal said: "These kind of rhetorics by global players are nothing but a pressure tactic to find a headway into the large existing business potential of India's Rs 45 lakh crore retail market..."

PMC Bank scam: Court extends HDIL promoters' ED custody till Oct 24

PTI ■ MUMBAI

A Mumbai court on Tuesday extended the ED custody of HDIL promoters Rakesh Wadhawan and his son Sarang Wadhawan, arrested in connection with Rs 4,355 crore Punjab and Maharashtra Cooperative (PMC) Bank scam, till October 24.

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) produced Housing Development Infrastructure Ltd's (HDIL) chairman and managing director Rakesh Wadhawan and his son before special Prevention of Money Laundering Act court judge P Rajvaidya, after their remand ended on Tuesday.

It sought further custody of the father-son duo to probe them further in connection with the scam. The probing agency's counsel Kavita Patil said the accused played a crucial role in laundering huge amount of money and were concealing material from investigation.

The money trail of proceeds received from the bank and properties derived from the same were yet to be ascertained, the ED said.

The court extended the ED custody of the duo till Thursday. The Wadhawans were arrested last month by Mumbai Police's Economic Offences Wing (EOW).

Banking services affected due to strike by 4 lakh employees

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Banking operations across India were partially hit on Tuesday as 4 lakh employees of public sector banks, a few old generation private and foreign banks went on a one-day strike to protest the government's mega- merger plan and reduction in interest rates on deposits by banks.

In Maharashtra, 40,000 bank employees from around 10,000 branches of various banks were on strike. The one-day strike has been called by two bank employees unions- All India Banks Employees Association (AIBEA) and Bank Employees Federation of India (BEFI). In August, the government announced a plan to merge 10 public sector lenders into four to create fewer and stronger global-sized banks.

It had announced four new sets of mergers of state-run banks — Punjab National Bank taking over Oriental Bank of Commerce and United Bank of India.

SEARCH OF MISSING/KIDNAPPED

Rajesh

General public is hereby informed that one man (depicted in the photo), **Namely:** Rajesh, **S/o:** Ram Shobhit, **R/o:** G-348, Adhyapak Nagar, Delhi **Aged:** 29 years, has been missing/ kidnapped from the area of P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi since 04.08.2019 at **vide DD No. 100-A, Dated 05.08.2019, has been lodged at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi.** His physical description is as under:

Complexion: Shallow, **Height:** 5'1", **Face:** Long, **Clothing:** T-Shirt Jeans Paint and chapple in feet.

Any person is having any information/clue about this missing man, may inform SHO, Nihal Vihar, Delhi at **E-mail: cic@cbi.gov.nic.in or website : http://cbi.nic.in Tele No. : 011-24368638 or 24368641**

S.H.O
P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi
Ph. No. 011-25946700, 25946710

DP/2717/OD/19.

SEARCH FOR MISSING PERSON

Lalit Sharma

General public is hereby informed that one person namely Lalit Sharma, S/o Shri Lala Ram Sharma, R/o Z-187, Gali No. 12, Narain Vihar, Prem Nagar-II, Delhi, Age 30 years, Height 5'9" Complexion Fair, Long Face, Wearing Black colour shirt & jeans pant has been missing / kidnapped from the area of PS Prem Nagar, Delhi since 05.10.19. In this regard a vide DD No. 32-A dated 09.10.19 has been lodged at PS Prem Nagar, Delhi.

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

E-mail ID:cic@cbi.gov.in SHO
Tele: 011-24368638, 24368641 **PS : Prem Nagar, Delhi**
Fax: 011-24368639 **Ph.: 25489080**
DP/3377/RD/19

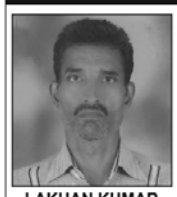
PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person namely **Baber @ Chand Mohammad, S/o Ayyub, R/o:** 127, Kaila Bhatta, Behind Moti Masjid, Ghaziabad, U.P. Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 242/19, u/s 420/406/407/468/120B/34 IPC dated 31.08.2019** registered at P.S. Hauz Khas, New Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon that the said **Baber @ Chand Mohammad** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Baber @ Chand Mohammad** has absconded (or is concealing him self to avoid the service of the said warrant). Proceeding u/s 82 Cr.P.C. has been initiated in this case. Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Baber @ Chand Mohammad** accused of **FIR No. 242/19, u/s 420 / 406 / 407 / 468 / 120B/34 IPC dated 31.08.2019,** is required to appear before this Court to answer said complaint on or before **25.11.2019.**

By Order
Ms. Vijeta Singh Rawat,
Ld MM/ Saket Court, Room No. 614,
6th Floor, Saket Court, Delhi
DP/5788/SD/19

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED


LAKHAN KUMAR

General Public is hereby informed that one man **Namely:** Lakhan Kumar, **S/o:** Matadin Jha, **R/o:** H.No. 6/23, Raksha Enclave Extn., Mohan Garden, Uttam Nagar, Delhi. **Age:** 50 Years, **Height:** 5'5", **Face:** Long, **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Wearing:** White Chackdar Shirt-Black Pant and Black Shoes in Feet has been missing/kidnapped since 10.10.2019 from the area of PS Ranhola, Delhi. In this regard **DD No. 04-A, dated 12.10.2019** has been lodged at **PS. Ranhola, 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.

Web-site : http://cbi.nic.in SHO
E-Mail ID: cic@cbi.gov.in PS. Ranhola, Delhi
Fax: 011-24368639
DP/2809/OD/19 **Ph.: 011-28363001, 28363002, 28363003**

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED BOY

Mohd. Sajid

General Public is hereby informed that one boy (depicted in the photo) namely Mohd. Sajid **S/o** Mohd Mustafa **R/o** F-771, Inder Enclave, PH-II, Delhi **Aged-**09 Years has been reported missing/kidnapped since 30.09.2019 vide **FIR No.541/19 Dated 01.10.2019** registered at Police Station Prem Nagar, Delhi. His physical description is as under:-

Complexion: Shallow, **Height:** 4', **Face:** Oval, **Clothing:** Red coloured T-shirt and Blue coloured Jeans.

Any person having any information/Clue about this missing/kidnapped boy, may inform SHO, Prem Nagar, Delhi at E-mail : **cic@cbi.gov.in** or website : **http://cbi.nic.in**

Tele No. : 011-24368638 or 24368641 Sd/-
FAX No. : 011-24368639 SHO, Prem Nagar, Delhi
DP/3379/RD/19 Tel.: 011-25489080

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED FEMALE

Rani Devi

General Public is hereby informed that one female (depicted in the photo) namely Rani Devi **W/o** Dheeraj Kumar **R/o** A-24/25/26, Veer Bazar, Chander Vihar, Delhi **Aged -** 24 Years has been reported missing since 07.10.2019 with her daughter namely Sonam Kumari (Age: 5 years) & a 1 Months aged baby vide **DD No. 54-A Dated 09.10.2019** registered at Police Station Nihal Vihar, Delhi. Her physical description is as under:-

Complexion: Fair, **Height:** 5', **Face:** Round, **Clothing:** Pink suit salwar and slipper in feet.

Any person having any information/Clue about this missing female and her children, may inform SHO, Nihal Vihar, Delhi at E-mail : **cic@cbi.gov.in** or website : **http://cbi.nic.in**

Sd/-
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NORTHERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

The Dy. Chief Electrical Engineer/Const./Northern Railway, 4th Floor, DRM Office, New Delhi-110001 **invites e-tender** under **Single Packet System** for the under noted work:-

1.	**Name of work and location**	Design, Supply, erection, testing & commissioning of 25 kV AC single phase OHE for the Electrification work of: Ghaziabad-Road Over Bridge at Dhobi Ghat in lieu of L-Xing No. 153 & Modification work in lieu of ROB at L-Xing 31 Garhi harsaru on DLI-RE section.
2.	**Completion period of the work**	9 Months
3.	**Approx. Cost of work**	Rs. 64,47,789.97/-
4.	**Earnest Money amount (to be deposited Online)**	Rs. 1,29,000/-
5.	**Date & Time for submission of E-tender and opening of tender**	Tenders may be uploaded upto 11.30 hrs. on date 13.11.2019 on IREPS website i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** The bidders can participate in the e-tender, the tender will be opened at 11.30 hrs on 13.11.2019.
6	**Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document**	The detailed e-tender notice is available on Northern Railway web site i.e. **www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in** and tender document is available on **www.ireps.gov.in** Above tender document will be available for submission of offer on IREPS web site i.e. **www.ireps.gov.in** from **30.10.2019 to 13.11.2019.** All other terms and conditions in respect of above tenders are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

No. 302 Mod.- Dy.CEE/C/NDLS/2018-19(R5) Dated: .10.2019 3372/2019

SERVING CUSTOMERS WITH A SMILE

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

See Section 82 Cr.P.C.

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person **Sharwan Chaudhary,** the owner of **Balaji Diagnostic Centre,** Building No. 4 Basement, Near Sapna Cinema, Community Centre, East of Kailash, Delhi has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 204/19 u/s 420/406/34 IPC** has been registered at **P.S. Janak Puri, Delhi** and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said **Sharwan Chaudhary** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said **Sharwan Chaudhary** has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said **Sharwan Chaudhary** accused of **FIR No. 204/19 u/s 420/406/34 IPC, Janak Puri, Delhi** is required to appear before this court to answer said complaint on or before **11.12.2019.**

By Order
Sh. Deepak Vats, Metropolitan Magistrate,
Room No. 9, Ground Floor,
Dwarka District Courts,
Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi
DP/8472/WD/19-(Court Matter)

Trai moots clarity in 'other service providers' definition

Simplifies norms for some categories

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Trai has suggested exempting certain categories like data/internet based and captive contact centres from detailed registration, retaining it for voice-based outsourced other service providers (OSPs), in a set of recommendations that the regulator said will make India a "preferred BPO destination" and drive sector growth.

"Clarity in definition of OSP has been brought. Only voice based, outsourced OSP need to have registration at par with existing process. Data/internet based OSP would need to furnish intimation only," the telecom sector regulator said in a statement.

Notably, though, Trai has recommended that Contact Centre Service Provider (CCSP)/ Hosted Contact Centre Service Provider (HCCSP) involved in reselling of telecom resources, say bandwidth, would require a Virtual Network Operator or VNO license.

When contacted, Nasscom's Senior Vice President, Sangeeta Gupta told PTI that while Trai's suggestions to the government offer clarity on many of the challenges facing the industry, the association will await more details to see what the recommendations mean for CCSPs or HCCSPs, in particular, in terms of additional compliance burden, if any.

Meanwhile, a Trai statement said that: "The CCSPs/HCCSPs who provide only the platform as service including a combination of the components of EPABX, IVR, call handling/administration, call recording, contact centre data analytics, customer relationship management...For contact centres, should be required to get registered with DoT."

These players "should be Indian company, having their data centres in India for providing the contact centre platform to OSPs", the regulator said. Trai recommendations also prescribe various penalty for violation in terms and conditions.

The CCSP/ HCCSP involved in reselling of telecom resources would require VNO license, the statement added.

CCSP/HCCSP should be given 3 months' time to get themselves necessary registration / license after declaration of the policy by Department of Telecom, the statement released by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai) said.

The regulator has also recommended additional clarity in definition of OSP players.

It said it expects implementation of its recommendations to create better environment for growth of the sector making India as preferred BPO/ITeS destination.

"Provision of services for captive purposes, that is, Captive Contact Centres have been kept out from the scope of OSP. They would require to furnish intimation only," it said.

The complete process of registration and intimation shall be through online portal and time bound. Multiple OSP centres of single company within one circle can be registered as single OSP, it has suggested.

In a major breather to the players, it recommended that the requirement of bank guarantee for availing Work-from-Home (WFH) facility, should be done away with. A Trai official explained that so far companies had to shell out Rs 1 crore in bank guarantees for each employee availing such facility.

"Internet obtained at one OSP centre can be shared with other OSP centres of same company (provided the ISP has geographical jurisdiction)," Trai release said.

Elaborating on the terms and conditions for CCSPs/HCCSPs, Trai said that a complete log and record of

Sebi issues framework for listing of commercial paper

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Markets regulator Sebi on Tuesday came out with a framework for listing of commercial papers on stock exchanges in order to broaden investor participation in such securities. To enable listing of commercial papers (CPs) and to ensure investor protection, Sebi noted that it is important that issuers, who intend to list such securities, make appropriate disclosures at the time of listing and on a continuous basis.

The disclosure framework has been based on the recommendation of the Corporate Bonds and Securitisation Advisory Committee (CoBoSAC), chaired by H R Khan, former deputy governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Sebi said in a circular.

Under the guidelines, Sebi said an issuer who desires to list its CP needs to send an application for listing along with the specified disclosures to the stock exchanges. The disclosures pertain to details of the issuers, information related to change in directors as well as auditors in past three financial years, including any change in the current year, details of top-10 holders of equity shares, debt securities and CP of the company, any material information and details of borrowings of the company, as on the latest quarter end.

Two employee unions' strike partially hits banking services

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Banking operations in some parts of the country were affected on Tuesday as two employee unions are on strike, protesting merger of public sector banks. Some of the services like cash deposit and withdrawal at the counter as well as cheque clearances have been impacted due to the nation-wide strike.

However, branches of public sectors banks in urban areas are operational as officers at these branches are not participating in the strike. Most of the banks, including SBI, had informed their customers about strike call given by All India Bank Employees Association (AIBEA) and Bank Employees Federation of India (BEFI) to protest bank mergers and fall in deposit rates.

Merger of banks is totally unwarranted in India as there is a need for more banking services and opening of more branches to serve the people, AIBEA General Secretary CH Venkatachalam said. "The merger has so far resulted in closure of branches and hence it is a wrong policy. Recovery of the huge bad loans is the top priority for banks, and merger will change the priority. Hence, it is a bad idea," he added.

Pvt telecom operators pay govt over ₹4,500 cr in spectrum dues

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Private telecom operators Reliance Jio, Vodafone Idea and Bharti Airtel have paid the Telecom Department over Rs 4,500 crore in spectrum dues in the last three to four days, according to sources. Sources said that the payments came in before the due date. The sparring telcos — some of which are reeling under acute financial stress and are seeking immediate relief measures — have made the payment towards deferred spectrum liability (or instalment payment for radiowaves bought in past auctions) which fell due on October 21.

While Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Jio has paid Rs 1,133 crore to the Department of Telecom, Vodafone Idea has made Rs 2,421 crore payment towards spectrum dues. Sunil Mittal's Bharti Airtel has paid Rs 977 crore. Taken together, these three players have paid over Rs 4,531 crore towards spectrum dues late last week.

Emails sent to Reliance Jio and Airtel went unanswered, while a Vodafone Idea spokesperson said that the company does not comment on matters that are business as usual. The government, in March last year, enhanced the number of annual instalments for spectrum payment from 10 to 16 years to provide a breather to the debt-laden telecom sector. But with the industry reeling under financial stress, Vodafone Group Chairman Gerard Kleisterlee and CEO Nick Read recently met Telecom Secretary Anshu Prakash, as the company sought a two-year moratorium on deferred spectrum payments, and other relief measures from the government.

The British telecom giant has asserted that it is focused on the successful integration of business between Vodafone and Idea. The telecom sector has been battered by falling tariffs, eroding profitability and mounting debt in the face of stiff competition triggered by disruptive offerings of Reliance Jio. The industry has been seeking urgent relief such as cut in levies like licence fee and spectrum charges, and release of GST input tax credit locked up with the government.

In a sector stung by policy and regulatory issues, battlelines have been drawn more recently over the contentious matter of call connect charges, where the regulator is reviewing whether or not the zero termination charge regime should be pushed back from the originally-stated timeline of January 1, 2020.

Govt to soon change definition of MSMEs, says Gadkari

New Delhi: The Government will soon make changes to the definition of a micro, small and medium enterprise, Union Minister Nitin Gadkari said on Tuesday and hoped to generate five crore jobs in the MSME sector in five years. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman had in August said the government would consider amending the MSME Act to move towards a single definition.

The update in the definition of micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) may allow a single definition for purposes related to taxation, investment, etc. The new definition is likely to be effected through an amendment to the MSME Act and may lead to further improvement in India's ease of doing business scenario. In February last year, the Union Cabinet had approved amendments to the law to change the criteria for classifying MSMEs from 'investment in plant and machinery' to 'annual turnover'.

Asked about proposed changes to the definition of MSME, the minister for micro, small and medium enterprises said this will soon be implemented. "We will have one meeting and then finalise it (changes to MSME definition)," Gadkari told PTI, adding that extensive changes will be made soon. ***PTI***

NIFTY 50

SCRIP	OPEN	HIgh	LOW	LTP	CHANGE
NIFTY 50	11657.15	11714.35	11573.65	11588.35	-73.50
DRREDDY	2722.25	2820.70	2710.85	2819.90	95.05
ICICIBANK	440.50	458.70	437.55	451.75	13.95
BPCL	532.00	538.60	522.35	532.70	12.40
TITAN	1300.45	1336.80	1294.50	1331.00	30.40
CIPLA	441.25	457.75	440.20	453.65	9.50
COALINDIA	206.00	209.95	203.30	209.95	4.00
WIPRO	249.00	254.45	247.10	253.55	4.65
NESTLEIND	14888.00	15110.95	14836.00	15100.00	264.55
HINDUNILVR	2120.00	2149.00	2112.00	2131.70	24.85
BAJAJ-AUTO	3090.05	3154.40	3089.65	3122.35	35.30
GRASIM	745.95	772.00	742.45	755.00	8.50
POWERGRID	201.00	207.55	201.00	204.70	2.15
HDFC	2115.00	2140.50	2096.00	2116.00	21.55
SUNPHARMA	402.00	408.00	400.95	405.60	3.95
YESBANK	53.00	56.60	50.25	51.90	0.50
HEROMOTOCO	2660.00	2713.45	2641.20	2670.05	23.90
HDFCBANK	1257.00	1257.00	1232.60	1239.90	10.90
ITC	245.00	251.10	244.95	248.50	2.00
IOC	147.10	148.10	145.55	146.75	1.15
KOTAKBANK	1626.85	1643.00	1592.00	1626.80	11.55
M&M	593.40	601.20	587.45	596.85	3.55
AXISBANK	712.40	723.00	703.30	713.25	3.70
ONGC	143.50	146.15	142.20	144.10	0.60
SBIN	270.40	275.00	268.50	270.35	0.70
BRITANNIA	3220.10	3291.90	3220.10	3260.00	7.65
ZEEL	250.20	255.00	247.10	250.65	0.45
RELIANCE	1425.00	1436.85	1403.35	1417.40	1.05
GAIL	129.55	130.95	128.80	129.50	-0.05
INDUSINDBK	1340.00	1357.85	1320.00	1341.00	-1.65
ADANIPORTS	421.50	428.85	417.10	420.60	-1.10
UPL	599.00	603.90	592.95	597.00	-2.00
NTPC	121.65	121.65	119.95	120.65	-0.40
TCS	2080.00	2111.50	2040.05	2050.00	-7.35
LT	1448.50	1467.80	1439.15	1441.60	-6.20
MARUTI	7333.00	7392.00	7232.00	7262.25	-40.05
VEDL	150.60	151.95	147.20	149.10	-1.15
ULTRACEMCO	4295.00	4409.90	4217.00	4250.80	-44.50
HINDALCO	186.45	190.95	185.05	185.20	-2.20
INFRATEL	266.00	266.00	256.25	258.40	-3.20
EICHERMOT	20276.00	20513.25	19855.00	19963.45	-312.45
JSWSTEEL	223.00	225.90	219.20	219.50	-3.85
TATASTEEL	357.50	363.80	353.00	353.25	-6.35
ASIANPAINT	1822.70	1825.00	1775.00	1780.00	-36.75
TECHM	727.40	732.00	714.30	719.00	-15.20
BAJFINANCE	4165.00	4219.85	4000.10	4050.00	-87.65
HCLTECH	1090.20	1095.90	1051.50	1064.90	-30.60
BHARTIARTL	381.80	396.50	367.20	372.65	-10.85
BAJAJFINSV	8300.00	8393.00	7975.25	8005.00	-260.95
TATAMOTORS	133.35	135.60	129.80	131.35	-5.50
INFY	691.10	691.10	638.35	640.00	-127.85

NIFTY NEXT 50

SCRIP	OPEN	HIgh	LOW	LTP	CHANGE
NIFTY NEXT 50	28088.00	28379.95	28049.40	28163.95	149.80
PEL	1582.00	1723.00	1582.00	1687.35	130.50
SBILIFE	929.20	997.50	929.20	989.90	63.95
PAGEIND	21580.00	22699.00	21533.75	22699.00	1200.55
DLF	170.00	183.00	169.35	177.20	8.35
SHREECEM	19400.00	20312.45	19258.25	19550.00	870.25
HDFCAMC	2890.00	3074.70	2884.50	3010.00	127.35
ICICIGI	1237.00	1306.35	1237.00	1296.75	52.70
PFC	98.20	103.15	97.80	101.70	3.60
BOSCHLTD	14199.90	14700.00	14162.00	14600.00	460.50
PETRONET	268.95	277.50	267.85	275.15	7.85
SRTRANSFIN	1085.55	1127.80	1080.10	1119.05	22.80
SIEMENS	1650.00	1693.50	1645.95	1680.35	31.65
CADILAHC	240.65	248.50	238.80	245.00	4.35
OFSS	3095.00	3114.40	3070.00	3109.00	38.75
L&TFH	84.10	90.80	83.60	86.40	1.00
PGHH	11800.00	12000.00	11761.00	11950.00	125.65
PNB	60.25	62.25	59.90	60.85	0.60
HINDPETRO	316.95	320.45	312.30	316.90	3.05
DABUR	466.00	480.00	465.70	471.00	4.50
MARICO	392.95	400.90	392.15	395.35	3.50
DIVISLAB	1732.40	1773.55	1726.25	1752.05	14.05
LUPIN	738.90	748.35	733.95	744.80	5.70
ICICIPRULI	478.35	488.45	473.40	480.10	3.35
HDFCLIFE	609.95	624.25	605.50	612.50	4.05
AUROPHARMA	477.00	485.40	471.20	479.00	2.55
NMDC	110.00	110.70	107.60	109.40	0.55
BANKBARODA	89.50	92.60	89.05	90.15	0.35
BANDHANBNK	554.00	580.45	553.80	555.00	0.30
PIDILITIND	1360.50	1382.00	1344.05	1352.00	0.50
COLPAL	1546.00	1554.90	1524.00	1538.50	-2.30
DMART	1929.95	1943.25	1901.00	1913.00	-11.85
CONCOR	629.90	632.75	603.75	607.00	-4.50
UBL	1336.00	1336.00	1299.30	1319.30	-10.70
ACC	1551.90	1556.95	1523.80	1536.20	-17.35
BIOCON	257.50	261.35	256.05	256.05	-3.40
HAVELLS	690.00	692.95	670.50	678.00	-11.60
GODREJCP	710.05	714.50	695.00	702.45	-14.45
BAJAJHLDNG	3742.40	3800.00	3656.00	3665.10	-77.40
ASHOKLEY	77.05	77.15	75.15	75.85	-1.65
HINDZINC	216.50	219.70	209.20	210.00	-6.40
NHPC	24.10	24.10	23.05	23.10	-0.80
INDIGO	1719.00	1719.00	1666.50	1668.80	-61.10
MCDOWELL-N	634.90	644.30	606.65	611.75	-23.45
MOTHERSUMI	105.80	105.85	103.00	103.50	-4.05
IDEA	6.40	6.55	6.00	6.15	-0.25
BERGEPAINT	503.00	504.80	477.00	479.50	-19.55
AMBUJACEM	205.00	205.40	192.50	195.90	-11.75
IBULHSGFIN	239.00	252.00	205.35	218.00	-13.20
NIACL	143.70	149.00	135.25	135.50	-8.25
GICRE	279.50	291.00	258.00	259.85	-19.75

BSE 500

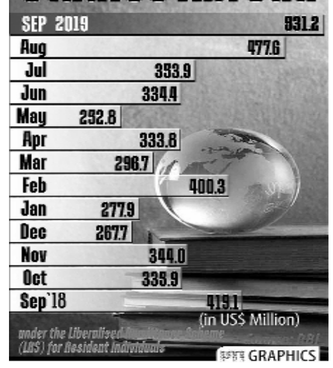
Script	Open	High	Low	LTP
INFY	691.00	691.00	638.30	643.30
YESBANK	53.00	56.50	50.25	51.80
IBULHSGFIN	238.20	252.00	206.00	218.20
HDFC	2102.00	2140.85	2096.50	2115.95
RELIANCE	1427.05	1437.65	1404.00	1414.25
BAJFINANCE	4157.00	4219.50	4001.00	4031.95
ITC	245.90	251.00	245.05	248.85
BPCL	530.00	538.50	522.60	534.00
ICICIBANK	439.00	458.75	437.90	451.15
HDFCBANK	1257.00	1257.00	1232.80	1238.65
PEL	1588.70	1723.50	1584.75	1680.50
KOTAKBANK	1620.00	1643.35	1592.40	1628.90
MARUTI	7300.00	7391.45	7232.90	7254.20
TATAMOTORS	133.40	135.60	129.85	131.90
JUBLFOOD	1356.00	1451.80	1345.05	1429.90
SBIN	270.00	274.95	268.60	270.45
RBLBANK	296.00	298.10	282.05	286.90
HCLTECH	1095.05	1095.05	1051.75	1064.45
BAJAJFINSV	8267.00	8389.90	7966.75	8002.65
BHEL	55.50	55.50	51.35	51.80
TATASTEEL	356.95	363.65	353.00	354.25
RNAM	289.30	319.20	289.30	309.00
TITAN	1300.00	1336.00	1299.20	1329.50
COCHINSHIP	332.25	340.05	331.70	336.90
TCS	2081.00	2109.95	2040.45	2051.65
LTTS	1625.00	1625.00	1460.00	1472.60
ZEEL	251.95	254.90	247.50	250.35
DLF	169.00	182.90	169.00	178.20
NCC	53.65	55.55	53.00	53.70
AXISBANK	714.70	722.65	704.25	712.70
HDFCAMC	2900.00	3072.50	2886.30	3021.45
GRAPHITE	297.80	327.30	294.95	311.20
JINDALSTEL	108.00	108.05	102.90	103.45
LT	1448.05	1466.95	1438.65	1441.90
JSWSTEEL	224.40	225.85	219.20	219.60
ASHOKLEY	77.60	77.60	75.15	76.05
APOLLOTYRE	184.50	188.25	183.45	184.75
ULTRACEMCO	4340.00	4405.45	4222.00	4250.30
HEG	972.90	1117.50	972.90	1076.00
BANKBARODA	90.00	92.50	89.15	90.15
L&TFH	84.20	90.80	83.95	86.65
BHARTIARTL	383.25	396.40	367.40	374.20
BATAINDIA	1789.00	1803.25	1744.85	1767.20
AUBANK	669.85	696.50	662.95	688.40
INDUSINDBK	1349.60	1357.30	1319.75	1340.65
MCX	1070.00	1127.60	1047.00	1119.40
AMBUJACEM	206.00	206.00	192.65	195.80
VEDL	151.00	152.00	147.30	149.00
HINDPETRO	317.00	320.40	312.45	316.70
HINDALCO	187.40	190.95	185.20	185.85
EICHERMOT	20226.00	20490.00	19860.00	19958.05
ONGC	143.50	145.95	142.25	144.15
HDFCLIFE	609.95	624.00	605.20	611.55
IDEA	6.39	6.54	6.03	6.13
SAIL	36.00	37.30	35.45	35.60
NESTLEIND	14921.00	15113.00	14840.00	15039.10
ADANIENT	175.00	180.25	173.65	178.55
SBILIFE	925.90	997.35	925.60	989.30
ICICIGI	1239.00	1306.00	1239.00	1296.00
NBCC	37.10	37.50	35.45	35.75
SUNPHARMA	402.00	408.00	400.00	405.55
APOLLOHOSP	1501.50	1539.35	1501.30	1518.55
NMDC	109.25	110.70	107.85	109.50
AVANTI	443.00	469.60	441.40	450.60
ASIANPAINT	1817.05	1821.60	1775.60	1779.80
LICHSGFIN	385.10	391.35	372.00	373.10
SHREECEM	19511.00	20377.40	19278.00	19501.40
INDIGO	1730.00	1730.00	1666.85	1673.90
SCI	49.40	55.40	49.40	53.15
MOTHERSUMI	105.80	105.80	103.05	103.65
M&MFIN	320.00	347.20	312.65	341.35
HINDUNILVR	2108.00	2148.45	2108.00	2127.60
ACC	1555.00	1556.70	1524.90	1534.95
TATAELXSI	699.00	705.60	675.05	702.05
TATAPOWER	59.85	60.70	58.90	59.25
PNB	60.25	62.25	59.85	60.80
PETRONET	265.65	277.40	265.65	275.20
M&M	595.00	600.85	587.10	597.50
COLPAL	1544.00	1554.00	1523.85	1534.60
FEDERALBNK	85.00	85.00	83.30	83.50
NIITTECH	1428.80	1469.00	1415.40	1452.30
VENKYS	1723.60	1828.85	1573.00	1811.45
HEROMOTOCO	2668.50	2711.80	2646.00	2673.40
UJJIVAN	315.00	316.50	306.00	310.60
EDELWEISS	90.00	97.10	89.60	96.50
ESCORTS	640.00	660.35	640.00	644.65
COALINDIA	207.00	209.80	203.35	208.80
MANAPPURAM	155.00	159.95	154.80	158.20
PNBHOUSING	483.75	500.00	452.80	470.05
BEML	955.00	987.55	950.00	966.00
VOLTAS	694.95	713.00	691.00	693.15
PIIND	1292.15	1336.90	1292.15	1325.20
LALPATHLAB	1424.00	1549.50	1424.00	1480.90
STRTECH	148.00	160.70	148.00	156.75
CREDITACC	633.00	654.45	628.00	631.40
WIPRO	248.90	254.40	247.30	253.70
PIDILITIND	1356.00	1381.70	1345.05	1349.95
ICICIPRULI	477.00	488.35	474.00	479.95
GRANULES	103.00	119.70	102.50	114.25
CANBK	188.85	195.20	187.85	189.65
PFC	98.50	103.15	97.85	101.45
IOC	146.80	148.05	145.60	146.45
TVSMOTOR	455.00	464.00	448.95	451.65
CONCOR	632.00	632.00	604.60	607.75
AUROPHARMA	476.85	485.20	471.70	477.15
PAGEIND	21521.00	22587.65	21521.00	22471.50
JUSTDIAL	634.70	640.00	621.50	625.40
SPICEJET	120.25	120.35	116.60	117.00

BERGEPAINT	500.00	505.00	477.40	479.55
CASTROLIND	134.00	135.00	133.00	134.40
ABCAPITAL	79.00	83.60	79.00	82.75
IBREALEST	47.40	48.80	46.50	48.80
SRTRANSFIN	1100.00	1127.50	1080.90	1117.75
GRASIM	740.00	771.75	740.00	756.55
ADANIPORTS	421.70	428.95	417.35	420.85
BANDHANBNK	554.10	580.10	554.00	558.65
GODREJPROP	980.00	987.35	961.00	969.10
RECLTD	130.75	135.35	129.65	133.75
IDFCFIRSTB	40.00	40.50	39.55	39.80
CEATLTD	970.00	972.70	956.00	960.30
BEL	117.00	118.15	114.60	115.20
DELTACORP	187.80	195.75	186.00	190.80
ADANIPOWER	64.30	65.10	62.95	63.25
ADANIGREEN	90.30	91.25	83.40	86.55
TATAMTRDVR	59.45	60.75	58.40	58.65
BRITANNIA	3259.90	3288.90	3224.00	3246.85
CIPLA	444.00	457.50	440.55	453.75
BAJAJ-AUTO	3081.10	3151.00	3081.10	3123.30
PCJEWELLER	34.40	36.00	31.70	35.40
MFSL	410.30	445.00	408.15	434.85
BIOCON	258.00	261.10	256.05	256.95
DISHTV	16.75	16.75	14.35	14.55
UPL	599.00	603.40	592.70	596.75
TECHM	730.00	731.60	714.75	717.75
RPOWER	2.60	2.78	2.45	2.78
EQUITAS	103.50	105.00	100.85	101.40
SUNTV	516.20	532.00	513.95	519.25
TATAGLOBAL	285.00	287.75	280.70	281.55
LUPIN	739.00	748.00	733.95	745.75
DMART	1925.00	1943.70	1901.55	1913.80
NTPC	121.40	121.50	120.00	120.80
BOMDYEING	77.85	81.55	76.75	78.75
NATIONALUM	43.90	45.50	43.00	43.85
FINCABLES	365.00	383.45	365.00	377.00
PHILIPCARB	124.00	130.75	120.80	125.25
RAJESHEXPO	675.00	682.20	671.00	672.70
EXIDEIND	186.00	186.00	179.95	180.15
MARICO	394.00	400.50	392.60	395.20
POLYCAB	729.00	772.00	726.00	750.95
UNIONBANK	52.00	54.50	51.80	52.65
IBVENTURES	92.40	94.05	90.20	93.75
JUBILANT	504.00	549.00	504.00	541.30
GODREJAGRO	525.90	527.90	508.25	515.85
GAIL	130.00	130.95	128.80	129.55
EVEREADY	41.70	41.70	40.00	41.40
POWERGRID	202.00	207.35	201.60	204.95
ASTRAL	1166.50	1205.00	1136.70	1141.15
BANKINDIA	64.50	66.80	63.75	64.25
GICRE	280.00	290.95	258.15	260.45
DRREDDY	2692.00	2819.25	2692.00	2812.35
ITDC	351.90	376.50	345.05	355.75
GLAXO	1440.00	1505.90	1430.00	1482.70
MGL	963.20	966.40	950.50	956.65
RELINFRA	23.50	24.00	22.45	24.00
DCBBANK	178.00	183.35	168.00	180.50
DABUR	466.00	479.60	466.00	472.35
NBVENTURES	74.45	77.00	74.45	74.80
HAVELLS	690.00	692.40	670.90	678.35
SIEMENS	1649.45	1694.00	1646.70	1672.35
DBL	388.00	424.00	387.00	417.00
DIVISLAB	1739.00	1771.70	1730.50	1742.55
BALRAMCHIN	153.80	163.60	153.80	162.20
JAICORPLTD	83.10	86.20	82.05	83.10
PVR	1828.00	1854.15	1780.45	1794.55
BAJAJCON	264.00	268.95	248.00	249.75
NAUKRI	2329.00	2450.00	2298.90	2400.65
DEEPAKNI	320.00	334.50	319.40	331.20
ABBOTINDIA	10715.00	11000.00	10383.00	10697.80
RAIN	95.00	99.20	93.85	95.00
RITES	267.00	282.00	267.00	276.60
NIACL	143.80	148.70	135.00	136.45
NOCIL	115.00	120.00	115.00	117.60
CHOLAFIN	301.00	308.80	291.60	294.30
FSL	50.40	52.95	48.90	51.95
IRCON	387.00	415.25	381.20	399.75
HINDCOPPER	39.65	41.70	38.75	39.25
MUTHOOTFIN	683.90	693.40	677.90	686.70
ADANITRANS	238.75	258.80	237.20	252.85
WOCKPHARMA	267.00	280.00	265.50	274.85
GMRINFRA	19.05	19.65	18.75	19.10
RAYMOND	600.00	623.05	600.00	613.50
BHARATFORG	447.00	455.05	445.00	447.00
HEIDELBERG	193.00	194.60	186.10	190.15
BBTC	1170.00	1201.65	1161.50	1168.50
ASTRAZEN	2315.00	2443.90	2315.00	2412.10
KANSAINER	540.00	555.00	517.25	526.00
BALKRISIND	844.00	846.35	825.45	830.50
SUVEN	279.35	292.00	276.45	286.95
CADILAHC	242.70	248.50	239.15	245.10
INFRATEL	266.00	266.00	256.80	258.95

GLENMARK	301.90	305.40	293.35	299.15
GODREJCP	714.90	714.90	695.10	699.90
LTI	1613.00	1632.25	1597.00	1609.45
SUNTECK	401.20	403.85	384.05	395.75
RELCAPITAL	14.10	14.10	13.60	14.10
BOSCHLTD	14150.00	14671.55	14150.00	14576.15
SWANENERGY	104.60	105.25	102.90	104.60
TATACHEM	614.70	626.45	613.20	615.75
UBL	1342.00	1342.00	1299.15	1318.40
GICHSGFIN	154.55	173.50	154.05	163.75
DHFL	20.40	21.30	20.40	20.40
GODFRYPHLP	1094.10	1125.05	1074.00	1084.95
HSCL	75.40	79.40	75.30	76.65
INDIACEM	80.15	82.00	79.00	79.25
WELSPUNIND	51.80	58.15	51.50	57.15
OMAXE	186.80	188.65	185.85	186.50
TORNTPHARM	1660.00	1687.10	1640.90	1669.10
STAR	353.00	358.20	348.75	350.65
BLISSGVS	132.85	141.70	129.90	135.95
ADANIGAS	150.75	152.85	148.00	148.35
SPARC	132.50	134.75	130.50	132.50
IGL	383.00	383.00	371.35	372.10
SRF	2700.00	2748.90	2700.00	2713.20
HINDZINC	218.30	219.60	209.10	209.95
BALMLAWRIE	181.00	186.70	179.20	182.45
RVNL	24.00	24.60	23.80	24.05
RCF	51.40	53.20	51.35	51.70
AMARAJABAT	667.00	680.10	662.50	675.90
IRB	67.20	73.00	67.10	71.45
BLUESTARCO	832.00	871.90	832.00	867.25
CYIENT	450.00	450.00	414.00	421.70
FORTIS	138.00	140.00	136.90	138.30
SUZLON	2.59	2.80	2.51	2.68
MINDTREE	737.10	739.00	726.85	728.80
HFCL	19.90	19.90	17.20	17.40
OIL	172.00	172.10	164.30	164.80
HEXAWARE	378.20	378.40	368.80	371.05
KTKBANK	70.00	71.95	69.40	71.20
KEC	278.50	279.80	273.10	274.85
OBEROIRLTY	537.50	537.50	506.40	512.70
VIPIND	466.00	475.60	465.00	472.15
CUB	215.95	216.00	207.50	210.05
RCOM	0.75	0.77	0.71	0.73
GUJGAS	179.20	182.65	177.50	181.60
TORNTPOWER	284.55	286.00	277.40	280.15
GNFC	199.00	201.90	195.20	198.30
ORIENTBANK	49.80	51.30	48.85	50.25
CUMMINSIND	585.00	589.75	576.90	578.65
MRF	64375.00	64600.00	64123.75	64192.10
JINDALSAW	87.00	91.15	86.80	87.25
GHCL	203.60	214.00	203.50	212.25
ISEC	286.00	290.00	278.00	284.60
ABFRL	211.00	211.85	204.25	205.75
INOXLEISUR	358.75	367.10	354.00	357.10
ABB	1549.95	1580.05	1520.00	1540.05
ASHOKA	105.80	110.00	105.80	107.80
PGHH	11692.00	12010.00	11692.00	11923.80
CANFINHOME	399.85	404.15	391.05	396.05
CROMPTON	269.95	269.95	263.55	265.55
FORCEMOT	1074.00	1095.00	1069.00	1074.85
INDIANB	124.00	129.80	122.80	126.20
3MINDIA	21838.15	22300.00	21633.95	21779.85
BAJAJHLDNG	3734.45	3800.00	3646.80	3675.45
FINEORG	1973.70	2030.00	1948.90	1966.70
ITDCEM	43.00	44.25	41.05	42.05
INFIBEAM	43.45	43.85	42.20	42.85
REDINGTON	111.85	122.90	103.90	121.40
AJANTPHARM	1016.15	1045.50	992.00	1005.60
WHIRLPOOL	2176.00	2202.60	2173.05	2189.10
INDHOTEL	149.65	153.20	148.35	152.25
PGHL	4430.00	4473.60	4307.00	4369.50
KEI	550.00	550.00	530.10	531.40
TV18BRDCST	20.75	22.15	20.75	21.80
ITI	83.10	84.40	81.80	82.10
IEX	149.60	152.00	141.00	146.45
PTC	56.50	57.50	56.00	56.45
EMAMILTD	345.60	346.00	322.50	336.75
MEGH	52.15	53.10	51.15	51.50
LAXMIMACH	3630.00	3820.00	3630.00	3783.35
WELCORP	132.00	138.50	131.90	137.80
SOUTHBANK	10.45	10.55	10.30	10.42
NLCINDIA	57.95	59.45	57.15	57.45
MOIL	141.20	146.00	138.45	140.55
IBULISL	70.90	74.35	67.45	67.45
PHOENIXLTD	722.25	740.40	714.30	734.10
MAHABANK	10.00	11.50	9.71	11.05
ENGINERSIN	109.00	109.80	106.65	107.10
IDBI	31.85	31.85	30.35	30.85
CGPOWER	15.25	15.35	14.39	14.92
IDFC	34.35	34.35	32.35	33.05
RADICO	315.40	317.50	300.05	304.85
AKZOINDIA	2011.00	2075.00	2011.00	2034.70
MRPL	51.35	51.70	50.60	51.45
SUPREMEIND	1228.00	1243.60	1199.55	1218.70
TRENT	519.00	525.45	516.00	521.25
JKTYRE	68.20	68.35	65.10	66.30
FRETAIL	394.90	397.00	377.30	380.75
METROPOLIS	1363.00	1404.05	1333.50	1350.80
SONATSOFTW	312.00	325.80	303.50	314.20
CHENNPETRO	167.00	172.05	164.10	164.95
COFFEEDAY	34.00	35.40	32.10	32.10
WABAG	194.90	199.45	191.10	195.15
FINOLEXIND	618.00	625.25	613.40	616.20
NAVINFLUOR	775.00	784.00	766.60	770.70
SIS	936.15	942.70	839.75	916.70
JYOTHYLAB	169.20	182.00	167.30	179.15
PARAGMILK	158.00	161.60	155.95	157.30
MAHSCOOTER	4629.80	4730.00	4548.30	4580.80
JISLJALEQS	11.25	12.00	10.75	10.90

RELAXO	530.25	544.00	510.95	518.95
THOMASCOOK	124.05	127.60	116.10	119.30
CRISIL	1375.00	1401.20	1332.00	1362.50
TVTODAY	307.00	321.25	303.70	309.50
GESHIP*	290.00	304.75	287.00	303.95
NHPC	24.00	24.05	23.05	23.10
VGUARD	237.00	245.00	236.00	240.30
NATCOPHARM	573.45	591.10	565.00	576.15
DALBHARAT	814.85	836.50	796.85	803.10
GODREJIND	400.25	405.65	387.65	393.25
ORIENTELEC	177.20	182.45	175.00	180.30
J&KBANK	31.00	32.55	29.85	31.90
MMTC	18.30	18.75	17.30	17.40
RALLIS	165.15	171.00	165.05	167.25
GSFC	77.15	78.15	76.30	76.70
SUDARSCHEM	374.95	386.25	374.80	378.95
CENTURYPLY	163.40	171.00	161.80	167.25
BAJAJELEC	397.45	413.30	394.50	397.30
KRBL	221.00	235.00	218.20	230.90
MASFIN	670.85	687.95	660.85	680.10
GALAXYSURF	1509.05	1525.00	1484.35	1512.50
DEEPAKFERT	92.55	95.35	91.00	93.95
MINDAIND	379.95	379.95	362.95	366.20
MOTILALOFS	642.60	649.90	616.55	630.20
WESTLIFE	334.00	346.00	327.90	344.45
JAMNAAUTO	41.90	41.90	37.95	40.35
GSPL	210.10	210.80	207.45	209.50
HONAUT	28730.00	28730.00	28106.50	28288.45
GREAVESCOT	128.15	133.00	127.90	132.25
GSKCONS	8980.00	9111.90	8980.00	9039.65
MPHASIS	935.00	935.00	903.10	913.30
SCHNEIDER	73.40	73.55	71.20	71.45
GILLETTE	7850.00	7876.00	7730.00	7785.35
VINATIORGA	2110.00	2152.00	2075.00	2134.00
BIRLACORPN	588.00	599.05	564.50	576.45
SHILPAMED	273.90	273.90	260.10	270.00
IFCI	6.60	7.24	6.60	6.96
UFLEX	203.50	204.50	194.40	199.80
SJVN	25.65	25.75	24.55	24.60
CHAMBLFERT	156.00	160.85	154.80	156.20
TIMKEN	790.00	797.70	785.00	792.85
FLFL	406.80	409.30	396.05	401.50
BDL	288.00	297.60	284.00	291.85
RAMCOCEM	754.60	761.80	747.00	751.85
PERSISTENT	618.00	634.15	605.00	619.75
VARROC	521.90	521.90	470.35	477.80
TATACOFFEE	76.00	77.55	75.95	76.20
HUDCO	35.50	35.85	34.40	34.60
JSWENERGY	69.25	69.25	66.60	67.35
ZENSARTECH	209.00	209.00	193.00	198.75
COROMANDEL	418.30	420.65	414.80	418.55
GAYAPROJ	122.00	124.80	121.20	123.60
FCONSUMER	24.50	24.65	23.80	24.10
PFIZER	3223.00	3270.00	3212.10	3258.05
KAJARIACER	558.75	562.40	554.40	556.45
IPCALAB	951.00	952.65	921.35	927.45
ATUL	4270.25	4281.00	4209.20	4266.15
ADVENZYMES	153.75	160.50	153.75	156.70
MAHLOG	393.00	393.00	362.15	373.45
EIDPARRY	160.50	160.70	157.20	159.80
INTELLECT	191.65	192.20	186.40	188.05
ALKEM	1970.00	1985.95	1950.45	1974.15
TTKPRESTIG	6095.00	6235.00	6068.70	6184.85
INOXWIND	34.80	36.70	32.95	34.25
SANOFI	6050.00	6144.00	5984.95	6111.10
JMFINANCIL	71.90	74.65	71.90	74.25
VMART	2090.00	2115.60	1970.00	2004.35
JPASSOCIAT	2.19	2.26	2.15	2.19
ZYDUSWELL	1745.00	1779.50	1723.00	1731.95
JCHAC	1999.00	2095.00	1985.35	2085.25
CARERATING	529.45	538.30	520.15	524.75
TIINDIA	365.40	373.05	364.50	371.60
TEJASNET	81.45	83.95	73.00	79.65
AAVAS	1680.00	1690.00	1655.85	1665.45
ENDURANCE	1047.00	1052.90	1015.05	1042.10
ALBK	26.20	26.50	25.70	26.10
ORIENTCEM	85.00	85.00	81.95	82.20
ASTERDM	125.00	125.80	120.35	124.80
BASF	974.50	985.00	951.80	957.75
TRIDENT	60.95	61.00	58.10	58.75
AEGISLOG	171.05	182.85	171.00	180.40
APLLTD	540.10	546.50	535.00	538.10
VBL	626.90	643.05	618.50	634.10
MAHINDCIE	149.90	153.60	148.25	152.10
SHANKARA	288.20	300.70	288.20	300.70
DCMSHRIRAM	390.05	401.00	390.05	392.55
SOMANYCERA	191.00	192.45	188.00	189.15
KNRCON	233.85	233.85	222.00	228.15
BAYERCROP	3345.10	3352.00	3255.00	3317.50
SKFINDIA	2169.70	2184.85	2121.70	2130.80
APLAPOLLO	1393.40	1400.00	1380.00	1383.00
HAL	704.90	720.00	704.00	711.50
SHK	127.45	129.00	124.25	127.05
BLUEDART	2303.65	2338.00	2260.00	2302.10
PNCINFRA	170.85	173.20	166.30	172.05
SCHAEFFLER	4080.00	4100.00	4027.00	4052.40
TVSSRICHAK	1840.00	1846.65	1825.00	1835.00
CAPPL	401.90	401.90	385.75	388.05
SYNGENE	333.55	334.05	324.00	326.45
KPRMILL	608.15	618.15	591.70	597.95
SOBHA	464.95	464.95	440.30	443.60
THYROCARE	510.00	523.40	509.50	513.60
JKCEMENT	1133.00	1148.10	1104.35	1121.40
THERMAX	1125.05	1156.40	1125.00	1140.25
JSL	34.50	35.95	34.05	34.20
SUNDRMFAST	462.00	462.00	450.10	458.70
LAURUSLABS	334.00	345.35	324.20	344.35
SREINFRA	8.20	8.55	7.91	7.97
TIMETECHNO	62.00	62.00	59.45	60.70

QUESS	474.00	474.00	468.80	472.35
SADBHAV	138.55	143.10	138.50	140.35
DCAL	155.80	158.50	150.15	152.05
CENTRALBK	17.50	17.85	16.85	17.15
TATAMETALI	571.70	584.05	569.40	572.30
KALPATPOWR	456.00	457.00	440.30	449.45
HIMATSEIDE	142.90	148.40	142.90	146.55
ALLCARGO	103.10	103.15	98.25	99.30
JBCHEPHARM	370.95	371.90	358.00	360.00
GUJALKALI	432.00	453.05	430.20	448.85
REPCOHOME	293.40	294.50	287.25	289.00
MHRIL	220.00	223.00	217.25	219.10
TAKE	112.40	115.40	111.05	112.20
UCOBANK	11.99	12.03	11.79	11.86
PRSMJOHNSN	77.50	80.50	77.50	78.75
DBCORP	158.10	158.75	154.25	155.30
STARCEMENT	95.10	95.85	94.45	94.90
CENTRUM	23.75	24.15	23.60	23.90
WABCOINDIA	6148.65	6186.45	6145.00	6157.30
NILKAMAL	1220.90	1248.05	1220.90	1232.65
ANDHRABANK	17.05	17.05	16.10	16.35
AIAENG	1739.80	1742.00	1696.00	1706.15
CERA	2600.00	2665.00	2587.75	2594.90
JSLHISAR	64.95	65.95	63.10	64.30
PRESTIGE	292.00	297.25	288.50	291.85
NESCO	569.50	580.00	561.25	565.05
EIHOTEL	178.55	179.70	175.00	178.65
HATHWAY	21.50	22.15	21.20	21.20
TNPL	188.30	193.60	188.30	188.75
GMDCLTD	59.30	59.30	58.30	58.55
IOB	9.80	9.95	9.70	9.77
DHANUKA	296.00	298.25	289.00	291.65
NETWORK18	20.65	21.85	20.60	21.35
GPPL	78.30	80.05	78.30	79.90
SYMPHONY	1242.05	1261.35	1234.45	1251.70
SYNDIBANK	26.75	26.75	25.00	25.10
OFSS	3083.00	3115.00	3083.00	3108.05
TEAMLEASE	3063.05	3063.05	2994.00	3030.20
GET&D	194.00	194.00	183.95	187.25
ECLERX	450.00	450.00	418.65	437.15
MAHLIFE	424.10	427.85	420.00	424.65
GULFOILLUB	870.00	886.00	856.00	876.20
INDOSTAR	195.00	197.35	188.05	189.10
LEMONTREE	56.20	56.25	55.75	56.00
MAGMA	54.00	55.00	51.90	54.20
IFBIND	683.75	713.20	683.75	703.70
MAXINDIA	65.55	66.00	64.00	65.40
LINDEINDIA	523.30	528.25	515.00	524.55



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CCL	228.50	229.30	225.00	227.55
UNITEDBNK	7.40	7.64	7.27	7.46
HERITGFOOD	319.10	327.20	318.05	319.20
IIFL	116.85	122.05	115.10	116.35
JAGRAN	59.50	60.30	57.60	57.85
GEPIL	721.85	724.30	710.00	721.90
LUXIND	1252.00	1252.00	1200.20	1205.55
MINDACORP	84.25	85.55	83.80	85.05
VSTIND	3837.00	3932.20	3837.00	3920.00
NH	236.95	244.95	236.95	241.00
JSWHL	2747.00	2753.35	2655.00	2706.85
GRINDWELL	610.00	619.90	605.00	615.95
RATNAMANI	915.00	920.00	911.00	915.00
CARBORUNIV	312.00	312.00	298.00	301.05
TCNSBRANDS	700.05	724.55	700.00	718.95
GDL	95.00	96.00	93.80	93.85
JKLAKSHMI	293.45	295.00	288.40	290.30
CHOLAHLDNG	464.00	466.20	454.25	455.05
CORPBANK	14.25	14.80	14.25	14.35
ESSELPRO	119.30	119.30	117.05	118.75
TATAINVEST	813.00	817.70	805.55	808.15
SHOPERSTOP	395.30	403.45	390.95	398.60
LAKSHVILAS	18.05	18.05	18.05	18.05
MAHSEAMLES	356.00	358.85	353.50	355.25
ERIS	420.00	428.40	417.40	425.00
TRITURBINE	98.75	100.05	97.50	98.15
APARINDS	521.40	521.45	512.70	514.60
LAOPALA	173.50	179.10	172.25	178.20
FDC	161.65	161.70	160.35	160.95
CHALET	313.00	344.40	306.65	339.90
SHRIRAMCIT	1330.00	1330.00	1320.00	1325.50
SFL	1259.00	1273.05	1250.00	1256.60
SUPRAJIT	181.00	184.35	179.05	184.15
VTL	921.00	921.00	921.00	921.00

GLOBE TROTTING

TURKISH AIRSTRIKES KILL TWO PKK OFFICIALS

Baghdad: Turkish airstrikes on Tuesday killed two senior officials of the Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK) on Azmar mountain in Slemani governorate region. According to sources, the PKK condemned the incident. It also called on the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK) party and Kurdistan Region's Parliament to reveal details of the operation.

VIOLENCE BREAKS OUT IN BOLIVIA OVER VOTE COUNT

La Paz: Violence broke out in several Bolivian cities on Monday after the main opposition candidate rejected presidential election results that seemed set to give victory to long-time incumbent Evo Morales, as international monitors voiced "deep concern."

SYRIA'S ASSAD VISITS IDLIB FRONT LINE(18:42)

Damascus: Syria's President Bashar-al-Assad on Tuesday visited troops deployed along the front line of Idlib province, in western Syria, for the first time since the beginning of the conflict in 2011.

Trudeau wins Canada vote, will form minority Govt

AFP ■ OTTAWA

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's Liberal Party held onto power in a nail-biter of a Canadian general election on Monday, but as a weakened minority Government.

Television projections as of 2 am Tuesday (0600 GMT) declared the Liberals winners or leading in 156 of the nation's 338 electoral districts, versus 122 for his main rival Andrew Scheer and the Conservatives, after polling stations across six time zones closed.

As early as Tuesday, Trudeau will have to form an alliance with one or more smaller parties in order to govern a fractured nation.

The first test of his future government will follow in the coming weeks with a speech to parliament outlining his legislative priorities and a confidence vote.

"From coast to coast to coast, tonight Canadians rejected division and negativity," Trudeau said. "And they rejected cuts and austerity and voted in favour of a progressive agenda and strong action on climate change."

He reassured Quebec that his Liberal government, despite an electoral setback in the French-speaking province, "will be there for you."

He also spoke directly to a growing sense of Western Canada's alienation within the federation, telling those in Saskatchewan and Alberta provinces: "I've heard your frustration."

The 47-year-old former school teacher dominated Canadian politics over the four years of his first term, but faced a grilling during the 40-day poll campaign, which he described as one of the "dirtiest and nastiest" in Canadian history.

Trudeau and Scheer exchanged barbs as attack ads and misinformation multiplied.

Trudeau evoked the bogeymen of past and current Tory parties fostering "politics of fear and division" while Scheer called the prime minister a "compulsive liar," "a phony and a fraud."

Going into the election Trudeau's golden boy image had already been damaged by ethics lapses in the handling of the bribery prosecution of engineering giant SNC-Lavalin. His popularity took a further hit with the emergence during the campaign of old photographs of him in blackface makeup.

At one rally, the prime minister was forced to wear a bulletproof vest due to a security threat.

"Trudeau has really lost his halo. It's pretty tarnished," commented Lois Welsh, 77, in Regina, disappointed over the Liberal win.

Erdogan warns Syria offensive will resume unless Kurds complete pull out

AFP ■ ANKARA

President Recep Tayyip Erdogan on Tuesday threatened to resume Turkey's military offensive in Syria "with greater determination" unless the withdrawal of Kurdish fighters is completed under a US-brokered deal.

"If the promises given to our country by the United States are not kept, we will continue our operation from where we left off with greater determination," Erdogan told reporters before departing for talks with Russian counterpart Vladimir Putin.

Following a deal with US Vice President Mike Pence last week, Turkey announced a 120-hour suspension of the offensive from last Thursday under which Kurdish fighters were to withdraw to allow a "safe zone" to be set up along the border.

Erdogan was to meet with Putin in the Black Sea resort of Sochi later on Tuesday as the end of the 120-hour deadline approaches.

"We will have the opportunity to discuss steps to end (Kurdish fighters') presence in regime-held areas," the Turkish leader said.

Erdogan last week said he was not bothered by the Damascus regime's presence in several regions along the Turkish border.

Pompeo says too early to judge Syria success

Washington: US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said on Tuesday it was too early to know if an accord to end Turkey's assault in Syria would succeed, ahead of a deadline for Kurdish fighters to leave border areas. "Some progress has certainly been made," Pompeo said at the Heritage Foundation in Washington hours before the 1900 GMT deadline for formerly US-allied Kurdish fighters to pull out.

But he added: "It is a complicated story, to be sure. The success of the outcome there is not yet fully determined." ***AFP***

Impeachment is 'lynching': Trump

AFP ■ WASHINGTON

US President Donald Trump on Tuesday likened the impeachment investigation against him to a "lynching," a racially charged word from the darkest days of America's slavery legacy.

There was an immediate backlash to Trump's tweet in which he claimed that impeachment was unfair and stripping him of his legal rights.

"All Republicans must remember what they are witnessing here — a lynching. But we will WIN!," Trump tweeted.

Kristen Clarke, president of the National Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, said she was "sickened to see Trump's gross misappropriation of this term today." Clarke said that 4,743 people were lynched in the United States between 1882 and 1968, of which 3,446 were African Americans.

"Lynchings were crimes against humanity and an ugly part of our nation's history of racial violence," she said.

US diplomat drawn into Trump's Ukraine effort set to testify

AP ■ KYIV (UKRAINE)

William Taylor has emerged as an unlikely central player in the events that are at the heart of the impeachment inquiry of President Donald Trump.

The retired career civil servant was tapped to run the US Embassy in Ukraine after the administration abruptly ousted the ambassador.

He was then drawn into a Trump administration effort to leverage US military aid for Ukraine.

And then he apparently grew alarmed.

"I think it's crazy to withhold security assistance for help with a political campaign," he wrote at one point in excerpts of text messages released by impeachment investigators in Congress.

Now, members of Congress will hear directly from Taylor.

The former Army officer is scheduled to testify behind closed doors Tuesday in an inquiry trying to determine if Trump committed impeachable offenses by pressing the president of Ukraine into pursuing information that could help his campaign as Trump withheld military aid to the Eastern European country.

Taylor had been serving as executive vice president at the U.S. Institute of Peace, a nonpartisan think tank founded by Congress, when he was appointed to run the embassy in Kyiv after Ambassador Marie Yovanovitch was removed before the end of her term following a campaign against her led by Trump's personal lawyer, Rudy Giuliani.

He was chosen for the post because he was among only a handful of former officials with experience in Ukraine who would be perceived as neutral by local officials and wouldn't raise objections at the White House, according to a colleague.

Bangladeshi-origin ISIS bride appeals to return to UK

London: A Bangladeshi-origin woman who fled the UK as a schoolgirl in 2015 to join Islamic State terror group in Syria, on Tuesday launched an appeal against the government's move to revoke her citizenship and prevent her from returning to London.

Shamima Begum left her home in east London with two other teenagers and travelled to strife-torn Syria when she was 15. She has lived under the rule of the Islamic State group for three years, before being found in a camp run by Kurdish forces in northern Syria in February.

Now aged 20, she is fighting a legal battle to return to the UK and her appeal is being heard at the Special Immigration Appeals Commission (SIAC) this week. High Court judge Elisabeth Laing is expected to consider whether depriving Begum of her UK citizenship rendered her stateless.

Under UK law, a person can legally have their citizenship revoked but they cannot be made stateless. The UK government maintains that Begum has access to Bangladeshi dual citizenship through her parents, even though the Bangladesh government has since denied any such rights.

The lawyer representing her on behalf of her family, Tasnime Akunjee, said the arguments for Begum's appeal will centre around her being a rape victim of her militant husband.

"She was married in an ISIS ceremony within two weeks of reaching Syria to a 23-year-old fighter. Her context is as a rape victim, or a statutory rape victim," he said. ***PTI***

Will pull Brexit bill if MPs vote against timetable: Johnson

AFP ■ LONDON

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson warned MPs Tuesday if they vote against the timetable to push his EU divorce deal through parliament this week he will abandon the legislation and try to hold a snap election.

"The bill will have to be pulled... And we will have to go forward to a general election," Johnson told lawmakers in a raucous debate hours ahead of the crunch vote.

Juncker bids adieu, slams 'stupid nationalism'

Strasbourg (France): Jean-Claude Juncker on Tuesday prepared to step down as European Commission chief with a message urging MEPs to fight against "stupid and blinkered" nationalism.

The Luxembourgish politician concludes his time as one of the European Union's (EU) most senior figures, making way for German conservative Ursula von der Leyen who was voted in to replace him, Efe news reported.

"Take care of Europe. And fight with all your force against stupid and blinkered nationalism. Long-live Europe," Juncker said, concluding what is likely his final address to the European Parliament as Commission chief.

The 64-year-old took a look back at the milestones of his five-year mandate at the helm of the EU's executive arm as well as the disappointments along the way, including the failure to agree on arrangements with Switzerland and the lack of progress on Cyprus' reunification. ***IANS***

British Sikhs ask JUI-F leader to stop march

IANS ■ LONDON

A group of British Sikhs has appealed to Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam-Fazal (JUI-F) leader Fazal-ur Rahman to stop his proposed march and October 31 sit in at Islamabad.

The group, as reported in the Pakistani media, said: "There is threat of disturbance and disorder in Pakistan due to this march and protest which forced around 200 British Sikhs to cancel their Pakistan visit".

Thousands of Sikhs from across the world would head to Pakistan to celebrate the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev, the founder of Sikhism. Big programmes will be organised at Nankana Sahib, the birthplace of Guru Nanak, and other places.

The JUI-F has announced to start a march from October 27 to bring down the Imran Khan government in Pakistan. The protesters will reach Islamabad on October 31 where they will hold a sit in.

CONSTRUCTION OF NEW MAJOR BRIDGES & EARTHWORK ETC

E-Tender Notice No. CON/2019/OCT/04 & 05. Open tender through e-tendering system is invited from experienced and reputed Contractor(s)/firm(s) for the following works:- **Sl. No.1, E-Tender No. CE/CON/A-G/MB/2019/14. Name of work:** Construction of new major bridges Br No. 165 (5x30.50m OWG , substructure only at Ch.83390.330), Br No. 195 (3x6.10m PSC Slab, substructure & superstructure at Ch.95720.000), Br No 206 (3x6.10 PSC Slab, substructure & superstructure at Ch.100675.896), Br No. 212 RUB (2x30.5m Composite Girder, substructure & superstructure at Ch. 103063.059), Br No. 190A RUB (1x30.50m OWG, substructure only at Ch. 93860.000), Br No. 191 (1x12.20 PSC Slab, substructure & superstructure at Ch. 94410.000) & Br No. 192A RUB (1x12.20m PSC Slab, substructure & superstructure at Ch.94840.000) including Br No. 175 (3x24.40m Composite Girder, substructure & superstructure at Ch. 87326.970), Br No. 176 (3x12.2m PSC Slab, substructure & superstructure at Ch. 87906.910), Br No. 185 (4x24.40m Composite Girder, substructure & superstructure at Ch.91422.907), Br No. 189 (2x12.2 PSC Slab, substructure & superstructure at Ch.93145.569) & Br No. 207 (3x24.40m Composite Girder, substructure & superstructure at Ch. 100880.000), protection work and other ancillary works between Powakhali to Thakurganj. **Approximate Value:** ₹43,65,27,148.82. **Sl. No.2, E-Tender No. CE/CON/A-G/MIS/2019/15. Name of work:** 1. For Powakhali Station Yard - Earthwork in filling for making embankment for development of Powakhali station yard (from Ch.83500 to 85500) including RBG room, two nos High level passenger platform (610m long each), PP shelter 8 bays, FOB (with step & ramp), OH water tank staging, (40000L capacity), deep tube well, type-II qtr 20 nos, type-III qtr 4 nos, type-IV qtr 2 nos and construction of Minor Br No.166 (2x6.0m RCC Box), Br No.167 (1x5.0m RCC Box), boundary wall/wire net fencing with RCC post, circulating area, approach road, drains, hume pipe culvert, protection work etc. 2. For Kadogaon Halt Station - Earthwork in filling for making embankment for development of Kadogaon Halt station yard (from Ch.89325 to 91325) including Waiting hall cum Booking counter, one no High level passenger platform (610m long), PP shelter 2 bays, deep tube well, OH water tank, type-II qtr 8 nos and construction of Minor Br No.180 (1x4.0m RCC Box), Br No.181 (1x6.0m RCC Box RUB), Br No.182 (1x6.0m RCC Box RUB), Br No.183 (1x6.0m RCC Box RUB) & Br No.184 (1x6.0m RCC Box RUB), boundary wall/wire net fencing with RCC post, circulating area, approach road, drains, hume pipe culvert, protection work etc. 3. For Bhogdabar Halt Station - Earthwork in filling for making embankment for development of Kadogaon Halt station yard (from Ch.96900 to 98900) including Waiting hall cum Booking counter, one no High level passenger platform (610m long), PP shelter 2 bays, deep tube well, OH water tank, type-II qtr 8 nos and construction of Minor Br No.198 (1x6.0m RCC Box RUB), Br No.199 (1x4.0m RCC Box) & Br No.200 (1x6.0m RCC Box), boundary wall/wire net fencing with RCC post, circulating area, approach road, drains, hume pipe culvert, protection work etc. in between Powakhali to Thakurganj. **Approximate Value:** ₹49,05,87,232.74. All above E-tender will be closed at **14:30 hrs. on 15-11-2019** and opened at **15.30 hrs. on 15-11-2019.** For Details Please visit **www.ireps.gov.in.**

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Signalling work in connection with sectional signal maintenance contract in section of ADSTE/PS of Delhi Division	₹85,10,675.57/-	Sr. Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer/II, Northern Railway, 2nd Floor, Annex-I, DRM Office, New Delhi- 110055	₹5,900/- only	₹1,70,200/- only	Tender Uploaded date & time 13.11.2019 upto 15:00 hrs.	See the N.Rly. website **www.ireps.gov.in** & Notice board at S&T branch, 3rd Floor, DRM office, State entry road, New Delhi-110055.

No. 558-Sig/16/M/Tender/1316 Date : 22.10.2019 **3375/19**
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POSSESSION NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT 2002

Whereas
The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Axis Bank Ltd. under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s) Mortgagor(s) mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Mortgagor(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Mortgagor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates.
The Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Mortgagor(s)in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of Axis Bank Ltd.

Name of Borrower/ Co-borrower	Description of Property	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)
1.Mr. Vijay Kumar Pals/O Sh. Ram Charan Palr/O- H. No -2543,Sec-7a,Chowk,Sector-7,Faridabad, Haryana - 121006, **Also At:** Mr. Vijay Kumar Pal, S/O Sh. Ram Charan Pal At Shiv Sweet And Cateres,2398, Sector – 7 A,Sector-7,Faridabad, Haryana - 121006, **Also At:** Mr. Vijay Kumar Pal, S/O Sh. Ram Charan Pal, House No – 784 , Sector -8, Urban Estate,Faridabad , Haryana-121006 **2. Mrs. Malti Sahu,** W/O Vijay Kumar Pal, R/O H.No - 2543,Sec-7a, Chowk, Sector –7,Faridabad,Haryana - 121006, **Also At:** Mrs. Malti Sahu, W/o Vijay Kumar Pal, House No 784 , Sector -8, Urban Estate, Faridabad Haryana-121006	Immovable Asset Residential Property At House No – 784, (Ground And First Floor),Area Measuring 250 Sq.Yrds. Sector– 08, Urban Estate, Tehshil– Ballabhgarh, Faridabad, Haryana Along With Share And Interest In The Said Land Underneath The Building In Which Said Property Is Located And In The Common Areas And Facilities Provided In The Building/ Scheme/ Complex	25-July-2019	18-October-2019	Rs. 1,25,29,317/-
Mr. Sanjay Singh , S/O Arjun Singh, Flat No–1410, Tower B ,14th Floor,Galaxy North Avenue,Plot No – Gc-3, Gh–01,Gaur City -1, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh - 201301 **Also At** Mr. Sanjay Singh S/O Arjun Singh, Project Lead Manager At Tech Mahindra 58 A/B Noida Special Economic Zone Phase – Ii, Sector -80,Noida Uttar Pradesh -201301 **Also At** Mr. Sanjay Singh S/O Arjun Singh, Flat No – 1410, Tower B ,13th Floor,G alaxy North Avenue ,Plot No –Gc-3, Gh–01,Gaur City -1, Greater Noida Uttar Pradesh–201301 **Also At** Mr. Sanjay Singh S/O Arjun Singh, T-28, Sector -11, Noida Up-201301 **2. Mrs. Poonam Prakash** W/O Mr. Sanjay Singh Flat No–1410, Tower B ,13th Floor,Galaxy North Avenu e,Plot No– GC-3, GH–01,Gaur City -1, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh- 201301 **Also At Mrs. Poonam Prakash** W/O Mr. Sanjay Singh, Flat No–1410, Tower B ,14 Floor, Galaxy North Avenue, Plot No– Gc-3, Gh –01,Gaur City-1, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh-201301, **Also At** Mrs. Poonam Prakash, W/O Mr. Sanjay Singh, T -28, Sector - 11, Noida Up - 201301	Residential Apartment Bearing No. 1410, On Thirteen Floor, In Tower - B Having A Total Super Area Approximate 905 Sq.Ft And Covered Area 701.05 Sq.Ft , 2bhk Along With Right To Use One Covered Car Parking Space In The Galaxy North Avenue Built On The Plot Bearing No – Gc-03 , Situated In The Gaur City , Gh-01 , Sector -04 , Greater Noida District Gautam Budh Nagar Up.	20-May-2019	18-October-2019	31,64,646/-
Ms. Honey Roy, D/O Mr. Tapan Kumar Roy R/O House No. 901,Era Redwood Residency, Sector- 8, Faridpur, Faridabad, Haryana-12101 **Also At** Ms. Honey Roy D/O Mr. Tapan Kumar Roy M/S Eicher Goodearth Pvt. Ltd., A-3, Select City Walk,3rd,Saket District Centre, New Delhi-110017 **Also At** Ms. Honey Roy D/O Mr. Tapan Kumar Roy Flat No. H/09-1,Tower No. 5 (H),Redwood Residency, Faridpur, Sector-78, Haryana-121004 **Mrs. Bani Roy**, W/O Mr. Tapan Kumar Roy R/O House No. 901,Era Redwood Residency, Sector-78, Faridpur, Faridabad, Haryana-12101 **Also At** Mrs. Bani Roy W/O **Mr. Tapan Kumar Roy** Flat No. H/09-1,Tower No. 5 (H), Redwood Residency, Faridpur, Sector-78, Haryana-121004	Immovable Asset Residential Unit Bearing No. H/09-1, Admeasuring Super Area, 1200 Square Feet Situated At 9th Floor, Tower No. 5(H), In The Residencial Scheme/Complex Known As "Redwwod Residency", Situated In Village Faridpur,Sector-78, Tehsil Tigaon & District Faridabad, Haryana Alongwith Proportiate, Undivided Impartible Share And Interest In The Said Land Underneath The Building In Which Said Unit Is Located And In The Common Areas And Facilities Provided In The Building Complex.	15-July-2019	18-October-2019	Rs. 30,68,714/-

The above-mentioned Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(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 : 23-10-2019,
Place : Delhi

Sd/-,
Authorized Officer,
Axis Bank Ltd.,

NORTHERN RAILWAY

Restriction on sale of platform tickets at New Delhi, Delhi, Hazrat Nizamuddin and Anand Vihar Terminal stations

It has been decided by Northern Railway that there will be no sale of platform tickets at Delhi Jn., New Delhi & Anand Vihar Terminal stations with effect from **25.10.2019 to 02.11.2019** due to Deepawali & Chhat Puja rush and Hazrat Nizamuddin station with effect from **25.10.2019 to 27.10.2019** due to Deepawali festival. However, persons coming to the stations to assist the aged, illiterate and lady passengers etc. who are not in a position to fend for themselves at railway station shall be exempted from this restrictions.

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OA NO. 1321/18 **DATE: 17.09.2019**
UCO BANK LTD. **APPLICANT**
Versus
MALAYA RANJAN JAYPURIA & ORS. **RESPONDENT**

TO, DEFENDANT
1. Malaya Ranjan Jaypuria
2. Meena Sharma Both At : WZ-64, Mukherjee Park, Delhi-18
Also At : B-91, Mayapuri Industrial Area Phase-I, New Delhi
No. 1 **Also At :** C/o Hindustan Coca-Cola Beverages Pvt. Ltd., J-22, Sect.-63, Noida UP

Whereas the above named applicant(s) has/ have instituted a case for recovery of **Rs.61,21,357/- (Rupees Sixty One Lakh Twenty One Thousand Three Hundred Fifty Seven Only)** against you and where as it has been shown to the satisfaction of the Tribunal that it is not possible to serve you in the ordinary way therefore, this notice is given by advertisement directing you to make appearance in the Tribunal on **14.11.2019 At 10.30 A.M.** Take notice that in default of your appearance on the day before the mentioned , the case will be heard and determined in your absence.

BY ORDER OF THE TRIBUNAL ,
SECTION OFFICER DRT-II, DELHI

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to all concern that Mrs. Savita Kohli W/o Shri S.R. Kohli, R/o D-89, Gulmohar Park, New Delhi- who is the original allottee of Residential Flat No. 203C, Block-B-10, Sector-34, Noida U.P., had sold the said property on General Power of Attorney basis to Shri Jai Krishan Raina S/o Shri R.K. Raina R/o B-10/203C, Udaigiri-II, Sector-34, Noida, U.P., which is registered on dated 23-09-95, the Agreement to Sell has not been executed. So it is informed to all concerned that the said flat in going to the transferred in favour of Mrs. Manju W/o Shri Anil Kumar R/o B-12A/26C, Sector-34, Noida, U.P. on basis of General Power of Attorney.
If any one has/have any objection he/she may file his/her objection along with the sufficient proof in the Residential (Housing) Department of Noida Authority within 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice.

Jai Krishan Raina

बिहार सरकार

स्वास्थ्य विभाग

प्रेस विज्ञप्ति

बिहार लोक सेवा आयोग पटना द्वारा राज्य के चिकित्सा महाविद्यालयों में सहायक प्राध्यापक के रिक्त पदों पर नियुक्ति हेतु विभिन्न स्पेशियलिटी विभागों यथा रेडियोलॉजी (विज्ञापन संख्या–23/2017), फिजियोलॉजी (विज्ञापन संख्या–08/2017), पी0एम0आर0 (विज्ञापन संख्या–21/2017), चर्म एवं रति रोग (विज्ञापन संख्या–17/2017), मनोरोग (विज्ञापन संख्या–25/2017), कान नाक एवं गला (विज्ञापन संख्या–29/2017), टी0बी0 एवं चेस्ट (विज्ञापन संख्या–16/2017), एफ0एम0टी0 (विज्ञापन संख्या–14/2017) एवं शिशु रोग (विज्ञापन संख्या–19/2017) के सफल अभ्यर्थियों की अनुशंसा सूची भेजी गयी है।

अनुसंशित अभ्यर्थियों की सहायक प्राध्यापक के पद पर नियमित नियुक्ति एवं चिकित्सा महाविद्यालयों में पदस्थापन हेतु शैक्षणिक योग्यता एवं अन्य प्रमाण–पत्रों/अभिलेखों की जाँच/सत्यापन का कार्यक्रम निम्न प्रकार है :–

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1.	• रेडियोलॉजी (विज्ञापन संख्या–23/2017) • फिजियोलॉजी (विज्ञापन संख्या–08/2017)	दिनांक– 06.11.2019	11.00 AM से 02.00 PM तथा 03:00 PM से 05:00 PM	स्वास्थ्य विभाग, विकास भवन, पटना के विभागीय सभागार में।
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GO FOR VOCATION

Enrolling in a hands-on skill training course can be of great help to those looking out for better opportunities, says DR NARENDRA SHYAMSUKHA

Let us start with harsh realities — the rate of employability in India has noted a sharp decline in the past few years. Gone are the days when India was considered rich in talent- apt skilling is something that the youth are lacking. Naturally, it shows- reports say that 95 per cent Indian technical/non-technical graduates are unemployable, giving rise to what people coin as an industry-institute gap. At present, nearly 80 per cent of new entrants to the country's workforce get little or no opportunity for skills education. Merely 2.5 per cent of our workforce is exposed to formal vocational training.

Challenges of skill gap

The evolution of talent acquisition is something that the leading institution and educational bodies should take note. The focus has shifted to experiential knowledge as major organisations are dawning to the importance of acquiring the brightest talent. A strong hike in market profitability is linked to having the right kind talent to understand the pulse of the market and channelise that insight into elevating organisational value in the right direction.

Despite this, the rise of the skill gap is alarming — desired skills are greatly lacking amongst today's youth. To cope up to the uncertainties of the market, one needs to have the ability to think on his feet. A prepared individual can cope up with its variances and still emerge with zeal to learn and contribute greatly to the growth of the market. Unfortunately, the sluggish educational system, paired with the directionless intent of students, makes it difficult for this gap to be bridged. The key here is to integrate vocational skilling, into the educational framework, emboldening the learning experience of students. For a densely populated like India, skilling is the golden wand that can elevate the living standards and transform the nation into the leading skilling hub.

Importance of Vocational Training Institutes

Yet, there needs to be a direction as only industry-relevant education and skill-based training can augment the portfolio, where vocational training institutes plays a big role. A host of industries require such training- retail, tourism, cosmetology, or traditional crafts, cottage industry and many more. Enrolling in a vocational training institute or hands-on skill training course can be of great help to candidates looking out for employment opportunities. These training institutes aids students in mastering the soft skills, from expanding their business vocabulary and increasing their speaking skills, to writing customised e-mails for clients, and preparing interesting PowerPoint presentations and others, to increase the individual market value of the students. Students can also leverage the network of employers and colleges these instates have, to maintain coordination with industry. Finally, the accreditations and certifications gained through the tenure can add value to job seekers.

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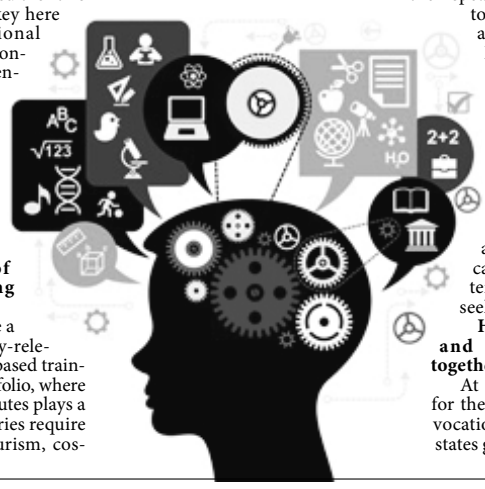

How can the government and private entities work together to enhance this?

At present, the requirement for the proper administration of vocational education by various states government and better coordination between different state departments and agencies, is rising as industries clamour about to find relevant talent. While there is a place for promises, what the Indian educational scenario needs is an actionable approach. Of late, courses in computer programming and electronics have started as part of Governments' skill development programs and yet, they lack the fire. These verticals need to be systematised and accelerated, via the help of private entities. While several government agencies and private institutes have engaged in a tryst to impart skill education in India, here is little coordination between them, making the path precarious. Yet, hope is there as certain companies are partnering with various State and Central Government departments in offering skill-building programmes for the country's potential workforce in diverse sectors including agriculture, IT-ITES, retail, telecom, banking, accounting, finance and others. With such institutions, the draught of employability can be replenished as India powers ahead to edge over other nations, in terms of skilled man force.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

No other investment yields as great a return as the investment in education. An educated workforce is the foundation of every community and the future of every economy
— Brad Henry

PINNACLE MBA

JK Lakshmipat University invites applications for admissions to its Pinnacle MBA programme for the year 2019-2020.

A one of a kind reimagined programme designed by experts from higher education, management studies, business and industry with an aim to offer the right blend of academics, experience and experimentation to the students.

This course consists of three converging tracks of the programme that form the pillar of programme — Management Studies, Liberal Arts & Studies and Personal Growth.

Duration: Two years

Eligibility: Minimum 50 per cent marks (45 per cent for SC/ST candidates) or equivalent CGPA in a three-year bachelor's degree or equivalent in any discipline from a recognised university. Students appearing in the final examination of bachelor's degree can also apply. The candidates must have appeared in CAT/MAT/ATMA/XAT/CMAT or any other naonal level entrance test. In case the candidate has not appeared for any of the menoned tests, they will have to appear in the JKLU Management Entrance Test (MET) to qualify for the programme.

MSC PROGRAMME

The University of Strathclyde, Glasgow invites applications for admissions to its MSc International Relations, Law & Security programmes.

The course familiarises students with contemporary issues relating to the course topics, examining them through legal and political viewpoints. It reflects contemporary policies by taking a broad view of 'security', rather than simply focusing on traditional areas of concern.

Duration: One year

Eligibility: First or upper second-class Honours degree, or international equivalent, in social sciences/law subjects or substantial professional experience.

How to apply: Log on to *hass-pg-enquiries@strath.ac.uk.*

MSC HAZARDS & RESILIENCE

The University of Sheffield, UK invites applications for admissions to its new MSc Hazards & Resilience course.

The MSc Hazards & Resilience course focuses on addressing the causes and effects of climate change with engineering solutions; creating engineers the world needs right now.

This course educates engineers to become skilled in providing technical and sustainable solutions to these risk-based challenges, and protect infrastructure and society from a broad range of hazards.

Eligibility: Candidates should have a three year bachelor degree with a minimum of 60 per cent or first class (BEng, MEng, BSc) in Civil and Structural Engineering or other appropriate engineering or science subject from a reputable university. Overall IELTS score of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 in each component, or equivalent.

Fees: £ 23 , 750 for international students.

How to apply: Log on to *https://www.sheffield.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/courses/2020/hazards-and-resilience-msc-pg-certificate-pg-diploma.*

Companies must broaden training framework

A research on emerging trends, by DR VENKATA RATNADEEP SURI and DR NIMMY RANGASWAMY, in the automation of manual work practices in IT talks about its effects on employment and how to address the issue

Since the 1990s, Indian software firms have developed expertise in outsourced back office tasks, and mid-level IT services like data entry, managing call centers, and software quality testing for foreign companies at very low prices by taking advantage of the cheaply available and technically trained local workforce. However, the rapidly improving automation technologies are allowing AI-based software to carry out routine IT support work, and repetitive back office tasks that were previously performed by human actors — the very tasks that global companies originally outsourced to India to take advantage of cheaper labour.

This emerging trend of automating manual work practices in the IT industry has generated a debate about the effects that this trend would have on employment patterns and the overall growth of the IT industry. Automation has been seen as a grave threat to the rule-based and easily automated jobs. According to a World Bank Report, about 69 per cent of jobs in India today are under threat as a result of automation. In fact, the National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) predicted a 20-to-25 per cent reduction in jobs in the Indian IT industry over the next three years, confirming a general global trend. Technological solutions applied to streamline command-based tasks are giving a tough time to machine operators, clerks, and entry-level IT workers. This is also compounded by a significant increase in the demand for lower-skill jobs, as those with middle level-skills are likely to try move to lower-skill jobs resulting in demand for the latter outstripping its supply.

Recently, a group of researchers set out to investigate how AI-based technologies can affect one such important segment that is expected to have a significant impact of automation- the IT Software Quality Testing (QT) segment. Using ethnographic methods researchers explored the day-to-day work activities of Code Testers across several companies in Hyderabad (India), in their effort to understand the impact of automation on code testing. The study revealed several interesting facts. First, though automation does simplify the testing process, how effectively a software can detect and unearth deeply seated bugs to a large extent depended on the design of test cases-an inherent human cognitive activity.

Quality testers in the course of everyday routines of testing a product, go beyond their call of duty and care about their client's company image, market share, brand value, and customers. It seems that testers slowly and surely begin to focus on goals that their client business wants to achieve through their testing work. These might range from improving sales, focusing on conversion, funnel, lesser cost per customer acquisition, increase profitability, making customers happy by just allowing them to do what they intend to, with the software.

However, the value brought about the code testers is often undermined, and in the process, the value that a client can accrue through manual testing is often neglected or goes untapped. The collective testers' voice calls for promoting a hybrid (human-automated) testing environment where the efficiency of automation can be creatively combined with human intelligence input to add more value to testing.

The research has also revealed that testers regularly carry out several work tasks in their daily routines that draw upon their business process expertise, critical thinking, tactics, knowledge and experiences. This also dispels the notion that QT is merely a routine or repetitive task-based activity.

To address employability issues in the testing sector, companies must also broaden their training framework and inculcate skills centered around context analysis, customer-facing interaction, tacit knowledge, critical thinking and means to combine these skills in testing contexts. This allows the testers to add more value to the customers and foregrounds the value that combining AI-based automation with human testing brings to the table.

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TIPTOP How to overcome exam fear

Students get stressed and nervous at the time of exams. This leads to anxiety. ALKA KAPUR shares tips that may help

Examinations give an opportunity to every child to reach his/her full educational potential with flying colours. However, students tend to become restless and nervous at the time of exams. The bug bear of an examination interrupts the smooth course of a student's life. Students generally find exams so difficult that the phobia makes them fall ill as they simply find themselves unable to cope up with the exam fear and this fear factor before the exams cause them to underperform on their D-day. But there is nothing to worry about. To ensure that courage doesn't ooze out from the finger ends and the experience doesn't become perplexing and exasperating, the only thing you require is the amalgamation of 3 Ds viz a viz determination, dedication and discipline in one's life.

Fear can be overcome by combining self-confidence with disciplined study and faith in one's abilities. So, students are advised not to lose heart and gain control of the situation with a calm mind.

Here are some of the tips to overcome fear and anxiety:

- Prepare a revision timetable and set out what topics, subjects you want to cover each day.
- Start planning well before the exam begins.
- Make your timetable in such a manner that you keep sometime for relaxation.
- Make sure you are able to shell out sometime for exercise, walking, cycling, swimming, dancing, anything to get rid of stress in your body.
- Go out with friends, listen to music, do whatever you enjoy to relax yourself but keep time frame in mind.
- Have a balanced diet. Make sure you always eat breakfast to keep yourself energised the entire day. You can only concentrate when you are physically and mentally fit.
- Practice regular meditation as it helps improve concentration.
- Test your preparation from time to time by attempting sample papers and mock tests. Nothing gives you a better reality check than those tests. Performing well in these tests will help you overcome exam fear.
- Don't hesitate to reach out for help. Reach out to your teachers, mentor or peers to make headway.
- Think positively as your expectations can affect your performance.
- Remind yourself that exams will not determine your success or failure in life.
- Sleep well at night before the exam.
- Never compare yourself with other students.
- Make notes while studying as these notes will be useful during revision.

So, cultivate fearlessness and face exams boldly and success will embrace you.

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Sharda varsity in Uzbekistan

The Sharda University is all set to take forward its legacy of providing world class quality education to all by opening a new campus in Uzbekistan.

Sharda University will be the first independent private university in Uzbekistan, especially across the Andijan, Fergana, Samarkand region that be a gateway for students from Eurasia to experience future-focused education in various disciplines including Engineering and Management

With a highly qualified and competent full time faculty members (20), around 15-20 visiting faculty and 250 students, the University currently offers specialised courses in BTech and BTech (Hons) in Engineering, covering streams like Computer Science, Electrical engineering, Information Technology, and Electronic and Communications, with a special focus on new-age Digital Technologies like Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning. In the management discipline, the University currently offers specialised courses in human resource management, entrepreneurship, marketing and international business.

Commenting on the occasion HE Shukhrat Abdurakhmanov, Chief Governor of Andijan Region, Republic of Uzbekistan said: "It gives us immense pleasure to enter into this new stage of partnership with Sharda University. We wish Sharda group all success and hope for great co-operation and contribution in the overall development of Uzbekistan. We will extend all our support to the group time and again for a glorious path ahead."

4th edition of SRM Hackathon

Future mobility, defence, sustainability, technology in brand experience, IT security and tourism were the themes of the fourth edition of the SRM Hackathon. This national-level event was organised by IT Association, School of Computing and SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Katankulathur and was held at SRMIST campus recently.

The winner was team Dragon_Booster from Sri Venkateshwara College of Engineering, Sriperumbudur. The Social Stars award was won by team Gen-Y of SRMIST, Kattankulathur. Their application was to solve travel plan complexity and can help people create any trip according to their preferences.

Winning team Dragon Booster receives award

People's Favourite award was won by SRMIST's Beeclust_mrsl group consisting of Inderan Kannan, Atul John Abraham, and Sukriti. Their work was a prototype that uses algae and draws in CO2 and other harmful gases like Sulphur Di Oxide and fullerenes (excess air) into the system.

SRM Hackathon 4.0 was a 36-hour long event and had about 1000 entries. Only 40 ideas were selected to participate in the finals.

Vishwa rang festival

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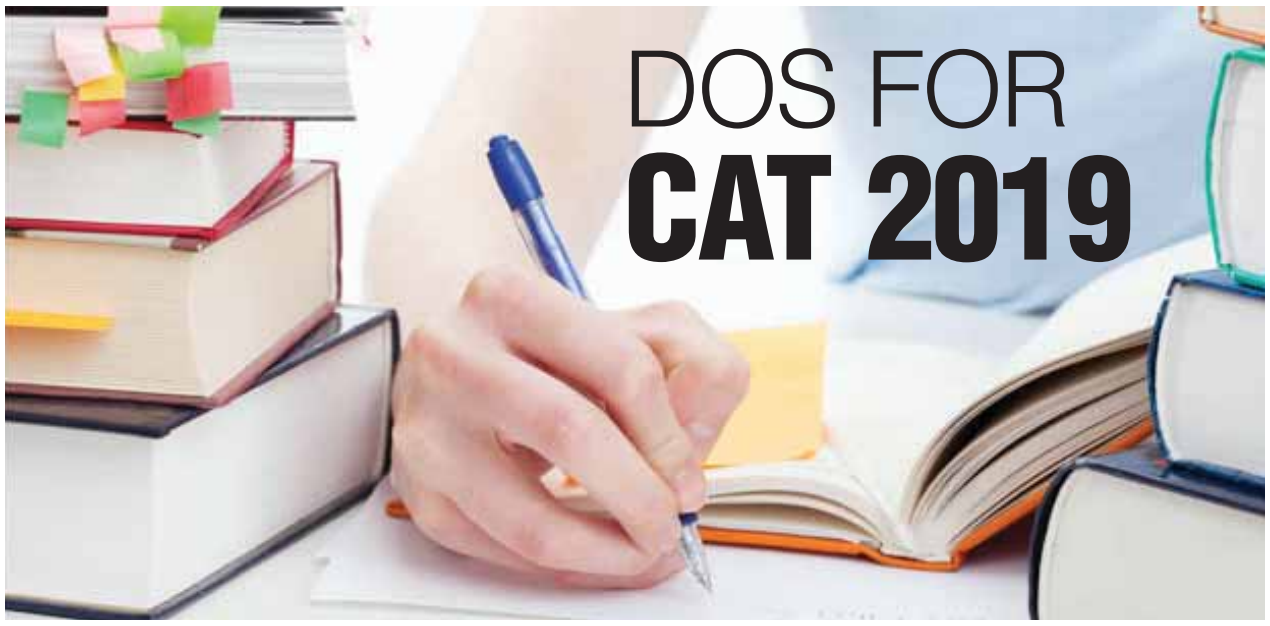
The first edition of the Tagore International Literature & Arts Festival, also known as *Vishwa Rang*, will be held in Bhopal from November 7 to November 10, 2019.

The event is being organised by the Tagore International Centre for Arts and Culture, housed under Bhopal-based Rabindranath Tagore University (RNTU), and the AISECT Group of Universities. *Vishwa Rang* 2019 will be the first world-class literary and arts festival to be organised by an educational institution of India. It will celebrate the essence of Arts and Literature in Hindi and other Indian languages and witness the coming together of over 500 artists and authors from over 30 nationalities.

It will be a platform for ideological dialogue and cultural interplay spread over 60 sessions, which will feature discussions, celebration and discourse on many subjects including literature, culture, education, cinema, journalism and environment.



DOS FOR CAT 2019

The CAT 2019 exam is scheduled for November 24. ANKUR JAIN shares last-minute tips that can help ace it

With only a month left for CAT 2019, for admission to the coveted IIMs and other good management institutes of the country, the preparation is moving to higher gears. We look at how to prepare for maximum success.

The exam has three main sections — VARC, DILR and QA. First of all give two-three mock tests to assess your current level of preparation. Find where you are weaker or stronger based on your percentiles (ranks) not just scores. Weaker areas should be allotted more time. The general rule is that the weaker you are in an area, the more time you allocate for the section.

Most students allot more time to those areas which they prefer and are therefore stronger. Resist this temptation and spend more time on the areas you like relatively less. This will help you with the sectional cutoffs.

As the exam setters provide less time than required to solve the entire exam, time management is the most crucial element in doing well. Always work with a time deadline when you are tackling/solving questions/exercise/tests so that you are accustomed to the time pressure. Set an alarm to keep you under pressure. You may not use the alarm when you are learning something but always use it for taking a test. The standard guideline is that the time you set, should be sufficient for tackling around 75 per cent of the questions. This simulates actual exam conditions.

It is difficult for most people to study with concentration at a stretch. We recommend that you study for two hours and take a break for 10-15 minutes.

Studying different areas in a day also helps. For example, if you plan to study eight hours a day in buckets of two hours, you may do Quant, RC, DI and LR for two hours each with about 10-15 minutes break between two sessions. However, cover all areas every week.

While taking AIMCATs it important to know relative strengths and weaknesses, it is even more important that you analyse performance thoroughly and have an action plan to improve. Initially taking around one-two mock tests per week with complete analysis and taking action based on the analysis is sufficient. By the end, taking around two-three, full-length tests in a week will be sufficient followed by analysis.

DO NOT START ANYTHING NEW IN THE LAST TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE EXAM. FOCUS ON STRONG AREAS. GRADUALLY REDUCE STUDY IN THE LAST THREE-FOUR DAYS AND RELAX ON THE DAY BEFORE THE TEST

When analysing, look at what you solved but took too much time, look at what you solved but got wrong and look at what you left but could have been solved easily. This will give you targets to work on for study.

Revision of mathematics concepts and important formulae can be done the last one week. For now, focus on improving your conceptual clarity. Do not memorise formulae since the CAT is not looking at your ability to memorise, but rather the ability to apply concepts. Working on lots of questions in practice tests that test your concepts is a much better approach than just working on formulae based questions.

For DI and LR, do look at all types of questions, so that there are no nasty surprises in the exam. If you are familiar with various problems in the exam beforehand, you are likely to do well on the test. Your mock tests can serve as an excellent source of a large number of sets which are the level of the exam.

For English, note that more than two-thirds of the section is reading oriented, whether it is RCs or reading oriented VA questions like Logical Completion of Paragraphs, Logically ordering the Paragraphs etc. Vocabulary and Grammar questions may appear but the effort you put in preparing for them is not going to be as fruitful as improving reading skill. So focus more on tests of RC and VA.

You may continue reading some newspaper articles etc. but now the time is for solving the material provided to you, which will give you reading practice and question practice. Do not worry too much about lots of grammar rules, new vocabulary words etc. Whatever new words you do find in a passage, that you may revise but don't focus extensively on improving vocabulary now.

Do not start anything new in the last two weeks before CAT. Focus only on strong areas in the last two weeks. Gradually reduce your study in the last three-four days and relax on the day before you will take CAT.

Some students fail to do well in mock tests and feel demotivated. Be realistic in your assessment of your caliber and set realistic and achievable goals. Performance improvement takes place slowly since everyone is studying and is trying to improve. Even if you improve on an absolute scale, you may not see much improvement in your relative performance. You should therefore set a target of 'achievable improvements' for your next AIMCAT and keep on repeating it.

There are cases of students who never crossed 90 percentile in the AIMCATs but got 99 percentile or more in the CAT. Most students tend to get higher percentile in CAT than in AIMCATs so be confident.

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'Language is essence of communication'

People are doing business globally. SANJEEV RAWAT stresses on the need for taking up a foreign language to create a lucrative future

Sanjeev Rawat
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Language is an essence of communication which can remove the boundaries of two different people who belong to different countries, culture, States and religion. Now, it's becoming important globally to know each other language for better communication and even for job opportunities. The scope in foreign languages is increasing internationally. There was a time when everybody wants to be a doctor and engineer or choosing career in hotel management for a better future, but opportunities in these sectors are very less now and the numbers of candidates are increasing daily because everybody is running for it. There is a better way to make your future bright and successful by choosing a career in foreign language, if you have an interest and want to learn different languages, this will beneficial for your career.

CAREER PROSPECTS

It is not only extraordinary career option it is also attracts to fulfill your passion for knowing different cultures and also give good salary. The future of learning of foreign languages is all time high, on being able to learn a language and have acquired fluency in the same, a person can think of becoming a foreign language specialist, interpreter and translator or you can get a job in multinational companies even person get a job at different levels and platforms Entertainment, Tourism, Public Relation, BPO, Teaching and Online Content writer.

ELIGIBILITY

Candidate must have passed 10+2 with any recognised board after this, person can do Bachelor's in any foreign language is required and the duration of UG is mostly of three years.

Doing Master degree in any foreign language but the candidate have to pursued graduation in relevant stream the duration of maters degree is usually of two years. The most important requirement is to have native level proficiency in English and at least one other language. And active interaction should be needed to communicate with people; no one is perfect in native language so talk more to improve it.

NATURE OF WORK

Before doing something you should know what the nature of work is or how to work in the field you chosen. As we know many people who may not able to understand the foreign language, so the most common work is to translation because translator is the only person who commonly visible during public events to translate, without missing a beat converting the second language into their native tongue. Same as for a Tour Guide, Teacher, Researcher and Liaison Officer who coordinates between two parties or companies. These are the common work to do in the field of foreign language.

There are countless reasons to learn foreign languages, you can meet new people around world and quickly get connected, can help you to boost your brainpower, or you can expose yourself to new career opportunities. After getting a degree or course certificate in any foreign language student can find their way in Healthcare, Education, and Business Administration or in Embassy.

In some media houses there is a need of translator and they may get a person as a Reporter. During these days career in foreign language is becoming a great platform in all countries because language skills are essential attribute in the most profession and advanced

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The translator can expect to get around ₹15,000-₹20,000 at the beginning. With a bit of experience one can earn ₹30,000-plus per month. If person is a graduation in European language like French or German, he may earn ₹50,000-₹90,000 a month.

A good interpreter can get ₹10-₹12 lakh per annum. A freelancer can earn ₹50,000-₹60,000 per assignment; a senior person earn even more.

MIND IT

Gaining accreditation via a relevant degree has always been an essential step for a successful career, for which it is important to get into a university that provides the best of learning, as well as practical experience. Hence, acing entrance examinations such as JEE — Main, CAT, GATE, NET, NMAT, to gain entry into a host of prestigious colleges and yet, tackling these examinations is a tricky slope that students need to master.

Entrance exams are highly competitive, with students from all across the nation vying for limited seats in prestigious colleges. To gain the seat you're interested in, while edging ahead of the competition. Here are a few tips that one needs to keep in mind :

Gain required intelligence on the exam

It is a known fact that each competitive exams differ from each other, concerning the subject they cover and the nature of the exam. This will have a great emphasis on the pattern and sequence, as well as the topics, covered, so it is prudent to learn as much as you can about these exams, in the initial months of preparation. Apart from motivating you, this will help identify the skills/techniques required to tackle the respective exam providing leverage.

Manage time

Competitive exams are akin to a ticking time bomb, with students being required to solve the question paper within a required time-frame. Here, students need to master time management, to show their dexterity over the requirements, under any circumstance.

A piece of great advice is to create a mental flow-chart, to dedicate the required time to each aspect of the paper. Slotting it into categories helps you priorities and streamline the flow, to optimize the time allotted. One of the important aspects of time management is to fix up a study plan- this will help you grasp the distinctive pattern that needs to be identified.

Train yourself via previous test papers

We all know the importance of training before every competition to harness victory. In terms of exams, too, it is important to train your mind and body, to endure the kinds of hurdles that these competitive exams would pose.

For this, you might require the assistance of previous test papers, as it will not just help you train, but also will provide you with a clear picture on your shortcomings, as well as giving you a comprehensible idea on what to expect. Here, it would be easier for you to grasp the nuances of the subjects and understand the exam pattern well if you refer to previous papers for guidance.

Unless you don't push yourself through constant practice, you won't be able to overcome your weaknesses and achieve what you desire.

Develop Strategies and Practice them

A pro-tip- it is always important to strategize, in every aspect of life. Even for exams, it is important to strategize, to edge over the competition. Every student must acquire and set up a various array of strategies, depending upon the marks allotted and the level of difficulty.

You need to cultivate and expand your aptitude level via practicing papers and questions. This will help you create a mind map, to proceed with certified results in mind.

To nail the exams successfully, you need to keep yourself abreast through practice. There are a host of websites that provide you mock tests and practice papers that provide end-to-end solutions that help uplift careers while helping build a better education as well as the vocational scenario.

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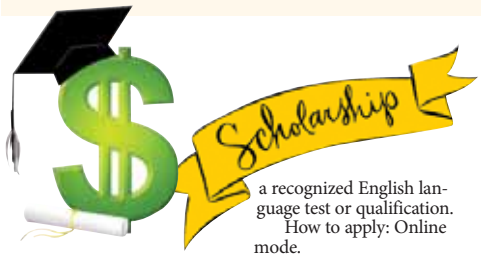

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Any required supporting documentation including references must also be received by the closing date in order for the application to be considered.

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STUDY ABROAD

'Post-study work policies play a role for foreign students'

It is no stretch to say that post-study work rights can open doors to multiple individual success stories and growth opportunities for the host country. However, even though there is a whole world to choose from, students seek out particularly those countries that have favourable post-study work policies. Generally, the best study destinations are found in 'traditional immigration countries' like Australia, Canada, New Zealand and the US.

Recent developments in the UK's policies has put the country back in the front seat. The UK is back to becoming one of the most popular study destinations following the present government's restoration of its two-year post-study work visa policy.

This has opened multiple opportunities for foreign students, who can now seamlessly switch to a skilled work visa once they find a job after the completion of their studies.

Earlier the then Home Secretary Theresa May had scrapped the post-study work visa as a part of immigration crackdown in 2012, which was discouraging students to apply in UK universities. To avail the benefits policy that comes in force from 2020-2021, students must know that it will be a separate visa. They will have to fill a new application form, inclusive of immigration health surcharge and payment of a visa fee. Moreover, graduates need to see if their leave expires before the visa's implementation as if it does, they will not be eligible for the benefits.

With all its eight universities ranking in the top three per cent of the world, New Zealand is well-known for its quality education and conducive learning environment. It has been gaining high traction among students, particularly the South Asian students for its liberal post work visa policies, in comparison to the UK and the US.

It allows students to work for almost any employer without any restrictions on the kind of job or its location after the completion of the course. The visa can be extended for up to three years. Moreover, the education programs that it offers are based on the British education system (also followed by South Asian counties, including India).

Many countries like the UK have been going through an anti-immigration sentiment. However, after witnessing a drop in the foreign student influx, the host countries are realising the economic benefits of cross-border student mobility. High revenues are generated from student tuition fees, increased spending by them on multiple other expenses and value addition by an international talent for the employer corporations.

The writer is Rohit Sethi, Director, ESS Global- Study Abroad Consultant

IN BRIEF

PROGRAMME ON GLOBAL CHALLENGES

The Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF) Compass Cambridge has collaborated with BrainGain Academy for its 10-day — *Leadership Program On Global Challenges*. The programme will take place at the University of Cambridge from December 7-17, 2019. The deadline to apply for the program is November 10, 2019.

This programme for young professionals, university students, and entrepreneurs, will focus on the prevalent challenges like global economic crisis, climate change, and health and well-being. The programme will be taught by faculty at University of Cambridge, Prof Gil Lonzarich, Senior Professor, Department of Physics, Cavendish Labs; Dr Patricia Alireza, Experimental Physicist and Dr Richard Sidebottom, Scholar at University of Cambridge's Centre for Development Studies.

WIRELESS SENSORS FOR LANDSLIDE MONITORING

The students of Amrita Center for Wireless Networks and Applications (AmritaWNA) have come up with a state-of-the-art system that give advance warnings of landslides so that people can be safely evacuated before disaster. It is the only system that makes use of AI and ML to monitor and detect landslides. The project is jointly funded by the Ministry of Earth Sciences, and Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham.

AmritaWNA has issued early warnings about imminent landslides multiple times during 2009, 2011, 2013, 2018 and 2019 in Munnar. The IoT technology used, allows the system to scale and multi-scale and the scientific validity of the same has been discussed in more than 50 journals across the world.

Maneesha Sudheer, Professor & Director Amrita Center for Wireless Networks & Applications (AmritaWNA) said: "Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham is the only Indian institute to be recognised as a world center of excellence in Landslide Disaster Reduction. We are now readying the second installation in Sikkim to guard against rainfall-induced landslides in the Sikkim-Darjeeling belt."

DIWALI VACATIONS TO PREP FOR NEXT SEMESTER

As sessional exams in schools all across the country come to a close and with the festive season underway, Brainly, conducted a survey on its Indian user-base to observe how students plan to spend their festive vacations.

A major share of 37.2% of the students responded that they will be proactively utilising their Diwali vacations to prepare themselves for the upcoming semesters, whereas over 25% of students noted that will be celebrating with their families and more than 22.5% will be traveling with them. Over 53.9% of students stated how they may be keen on doing activities that involve research on different topics that are beyond their curriculum during this time. Over 70.9% of them said they will be completing the homework assignments that were given to them by the teachers, right before the vacation began.

Students are also looking to hone their skills and capabilities during these vacations. Be it learning a new language, engaging in sports-driven skills, and practising arts, crafts, and cooking.

One Plus One Equals 11

India complete 3-0 clean sweep formalities in two overs & win consecutive 11th series at home under Kohli

PTI ■ RANCHI

A formidable Indian team ticked all the boxes with ease as it completed a 3-0 rout of an out-of-sorts South Africa with an innings and 202 runs victory in the third and final Test at Jharkhand State Cricket Association stadium on Tuesday.

With another 120 points in the ongoing World Test Championship, India now sit pretty on top of the table with 240 points as the formalities were completed within the first two overs of the fourth day.

This was Virat Kohli's 11th series win as captain and the first clean sweep over the Proteas who were no match for the hosts. This was India's 11th successive series triumph on home soil.

The scoreline was not only an indicator of India's absolute dominance but also the decline in standard of South African cricket as the visitors couldn't handle the might of India's batting and the fiery pace attack led by Mohammed Shami (13 wickets in the series).

Debutant left-arm spinner Shahbaz Nadeem (2/18 in 6 overs) wrapped it up in the second over of the day as South Africa were all out for 133 in their second innings, 29 runs short of their dismal first innings score of 162.

This was India's sixth clean sweep at home in a three-Test series and the side didn't put a foot wrong during the three-match series, winning the first Test by 203 runs and the second one by an innings and 137 runs.

If Rohit Sharma's coming of age in his new role as an opener with 529 runs, turned out to be a masterstroke in home conditions, Mayank Agarwal also consolidated his place in the side with a double century and a ton, easing India's long time opening woes.

"I was very happy to make my debut in Australia and make little contributions to the team. It's hard work over a period of many areas," Agarwal said after the match.

However, what stood out during the series was how lethal the Indian pace attack looked despite their premier pacer Jasprit Bumrah's absence due to a stress fracture.

Rarely has there been a series where the impact of pacers has been as much as the spinners.

If Ravindra Jadeja (13 wickets) and Ravichandran Ashwin (15 wickets) shared 28 among themselves, Mohammed Shami (13 in 3 Tests), Umesh Yadav (11 in two Tests) and Ishant Sharma (2 in 2 Tests) picked 26 wickets.

"We are always ready to fulfill our responsibility. As a captain, Virat gives you confidence, lets you do what you want. We try to keep the ball in the right areas and bowl the right length," Shami said at the end of match.

It was one such series, where South African batsmen looked scared and scarred by the ferocity of India's pace attack. The pacers did a lot of damage with the new ball and reversed the old ball.

Two hundreds and four fifties is all that the South African batting line-up managed and South African skipper Faf du Plessis agreed that they were completely outplayed on sporting tracks unlike the ones in 2015 where the ball was turning square.

"They were ruthless and they were better than us in every department — spin bowling, fast bowling, batting and even the fielding. They are a difficult team to overcome," Du Plessis agreed.

Pleased as punch, skipper Kohli couldn't agree more with his opposite number.

"You guys have seen how we're playing. Making things happen on pitches that don't seem to offer too much, is something we're very proud of," Kohli summed it up aptly.

'WANT TO BE THE BEST'

The intent has always been honest and that precisely is the reason for the stupendous results that the Indian cricket team is currently delivering, skipper Virat Kohli said after a thumping 3-0 whitewash.

"As long as we keep working with honest intent, those things will follow. We have wanted to be the best team in Test cricket, and as long as we compete, things will work out well for us," Kohli said at the post-match presentation ceremony.

The best part about the win was taking the conditions out of equation, said Kohli.

"Amazing. You guys have seen how we're playing. Making things happen on pitches that don't seem to offer too much, is something we're very proud of," the skipper said.

"Even when we travelled away from home, we wanted to compete. Getting into the right kind of mindset is something these guys have worked really hard to get into... To be the best side in the world, you have to be multi-dimensional," skipper said.

"Spin was always our strength, batting was never a problem for us. Ishant (Sharma) was the only experienced bowler for us. We said we can play an extra bowler, and as batsmen we said we'll get the job done.

"We've got runs in every Test match, our catching has been good too. (Goal) As I said, even without much experience, we travelled very well. We believe we can win anywhere," the skipper added.

His counterpart Faf du Plessis also agreed that it was high quality pace bowling from India.

"I think it's the skill of the bowlers. They have a skiddy nature and they hit the right spots and the stumps at all times. Those are the things we talked about before we came here, but naturally the length in South Africa has to be a little shorter, and that takes time to adjust," Du Plessis said.

The fight tapered off after the first Test in Visakhapatnam and du Plessis acknowledged that his side wasn't up to it.

"That's the frustrating part of the tour. There were some really good signs, but it went the other way," the Proteas skipper said when dissecting performance on the tour.

"Every Test, we made more mistakes. But we have to give credit to the Indian team. They were ruthless and they were better than us in every department — spin bowling, fast bowling, batting and even the fielding. They are a difficult team to overcome.

"The mindset after 2015 was to prepare ourselves for really spinning tracks, but it's been the opposite. Really sporting tracks — fantastic for fast bowlers and even for batsmen. There's a lot to learn for us," he added.

The visiting skipper said that this is a young team which wold learn to fight its way out of trouble in adverse conditions.

"It's important that we have some young guys, and they'll experience this in 3-4 years ago. It was important for us to take something back again.

"We have to learn to compete the next time again. This is the toughest tour on the circuit... (India's) 11 series wins in a row bears testament to that."

FIVE TEST VENUES

India captain Virat Kohli feels that time has come for the BCCI to zero in on five permanent Test centres for future home series, similar to the English and Australian model when top teams tour those countries.

In Australia, Melbourne, Sydney, Perth, Brisbane and Adelaide are the five designated Test centres whenever the big teams come calling.

Similarly in England, the Lord's, Oval, Trent Bridge, Old Trafford, Edgbaston, Southampton and Headingley are the seven main Test centres for any marquee series (Ashes/India).

Asked about the lukewarm response in Ranchi, the Indian skipper lapped up the question.

"That's a great question. We have been discussing this for a long time now. And in my opinion, we should have five Test centres. Period," the skipper made his point, something that the new BCCI president Sourav Ganguly might now have to look into.

"Look if you want to keep Test cricket alive and exciting, I totally agree with the fact that we need five Test centres at max. It can't be sporadic and spread over so many places where people turn up or they don't," the skipper didn't mince words.

"So in my opinion, absolutely, we should have five strong Test centres where the team coming to India knows that this is where we're going to play and nowhere else," he said.

The BCCI follows the rotation policy across formats but it has now more than 15 Test centres.

'ALL CREDIT TO ROHIT'

Skipper Virat Kohli feels that no one but Rohit Sharma alone "deserves credit" for overcoming "anxiety and hesitation" while performing commendably in his new role as an opener, giving bowlers enough time to take 20 South African wickets in the 3-0 sweep.

Rohit turned out to be a revelation as opener with scores of 176 and 127 in the first Test and 212 in the third Test. The team management's stand that he could be a game-changer in the longest format stood vindicated.

"Credit solely goes to the player for the way he overcame his anxiety and hesitation and performed in such a manner that he was adjudged Man-of-the-Series in the first series as an opener. It's been outstanding for him," Kohli was effusive in praise for his white-ball deputy.

"There is always an anticipation on how would you perform as an opener in Test cricket, as he has been the world's best opener in ODI cricket for a long time. Despite missing close to two sessions because of rain, his pace in the batting gave us so much of time to bowl them out twice," the skipper said.

The top-order had performed brilliantly in the series, something that the skipper finds deeply satisfying.

"Mayank (Agarwal) also has done very well. Despite being new to opening, he performed consistently. Ajinkya (Rahane) also got a century at home after a long time (three years, 188 v NZ October 2016, Indore).

"He also got a Test century in West Indies after a long time. Things are moving in the right direction in the last two-three months. So I said, it feels very pleasing to see individuals performing collectively well."

Umesh Yadav and Mohammed Shami took 24 of the 60 South African wickets and their strike-rate is something that makes them stand apart from a lot of Indian fast bowlers over the years, said the skipper.

"If you look at these two guys, their strike-rate is probably the best in Indian conditions in history. So it tells you that these guys hit the stumps and the pads more. It's a great sign of intent the bowlers are running with. The fitness levels have gone up," Kohli said.

India captain Virat Kohli on Tuesday said he hasn't had any conversation with Sourav Ganguly with regards to MS Dhoni's international future and believes that the BCCI's President-elect will get in touch with him when he needs to.

After being nominated as the BCCI's President-elect, Ganguly had said that he would like to speak to the selectors as well as Dhoni to know what they had in mind.

"I congratulated him (Ganguly). It's great that he has become BCCI President. But he's not spoken to me about that (MS) yet. He will get in touch with me when he has to. I am sure I will go and meet him when he tells me to," the Indian skipper said.

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APPENDIX IV POSSESSION NOTICE
(for immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Limited (DHFL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, Demand Notice(s) issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) mentioned herein below to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of the Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement rules, 2002. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub –section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeemthe secured assets. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of DHFL for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.

S. N.	Name of the Borrower(s) /Guarantor(s)	Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)	Demand Notice Date & Amount	Date of Possession
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2.	(LC No.**00002635 of our Jalandhar** Branch) **Harpal Singh (Borrower) Paramjit Kaur (Co-Borrower) Ggurbaksh Singh (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **H.no194, Docu.no3493, Mohalla Dadal Bohad Wali Gali Nima Phagwara ,kapurthala Phagwara Hoshiarpur Punjab 144406**	**23-Apr-19 Rs. 31,39,759/-**	**16-10-2019**
3.	(LC No.**00003026 of our Jalandhar** Branch) **M/S. Bal Cold Store (Borrower) Amar Singh (Co-Borrower) Jasvir Kaur (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Khasra No 12//5,122/6, Deed No 128 Vill Bal Nau, Tehsil Shahkot Billi Braich Road Jalandhar Jalandhar Punjab 144001**	**23-Apr-19 Rs. 60,28,014/-**	**16-10-2019**
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5.	(LC No.**00000490 of our Bathinda** Branch) **Akbar Tara Chand (Borrower) Surinder Kaur (Co-Borrower) Dharmveer Dharamveer (Gurantor)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Plot No 80 Shree Ganesh Enclave Mallanwala Road, Block C Tehsil & District Ferozepur, Punjab, Punjab-152003**	**25-Jan-19 Rs. 13,54,843/-**	**17-10-2019**
6.	(LC No.**00000906 of our Bathinda** Branch) **Patras P (Borrower) Simon S (Co-Borrower) Ali A (Gurantor)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **St No 7 Rikhi Colony Nijamudin Basti Itcha Wala Road Ferozepur distt.- Ferozepur,Ferozpur,Punjab-152001**	**25-Jan-19 Rs. 11,55,809/-**	**17-10-2019**
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8.	(LC No.**00003522 of our Jalandhar** Branch) **Hemraj (Borrower) Sheela Devi (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Kh No - 14r/17/2(5-17) Hdfc Bank Jamalpur, Pathankot,Gurdaspur-145001**	**25-Jan-19 Rs. 27,40,851/-**	**18-10-2019**
9.	(LC No.**00000032 of our Jalandhar** Branch) **Mangu Ram (Borrower) Kamlesh Kumari (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Plot No 8 Village Mubarakpur Jalandhar, Jalandhar, Jalandhar-144003**	**24-Oct-18 Rs. 13,10,443/-**	**18-10-2019**
10.	(LC No.**00000278 of our Amritsar** Branch) **Arun Kumar (Borrower) Snehlata S (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Pvt. plot No.-17, Min18, Khasra No.-69//2 Min Khata Khatoni No. 1901/2584, Vakia Rakba Ghanupur, Hargobind Avenue, Amritsar Amritsar Punjab - 143001**	**18-Feb-19 Rs. 17,55,737/-**	**18-10-2019**
12.	(LC No.**00002295 of our Jalandhar** Branch) **Satpal Singh (Borrower) Rajwant Kaur (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Kh.no 18r6(7-12) Abal Kher Gurdaspur Gurdapur, Gurdaspur, Gurdaspur-143521,Punjab.**	**14-Mar-18 Rs. 16,24,958/-**	**18-10-2019**
13.	(LC No.**00002297 of our Jalandhar** Branch) **John Gurvinder (Borrower) Sunanda S (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Kh - No 18r6(7-12)7(7-8) Beant College Abalkher, Gurdaspur,Gurdaspur-143521**	**24-Oct-18 Rs. 30,70,866/-**	**18-10-2019**
14.	(LC No.**00002720 of our Jalandhar** Branch) **Harjinder Singh (Borrower) Lakhwinder Singh (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Kh No 18r6(7-12) Abhal Kher Beant College,Gurdaspur, Gurdaspur-143521**	**24-Oct-18 Rs. 19,83,147/-**	**18-10-2019**
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24.	(LC No.**00002406 of our Jalandhar** Branch) **Atwinderjit Singh (Borrower) Daljeet Kaur (Co-Borrower)**	All that part and parcel of Property bearing **Kh No-3268/1682(0-4) Vpo Attowal,near Gurdwara Hoshiarpur Hoshiarpur Hoshiarpur Punjab – 146107**	**18-Feb-19 Rs. 12,66,295/-**	**18-10-2019**
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E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE TO GENERAL PUBLIC FOR SALE OF MOVABLE STOCK LYING IN THE CUSTODY OF NBHC IN THE GODWONS OF M/s MEHAK SPICES

LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (EMD) AND DOCUMENTS IS 29-10-2019 UPTO 05.00 PM BY DEMAND DRAFT / ONLINE / NEFT / RTGS IN THE A/C NO. 0018002109136850, IFSC: PUNB0001800 (AFTER 'B 'ALL ZERO)

Whereas **M/s Mehak Spices** has availed WHR loan facilities from **Punjab National bank, Hall Bazaar, Amritsar** against the pledge of Stock of Spices. The said stock Lying in the custody of NBHC shall be sold by **PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK** through its Authorized Officers. **Sale of Stocks** of **M/s Mehak Spices** lying in the **custody of NBHC (K K AGRO FOOD AND COLD STORE)** in the **Godwons no. 1 situated at Khatoni no. 47/86, 313/565, 313/564, Khasra no. 22/6/1, Village Balachak, Opposite Amritsar Power Station, Amritsar - Tarn Taran Road, Tarn Taran - 143022** is to be made through **Public E-Auction.**

Name of the borrower : M/s Mehak Spices, **Regd Office :** M/s Mehak Spices, Peer Shah Road, Outside Gate Hakima, Amritsar, Punjab
Factory : Wakia Rakba Village Bal Kalan Tehsil and Distt. Amritsar
Partners : **(1)** Sh. Sham Sunder Arora S/o Sh. Satpal Arora **(2)** Sh. Rohit Arora S/o Sh. Sham Sumder Arora **(3)** Sh. Vikas Arora S/o Sh. Sham Sunder Arora
Authorised Officer of **Punjab National Bank** will sell the Stock lying in the custody of NBHC i.e Spices (details mentioned), Auction which is stored in below mentioned Godown of **K K AGRO FOOD AND COLD STORE** on the date mentioned as under through E-auction platform provided on the website (http://pnbindia.biz) on **'AS IS WHERE IS WHAT IS BASIS'** to recover. **The general public is invited to bid either personally or through duly authorized agent.**

DATE, TIME & PLACE OF INSPECTION OF STOCK LYING IN CUSTODY	DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION OF STOCK LYING IN CUSTODY OF NBHC OF COMPANY / BORROWER		
From **23-10-2019 to 28-10-2019, Time 10.00 AM to 05.00 PM** at Godwon no. 1, situated at Khatoni no. 47/86, 313/565, 313/564, Khasra no. 22/6/1, Village Balachak, Opposite Amritsar Power Station, Amritsar - Tarn Taran Road, Tarn Taran - 143022	**Date**	**Lot no.**	**Time**
LAST DATE FOR EMD THROUGH RTGS / NEFT / ONLINE	**30-10-2019**	**mentioned below**	**10 AM to 02.00 PM**
29-10-2019 upto 05.00 pm through RTGS / NEFT / Online			

SCHEDULE OF STOCK / GOODS LYING IN THE CUSTODY OF NBHC

Lot no. / Cold Receipt no.	Commodity Name	CAD no.	Godown no.	Weight in MT	Rate Reserve Price Per MT	Total Reserve Price	Earnest Money @10%
1039	**Chilli Red**	**B0248290**	**K K Agro Food and Cold Store, Chamber no. 01**	**0.44**	**90,000/-**	**Rs. 39,600/-**	**Rs. 3,960/-**
2134	**Chilli Red**	**B0282205**	**K K Agro Food and Cold Store, Chamber no. 01**	**6.58**	**60,000/-**	**Rs. 3,94,800/-**	**Rs. 39,480/-**
2412	**Turmeric Finger Polished**	**B0296058**	**K K Agro Food and Cold Store, Chamber no. 01**	**1.90**	**63,000/-**	**Rs. 1,19,700/-**	**Rs. 11,970/-**
2413	**Turmeric Bulb Polished**	**B0296060**	**K K Agro Food and Cold Store, Chamber no. 01**	**0.81**	**75,000/-**	**Rs. 60,750/-**	**Rs. 6,075/-**
1020	**Chilli Red**	**B0307685**	**K K Agro Food and Cold Store, Chamber no. 01**	**4.06**	**40,000/-**	**Rs. 1,62,400/-**	**Rs. 16,240/-**

• The captioned quantity is subject to actual weight at the time of lifting the Stock • Rates excludes GST & Other charges • Bid increase amount Rs. 200/- per MT • Minimum Bid Entire stock of the lot as per CAD no of the particular commodity

Terms and Conditions : **(1)** The e-auction is being held on 'AS IS WHERE IS' and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS' **(2)** The particulars of stocks lying in the custody of NBHC specified in the schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorized Officers, but the Authorized Officers shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. **(3)** The stocks lying in the custody of NBHC will not be sold below the reserve price. **(4)** The auction sale will be **"online through E-auction"** portal http://pnbindia.biz **(5)** To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized Officer, there is no other encumbrance on any of the said stocks lying in the custody of NBHC **(6)** It shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the stocks lying in the custody of NBHC and specifications before submitting the bid. The inspection of the said stocks lying in the custody of NBHC put on auction will be permitted to interested bidders at sites mentioned above. **(7)** The bidders are also advised to go through the portal http://pnbindia.biz for detailed terms and condition for e-auction before submitting their bids and taking part in e-auction sale proceedings and or **contact Sh. Prahalad Kumar (Chief Manager - Punjab National Bank, Hall Bazaar) (M) 75270-01720 (8)** The interested bidders shall deposit their EMD by way of **Demand Draft favouring" Punjab National Bank"** or **through RTGS / NEFT by 29-10-2019** to the following account **Name of the Account : PNB Earnest Money Bid Account, Account no. : 0018002109136850, IFSC CODE : PUNB0001800.** Please note that cheque and demand draft of cooperative banks shall not be accepted as EMD amount. **(9)** Thereafter on deposit of EMD the bidders shall submit (i) Proof of deposit of EMD (when remitted through NEFT / RTGS) OR demand draft in original(where payment by way of draft is stipulated for (ii) ID proof i.e scanned copy of PAN CARD (iii) proof of residential address (iv) (a) bidder name (b) mobile no. / contact no. (c) address (d) Email address (e) Bidders account detail for online refund of EMD, if any (v) the documents through email Authorized Officer / Nodal Officer at email address bo0018@pnb.co.in and also submit self attested hard copies of these documents (DD in original) to the Authorized Officer at the branch address mentioned hereinabove in envelope super scribing as **"bid in the account a/c M/s Mehak Spices (10)** The interested bidders are required to obtain login ID and password well in advance which is mandatory for e-biding from Circle Office. **(11)** Only buyers holding valid user ID / password and confirmed payment of EMD through NEFT / RTGS shall be eligible for participating in E-Auction process. **(12)** During the online inter se bidding, bidders can improve the bid amount as per bid amount as per bid increase amount (mentioned above) or its multiplies and in case the bid is placed during last 5 minutes of the closing time of e-auction, the closing time will automatically get extended (each time till closure of e-auction process), otherwise it will automatically get closed. The bidder who submits the highest bid amount (not below the reserve price) on the closure of e-auction process shall be declared successful bidder by Authorized Officer, after necessary verification. **(13)** The EMD of the successful bidder shall be retained towards part sale consideration and the EMD of the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded. The EMD shall not bear any interest. The successful bidder shall have to deposit 25% of the sale price, adjusting the EMD already paid, after the acceptance of the bid price by the Authorized Officer within 24 hours of such acceptance. The balance 75% of the sale price shall be paid by the successful bidder by or before 15th day following the date of E- auction or within such extended time as agreed upon in writing by and at the sole discretion of the Authorized Officer. In case of default in the payment by the successful bidder, the amount already already deposited by the successful bidder shall be liable to be forfeited and stocks lying in the custody of NBHC shall be put to re-auction & the defaulting borrower shall have no claim/right in respect of the stocks lying in the custody of NBHC and / or forfeited amount **(14)** The purchaser shall bear the applicable statutory and non statutory dues, taxes, rates, assessment charges, fees etc owing to anybody. **(15)** The Authorized Officers are bound to accept the highest offer and the Authorized Officer has the absolute right to accept or reject any or all the offer(s) or adjourn / postpone / cancel the e-auction without assigning any reason therefore **(16)** The bidder should ensure proper internet connectivity, power back up etc. The bank shall not be liable for any internet failure, power failure or technical reasons or reasons / contingencies affecting e-auctions **(17)** The Successful bidder shall have to pay the entire amount before lifting the stocks lying in the custody of NBHC from the Godowns. **(18)** Auction purchaser can also lift the purchased stocks lying in the custody of NBHC 24 hours after closing the auction by paying entire amount as per auction.

Statutory sale notice of Stock lying in the custody of NBHC : The borrower / guarantors are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with upto date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e- auction, failing which the stocks lying in the custody of NBHC will be auctioned / sold and sale proceeds will be appropriated as per direction of the court.

Date : 23-10-2019 Place : Amritsar Sd/- Authorised Officer

Modric, Neymar miss out on Ballon D'Or shortlist

AFP ■ PARIS

While Megan Rapinoe is the leading candidate for the second ever women's Ballon D'Or, the holder of the men's award, Luka Modric, and the world's most expensive player Neymar missed out as France Football unveiled nominees in four categories on Monday.

Modric, fresh from guiding Croatia to a World Cup final, broke the 11-year Cristiano Ronaldo-Lionel Messi, who are both included, stranglehold on the men's award last year.

Paris Saint-Germain's Neymar, who cost the French club 222 million euros ($247 million) in 2017, failed to make the 30-man shortlist after a year overshadowed by injury, suspension and controversy for both club and country.

Messi has just collected the FIFA Best award, as did Rapinoe, which split from the Ballon D'Or in 2016.

Rapinoe dominated the Women's World Cup, on and off the field, in the summer.

The 34-year-old Reign FC playmaker was joint top scorer and was voted player of the tournament as she led the United States to victory in France in July.

Last year, Norwegian Ada Hegerberg was the first women's winner.

The Lyon forward did not play in the World Cup but is among the 20 nominees as are stars who were present at the competition, such as Australia striker Sam Kerr, England's Lucy Bronze and France captain Amandine Henry.

Virgil Van Dijk, 28, who has had an impressive six months with Liverpool lifting the Champions League, could become a rare defensive winner of the men's award.

Fabio Cannavaro was the last defender to win in 2006, and only the fourth since the award began in 1956.

Another nominee, Kylian Mbappe, the top goal scorer in Ligue 1 last season, would represent a genuine change of the guard.

The Paris Saint-Germain striker is inelgible to defend his Kopa trophy for the best player under 21 last year as he celebrates his 21st birthday on December 20.

This year also sees the introduction of the Yashin trophy, named after the only goalkeeper to win the Ballon D'Or, Lev Yashin of the Soviet Union, to give that ignored minority a chance to get their hands on a prize of their own.

The award winners will be unveiled on December 2 during a ceremony in Paris after a voting process including journalists from 180 different countries.

SHORTLISTED MEN'S LIST

Sergio Agüero, Trent Alexander-Arnold, Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang, Alisson Becker, Karim Benzema, Kevin De Bruyne, Frenkie De Jong, Matthijs de Ligt, João Félix, Roberto Firmino, Antoine Griezmann, Eden Hazard, Kalidou Koulibaly, Robert Lewandowski, Hugo Lloris, Riyad Mahrez, Sadio Mané, Marquinhos, Kylian Mbappé, Lionel Messi, Cristiano Ronaldo, Mohamed Salah, Bernardo Silva, Son Heung-Min, Raheem Sterling, Dusan Tadic, Marc-André ter Stegen, Donny van de Beek, Virgil van Dijk, Georginio Wijnaldum.

SUPER 6

Barca seek sixth straight win at spirited Slavia

AFP ■ PRAGUE

Barcelona will be looking to extend their five-game winning streak when they take on Champions League underdogs Slavia Prague in the teams' first-ever encounter in Prague today.

Brushing aside political turmoil around them, Ernesto Valverde's men eased past Eibar 3-0 away on Saturday with goals from Lionel Messi, Luis Suarez and Antoine Griezmann.

Their fifth straight competitive win — including a 2-1 victory over Inter Milan in their last Champions League game — took them to the top of La Liga a point ahead of Real Madrid.

Last week the two giants agreed to postpone the Clasico, which would have been a showdown for the top league spot, from next Saturday to December because of the protests in Catalonia.

In a much calmer Prague, reigning Czech champions Slavia came back from a goal down to see off minnows Pribram 3-1 on Saturday to secure a six-point lead in the Czech top flight.

With two games played, Barcelona are second in the Champions League Group F with four points following the Milan win and a goalless draw with Dortmund who top the group on a goal difference.

Slavia sit at the bottom with a single point after holding Inter to a 1-1 draw in Milan and a subsequent 2-0 loss to Dortmund at home. Barcelona relished their attacking form after the Eibar clash, giving Slavia a cause for concern.

An underdog in today's clash, Slavia are building up confidence, betting on a physical style and tireless pressing promoted by coach Jindrich Trpisovsky. Last season, they eliminated Sevilla from the Europa League before bowing out at the hands of Chelsea in the quarter-finals.

"We'll go to the pitch knowing we can succeed," said defensive midfielder Tomas Soucek, the Slavia captain.

"We want at least a point, we have proved we can face the giants and I believe we'll give them a hard time at home," added goalkeeper Ondrej Kolar.

The Czechs remember Barca's last match in Prague where they were hosted by Viktoria Pilsen in the Champions League in 2011. Barcelona won 4-0 as Messi scored a hat-trick.

"There are many players who can score, they all have a fantastic finish," said Kolar.

"We know how strong they are, particularly Messi, his left foot is exceptional and I think you can't really get ready for that." Soucek hailed Barca's "three unbelievable forwards" Suarez, Messi and Griezmann.

"It's funny to think that we'll swap the pennants with Messi and play against all these players," he said.

Barcelona, who took a day off Sunday before resuming training on Monday, will miss Sergi Roberto, who hurt his left knee at Eibar. Gerard Pique is likely to return to the team following a ban.

GROUP E

Genk is braced for a possible reaction today from Liverpool, whose winning Premier League start ended at Old Trafford.

Liverpool opened its title defense with a 2-0 loss at Napoli and struggled before prevailing 4-3 over Salzburg.

Salzburg has tallied nine goals so far but the Austrian club faces a difficult challenge against Napoli, which is one of five teams yet to concede in the competition.

GROUP F

Inter Milan hosts Borussia Dortmund knowing it can't afford to fall further behind as three heavyweights are vying for two spots.

Antonio Conte's team already trails Barcelona and Dortmund by three points.

GROUP G

Leipzig hosts Zenit St Petersburg after seemingly forgetting how to win at home, where its last victory was against Eintracht Frankfurt in the Bundesliga on Aug. 25.

Lyon managed to win 2-0 in Leipzig despite its own crisis at home. Lyon hasn't won in eight games in the French league.

Lyon visits Benfica in the group's other game.

Slavia vs Barcelona
Live from 12:30am IST
SONY TEN 1 NETWORK

Barcelona captain Lionel Messi watches his teammate train during practice session FCB/Twitter

Reus misses Inter trip

Inter vs Dortmund
Live from 12:30am IST
SONY TEN 2 NETWORK

AFP ■ MILAN

Borussia Dortmund flew to Italy without captain Marco Reus and striker Paco Alcacer for today's match at Inter Milan, but previously suspended England winger Jadon Sancho and injured goalkeeper Roman Burki were included.

The Bundesliga club said the 30-year-old playmaker Reus missed Tuesday's flight because he is "still in poor health" after scoring the winner in Saturday's 1-0 victory over Bundesliga leaders Moenchengladbach despite suffering with flu.

Alcacer, who like Reus has scored five league goals so far this season, is also out due to the persistent calf injury which has sidelined him since September 28.

However, Sancho, 19, has been included after being dropped for Saturday's game after returning late from England duty.

Burki is also back after limping out of the second-half of the Gladbach win with a knee injury.

The Germans top Group F ahead of Barcelona on goal difference after holding the Spanish giants to a goalless draw in Dortmund in their opening game and then winning 2-0 at bottom side Slavia Prague.

Inter, third in the table, drew at home to Slavia and lost 2-1 to Barca a fortnight ago at the Camp Nou in their two previous games.

Conte's side bank on Belgian striker Romelu Lukaku, who got off the mark in his first league match against Lecce and has since scored five goals in eight Serie A games since departing Old Trafford under a cloud last summer.

Tammy Abraham (9) celebrates with Mason Mount after scoring Chelsea/Twitter

Next-gen stars

Rising Chelsea players face acid test against youth kings Ajax

AFP ■ AMSTERDAM

Ajax vs Chelsea
Live from 10:25pm IST
SONY TEN 2 NETWORK

Chelsea's young guns will test their run of form at one of the homes of youth development today as they attempt to stop an Ajax team on course to replicate last season's thrilling run.

The Blues are on a five-match winning streak in all-competitions after beating Newcastle United 1-0 at the weekend but come up against the Group H leaders in Amsterdam Ajax are averaging over three goals a game at home and abroad and are hungry for European success after semi-final heartache last season.

Fikayo Tomori, Ross Barkley, Mason Mount, Callum Hudson-Odoi and Tammy Abraham all started Saturday's win at Stamford Bridge, the first time since 2013 five English players made the London club's starting XI.

They second on three points in Group H after a wobbly opening two games in the Champions League, with a pair of matches coming up against on-fire Ajax that could decide their European destiny.

"These two games against Ajax are really big because they're such a strong team ... The movement of the team and the way they play football will be a big test for us," coach Frank Lampard told the Chelsea website on Monday.

Ajax's remarkable form has led to rumours that coach Erik ten Hag is a potential Bayern Munich target, rumours that the 49-year-old refused to play down on Monday as Nico Kovac comes under fire in Germany.

Despite losing midfield dynamo Frenkie De Jong and defensive rock Matthijs de Ligt, they are top of the Eredivisie and unbeaten after scoring 31 times in their opening 10 games, three points ahead of PSV Eindhoven and Vitesse Arnhem.

In fact Erik ten Hag's side have hardly felt the effects of their departures, and are also top of Group H after beating both Lille and Valencia 3-0 with the same brand of thrilling football that captured Europe's imaginations last season.

However, although they reemerged as a European force thanks to their academy talent, their star turns this campaign are all outside discoveries, with Hakim Ziyech, David Neres and Dusan Tadic all in fine form and new signing Quincy Promes causing havoc from midfield.

Blades burst Arsenal bubble

AFP ■ SHEFFIELD

Unai Emery claimed Arsenal were unlucky to suffer a shock 1-0 defeat at Sheffield United as Lys Mousset condemned the Gunners to their latest away-day flop on Monday.

Emery's side are without an away Premier League win since the opening weekend of the season after failing to rise to the challenge posed by fired up United at Bramall Lane.

French forward Mousset, making his first Premier League start for United, punished poor Arsenal defending in the first half to score his second goal since signing from Bournemouth.

That was enough to send Arsenal crashing to just their second defeat of the season, ending an eight-game unbeaten run in all competitions.

The north Londoners sit fifth in the league after a powder-puff performance that showed Emery's rebuilding job is still a work in progress.

But Emery insisted Arsenal deserved at least a draw and criticised the failure to give a penalty for a foul on Sokratis.

"We didn't deserve to lose. We can speak about two key moments, one is the goal and the other is a clear penalty with Sokratis. With VAR, the foul should have been reviewed, but we have to accept it," Emery said after Arsenal's winless run in the city of Sheffield extended to 26 years.

"We had more chances than them. If we scored one goal then we could have controlled better."

Under Emery, Arsenal have kept just two clean sheets in 24 away league matches and once again they wilted too easily in a hostile environment.

This was a signature win for the Blades after last season's promotion and they sit proudly in ninth place, just three points behind Arsenal.

Chris Wilder congratulates his boys after end of Premier League match against Arsenal PL/Twitter

Weather holds key in Hazare semis

Vijay Hazare semifinals
Live from 9:30am IST
STAR SPORTS 2 NETWORK

Lokesh Rahul celebrates after scoring century against Kerala PTI/File Photo

PTI ■ BENGALURU

Host Karnataka will hold the edge when it takes on Chhattisgarh in the semifinals of the Vijay Hazare Trophy here today while Tamil Nadu and Gujarat are set for an interesting battle in the other last four clash.

The weather holds the key in both matches as rain is forecast today.

Karnataka made short work of Puducherry in the quarterfinal after coming through with seven wins from eight games in the league phase.

Test discard K L Rahul scored a fluent 90 in the win over Puducherry and appeared to have found his touch while the other opener Devdutt Padikkal has been among the runs as has skipper Manish Pandey, who has piled up 505 runs. The bowlers have done the job with pacer Prasidh Krishna leading the way with 17 wickets while leggie Shreyas Gopal (14 wickets) and fellow leg-spinner Pravin Dube have gone about the job rather well.

Chhattisgarh came through after rain washed out the quarterfinal against the defending champion Mumbai on Monday on the basis of more wins in the league phase. However, they face a rather daunting task against the all-round Karnataka team, boasting of a strong batting line-up.

Ashutosh Singh, captain Harpreet Singh and Amandeep Khare have been the key batsmen for Chhattisgarh but will be up against a strong Karnataka attack.

In the other semifinal, Tamil Nadu, lucky to come through against Punjab on the basis of having won more games in the league phase, faces Gujarat, a comfortable winner against Delhi.

Having lost to the Dinesh Karthik-led side in the league phase, Gujarat will be aiming for revenge and will be aware of the need to raise their game.

The experienced TN line-up that includes Murali Vijay, Abhinav Mukund, B Aparajith, Vijay Shankar and the captain Karthik himself can be expected to step up in a crunch game and the Gujarat bowling line-up led by left-arm pacer Rush Kalaria and veteran leggie Piyush Chawla face a stern test on the morrow.

Tamil Nadu will be hoping that the big guns get going and lay the platform for Karthik to finish things off with a flourish.

The TN bowlers—T Natarajan, K Vignesh (14 wkts), Vijay Shankar, R Sai Kishore and leggie M Ashwin(13 wkts)—have done the job for the skipper and would be expected to contain the Gujarat batsmen comprising skipper Parthiv Patel and the prolific Priyank Panchal among others.

Ganguly set to take over as 39th BCCI president

PTI ■ MUMBAI

One of India's most decorated captains Sourav Ganguly will be taking over as the 39th president of the BCCI today at its Annual General Meeting (AGM), ending a tumultuous 33-month reign of the Supreme Court-appointed Committee of Administrators (CoA).

Ganguly is the unanimous nomination for the post of BCCI president along with Union Home Minister Amit Shah's son Jay as the secretary. Mahim Verma of Uttarakhand is the new vice-president.

Former BCCI president and current MoS finance Anurag Thakur's younger brother Arun Dhumal is the treasurer while Kerala's Jayesh George is the joint secretary.

However Ganguly will have a curtailed tenure of around nine months as he would need to demit office by the end of July, next year as per the provisions of new constitutions, which makes 'Cooling Off' period mandatory after six years in office.

Easily one of the most high profile names to assume office, Ganguly will make use of his experience gained as the secretary and later president of Cricket Association of Bengal (CAB), which will come in handy.

He has set a few goals — primary being restructuring of first-class cricket as well as getting the administration back in shape along with getting India's position of reverence back in the corridors of International Cricket Council.

With Conflict of Interest rules being an impediment, Ganguly will also face the challenge of having quality cricketers on board as far as the Cricket Advisory Committee (CAC) and national selection committee are concerned.

The 10-month is a short period and it also needs to be seen how the former India captain handles the disqualified old guards like N Srinivasan and Niranjan Shah, whose children are now officially part of the BCCI. Ganguly's relation with IPL chairman Brijesh Patel, a Srinivasan loyalist will also be of interest.

Last but certainly not the least, his take on cricketing policies — Mahendra Singh Dhoni's international future, Day/Night Test cricket, permanent Test centres will also be dissected.

For CoA, it was an eventful 33-month tenure that comes to an end.

Sourav Ganguly poses for photographs with N Srinivasan as he arrives to file nomination for the post of BCCI president at the board headquarters AP/File Photo

It was nothing personal: Edulji on differences with Vinod Rai

MUMBAI: COA member Diana Edulji on Tuesday said there were serious differences within the Vinod Rai-led panel like there would be in a democratic organisation but there was nothing personal in any of their public showdowns.

COA, which ran Indian cricket for 33 months, will demit office today.

"It was a good experience and a long journey, didn't think that the journey would last so song, but I am happy with the end result that elections and office-bearers are coming back and BCCI will be run by them now," Edulji, a former India captain, told reporters here after the final COA meeting.

Edulji and former CAG Rai often disagreed publicly on key issues, most notably over the appointment of national coaches, both men and women.

However, Edulji said she had no regrets. *PTI*