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77% 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 76.7 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 crore 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

NATIONAL CRIME RECORDS BUREAU 2017

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- UP, 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
- Maharashtra, which accounted for 9.4 per cent of crime in the country, registered 2,88,879 FIRs in 2017
- 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". "This may have increased the crime reporting under such heads in these states," NCRB said

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 2016.

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vice 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.

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 agen-



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 territo-

ry 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."

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cies 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.

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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

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 Sailil 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."

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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 com-



prising 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.

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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.

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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.

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GOVT SHOULD PAY \$20 'JIZYA TAX': CONGRESS

New Delhi: Labelling the \$20 service fee proposed by Pakistan for each Kartarpur pilgrim as "jizya 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 king-maker in a minority parliament after Jagmeet Singh spear-headed 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."

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STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Tuesday announced that Delhi's nine most congested roads will be widened, beautified and re-designed on the lines of European street model.

The idea to unravel the ₹393.94-crore project is to provide Delhiites with green ambience and "zero" traffic hurdles while travelling/driving on the roads across the national Capital, said officials.

The *Pioneer* in December 2018 had reported about the Delhi Government's initiative to decongest Capital's most congested roads.

The Chief Minister said if the pilot project of redesigning these nine stretches is successful, then all other roads under PWD's jurisdiction will be

redesigned on the same lines.

The city Government also claimed the project was first planned in 2015 and a creative team was set up, but the project was scrapped due to objections by the Lieutenant Governor. "After the creative team was disbanded in 2016, and members resigned from the PWD, then the Government engaged private consultants for re-designing and streetscaping of these nine PWD roads," said the official.

The stretches include Ring Road from Mayapuri to Moti Bagh Junction, Satguru Ram Singh (Road no. 36) Marg from Mayapuri Chowk to SD Public School, Britannia Chowk to Outer Ring Road, West Enclave, Pritampur; Road no 41 and 41-A from Wazirpur Depot Crossing (NSP) to Rithala Metro Station,



Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal addresses a Press conference in New Delhi on Tuesday

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AIIMS to Ashram Chowk, Ambedkar Nagar to Defence Colony Flyover, Nigam Bodhi Ghat to Magazine Road Crossing.

"There is heavy traffic congestion on the bottleneck roads

of the city. Wide roads in Delhi turn into a narrow lane after a few miles, and then back into a wide road after a few miles, which create a bottleneck situation and heavy traffic at some some locations. Our priority

will be to remove these bottlenecks first, for a smooth flow of traffic and an organised lane system," said Kejriwal.

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City’s air quality improves, still ‘poor’

New Delhi: The air quality in Delhi improved slightly on Tuesday but continued to be in the 'poor category,' according to the AQI index of the Central Pollution Control Board.

This could be, perhaps, due to the easterlies that have reduced the impact of the northwesterlies which have been bringing the biomass from stubble burning in the states of Haryana and Punjab to Delhi.

The AQI recorded on Tuesday was 206 as against Monday's 249.

On Tuesday evening, the Air Quality Index recorded by the Siri Fort monitoring centre of the Central Pollution Control Board was 305 (very poor), the highest in the city.



Kuldeep Srivastava, head of India Meteorological Department's Regional Weather Forecasting Centre (RWMC), said the easterlies could help in

checking the biomass movement from Punjab and Haryana but it will not have any effect in dealing with external pollutants.

However, the air quality is likely to improve further in the last week of October due to a western disturbance, SAFAR (System of Air Quality and

Weather Forecasting And Research) said. This also coincides with Diwali.

"The repeated western disturbances are expected in the last week of October, which is likely to positively influence Delhi's air quality. A fresh WD is expected to have an impact by October 23 and one more WD is expected by the end of this month," it said.

The calm anticyclonic condition is expected to recoup only by the first week of November and associated sinking motion will make the atmosphere very stable with calm surface winds, it added.

"Both will lead to stagnant weather conditions, which favour rapid fine particulate

matter formation and accumulation of pollutants. The crisis deepens if it is encountered with any additional internal or external emissions (stubble burning) sources," it added.

"In a landlocked city like Delhi, it may lead to rapid accumulation and may trigger high pollution events. If local emissions are controlled, we may avoid air quality crises," it added.

Stubble burning in Punjab and Haryana has been a vital factor in spiking the AQI in Delhi. This year, Punjab 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. *PTI*

Man climbs atop floodlight pole in Chhatrasal Stadium to commit suicide, rescued

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

A 52-year-old man who climbed atop a floodlight pole at North Delhi's Chhatrasal Stadium on Tuesday to protest against the Delhi Government in connection with his job, was finally brought down safely after three hours.

The man was identified as Josh Lakra, a resident of Mundka village. Police said that the Model Town police station was informed regarding a person on the roof of Chhatrashal stadium who was threatening to commit suicide.

According to a senior police official, Lakra was working as a peon on contract basis in Chhatrashal Stadium, but he was removed from his duty two-three years ago as he was not a regular employee and was on contract.

"On Tuesday, he climbed the floodlight pole at Chhatrasal Stadium to protest



against the Delhi Government in connection with resuming job. Lakra finally got convinced after his demands were accepted by the Delhi government," said the senior police official.

"He was brought down safely with the help of police and Delhi Fire Service after three hours. Earlier, in February this year, he had staged a similar protest by climbing the floodlight pole at Chhatrasal Stadium," said a police official.



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Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited, under the **Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** for the recovery of amount due from borrower/s, offers are invited by the undersigned in sealed covers for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the Symbolic Possession on, **'As is where is basis' 'As Is What Is Basis' and 'Whatever Is There Is Basis'** particulars of which are given below:-

S.N.	Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Description of the Immovable property	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit	Total Loan Outstanding as on	Type of Possession
1.	(Loan Account No. X0HEELD00001715572 Delhi Branch) VIJAY PRAKASH SHARMA (Borrower) DINESH SHARMA, EKTA SHARMA, SHREYA IMPEX, BABLI SHARMA (Co-Borrower) All are having address for communication at :- WZ-501,GALI NO.1 SRI NAGAR SHAKURPUR, SHRI NAGAR, NEWDELHI – 110034. Also At:- KH.NO. 53/3/2 AND,53/3/8 VILLAGE PRAHALADPUR, PRAHALADPUR, NEWDELHI – 110086.	22-07-2019 Rs.2,37,91,927.42 (Rupees Two Crore Thirty Seven Lakhs Ninety One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Seven and Forty Two Paise Only)	PROPERTY BEARING NO-WZ-501/289, ADMEASURING 150 SQ.YDS.PART OF MUSTIL NO-30 KILLA NO-20/2,MUSTIL NO. 29,Killa No-16,15/2 ABADI KNOWN AS GALI NO.1 SRI NAGAR SITUATED IN THE AREA OF VILLAGE SHAKURPUR DELHI -110034.	Rs. 2,25,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Twenty Five Lakh Only)	Rs. 22,50,000/- (Rs. Twenty Two Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)	Rs.2,37,91,927.42 (Rupees Two Crore Thirty Seven Lakhs Ninety One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Seven and Forty Two Paise Only) + Interest	Symbolic
2.	(Loan Account No. X0HEDHE00001215297, X0HEDHE00001394761 Delhi Branch) Mr/Ms. MANISH GUPTA(Borrower) ASHA RANI GUPTA, MAMTA GUPTA, MOHIT GUPTA, SANTASHA DECOR PVT. LTD (Co-Borrower). All are having address for communication at :- PROPERTY RESIDENCE NO. GF & FF,7/172, JOR BAGH MARKET,NEW DELHI, NEW DELHI - 110003 . Also At:- Also at-11 JAIN MANDIR COMPOUND, NEWDELHI - 110001 . Also At 2941 ST NO-3 CHUNA MANDI PAHARGANJ, NEW DELHI - 110055 . Also at- D 288 F F SARVODYA ENCLAVE, NEW DELHI – 110017	10-10-2017 Rs 6,87,36,829.46/ (Rupees Six Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Thirty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Nine and Forty Six Paise Only)	PROPERTY RESIDENCE NO. GF & FF,7/172, JOR BAGH MARKET, NEW DELHI, NEW DELHI – 110003.	Rs. 7,20,00,000/- (Rupees Seven Crore Twenty Lakh Only)	Rs. 72,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Only)	Rs 6,87,36,829.46/ (Rupees Six Crore Eighty Seven Lakhs Thirty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty Nine and Forty Six Paise Only) + Interest	Symbolic
3.	(Loan Account No. X0HEDHE00001285918 Delhi Branch) ANKIT SINGH(Borrower) JAIWANT SHERAWAT (Co-Borrower) All are having address for communication at :- FLAT NO.31, 3RD FLOOR HIG, GOODWILL APT,PLOT NO.48, ROHINI,NEW DELHI – 110085.	20-06-2018 Rs.1,23,20,036.34 (Rupees One Crore Twenty Three Lakhs Twenty Thousand Thirty Six and Thirty Four Paise Only)	PROPERTY HIG FLAT BEARING NO-31, PLOT NO-48, THIRD FLOOR SHOWN IN THE LAY OUT PLAN OF THE GOODWILL CGHS LIMITED, SECTORE-13,KNOWN AS GOODWILL APARTMENT, SITUATED AR ROHINI, NEW DELHI-110085.	Rs. 90,00,000/- (Rupees Ninety Lakh Only)	Rs. 9,00,000/- (Rupees Nine Lakh Only)	Rs.1,23,20,036.34 (Rupees One Crore Twenty Three Lakhs Twenty Thousand Thirty Six and Thirty Four Paise Only) + Interest	Symbolic
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5.	(Loan Account No. X0HEELD00002431739, X0HEELD00002462444 Delhi Branch) R K RAMCHANDANI (Borrower) MEENA RAMCHANDANI, BHARAT RAMCHANDANI (Co-Borrower) All are having address for communication at :- C-4/35 EAST OF KAILASH, SRINIWASPURI, NEW DELHI – 110065.	22-07-2019 Rs.1,04,93,644.81 (Rupees One Crore Four Lakhs Ninety Three Thousand Six Hundred Forty Four and Eighty One Paise Only) + Interest	PROPERTY BEARING FLAT NO-C-4/35,GROUND FLOOR DDA FLAT SITUATED AT EAST OF KAILASH NEW DELHI-110065.	Rs. 1,00,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Only)	Rs. 10,00,000/- (Rupees Teen Lakh Only)	Rs.1,04,93,644.81 (Rupees One Crore Four Lakhs Ninety Three Thousand Six Hundred Forty Four and Eighty One Paise Only) + Interest	Symbolic
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7.	(Loan Account No. X0HEEDL00001847646 Delhi Branch) VIJAY KUMAR BHATIA (Borrower) SUSHIL BHATIA, SHALINI BHATIA, PRAVEEN BHATIA, AMITA BHATIA (Co-Borrower) All are having address for communication at :- Plot no-4/55 RAJENDER NAGAR , SEC-2 GHAZIABAD UP- 201010	26-06-2019 Rs.1,50,74,038.22 (Rupees One Crore Fifty Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Thirty Eight and Twenty Two Paise Only)	PLOT NO-4/55,ADMEASURING 364.79 SQ.MTS. BLOCK -4 AT SECTOR 2 THA RESIDENTIAL COLONY RAJENDER NAGAR GHAZIABAD BOUNDED AS NORTH -PLOT NO -54 & 53A SOUTH -60 WIDE ROAD EAST-30 WIDE ROAD ,WEST PLOT NO -56.	Rs. 2,30,00,000/- (Rupees Two Crore Thirty Lakh Only)	Rs. 23,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Three Lakh Only)	Rs.1,50,74,038.22 (Rupees One Crore Fifty Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Thirty Eight and Twenty Two Paise Only) + Interest	Symbolic
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TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AUCTION

1). Last Dat of Submission of Sealed Bid/Offer in the prescribed tender forms along with EMD and KYC is **27.11.2019** within **5.30 Pm** at the **Branch Office:- 1st & 2nd Floor, Plot No.6, Main Pusa Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi - 110 005** mentioned herein.Tendres that are not filled up or Tenders received beyond last date will be considered as invalid tender and shall accordingly be rejected. No interest shall be paid on the EMD.

2. **Date of Opening of the Bid/Offer (Auction Date)** for Property is **28.11.2019** at the above mentioned branch office address at 10.00 A.M. The tender will be opened in the presence of the Authorised Officer.

3. **Date of Inspection of the Immovable Property** is on **13.11.2019** between **10.00 am to 3.30 pm**.

4. Further Interest will be charged as applicable, as per the Loan Agreement on the amount outstanding in the notice and incidental expense, costs, etc., is due and payable till its realization.

5. The notice is hereby given to the Borrower/s and Gurantor/s, to remain present personally at the time of sale and they can bring the intending buyers/purchasers for purchasing the immovable property as described herein above, as per the particulars of Terms and Conditions of Sale.

6.**The Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) are hereby given 30 DAYS SALE UNDER THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002** to pay the sum mentioned as above before the date of Auction falling which the immovable property will be auctioed and balance, if any will be recovered with interest and costs. If the Borrower pays the amount due to Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited, in full before the date of sale, auction is liable to be stopped.

7. The detail terms and conditions of the auction sale are incorporated in the prescribed tender form. Tender forms are available at the above mntioned branch office.

8. The Immoveable property will be sold th the highest tenderer. However the Authorised Officer reserves the absolute discretion to allow inter se bidding, if deemed necessary. The property as mentioned will not be sold below Reserve Price.

9.**Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited is not responsible for any liabilities whatsoever pending upon the property as mentioned above. The property shall be auctioned on 'As is Where ia Basis' ,;As ia Waht is Basis', and 'Whaever ia There is Basis.**

10.The Total Loan Outstanding amount is not the loan foreclosure amount. All other charges (if any) shall be calculated at the time of closure of the loan.

11.The Demand Draft Should be made in favor of **'Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited'**Only.

Sd/-

For further details, contact the Authorised Officer, at the above mentioned Office address.

Place: Delhi/NCR Date : 23-10-2019

Authorised Officer

Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited

2 gunrunners arrested, five pistols, 10 cartridges seized

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police has arrested a 31-year-old man and his associate for allegedly supplying illegal arms and ammunition to criminals in Delhi and its peripherals. Police have also recovered five sophisticated 7.65 mm pistols along with 10 cartridges from the possession of the accused.

The accused has been identified as Chanderjit, a resident of Najafgarh area and his associate and receiver of illegal weapon has been identified as Azad Mehto (27), a resident of Delhi's Shiv Vihar area.

According to Joy Tirkey, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Crime Branch, on October 20, tip-off was received that Chanderjit would be coming to the area of Narela to supply arms.

"Acting on the tip-off, a trap was laid and at about 11.30 PM on October 20, Chanderjit

was apprehended near Raja Harish Chander Hospital, Narela while he was travelling in his Wagon R car. Four sophisticated 7.65 pistols with 10 live rounds were recovered from his possession," said the DCP adding that subsequently a case under section 25/54/59 Arms Act was registered at Crime Branch police station and investigation was taken up.

"During interrogation, Chanderjit disclosed that he had started his criminal career way back in the year 2006 when he shot and injured one person in Udyog Vihar, Gurugram. He ran away to Bihar and then after six months he again shifted to Shakurpur in Delhi. He then shot another person in Shakurpur over some money dispute," said the DCP.

"The accused had jumped parole in the year 2015. A reward of ₹1 lakh was also declared on information lead-

ing to his arrest. He was earlier arrested by the Crime Branch in 2015, after a brief encounter," said the DCP.

"When Chanderjit was lodged in prison, he met a lot of gangsters and other criminals. He became friendly to one Deepak, a resident of Munger Bihar, who was a weapon supplier. Chanderit after coming out of prison began buying weapons from Bunty and selling them for a good profit in Delhi and NCR region," said the DCP.

"He got in touch with several gangsters he had met in jail. All of them wanted to purchase weapons from him. In the past one year, Chanderjit has managed to sell about 60-70 weapons in Delhi and NCR region," said the DCP.

"Chanderjit has been taken on four days police remand. On October 22 one of his receivers Azad was apprehended from Nilothi at his instance," said the DCP.

Youth kills mother for not giving him money, held

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police on Tuesday claimed to have arrested a 22-year-old man who had allegedly killed her mother for not giving him money. Police has also recovered iron rod (museli) used in commission of crime from the possession of the accused.

The accused has been identified as Ashutosh, a resident of North East Delhi's Meet Nagar area.

According to Ved Prakash Surya, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), North east district, on October 17, a police control room (PCR) call was received from Guru Teg Bahadur (GTB)

hospital regarding admission of a woman identified as Shiksha Devi in an injured condition by her son Mukul.

"The son of victim Shiksha Devi, Ashutosh was absconding since the very same time of the incident. As per CCTV footage available, he was the last seen person after the incident. On October 21 Shiksha Devi succumbed to her injuries," said the DCP adding that a case under section 302 of Indian Penal Code (IPC) was registered at Jyoti Nagar police station and investigation was taken up.

"After receiving specific inputs, Ashutosh was arrested from Modi Nagar in Uttar Pradesh (UP) on October 21. During interrogation, the

accused revealed that on October 17 at about 10.30 AM, when his mother was performing 'Pooja', he asked her mother to give some money but his mother did not reply as she was praying," said the DCP.

"He asked 7-8 times to her mother for the same but she did not reply. Accused Ashutosh got furious and took one iron rod and hit on the head of his mother several times. After this, he ran away from the spot. When he was asked about his whereabouts since the date of incident till the time of arrest, he revealed that he stayed at the different railway stations in Sharanpur, Shamli, Haridwar, Loni and Behta of UP," said the DCP.

Cops bust gang of burglars, arrest 5

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

With the arrest of five men, the Delhi Police on Tuesday claimed to have busted a gang of burglars active in industrial area of Delhi's Shahdara. Police have also recovered 200 kilogram (kg) copper wire, laptop, house breaking implements like heavy iron rods and cutters from the possession of the accused.

The accused have been identified as Dilshad alias Banta, a resident of Seemapuri, Vishnu and Vikas, both residents of Bhopura in Uttar Pradesh's (UP) Ghaziabad area, Farook, a resident of Mawana in Meerut (UP) and Shahabuddin, a resident of Delhi's old Seemapuri area.

According to Amit



Sharma, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Shahdara district, in view of some incidents of burglaries in the Godowns and factory areas of Shahdara, police teams were tasked to nab criminals.

"The police team patrolling on the night apprehended Dilshad ith house breaking implement in his possession. During interrogation the

accused Dilshad revealed that he along with his co-associates Vishnu and Vikas committed several burglaries in the Industrial areas of Shahdara," said the DCP.

"Further police team raided on his instance and arrested both the above said co-associates and two receivers of the stolen property Farook and Shahabuddin," said the DCP.

Explaining the modus operandi of the accused the DCP said that the gang used to do recce in the Industrial area to select the target. "During the night hours enter the premises by breaking the lock or shutter of the godowns or by cutting the ropes of the loaded trucks. They use to sell these stolen properties to receivers on modal rates," the DCP added.

INSHORT

ONLINE BIRTH, DEATH CERTIFICATES FREE
New Delhi: In order to make online system citizen friendly and promote use of online mode, South Corporation passed a resolution in Standing Committee meeting, making the services of issuing online birth and death certificate free for the residents. Chairman of Standing Committee Bhupender Gupta said that at present only first copy of the certificates are being issued free of cost at door step and a fees of ₹21 and ₹11 is charged for issuance of second copy and subsequent copies of online Birth and Death Certificate. It is now decided to waive of this fees to generate online certificates.

14L COLLECTED FROM PEOPLE BURNING WASTE
New Delhi: North Delhi Municipal Corporation has issued 103 challans for burning garbage in the open, 39 challans for emission from construction activities, 50 challans for dumping of Construction and Demolition (C &D) waste in open and imposed a penalty of ₹14.98 lakh in last 24 hrs for violations. The civic body inspected 2,921 locations and found 1,329 violations against which 1,292 challans have been issued besides a fine of ₹76.51 lakh rupees since October. The SDMC has issued 2823 challans since October 15 and imposed a fine of ₹84, 77,700.

BOOTLEGGER, THIEF ARRESTED IN CITY
New Delhi: In separate incidents, the Police Control Room unit of Delhi Police have arrested a thief and a bootlegger and recovered three mobiles and 500 quarters of illicit liquor. The Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), PCR Sharat Kumar Sinha said, Deepak (21) was arrested for allegedly pick pocketing a mobile phone from a 62 year old man's pocket while he was standing at a wine shop in Karol Bagh. The staff chased and nabbed Deepak and recovered three stolen phones from his possession. Further in Mundka area, the MPV staff arrested Prem Singh (46) and recovered 500 quarters of illicit liquor from his car.

MAN BOOKED FOR POWER THEFT
New Delhi: Tata Power-DDL's enforcement team filed a case against the consumer, a resident of the Ashoka Apartment, Civil Lines for involving in a direct power theft of 27KW. According to a statement issued by the discom, on 4th October the team reached the site and found an illegal wire connected between the meter and the consumer's MCCB. A direct theft case of 27.073 KW load was booked by the enforcement team with losses amounting to Rs. 6, 54,783 to the company. It urged the consumers to refrain from illegal sourcing of power and apply for metered connections in order to avoid penalties and legal actions.

DTL 1-DAY SESSION WITH VENDORS HELD
New Delhi: Delhi Transco Limited (DTL) in its endeavour to further improve efficiency and transparency in its business operations organised one day interactive session with its existing and prospective vendors at India Habitat Centre. The session was chaired by Padmini Singla Chairperson and Managing Director of DTL and other senior functionaries of the company were also present. While inaugurating the Vendors Meet Singla informed that DTL has already adopted e-tendering for all the domestic competitive biddings to ensure better transparency and considering moving further in this direction by adopting paperless tendering system all throughout.

‘LEADERS JOINING AAP IMPRESSED BY ITS WORK’

New Delhi: Delhi State Convener Gopal Rai said political leaders of different parties are joining the AAP after being influenced by the work done by the Kejriwal Government in Delhi. Former IAS officer ZU Siddiqui, former Congress councillor and spokesperson Anil Gautam, District President of Babarpur Congress Committee Shrawan Panchal, former secretary of Delhi Congress Vishnu Dutt Sharma joined the Aam Aadmi Party on Tuesday.

BJP asked to clarify stand on free power

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Senior Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader and Rajya Sabha MP Sanjay Singh on Tuesday wrote a letter to the Union Minister and Delhi BJP's incharge Prakash Javadekar asking him to clarify BJP's stand on withdrawing the free electricity till 200 unit scheme. The development came after the BJP MP allegedly said that if voted to power, his party will withdraw the electricity subsidy. "People of Delhi are confused after the statement from BJP that if they come to power the BJP will withdraw the scheme of giving 200 unit free electricity to the people. After the launch of the scheme, lakhs of residents of Delhi were benefited by this, he said adding that these people are looking for an answer from the BJP. After the launch of the



scheme, many people got the benefit of the scheme and they have received zero electricity bills last month. "The people are happy with the decision of the Delhi Government to give them 200 unit free electricity because it is helping them to save money," said Singh. Singh further said "I have written this letter to make the BJP clarify their stand on the three following points. First, why does the BJP want to end the decision to provide up to 200 units of free electricity in

Delhi? Why do you want to end the relief given to the people of Delhi by eliminating half price rebate up to 400 units? He asked to make it public that what is the confidential agreement between the leaders of the BJP and the power companies? "Will the BJP end the relief which the common people of Delhi are getting, by increasing electricity prices in Delhi like other BJP ruled states? If not, then when will the electricity be free up to 200 units in BJP ruled States,"? Singh added that the people of Delhi are angry with this decision of the BJP. "When in every state like Maharashtra, Karnataka, Assam, Bihar, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Tripura or Uttaranchal the electricity price is rising then the AAP Government is giving free electricity and why is the BJP opposing the move," he added.

German Ambassador calls on Kejriwal

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Ambassador of Germany to India, Walter J Lindner met Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal at the Delhi Secretariat on Tuesday. Showing interest in various public welfare initiatives of the Delhi Government and the administrative structure of Delhi, Ambassador Linder discussed various schemes on education and health. Kejriwal informed Ambassador Lindner how the the Delhi Government brought about the transformation in the education and health sectors, and provided relief to the residents in electricity and water sectors. Citing stubble burning incidents causing pollution in Delhi, Kejriwal said Delhi has



Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal meet German Ambassador Walter J Lindner on Tuesday
Pioneer Photo

been able to reduce the levels of air pollution by 25 per cent during last five years, but crop residue burning (stubble burning) during the months of

October-November from the neighbouring States adversely impacts the air quality. Kejriwal said though efforts are being made but crop residue

Prepare unified plan for Dwarka sub-city: L-G to DDA

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

L and owning agency will combine all ongoing projects to develop complete ecosystem for Dwarka sub-city as Delhi Development Authority (DDA) chairman and Lieutenant-Governor (L-G) Anil Bajjal on Tuesday asked the officials to prepare comprehensive plan for "unified vision". In a meeting, chaired by the L-G, various programme pertaining retrofit and develop Dwarka sub-city with Transit Orient Development (TOD), drain rejuvenation, comprehensive street redesign and connecting urban greens to promote safety and walkability were discussed. For the compilation of unified vision, L-G has written to Vice Chairman (VC), DDA to constitute a small inter-disciplinary sub-group including experts from National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) or other similar agencies to make a strategic plan dovetailing all projects, optimising available

land and building on latest policy framework to develop complete ecosystem for the sub-city, Dwarka. "DDA has developed Dwarka as the largest sub-city in Asia. The sub-city is developed on the principles of Mixed Land Use (MLU) to reduce the need for commuting across zones in the city, mitigate environmental impact and provide safe and convenient circulation," a statement from L-G office quoted. "Though development of Dwarka started in late 80's however it has reached tipping point recently with opening of new access routes, development of metro connectivity and availability of potable water," it stated further. According to DDA officials, so far DDA has developed over 90 per cent of the land earmarked for residential usage however, almost 50 per cent land earmarked for commercial and Public Semi-Public (PSP) purpose is yet to be developed, implying that while people have moved to the sub-city, the amenities are

yet to take shape. Large destination development has also not taken place despite best potential. "DDA has land bank of about 1,100 Ha developable land in Dwarka to be monetized. Availability of such vast tracts of land for development, robust metro rail network, well connected roads and large green areas offer a unique opportunity for rethinking the way Dwarka sub-city is evolving. The infrastructure of the sub-city also demands serious retrofit and revamp of public spaces," said DDA official. The sub-city is at crossroads of development with many upcoming projects like improving access through UER-II and Dwarka Expressway, 200 acre Bharat Vandana Park, Second Diplomatic Enclave, International - Exhibition - cum Convention centre (ICC), state-of-the-art Bijwasan Railway Station, Public Bike sharing scheme, Street redevelopment with cycle tracks and junction redesign,

Cleaning of trunk drains, Transit Oriented Development plan around Metro Stations, Development of Commercial hub, state-of-the-art 173 acre golf course. He also stated that several policies which have recently come in force Transit oriented Development (ToD), Walkability Policy, Land pooling policy, Blue-green policy will also have huge impact on further development in the sub-city. In the meeting, L-G informed that at present, all the above path-breaking projects and policies are being implemented as stand-alone projects isolated from each other. "There is no comprehensive plan, interlinking them through an urban design framework that helps improve quality of living and value of vacant undeveloped land. Such fragmented developments carried out in isolation not only restrict overall objective of the Sub-City but also lead to limited community benefit with un-rectifiable urban situations which may be very hard to reverse," said DDA official.

DMRC takes over ops of G'gram Rapid Metro Link

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) took over the operations and maintenance of the 'Gurgaon Rapid Metro Link', developed by Rapid Metro Rail Gurgaon Limited (RMGL) and Rapid Metro Rail Gurgaon South Limited (RMGSL), from Tuesday night. The services of the 11.6 km long corridor will continue to operate as per the normal time table as earlier. "The DMRC is committed towards providing the best possible services to the commuters of Rapid Metro line. The DMRC management has already deployed adequate staff



to maintain station operations, train operations, signalling and telecom, electrical, traction, safety and security etc so that the passenger services may be maintained in a smooth and trouble free manner. With the takeover of operations of Rapid Metro, the total operational Metro network Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR) will become

389 km with 285 stations including Noida-Greater Noida. The names of the stations covered by the Rapid Metro are Sector 55-56, Sector 54 Chowk, Sector 53-54, Sector 42-43, Phase -1, Sikanderpur, Phase-2, Phase-3, Mousari Avenue, IndusInd Bank Cybercity, Vodafone Velvedere Towers. The train services on the corridor start at 6 AM in the morning from Sector 55-56 station and Sikenderpur Station with a frequency of 4.30 minutes during morning peak hours and 5.15 minutes during evening peak hours. The last revenue train service departs at 10 PM from Sector 55-56 station.

Protesting Jamia students beaten by ‘goons’ on campus

University refutes allegations



STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI


Some protesting students of Jamia Millia Islamia alleged that Son administration's direction some "goons" allegedly attacked them while they were protesting peacefully in front of the Vice Chancellor's office on Tuesday at 6 pm seeking withdrawal of show-cause notices served on five students over protest at an international event on the campus on October 5. "Instead of talking to the Jamia students, Jamia Vice Chancellor and administration called bouncers who attacked protesting students. All this happened in presence of Jamia guards who stood there silently. Some students were rushed to hospital," said a student requesting anonymity. However, a senior university official rejected students' claim and said no outsiders were allowed entry into the campus and the fight between students erupted after protesting students didn't give way to volunteers (students) of an event on the campus to remove their vehicles. The students claimed that the goons beat them up with belts, sticks, potted plants for over half an hour and all the while, the university bulls were mute spectator. Some students were rushed to hospitals and even girl students were not spared as they were molested by the rampaging goons, said students. The students have been on hunger strike for the past nine days against the show cause notices issued to students over their anti-Israel protest on the campus on October 5.

NGT directs DPCC to submit report on 5,000 illegal e-waste processing units in Delhi-NCR


New Delhi: The NGT has directed the Delhi Pollution Control Committee to submit a report on a plea alleging that 5,000 illegal e-waste processing units are operating in and around Delhi as per a study undertaken by an NGO. A Bench headed by National Green Tribunal (NGT) Chairperson Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel sought an action taken report within a month by e-mail. "Let the DPCC in coordination with the District Magistrates of East and North East Delhi with regard to the area in Delhi and the Uttar Pradesh State PCB and District Magistrate, Ghaziabad with regard to the area in District Ghaziabad furnish a factual and action taken report within

one month by e-mail at judicial-ngt@gov.in," the bench said. The tribunal directed that a copy of this order be sent to the DPCC, District Magistrates East and North East Delhi, Uttar Pradesh state pollution control board and the District Magistrate, Ghaziabad by email. The matter is listed for next hearing on December 23. The NGT order came after taking note of a news article which said that 5,000 illegal e-waste processing units are operating in and around Delhi as per study undertaken by Toxic Link. The hotspots are located in Northeastern and Eastern parts of Delhi, including Seelampur (Shahadra), Mustafabad (North East Delhi), Behta Hazipur and Lone (Ghaziabad). Waste is sold to the said units by dis-

mantlers and recyclers, it said. "Over 5,000 illegal e-waste processing units employing approximately 50,000 people continue to operate in violation of environmental norms in the capital, a study by think tank Toxic Link has revealed. The study has found that these units operate in 15 "informal hotspots" in Delhi. "According to the study titled 'Informal E-waste Recycling in Delhi: Unfolding impact of two years of e-waste (Management) Rules 2016', the hotspots are located in the Northeastern and Eastern part of Delhi, including Seelampur (Shahdara), Mustafabad (North East Delhi), Behta Hazipur and Loni (Ghaziabad), among other places," the news article said. *PTI*



DELHI POLICE
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Hon'ble Supreme Court Guidelines FOR SALE & USE OF FIRECRACKERS

» **No item(s) other than the Reduced Emission firecrackers (Improved crackers) and Reduced Emission firecrackers Green crackers: Safe Water and Air Sprinklers (SWAS) as prescribed and approved by the Petroleum and Explosive Safety Organization (PESO) shall be sold in the premises.**

» **Categories of firecrackers banned/not permitted**

- **Joined Firecrackers (series crackers or laris)**
- **Fireworks containing barium salts/ lithium/ arsenic/ antimony/ lead/ mercury**
- **Firecrackers manufactured earlier but non-permissible as per above Hon'ble Supreme Court judgement.**

» **Only those crackers permitted to be sold whose decibel (sound) level are within the permissible limits (125 dB(AI) or 145 dB(C)pk at 4 meters from the point of bursting)**

» **Bursting of fireworks not allowed in silence zones : Silence Zone is an area comprising not less than 100 meters around hospitals, educational institutions, courts, religious places or any other area which is declared as such by the competent authority.**

» **Timings of Firecracking as per directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court:**

From 08.00 PM till 10.00 PM

From 04.00 AM till 05.00 AM

From 09.00 PM till 10.00 PM

From 11.55 PM till 12.30 AM

on Diwali Days





on Gurburab

on Christmas Eve & New Year Eve.

» **Community fire cracking to be undertaken at pre-identified areas/fields as far as possible.**

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Delhi Police Wishes You A Happy Diwali



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Had cordial meeting with Modi: Abhijit

PM cracked joke on how media trying to extract anti-Modi statement from me, says Nobel laureate

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Nobel laureate Abhijit Banerjee, who met Narendra Modi here on Tuesday, said the Prime Minister joked about the media trying to bring out 'anti-Modi' remarks from him.

In a media interaction after the meeting at the Prime Minister's official residence, Banerjee refused to take questions on the state of economy and refrained from commenting on policies of the Government.

"I had a cordial and good meeting, Prime Minister Modi started by cracking a joke on how media is trying to trap me to say anti-Modi things. He's been watching TV and he's



been watching you guys. And he knows what you are trying to do," he told reporters when asked about the meeting taking place against the backdrop of a debate over his comments on an economic slump.

After his meeting with Banerjee, Modi tweeted, "Excellent meeting with Nobel

Laureate Abhijit Banerjee.

His passion towards human empowerment is clearly visible. We had a healthy and extensive interaction on various subjects. India is proud of his accomplishments. Wishing him the very best for his future endeavours."

If voted to power Cong will waive farmers loan in J'khand: Baghel

PTI ■ JAMTARA (JHARKHAND)

Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel on Tuesday said if the Congress is voted to power in the Jharkhand Assembly elections the party would fix the minimum support price of paddy at ₹2,500 and will waive the loan of farmers.

Assembly elections in Jharkhand are due this year.

The Congress would also ensure returning of land to the owners if any industrialist failed to set up industry with-

in five years of signing the MoU, Baghel said.

Addressing 'Jan Akrosh Rally' here, Baghel said the Congress would also work for the uplift of tribals and the poor on the pattern of Chhattisgarh.

"If the Congress is voted to power, the MSP for paddy per quintal will be ₹2,500, farmers will have their loans waived, land will be given back to the owners if any industrialist failed to set up industry within five years and electricity bill will be halved," Baghel said.

Identify ailing kids & treat them under Ayushman health scheme: UP Gov

PTI ■ AMETHI (UP)

Uttar Pradesh Governor Anandiben Patel on Tuesday stressed on the need for a survey to identify children suffering from serious ailments and to provide them medical treatment under the Ayushman Bharat Yojna.

"The Central Government's Ayushman Bharat Yojna is proving to be a boon for the poor. A survey need to be undertaken to identify children suffering from serious ailments so that they can be provided treatment under the scheme," said the governor who visited Amethi along with local MP and

KATHUA RAPE-MURDER CASE

Court directs cop to file FIR against SIT

PNS ■ JAMMU

In a significant development in the Rasana(Kathua) rape and murder case of a eight year old girl, a Chief Judicial Magistrate Court on Tuesday directed Senior Superintendent Police, Jammu to register FIR against the six-member SIT which was investigating the case under relevant provisions of law and report compliance by next date of hearing on November 7, 2019

The Six member SIT comprised RK Jalla (Former SSP Crime Branch, Jammu), Shwetambari Sharma (Deputy SP Crime Branch, Jammu), Nassir Hussain (Deputy SP Crime Branch Jammu) Urfan Wani (sub-inspector crime branch Jammu) and Kewal Kishore (crime branch).

According to the CJM, Jammu court order, "From the



gist of the complaint, cognisable offences are made out against the members of the SIT."

According to the court order, the applicants in the case had filed a complaint before the SHO of Pacca Danga police station in Jammu on 24 September 2019 seeking registration of FIR under section 194 of the IPC (giving or fabricating false evidence with intent to procure conviction of capital offence) and other relevant provisions of the law against the members of the SIT.

The applicants argued that the grounds of registration of FIR were how Sachin Sharma

and Neeraj Sharma from Kathua district and Sahil Sharma from adjacent Samba district were 'forced/tormented/coerced' by all the members of the SIT to 'depose and create false evidence against accused Vishal Jangotra'.

Earlier, on June 10, a fast track court in Pathankot had delivered a strongly worded judgement convicting six of the seven accused in the horrific gangrape-and-murder case of an eight-year-old girl.

A seventh accused, Vishal Jhangotra — son of main accused Sanji Ram — was acquitted by the court in the absence of any credible evidence on record. Out of these six accused, convicted in the case, three main accused were sentenced to life imprisonment by the judge while three others were given 5-year jail term.

J&K Guv hits out at separatists and mainstream leaders, says none of them lost their own to terrorism

PTI ■ JAMMU

Leaders of Hurriyat and Mainstream parties in Jammu & Kashmir, religious preachers and clerics have used their influence to get the children of ordinary Kashmiris killed while none of them lost their own to terrorism, Governor Satya Pal Malik said on Tuesday.

Alleging that "affluent and powerful" sections have crushed the dreams of the youths in Kashmir and destroyed their lives, he appealed to the people to understand the truth and join the Centre's efforts to usher peace and progress in the State.

Their own children are studying abroad and are well settled. But to the children of commoners, they show the "way to 'jannat' (paradise) get them killed. All this has been happening here", Malik said addressing the seventh convo-

cation of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi University in Katra town.

"Politicians, bureaucrats, affluent and powerful have crushed the dreams of the youths and destroyed their lives. "The society leaders, religious preachers, Moulvis, Hurriyat and mainstream parties have used their influence to get the children of ordinary Kashmiris killed. None of them have lost their own child and nobody from their families joined terrorism," he said

Malik, who is known for his candid remarks, said that after joining as Governor, "I have not taken input from the intelligence agencies. They are not telling the truth to Delhi or us."

"I directly talked to 150 to 200 youths and tried to identify those in colleges and universities who do not stand up for the national anthem," he said.

Abdullakutty appointed Kerela BJP VP

PTI ■ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Former Kannur MP A P Abdullakutty, who recently joined the BJP, has been appointed as the State Vice President of the saffron party's Kerala unit.

The announcement was made by party state President P S Sreedharan Pillai at a press conference here.

"Abdullakutty has been appointed as the state vice president of the party", he said.

Pillai also dismissed the various exit poll results by various media houses on the outcome of the bypolls to five assembly constituencies in Kerala held on Monday, predicting that the BJP-NDA would not fare well.

CORRIGENUM - 1
Tender Notice No. CON/2019/OCT/01
Dated: 01-10-2019. Details of Corrigendum No. 1 dated: 16-10-2019 and Corrigendum No. 2 dated: 21-10-2019 against **Tender No. CE/CONIN-A/DDC/2019/02** is available in www.irps.gov.in
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Sonia seeks report on Rajasthan civic bodies row

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Congress President Sonia Gandhi has sought a report on the controversy over the Rajasthan government allowing those not elected in civic polls to head civic bodies in the state.

According to sources, Gandhi has asked the AICC in-charge of the State Avinash Pande to submit a report on the row, after state Deputy Chief Minister Sachin Pilot questioned the decision of his own government.

The sources said Pande rushed back to Delhi this morning after yesterday's polling in Maharashtra, where he was in-charge of the election control room, and is likely to submit a report on the issue.

Taking a stand that appeared to go against the view of Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, Pilot made it clear he was not consulted on the decision that was notified on Wednesday.

Two other ministers in the Congress-run state have separately opposed the move that allows people who are not elect-

ed councillors to contest for posts like mayors and chairpersons of corporations and municipalities.

Pande has discussed the issue with the chief minister and the deputy Chief Minister and has sought details of the Government decision and notification from minister Shanti Dhariwal, the sources said. Pande was informed that it was a 2009 notification which was being implemented now following which he directed that it should be modified, if needed, they said.

Singh is king(maker) in Canadian politics

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"When we get back to Ottawa, every single day we are in parliament, New Democrats are going to be working to make sure Canadians' lives are better," he was quoted as saying by global-news.Ca.

Singh said his party's elected officials will now head to Ottawa to tackle a number of issues, including taking "real and urgent action" on climate change, making life more affordable for Canadians and making sure the "super wealthy pay their fair share".

Singh, who was himself a prime ministerial contender, said he wants the NDP to play a "constructive" role in the new

Parliament, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation reported.

Addressing supporters at his party headquarters in Burnaby, 40-year-old Singh said, "It is such an amazing honour to be home here in British Columbia with all of you."

The first non-white leader of a federal political party in Canada congratulated Trudeau, 47, on his win and said he spoke to him earlier in the day, the report said.

Singh, a leftist former criminal defence lawyer, said he wants the NDP to play a "constructive and positive role" in the new Parliament. "The winner of this election is not

a leader or a party — the winners should be Canadians. They want a government that works for them. Not the rich and the powerful," Singh tweeted.

In the Liberal Government elected in 2015, Indian-Canadians had notched up a record number of 19 seats. Of those 19, as many as 18 were of Punjabi origin.

Trudeau's outgoing Cabinet has four Sikhs — defence minister Harjit Sajjan; infrastructure minister Amarjeet Sohi; innovation, science and economic development minister Navdeep Bains and tourism minister Bardish Chagger.

The Green Party has

already indicated to remain in the Opposition with its leader Elizabeth May saying that her party would work hard to hold the government to account by "non-stop arm-twisting".

Bloc Quebecois leader Yves-Francois Blanchet has also apparently signalled at his unwillingness to join the government. "The Bloc Quebecois does not want to form a government or participate in a Government," he said and added that he does not think that the people of Canada voted for a minority government because they want to go back to the polls in 18 months.

JCO martyred in BAT strike; 3 ultras killed

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The entire area has been cordoned off to track down the foot prints of the infiltrators, if any.

Meanwhile, Defence PRO in Jammu, Lt- Col Devender Anand only confirmed the news of martyrdom of a JCO. "One Junior Commissioned Officer martyred in Nowshera, details awaited," he said in a brief statement.

In Srinagar, a joint team of security forces eliminated three terrorists in Awantipora area of South Kashmir's Pulwama district late Tuesday evening at the end of three hour-long operation.

Official sources said, "the killed terrorists were believed to be behind the killing of two nomads in the same area in the first week of

August 2019." Official sources said, out of three, two terrorists were Pakistani nationals while one of the killed terrorist was a local youth.

In Poonch, situation along the LoC remained tense as Pakistan army initiated 'unprovoked' ceasefire violation in Balakote area of Mendhar.

A 60-year-old woman injured in the firing was rushed to GMC, Jammu after receiving first aid treatment in Rajouri. On the other hand, Pakistani Rangers continue to target forward villages of Hiranagar sector in Kathua district along the International border across Jammu frontier.

The martyred JCO has been identified as Naib Subedar Valte Sunil Ravsaheb.

In Net-free Valley...

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Lack of Techint also hampers exploitation of the human intelligence (Humint) gathering networks in absence of inputs on the insidious groups, sources in the security agencies said. Earlier, Al Qaeda Kashmir chief Zakir Musa, since liquidated by the security agencies, used to develop apps for specific purposes with a self destruction feature to evade the radar of the agencies.

Musa was an engineering dropout and used professional education background to develop the apps and evaded the security agencies for years together before being killed earlier this year. The Bridgefy also known as BridgeFree was developed by a San Francisco-based company for bridging the gaps in telecom connectivity in areas which do not have traditional telecommunication network or WiFi. Sources here

said, the app is being used in the Valley, including Capital Srinagar and adjoining areas besides those in South Kashmir by the terror groups to spread the messages from the ISI among themselves and pass on the operational commands to the terror operatives. The development has posed a challenge to the agencies which have to continuously counter and outsmart the ever-evolving tactics of the terror groups.

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1. Approval under regulation -86 of CERC (Conduct of Business) Regulations' 1999 and CERC (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations, 2014 and CERC (Terms and Conditions of Tariff) Regulations' 2019 for Truing up of Transmission tariff for 2014-19 tariff block and Determination of Transmission tariff for 2019-24 tariff block for **Pettition 1 for Asset 1:** Spare Converter Transformer at Rihand (DOCO 01.12.2011) for Rihand - Dadi HVDC Bipole Terminal in Northern Region and **Pettition 2 for Asset 1:** Special Protection Scheme (SPS) for Northern Regional Grid Stage-II in Northern Region (DOCO 01.04.2014).
2. The beneficiaries of the above mentioned Transmission system are: (1) Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Prasaran Nigam Ltd. (2) Ajmer Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (3) Jaipur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (4) Jodhpur Vidyut Vitran Nigam Ltd. (5) Punjab State Electricity Board. (6) Haryana Power Purchase Centre (7) Power Development Deptt, Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir. (8) Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd.(9) Delhi Transco Ltd.(10) BSES Yamuna Power Ltd. (11) BSES Rajdhani Power Ltd. (12) North Delhi Power Ltd. (13) Chandigarh Administration. (14) Uttarakhand Power Corporation Ltd. (15) North Central Railway (16) New Delhi Municipal council (17) Himachal Pradesh State Electricity Board.
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a.) 2014-19 Block (₹ in Lakhs)

Project	2014-15	2015 - 16	2016 - 17	2017 - 18	2018 - 19	
Pettition-1	Asset-1	418.65	406.71	394.01	381.37	369.14
Pettition-2	Asset-1	34.36	33.06	32.80	32.05	30.78

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Pettition-2	Asset-1	33.10	32.09	31.10	30.12	29.10

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SC grants bail to PC in...

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The top court made it clear that Chidambaram will have to make himself available for interrogation as and when required by the probe agency.

"It is made clear that the findings in this judgment be construed as expression of opinion only for the limited purpose of considering the regular bail in CBI case and shall not have any bearing in any other proceedings," the bench said in its 27-page verdict. The apex court also dismissed the CBI plea challenging the findings of the high court which had said that Chidambaram was not a "flight risk" and there was no possibility of him tampering with the evidence.

The Bench said since the High Court has expressed its views on the merits of the matter in its September 30 verdict, they will not have any bearing either in the trial or in any other proceedings.

The top court noted in its judgement that the CBI has filed a charge sheet against

Chidambaram and others in the case and other co-accused have already been granted bail. "The appellant is not a 'flight risk' and in view of the conditions imposed, there is no possibility of his abscondence from the trial," the Bench said. The Bench did not accept the contentions of Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, who had appeared for the CBI and had raked up the issue of persons accused in economic offences fleeing the country.

"At this stage itself, it is necessary for us to indicate that we are unable to accept the contention of the Solicitor General that 'flight risk' of economic offenders should be looked at as a national phenomenon and be dealt with in that manner merely because certain other offenders have flown out of the country," it said.

"The same cannot, in our view, be put in a straight-jacket formula so as to deny bail to the one who is before the court, due to the conduct of other offenders, if the person

under consideration is otherwise entitled to bail on the merits of his own case," it said. The Bench further said, "Hence, in our view, such consideration including as to 'flight risk' is to be made on individual basis being uninfluenced by the unconnected cases, more so, when the personal liberty is involved." Regarding the CBI's claim that Chidambaram had influenced witnesses in the case, the Bench said, "There are no details as to the form of approach of those two witnesses either SMS, e-mail, letter or telephonic calls and the persons who have approached the material witnesses."

Chidambaram, who is currently in ED's custody will be produced in the trial court on October 24 and the agency is expected to demand seven more days of custody. As per the rules, Chidambaram can apply bail only after the trial court sends him on judicial custody. The accused can either apply for regular bail to the trial court or directly to the High Court.

Delhi's 9 choked roads to go bottleneck-free

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These footpaths will be redesigned and reconstructed as per a standard height for the convenience of physically handicapped, the CM said.

The work order of the Ashram from Ring Road, AIIMS has been issued on Monday. The order for construction of Panchmahal from Vikas Marg, Kadakdi Diversion and Nirmana Road Mother Dairy from Lakshmi Nagar was issued on Tuesday.

Tender has already been awarded and work order for the projects to be started, has also been issued for three stretches, while, rest will be awarded by November 15.

The work order for another six roads will be issued by November 15. The construction of all these roads will be completed within one year.

Under the street scaping project, rainwater harvesting system will be built inside the drains; separate spaces will be created for tree plantation,

disabled friendly footpaths, cycle tracks, and bus stop, separate stands for Auto-rickshaw and cycle and e-rickshaws alongside the footpaths.

Further, the slope of the roads, as well as the drains, will be redesigned to tackle the problem of waterlogging on the roads.

Moreover, street furniture, public toilets, drinking water points, police booths, separate parking for police and emergency vehicles, kiosks for street vending zones, mohalla clinics, Aam Aadmi Canteens, maps and signages, plantation, seating arrangements and community libraries will be developed.

"Roads will be redesigned in such a way so that there are no open areas but concrete floors or artificial grass landscapes. All the uneven roads will be resurfaced and potholes will be leveled. Further, grasses and shrubs will be planted on all surfaces to ensure dust control," said the CM.

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India restrains self from returning fire as envoys tour Pak

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



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said. However, Pakistan went back on its word on ceasefire violations and targeted civilian hamlets leaving several school children stranded.

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 employ-

ees 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 ECO POLICIES

Murmur in Congress agianst strike deferment

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. **PNS**

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 offi-

cials. 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.

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.



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**

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 applications 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 farm-

ers' income, he added.

"We have also been focusing on soil health and already distributed 8 crore soil health 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 micro-nutrients 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 scheme. 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 Lloyd AC, the advertise-

ment 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.

Rain in South India in 4-5 days: 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 Konkarn-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 indigenous 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 con-

stituency 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 inaugu-



rate a primary school, hundreds of supporters of Binay Tamang surrounded my car and raised slogans 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 anticipatory 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 takes 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 insti-

tution 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 Hindutva outfit.

"The CM has met the fam-



ily 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



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 :-

MAYA

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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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**

Notice Inviting e-Tender

No. SSA/Esstt/Gunotsav/Technical 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 Abhijan 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

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 gen-



eral 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/APJD/ 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/APJD/JN-G/N/ 2019/01. Name of work: At Falakata-PWay and other ancillary works during N 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.regs.gov.in. Dy.Chief Engineer/Con, Alipurduar Jn. **NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY** (Construction Organisation)
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Cong for jammers in strong rooms

■ 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



SUSPICION ABOUT EVM TAMPERING

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 be 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.

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Bengal Guv slams Didi Govt again

■ SAJNAKHALI



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

The Governor who had a pre-scheduled programme to meet elected representatives and senior officials of South 24 Parganas district on Tuesday and directed the District Collector accordingly, complained that 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 accept-

able. 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 Thakur 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 adminis-

trative meetings in North Bengal and South Bengal have allegedly been spiked by the State Government, Raj Bhavan sources say.

Reacting to Thakur’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.

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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”.

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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.

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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
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Director
DIN: 00001675

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Date: 23-10-2019

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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.

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

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

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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 complacency. 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 regu-



lations, Maj Sandhu used multi-lingual invectives and had four of us charge-sheated.

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” “dog” 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 week-ends, 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

“TODAY, LIKE YESTERDAY, THERE IS TOTAL LACK OF RAPPORT AND CONVERSATION BETWEEN TOP MILITARY LEADERS AND THE POLITICAL ELITE. THE ABSENCE OF MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE POLITICAL AND MILITARY LEADERSHIP HAS LET THE BUREAUCRACY USURP CRITICAL ADVISORY SPACE”

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.

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-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.

(The writer is a retired Major General of the Indian Army and founder member of the Defence Planning Staff, currently the revamped Integrated Defence Staff)

SOUND BITE

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

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

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

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 “crimi-

nals” 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.

KV Seetharamaiah
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FIRST COLUMN

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



HIMA BINDU KOTA

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 an 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.

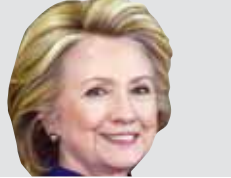
By comparing the beta of the investment to the volatility in the entire stock market, people can assess the risk associated with the investment. Stocks with a beta greater than one tend to increase and decrease in value faster and more quickly than stocks with a beta of less than one. Higher the Treynor 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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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



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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 pre-conceived notions.

The following findings did not surprise anyone: Recently, India slipped 10 places in the World Economic Forum's (WEF) Global Competitiveness 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 Drishti 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

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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.

Most actionable solutions to Drishti'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.

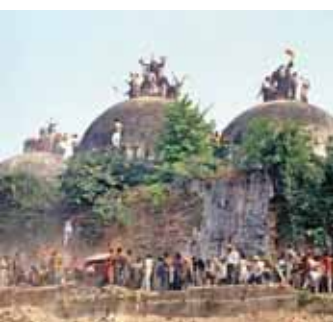
Uttar Pradesh (UP) Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has also said that he is hopeful of a favourable ruling. He has already prepared the State administration to face a post-verdict scenario. The Faizabad District has been renamed as Ayodhya, which is

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.

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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 Depository 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.

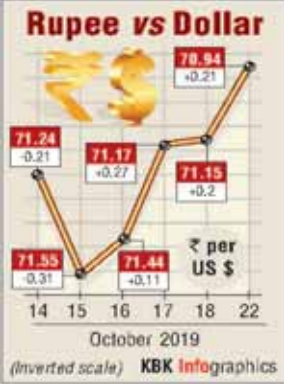
The domestic currency closed at 70.94 to the dollar, a gain of 20 paise or 0.28 per cent over the previous close on Friday.

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 agreement 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

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.

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.

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 Bangladesh ... 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.

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 US\$ 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).

SEARCH OF MISSING/KIDNAPPED

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:



Rajesh

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

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: Lakhman 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 Checkdar 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 Ph.: 011-28363001, 28363002, 28363003
DP/2809/OD/19

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED BOY

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:-



Mohd. Sajid

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

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:-



Rani Devi

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>

Tele No. : 011-24368638 or 24368641 Sd/-
FAX No. : 011-24368639 SHO, Nihal Vihar, Delhi
DP/2805/OD/19 Tel.: 011-25946700, 25946710
Mob.: 7065036129

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 Dhoi 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/CINDLS/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 chal-

lenges 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 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

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

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 sparing 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, battles 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.

NIFTY 50					
SCRIP	OPEN	High	LOW	LTP	CHANGE
NIFTY 50	11657.15	11714.35	11573.65	11588.35	-73.50
DREDDY	2722.25	2820.70	2710.85	2819.90	95.05
ICICIBANK	440.50	458.70	437.55	451.75	13.95
BPCL	532.00	536.80	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
BAIJAJ-AUTO	3090.05	3154.40	3089.65	3122.35	35.30
GRASIM	745.95	772.00	742.45	755.80	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
HDPCBANK	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	3.35
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	3210.10	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	129.35	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	119.60	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	-40.55
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
INFRAEAT	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	-4.35
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	4218.95	4001.10	4050.00	-87.65
ICITCHEX	1090.20	1095.90	1051.50	1064.90	-30.60
BHARTIARTL	381.80	396.50	367.20	372.65	-10.85
BAJAJFINSV	8300.00	8393.30	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

SCRIP	OPEN	High	LOW	LTP	CHANGE
NIFTY NEXT 50	20888.00	20879.95	20849.40	21816.95	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	19490.00	20312.45	19258.25	19550.00	870.25
HDPCAMC	2890.00	3074.70	2884.50	3010.00	127.50
ICICIGI	1237.00	1306.35	1237.00	1296.75	52.70
PEC	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
CADILAHX	240.65	248.50	238.80	245.00	4.35
OFSS	3095.00	3114.40	3070.00	3109.00	38.75
L&T&H	84.10	90.80	83.60	86.40	1.00
PGHH	11800.00	12000.00	11760.00	11950.00	125.65
PNB	62.25	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	4.40
MARICO	392.95	400.90	392.15	393.35	3.05
DISVLISAB	1732.40	1773.55	1726.25	1752.05	14.05
LUPIN	738.90	748.35	733.95	744.80	5.70
ICICIPRULI	47.85	48.85	47.30	48.10	3.35
HDCLIFE	609.95	624.25	605.50	612.50	4.45
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	1340.05	1352.00	0.50
COALINDIA	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	-4.40
URL	1336.00	1336.00	1299.30	1319.30	-10.70
ACC	1551.90	1556.95	1523.80	1536.20	-17.35
BIOCEN	257.50	261.35	256.05	256.05	-0.30
HAVELLS	680.00	692.95	670.50	678.00	-11.60
GOJREJCP	710.05	714.50	695.00	702.45	-14.45
BAIJAHLDNG	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	-4.60
NHPC	24.10	24.10	23.05	23.10	-0.80
INDIGO	1719.00	1719.00	1665.50	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	-4.40
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	195.80	-11.75
IBULHSGFIN	220.00	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

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SCRIP	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
HDPCBANK	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
ICITCHEX	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
NAM	289.30	291.20	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
NLC	169.00	182.90	169.00	178.20
DLF	53.65	55.55	53.00	53.70
BEEL	171.70	172.65	170.25	171.20
HDPCAMC	2900.00	3022.50	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

GLOBE TROTTER

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 Slemari 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."

PANCREATIC, COLORECTAL CANCER UP 10% IN 30 YRS

Madrid: Global death rates for pancreatic cancer and incidence rates for colorectal cancer both increased by 10 per cent between 1990 and 2017, the results of a major study conducted across 195 countries revealed.

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 completely 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.

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**

Kurds say pullout from Syrian border region complete

Ankara: Kurdish fighters completed their pullout from a zone along the Syrian border as required under a US-brokered cease-fire deal hours

before it was set to expire Tuesday, US and Kurdish official said, as the leaders of Turkey and Russia sought to work out the fate of the border region.

Turkey had threatened to relaunch its offensive if the withdrawal was not carried out. **AP**

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. For Chief Engineer/Con/3

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Trump calls impeachment inquiry as 'lynching' as key witness testifies

AFP ■ WASHINGTON

US President Donald Trump on Tuesday slammed the impeachment inquiry as a "lynching," using explosive, racially-charged language to discredit the probe as a key witness who expressed concerns about political interference testified to Congress.

Trump has relentlessly attacked the investigation as part of a broader partisan "witch hunt" against him.

But on Tuesday he used particularly inflammatory language to lay into his opponents, saying they were seeking to impeach him "without due process or fairness or any legal rights."

"All Republicans must remember what they are witnessing here — a lynching," Trump raged, using a word

that evokes the darkest days of America's slavery legacy.

More than 3,400 African Americans were lynched between 1882 and 1968, and congressional Democrats, many of them black, reacted with collective revulsion.

"How dare you?!" seethed congresswoman Barbara Lee on Twitter as she assailed the "distugisting and ignorant message" from Trump.

"That is one word that no president ought to apply to himself," House Majority Whip James Clyburn, the most senior black lawmaker in Congress, told CNN.

"I'm a product of the South. I know the history of that word. That is a word that we ought to be very, very careful about using," the South Carolina Democrat said.

Few Republican lawmakers

have openly criticized Trump for his comment, but Senator Susan Collins, a moderate Republican and occasional Trump critic who is up for re-election in 2020, spoke out.

'Lynching' brings back images of a terrible time in our nation's history, and the President never should have made that comparison," she tweeted.

Despite the White House's decision to not cooperate with the probe, Democrats have pressed on, seizing a victory of sorts with the closed-door testimony Tuesday of Bill Taylor, the acting ambassador to Ukraine.

His communications with other diplomats raised red flags about Trump's pressure campaign against Kiev that is at the heart of the Democrats' investigation.

B'deshi-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: UK PM

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**

NORTHERN RAILWAY
Tender Notice (through E-Tendering)

Name of work with its location	App. Cost of the work (in ₹)	Tender inviting officer address	Tender Documents Fee (in ₹)	Earnest money to be deposited (in ₹)	Date & time for closing of tender	Website particular & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc.
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.Rty. website www.ireps.gov.in & Notice board at S&T branch, 3rd Floor, DRM office, State entry road, New Delhi-110055.

No. 558-Slg/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) Mortgage(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) Mortgage(s) having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/ Mortgage(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) Mortgage(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 Pal/R 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 Cakes, 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, Tehsil-- 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, 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, 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 Avenue 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-121001 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 Residential Scheme/Complex Known As 'Redwood Residency', Situated In Village Faridpur, Sector-78, Tehsil Tignat & District Faridabad, Haryana Alongwith Proprietary, Undivided Impartible 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 Complex.	15-July-2019	18-October-2019	Rs. 30,68,714/-

The above-mentioned Borrower(s)/ Co-Borrower(s)/Mortgage(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 these restrictions.

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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 being 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 Ja 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

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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), पीएमओआर (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), टीबीओ एवं चेस्ट (विज्ञापन संख्या-16/2017), एफओएमटीओ (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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2. किसी कारणवश निर्धारित तिथि को उपस्थित नहीं हो पाने वाले अभ्यर्थी दिनांक- 11.11.2019 को स्वास्थ्य विभाग, विकास भवन, पटना के विभागीय समागार में 11.00 AM से 02.00 PM तथा 03:00 PM से 05:00 PM तक उपस्थित होकर अभिलेखों का सत्यापन करा सकते हैं। 3. अनुशंसित अभ्यर्थियों के शैक्षणिक योग्यता एवं प्रमाण पत्रों के जाँच/ सत्यापन से संबंधित प्रश्न एवं कार्यक्रम की सूची विभागीय वेबसाईट www.health.bih.nic.in पर उपलब्ध है। 4. प्रमाण-पत्रों की जाँच हेतु सम्मिलित होनेवाले अभ्यर्थियों को किसी प्रकार का यात्रा व्यय एवं अन्य कोई भत्ता देय नहीं होगा। 5. अगर अभ्यर्थी अपेक्षित मूल प्रमाण-पत्रों के साथ जाँच हेतु उपर्युक्त कार्यक्रम के अनुसार उपस्थित नहीं हो पाते हैं, तो उनकी अभ्यर्थित्व के संबंध में विधिसम्मत निर्णय लिया जायेगा। 6. विस्तृत सूचना स्वास्थ्य विभाग, बिहार, पटना के वेबसाईट www.health.bih.nic.in के नोटिस बोर्ड से भी प्राप्त की जा सकती है।

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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, cos-

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metology, 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.

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 co-

ordination 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](https://www.strath.ac.uk/hass-pg-enquiries@strath.ac.uk).

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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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TIP TOP 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



Winning team Dragon_Booster receives award

by team Gen-Y of SRMIST, Kattankulathur. Their application was to solve travel plan complexity and can help people cre-

ate any trip according to their preferences.

People's Favourite award was won by SRMIST's Beeclust_mrsll 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

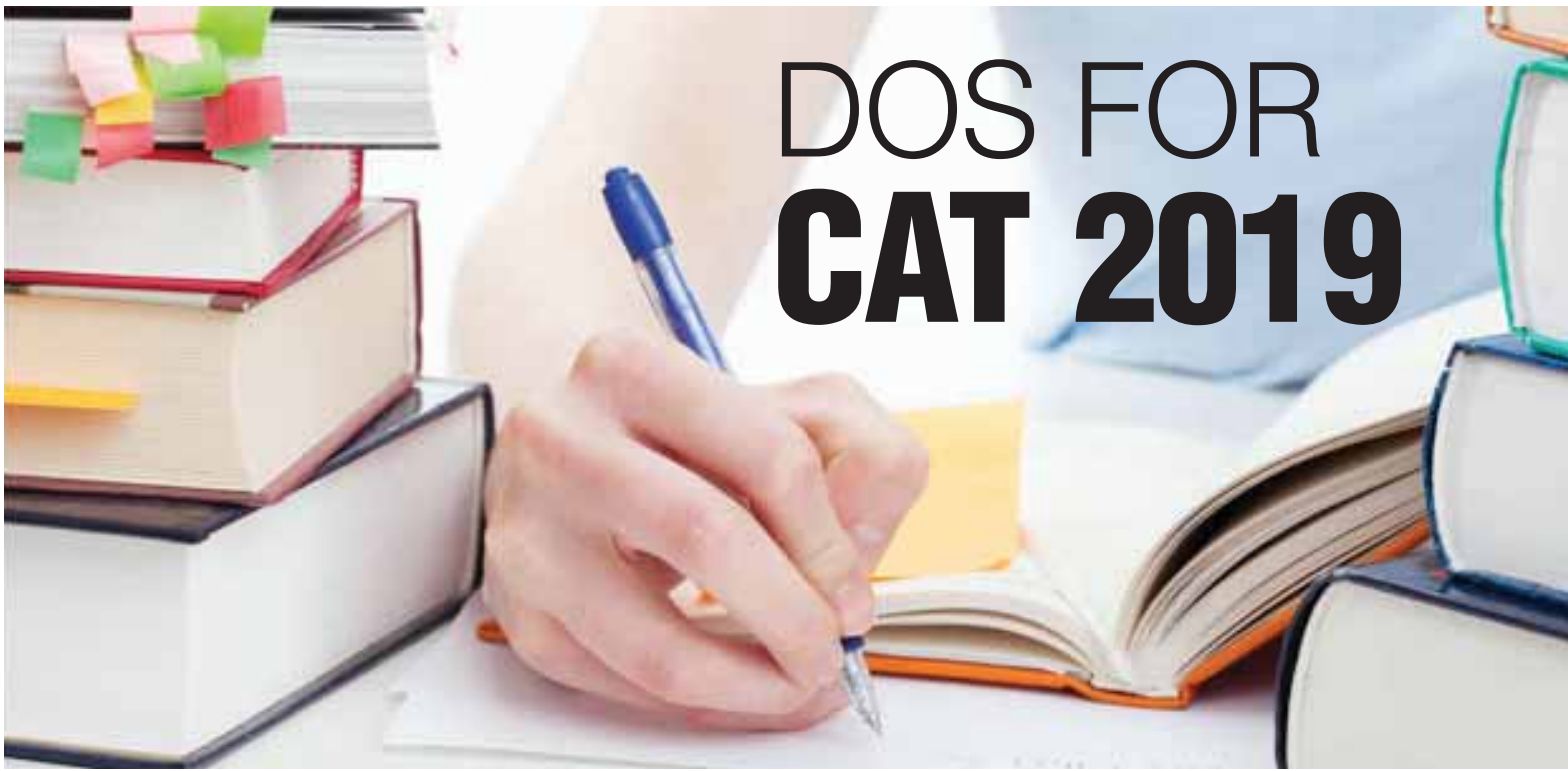
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The first edition of the Tagore International Literature & Arts Festival, also known as *Vishwa Rang*, will be held in Bhopal from November 7 to November 10, 2019.

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 lit-

erary 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 is 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

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

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 be beneficial for your career.



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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 masters 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

SALARY

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.

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 :

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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

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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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The Newcastle University is awarding Vice-Chancellor's Global international awards – Postgraduate in the UK. The university offers five bursaries for outstanding international applicants who apply to commence full-time Master's studies in session 2020-2021.

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How to apply: Online mode.

Application deadline: February 28, 2020 and April 30, 2020.

The **University of Leeds** is awarding **Tetley & Lupton international awards** in the UK.

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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.

Language requirements: Applicants whose first language is not English must meet the University's English language requirements.

How to apply: Register their interest in this studentship by applying for the relevant taught programme of study and apply online.

Application deadline: February 3, 2020.

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Application deadline: November 1, 2019

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Application deadline: October 31, 2019

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Application deadline: October 31, 2019

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 countries, 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.

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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 maiden SA clean sweep formalities in two overs to win Ranchi Test by an innings & 202 runs

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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 Shabbaz 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



Members of Indian team pose with the winners trophy after their win on the fourth day of third and last Test match between India and South Africa in Ranchi

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INDIA'S BIGGEST WINS IN TESTS				
Margin	Opponents	Venue	Season	
Innings & 272runs	West Indies	Rajkot	2018-19	
Innings & 262 runs	Afghanistan	Bengaluru	2018	
Innings & 239 runs	Bangladesh	Dhaka	2006-07	
Innings & 239 runs	Sri Lanka	Nagpur	2017-18	
Innings & 219 runs	Australia	Kolkata	1997-98	
Innings & 202 runs	South Africa	Ranchi	2019-20	
MOST WICKETS BY IND PACERS IN A 3-MATCH HOME SERIES				
Opponent	Season	Overs	Runs	Wkts
England	1933-34	353.3	926	30
Sri Lanka	2017-18	235.4	758	30
England	2005-06	254.5	763	27
South Africa	2019-20	152.5	455	26
South Africa	1996-97	221.3	625	25
MOST CONSECUTIVE TEST SERIES WINS AT HOME				
Team	Series	Period		
India	11	February 2013 to October 2019		
Australia	10	November 1994 to November 2000		
Australia	10	July 2004 to November 2008		
West Indies	8	March 1976 to February 1986		
England	7	May 2009 to May 2012		
South Africa	7	March 1998 to November 2001		
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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.



MS Dhoni speaks with Shahbaz Nadeem after the end of third Test

BCCI/Twitter

MS checks in

RANCHI: A notable absentee for the duration of the Test, former India skipper Mahendra Singh Dhoni finally showed up after India wrapped up the Test series, posing with Ravi Shastri among others.

Ranchi's most popular son was expected to turn up during the third Test, and he did, but only after the formalities had been completed by Virat Kohli and his men here.

"Great to see a true Indian legend in his den after a fantastic series win #Dhoni #TeamIndia #INDvsSA," Shastri tweeted with

a picture of him with a grinning Dhoni.

In fact, when a scribe asked about Dhoni, a beaming skipper Kohli said in jest: "He is here in the change room. Come and say hello to him."

The BCCI also posted a picture of Dhoni, wearing his all-access accreditation card, in the Indian dressing room.

In the picture posted by the Indian board, Dhoni is seen in conversation with debutant left-arm spinner Shabbaz Nadeem, who took four wickets. **PTI**



Indian captain Virat Kohli shakes hand with Faf du Plessis

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We want to be the best: Kohli

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The intent has always been honest and 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," 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.

All credit goes to Rohit

PTI ■ RANCHI

Skipper Virat Kohli feels that no one Sbut 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.

'DIFFERENT CLASS'

Meanwhile an exultant India coach Ravi Shastri said Rohit Sharma has shown himself to be of different class in the newly-acquired role of a Test opener, acclimatising exceptionally well to the challenges posed by the position.

"Ajinkya Rahane was always there in the middle order, he only needed to rediscover, which he did himself. Rohit is different class. As an opener he needed to have a different mindset, he acclimatised. It was a difficult pitch to start with but *usne jhela*," Shastri told official broadcaster *Star Sports* at the end of the match.

"He has it in him to be unfazed by difficult conditions. What he has done in this series is tremendous," he added.



PTI ■ RANCHI

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

5 Test venues

Skipper Virat backs Aussie, English model of having only five permanent Test centres

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.

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Humiliated by a ruthless India, the South African team will go back with "mental scars" as skipper Faf du Plessis rued a lack of vision that impeded phasing out of their great players.

"A tour like this reveals that there's a lot of mental scars that can happen and then obviously it's difficult to come out of that hole," Du Plessis said after they conceded their heaviest defeat to India in the third Test.

"It's just a relentless, ruthlessness the way they put big totals on the board every time. The effect it has on you mentally as a batting lineup, it takes a lot of energy and it takes a lot of toll and that's why you could see towards the end our batting was mentally weak. You don't want to be mentally weak."

Blaming Cricket South Africa, the visiting skipper further said the tour exposed the lack of planning as they did not think for future after greats like Hashim Amla and AB de Villiers retired.



Faf du Plessis & Zubayr Hamza, left, leave the field at the end of day's play

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or four years and if someone had the vision of saying, in three or four years' time there will be a lot of inexperienced guys. A lot of 34, 35, 36 year olds could possible retire. So what do you do to make sure you get yourself ready for when that time comes?

"And possibly we are guilty of not planning or when these guys going at the same time. And now you've got to replace not only one player but four or five of your best players. Perhaps we could've been a little bit smarter in our planning phase, and the phasing out of the great players," he said.

Asked about the way for-

ward, Du Plessis said they have to find the right people to build the side.

"It's a rebuilding phase. You have to start identifying characters that will drive the team forward. You look for personalities within a team that you see in 3-4-5-6 years to come. And then the process starts. It's a tough place to start right at the beginning."

"The process will probably take a little bit longer. So for me, our next journey now is trying to make sure that we get a lot stronger as a cricketing team mentally. So if there's work that needs to be done in that department, then so be it"

SINGLES

BCB SMELLS CONSPIRACY BEHIND STRIKE

DHAKA: Bangladesh Cricket Board President Nazmul Hassan on Tuesday said the national players' unprecedented strike seems to be a "conspiracy" to destabilise the game in the country but remains hopeful that the upcoming tour of India will go on as per schedule. "Obviously I hope that the camp will go on. The India series will take place. I believe that most of the players want to play. They want cricket to develop," Hassan was quoted as saying by *Daily Star*. He also said that "I have to know who is trying to jeopardise the India tour. I have to know what the real problem is. We will find who is behind this conspiracy," during a press conference after an emergency meeting of directors to discuss the issue.

GANGULY SET TO TAKE OVER AS BCCI PREZ

MADRID: One of India's most decorated captains Sourav Ganguly will be taking over as the 39th president of the BCCI on Wednesday at its AGM, ending a tumultuous 33-month reign of the Supreme Court-appointed Committee of Administrators. 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.

MODRIC, NEYMAR MISS OUT ON BALLON D'OR

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.

SINDHU STARTS WITH EASY WIN IN FRANCE

PARIS: World champion P V Sindhu began her French Open campaign with an easy win over Michelle Li in the women's singles first round here on Tuesday. The world number six Sindhu, who has been struggling of late, beat Li 21-15, 21-13 in a match that last 44 minutes. She will now play against world number 26 Yeo Jia Min of Singapore in the second round of the BWF Super 750 tournament. In the men's singles, Subhankar Dey notched up an upset win over Tommy Sugiarto of Indonesia to advance to the second round. The world number 42 Indian rallied to beat his world number 17 opponent 15-21, 21-14, 21-17 in a one hour 18 minutes first-round match. **AGENCIES**

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Yunnan leads the country in biodiversity

The national botanical museum of China will be built in Kunming

The signing ceremony of the National Museum of Botany jointly to be built by Yunnan Provincial Government, Chinese Academy of Sciences and Kunming Municipal Government was held in Kunming on October 8. That marks the clock is ticking down on the construction of the National Museum of Botany in Kunming, capital

of Yunnan province.

China is one of the countries with the most abundant biological species in the world. Yunnan has a wide variety of landforms and natural environments, and is the most biodiverse area in China. It is also the gathering or birthplace of many important plant groups. According to

statistics, there are 19,365 species of higher plants in Yunnan, accounting for 62.9% of the 30,000 species in China. Plant species from tropical and subtropical zone to temperate zone and even cold zone can be found in Yunnan.

Kunming is famous as a spring city and a flower city

in China. There are more than 460 kinds of wild plants in Kunming and its output value of flowers has been leading in China for 20 years, which provides favorable conditions for carrying out scientific research, developing health industry and building green economy.

The National Museum

of Botany of China will combine exhibition of traditional museums with collection and display of living plants and research of traditional culture and big health industry. The project is located in the north of the main city of Kunming, with a preliminary scope of about 10 square kilometers.

Numbers



From snow-covered mountains to rainforests traversed by wild elephants, the diversity of plants brings endless splendor to Yunnan. Here, the relationship between human beings and plants has continued for thousands of years, and coexistence with a variety of plants has long been part of local people's daily life

RHODODENDRON



In the majestic mountains of Yunnan, the mountains are full of rhododendrons in different colors every spring and summer.

Yunnan is known to botanists as the home of rhododendrons. There are more than 800 species of rhododendrons in the world, 600 in China and 400 in Yunnan. From the rhododendron of large white flowers at an altitude of 2,000 meters to those of dense branches above an altitude of 4,000 meters, Yunnan's snow-capped mountains, with their brilliant flowers, are the most beautiful scenery on the plateau from spring to summer and a shining tourist destination.

LOTUS KING



In the pool of MengLun Botanical Garden in Xishuangbanna Dai Autonomous Prefecture, Lotus King is a star of tropical rain forest in the middle of summer every year and the largest floating lotus in Yunnan province. The mature leaves of Lotus King are in the shape of a round basin with great buoyancy to support a kid of 20 kilograms.

In Xishuangbanna and other places in Yunnan, there are large areas of tropical rain forest, where there are more than 20,000 plant species. Giant trees cover the sky and wild elephants walk through the forest, are the most important treasure houses of biodiversity in China. Yunnan is also home to the world's highest tropical rain forests.

CHINESE HERBAL MEDICINE



In Yunnan, plants have been used as medicine for more than one thousand years. Notoginseng, dendrobium officinale and all kinds of flower tea are well known and very precious Chinese medicinal materials. According to statistics, there are 6,559 kinds of Chinese medicinal materials in Yunnan, accounting for 51.2% of the national resources of Chinese medicinal materials. Its planting area of Chinese medicinal materials also ranks first in China.

Today, Yunnan is taking traditional Chinese medicine as characteristic industry development, tries hard to build Yunnan medicine brand, has helped many farmers and successfully got rid of poverty.

EAT FLOWERS



Almost all people come to Yunnan would eat flower cake, a special Yunnan food. The cake is filled with fresh rose petals for a fragrant bite.

Yunnan people have been eating flowers for thousands of years. Furzy flower, plantain flower and pomegranate flower, whether wild or cultivated, open the door and pick a handful of flowers will be a delicious fresh dish.

Nowadays, this kind of dietary method is a popular fashion. In the new era, Yunnan people still enjoy the wisdom of ancestral inheritance and more flowers joined the modern Yunnan recipes.

MUSHROOMS



After rain, in the forests all over Yunnan, a silent symphony is staged and lovely mushrooms are scrambling to break the ground and out. According to statistics, wild mushroom in Yunnan covers more than 850 species, accounting for 43% of the world's total, and 91% of China's. It is the region with most wild mushroom species and the highest yield in the world.

Yunnan people have long noticed such a lively scene in the forest after rain. In summer, people go into forest early in the morning and harvest the gift of nature. The expensive truffle, fragrant matsutake and thick porcini fungus..... All kinds of wild mushrooms become a scenery that belongs to Yunnan vegetable market only.

XI'S REMARKS

Environment is livelihood; green mountains are beauty; and blue skies are happiness. We must protect this planet like our own eyes, and

cherish nature the way we cherish life.

—Remarks made by Chinese President Xi Jinping during his

participation in the deliberation of the Jiangxi delegation on March 6, 2015, at the two sessions of that year.

STORY

Ecology-based life empowers villagers

Duijieqilin, a 58-year-old Tibetan man, who's family live in Pudacuo National Park, Diqing Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture, Yunnan Province. The highland barley he grows, the yaks he raises and his family's ranch now is part of the national park landscape, along with the surrounding snowy mountain meadows, forests and lakes.

"Before, we had little income from cutting down trees and grazing cattle." When talking about the past, Duijieqilin could not bear to think back. His family of seven did farming and raise cattle and their annual income was no more than 5,000 yuan. The extensive way of life destroyed the local ecological environment. Wildlife in the forests was in decline. In late 1990s, animals like deer was almost disappeared.

When Pudacuo National Park was established a few years ago, community feeding policy was implemented. That

gave Duijieqilin three identities: villager and forest rangers of Luorong Village, Jiantang Town, Shangri-la and a citizen of the National Park. We receive more than 50,000 yuan a year for ecological, grassland, tourism and other types of feedback. If the ecology is not well protected, the money is gone," said Duijieqilin.

Long Decheng, a villager from Gongshan Dulong and Nu Autonomous County of Nujiang Lisu Autonomous Prefecture is also a beneficiary from forest protection. He is a village forest resources guard team leader, not only to manage village rangers, but also to lead patrolling in the mountains. Long Decheng said that the 80 rangers in the village cover an area of more than 800,000 mu, with a monthly subsidy of 800 yuan per person and 1,400 yuan for each village group leader.

"Accurately absorb registered households to participate

in ecological management and protection to achieve employment and get rid of poverty at their doorsteps in the mountains." Ren Zhizhong, director of Yunnan Forestry and Pastry Bureau, said that patrolling and protecting the forest is not only helpful to increase incomes, but also convenient to take care of the old and young in their family. They have achieved win-win results in ecological protection and poverty alleviation.

The "Ecological forest patroller+" model effectively drives a steady increase in incomes and poverty alleviation of the poor. Up to now, 17,000 rangers have been hired in Diqing Prefecture, covered all eligible people living in poverty. The employment of ecological forest rangers in Nujiang Prefecture has helped 51,400 poor people increase their income steadily.

By Wang Jingzhong and Wang Changshan.

COOPERATION

India becomes trendy destination for Chinese travellers

The number of visits made by Chinese to India registered robust growth during the first three quarters of this year, making India a trendy destination for Chinese tourists, according to a report published by China's online travel agency Ctrip.

Data from Ctrip showed that the number of visits made by Chinese to India surged by over 70 percent during the January-September period, with over 60 percent of the travelers in their thirties or forties.

Compared with other traditional overseas travel destinations, India remained a niche for most Chinese, a Ctrip

product manager said, adding that as Chinese people learn more about India, reservations for package tours have seen an increase of over 40 percent.

Indian tourism products continued to increase, as tour operators rolled out diversified traveling routes and products, allowing travelers to make Buddhist pilgrimages, celebrate the Hindu spring festival and visit shooting locations of Chinese movies.

According to the Embassy of India in Beijing, electronic visa policies for Chinese citizens were relaxed starting from October, including lower visa fees and

extended validity.

The new policies will benefit hundreds of thousands of people, further stimulating Chinese travelers' enthusiasm to visit India, a Ctrip employee estimated.

Under the new policy, Chinese citizens only need to pay \$80 for a multiple-entry electronic visa valid for five years and \$25 for a single-entry visa valid for 30 days.

In the first three quarters of this year, Chinese travelers spent an average of 649 yuan (about \$91.8) on their visas to India, Ctrip data showed.

By Chinadaily

TRADE

Yunnan sees foreign trade up 18 percent in Jan-Sept

The foreign trade volume of southwest China's Yunnan Province rose 18 percent to 166.5 billion yuan (23.46 billion U.S. dollars) during the first three quarters of 2019, local customs authorities said recently.

The province's exports rose 28.1 percent to 72.81 billion yuan, while imports gained 11.1 percent to 93.69 billion yuan, according to the customs office of the capital city of Kunming.

Trade with countries along

the Belt and Road grew by 16.7 percent year on year to 118.09 billion yuan in the first nine months, accounting for 70.9 percent of the province's total trade volume.

The province's export volume to B&R countries reached nearly 46.47 billion yuan, up 23.7 percent year on year, and the import volume grew to 71.62 billion yuan, with an increase of 12.5 percent compared with the same period of last year. (Xinhua)

IN PICS

Golden autumn sights in Shangri-La



Against the backdrop of blue sky, white clouds, grasslands and high mountains, the leaves form an

enchancing sight for tourists in late autumn, in Shangri-

La, northwest Yunnan's Diqing Tibetan Autonomous Prefecture. By Cili Quei

EXPO

The 2nd China Import Expo to be held in Shanghai

The 2nd China International Import Expo will take place at the Shanghai National Convention and Exhibition Center from November 5 to 10, 2019.

The expo will have three sections: the national comprehensive exhibition, enterprise business exhibition, and Hongqiao international economic forum.

For the national comprehensive

exhibition, 15 countries including France, Italy and Uzbekistan have been confirmed as guests of honour. The enterprise business exhibition will have an exhibition area exceeding the planned target of 300,000 square metres, as the numbers of participating countries, enterprises, the Belt and Road countries and the world's top 500 and industry-leading enterprises have

exceeded that of the first expo. The Hongqiao international economic forum will continue to adhere to the position of high-level to discuss topics of business environment, artificial intelligence, WTO reform, e-commerce and so on.

Sixty-four countries have already confirmed their participation. (By Li Hongkai)

CULTURE

Tile cats: A special artwork

Tile cats - normally crouching on rooftops of those white folk houses typical in west Yunnan's Dali Autonomous Prefecture - are characterized particularly by their round and staring eyes as well as huge and open mouths.

The Bai people, who dominate the local ethnic population of Dali, for long have believed that the tile cats are auspicious which can bring households safety and wealth. Recently, these gargoyle-like statuettes have been made into souvenirs by Su Longxiang, a native-born clay sculptor, and it has been gaining popularity among tourists ever since.

Born in the Fengyi township of the Dali Prefecture, Su took over the job of making clay sculptures from his grandfather at the young age of 10. Now, he is recognised by the province as an inheritor of intangible cultural heritage.

The tile cat is definitely not a



Tile cats made by Su Longxiang

Photo by Duan Jianxin

simple artefact to make. To begin with, wet clay has to be blended with some amount of sand to increase its viscosity. This could effectively prevent clay from being cracked in the oven later, and thus is considered an ideal method to make tile cats. Then, Su would take a big lump of clay and press it with palms and fingers until it gets completely flat—as the base for a statuette. Once this is done, the sculptor is able to

work carefully on the limbs, eyes, mouth and other details of the cat. A quality and elegant tile cat is marked by the materials used, as well as its shape and style created by artist.

Now, Su's works—all themed elements of tile cats—range from pen containers to tea sets, from incense burners to dolls. "Tile cats could not only be guardians for the Bai people," said Su.

(By Duan Jianxin)

CONNECTIVITY

Yunnan builds up efficient aviation network



Kunming Changshui airport is busy

Photo by Sun Xiaoyun

Yunnan province has built 15 airports and ranks third nationwide for its

airport network. Initially, the airports in Kunming, Lijiang and Xishuangbanna were the

backbone of the province for air travel.

Dating back to earlier years, the Kunming Wujia-ba Airport came into being in 1922, the second airport in China.

In 2012, the Kunming airport was moved out of the city to a new venue and named Kunming Changshui International Airport, breaking the "infrastructural bottleneck" that had long restricted the development of Yunnan's air service.

Airport density in Yunnan reached 0.38/10,000 square kilometres, well above the national average of 0.24/10,000 square

kilometres. Each of the seven airports in Kunming, Lijiang, Xishuangbanna, Mangshi, Dali and Tengchong, has an annual passenger throughput of over one million.

In total, the province has opened 524 air routes, including 441 domestic ones, 78 international ones and 5 regional routes. Now Yunnan is connected by air routes with national capitals of South and Southeast Asian countries. Among all Chinese airports, Kunming Airport has the most air routes to South and Southeast Asia.

In October 2018,

Yunnan Airport Group launched the Kunming-Dubai cargo route, extending the province's air service from South and Southeast Asia to the Middle East. It makes Yunnan products directly reach six destinations in South Asia by air.

The 15 Yunnan airports saw 501,800 take-offs and landings in 2018, with a passenger throughput of 627.9 million and a cargo throughput of 463,300 tonnes. Compared with data in 2013, the figures represent increases of 40.78 per cent, 56.96 per cent and 47.22 per cent respectively.

By Hu Xiaorong