

Chidambaram sent to Tihar Jail for 14 days

SC rejects ex-FM's anticipatory bail plea in money-laundering probe by ED

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Former Union Home and Finance Minister P Chidambaram was on Thursday sent by a Special Court to Tihar Jail for 14-day judicial custody in connection with the INX Media corruption case soon after the Supreme Court rejected his anticipatory bail plea in the money laundering probe by the Enforcement Directorate (ED).

Special Judge Ajay Kumar Kuhar sent Chidambaram to judicial custody till September 19. The court allowed him to carry his medicines to jail and directed that he be kept in a separate cell in the prison as he is a Z-category protectee.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, representing CBI, assured that there will be adequate security for Chidambaram in the jail.

The special court also issued notice to the ED on Chidambaram's plea seeking to surrender in the money laundering case lodged by the agency in which the apex court on Thursday dismissed his plea against the August 20 order of the Delhi High Court denying him pre-arrest bail.

Chidambaram, 73, was



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PTI corruption case in New Delhi on Thursday

produced before the special court on Thursday after the expiry of his 15-day CBI custody that was granted in five spells after his arrest on August 21 night.

Chidambaram's counsel opposed the CBI plea for judi-cial custody and said that the

veteran Congress leader was ready to go into the ED custody for interrogation in the related money laundering case in which the Supreme Court on Thursday refused to grant him pre-arrest bail.

Chidambaram brought to the Special Court

hours after he withdrew his petition in the SC challenging the non-bailable warrant (NBW) issued against him by the trial court earlier leading to his CBI custody on August 22. Meanwhile, the SC decidwas ed on his appeal against the Delhi High Court's August 20

order in the money laundering case lodged by ED and rejected his plea against denial of the anticipatory bail in the case. Hours after the apex court

order denying him pre-arrest bail in the ED's money laundering probe, another special court granted Chidambaram and his son Karti anticipatory bail in the Aircel Maxis cases. In the INX Media case,

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta represented the CBI and senior advocate Kapil Sibal appeared for Chidambaram. The CBI had registered an

FIR on May 15, 2017, alleging irregularities in the Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) clearance granted to the INX Media group for receiving overseas funds of ₹305 crore in 2007 during Chidambaram's tenure as the Finance Minister in the UPA Government.

Following the CBI's FIR in the INX case, the ED lodged a money laundering case in 2017.

During the proceedings, the Solicitor General informed the judge about the outcome of the Supreme Court's order in the ED case and also about the withdrawal of his petitions in the CBI case. The CBI told the court that

Chidambaram can be sent to

judicial custody as he was a powerful public person and should not be set free. Sibal opposed the CBI contention saying there was no allegation

that Chidambaram tried to influence or hamper probe. Sibal further said that Chidambaram was ready to go to the ED custody in money laundering case related to the INX Media. Sibal told the court that Chidambaram would surrender and ED could take him into its custody.

"Why should I (Chidambaram) be sent to jail (Tihar)?" he said and pressed that the ED should take him

into its custody. "There is nothing found against me. There is no chargesheet. They say I am powerful and influential. But they have no evidence. There is no proof of tampering with evidence. Has a witness said anything like that?" Sibal

argued. The Solicitor General objected to Sibal's submissions contending that he is arguing for bail. However, Sibal asserted, "The reasons given in the application for judicial custody are non-existent. What do you need me for in judicial

provided a "wooden takht" without a mattress to sleep on. custody.

Wooden plank, prison food for PC in jail no 7



Police personnel stand guard outside Tihar Jail ahead of the arrival of former Finance Minister P Chidambaram in New Delhi on Thursday

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between 7 am and 8 am. Former Finance Minister P Chidambaram has been allowed by the court to take his medicines, spectacles to the Jail No 7. He will be lodged in a separate cell in the Tihar prison as he is a protectee under Zsecurity. He will be provided western toilet facility. But he will be given jail food comprising rotis, dal, sabji and rice. Chidambaram has been

fond of south Indian meals, does not eat food prepared in the jail, then he reserves the right to order snacks cooked in the jail canteen. He can either drink water from a RO plant or purchase packaged bottle from the canteen.

He will be served breakfast

Chidambaram, reportedly

In case 73-year-old

"He will have access to the prison's library and also watch television, just like a normal inmate," the official added.

Centre plans GST cut to bail out auto sector

Gadkari assures all possible Govt help to industry

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The Government seems to be L getting ready to consider the demand of the auto industry to reduce the GST to revive demand in the sector that has led to massive job losses and



Modi asks Mahathir to extradite Zakir Naik PM tells his Malaysian counterpart reasons behind J&K decisions PTI 📕 VLADIVOSTOK

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday raised the issue of Zakir Naik's extradition with his Malaysian counterpart Mahathir Mohamad as India stepped up efforts to seek the controversial radical preacher's return to India to face terrorism and money laundering charges.

Prime Minister Modi, who met Mahathir on the sidelines of the fifth meeting of the Eastern Economic Forum (EEF) held here, also explained to his Malaysian counterpart the rationale behind India's decision to revoke Jammu & Kashmir's special status. "Had a great meeting with Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Prime Minister of Malaysia. We talked about bilateral ties between our nations and ways to further diversify cooperation," Modi tweeted. Briefing reporters on the meeting, Foreign Secretary Vijay Gokhale said Prime Minister Modi raised the issue of Naik's extradition from Malaysia during his meeting with Mahathir. "Both the parties have



between the two leaders, the first was in May last year when Prime Minister Modi called on Mahathir in Putrajaya after the 94-year-old leader won the general election.

Gokhale said that the meeting between the two prime ministers was "very warm'

'Modi also described Mahathir's election as a historic one and said India was looking forward to working wit

There was also discussion

[•]Prime Minister Mahathir

acknowledged that there was a

production cut. Auto sector invites 28 per cent GST.

Union Minister Nitin Gadkari on Thursday said he will discuss the demand for GST reduction with Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and assured the crisis-hit automobile industry of all possible support from the Government.

"I will follow it up with the Finance Minister. The sector needs help right now to increase vehicle sales," Gadkari said on the sidelines of an event attended by automobile industry stakeholders in Delhi.

Gadkari said with the impending increase of vehicles' prices and the upcoming BS VI norms deadline, the industry's suggestions for reduction in tax on petrol and diesel vehicles are appreciable.

The next GST Council meeting to be chaired by the Finance Minister is scheduled for September 20 and on agenda are deliberations on automobiles, tyres, cement, ACs, and large LCD televisions.

Automobiles also bear a cess, depending on the size of the vehicle, further increasing the total tax incidence.

While announcing that if

GST is reduced for some time to help the industry, Gadkari asked automobile companies to have in-house finance companies to help generate

Speaking at the event earlier organised by Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers, SIAM president Rajan Wadhera had asked the Government to consider reducing GST on automobiles to help it overcome the prolonged

slowdown. "We have reduced GST in electric vehicles. Now I am trying that GST on hybrid vehicles is also reduced. I am following up regarding this with the Finance Minister," Gadkari said. Gadkari, who had in 2017 stated the auto industry would

be "bulldozed" if they didn't push for electric vehicles, also struck a reconciliatory note saying that the Government has no intention to ban petrol and diesel vehicles.

The Union Minister also dispelled fears that the Government is planning to ban petrol and diesel vehicles. "I

want to make it clear that the Government has no such plan. We are not going to do anything like that," said Gadkari. He also said he would take

up a discussion with the Finance Minister for extending possible export incentives on automobile makers, as has been done for the sugar industry.

CII President - Designate, MD and CEO of Kotak Mahindra Bank, Uday Kotak also urged automobile manufacturers to give emphasis on exports in order to create additional avenue to overcome the slowdown in the domestic market while stressing that a weaker rupee will make it even more favourable.

SIAM also drew Gadkari's attention for Government to consider a single nodal regulatory Ministry for the auto industry, which currently comes under several Ministers regarding various functions.

With the implementation of BS-VI norms from April next year, Wadhera said Indian auto industry will be at par with the

best in the world when it comes to pollution; and therefore restrictions on different vehicles based on fuels must be removed He also asked the Government to support the industry whenever courts decide otherwise.

Wadhera said due to the current downturn, 15,000 contractual jobs have been lost in the automobile manufacturing and around 2.8 lakh in dealerships, while components manufacturers are staring at 1 mil lion job losses if the downturn continues.

While Maruti Suzuki India CEO and Managing Director Kenichi Ayukawa, meanwhile, welcomed Gadkari's assurances to help the auto industry and said the industry was eagerly looking forward to concrete steps, Tata Motors CEO and Managing Director Guenter Butschek said the Indian automobile industry growth story is about to collapse due to ongoing slump triggered by a variety of factors, including low consumer sentiment and non-availability of liquidity.

decided that our officials will stay in contact regarding the matter and it is an important issue for us," Gokhale said.

Naik, a 53-year-old radical television preacher, left India in 2016 and subsequently moved to the largely Muslim Malaysia, where he was granted permanent residency. He has been wanted by

Indian authorities since 2016 for alleged money laundering and inciting extremism Malaysia," he added. on trade and ways to diversify the bilateral ties to benefit people in both the countries.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi shakes hands with his Malavsian counterpart Mahathir Mohamad on the sidelines of 5th Fastern Economic Forum at Vladivostok in Russia on Thursday PTI

through hate speeches. Naik has been banned from all public activities in the multi-ethnic Malaysia after his remarks against Malaysian Hindus and Chinese on Áugust 8.

Gokhale said Prime Minister Modi discussed with Mahathir the "reorganisation" and the developments related to Jammu & Kashmir.

The growing threat of terrorism also figured in their talks, he said.

"Prime Minister Modi explained to Mahathir the rationale behind the reorganisation of the state of Jammu & Kashmir, in terms of both giving effective governance and delivering socio-economic jus-

tice. And in that context the two leaders discussed the focus was on terrorism, on how to combat the growing threat of

terrorism," Gokhale said. Prime Minister Mahathir acknowledged that terrorism was a global problem and Malaysia is against any form terrorism," he added.

India revoked Jammu & Kashmir's special status on August 5 and has categorically told the international community that the scrapping of Article 370 was an internal matter and also advised

Pakistan to accept the reality. Pakistan is trying to internationalise the Kashmir issue after India's decision on August 5. After India's decision on

Kashmir, Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan telephoned Mahathir and had sought his support on the issue.

This is the second meeting

'Direct Guj Govt to follow schedule Scan your face at T3 Independent legislator claims for filling Sardar Sarovar reservoir' coveted post of PCC Chief for seamless entry

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 $T_{\rm Airport\ Limited\ (DIAL)\ in}^{\rm he\ Delhi\ International}$ association with Vistara Airlines will launch Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologybased Biometric Facial Recognition System (BFRS) for domestic fliers at T3 terminal at Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA) in Delhi from Friday for three months on trial basis.

The plan is being rolled out to demonstrate Biometric Enabled Seamless Travel Experience (BEST).

The DIAL said after the successful completion of the trial, the facility would be officially

launched at T3 and subsequently at IGIA terminals.

DÍAL spokesperson said, This is an integrated solution for the e-gates, facial recognition cameras, and software platform from Vision Box, a multinational technology company headquartered in Lisbon, Portugal. It will be truly a seamless experience for the passengers. Participation in is voluntary. Passengers' permission will be taken by asking them to sign a form."

Passengers' entry would be automatically processed based on the facial recognition system at all check points, including airport entry, entry into security checks and aircraft boarding.

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Chief Minister Kamal Nath has urged the Central Government to direct the Government of Gujarat to follow the schedule for filling the Sardar Sarovar reservoir.

Nath has written a letter to the Union Water Resources Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat urging him to call

an urgent meeting of Narmada Control Authority to discuss the issue at the earliest. He wrote that this subject is of utmost importance for Madhya Pradesh as relief and rehabilitation works are going on a massive scale in the affected area of Sardar Sarovar Project.

The Chief Minister has said in his letter that according to the schedule, Sardar Sarovar reservoir was to be filled up to 134 meters height by August 31, 2019. The reservoir was to be

filled up to just 135 meters during the month of September and by October 15, 2019, the reservoir was to be filled to the final level of 138.68 meters.

The Chief Minister in his letter said that by 12 noon on September 4, 2019, the reservoir had been filled up to 135.47 meters. It is clear from this that the schedule provided by the Narmada Control Authority has been violated, which was issued by the

Authority on May 10, 2019. He said that it is also unclear whether measures of dam safety have been adhered to. It is inexplicable on the part of Narmada Control Authority which has remained inactive. The Narmada Control Authority is expected to take action on its own in this regard.

Nath said that filling of the Sardar Sarovar Project is required to be regulated according to the schedule as was agreed upon. Meanwhile, the Gujarat government should be directed to follow the prescribed schedule as issued by the Narmada Control Authority letter dated May 10, 2019.

Bhopal: While the fight between the Scindia and Digvijay camps has intensified further, an Independent legislator has claimed on the coveted post of PCC Chief.

Shivraj Singh Chouhan again took a swipe at Congress drama slamming the state government that it is looting Madhya Pradesh like vultures and crows.

Burhanpur independent MLA Surendra Singh Shera expressed sadness over what has transpired between the ministers and MLAs of late saying it won't send a good message to the public. He urged Chief Minister Kamal Nath to sort out internal party differences and

also called for an early appointment of the PCC chief as Nath was too 'burdened' with state government responsibilities.

On being asked who could be the replacement for Nath, he stated there are several dedicated workers and he is also one of them. "If Shera bhaiya could win as an independent and help form the government why can't he be the PCC chief."

Meanwhile, Forest minister Umang Singhar who had leveled allegations against senior leader Digvijay Singh after meeting Kamal Nath returned with his combative stints. He apparently hit out at his adversaries with a couplet on twitter, "Usulon par jahan aanch aaye

takrana jaruri hai, jo gar zinda ho to phir zinda nazar aana jaruri hai."

After his rant against Digvijay Singh on Tuesday, the supporters of the senior leader have sharpened attack on him.

On Wednesday, party leader Naresh Patel during a gathering in ALirajpur attended by Digvijay's son Jaivardhan, called for expulsion of Singhar from the party. Another Digvijay loyalist and the MLA Endal Singh Kansana claimed that minister including Umang Sinhar, Govind Singh Rajput, Imarti Devi and Pradumn Singh Tomar should be expelled from cabinet to give a strong message to the party workers.

growing trade between the two countries, but that Malaysia had a surplus in trade. He assured Prime Minister Modi that while we should grow this trade, Malaysia is looking at ways by which we can balance this trade," Gokhale said.

Prime Minister Mahathir said, Malaysia would consider importing more from India so that India's exports to Malaysia grow, he said.

"Meetings continue in Vladivostok. Prime Ministers @chedetofficial and Narendra Modi discuss ways to diversify India-Malaysia cooperation for the benefit of people in both countries. Strengthening ties with \an important ASEAN partner," the Prime Minister's Office said in a

tweet. Modi arrived in Russia on Wednesday to participate in the 20th India-Russia annual summit and the EEF.

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Mineral to be core of **MP's economy: Nath**

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hief Minister Kamal Nath Chas said that mineral based economy will be the future economy for Madhya Pradesh as it has the richest reserve of precious and rare minerals. He said that speedier exploration of minerals will be in the public interest as it would contribute to the development of India. the state.

The Chief Minister was having dialogues with the senior officials of the Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited, a Mini Ratna Company of the Government of India at the Mantralaya here today. He asked them to make Madhya Pradesh their priority state. The Chief Minister said available.

that apart from coal and lime-

stone, the State has many valuable minerals which can play an important role in shaping the future economy as they are the need for formulating a unexploited.

Kamal Nath stressed on separate mining policy for each starting preparations for minmineral. ing immediately using valuable prescribed for the coal mining information resource available with the Geological Survey of cannot apply to that of diamonds or manganese.

The MECL has the capability and expertise to utilise it. He asked them to fix timeframe for exploration of minerals. The state government will give full cooperation.

Focus on mining of precious minerals like manganese, bauxite, graphite, iron ore and radium, vanadium, about which information of deposit is

He said that precious deposits of these minerals are available in Bundelkhand, Mahakaushal and western part. The Chief Minister stressed

present.

He said that the policy

for scheduled castes can be big help, says Nath Bhopal: Chief Minister Kamal

Nath has said that the National Commission on Scheduled Castes should also suggest wellconsidered schemes for scheduled castes to the Government of India along with its Statewise review reports saying that these will help give expected results. He was holding discussions with the Commission chairman and other members at Mantralaya here on

Minister of Minerals Pradeep Jaiswal, Chief Secretary SR Mohanty, Principal Secretary Chief Minister Ashok Barnwal, Thursday. Kamal Nath said that

Madhya Pradesh government is committed to the welfare of Principal Secretary Industries Rajesh Rajaura, Principal scheduled castes. The government is paying attention to their education, health and Secretary Minerals Neeraj Mandloi and Chairman and employment. The Scheduled Chief General Manager of Castes and Tribes Prevention of MECL Ranjit Rath were Atrocities Act has strictly been implemented in the state, he

added. The Chief Minister informed the Commission that the state government is going to bring a legislation soon to ensure that the budget meant for scheduled castes is spent in proportion to their population with optimum utilization.

Kamal Nath said that the Commission should review the status of the implementation of schemes in various states and prescribe new schemes to the central government on the basis of its field experiences and inputs.

He said that such schemes will be more effective. Nath said that apart from reviewing the action plans, the flaws in the implementation should also be highlighted so that remedial steps are taken timely.



Teachers stage a demonstration demanding regualrisation of their jobs on Teachers' Day in Bhopal on Thursday Pioneer photo

We don't believe in horse trading. says LoP while talking to media

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T eader of Opposition in the LState Assembly Gopal Bhargav said that his party does not believe in horse trading, but we could get in touch with our high command if they (dissidents) listen to their inner voices

While talking to media persons here on Wednesday, Bhargav said that his earlier statement was misquoted by media. An unstable Congress government and different parties should form the government while coming together, he said, claiming that he had only replied to a query on the dissent within the Congress and allies saying they would speak to the high command of the party and would hold discussions on the basis of what these parties and leaders think

and what is their approach. We are not in a hurry to form the government. We nei- to stay in power.

ther believe in jod-tod or horse

trading," clarified the LOp who in the past had drawn sizable criticism that they are capable of bringing down Kamal Nath government within 24 hours if the party high command's signals them to do so.

"If they listen to their inner voice, we could get in touch with our high command but for the time being there is nothing like this," the senior BJP leader from Bundelkhand said.

To add, senior leaders including Shivraj Singh Chouhan, union minister Narendra Singh Tomar and party general secretary Kailash Vijayvargiya have in the past claimed that Kamal Nath government would come down out of its own weight sooner or enue. later.

officers to ensure proper effec-tive calculation, billing and Earlier in the day alleging widespread corruption, Chouhan had claimed that this collection of revenue of each unit of electricity. The special campaign has led to an increase government does not deserve

Discom to conduct special load survey in non-domestic premises STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL in the load of more than 1,500

non-domestic campuses. Managing Director of Central Region Power Similarly, the load of the premises of more than 150 Distribution Company, Vishesh Garhpale has said that the industrial power consumers has also been increased.

The Managing Director has issued instructions to company is conducting a special campaign of load survey in non-domestic premises and return the damaged and burnt industrial power complexes till September 10. He asked the field officers to survey all the business premises and industransformers to the regional store. He said that action will be taken against the officials concerned if the transformers trial power complexes like flour mills and oil mills etc. and approve the load on the basis are not returned on time. Technical flaws should be removed by identifying the places where the distribution of actual load. This will enable transformers fail repeatedly. The AMR of Nal-Jal Yojana should be installed within the the consumer to get electricity at sufficient voltage and the company will get the right revtime frame and their physical Garhpale directed the field verification should be ensured.

The Managing Director has issued instructions to conduct survey for increasing the load on agricultural pumps so as to ensure power supply to

farmers at sufficient voltage during the Rabi season. All eligible and damaged transformers should be replaced in one week before the Rabi season load. He said that it should be ensured that new beneficiaries who connect after the decision of expansion of the Indira

Griha Jyoti Yojana get the proper benefits. The Managing Director also directed to make temporary connections easily avail-

able to all the officers. Managing Director of Central Region Power Distribution Company said that if there are continuous complaints of any consumer in urban and semi-urban areas,

then such complaints should be analyzed. He said that there is also a need to analyze the complaints regionwise so that consumer complaints can be reduced.

Students of PS celebrate Teacher's Day with zeal

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School celebrated Teacher's Day with great zeal and zest. There was an excitement in the school atmosphere which was quite contagious. Sagarites at Sagar Public School Katara Extension, Ratibad, Rohit Nagar, Gandhi Nagar and Saket Nagar presented a special assembly on Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan to earmark the day.

They highlighted the great teacher and presented a skit highlighting his life and thoughts about his ideology and fascination about education. Students welcomed their teachers in morning by flowers and by offered 'Tilak' as mark of respect. A cultural programme of melodious song, poems and

speeches mesmerized everyone with marvelous performances of Sagarites which comprised of Saraswati Vandana, Guru Vandana, song, dance and a well-conceived skit highlighting the importance of teachers in students' lives followed by students lives followed by games with prizes. Jaishree Kanwar, Director Sagar Public School and Principal of schools extended heartfelt thanks to all the Teachers for their unrelenting efforts and appreciable work. At SISTec, students welcomed teachers with their greetings in

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tation of poems and speeches

which act as their motivation.

A felicitation ceremony of

teachers by marked the day at

SISTec Gandhi Nagar and

Ratibad Campus with tribute to

S Radhakrishnan.

expressed their gratitude and shared their experiences at Keshavendra SISTec. Choudhary Principal SISTec Gandhi Nagar and Jyoti Deshmukh Principal SÍSTec Ratibad extended heartfelt thanks to all the faculties for their unrelenting efforts and appreciable work.

Later, faculty members

The celebrations at schools and colleges also observed a felicitation ceremony capped with motivational words of immense wisdom by Sudhir Kumar Agrawal, Chairman, Sagar Group and Siddharth Sudhir Agrawal, Managing Director, Sagar Group to faculties to continue with their good work of guidance to students followed by sumptuous lunch and souvenirs to all faculty members and staff.

Cath Lab inaugurated at Techno-Jacket Collection 2019 out at Woodland JAH Group of Hospitals STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL When its winters, one must be sure that One-Size does not fit all and thus, every out-

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facilities to the people of the the trial stages. It is also learnt Gwalior Chambal division. He that the contract for the med

Woodland has now come with its all-new Techno-Collection 2019 Th new collection is inspired by the thought of Woodland being the only brand that best understands 'Know vour Winters' and thus, have a product spe-cialized for each kind of winter conditions. While talking to media persons, Harkirat Singh, Managing Director, Woodland said, "Being the pioneering leader for outdoor wear in the country, we have always focused on promoting outdoor sports while ensuring safety of the consumers. Technology has been the key driver for all our products that we have been launching. This season, we are taking this space to a new tangent and have developed technologies like

Former Union Minister Jyodiraditya Scindia and Madhya Pradesh Health Minister Dr Vijay Laxmi Sadho jointly inaugurated the Cath Lab at the JAH Group of Hospitals. The Cath lab is set up at a total cost of Rs 6.75 crores and it took almost ten years for it to take shape. The inaugural ceremony was chaired by the Cabinet Minister Vijay Laxmi Sadho while Cabinet Minister Pradhumun Singh was the Special Guest. MLAs Munnalal Goyal and Praveen Pathak too attended the ceremony.

Speaking on the occasion Scindia said that the state government has been taking many steps to provide better medical

further opined that the setting up of the Cath lab will lend a unique identity to the largest group of hospitals in the division.

Scindia also said that a super specialty hospital will be constructed in place of the Marc Hospital at Gole Ke Mandir.

The doctors at JAH said that now the hospital has modern equipment that can take up angioplasty, complicated stentand pacemaker ing implants.

However, it is learnt that it will take some more time before the patients can benefit from the lab as the machines to conduct angioplasty, both coronary and peripheral are still in

ical equipment to be set up at the Cath lab is only on paper and nothing has yet been finalized. The sources said that the contract has been given to the Amruth Pharmacy but it is

only verbal. Another problem is the costing. The cost of a single

stent at JAH has been fixed at Rs 55,000 which is much above the rate at GB Pant Hospital, New Delhi. The rate at the Delhi hospital is around Rs 25,000 for a single stent. Private hospitals in Gwalior charge

anything between Rs 55,000 and 75,000. Unless the hospital authorities bring down the rates the lab might not be a blessing to the people of the area.



'InfraLite', 'Heat Lock', 'Storm Breaker', 'Woodland BOA

Closure System Shoes' et al that ensure your safety in varying

He further said that the collection is a mix of categories and colors; helping you survive in different weathers. The aim is to be a one-stop destination for all kinds of outdoor sports and you will see a lot of development in this space in times to come. The cosmo audiences of the city has wide acceptance for the newer colour palette as per the Global lifestyles and thus, gives us the confidence to invest our energies in development of more and more styles suiting their

door / winter situation has its

own set of requirements to

safeguard ourselves leading to

the development of the 'Techno-Jacket Collection' 2019, he added.

taste preferences," Singh further added. support your expeditions and kinds of climatic conditions.



Students participate in MP State level Tourism Quiz competition-2019 organised at Minto Hall in Bhopal on Thursday

19-year-old girl arrested on kidnapping charges

Bhopal: A 19-year-old girl from Alirajpur district has been arrested by police on charges of kid-napping a 17-year-old girl. The accused has revealed that she was in relationship with the victim girl.

While talking to media per-sons, the accused has confessed that she is in love with the victim and wanted to marry her. The 17-year-old girl too has reciprocated with the similar feelings.

The family of the minor girl had approached police with a missing complaint of their daughter after the girl went missing last week. The Udaigarh police after lodging a complaint under section 363 of IPC started looking for her. Both the girls were found on last Tuesday.

Sub Divisional Officer of Police (SDOP) Jobat RC Bhakar Pioneer photo claimed that after the girls were

17-year-old girl victim was in relationship with accused

recovered, the minor was sent to her family while the other girl Rangubai was arrested

Rangubai has told the police that the minor was her friend and wilfully went with her for labourer's work in Gujarat while the minor has claimed that her parents wanted to marry her with a man with three kids so she ran away to Gujarat.

Locals claimed that the two girls belonging to Pangola village in Alirajpur had expressed special feelings for each other around a year ago and had also eloped to Gujarat and returned after five months only to disappear again

recently. SR

Four arrested for planning burglary; sharp-edged weapon, iron rods, tools for breaking locks seized

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 $B_{\rm four\ miscreants\ planning}^{\rm airagarh\ police\ have\ nabbed}$ burglary and recovered a sharp-edged weapon, iron rods and tools for breaking locks near One Tree Hills in the night on Wednesday.

Police said that acting on a tip off four miscreants were nabbed in a car at Dashhera ground and when they were quizzed they confessed that they were planning burglary.

On the receipt of the information police teams were formed and raided the spot where the four miscreants were planning in car bearing registration number MP09CE2437. The car was searched sharp edged weapons and tools to Abbas Alia Irani, Shahtaj and break locks were recovered.

In the initial investigation the nabbed accused were identified as Salman alias Kala,

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were recovered

Deepak Sharma. Salman was

found violating externment

which was imposed by district

collector. The accused confessed that they were planning to target a house the area and were nabbed before committing burglary.

The car seized was registered in the name of Deepak Sharma's wife. After the preliminary investigation the police have registered a case under section 401 of the IPC and section 25 of the Arms Act.

Meanwhile, Bajaria police have nabbed a miscreant and recovered a country made pistol and two cartridges from his possession on Wednesday. The accused identified as Saeed Khan (26) of Bajaria was nabbed after police received that the accused in carrying firearm. Police said that a warrant was pending in murder case against the accused who has been booked for heinous crimes like murder and other crimes.

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police stations were formed in Madhya Pradesh for the

Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the year

1974. Presently special police stations are functioning in 51

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cial courts are operational in 50 districts for hearing cases of Prevention of Atrocities Act.

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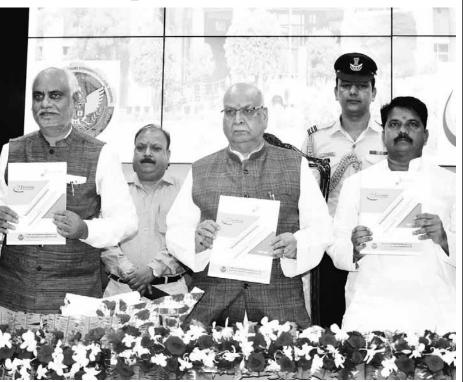
Sarvapelli Radhakrishnan Swas pioneer of research based education. Even while holding the constitutional positions like Vice President and President of India, he always shouldered the responsibility of an educationist in his entire life.

Radhakrishnan believed that a book, a teacher and a student can change the picture of the country and the world. Therefore, it is the responsibility of the teachers to impart knowledge to the students with the basic objectives of education. Motivate students to use knowledge more and more in the interest of society. Governor Lalji Tandon said this at the 21st Foundation Day

of Rajiv Gandhi Proudhyogiki Vishwavidyalayaand the birth day of Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, the former President of India. Remembering Radhakrishnan, the Governor asked the teachers, students and vice chancellors to establish the quality, usefulness and significance of education.

The Governor said that today we have deviated from the original source and purpose of education. Leaving thousands of years old education system, we are following the education system imposed by the British. He said that now we will have to bring changes in the field of education by building a new system on the old

foundation. Informing about the inventions of the ancestors and rich knowledge tradition of India, he told the students that you have to start a journey beyond the works and innovations that have taken place in the field of technical education so far, so that the country could become more prosperous and happy.



Governor Lalji Tandon releases a souvenir during 21st Foundation Day programme of Rajiv Gandhi Proudyogiki Vishwavidyalaya (RGPV) in Bhopal on Thursday Pioneer photo

and

Minister for Technical Education Development Bala Bachchan said that the last century was of industrial revolution. This century is of technological revolution. He said that the Rajiv Gandhi Vishwavidyalayahas contributed significantly to the technological development of

the country through innovations. He said that keeping in Skill view the present need, artificial intelligence should be promoted. Along with this, he assured full cooperation of the State Government in the direc-Proudhyogiki tion of increasing employment by establishing coordination between technical education and industries.

Poacher who carried

bus stand in Jhabua: Min

STAFF REPORTER M BHOPAL

Urban Development and Housing Minister Jaivardhan Singh said at the Swachch Sarvekshan and Akshay Jal Snachay Abhiyan beneficiaries conference in Jhabua that ₹10 crore will be sanctioned for the construction of modern bus stand in Jhabua. He said that 490 new families of Jhabua city will also be included in the housing scheme. Singh said that the work of

beautification of Bahadur Sagar and Chhota Talab and Dilip Gate by which Jhabua city is identified will be started soon. The people of the city will be given door-to-door tap con-nections under the Water Rights Act. He said that 6 new

vehicles will be provided to collect garbage in the city. Total Rs 50,000 will be sanctioned to women self-help groups for self-employment. Singh said that all the promises will be fulfilled one by one in the coming years.

Minister Singh awarded letters of appreciation to 42 teachers on Teacher's Day and distributed benefits to various officers of departmental schemes. He also performed

Singh said that the work of beautification of **Bahadur Sagar** and Chhota **Talab and Dilip** Gate by which Jhabua city is identified will be started soon

bhoomi-pujan of various construction works.

Minister Singh unveiled the statue of freedom fighter Tantya Mama at Ranapur Road intersection in Jhabua city and announced the name of the square after him. He also unveiled the statue of the Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi at the bus stand intersection

Former MP Kantilal Bhuria and other public representatives also expressed their views. MLAs Vir Singh Bhuria, Bal Singh Meda and Kalavati Bhuria were also present.

₹10 cr will be sanctioned for constructing modern bus stand in Jhabua: Min MP's system is better than many States'

STAFF REPORTER M BHOPAL

Madhya Pradesh is a peace loving State. Madhya Pradesh's system is better than many States of the country, designed to punish those accused of harassing Scheduled Castes and make it better which Castes and make it better which could act as model for the whole country said Ramshankar Katheria, Chairman of the National Scheduled Castes Commission at review meeting at State Police Headquarters on

Thursday. The National Scheduled in Madhya Pradesh. Castes Commission held a SN Mishra said that Special meeting of senior police officers at the Police Headquarters Prosecution Officers have been appointed in the state for lobto review year-round criminal bying cases registered under cases registered under the Scheduled Castes and Prevention of Atrocities Scheduled Castes Atrocities Act. Prevention Act.

Additional Director He said that in the parts of General of Police AJK Pragya the state where there is a high Richa Shrivastava presented a incidence of harassment of year-wise comparative state-Scheduled Castes, social ment of the crimes, charge research should be done sheets and punishment status through joint efforts in social recorded under the Atrocities research. Efforts should be

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Exhibition 'Ayaam' shows life of playwright BV Karanth

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Alegendry playwright BV Karanth. Karanth known as the most noted and pioneer personality of world of theatre is remembered in most creative way. The theatre buffs of the city are taking a walkthrough of the life of the eminent playwright in an exhibition 'Ayaam'.

The exhibition is being put up at Rangdarshini gallery of Bharat Bhavan which displays the props, stage craft, music instruments, masks and photographs of BV Karanth.

"It is one of the most unusual exhibitions of all times. We organize it every year in the memory of Baba Karanth and to remember his priceless contribution in the world of theatre," says Anoop Joshi who has

put up the exhibition. he entire exhib

memories and enjoyed each moment of it.

It is to be noted that the props and all the displays at the exhibition date back to year PNS INDORE 1982. Besides, the instruments used in Karanth's plays are considered really rare.

As in some of the plays he used a typical 'nagada' which is rarely used today in seized hides of rare specie of Leopard, 'King Leopard' which fetches massive money in theatres.

Other than focusing on his theatre personality, the Rangamandal wing of Bharat Bhavan also focused on his professional life and his immense involvement in dramas, stage settings and preparations related to theatrical resentations.

As many as 40 still pho-Maharastra. Acting of the tip off 'Operation LESKNOW III' was tographs of Karanth's theatre works, 30 musical instruments launched and details of accused that he used in his productions at Rangmandal and the theatre were collected and movement costumes he designed for the of the accused and his aides like walking down the memo- actors were on display. The ry lane. Eminent theatre per- exhibition on BV Karanth is a sonalities like Rajeev Verma, mesmerizing treat for the theatre-goers and the art lovers of

was revealed that it is the only Leopard in Asian region which STF Indore has nabbed an absconding miscreant carrying a reward of ₹5000 and

reward of ₹5K held

International market. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest has announced a cash reward of ₹5000 to forest department International market; three team involved in the operation. aides have been arrested earli-

The STF SP Padmvilochan Shukla has also announced The STF was tipped after reward for the team which forest department was alerted nabbed the accused.

by CBI Maharastra regarding The nabbed accused idenselling of skin of rare Leopard tified as Gaffar alias Bhaiyyu and Tiger after they are (42) of Chandan Nagar Indore poached in forest in remained absconding for the past 10 months and was carrying a reward of ₹5000. He works as a driver.

It is one of the rarest species and is found in South

fetches big money in

The skin would be sent to rica. This is the first case derabad laboratory for idenwhich has been found in the tifying the region from where the Leopard belonged and it country. Earlier, Shakir Maulana of was also be matched that the Dewas, Shiv Baba of Sendhwa nails and paws found a year ago and Baldev alias Ballu of are of the same Leopard.

Sendhwa have been nabbed. Baldev is in jail while Shakir and Shiv Baba are out on bail. In the initial investigation

it was found that the skin of rare species of Leopard 'morph' and the Leopard 'Melanistic Leopard' is found in Western Ghats and possibly it reached to Sendhwa and central Maharashtra forest region where accused poached the Leopard.

After the Leopard was poached forest department searched for the poachers and nabbed few poachers with nails and paws but the main accused Gaffar managed to escape with the skin around a year

ago

E-AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY MORTGAGED TO HERO FINCORP LIMITED (HFCL) IN TERMS OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (SARFAESI ACT, 2002) Pursuant to the Notice, dated 24.04.2018, issued under Section 13(2) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 and in compliance of Order, date

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE WITHOUT PREJUDICE

30.04.2019, passed by District Magistrate, Indore in the matters titled "Hero FinCorp Limited Versus New Karnavati Transport Company and Others", the Authorized Officer of HFCL has taken the possession of below-mentioned property in the following loan account, with right to sell the same strictly on "As is where is Basis" & "As is what is Basis" & "whatever there is Basis" & "Without recourse Basis" for realization of HFCL's dues along with all charges, as detailed hereunder. Whereas consequent upon the failure to repay the dues, the undersigned in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 read with Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 proposes to realize the HFCL's dues by sale of the below mentioned property. Whereas the sale of the secured assets is to be made through Public Auction for recovery of the secured debt due to HFCL from the Borrower. The General Public is invited to bid either through personally or by duly authorized agents.

- 1. M/s. New Karnavati Transport Company (Borrower), having its Head office at: No.4, Sudarshan Complex, Panchkuiya Chouraha, Indore, Madhya Prade
- 2. Mr. Arvind Kumar Neema (Co-Borrower), S/o Mr. Govindlal Neema, R/o: 123, Ramchandra Nagar, Main Airport Road, Indore Madhva Pradesh-452005

3. Mr. Rajendra Kumar G Neema (Co-Borrower), S/o Mr. Govindlal Neema, R/o: 123, Ramchandra Nagar, Main Airport Road Indore, Madhya Pradesh-452005 4. Mr. Vinod Neema (Co-Borrower), S/o Mr. Govindlal Neema. R/o: 123. Ramchandra Nacar. Main Airport Road. Indore. Madhva

- 5. Mr. Sanjay Kumar Neema (Co-Borrower), S/o Mr. Jankilal Neema, R/o: 123, Ramchandra Nagar, Main Airport Road, Indore
- Madhva Pradesh-452005; and 6. Ms. Sapna Neema (Co-Borrower), W/o Mr. Sanjay Neema, R/o: 123, Ramchandra Nagar, Main Airport Road, Indore, Madhya
- Loan Agreement dated 30.05.2016 and 05.07.2016 executed between M/s. New Karnavati Transport Company, Mr. Arvind Kumar Neema, Mr. Rajendra Kumar G Neema, Mr. Vinod Neema, Mr. Sanjay Kumar Neema and Ms. Sapna Neema and Hero

Name & Address of the Borrower

HeroFin Corp.

Mahesh Anand and more had a close look at those colourful the city. were tracked which helped to track him and later nabbing him. The operation is Lesser Known Species.

er in the poaching case.

During the investigation it

Former Tourism Minister of Switzerland John Jhander called on Chief Minister Kamal Nath at State Mantralaya in Bhopal on Thursday Pioneer photo

Sanchi Buddha celebrates Teachers' Day uniquely

STAFF REPORTER ■ BHOPAL

Sanchi Buddha A^t Sanchi Budana University, students of all departments organised various cultural and recreational programmes on Teachers' Day. The students observed teachers day on Thursday at Sanchi Buddhist-Indian Knowledge Studies University.

The students also organized several small indoor games with the honor of the teachers, which were enjoyed

by the gurus. The students also heard the sour-sweet experiences of their student life from the teachers.

The teachers also enjoyed eyeing on the black board. aiming, throwing plastic balls in water filled bowls, and spoon races

On the Teachers' Day, the University Registrar, Aditi

Kumar Tripathi, taught the students to become self-contained. He said that the aim of Sanchi University is to study all philosophies of the world in Indian perspective whether it is Christian philosophy, Islam philosophy, Jewish philosophy or any global philosophy. Shri Tripathi said that edu-

cation comes from practice and university students, teachers, employees will work together to make the university world class by their self-discipline and study.

The students also gave a silent theatrical performance on the subject of "Examination is done" which was well appreciated by all.

Everybody played applause at the presentation, displaying the copy in a comical manner. Many teachers also presented their singing talents on stage.

'Prem Kabootar' staged at Bharat Bhavan

STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL

 $A^{\text{comedy play that took the}}_{audience back to the}$ school days 'Prem Kabootar' was staged at Antarang Hall Bharat Bhavan. The play marked the conclusion of BV Karanth Theatre Festival Adranjali on Thursday.

Written by Manav Kaul, the play was directed by Sameep Singh. The play is a hilarious blend of events that were staged in a narrative manner.

Remember that era of starlets and their heroines go school days, those teenage love through the topsy-curvy ride of

affairs, romance in the air and life till they end up being ic dialogues added more zeal in the presentation. enthusiastically following the Kabootar. heroes, heroines and even the

The play is a story about story-lines of Hindi cinema? three friends, who are trying to Let's revive the feelings which find love in their own respecstill bring restlessness and let the tive ways. The first one is butterflies fly in the stomach. Saleem, who is a tailor and a The 'Prem Kabootar' takes casanova, Raju is a tea seller and the third one is Suneel, a you to that ageless moment. Saleem the tailor and a film hero and villain both in his

Casanova, Raju the chai wala own rights. and Suneel the ardent follow-The audience burst into er of Hindi films, who flip-flops laughing as the play was beaufrom being a hero or a villain. tifully carved with situational The magical feel of love for comedy. All the characters left these characters, the chirpy a memorable impression over the audiences. The props, backdrop of the play and the poet-

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- 19. This e-auction sale is subject to confirmation by HFCL.

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- The sale/auction is also subject to conditions prescribed in SARFAESI Act, 2002 (including Rules made thereunder).
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Theatre actor Priti Jha holds workshop

STAFF REPORTER BHOPAL

The theatre aspirants are being trained to improvise the sense of acting, gestures, expressions and emotions.

Through various activities and exercises, Priti Jha a renowned theatre actor and director is conducting a theatre

A theatre workshop is being organised for the youngsters who want to create a niche for themselves in theatre industry or to learn the skills of stage performance or to even brush up their theatrical skills.

The workshop is being organised by Rising Society of Art and Culture. Basically this ticipants are being taught basic workshop is based on acting acting exercises to strengthen

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workshop. The workshop began here from Thursday at Kalibadi hall. Each day the participa their acting foundation. The theatre aspirants have Each day the participants participated in the workshop. will be given different tasks to complete. Like an activity of Also it is a production based workshop and a play is being prepared which will be staged understanding different emo-tions and words related to it like to mark the conclusion of the sad, fear and so on were workshop. During the workshop the aspirants will be taught about explained to the aspirants and how they are expressed on stage was also told to them by Balendra. He said that the parthe importance of physical appearance, music and acting

Ageel to Goyal: Get sheds constructed at railway underbridges

Bhopal: Minister for Minorities Welfare Arif Aqueel has written a letter to the Union Minister for Railways Piyush Goyal, urging him to get the sheds constructed on both sides of all railway under bridges in Bhopal city. Aqueel has said that the rain water is flooded under the bridges as there is no shed on either side of the railway under bridges in

Bhopal city. The Habibganj under bridge is filled with water at least 10 feet deep. As a result, the general

public has to face difficulties in passing through the under bridge. He also mentioned about

the status of Karond and Chhola under bridge. Arif Aqueel said that the way the rail under bridges

have been constructed in Jhansi and Agra Railway Division to Students present cultural progra avoid water on both sides. *SR* (MANIT) in Bhopal on Thursday

Wednesday.

In these four days of strike, the

The transport drivers and

The trouble had started after the

production of the company has not

been affected but the supply of fin-

ished fertilisers to different parts of the State and country was affected,

helpers were protesting cutting down the number of vehicles for fertilisers

change was effected in the transport

carriers. Earlier IFFCO had engaged

one Kalinga Transport Cooperative

Society for transporting fertilisers

from the plant to railway siding at

transportation from the plant.

said an IFFCO official.



Students present cultural programme during diamond jubilee celebrations of Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology (MANIT) in Bhopal on Thursday Pioneer photo

Official Language Hindi Fortnight on

Bhopal: Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya commenced Official Language Hindi Fortnight 2019 to be observed from September 3 to 17, 2019. Under the activities of Official Language in IGRMS organized extempore competition, where employees participated enthusiastically. The program was coordinated by RM Nayal and Garima Anand.

In this year, September 14, on the occasion of Hindi Divas, IGRMS have will organize for members of Friends of Museum a Speech competition on the topic 'The relevance of Gandhi Ji in today's era'. The winners of these competitions will be awarded on the occasion of the closing ceremony on September 17, 2019. SR

Two held for hijacking oil tanker in Baleswar

440 litre diesel, cash of ₹1.78L, pickup van seized

UBACHAK MOHANTY BALESWAR

 $T_{\rm highway}^{\rm he} {\rm Sadar} {\rm police} {\rm on} {\rm Thursday} {\rm arrested} {\rm two} {\rm highway} {\rm looters}, {\rm who} {\rm were} {\rm involved} {\rm in} {\rm hijacking} {\rm an} {\rm oil} {\rm tanker} {\rm and} {\rm siphoning} {\rm oil} {\rm from}$ it, and seized two barrels containing 220 litres of diesel in each.

The arrestees were identified as Kartik Chandra Behera (49) of Gandarda village under the Sadar police station and Sk Imran alias Sk Manan alias Sk Munna (29) of Somnathpur village under the Industrial police station.

The police also seized a pickup van, six empty barrels and ₹1.78 lakh cash from their possessions. They were forwarded to court after being booked.

Earlier the police had found a hijacked lorry bearing registration number WB-19-J-0486, which was empty, near Bangiriposhi.

in theatre.

According to police, the duo on August 28 had hijacked the lorry near Nagram after terrorising the driver and helper of the tanker, at gunpoint, which was heading towards Angul from Haldia of West Bengal.

They miscreants masked and armed with pistol, took the driver and helper along with them and left them at the Jamsola check gate. Soon the driver and helper Dharmbir Rai and Mangal respectively had informed the owner, Jogindra Prasad Shaw, about the mishap after they were let off.

The owner had lodged a complaint with police. Acting on the complaint the police traced the tanker which was fitted with GPS.

The SDPO said that the crime was committed by professional criminals gang and more arrest are likely as more five to six were involved in the crime.

stir called off

PARADIP: After continuous four Rangiagada.

days' "unlawful and illegal" strike by As many as 60 trucks with 160 drivers and helpers were engaged for transporting approximately about 6,000 tonnes of fertiliser on daily transport operators of the Indian Farmers Fertilisers Cooperative Ltd. (IFFCO), Paradip, it was called off by the strikers after interference of the basis. district administration on

Last year, the society's agreement ended and another agency Paradip Paribahan was awarded for the work in March.

However, the new transport company engaged 50 trucks instead of 60 for the job. Protesting the decision, all the drivers and helpers resorted to a strike from Sunday affecting fertiliser transportation from the plant. Meanwhile, appre-hending aggravation of the situation, the district administration clamped the district administration clamped Section 144 outside the IFFCO plant and deployed one platoon of the police force on Wednesday evening to maintain law and order situation.

IFFCO transporters' 7-day Kelucharan Award fest begins

PNS BHUBANESWAR

The inaugural day of the 25th OMC Guru Kelucharan Mohapatra Award Festival was held at the Rabindra Mandap here on Thursday.

The inaugural evening of the seven-day festival commenced with the auspicious lighting of the lamp by eminent dignitaries, like MLA, Baramba Debi Prasad Mishra, Bhajan Samrat Anup Jalota, Chief General Manager, SBI Praveena Kala, chairman, MGM Group Pankaj Lochan Mohanty and director, Srjan, Ratikant Mohapatra.

The highlight of the evening was the performance by celebrated Bhajan singer Jalota. He dedicated the evening's music to the legendary Odishi Guru Kelucharan Mohapatra and as a tribute to Guruji's immense contribution to the classical arts, each rendition was based on a classical Raag. Among his notable songs were the cel-

ebrated Bhajan Aisi Lagi Lagan, set to Raag

Kirvani and Jag Mein Sundar Hain Do Naam set to Raag Gurjari Todi. Bringing in a strong classical touch to his evening's repertoire, Jalota was ably accompanied by Sushree Koyel Tripathy on the vocals, Rashid Khan on the violin, Pradeep Ghosh

tabla, Himanshu Tiwari on guitar.

His recital highlighted his melodious yet owerful voice, with an incredible range, leaving the audience enthralled, followed by the Odishi dance group presentation of Gunjan Dance Academy, Cuttack led by renowned Odishi exponent and disciple of

Guru Kelucharan Mohapatra, Meera Das. Gunjan presented two dance pieces, Moods of Rhythm and Dashavatar. In Taala Roopa, or the Moods of

Rhythm, Gunjan presented a pure dance, exploring styles and patterns of the Odishi Mardala and creating many moods out of these, and celebrating the idea of romance through rhythm.

72 MoUs worth **₹8,071 cr signed** PNS SHIMI A besides adopting holistic approach to cope with the over-

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He said that new advent

Seventy Two Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs) crowded tourists destinations like Shimla and Manali etc.



Madhya Pradesh contractual guest teachers at a rally (left) and teachers perform rituals as they offer Santan Saptami puja (right) during their agitation demanding for regularisation of their jobs on Teachers' Day at Neelam Park in Bhopal on Thursday Pioneer photo

signed with various prospective entrepreneurs under tourism sector by the State Government, Himachal Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur said on Thursday.

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Presiding over a review meeting of tourism department here, he said this was against the target of ₹10,000 crore which have also been uploaded on 'Himpragati' website.

Thakur said that a new tourism policy was being framed and was in the final stage and the focus of new the policy would be on exploring virgin destinations in the state sports rules, 2019 were being framed to promote and regulate adventurous tourism whereas the Himachal Pradesh Tourism Sustainable Development Plan would be ready by the October this year which would ensure planned and systematic tourism development in the state. The chief minister said the

government was developing Janjehli area in Mandi district from eco tourism point of view. He said that the government was also contemplating to construct ropeway from Janjehli to Raigarh and there-after up to Shikari Mata.

Punjab to continue with old fines from traffic violators

State in process of implementing amended motor vehicle act: Minister

PNS CHANDIGARH

Even as the hefty fines on Etraffic violators under the amended Motor Vehicle Act (MVA) are making news from different parts of the country, Punjab Government on Thursday made it clear that it would continue with the old fines, at least "for the time being".

The state Transport Minister Razia Sultana, putting all speculations to rest, asserted that for the time being, the provisions of the amended Motor Vehicle Act would not be applicable in the State. "Until any decision is taken on the implementation of amended Motor Vehicle Act, the old fines would be taken from traffic violators in the State," she said.

The Minister said that ject, the Punjab Government penalties".

will exercise its discretion in implementing some of the provisions of the amended Motor Vehicle Act through which the quantum of fine for traffic related violations has been raised many fold.

"Capt Amarinder Singh led Congress Government in the State is very serious in implementing the stricter traffic discipline among the traffic commuters. The Government is also sensitive to the fact that every day number of innocent

citizen dies in road accidents," she clarified. She maintained that there was "no denying the fact that traffic rule violation is the major cause of road accidents which claims innocents lives every day and commuters must be hammered down to comply to the traffic rules. But, at the

same time, citizen must not be 'transport' being the state sub- reel under the burden of huge



"In a welfare state like India, the idea for such kind of penalties is to deter people from violating the traffic rules, not to increase the state treasury," she said adding that the State Government will soon

take a call on the issue. The Minister pointed that the Congress Government, after coming to power in the state, has taken number of initiatives to curb traffic rules violation

She cited that recently, the Transport Department has decided to equip the traffic police with E-Challan Machines for on spot challan of the traffic rule violators. Likewise, decision to establish Road Safety Secretariat has been taken which will keep eagle's eye on vehicular traffic all across the state and it will be responsible for ensuring compliance of Road Safety Norms, she added.

'Teachers' fight 'Batala factory was running illegally on invalid licence'

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day after 23 lives were lost in Batala Aday after 23 lives were red and firecracker factory, the Punjab Police on Thursday claimed that the cracker manufacturing unit in a densely-populated residential area was running illegally and its licence to manufacture crackers was expired in 2013 putting the district administration in dock.

The residents, who were shaken by the blasts and the death toll, protested against the district administration blaming it for the "criminal negligence" demanding action against the officers involved.

Batala Senior Superintendent of Police Opinderjit Singh Ghumman on Thursday said that the cracker manufacturing unit in a densely-populated residential area was running illegally and its licence was expired in 2013.

"I didn't come to know about it earlier. Otherwise, it would have been closed down...Now, we are checking the licences of all factories in Batala city," he added

He said: "The police has was registered an FIR against the owner in 2017 under section 304 (culpable homicide not amounting to murder) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC). However, no action was taken?

Notably, a similar blast occurred in Hospital in Batala again on Wednesday this area in January 2017, leaving one person dead and three injured.

Gurdaspur Deputy Commissioner Vipul Ujwal admitted that the factory owner had applied for the renewal of licence to manufacture the crackers.

At least 23 people were killed and 27 were left injured after an explosion took place at the firecracker factory in Punjab's Gurdaspur on Wednesday afternoon.

Several cars parked nearby were also damaged in the blast, with locals saying that the explosion was heard a few kilometres away.

The police said that the cause of the blast, which damaged the buildings in radius up to 200 metres, is yet to be ascertained

The teams of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) conducted rescue and relief operations with the help of district administration and the civilians.

Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh, who is yet to visit the spot, has deputed the state Rural Development and Panchayats Minister Tript Rajinder Singh Bajwa to oversee the relief and rescue operations, besides ordering a magisterial probe into the matter.

Bajwa, who had visited the Civil

night, also paid a visit in the morning to inquire about the health of the vic

tims However, NDRF has declared the termination of search operation on

Thursday DC Újwal said that 19 bodies have been identified so far out of which five of the dead were from the families of the owners and identified as Surinder Singh, Paramjit Singh, Onkar Singh, Vikramjit Singh, and Rajinderpal Singh.

Eleven others worked at the factoy. The police identified them as Shamlal, Mukha, Balkar Singh, Lakha Singh, Balkar, Tarlok Singh, Sonu, Manpreet Singh, Alia, Vinay and Lalli. Three local residents - Bimala

Rani, Ramandeep Kaur and Pahulpreet Singh — also died in the blast.

The State Government has announced an ex-gratia payment of Rs two lakh each to the relatives of those killed and Rs 50,000 for each of the seven severely injured.

Congress Rajya Sabha MP Partap Singh Bajwa on Thursday urged the Punjab Government to register cases against the officials responsible for the tragedy. "If the responsibility of any official is not fixed, this kind of incidents will continue to happen in the future as well," he said.

for rights is disgrace for Punjab Govť

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Aam Aadmi Party on Thursday said that it was a disgrace that hundreds of "professionally qualified" teachers in Punjab were protesting for their legitimate rights and were forced to ascending water reservoirs on the 'Teachers Day' for their legitimate rights which had earned optimum disgrace for the Capt Amarinder Singh Government.

"What could be more unfortunate for the unemployed teachers and a vast majority of students who are subjected to suffer due to the indifferent attitude of the government," said the AAP MLA including the leader of Opposition in Vidhan Sabha Harpal Singh Cheema, state core committee chief Principal Budh Ram, and Deputy Leader of Opposition Sarabjit Kaur Manuke, in a joint statement.

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India will not baulk at using strength : Rajnath

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s tension prevails between AIndia and Pakistan after the abrogation of special status under Article 370 for Jammu & Kashmir, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said on Thursday India has never been an aggressor but it does not mean it will baulk at using its strength of defend itself.

He made this statement during a defence dialogue during his ongoing visit to South Korea and called for a collec-tive international action to check perpetrators of terrorism.

He said world politics today is in a state of flux and this has aggravated global and regional challenges to interna-

tional peace and security. He added that new and emerging technologies have impacted the regional as well as global security environment.

Delivering a keynote address at the 'Seoul Defence Dialogue 2019' with the theme, 'Building Peace Together: Challenges and Vision,' Singh said "of the numerous security challenges that the

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RAHUL TAKES JIBE ON TEACHER'S DAY

that of terrorism.

No country in the world is safe from terrorism and India has been actively pursuing counter terrorism cooperation bilaterally, regionally and glob-

ally through UN and other fora, he added. "India has never been an

aggressor in its history nor will it ever be. But that does not mean that India would baulk at using its strength to defend itself," Singh said, in presence of South Korea's top military brass. He arrived in Seoul on

Wednesday on a three-day visit after a two-day visit to Japan. He posted a series of tweets from his handle. In his address, the defence

minister also spoke about the need for common rules-based order in the resource-rich Indo-Pacific region. He said the "order" must be

based on sovereignty and territorial integrity and equality of all nations, irrespective of size and strength, adding India is for an open and inclusive architecture for the region. These observations come

in the backdrop of China world is facing, the gravest is expanding its military presence in the Indo-Pacific region trig-

gering concerns in various countries of the region. The US has been pushing for a bigger role for India in the

Indo-Pacific which is seen by many countries as an effort to contain China's growing clout in the region.

Talking about India's neighbourhood first policy', he said New Delhi is engaged with its neighbours in subregional groupings of IORA (Indian-Ocean Rim Association) and BIMSTEC apart from a trilateral maritime cooperation format with Sri Lanka and Maldives.

Singh also underlined ancient cultural links between India and South Korea and said people of two countries are linked through family ties that can be traced to the legendary Queen Heo Hwangok, who travelled all the way

from Ayodhya to marry King Suro of Gaya in present day Gimhae. These linkages form a strong underpinning for our contemporary ties, he said.

SC allows Mehbooba daughter to meet her

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The Supreme Court on Thursday allowed former Jammu and Kashmir chief minister Mehbooba Mufti's daughter to meet her in Kashmir, where she is under detention following the revocation of the state's special sta-

tus a month ago. A bench headed by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi allowed the PDP chief's daughter Iltija to meet her after she submitted in court that she has no problem in going to their Srinagar home but has not been able to move freely in the city.

The bench, also comprising justices S A Bobde and S A Nazeer, noted that there was no problem in authorities per-mitting Iltija to travel from Chennai, where she is currently staying, to Srinagar to meet her mother

As far as moving around in other parts of Srinagar goes, Iltija can do so subject to the permission from district authorities, the bench said in its order.

SC orders shifting of CPM leader Tarigami to AIIMS from Srinagar PTI NEW DELHI Jammu and Kashmir adminis-

tration on CPI(M) general sec-The Supreme Court on Thursday ordered that ailretary Sitaram Yechury's plea that there was no order for ing CPI(M) leader Mohd Yusuf Tarigami's detention. The bench sought a reply Tarigami be shifted from

Srinagar, where he is under within one week and posted the detention at his home, to matter for further hearing on September 16. "Having perused the report submitted by the AIIMS in Delhi without any delay for better treatment. A bench comprising Chief petitioner (Yechury) pursuant to the order of this court,

Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justices S A Bobde and S A dated August 28, we are of the Nazeer said the shifting will be view that immediate steps done following consultations should be taken to shift Mohammad Yousuf Tarigami between doctors at Srinagar's Sher-i-Kashmir Institute of to the AIIMS, New Delhi. Medical Sciences (SKIMS) and the All India Institute of travel of Tarigami will be decided by the State Government in Medical Sciences.

The bench also issued consultation with the specialists notice to the Centre and the of SKIMS," the bench said.

SC to hear Kashmir Times editor plea on Sep 16 that even after a month of

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Thursday fixed for scrapping of Article 370, jourhearing on September 16 pleas nalists were "not allowed to of the Kashmir Times Editor move freely in the State". and others on alleged communication blockade in Jammu & Tushar Mehta told the court Kashmir. Anuradha Bhasin, that editors of Kashmir Times Executive Editor of Kashmir chose not to publish their Times, told a bench headed by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi

ED arrests ex-JKCA treasurer Mirza for money laundering

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JKCA funds.

Enforcement

Directorate had filed a money

laundering case after taking

cognisance of a CBI FIR and

charge sheet relating to cor-

ruption in the expenditure of

in July last year against

State between 2002-11.

The charge sheet was filed

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The Enforcement Directorate has arrested former Jammu and Kashmir Cricket Association (JKCA) treasurer Ahsan Ahmad Mirza in connection with a money aundering case.

Mirza, alleged to be close to Abdullah and three others for former JKCA chairman and allegedly misappropriating over Rs 43 crore from grants given by the Board of Control for former Ćhief Minister Farooq Abdullah, was arrested last night under the provisions of Cricket in India to the JKCA the Prevention of Money for promoting the sport in the Laundering Act (PMLA). The ED had questioned

The CBI has charged Farooq Abdullah in this case for the first time in July this Abdullah and three others, the then JKCA general secretary Md Saleem Khan, Mirza, and J&K Bank executive Bashir year in Chandigarh.

Mirza is suspected to be privy to financial dealings of Ahmad Misgar, under sections of the Ranbir Penal Code relatthe association and as he was not cooperating in the probe he was placed under arrest, official ed to criminal conspiracy and criminal breach of trust. said. from the State police in 2015 on

Probe found "clear links" of details of the bank accounts used for misappropriation of However, Solicitor General JKCA funds with involvement of Mirza with no satisfactory explanation, they said.

He is will be produced newspaper from Srinagar. PTI before a court on Thursday.

"The time and mode of

However, Farooq Abdullah and his son Omar Abdullah had earlier denied any wrongdoing in the case.

The CBI took over the case

orders of a division bench of

the Jammu and Kashmir High

More than 22K websites hacked in India: CBI

Court.

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More than 22,000 websites were hacked in India in the 10-month period between April 2017 and January 2018, according official figures with the CBI. The CBI, which held a two-day conference on cyber forensics here said cited Union Bank of India's SWIFT, a banking messaging for international transactions, as the biggest international hack in which the hackers siphoned off USD 171 million dollars using the electronic transaction facil

Addressing the first National Conference on Cybercrime Investigation and Forensics, organised by the CBI, Minister of State for Personnel Jitendra Singh said the study of cybercrime is IPIR important for India, keeping in mind that the country has a huge population and the nation is the second-largest interne users in the world. Singh further said the nature of crime also evolves with the evolution of society, which makes it essential on the part of investigative agencies to evolve their techniques of investigation. "Speaking about the recent developments in the country, Dr Singh said that we are in the post-Article 370 abrogation scenario. He expressed concern over the fact that the cyber manipulators are posing risk to the nation by circulating fake videos on the social media, which needs to be addressed," a government statement said.

Health Ministry notifies on setting up of tobacco testing labs

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 $T_{on \ Thursday \ issued \ a}^{he \ Union \ Health \ Ministry}$ much-awaited notification on the setting up of tobacco testing labs for the purpose of testing the nicotine and tar contents in cigarettes and other tobacco products.

These labs are being set up in order to strengthen the enforcement of Cigarettes & Other Tobacco Products (COTPA) 2003 to curb tobacco consumption in the country.

The tobacco testing labs to be set up in Mumbai, Guwahati and Uttar Pradesh would check for nicotine, ammonia and carbon monoxide for which the World Health Organization (WHO's) TobLabNet has already established Standard Operating Precedures (SOPs).

genic or cancer-causing agents.

In most countries across the world tobacco use is synonymous to cigarette smoking. In contrast, tobacco use in India is in multiple forms. Broadly there are two types of tobacco products that are commonly used: smoking tobacco 2019 and smokeless tobacco. Smoking tobacco products

include bidis, manufactured cigarettes, hand-rolled cigarettes, pipes, cigars, hookah, water-pipes and some other smoking tobacco products like chuttas, dhumtiand chillum. Smokeless tobacco is used by either chewing or, applying to the teeth and gums, or inhal-

Smokeless tobacco products used in India include chewing tobacco items such as India is one of the few betel guid with tobacco, khai ni, gutka, paan masala with tobacco. Smokeless tobacco prod-ucts such as mishri, gul, bajjar, gudakhu, etc. are applied to the teeth and gums, and the snuff is inhaled. There are almost 267 mil-- 29.68. lion tobacco users in India. Among adults, 28.6 per cent of the population currently uses tobacco products (men 42.4 per cent; women 14.2 per cent). 21.4 per cent of adults use smokeless tobacco (men 29.6 ly infectious childhood killers cent; women 12.8 per cent). Among youth

India ranks 4th among 194 countries in measles cases, says WHO data

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 $\begin{array}{c} F^{ive \ countries \ in \ the \ South-East \ Asia \ region \ (SEARO)}_{- \ Bhutan, \ DPR \ Korea, \ Maldives, \ Sri \ Lanka \ and \end{array}$ Timor-Leste — may have eliminated measles, but India continues to grapple with 39,299 cases, ranking fourth among 194 countries in the number of measles cases registered between July 2018 and June

These are the latest measles surveillance data released by (WHO).

On Thursday, member Countries of WHO South-East Asia Region resolved to eliminate measles besides rubella by 2023 as a resolution to eliminate the two diseases was adopted at the Seventy-Second Session of WHO Regional Committee for South-East Asia

here in New Delhi. With 39,299 ca

The member countries have also adopted a 'Strategic Plan for Measles and Rubella Elimination 2020-2024' that lays down the road map and focus areas to achieve the elimination

targets in the Region

"The new target to eliminate both the diseases will leverage the existing momentum and strong political commitment which is being demonstrated through unprecedented efforts, progress and successes in recent years," said Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh, Regional Director WHO

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Coordination needed between AI and human compassion for nation building: President

President Ram Nath Kovind pays floral tributes at the portrait of the former President of India, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, on the occasion of his birth anniversary at Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi on Thursday

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beings," the President said. The world is moving from

the World Health Organization

South-East Asia.

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New Delhi: Former Congress

Thursday took a swipe at his political opponents on Teachers'

Day, thanking them for their

stronger."On Teachers' Day, I thank all those from whom I've

learnt, over the years. That

includes the army of social

adversaries, whose vicious

media trolls, some journalists-

with-an-agenda and my political

"vicious barbs, false propaganda and anger" that made him

president Rahul Gandhi on

HRD MINISTRY AWARDS IOE TO FIVE INSTITUTES

New Delhi: The HRD Ministry on Thursday awarded Institution of Eminence (IoE) status to five public institutes including Delhi University, Banaras Hindu University, University of Hyderabad, IIT-Madras and IIT-Kharagpur. The decision was taken following a recommendation made by the LIGC last month on the basis of the advice of an Empowered Expert Committee

SC CALL ON JUSTICE AKIL Elevation Next Week

New Delhi: The Supreme Court Thursday said it will deal next week with a petition seeking direction to the Centre to notify the elevation of Justice Akil Kureshi as the Chief Justice of the Madhya Pradesh High Court.

ICS ORGANISES CANCER AWARENESS EVENT

New Delhi: A basic mobile cancer awareness and detection programme including chest xray, blood profile, and physical examination by specialist doctors was organised here on Thursday by the Indian Cancer Society (ICS) for the benefit of the journalists associated with the Indian Women Press Corp (IWPC) and their family members. Though cancer is a dreaded word when detected early can be completely cured. Dr Raiesh Bhalla, medical advisor, ICS said

FSSAI TRAINED 1.7 LAKHS SUPERVISORS'

New Delhi: To create awareness on healthy eating habits and ensure street vendors meet safety standards, top food regulator FSSAI has trained about 1.7 lakh supervisors over a span of two years, Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan said on Thursday after launchin g a year-long social and mass media campaign 'Eat Right India' with the slogan: 'Sahi Bhojan, Behtar Jeevan'.

countries in the world to have these labs which will test all types of tobacco products in

India and the only country in the South-East Asia Region.

Tobacco testing laboratories is one of the part of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO-FCTC) that India is part of.

By setting up of these tobacco testing labs, India has show it commitment to tobacco control, said a senior official from the Ministry

Tobacco is the only product that does not contains the contents and emissions. According to the WHO,

cigarettes contain 7,000 chemicals of which 70 are carcino-

diseases. Curently, six countries have controlled rubella -(ages 13-15), 14.6 per cent Bangladesh, Bhutan, Maldives, currently use some form of tobacco, the official added. Nepal, Sri Lanka and Timor-

The member countries of

Degradation

the UNCCD have agreed to

achieve the land degradation

neutrality target by 2030 to mit-

Neutrality (LDN) is a state

whereby the amount and qual-

ity of land resources, necessary

to support the ecosystem func-

igate climate change

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bagged the fourth spot after Madagascar (150,976), Ukraine

"Eliminating measles will prevent 500,000 deaths a year in the Region, while eliminat-ing rubella/ CRS would avert (84,394) and Philippines (45,847). However, on the about 55,000 cases of rubella and promote health and wellpositive side, India had the lowest measles incidence rate per million in the top 10 countries being of pregnant woman and infants," the Regional Director Member Countries of said.

WHO South-East Asia Region Measles is particularly dangerous for the poor, as it have now resolved to eliminate attacks malnourished children measles besides rubella by 2023, to prevent deaths and disand those with reduced immuabilities caused by these high-

Measles can cause serious complications, including blindness, encephalitis, severe diarrhoea, ear infection and pneumonia while rubella/ congenital rubella syndrome (CRS) causes irreversible birth defects. **P**on Thursday said there is a need for coordination between artificial intelligence (AI) and human compassion for nation building. Kovind was speaking at an event here to confer national awards to meritorious teachers from across the coun-

"We have abundance of knowledge and then we have good values but in the era of globalisation and competition, we need to have a coordination between artificial intelligence and human compassion, a balance between digital levelling and character building for nation building as it will not only make us knowledgable individuals but better human

era. However, knowledge alone will not be able to ensure the safety of human civilisation. Along with knowledge, it is also necessary to have a conscience. Only when knowledge is combined with wisdom, it can solve human problems," he said.

Forty-six teachers, shortlisted by the Union Human Resource Development Ministry from across the country, were conferred the awards. The awards are given to teachers to acknowledge their contribution and honour their commitment to better quality of school education and enriching the lives of students.

UNCCD members have spent \$6.4 bn on rejuvenation of degraded land, says report

IT SAID THAT MAJORITY

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In the last two years--between July 2017 and June 2019--the member countries of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification's (UNCCD) have spent around USD 6.4 billion for rejuvenation of degraded land. As degraded land loses soil carbon and emits greenhouse gases, it is a major contributor to climate change, according to a report tabled at the 14th Conference of Parties on land desertification being hosted by India.

During a discussion on the latest report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) at the COP 14 to UNCCD, experts said emissions from agriculture, forestry and land use sec-

tor make about one-third of the total global emissions. "Land degradation is the driver of climate change. Degraded land loses soil carbon and emits green house gases due to deforestation and loss of soil carbon," Minal Pathak, one of the authors of the IPCC report, said.

OF THE 1.3 TO 3.2 BILLION PEOPLE AFFECTED BY

LAND DESERTIFICATION ARE LIVING IN POVERTY IN **DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

> According to the report, land degradation adversely affects people's livelihoods and occurs over a quarter of the earth's ice-free land area.

It said that majority of the 1.3 to 3.2 billion people affected by land desertification are living in poverty in developing countries

Highlighting the key findings of the report, Pathak said since 1990, globally the forest area has decreased by 3 per cent.

"Lower carbon density in

re-growing forests compared to carbon stocks before deforestation results in net emissions from land use change. Forest management that reduces carbon stocks of forest land also leads to emissions, but global estimates of these emissions are uncertain," he said.

ed on September 2 and will end Cropland soils have lost 20on September 13.

PNS NEW DELHI 60 per cent of their organic car-

> The India Meteorological Department (IMD) is planning to develop weather forecasting system at the village level, covering an area of 2-3 kilometres, to mitigate the loss of crops and livestock due to climate change. Speaking at the Global South Media Briefing on Desertification by the Centre for Science and Environment, IMD Deputy Director General SD Attri said climate change is the biggest threat facing the world and economic losses form an important part of it.

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tres," he said. "I also want to clarify that An estimated 7,200 participants that include ministers forecast cannot be 100 per and representatives of governcent correct but our target ments, non-government and should be to reduce loss to the intergovernmental organisaproperty and to the livestock," he added. He said 20 years ago, tions, scientists, women and youth from 197 countries are the forecast could be given to attending the event which startthe state level but now it has come down to the district level and block level, which is about

forecasting system at village level

IMD issues operational long range forecast for the monsoon in two stages. First stage forecast is issued in mid-April and consists of quantitative forecast for season

IMD to develop weather

12 kilometres in area.

The IMD issues operational long range forecast for the monsoon in two stages. The first stage forecast is issued in mid-April and consists of quantitative forecast for the season. The second stage forecast is issued by the end of June. It consists of update for the forecast issued in April, a forecast for July rainfall over the country as whole and forecasts for seasonal rainfall over broad rainfall homogeneous regions of India.

Noting that India is warm-

ing up, Attri said though the increasing. "Hence, we need number of cyclones are more expertise in learning how decreasing but its fury is

to manage it," he said.

Condition of Kharif crops good: Tomar

New Delhi: Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Thursday said that the condition of Kharif (summer-sown) crops is good and the country is likely to have bumper production of foodgrains. With better monsoon rains in August, the sowing area of Kharif crops has improved significantly. The crop condition of Kharif crops is "good" and production will be "good", the minister said on the sidelines of global micro-nutrient summit, jointly organised by International Zinc Association (IZA) and Fertilizer Association of India (FAI).

bon content prior to cultiva-tion, and soils under conventional agriculture continue to be a source of greenhouse gases, according to the report, authored by scientists from over 50 countries.



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Auto shutdown

The Government has finally woken up to the chaos it has unleashed, thanks to the fear of massive job losses



A couple of years ago, while addressing the annual conference of the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari had threatened to bulldoze the automotive industry if it did not adapt to an electric future. Persuaded by some deeply flawed metrics used by policy wonks at the Niti Aayog about how India's future mobility was going to be electric, without giving any thought whatsoever about jobs and such other "extraneous" matters, he believed that our country could not

just catch up with China on electric vehicles (EVs) but also take the lead. A few years later, the automotive industry is not only suffering a massive sales slowdown but dull investment on EVs other than some glorified traders importing products from China and pretending to be technology leaders. Meanwhile, the automotive industry that directly and indirectly employs millions of people and affects the economy is talking of huge job losses. The impact of the slowdown is already being felt as suppliers have cut jobs due to reduced demand. This is showing in the towns and villages that support the automotive trade, particularly in the Gurugram-Manesar belt, Pune and Chennai. Everybody, from landlords to barbers and even bars and those who provide more salacious services, has been hit. In this case, like in many others, no serious thought was given to the consequences of the grandiose statements and plans. Suddenly, the fear of job losses and the subsequent social strife are ringing all sorts of alarm bells in the Government, especially at a time when a few States like Haryana and Maharashtra are going for polls in a couple of months. Tamil Nadu, where some plants have been hit, too, would go to polls in a couple of years under this shadow.

So, Gadkari appeared a chastened man at this year's SIAM conference. At least he had the dignity to attend the event unlike fellow Ministers who chickened out. Far from bulldozing the industry, he smacked down the silly talk from the Niti Aayog on electrification and even said that he would speak to the Finance Minister about a duty cut on cars, at least temporarily. But most importantly, he said that he would argue the case for a duty cut on hybrid vehicles as reducing fuel bill and emissions remained a valid concern. Hybrids, not pure electrics, are the best solution for a cost-conscious market like India. In fact, given our reliance on thermal electricity and a lack of charging infrastructure, petrol-electric, plug-in hybrids would have the lowest carbon footprint in the Indian context for now, according to a paper by the Brookings Institution. That could change once India has more power coming from cleaner, renewable sources and has developed both charging infrastructure and mega-battery manufacturing facilities. Electric and other zero-pollution vehicles are still the future, of that there is no doubt. But the plan to rush headlong into electric vehicles without an iota of thought to fairly basic things like battery recycling and ambient heat in India, which severely impacts charging let alone the promise of 24/7 reliable, clean electricity across the country, was a stupid one. Sense seems to have come back in the Government but the senseless actions of a few in the past two years might have already caused the cancer to become malignant.

Cong's rescue or doom?

Sonia has to end faction fights in State units because only its Assembly score can guarantee its revival



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opinion Not a full-stop, it's a comma

The ruling on Section 377 was a watershed moment in Indian history. But a law alone cannot lead to acceptance from society. The challenge is to change perceptions



KESHAV SURI

reat wars are won by conquering small battles. While victory in these encounters needs to be cherished, it should never make one lose focus of the ultimate goal. After all, victory is not achieved overnight and a revolution isn't triggered out of nothing. Having said that, it does give me immense pleasure to ring in a year of dispelling the criminality tag around homosexuality in India. I am equally aware that it is but a drop in the ocean.

It was September 6, 2018, when the Supreme Court scrapped Section 377, decriminalising homosexuality in the country. Celebrations lasted for months, including back at our base in New Delhi. But it was time for us to get out of the festive mode to charter a course for the future. The apex court's verdict could resemble a notification on the phone - sometimes you read it and follow through and on other occasions you ignore it. But this alert could not be ignored. The road ahead for LGBTQIA+ rights in India is more personal and complicated. It is about acceptance and the fight for equal rights. The challenge now is to change individual perceptions. A law or Government ruling cannot force the society into acceptance.

Over the years, in my struggle, I have tried to be a conversation-starter. I have tried to skim a stone on the water in the hope that it will create a ripple effect. My quest is simple: I am not aiming for the stars when I say we all want basic civil liberties. The rights and duties that citizens of this country enjoy should be imparted to one and all.

I want to be a responsible citizen fulfilling my duties and I want the freedom to enjoy my rights. The great Nelson Mandela had said, "To deny people their human rights is to challenge their very humanity." I am waiting for that day when our liberties are not curtailed. When an inclusive and equal opportunity society is not a dream but a given. When respect is not a by-product of sexual orientation. If I sound like a pessimist to some, then I hope to change the perception of the readers by the time he/she reaches the end of this piece.

Take the basic institution of marriage for instance. Gay couples may no longer be prosecuted by law but they still don't have the legal standing to marry in the country. I am happily married today but I could neirough the ceremony here nor does ther go th the country recognise my nuptials. Let's say a couple decides to forego the notion of marriage, they still can't plan a family in our country as it does not permit adoption when it comes to gay couples. Marriage is a beautiful institution and for me, modernity is the freedom to choose the right life partner, irrespective of gender. If family life for gay couples is still a farfetched dream, then basic personal security is not guaranteed either. We take mat-

ters of insurance for granted but the same can't be said for the LGBTQIA+ community. When decided to provide health insurance to my queer employ-ees, I was faced with an uphill task. After intense negotiations, ICICI Lombard came on board for a landmark insurance policy. As part of an all-inclusive drive, we were able to make additions to our employees' health insurance cover. We now provide insurance cover for LGBTQIA+ people and their families, adopted children or those born through surrogacy to heterosexual, same sex couples, single parents and also for sexual reassignment surgeries up to ₹3.5 lakh since May 2018.

I consider the above very important basic civil liberties. But it is shocking that they aren't the only rights being denied to us. The fight for the LGBTOIA+ community is still about survival. Education and ultimately employment are still a pipe dream for most. The lack of these basic rights led us to launch our foundation, whose motto is to embrace, empower and mainstream the LGBTO community. We have been working tirelessly to impart skills that can aid job search. Towards this cause, we provid-

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ed scholarships to trans-stu-dents for a diploma programme in food production and bakery. Companies and institutions need to open their door and truly become equal opportunity workspaces.

In a private capacity, we have provided a platform to the community to express their concerns as we work towards finding solutions. We also organised RISE, India's first job fair for the LGBTQIA+ community, in Bengaluru, which saw healthy participation from corporates and community members seeking jobs. Our organisation is home to over 100 queer employees and we are working everyday to increase this number.

What concerned players can do is hold regular workshops for gender sensitisation and hold therapy sessions to help families and individuals come to terms with their true selves. In fact, to spread the needed allies, now we need accomplices. I believe in this message on a macro level, we country and that's why I continhave put our weight behind short films like Intezaar, Queen, ue to raise my voice for a just U for Usha and Sheer Khurma. As a group, we have worked

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spread the message. I am particularly proud of our book series for children, Elphie. It is an attempt to mould the minds of the younger generation towards the ideas of respect, equality and inclusivity. And when it comes to inclusivity, how can I not mention about our night club that has been the epicentre of the revolution? It popularised drag culture, broke stigmas in many ways and helped people embrace their art and emerge from the closet. Today we have more than 35 drag kings and queens, who perform regularly at our club.

several content creators to

For the record, I am an eternal optimist. I am happy that we are no longer criminals in our country. I don't consider acceptance among society, friends and family a challenge to be ignored. I don't want education, financial freedom, marriage equality to be dreams. We



of hope that blew away with the Modi gale force, a demoralised cadre and scattered ranks still expected to gel as the face of the Opposition and senior leaders being probed, it is at the cusp of an evolution. And that is dependent on whether to continue legacy burdens like an emperor's new clothes or not. The factionalism in State units perhaps presents an oppor-

tunity for the grand old party to become a brand new party. Although the generational change has not quite taken off - what with appointees of the Rahul Gandhi tenure resigning or being forced to step down following their electoral failures — and given the old guard enough room to call the shots again, it is Sonia Gandhi's steadving hand, one that is still respected, that can actually harness mutual strengths. Agreed that Harvana Congress veteran Bhupinder Hooda is representative of the coterie seniors, who have built subsidiary empires without the responsibility of ownership and blackmailed party positions with their turf clout. But he has a command of the grassroots network down to the pore, one that Rahul Gandhi had upset with the appointment of Ashok Tanwar as State unit chief. And although Hooda, a Jat leader, was paired with Kumari Selja, a Dalit face, for the Lok Sabha polls, the Congress strategy fell flat because the leadership paralleled Hooda with its favourite Randeep Singh Surjewala. Now that Hooda has been made Congress Legislature Party chief, he might just stake all his energies that could benefit both him and the Congress. At one time, the party's central leadership thrived on playing warring factions against each other in States to ensure their subservience to it. But now if the Congress wants to rebuild, it has to do so brick by brick, rather State unit by unit. It has to give up its old strategy, back the strongest horse and allow it a free run to get past the finishing line. The success of Punjab Chief Minister, Capt Amarinder Singh, who held back the Modi wave and didn't let the high command interfere in his choices and ticket distribution, shows that efficacious regional leaders can congeal as a spine of the party, considering legacy entitlements aren't working anymore. The history of Congress-run State Governments shows that a continuity has been built only when it has allowed autonomy to the State leader as the Chief Ministerial face. And that it has bungled spectacularly whenever it has played factions ----Madhya Pradesh was at one time a battleground of the Shukla brothers, Arjun Singh, Digvijava Singh and Madhavrao Scindia. One does not need to remind that strong State leaders, who didn't play stooges, now have regional outfits and governments, be it Trinamool Congress chief Mamata Banerjee, YSR Congress chief Jaganmohan Reddy and even the most successful export to the BJP. Himanta Biswa Sarma. Ironic though it may sound, the Congress may now have to borrow a page or two from the BJP's playbook, which has always posited strong and charismatic State leaders, one of whom is now the Prime Minister. Besides, the party is lucky to have a new generation of leaders, who have volunteered to give up privileges of their birth, capital comforts and take charge of States. It is, therefore, important to give due credit and listen to young leaders like Jyotiraditya Scindia, Sachin Pilot and Milind Deora, who want to engage in meaningful politics before fossilising to old age. They did ensure Congress victories in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh Assemblies last year. Sonia would do well to restrain egoistic seniors from sabotaging new enterprise, one that is fuelled by dedication that, if unsatisfied, may turn into a rebellion.

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and equal society. Because I am hard to mobilise various platforms to spread the message of inclusivity and equality. We utilised the powerful written

waiting to celebrate again as we conquer frontier after frontier. (The writer is a hotelier and a prominent LGBTQ+ activist and one among those who filed the petition against Section 377)



LETTERS ТНЕ 0 EDITOR

Safety first

Sir — This refers to the editorial, "Do the crime, pay fine" (September 4). The Government's move to introduce stringent laws for those violating traffic rules is historic and will likely help arrest the rising graph of road accidents besides instilling a sense of discipline in the road users. Statistics speak for themselves: India is one of the most accident-prone countries in the world, accounting for nearly 1,50,000 deaths — 10 per cent of all motor vehicles-related fatalities worldwide.

However, the stringent fines imposed by the Government may not lead to improving safety. For in most such cases, stringent penalties have either not been enforced or have led to bribery and corruption.

Nevertheless, the Act has certain provisions that are wellintentioned. For instance, it goes on to increase insurance penetration. It provides for an enhanced compensation of ₹5 lakh in case of death of a person in a traffic accident and ₹2.5 lakh where there is "grievous hurt." The compensation to be awarded follow-

Execution remains key in bank merger

he Government's decision to amalgamate major Indian banks comes as a surprise even though one understands that such a move has been taken cautiously by the Ministry of Finance. The need for such a step has been explained as a means to infuse capital into the banks as the economy now is staring at a gloomy picture of the markets. Such a restructuring exercise will help minimise bad loans and non-performing assets (NPAs). One will not be surprised if more such plans are implemented in future and set a trend with the concept of amalgamated banking systems in the coming years.

It needs to be seen as to how quickly and effectively such an amalgamated banking entity will penetrate into businesses. Anyway, all banks share a common banking software. It also needs to be seen as to how well the Government will convince such mammoth banks to restructure without affecting customers, employees, the banking union and other such entities. In a bid to succeed in the restructuring and strengthening requirement, it should also be noted that the move may impact the

ing hit-and-run accidents has Shameful act also been raised to ₹2 lakh when

a victim dies and ₹50,000 when he/she suffers a grievous injury. It is to be hoped that the public Sir — This refers to the editorial, "Shooting the messenger" (September 4). The video where at large will follow the set guidelines in the interest of their own children were seen squatting on the floor as they rolled their rotis safety and that of others, too. to have them with a pinch of salt Ramesh G Jethwani Bengaluru was damning. It was astonishing



already declining perception of existing customers and other beneficiaries associated with the otherwise traditional Indian banking system. Innovation is now necessary to be implemented to ensure that customers are moved to the new entity without too many procedural hassles, which would ensure the smooth transition of existing banks to the new ones

Varun Dambal Bengaluru

that the Uttar Pradesh police sought to arrest the journalist to cover up its lapses. In a democracy, people have the right to know what the Government is doing with its money. Even Napoleon Bonaparte feared for the fourth estate than a thousand bullets. As per the guidelines. State

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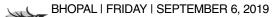
child in a Government or Government-aided primary school one nutritious meal a day which must consist of either roti and vegetables with sovbean or tehri (pulao) or roti with dal. And its not just Uttar Pradesh but there are many other schools in different parts of the country who have been found guilty of grievous lapses. Governments must work towards ensuring the success of the mid-day scheme which is vital for the future of the children.

Sravana Ramachandran Chennai

Welcome move

Sir - In view of the increasing cases of assault on doctors, the draft Bill introduced by the Government, which makes assault of healthcare professionals a criminal offence with an imprisonment of up to five years and fine extending up to ₹5 lakh, is welcome. At the same time, it must work towards uplifting the condition of Government hospitals. Ravi

Via email





FIRSTCOLUMN Crying wolf about a recession?

Some more economic reforms and less shrill voices will help curb the slowdown many fear India is headed for



KUMARDEEP BANERJEE

he room was full of Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) discussing emerging consumer patterns in India. Topics like Artificial Intelligence (AI) dictating consumer choices and innovationled business strategies steered the discussion to what perhaps was the most pressing question on everybody's mind. Is the Indian economy slowing down and are we in the middle of a recession? After a brief pause, the CEO of a multi-national food and beverage company asked, "Are we talking ourselves into a recession? Is the situation really bad or are we painting a gloomy picture on the basis of one dark cloud?"

Given that a dismal five per cent Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has shaken markets and wiped out crone in investor wealth besides giving naysayers the opportunity to gloat, are the reasons for this slowdown lack of Government push, policy errors or the reluctance of industries to adjust to the new normal? While a five per cent GDP growth may be an upsurge for many economies around the globe, for an ambitious India trying to gallop towards a \$5 trillion economy in the next five years, it seems like a setback.

While everyone will agree that the dismal GDP performance was mainly driven by falling consumption, not many will agree that there has been a rapid revolution in the Indian consumption space in the last few years. There has been a tectonic shift in the way Indians consume food (think ordering online vs eating out), stay in hotels (think OYO), commute to work (OLA, Uber, car pooling), or buy mobile phones, electronic goods and clothes (think Flipkart and Amazon)

Clearly, the urban vs semi-rural consumer divide in aspirations is disappearing fast and technology is assisting, if not dictating, consumption. Businesses that were waiting for the digital wave to pass are crumbling as innovation is here to stay.

The consumer is spoilt for choice with several, not so well known players creating niche markets in a space dominated by big players. People are getting the same products cheaper or at the same prices as previous years. The era of hyper-localisation or highly personalised service for consumers is here to stay.

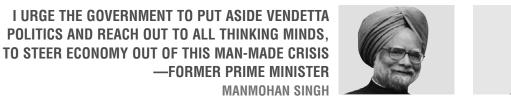
The big story emerging from all this is that technology-led disruptions have severely changed the Indian consumption story. They have led to a deflationary impact on prices, directly hitting bottomlines of industries still used to old patterns of consumption and cyclical consumer behaviour. Companies operating in this unwilling to adapt zone, have failed to deploy technological innovations for divesting their businesses, expanding or creating new market segments for themselves, thereby being forced to shut operations. However, a few bumps in the road are not the last word on the India recession story

A few examples may be worth quoting at this stage. While many say the Indian smartphone segment may see the softest growth this festive season, there are 75 new smartphone launches planned in the next two months. Similarly, while many Fast Moving Consumer Goods (FMCG) players may have seen tapering down of revenues, some like Nestle have actually bucked the trend and seen double digit growth in premium categories. Encouragingly, while overall the real estate sector is facing 'court to consumption' issues, office space and office space rentals are staring at double digit growth. And people may not be buying new houses (whether to live in or for investment purposes) but they definitely are repainting their existing homes more frequently, leading to the paint sector recording a steady growth rate.

Significantly, while the civil aviation sector may be facing headwinds due to various difficulties like costly Aviation Turbine Fuel. governance issues with airlines and one carrier even stopping operations, the premium economy seats in airlines are actually flying fast. The above, recession-defining examples are in no way meant to dissuade the Government from carrying forward surgical strikes on growth barriers or let sticky economic issues take cover behind crucial national security and sovereignty issues, but to propel them faster. Relaxation in Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) limits of some job generating sectors such as coal and single brand retail; fund infusion in major Public Sector Banks (PSBs) and subsequent mergers are likely to free up more capital for small and medium enterprises, home and car buyers. Relaxation in policies and taxes for the automobile sector could be steps in the right direction. But this has to be continuously addressed.

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No vague spaces online

India must understand which e-commerce policies can create uncertainty for firms as addressing them will help it reap benefits innovative technology companies bring



MEGHA PATNAIK

uring Amazon's second quarter earnings announcement recently, its Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Brian Olsavsky commented on India's e-commerce policy and expressed the hope that the Government would provide a stable and predictable policy for the company to continue with its investments in technology and infrastructure. This demand is a new addition to the e-commerce debate and a novel one given that it is coming from a firm already heavily invested in India.

India must understand which policies in the e-commerce space can create uncertainty for companies, as addressing them will help the country reap the benefits innovative technology companies can bring to the table. Amazon services bring in jobs and investment to local economies globally and in India, along with inno-vation and knowledge that will help companies

vation and knowledge that will help companies grow and improve productivity. Amazon's inauguration of its Hyderabad-based office, that is the single-largest till now globally, housing 15,000 employees across 1.8 million square feet of space, is proof that it con-siders India a viable business environment despite the regulatory hurdles faced in tariffs, taxes, stringent Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) taxes, stringent Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)

norms and ever-changing data regulations. Globally, site selection by large multination-als follows an intensive bidding process, with US states offering incentives to woo them. Last year, the firm narrowed down its Amazon HQ2 locations, choosing Northern Virginia over New York. There were a total of 238 bids for the site. Some states, most notably New Jersey and Maryland, offered multi-billion dollar incentive packages - \$7 billion and \$8.5 billion, respectively - to Amazon, but did not make it to the shortlist. After taking into consideration the exist-ing availability of skilled workers, the infrastructure, cost of doing business and a stable business environment, the tipping factor which influenced the location decision was the pushback in the New York location, in contrast to a warm welcome from the community in Virginia, despite its moderate offer of \$750 million in incentives.

Governments bid aggressively and offer entives to attract successful multinationals as



volatility from the shock induces an overshoot in output, employment and productivity. Thus, uncertainty shocks generate short sharp recessions and

All this affects long-term investments that are irreversible in nature and for which horizons for cost recovery can run into years. This would include innovation and research and development investments, ventures into new markets and infrastructure development. When there is a lack of stability and certainty in the future actions of the Government and regulators, enterprises hold back from investing in these dimensions. This, in turn, limits the impact of such firms that can come from long-term investments, including benefits to employ-ment, wages and growth.

The role of economic and policy uncertainty at the macro-economic level has been measured globally and has recently been highlighted in the

merce space.

e-commerce space which increase uncertainty for businesses and thus deter investment: The draft National e-Commerce Policy rules earlier this year, preventing companies from influencing prices or selling products in which they hold stakes, disrupted business plans for e-commerce firms. It pushed firms back to the drawing board to ensure they can comply with the current regulations while limiting losses that arose from lack of clear direction from the start. The final e-commerce policy has been held back for another year, putting the investments of businesses in this sector in jeopardy during the interim months.

Here are a few of the policies in the

The recent recommendation by a high-level Government panel to do away with the need for foreign firms to store a copy of all personal non-critical data in India will help companies, though the decision on data localisa-

depends highly on data-driven market-ing and heavy use of its item-to-item collaborative filtering algorithm for customer recommendations.

A code submission requirement is a coercive technique aimed at achieving the transfer of technology and local needs. Technology transfers happen in an organic and legitimate manner through managers and employees developing skills and passing them onwards in data communities or by moving across companies. Whether this will come into effect through the final e-commerce policy will remain unresolved till mid-2020

Multiple guidelines can also cause delays in the resolution of uncertainty. The RBI's Report of the Working Group on FinTech and Digital Banking includes e-aggregators, Robo advisers and Big Data all under FinTech. E-commerce firms, which are data-intensive and provide multiple services, will be included under this description. The Ministry of Finance FinTech Steering Committee report remains pending that will recommend another set of guidelines on regulation around technology-enabled activities in India. For India to reap benefits from global multinationals such as Amazon, we need to provide companies exactly what they are asking for -a stable and predictable policy environment that can foster investment and infrastructure development. Early investments from large innovative companies will give a head start to India, enabling it to pick up technologies from global leaders and push domestic innovation forward faster as well. This is critical for a capital-scarce country like India, which is aspiring to become a \$5 trillion economy in the next five years. (The writer is faculty, ISI Delhi and Fellow at the Esya Centre)

Recent announcements by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman are a welcome step but a war room set-up comprising key officials from various Ministries monitoring the situation and taking calls on the move may be good from the market optics point of view. This way at least, India won't shout itself into a recession.

(The writer is a policy analyst)

these firms generate economic activity through supporting and linked businesses, upskill workers and increase the uptake of more structured management practices, thus improving the overall productivity of local companies.

Recent research found that such million-dollar plants lead to significant increases in management, productivity and employment by the incumbent firm that boosts the local economy.

There is a stronger effect through companies which are in sectors where there are frequent flows in managerial labour from the plant's industry, found by comparing incumbent firms in locations, which were the winners of the bidding process with the runners-up who narrowly missed being selected for the site.

Policy uncertainty deters companies from investing and hiring. When organisations are unclear about the future economic environment, they hold back on investing until policies become clear. Productivity growth also falls because this pause in activity freezes reallocation across units. In the medium-term, the increased

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2019 Economic Survey. An index is created by quantifying newspaper coverage of policy-related economic uncertainty mentions in the national newspapers, through combinations of keywords related to policy and uncertainty. This measure correlates strongly with stock market volatility measures, such as the India VIX Index. This measure is used globally to study the effects of events such as Brexit, the US-China trade wars and so on.

A less understood concept is that enterprises can also face uncertainty at sectoral, geographical and individual levels. Industry-level uncertainty can be measured through surveying firms sampled across sectors, asking them about expectations of future growth and costs at various horizons. Though this is harder to capture, it is amply clear that Amazon's statement alludes to policy uncertainty in the e-com-

tion remains to be made.

Under data localisation, foreign companies would need to redesign internal algorithms to access data locally, pay up for new servers and face costs to protect data in less-secure environments. There is also uncertainty as to what constitutes non-critical data and how it would interact and overlap with critical data. E-commerce companies still face policy uncertainty while the due process of discussions with various Government bodies and stakeholders regarding data localisation is completed. We soon expect to hear from the Prime Minister's Office on data localisation. The announcements, though not final, do offer direction and some insights into the Government's thought process.

Ă related issue is the disclosure requirement of source code under the draft e-commerce policy. Amazon

What makes apologists tick?

They often have a strange combination of helplessness against ideas they may not subscribe to and an optimism that somehow their end result will be for the better. Hence, they can be safely called defeatist-optimists



NADEEM PARACHA

often understand apologists as defeatist-optimists. In the 1990s, when I worked as a reporter at an English daily, one of my assistant editors explained the 1996 take-over of Afghanistan by the Taliban in the following manner: "They may be extreme in the way they view and practise Islam, but at least they will get rid of the warlords and the loot, plunder and chaos that these war-

lords are causing." In Pakistan, between 2007 and 2015, when suicide bombings by extremists were killing civilians, cops, soldiers and politicians with reckless abandon, one often saw men (and some women) on TV talk shows, condemning the killings.

But, at the same time, they were also admonishing the so-called economic and political reasons which were supposedly making young men blow themselves up amidst crowds of innocent men, women and children. They were urging the State and Government to "hold negotiations" and "talks" with the extremists because, according to them, the extremists' grudges against the State and society were legitimate. Those urging this became known as apologists.

The apologists didn't necessarily hold the same degree of views held by the extremists. Helpless to regulate the extremist narrative according to their own traditionalist ideas of faith and morality, they began to look for ways to rationalise the violence and, sometimes, even see a rainbow at the culmination of a terrorist attack. Therefore, defeatist-optimists.

This was like rationalising nihilism in an acceptable TV-friendly manner and then, perverted as this may seem, seeing an imaginary silver lining. Most apologists looked

quite like the ones they were apol-ogising for. But not always. There were also those who could speak fluent English, were educated in the West and proudly identified themselves with the Left or real liberalism. Scholar and author Afia S Zia writes in her 2019 essay Class is dead, but faith never dies that a flurry of scholarship from Pakistani "activistacademics" (largely based in the West) emerged from a post-9/11 Empire anxiety.

Those who attacked the World Trade Center with the two hijacked planes and killed over 3,000 people, described the act as an attack on US arrogance, imperialism, decadence and enforced modernity. A week after the attacks, an acquaintance of mine, who was with me in a Leftwing student organisation at college in the 1980s and till a few years ago taught sociology at a college in Berlin, said: "Even though I disagree with the ideology of those who carried out the attack, this was the only way left to rebuff American arrogance and make them think twice

this gentleman, who had felt help-less at the fall of Communism in the 1990s, saw a rainbow at the end of the 9/11 attacks.

Of course, the attacks caused at least two more full-fledged US invasions in Afghanistan and Iraq, and a truly testing period for Muslims across the globe. In her essay, Zia writes that post-9/11 scholarship on Muslim identity became a cash cow. Post-modernism, post-structuralism, anthropology, Edward Said's Orientalism, et al, were still popular on American and European campuses when 9/11 shook the world in 2001. In the wake of reactions against Muslims after the attack, these academic disciplines that had largely been formulated by

the western academia from the 1970s onwards and had put to the sword ideas of economic, social and political modernity, were refigured to fit the idea of the evil West and remnants of modernity in the context of the post-9/11 world.

For example, Islamophobia was a distasteful and discriminatory before attacking other countries." So, reaction by some segments in

Europe and the US. But in an attempt to censure it, the post-9/11 scholarship by various West-based Muslim scholars ended up providing apologia for those who refused to see anything problematic in the thinking which led to 9/11 and instead continued to put all blame on the West. Islamophobia was thus trivialised and shrunk into becoming an intransigent postmodernist idiom.

Zia critiques this tendency by evaluating the manner in which modern Pakistani women academics, operating from universities in the West, treated the subject of women's rights in Pakistan. She writes that these scholars and authors identify with the Left or Left-liberal tendencies but their thinking is at best, reactionary.

Zia is of the view that they are quicker to attack Pakistani liberals than they are Islamists, believing that the liberals are elitist. Zia demonstrates that the elite alone were not ble of operating outside her kitchen? involved in the battle for women's And what about the elite who are rights in Pakistan. A lot of work done to improve the economic, equally involved in this pursuit (e.g.

undertaken by common everyday groups of women. According to Zia, the scholars she critiques have casually ignored such groups, many of whom were also confronting the Islamists head-on. Instead, since scholarship based on an anthropological understanding of Muslim identity became an academic trend, the mentioned scholars began to romanticise and search for rainbows in the condition of those non-elite women who are forced to operate in masculine concepts of piety.

Book after book appeared explaining that such common (nonelite) women were taking rational steps to use concepts of piety such as the *hijab* to become active in the public sphere. But Zia questions this assumption. She asks how could a woman, who accepts a masculine idea of piety and morality, be seen as a challenge to a worldview which refuses to accept her as anyone capa-

social and political condition of the upper-crust Farhat Hashmi phe-nomenon, brilliantly examined by nomenon, brilliantly examined by Sadaf Ahmad in Transforming Faith)? What are they using piety for? Zia sees the critiqued scholarship as an inadvertent apologia for forces that are an impediment to reform regarding women's rights in Pakistan.

> In her book Modernism, Islam Secularism in Turkey, Turkish sociologist Alev Cinar writes that, in the 1990s when some women in Turkey defied a ban on the headscarf, they claimed that wearing the hijab liberates women from the male gaze in public. Cinar writes that by doing this they acknowledged that the public sphere was dominated by the male gaze and will remain

> This actually defeated the purpose of women's rights, which should be to neutralise the public sphere and make it gender-equal. Therefore, this is a defeatist approach which still looks for male validation for women's participation in the public sphere.

(Courtesy: The Dawn)

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Man beaten to death in **UP over ₹180 food bill**

Baba, a religious congregation of Muslims, in Salat village in

Bhadohi (UP): A 25-year-old man was beaten to death by a hotel owner and its waiters following a dispute over a bill of Rs 180 in Uttar Pradesh's Bhadohi district, police said on Thursday.

Suraj Singh and Vishal Dubey were beaten up with sticks and rods on Wednesday after they got into an argument with Gurmail Singh over their to Hindus at a community dinner bill, Superintendent of Police (SP) Ram Badan feast during a 'urs' festival in Uttar Pradesh's Mahoba dis-Singh said. trict, police said on Thursday. The feast was organised during the 'urs' of Sheikh Peer

Though Dubey managed to flee, Suraj Singh was caught and thrashed. He succumbed to injuries, he said.

The incident took place at Sardar Dhabha near Mahrajganj and the dispute was over a bill of Rs 180, the SP said.

The hotel's owner, Gurmail Singh, and his son Surendra Singh have been arrested, while two waiters of the hotel are at large, police said. PTI

Case against 43 for serving non-veg biryani to Hindus

Banda (UP): A case has been ments of Hindus. Strict action registered against 43 people for is needed in the matter,' serving non-vegetarian biryani

Rajpoot told reporters. The FIR was lodged under various sections of the IPC, including 153A (promoting enmity between different groups on ground of religion), 295 Å (deliberate and malicious acts, intended to outrage religious feelings of any class by

insulting its religion or religious beliefs), 420 (fraud) and 506 Charkhari area on August 31, The FIR was registered on (criminal intimidation). Wednesday after intervention of BJP MLA Brijbhushan Superintendent of Police Swami Nath said it was not true Rajpoot, who visited the area that people were deliberately

on Tuesday and some villagers served non-veg biryani. "A probe is on in the matraised the matter with him. "The biryani was deliberter. No arrests have so far been ately served to hurt the sentimade," he said. PTI



still feared trapped under the debris of the building, said to be over eight decades old, fire broade along with local resi-dents and policemen are engaged in sifting through the rubble in search of survivors, said Assistant Fire Officer PS Parmar.

said officials.

Rescue teams have so far pulled out eight persons alive from the rubble and referred them to government run-LG Hospital, he added.

Of the total 11 people referred to the hospital, three an elderly couple and a 36-year-

Amaravati: Andhra Pradesh

'brought dead' by doctors, said hospital authorities, adding eight others are currently under Andhra aims to achieve

He said that teachers play

old woman - were declared as

AHMEDABADBUILDINGCOLLAPSE

hmedabad Fire and Emergency treatment The deceased were identified as Baldev Suri (84), his wife Vimala Suri (80) and one Asha

to 20 people belonging to different families and living as tenants were inside the three storey building when it came

As many as 20 firefighting vehicles were rushed to the spot for the rescue operation. Police and local residents

joined the operation to rescue the trapped people by remov-ing concrete chunks and other materials.

"The rescue operation is still on as we suspect that four more persons are still trapped under the debris.

"Locals told us the building was around 80 years old and four to five families were living said Deputy Commissioner of Police, Akshayraj Makwana. PTI

Service personnel carry out rescue there," works after a building collapsed in Ahmedabad on Thursday Summons to Kumaraswamy, 15

RPF seizes contraband items worth ₹73 lakh

Guwahati: Railway Protection Force (RPF) personnel of Northeast Frontier (NF) Railway have seized contraband items worth about ₹73 lakh during the last fortnight of August, a railway spokesman said on Thursday.

The contraband items include narcotics, foreign ciga-rettes and more than 93 kg ganja was seized during regular checks at various stations and trains, NF Railway Spokesman Subhanan Chanda said.

During the same period, the RPF also rescued 51 chil-

in queue for urea dies in T dren at different stations in Assam, West Bengal and Bihar

they said.

and handed them over to their respective guardians, Chanda said. The RPF also continued its

Katihar railway stations.

Achimayipally village, went to the Primary Agriculture Cooperative Society office at During the fortnight, RPF Dubbak and stood in the queue has also apprehended three but suddenly collapsed after touts and handed them over to which he was rushed to the police for necessary action, Chanda added.

Hyderabad: Amid claims of urea shortage in Telangana, a 69-year-old farmer collapsed and died reportedly after suffering cardiac arrest while

standing in queue for buying the fertilizer in Siddipet district drive against offenders involved in stealing mobile phones, cash and other belongings of pason Thursday, police said. G Yellaiah, a native of sengers and apprehended five persons from Furkating and

PTI nearby Government hospital where doctors declared him bought dead, they said. SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

Farmers demanded that the state government release ex-gratia to the bereaved fam-

An agriculture official said farmers gathered in large numbers as the urea stock arrived. "We gave them tokens to stand in the queue and suddenly one of them collapsed ...,

Farmer standing Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy on Thursday said that the State is aiming to achieve 100 per cent literacy in the next five years.

cation system by strengthening

down the rate to zero per cent, he told the teachers and offi-

before and after the renovation.

IANS

others in land denotification case tigation but six months ago,

Bengaluru: A special court set up to try public representatives has issued summons to former Chief Minister H D Kumaraswamy and 15 others in a case of alleged illegal denotification of land meant for a

The court asked Kumaraswamy and others to appear before it in person on

The matter pertains to the alleged illegal denotification of three acres and 34 guntas of land in Halage Vaderahalli village here. One acre is equal to 40 guntas of land.

Annual Harmukh Yatra kicks off amid tight security

Srinagar: Amid tight security arrangements, the annual Harmukh Yatra kicked off from Ganderbal district in Jammu & Kashmir on Thursday.

police said. "The annual Harmukh Yatra started today. All yatris police station and damaged have started the ascent to the vehicles after a mentally chal-Holy Lake Gangbal. The district lenged man attacked a hawker administration along with Army during an argument in Jaipur's and paramilitary forces have made excellent arrangements," Vinod Pandit, Chairman of the All Party Migrants Coordination Committee said in a tweet.

According to district offipolice station. ials, the pilgrimage to the

The land was meant for developing Banashankari fifth when Kumaraswamy was the chief minister, the police filed stage layout in Halage which Vaderahalli, a 'B' Report in the matter with Kumaraswamy had allegedly the Lokayukta special court. A 'B' Report seeks court denotified illegally.

Petitioner Mahadeva directions for closure of the Swamy of Chamarajnagar has case on grounds of absence of alleged Kumaraswamy had illeevidence to prosecute the gally denotified the BDA (Bengaluru Development Authority) land before stepping down as chief minister in 2007.

Swamy had lodged a complaint in 2012 with the okavukta, following which the Lokayukta police registered a case and started inves-

alleged offender. Swamy had moved the court, opposing the filing of the "B Report" and the special court issued summons to Kumaraswamy and 15 others on Wednesday, after adjudicating Swamy's protest application in the matter.

Man killed in axe attack in Jaipur; 9 injured in ensuing violence

Jaipur: Nine people, most of Jain said. them policemen, were injured

After the axe attack, a group of people turned violent and pelted stones at a police station. They damaged the window panes and a vehicle, the police officer said.

Police had to resort to baton charge to disperse the

Khonagorian area, they said. A case had been registered A former BJP MLA was against Rafiq and additional also hurt, police said. But it was force had been deployed in the not immediately clear whether area to maintain law and order, it was during the violence at the the DCP said.

Jain said some people tried The stone-pelting left se give the incident a communal colour and efforts are on to identify them. The situation is under control, he added. The officer said the injured former MLA Kailash Verma was admitted to a state-run IANS of Police (Jaipur-East) Rahul hospital.

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Age: 35 Years, Height: 5', Complexion: Fair, Face Lambotra, Wearing : Red colour sari and red colour blouse. Any person is having any information/Clue about this

the official said. The incident created a furore with the opposition Congress and BJP hitting out at the State Government. **PTI**

and ethical grounds. Addressing a function to mark Teachers' Day in ment started many path-break-Vijayawada, he called for sweeping changes in the edu-

cent per cent literacy: CM

the Government schools and improving the enrolment rate. Noting that the rate of illiteracy is higher in the State, he underlined the need to

make it zero. "While the national average illiteracy rate is 27 per cent, our State stands at 33 per cent which is not a good sign and with the Government initiatives and your commitment we can bring

standard of education, the Chief Minister said the goal can be achieved only with the active participation of teachers. He said 'Amma Vodia', fees reimbursement and paying ₹20,000 annually for hostel and mess charges were some of

the initiatives from the Government to encourage enrolment, but it is the teacher who has to mould the child as

structure of Government-run schools will be improved in three years. The Government will make public a pictorial comparison of the schools

'We have to go in for the active participation of parents in the child's education with periodic interaction with teachers besides converting all Government schools into English medium schools which will draw the attention of more and more parents towards Government schools," he said.

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Tender No.06/EE(Pathri)/2019-20

The office of Executive Engineer (M&G), Pathri Power House Bahadrabad, Hardwar, invites sealed Tenders from the experienced Firms for the following supply / works:-

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2. Earnest Money	: Rs. 25,650/-
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Cost of Tender Rs. 590/ Last date for downloading of tender documents : 28.09.2019 up to 14.00 Hrs.

5. Last date for submission of tenders : 28.09.2019 up to 16.00 Hrs. 6. Date of opening of Tenders : 01.10.2019 at 11.00 Hrs

For Eligibility Criteria and fuller and further details kindly visit out website. These tenders are available on our website www.uttarakhandjalvidyut.com with the facility to download the tender EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

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Government of Jammu and Kashmir Office of the Execuitive Engineer, Electric Maintt. & R.E. Division, Kathua Email:- xenmrekathua123@gmail.com, (Ph./Fax Nos: 01922-236945 & 01922-234637) SHORT TERM NOTICE INVITING e-TENDERS e-NIT No. KED/14 of 2019 Dated: 02-09-2019

For and on behalf of Governor of J&K State, e- tenders valid for 360 days, are hereby invited for Fixing of Rate Contract for Repair/replacement of defective Street Lights and all allied accessories from Shastri Nagar Point to Hatli Morh Point (34 nos.) and from canal Point to Kalibari Point (33 nos.) Under the jurisdiction of EM&RE Division Kathua from approved "A" Class Electrica contractors having valid registration Certificate from Inspectior agency of JKPDD/Registered Contractors with MES/CPWD and Eligible Self Help Groups having sufficient experience of the relevant iob and meeting Qualification Criteria as per e-NIT

The tender document is available on website http://jktenders.gov.in Interested bidders may view or download the e-Bid document, see clarification and submit their e-Bid online up to date as per the detail nentioned in the table below:

A. Date & Time of downloading of Standard Bidding Document The Standard Bidding Document can be downloaded ove http://jktenders.gov.in from 02-09-2019 02:00 PM onwards B. Clarifications start date :- 02nd September 2019 02:00 PM C. Clarifications end date :- 03rd September 2019, 01:00 PM D. Pre-Bid meeting :- 03" September 2019, 01:30 PM E. e-Bid submission (start) date & time (Submission of e-tender fee, EMD and other supporting documents in PDF/XLS format) 03rd September 2019, onwards F. e-Bid submission (end) date & time (Submission of e-tende fee, EMD and other supporting documents in PDF/XLS format)

09th September 2019, 02:00 PM G. Online Commercial and Technical e-Bid opening date & Time)9th September 2019 . 03.00PM

	Sd/- (Er. Mohd Shaffi)
No. DIP/J-2489-P/19	
Dated: 04.09.2019	Executive Engineer, EM&RE Division Kathua

Indian navy ships to make port call at Cambodia from Sept 5-19

Visakhapatnam: As part of Indian Navy's Overseas Deployment to South East Asiaand Western Pacific, Indian Navy ships Sahyadri and Kiltan are making a port call at Sihanoukville, Cambodia from September 5 to 19.

The ships are part of the Indian Navy's Eastern Fleet under the Operational Command of Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command, based at Visakhapatnam, according to a navy release "The port call is a demon-

stration of India's warm ties with Cambodia," it said.

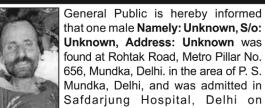
According to the release, Sahyadri, under the command of Capt Ashwin Arvind andKiltan, under Cdr Ginto George Chacko, are the latest, indigenously designed and built multi-role Guided Missile Stealth Frigate and Anti-

Submarine Warfare Corvette respectively. The two ships, equipped with a array of weapons and

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sensors, can carry multi-role helicopters and represent the

UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY



Unknown, Address: Unknown was found at Rohtak Road, Metro Pillar No. 656, Mundka, Delhi. in the area of P. S. Mundka, Delhi, and was admitted in Safdarjung Hospital, Delhi on

26.08.2019 vide MLC No. 13538/19. During the Treatment Doctors declared him dead on 26.08.2019. In this regard a case has been lodged vide DD No. 38-A, dated 26.08.2019 at P. S. Mundka, Delhi. The description of the dead person is as under:-Age: approx 40 years, Sex: Male, Height: 5'8", Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Blue colour Shirt and Black colour pant. If any one having any information about this dead person please inform SHO undersigned. P.S. Mundka, Delhi

Ph.: 8586932309, 7065036126



An Indian Navy ship makes a port call at Sihanoukville, Cambodia, on Thursday. The ships are part of the Indian Navy's Eastern Fleet under the Operational Command of Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command, based at Visakhapatnam

'coming of age' of Indias war-

ship building capabilities. During the port call, there would be professional interactions between personnel of both the navies, official calls and interaction with dignitaries of the Royal Cambodian Navy In addition, social engagements, visits by local populace and various sports events are

also planned during the visit. On completion of the visit,Indian Ñavy and Royal Cambodian Navy ships would be undertaking a Passage Exercise at sea, to further build on the levels of interoperabil-

ity between the navies to

ensure peaceful and secure seas for all. The visit would further bolster the strong bonds of friendship between the two countries and contribute to the security and stability in the region, the release added. PTI

Harmukh-Gangbal lake situated at an elevation of 3,570 meters started from Ganderbal district on early Thursday morning after a group of Pandit pilgrims left for ancient Harmukh-Gangbal yatra.

policemen and a media person injured.

here in violence triggered by a

fatal axe attack on a hawker,

A mob pelted stones at a

Rafiq, 45, had an argument with Munna Vaishnav, 40, and he attacked the hawker in a fit of rage, Deputy Commissioner

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2.	Dy. Chief Chemist.	1 No., General	Academic: B.Sc. Degree (Ilnd Division) with Physics Chemistry & Mat OR Chemical Engineering plus ANSI/VSI Ilnd Division (Suga Technology). Experience: 5 years as Mfg. Chemist. Knowledge c Computer is necessary. Computer Course upto '0' level will be preferred
3	Dy. Chief Engineer	1 No., General	Academic: Degree in Mechanical/ Electrical/ Instrumentatio Engineering (55% marks) Experience: 6 years experience as Asstt. Engineer in Sugar Industry Knowledge of Computer is necessary. Computer Course upto 'O' leve will be preferred. OR Academic: Diploma in Mechanical/ Electrical/ Instrumentatio Engineering (55% marks). Experience: 8 years exp. as Asstt. Engineer in Sugar Industry. Preference will be given to those who possess Sugar Engineering Certificate from NSI or Boiler Operation Engineering Certificate Knowledge of Computer is necessary. Computer Course upto 'O' leve will be preferred.
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MANAGING DIRECTOR

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Arif Khan to take charge as Kerala Guv today

Thiruvananthapuram: Kerala Governor-designate Arif Mohammad Khan will take charge of his office on Friday morning at the Raj Bhavan here.

The former Union Minister arrived here in the morning and was received by State Minister KT Jaleel.

Other State Ministers also visited the Governor-designate and exchanged pleasantries.

After inspecting a guard of met the staff. honour, Khan left for Raj Bhavan, his official residence Honble Governor Shri Arif

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Mohammed Khan will be held at Raj Bhavan auditorium at 11:00 am on September 6," a Raj Bhavan release said. Khan, who was appointed as the 22nd Governor of the state on September 1, will be

administered the oath by Kerala High Court Chief Justice Hrishikesh Roy. Khan, 68, will be replacing Justice (Retd) P Sathasivam,

who left for Chennai yesterday after being the Governor for five years since 2014. PTI

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accompanying the Chief Minister in his official tour to

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College students dress in traditional clothes to celebrate Onam festival in Kochi on Thursday

Leh's first Mobile Science Exhibition van flagged off

Leh: Leh's first Mobile Science Exhibition (MSE) van was flagged off on Thursday by Union Tourism and Culture Minister Prahlad Singh Patel from the iconic Leh Palace here.

The vehicle will hold lectures and sky observation sessions for school students, among other programmes.

According to the officials in the Ministry of Culture, the vehicle will travel across the Ladakh region to promote science and technology among the vouth. The Ministry will also flag-off 24 more such vans from different parts of the country on Thursday. Originally launched in 1965 as Mobile Science Museum (MSM), these vans have science exhibits and hold exhibitions throughout the year at schools in rural areas, except during vaca-

Minister Narendra Modi, today we are adding 25 more such vans in one go, taking the total number to 48," Patel said.

"From today onwards, the 24 other vans will also be launched simultaneously across the country," he added.

The programmes aim to popularise science and technology among people.

"Over next 5 years, we will add 25 new vans every year. Twenty-five vans are being added in September 2019, which is also part of 100-day achievement of this government," said Nirupama Kotru, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Culture. IANS

"We had only 23 MSE vans since 1965. But thanks to Prime

Teachers take to streets in Patna on Teachers' Day

Patna: On Teachers' Day, thousands of contractual teachers descended on the streets with their demand of 'equal work, equal pay' and raising slogans against the Nitish Kumar Government

The contractual teachers from across the state reached Patna's Gardanibagh area on Thursday morning and launched their protest under the banner of TET, STET passed Teachers' Association.

the government is not ready to listen to the demands of the contractual teachers.

work and service conditions on par with regular teachers. The contractual school teachers also decided to boycott the main official functions organised on Teachers' Day. The Association also appealed to the teachers who have been selected for awards by the state government not to receive them.

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SOUTH DELHI MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OFFICE OF THE EX. ENGG. (ELECT)/WZ

NIT NO. EE/Electrical/WestZone/2019-20/10, Line no-01, dated 04/09/2019, NOW:- Providing and fixing of GI Octagonal poles alongwith allied accessories and LED Street light fitting in various parks in LIG Janta flat. Shiv Vihar and Hastsal village and at other dark spots in ward no. 21-S Hastsal under West zone.

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here on Thursday.

The president of the Association Markandey Pathak said that

The contractual teachers' demands include equal pay for equal

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roping in US based industrialists like Warren Knapp, Melissa Kessler, Mark Johnson and Manish Bhandari. The two day gathering held at Manhattan in US on Wednesday and Thursday duced by his government to attracted more than 200

Stalin of the DMK has given a befitting reply to the latter by

prospective investors who were looking for avenues to invest in India. The chief minister explained to them that his government has earmarked 8,000 acres of land along the Defence Corridor and also announced details of the singledoor window system intro-

Palaniswamy. As part of his mission to set p a world class dairy unit in his constituency of Edappady in Salem, the Chief Minister visited an animal farm in Buffalo in US on Tuesday. Accompanied by dairy devel-

make the process of doing business in Tamil Nadu an

easy proposition. A portal

exclusively meant for the Tamil

diaspora wishing to invest in

the State too was dedicated by

opment minister Rajendra Bhallajee, the chief minister enquired with the farm management about the good practices being pursued by the animal farm to increase the output as well as the science behind preserving the native breeds and how to create breeds

that are resistant to diseases.



od of three days traversing many civil and military airfields. During the course of ferrying and trials at high altitude, the chopper revealed high reliability without any service support. The composite trials team included designers, flight test another forward helipad crew of HAL, the Indian Air Force and Indian Army. (5500m at ISA +27degree C).

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cessfully demonstrated high altitude capability in hot and high weather conditions in the According to a Press release issued here by the HAL, envelope expansion, performance and flying qualities. The LUH then lifted off from the trials were carried out by the test pilots from HAL, IAF and the Army from August 24 Leh and demonstrated its hot to September 2, 2019. and high hover performance at R Madhavan HAL chair-



HAL's helicopter clears altitude test in Himalayas

panied by Wg Cdr (Retd) Anil Bhambani, Gp Capt (Retd) Pupinder Singh, Gp Capt V Panwar, Wg Cdr A Jena, a representative from the Air Force

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The flights were completbe deployed for reconnaised by an HAL flight test team led by Wg Cdr (Retd) Unni but to the formation of the state of the Pillai, CTP(RW) and accom- copter".

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Notice of 29th Annual General Meeting E-voting information and Book Closure Dates

Notice is hereby given that the 29th Annual General Meeting of the Members of **SC AGROTECH** LIMITED (formerly known as Sheel international Ltd) will be held on Monday 30th day of September, 2019 at Community Hall, Pracheen Shiv Mandir, Jallan Muhalla, Tughlakabad, New Delhi-110044 at 10.00 A.M to transact the business as setout in the AGM notice. (Book Closure)

The Annual report and notice of the 29" AGM have been sent to all member on 04.09.2019 by registered post. In Pursuant to section 91 of the companies act 2013 and Regulation 42 of the SEBI (LODR), 2015, the Register of member and Share Transfer books of the Company will be remain closed from September 24, 2019 to September 30, 2019 (both days inclusive) for the nurpose of the AGM of the Company (E-voting)

Management and Administration) rule 2014 as amended from time to time Regulation 44 of SEBI (LODR) 2015, providing the facility to its member to exercise their right to vote at the 29th AGM by leetronic means (remote e-voting) and the business may be transacted through E-voting Services. The Facility of casting the votes by the members using an electronic voting system from a place other than venue of the AGM (remote e-voting) will be provided by CDSL, details of information are as under:

E-voting period commences on 27^n September, 2019 (10.00 A.M) and ends (29^n September 2019 (5.00 pm).

b. Cut off Date for determining shareholding for E-voting & voting at the AGM is September 23 2019

c. Any person, who acquires shares of the Company and become member of the Company after dispatch of the Notice of AGM and holding shares as of the cut off date i.e 23rd September 2019 may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at helpdosk.evoting@cdslindia.com however, if you are already registered with CDSL for remote e-voting then you can use your existing user ID and Password for casting your yote. If you forgot your password, you can reset your password by using " forgot user details /Password" option available on www.evotingindia.com

A member entitled to attend and vote at the meeting is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of himself/herself.

The notice and Annual report of 29" AGM is available on the Company's website www.scagootech.com and on the website of BSE Ltd/ CDSL[Central Depository Services (India) Ltd.]

In case of any queries, you may refer the frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for members and remote e-voting user manual for Members available at the download section of www.evotingindia.com.

Member entitled to attend and vote at the AGM is entitled to appoint a proxy to attend and vote instead of himself/herself and the proxy need not be a member

FOR SC AGROTECH LIMITED

(formerly known as Sheel International Ltd) Sd/-Nitin Maheshwari

(Whole time Director)



Place: New Delhi

Date: 05.09.2019

YEAR 2018/19 Gandhinagar Smart City Development Ltd GANDHANAGAR MUNCIPAL CORPORATION

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SEARCH FOR MISSING/ KIDNAPPED



General public is hereby informed that a lady namely Aarti, D/o Sh. Anil Kumar Shah, R/O H.No. SCG/644, Nobal Singh Ka Makan, Near Pappu Dairy, Azadpur Village, Delhi. The lady has been missing since 26.08.2019 from the area of P.S. Adarsh Nagar, Delhi.

has been lodged at P.S. Adarsh Nagar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by the local

has come to light so far.

The description of the missing lady is as under:

Name: Arti, Age: 30 Years, Height: 4'5", Complexion: Fair, Face: Long. Built: Strong, Wearing: Black Colour Suit, Blue Colour Salwar and Black Chappal in Feet.

If anyone has any information regarding this missing lady, kindly inform SHO/ P.S. Adarsh Nagar, Delhi

Email: cic@cbi.gov.in, Website: http:/cbi.nic.in Ph. : 011-23015229, 23015218 Fax: 011-23011334

DP/9346/NW/19

In this regard DD No. 30-A, dated 27.08.2019

police to trace out the missing lady but no clue

has been dead at 12:37 pm. In this regard a FIR/DD No. 7-A, dated 01.09.2019 has been registered at P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this person but no clue has come to light so far.

Garhi, Delhi on 01.09.2019 and admitted in SGM Hospital,

Mangolpuri, Delhi vide MLC No. 13943/19. During treatment, he

Any person having any information or clue about this person may kindly inform to the following SHO

P.S. Paschim Vihar West, Delhi Ph.: 011-25268394, 7065036130

condition at Near Sidh Baba Mandir, Peera

UDF crisis ends as rebel candidate withdraws from race

PNS CHENNAI/KOCHI

confident of winning the byelection. The last 24 hours The Congress-led United Democratic Front heaved a saw the UDF leaders Oommen sigh of relief on Friday as the Chandi and Mullappalli independent candidate Joseph Ramachandran (the KPCC Kandathil, a close confidante of chief) going into a huddle to Kerala Congress working chairresolve the issue. man P J Joseph withdrew his candidature from the cup which has been blown away September 23 bypoll schedby the concerted effort of the uled from the Pala Assembly UDF leaders. Now it is time for constituency. The decision of Kandathil

to withdrew from the bypoll came after

that Jose Tom Pulikkunnel, who had been fielded by the family of late K M Mani (whose death necessitated the by election) would be considered only as an independent candidate and not as a UDF candidate. This means that Pulikkunnel would not get Two Leaves, election the Commission approved symbol of the Kerala Congress. Kandathil, who filed his nomination on Wednesday, the last day for filing the nomination, had cre-

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action and winning the election," said a senior Kerala Congress leader owing allegiance to the K M Mani family. Te GSC ICT-0

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Multi Storied Building, B-Block. First Floor, Sector 11, Gandhainagnr Gandhinagar Smart City Development Ltd, is inviting tenders for the work given below Bids are invited for the e-tendenng rates from the reputable agencies

in the UDF camp which was

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HSIIDC Public Notice Plot no.300, Industrial Area, Ph-II, Panchkula

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Late Smt. Vijayeta Chugh W/o Sh. Om Parkash Chugh R/o House No. 473, Sector-7, Panchkula, co-sharer / co ner/ re-allottee of Plot no. 300, Industrial Area, Phase-II, Panchkula, (Developed by HUDA/ HSVP), had expired or 18.03.2019 as per the death certificate dated 05.04.2019, furnished by her legal heirs Sh. Om Parkash Chugh S/o Sh Mohkam Chand Chugh & Sh. Ankur Chugh S/o Sh. Om Parkash Chugh(co-owner/ co-sharers) and Priyanka Chugh Mishra D/o Sh. Om Parkash Chugh, who have also furnished affidavit/ Indemnity bond relinquishing her right in the above said property. Thus, have approached to HSIIDC for transfer of shares of late Smt. Vijayeta Chugh W/o Sh. Om Parkash Chugh in favour of Sh. Om Parkash Chugh S/o Sh. Mohkam Chand Chugh(husband) and Sh. Ankur Chugh S/o Sh. Or Parkash Chugh (son)

Through this public notice, it is here by inform that in case any person has any reservation/ objection to the said ansfer, than he/ she can file his/ her objection(s) in writing before the undersigned along with an affidavit, with in a period of 30 days from the date of publication of this notice. In case no response is received within the afore said period it will be presumed that no person has any objection for transfer of the captioned plot in favour of Sh. Om Parkash Chugh S/o Sh. Mohkam Chand Chugh (husband) and Sh. Ankur Chugh S/o Sh. Om Parkash Chugh (son) and the HSIIDC shall go ahead with request of transfer of the plot no. 300, Industrial Area, Phase-II, Panchkula in favour of above mentioned lega neirs of late Smt. Vijayeta Chugh W/o Sh. Om Parkash Chugh, R/o House No. 473, Sector-7, Panchkula.

> Sd/-Estate Manager Haryana State Industrial and Infrastructure Dev. Corpn. Ltd.

Regd. Office: C 13 & 14, Sector-6, Panchkula. Ph.0172-2590481-83 Fax: 2590474, E-Mail: info@hsiidc.org.in. Web page http://hsiidc.org.in, Technology Park, Sec-22, Panchkula-134109, Tel/Fax No.: 0172-2590481-83 CIN: U29199HR1967SGC034545

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GLOBAL TENDER NOTICE NO.NBC/MM/PR3000006312/ICP/2019/P

Date: 27.08.2019 Online digitally signed tenders, in two parts are invited from bonafide indigenous as well as overseas manufacturers or the accredited Agents/ Authorized Dealers fo supply, installation & commissioning of one no. of ICP-Mass Spectrometry along with all accessories and spares consumables at NALCO Research Technology Center (NRTC), Gothapatana Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India. For furthe details and downloading Tende Documents please log on to www.nalcoindia.com www.eprocure.gov.in. Bidders are requested to visit the above website regularly for any modification/ addition/ bio due date extension for this tender as this nformation shall not be published in prin nedia. DGM(Materials)



APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION General public is hereby informed that this person Named: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: Approx. 52 Years, Sex: Male, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Wheatish, Wearing: Yellow -Black Checkdar Shirt and Blue Half Pant was found in unconcious

Auto sector seeks GST cut, fears more job loss

PTI NEW DELHI

Ceeking urgent stimulus from Sthe government in the form of GST reduction, the auto industry on Thursday cautioned that if the current slowdown in the sector continued, there would be further job losses that could have societal and social consequences.

With the industry slated to move to BS-VI emission norms from April next year, automobile makers fear that price increase amid a slowdown would further compound the problem.

The auto industry, through the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), has been asking the government to reduce GST on automobiles to 18 per cent from 28 per cent.

"I think there are societal and social consequences of that. I am sure government will look at that," SIAM President Rajan Wadhera told reporters

He was responding to a query on what could happen if the demand for reduction in GST was not met.

"Let's say if for some reason you go down to such an extent that lot of people lost jobs, that from that.

is going to create a lot of turmoil," Wadhera said.

he pioneer

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Expressing similar sentiments, Mahindra & Mahindra Managing Director Pawan Goenka said, "My worry is that if the industry does not turn back on a positive sort of growth for the remaining part of the months of fiscal year, you may see more layoffs.

According to SIAM, vehicle manufacturers have laid off around 15,000 temporary workers, while dealers have witnessed around 2.8 lakh job losses with nearly 300 dealerships closing in the past threefour months.

Components makers body ACMA had also said that around 1 million jobs could be on the line if the current slowdown persisted.

Goenka further said, "Mv belief is that the employment levels that we have today amongst OEMs (original equipment manufacturers) and suppliers is probably more than what the current level of pro-

duction will justify." Justifying the demand for GST cut, Wadhera said vehicle prices would go up when BS-VI norms are implemented, and government stands to gain

"We are asking them (gov ernment) if they could reduce and share with us that price increase so that demand does not fall as a consequence of the -VI price going up," he said.

Citing past instances, he said, "Every initiative counts and fiscal stimulus is a very big initiative. In the past, history tells us that in 2008 and 2014 recession when we were hit by downturn there were tax rebates given by government. That did boost up demand."

Supporting the call, Tata Motors Managing Director and CEO Guenter Butschek said, "In order to get out of the current crisis and not miss the festive season, we require clarity from the government, here and now, on GST and scrappage policy."

Goenka termed the switch from BS-VI to BS-IV as "a major disruption to the industry", as the whole supply chain, inventory and processes at manufacturing plants goes through a change.

Therefore nobody should underestimate the disruption it causes. To go into disruption when the industry is in a slowdown mode can become even a bigger disruption," Goenka

addition dips 14%

to 1.5 GW in June

IL&FS auditors: NCLT adjourns hearing till Bombay HC verdict

ability of the plea.

BSR had resigned from

the post of statutory auditor of

the firm in June this year, well after the client-IFIN was sent

for bankruptcy, while Deloitte had done so in FY18.

The ministry's counsel said the entire case filed by BSR was

meant to confuse so that the proceeding against them did

not progress further. On July 18, NCLT gave the

go-ahead to the government to

for their failure to detect and

report the scams that took

place across the now bankrupt

IL&FS Group and 21 other

auditors of IFIN, on the basis

NCLT is yet to give its view on

the ministry plea to ban them

from business for five years as

It can be noted that the

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osecute Deloitte and BSR

PTI MUMBAI

The National Company Law Tribunal Thursday adjourned the proceedings against the former auditors of the crippled IL&FS--Deloitte and BSR Associates, till further direction from the Bombay High Court.

A division bench of the Bombay High Court had on Wednesday stayed the proceedings against BSR in the Mumbai bench of the NCLT until further orders.

The relief to BSR was granted on two counts, one that the accounting firm was seeking relief from Section 140 (5) of the Companies Act under which NCLT had passed the order, and secondly against criminal proceedings brought upon by various government agencies.

BSR, a domestic affiliate of global major KPMG, had challenged the constitutional validity of Section 140 (5) in the High Court and also the NCLT's jurisdiction to take up the case against them.

The court had directed the corporate affairs ministry and Serious the Frauds Investigation Office to file their replies within four weeks. The HC order came after

a penalty.

Govt to soon decide on Sinha panel report on MSME sector: Gadkari

BSR and N Sampath Ganesh, a PTI NEW DELHI partner with the firm, had approached last month moved

The Government will soon take a call on the recomthe court challenging the NCLT go-ahead to the government to remove as auditors of IL&FS mendations of U K Sinha Financial Services (IFIN) for its committee to strengthen alleged role in financial irregmicro, small and medium enterprises sector, Union Minister Nitin Gadkari said ularities in the firm as they are no longer the auditors of the firm therefore the maintainon Thursday.

The committee set up by the RBI under the former Sebi chief among other things had recommended creation of distressed asset fund with a corpus of ₹5,000 crore, insurance coverage to employees of MSMEs on the lines of Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) schemes, and cash flow-based lending.

Referring to instances where goods are supplied by micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) but a particular person or entity does not make payment after entities, when they were the taking their delivery on mulof the findings of the SFIO tiple occasions, Gadkari said stringent action needs to be taken against such habitual offenders and the Government will certainly take remedial measures in this regard.

> Global health and pharma industry facing data security threat: Kaspersky

PTI I YANGON

The global health and phar-maceutical industry is fac-ing threat of data breach, a senior official of Russian cybersecurity firm Kaspersky said on Thursday. The Asia-Pacific (APAC) region in recent years has seen a surge in cyber threats, Kaspersky Managing Director (Asia-Pacific) Stephan Neumeier told reporters at the 5th CyberSecurity Weekend event in Yangon, Myanmar.

"Attacks against hospitals and pharmaceuticals have been happening worldwide, especially in the West. Recent years have, however, seen the threat creeping towards APAC," he said

Business Corner



2nd Bi-Annual 3-day Vigilance Conclave organised by Ministry of Steel and NMDC Limited commenced today at Hyderabad with over 150 Delegates from various CPSEs under Ministry of Steel across the country. The primary objective of this conclave is to sensitize officials on issues pertaining to Procurement. Tendering, Vigilance, Finance, Legal and Works. The conclave started with Guru Vandana as a tribute to Dr. Sarvepalli Radha Krishna, as 5th September happens to be Teachers Day



CISF in association with Central Social Welfare Board (Ministry of Women and Child Development) organised general sensitization session on family counseling services for CISF personnel and their families, at Metro Bhawan Auditorium, New Delhi



DDA involved Indian Forest Service Officers Wives Association (IFSOWA) for planting in park near CWG flats Akshardham on September 9, 2019 to make Delh pollution free. IFSOWA has shown willingness to take care of planted saplings in future also and they will visit regularly to check the health of the planted saplings. Nearly 300 indigenous tree saplings were planted in the park



A two-day Agriculture Conclave was organised by Punjab National Bank at Siri For Auditorium, New Delhi on 2nd and 3rd Sept. 2019. Around 1000 Agriculture Officers of the Bank from all across the country participated in this GRANDUTSAV. The Conclave was inaugurated by Sunil Mehta, Managing Director & CEO, and R K Yaduvanshi, Executive Director of Punjab National Bank. The theme of the conclave was "Capital Formation & Investment Credit in Agriculture".

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but US sanctions stalled talks

Iran agreed to buy OVL gas

PTI NEW DELHI

I ran had agreed to buy the gas produced from ONGC Videsh Ltd-discovered Farzad-B field in the Persian Gulf, but talks got stalled after the US reimposed sanctions against Tehran.

ONGC Videsh Ltd (OVL), the overseas investment arm of state-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corp (ONGC), had in 2008 made a significant natural gas discovery in the Farsi offshore exploration block in the Persian Gulf, the company said in its latest annual report.

The discovery was named Farzad-B.

"Since April 2016, both sides negotiated to develop Farzad-B gas field under an integrated contract covering upstream and downstream including monetization/mar-keting of the processed gas,

however, negotiations remained inconclusive," it said. During 2018-19, the National Iranian Oil Company (NIOC) proposed the devel-opment of the gas field and "offtake of raw gas by NIOC at landfall point(s)," it said.

"However, due to imposition of US sanctions on Iran with effect from 5th November 2018, technical studies could not be concluded which is a precursor for commercial egotiations," OVL said.

Any company investing in the Iranian oil field will attract US sanctions, crippling its ability to access the international financial system. OVL has projects in 21 countries and cannot risk being cut off from

international payment system. The Exploration Service Contract (ESC) for the over 3,500 sq km Farsi block was signed on December 25, 2002.

5th EEF: NSDC, Manav Rachna India's solar energy Institute sign MoU with Tulaganov Ruslan Kuchkarovich

PNS VLADIVOSTOK

An MoU was signed between Manish Kumar, MD & CEO of NSDC, Amit Bhalla and Tulaganov Ruslan Kuchkarovich, a global evangelist in the presence of Presidents, Prime Ministers and Heads of five countries (India, Russia, Japan, Malaysia and Magnolia). Amit Bhalla, VP, Manav

East region.

At the forum, a MoU was signed between NSDC, Manav Rachna and ROBBO (Russia based global EdTech leader) in the area of Artificial Intelligence, robotics and skilling. This MoU shall pave the way for the incor-poration of ROBBO classes, an innovative robotics solution for the students of India. It is noteworthy that the Eastern Economic Forum focuses on the development of business and investment opportunities in the Russian Far East Region, and presents enormous potential for developing close and mutually beneficial cooperation between India and Russia in the region.

Eastern Economic Forum focuses on the development of business and investment opportunities in the Russian Far East Region



quarter: Report PTI NEW DELHI

 $S_{\rm country\ declined\ 14\ per}^{\rm olar\ installations\ in\ the}$ cent to 1,510 megawatts (MW) in the second quarter of 2019, compared to 1,761 MW in the previous quarter, according to report by Mercom India

Research on Thursday. The installations were also lower on a year-on-year (y-oy) basis and had stood at 1,665 MW in the corresponding April-June 2018 quarter, a Mercom India Research statement said. In the first half of this calendar year, the installations reached 3.2 gigawatts (GW), a decline of 35 per cent as compared with 5.1 GW of capacity added in the first half of 2018.

Rachna Educational Institutions is a part of the delegation of business leaders accompanying Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the 5th Eastern Economic Forum being held at Russia. PM Modi has been invited as the Chief Guest of the Forum by Vladimir Putin, the President of Russia. This is the first visit by an Indian Prime Minister to the Russian Far

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the 34th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company will be held on Monday, 30thSeptember, 2019 at 'The Sentinel', 47, Pocket A, Jasola, New Delhi-110025 at 11.00 A.M to transact the businesses mentioned in the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

The notice of AGM along with Annual Report, Proxy Form and Attendance Slip have been sent in electronic form to those shareholders whose email address are registered with the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent/Depository Participants, unless the Members have requested for hard copy of the same. Physical copy have been dispatched through permitted mode to all other members. The Company has completed all dispatches through e-mail and other permitted modes on Tuesday 3rd September, 2019.

Members may note that the Annual Report, AGM Notice inter alia indicating the process and manner of e-voting process, Proxy Form and Attendance Slip are available on Company's website www.pmltd.in and can also be obtained from registered office of the Company.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Management and Administration) Amendments Rules, 2015 and Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirement) Regulation, 2015, the Company is pleased to provide its member the facility to exercise their right to vote by electronic means and business may be transacted through remote e-voting facility provided by National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL). The remote e-voting period commences from Thursday 26th September, 2019 at 9.00 a.m. and ends on Sunday 29th September, 2019 at 5.00 p.m. The remote e-voting shall be disabled thereafter and no e-voting will be allowed thereafter. The Board has appointed Mr. Surrinder Kishore Kapahi, Proprietor Kapahi and Associates, Company Secretaries as Scrutinizer for conducting the e-voting process in accordance with the law and in a fair and transparent manner.

The voting rights of members shall be in proportion to their share in the paid up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date of 23rd September, 2019. Members holding shares either in physical or in dematerialized form, on the said cut-off date, are eligible to avail the facility of remote e-voting. Any person, who acquires shares of the Company after dispatch of AGM Notice and holds such shares as of the cut-off date i.e, 23rd September, 2019, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in.

At the AGM, facility for voting through ballot paper shall be made available and only the Members as on the "cut-off date" i.e, 23rd September, 2019, who have not cast their votes by remote e-voting, shall be entitled to exercise their rights to vote at the AGM through ballot paper. The members who have cast their votes through electronic means prior to the AGM may still attend the AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their votes again.

The notice of AGM containing, inter-alia, the procedure of e-voting is available on the Company's website www.pmltd.in and on NSDL's website https://www.evoting.nsdl.com.

In case of any queries, Members may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQS) and evoting user manual available at the Downloads sections of https://www.evoting.nsdl.com or contact NSDL at the toll free no. :1800-222-990 or or write a mail to info@masserv.com.

Notice is also hereby given that that pursuant to section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 10 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 and Regulation 42 of SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirement) Regulation, 2015, the Register of Members and Share Transfer books of the Company will remain closed from Tuesday, September 24, 2019 to Monday, September 30, 2019 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of taking record of the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

Thanking You
For Premium Merchants Limited
Sd/-
Balbir Singh
Director
DIN:00027438

ROTOGRAPHICS (INDIA) LIMITED CIN: L74899DL1976PLC008036 Regd. Office: Unit No 8 Ground Floor Pocket M, Sarita Vihar New Delhi-110076 ndia.co.in Phone: 011-4736660 Website: www.rotoindia.co.in Email info@rotoi NOTICE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-forth Annual General Meeting ("AGM" of the members of Rotographics (India) Limited ("the company") will be held on Monday, September 23, 2019 at 09:00 a.m. at B-1, DDA Local Shopping Complex, A Block, Ring Road, Naraina, New Delhi- 110028 ("the Meeting")

The Integrated Annual Report for the financial year 2018-19 including the Notice convening the Meeting has been sent to the members to their registered address by courier, and electronically to those members who have registered their mail address with the Depositories/ Company

The Integrated Annual Report for the financial year 2018-19 including the Notice convening the Meeting along with e-voting has also been displayed on the company's website www.rotoindia.co.in, the website of the National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) at the http://www.evoting.nsdl.com and website of our RTA at the http://skylinerta.com/downloads.

Pursuant to provision of section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013 and the Companies (Management & Administration) Rules, 2014 as amended by the Companies (Management and Administration) Amendment Rules, 2015 and Regulation 42 of SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Register of members and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from Monday, 16th September, 2019 to Monday. 23rd September, 2019 (both days inclusive), for the purpose of AGM

In compliance with provision of section 108 of the Companies Act. 2013 and the rules made there under and Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations & Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, the Company is pleased to provide its members to cast their votes using an electronics voting system from a place other than the venue of AGM (remote Voting) in respec of the business transacted in the AGM, through e-voting services provided by the National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL). Thus business to be transacted at the AGM may also be transacted by electronics means. The proposed Resolutions for e-voting are given in the Notice of AGM. Other nformation is as under:-

- . The Cut-off date for the remote e-voting process is Friday, September 13 2019. The remote e-voting period shall commence on Friday, 20th September, 2019 at 9:00 am and ends on Sunday, 22nd September, 2019 at 5:00 pm.
- The Remote e-voting shall not be allowed beyond the said date and time.
- Members holding share either in physical or demat form, on the cut-off date i.e. Friday, 13th September, 2019 may cast their vote electronically. Member can opt only one mode of voting i.e. remote e-voting or Ballot paper. In case of Member(s) who cast their vote by both modes, then voting done through e-voting shall prevail and physical voting of that member shall be treated as invalid.

Any Person, who acquire shares and become members of the Company after dispatch of Notice of AGM but before cut-off date of Friday, 13th September, 2019 may obtain their USER ID and password for remote e-voting by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in, info@skylinerta.com or info@rotoindia.co.in.

- The members who have cast their vote by remote e-voting may attend AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their vote again.
- The facility for voting through ballot paper shall be made available at the AGM and the members attending the meeting who have not cast their vote by remote e-voting shall be able to exercise their right at the meeting through ballot paper.

In case of gueries, you may refer the "Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs" for members and remote e-voting user manual for members" available at the 'downloads' section of www.evoting.nsdl.com. For any further grievance related to the remote e-voting, members may contact NSDL at Toll Free no. 1800222990

Date: 02.09.2019

Place: New Delhi

For Rotographics (India) Limited

Sd/

Place: New Delhi

Date: 05.09.2019

Mohd Sagi Company Secretary



E-mail ID:cic@cbi.gov.in

Fax: 011-24368639

Tele: 011-24368638, 24368641

Babli

Delhi

General public is hereby informed that one lady namely Babli, D/o Shri Gautam Prasad, R/o A-28, Gali No. 2, Sukar Bazar, Begumpur, Delhi, Age 22 years, Height 5' Complexion Fair, Round Face, Wearing Yellow colour suit and black colour pajami has been missing/ kidnapped from the area of PS Begumpur, Delhi since 23.07.19. In this regard a vide DD No.

Steels partners with Aichi Steel Corp PNS NEW DELHI

Vardhman Special

Vardhman Special Steels Limited is proud and excited to announce partnership with Aichi Steel Corp Japan, an affiliate of Japan's Toyota Motor Corporation. Aichi Steel Corp will buy approximately 11.4 percent stake in Vardhman Special Steels Ltd and provide technical assistance aiming to establish a world class, socially and environmentally responsible special steel company in India. Aichi Steel will be posting three personnel in Îndia while additional critical support from the Headquarters will be provided constantly.

AIR INDIA SET TO OFFER 'NAMASKAR SEWA' AT AIRPORTS

Mumbai: Air India passengers can soon avail 'Namaskar Sewa', a meet and greet service wherein dedicated personnel will receive the customers at airport entry gate and assist them till being seated in the aircraft. The disinvestment-bound national carrier, which is already providing similar services to first class passengers, would be rolling out the initiative on a pilot basis at the Delhi airport this month, according to airline official. PTI

AI-ENABLED EVOLET E-SCOOTERS LAUNCHED

New Delhi: Rissala Electric Motors Pvt. Ltd., has launched Evolet e-scooter in India. Guest of honour Nitin Gadkari, Minister of Road Transport, and Bollywood actor Urvashi Rautela were present to launch the comprehensive range of escooters. The range which Rissala introduced included Polo, Derby, Pony and Warrior. The company forayed in the industry with various slow speed, fast speed as well as IoTenabled models. PNS

DP/3231/RD/19 CROSS COUNTRY HOTELS LIMITED Regd. Off.: Cross Country Heritage Hotel, Mukand Garh Fort, Mukundgarh Jhunjhunu, Rajasthan, India-333 705 CIN: L55101RJ1990PLC013744 Em: <u>sales@crosscountry.co.in</u> Website: <u>www.crosscountry.co.in</u> Ph.011-65801008 NOTICE Notice is hereby given that 29th Annual General Meeting("AGM") OF Members of the company will be held on Monday, the 30th day of September, 2019 at 11:00A.M at Shri Ashtavinayak Dham, Dundlod Road Railway Station Mukandgarh Dist. Jhunjhun Rajasthan to transact the business as set forth in the Notice of the Meeting ("Notice

51-A dated 24.07.19 has been lodged at PS Begumpur,

Any person having any information or clue about this missing/

kidnapped girl may kindly inform to the following.

Pursuant to section 91 of the Companies Act,2013 and rules made there under an Clause 16 of the Listing Agreement the Register of Mmebers and Share Transfer Registe will remain closed from Saturday, 21st September, 2019 to Friday 27th September, 201 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of the Annual General Meeting. Place: New Delhi For Cross Country Hotels Limited (ISHAN RAI JUNEJA)

Date: 05.09.2019 (DIRECTOR)

ZEL JEWELLERS LIMITED CIN: L74899DL1994PLC058832

Regd. Office: E-5, South Extension, Part - II, New Delhi-110 049 : http://www.rkjewellers.in E-mail:zeljewellers@yahoo.co.in Web: http://www.rkjewellers.in Landline: (91)-11-26252416, Fax :011-41640689

Notice of 25th Annual General Meeting & Book Closure

NOTICE is hereby given that the 25th Annual General Meeting of the Company is scheduled to be held on Monday, 30th September, 2019 at 3.00 P.M. at the registered office of the Company at E-5, South Extension,Part - II, New Delhi-110 049 to transact the business set out in the Notice of aforementioned AGM

- All the members are hereby informed that:
- a) The Notice along with Annual Report has been dispatched to all the members at their registered address on Thursday, 05th September, 2019 and the same is also available on the website of the Company :www.rkjewellers.in.
- b) Mr Parveen Rastogi, Practising Company Secretary has been appointed as Scrutinizer for conducting the poll voting process in
- appointed as Section 21 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation
 c) Pursuant to Section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation
 42 of the SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015, Register of Members
 and Share Transfer Books of the Company will remain closed from
 Tuseday,24th September,2019 to Monday,30th September, 2019 (both days inclusive).
- d) For any gueries/issues shareholders may also write to the Company ecretary at the email ID:zeljewellers@yahoo.co.in or contact at telephone no. 011-26252416.

By order of the Board For Zel Jewellers Limite Sd/-Muazzam Hasar Company Secretary



GLOBE TROTTING

HURRICANE DORIAN Lashes us east coast Nassau (Bahamas): Hurricane Dorian lashed the Carolinas with driving rain and fierce winds as it neared the US east coast Thursday after devastating the Bahamas and killing at least 20 people. Parts of downtown Charleston were flooded, with video footage showing people kayaking in the dark in gushing knee-deep water in the stately city on the coast of South Carolina.

KABUL ATTACK KILLS US, **ROMANIAN SOLDIER**

Kabul: A Taliban suicide car bombing in Kabul on Thursday killed a US service member, a Romanian soldier and at least 10 Afghan civilians in a busy diplomatic area that includes the US Embassy — the second such attack this week underscoring Afghan Government warnings that a preliminary US-Taliban deal on ending America's longest war was moving dangerously quickly

UKRAINE RELEASES MH17 'SUSPECT' PENDING TRIAL Kiev: A court in Ukraine on Thursday released from pre-trial detention a man suspected of involvement in the downing of flight MH17, amid speculation he might be used in a prisoner swap with Russia. Ukraine captured Vladimir Tsemakh accused of fighting for pro-Russian separatists, in June, but he is believed to be a person of interest in the downing of MH17.

SA SHUTS EMBASSY IN **NIGERIA AFTER ATTACKS** Johannesburg: South Africa has temporarily closed its embassy in Nigeria following violence against South African

businesses in reprisal for attacks on foreign-owned stores in Johannesburg, while Nigeria has announced plans to evacuate its nationals from South Africa.

N KOREAN WAITRESSES ABDUCTED TO SOUTH Seoul: A group of North Korean waitresses who "defected" to Seoul in 2016 were actually abducted by the South, a fact-

finding team of international lawyers has concluded after a visit to Pyongyang. The case has long been controversial, with Pyongyang saying the 12 women were kidnapped from a North Korean state-run restaurant in China while Seoul insists they defected of their



own free will.

BREXITTURMOIL-**UK in effective general election mode**

PTI LONDON

The UK on Thursday went into what Downing Street has branded as the first day of a general election campaign, despite Prime Minister Boris Johnson failing to get his motion for a snap poll through the House of Commons.

Following a night of blow after blow over Brexit on Wednesday, Johnson is determined to get his October 15 election date through and has accused Opposition Labour leader Jeremy Corbyn of being a "chicken" for his party's abstention from the election vote in Parliament.

The Labour and other Opposition parties, refused to hand him the two-thirds majority he requires to overturn the UK's Fixed Term Parliament Act until their own motion to block a no-deal Brexit by the October 31 deadline has passed through the Lords and on course to become law.

"It is clear the only action is to go back to the people and give them the opportunity to decide what they want: Boris to go to Brussels and get a deal, or leave without one on 31 October or Jeremy Corbyn arriving in Brussels with his surrender bill begging for more delay, more dither and accepting whatever terms Brussels imposes over our nation," a Downing Street spokesperson said on Thursday.

"For Jeremy Corbyn to continue to avoid an election would be a cowardly insult to democracy," the spokesperson said. The Opposition emerged buoyed from parliamentary proceedings on Wednesday, having got their proposed leg-islation to prevent the UK crashing out of the European Union (EU) without an agreement in place through its various stages. The bill says

Johnson has until 19 October to either pass a deal in Parliament or get MPs to approve a no-deal Brexit —and after that he will have to request an extension to the UK's departure date to January 31, 2020. Johnson, who assumed

charge on July 24 after his predecessor Theresa May resigned, had branded the motion a "surrender bill", which in effect handed power to the EU negotiators over the terms of the UK's exit from the 28-member economic bloc.

The UK Government ultimately had to drop its attempt to drag on the so-called "surrender bill" in the Lords late on Wednesday night, meaning it is set to pass and go through as law by Monday. This could mean Johnson attempting to push through another election motion again next week because he is determined to go back to the electorate rather than back to Brussels to seek another

delay to the Brexit deadline. "I think the position by the Labour Party, to be so consumed by cowardice as to resist a general election, is not politically sustainable," Johnson said at the end of a marathon Commons session on Wednesday. The British Prime Minister has claimed he is serious about striking a deal with EU leaders to allow for an orderly withdrawal from the bloc at the end of next month after 46 years of membership.

But the EU side has spoken of a paralysis in the talks, with no movement or solutions to the most controversial aspect of any divorce arrangement — the Irish backstop. The British PM had a month's time to come up with his proposed alternative arrangements to ensure an open border between EU member-country Ireland and UK territory Northern Ireland after Brexit.

unravelling since the US with-

agreement in sight, Iran's

President Hassan Rouhani on

But with no apparent

drew in May last year.

Johnson's Brexit plans in tatters after stinging defeats

AFP LONDON

 $B_{Johnson's\ hardline\ Brexit}^{ritish\ Prime\ Minister\ Boris}$ strategy stood in tatters on Thursday after a humiliating week left him without a working majority but unable to call an election.

His supporters ended a night-long filibuster in the upper House of Lords when the Government gave up trying to block a measure designed to stop a no-deal Brexit by forcing Johnson to seek a delay if he fails to reach an agreement with Brussels.

The Opposition said they should now be able to pass the bill — which he has branded a "surrender document"

Plans to rank English **Global shares rise** amid optimism on **US-China**, **Brexit** UK visa system

AP TOKYO

lobal stocks turned higher Gon Thursday on the news that US and Chinese officials will meet in October to try to end a tariff war and as British law-Priti Patel. makers sought a less chaotic exit from the European Union.

The US and China agreement on a date for talks came in a phone call conducted by the chief Chinese envoy, Vice Premier Liu He, with US Trade Representative Robert Lighthizer and Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, the Chinese Commerce Ministry said.

before he suspends parliament to take Britain out of the EU for over a month next week.

Govt commits to allowing (the draft legislation) to complete all stages in course of Thurs & Friday — with the bill then going back to the Commons for any further consideration on Monday," the main Opposition Labour Party tweeted in the early hours of Thursday morning.

The Lower House of Commons fast-tracked the legislation on Wednesday and then blocked Johnson's call for an early election that he wants held on October 15.

Labour said it will only liament from next week until back the snap poll once it October 14 — a move that his makes sure Johnson is unable critics have called a "coup" to follow through on his threat and a "constitutional outrage"

Johnson's brother skills high in post-Brexit quits as Min, MP London: British Prime

with no deal by the October 31

Johnson a rapid series of sting-

ing defeats that have left him a

weakened leader just six weeks

into his term. The splintered

country still stands no closer to

finding out how or when — or

even if — it will leave the

European Union more than

three years after the original

another legal challenge on

Thursday against his decision

to order the suspension of par-

Johnson will also face

Parliament has now dealt

Brexit deadline

Brexit vote.

Minister Boris Johnson on London: An applicant's English Thursday suffered yet another language skills are likely to be Brexit blow, this time closer to ranked according to levels of home, as his younger brother Jo proficiency in a new post-Johnson quit as a Minister in Brexit visa regime being his Cabinet and also resigned as a parliamentarian of the finalised by UK home secretary Conservative Party.

Britain's senior-most In a move reflective of just Indian-origin Cabinet Minister how deeply divided the UK remains over its membership of in the Boris Johnson-led the European Union (EU), the Government commissioned a major review on Wednesday to business Minister and member of parliament from Orpington kickstart her plans to implement an Australian-style said that he had been forced to take the step after being torn points-based system of immigration in a letter to the UK's between family loyalty and influential Migration Advisory national interest. Jo Johnson was seen as a popular Tory par-Committee (MAC).

PTI liamentarian.

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Notice of 56th Annual General Meeting, Book Closure & E-Voting 05-09-2019: The Annual Report of the Company for the year 2018-19 along with the Notice of the AGM has been dispatched to all the Members.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the 56th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the members of the Company is scheduled to be held on Monday, 30th September, 2019 at 10:30 A.M. at PHD House, Opposite Asian Games Village, Siri Fort Road, New Delhi 110016 to transact the Business as set forth in the Notice of AGM dated 12th August, 2019.

The Notice of AGM, Annual Report and Attendance Slip has been sent n electronic mode to Members whose e-mail IDs are registered with the Company or the Depository Participant (s) unless the Members have egistered their request for a hard copy of the same. Physical copy of the Notice of AGM. Annual Report and Attendance Slip has been sent to those Members who have not registered their e-mail IDs with the Company or Depository Participant (s).

The copy of the Annual Report is also available on the Company's website www.everesttools.com. Members, who do not receive the Annual Report, may download it from the Company's website or may request for a copy of the same by writing to the Managing Directors a the Registered Office of the Company or at the Company's email ID admin@everesttools.com. The Company has completed its dispatch as well as sending of email to Members on 5th September, 2019. The documents pertaining to the items of business to be transacted in the Annual General Meeting are open for inspection at the Registered Office of the Company during business hours on any working day.

The Company is pleased to provide its Members with the facility to exercise their right to vote by electronic means and the business may be ransacted through e-Voting Services provided by National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL). The e-voting period commences on Friday 27" September, 2019 at 09:00 A.M. and ends on Sunday, 29" September, 2019 at 05:00 P.M.The e-voting module shall be disabled for voting after 05:00 P.M. on Sunday, 29th September, 2019. Once the vote on a resolution is cast by the shareholder, the shareholder shall no be allowed to change it subsequently. A member may participate in the AGM even after exercising his right to vote through e-voting but shall not be allowed to vote again in the AGM.

The voting rights shall be as per the number of equity shares held by the Member(s) as on Monday, 23rd September, 2019 (cut-off date). Members are eligible to cast vote electronically only if they are holding shares as on that date. The persons who acquire shares and become members of the Company after the dispatch of the Notice and hold shares as on cut-off date, may obtain User Id and Password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in.

The Notice of AGM is available on the Company's website www.everesttools.com and on NSDL website http://www.evoting.nsdl.com The procedure of electronic voting is available in the Notice of the 56 Annual General Meeting as well as in the email sent to the Members by NSDL and NSDL website http://www.evoting.nsdl.com. In case o any queries pertaining to e- voting, you may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for Members and e-voting user manual for Members available at the Downloads section of http://www.evoting.nsdl.com or contact Mr. Ankur Mittal Assistant Vice President, NSDL at the designated emails ID evoting@nsdl.co.in or AnkurM@nsdl.co.in or at following Felephone Nos.: 011-23353814 (15).

The entry to the meeting venue will be regulated by Attendance Slips, which have been sent along with the Annual Report to the Members Members who have received Attendance Slips by electronic mode are requested to print the Attendance Slip and submit a duly filled in Attendance Slip at the registration counter to attend the AGM. Please note that duplicate Attendance Slips will not be issued.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013 and Regulation 42 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Reguirements) Regulations, 2015, the Register of Members and the Share Transfe books of the Company will remain closed from Tuesday, 24th September 2019 to Monday, 30th September, 2019 (both days inclusive).

A member can download the Notice of the AGM or Annual Report from Company's website (www.everesttools.com) or write to the Company The Results shall be declared on or after the AGM of the Company. The Results declared along with the Scrutinizer's Report shall be placed on he Company's website: www.everesttools.com and on the website of NSDL within two (2) days of passing of the resolutions at the AGM of the Company and communicated to the BSE Limited.

> For Hindustan Everest Tools Ltd (Sonam Gupta) Company Secretary

Iran to unveil details on cuts to N commitments

AFP 📕 TEHRAN

Tran is set to detail its latest cut to commitments under a 2015 nuclear deal on Saturday, in response to US sanctions and perceived inaction by other parties to save the accord.

Wednesday made good on a Iran's atomic energy organisation spokesman Behrouz promise to take another step Kamalvandi will hold a news away from the deal between conference to detail Tehran's Iran and the five permanent members of the United Nations third round of cuts in its

engaged in talks to reduce tensions and rescue the multiparty deal, which has been

all the commitments research and development," that were in place regarding said Rouhani, without elabo-



AFP BRUSSELS

Plan of Action, under which the accord is implemented. The EU on Thursday urged "And in this context we

nuclear deal," he said.

Donald Trump.

urge Iran to reverse these steps

and refrain from further mea-

sures that undermine the

ly pulling back from the terms

of the 2015 deal as it comes

under intensifying sanctions

pressure from the United

States, which exited the

accord under President

Iran has been progressive-

rating

Iran's arch-enemy Israel responded by calling more international for pressure on Iran.

PTI

"This is not the time to Place: New Delhi hold talks with Iran; this is the Date: 05.09.2019 time to increase the p ressure on Iran," said Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

DE UFUNADEL Quetta: Shri Hinglaj Mata temple, situated in Balochistan province of Pakistan, is to be developed and facilities for the pilgrims will be increased, media reports said.

nuclear commitments since May, the semi-official ISNA news agency reported on Thursday

Germany (P5+1). "The atomic energy organ-isation (of Iran) is ordered to

Iran and three European immediately start whatever is countries — Britain, France needed in the field of research and Germany - have been and development, and abandon

बिहार 💥 सरकार



North Bihar Power Distribution Company Limited (A Government of Bihar Undertaking) (Regd. Office : Vidyut Bhawan, Baily Road, Patna) (Department of Stores & Purchase)

Contact No. : 9264437182/ 9264437179, Email- cesnp2.nb@gmail.com, CIN NO: U40109BR2012SGC018920

(Through e-procurement mode only - www.eproc.bihar.gov.in) NIT NO:- 43/PR/NBPDCL/2019

North Bihar Power Distribution Co. Ltd. (NBPDCL), a Government of Bihar Undertaking, invites NIT for Supply of 200 Kg, 8 Meter Long PSC Pole & 400 KG, 9 Meter Long PSC Pole with in two-tier (Technical and Financial) online bid from technically and financially sound, capable and the reputed manufacturers for NBPDCL.

SI.No.	Particulars	Quantity	Estimated Cost (Rs)	E.M.D. (Rs.)	Tender Cost (Rs)
	200 Kg, 8 Meter Long	200 Kg PSC Pole -31000			
1.	PSC Pole & 400 KG, 9	nos. & 400 Kg PSC	10,11,22,000.00	20,11,220.00	25,000.00
	Meter Long PSC Pole	Pole – 3100 nos.			
				I	
Period of Sale/download of		Up to 20/09/2019 (up to 13:00 Hrs.) in through website			
Bid document		www.eproc.bihar.gov.in			
Submission of Bid in soft-copy through website <u>www.eproc.bihar.gov.in</u>		Up to 20/09/2019 (up to 17:00 Hrs.) Rs 25,000.00 (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand) needs to be paid as cost of NIT through online mode only and Rs. 20,11,220.00 (Rupees Twenty Lakh Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Twenty) only needs to be paid as Earnest Money Deposit by DD/BG to Senior Manager (Finance) NBPDCL in favour of "NO RTH BIHAR POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LTD." payable at Patna			
Date of opening of Technical & Commercial Part:		21/09/2019 on or onward 11:00 Hrs.			
Date of opening of Price Part:		To be notified after Technical Bid Evaluation (www.eproc.bihar.gov.in)			

The NIT can be downloaded from website www.eproc.bihar.gov.in.

- Payment of Cost of NIT & Bid processing fees :- NIT and Bid processing fee is ٠ mandatory to be paid through online mode i.e., Internet payment gateway (Credit/ Debit Card), Net Banking, NEFT/ RTGS. Online payment details of NIT & Bid processing fees, etc. must be submitted to Senior Manager (Finance), NBPDCL on or before 19/09/2019 at 15:00 Hrs failing which tender shall be summarily rejected.
- Payment of Cost of EMD fees:- The cost of EMD as per the details mentioned in NIT ٠ must be paid though offline mode, Bank Guarantee/DD which must be submitted to Senior Manager (Finance), NBPDCL in favor of "NORTH BIHAR POWER DISTRIBUTION COMPANY LTD." payable at Patna on or before 19/09/2019 at 15:00 Hrs failing which tender shall be summarily rejected.
- Note:- The department does not take any responsibility for the delay / Non submission of Tender / Non Reconciliation of online Payment caused due to Non- availability of Internet Connection, Network Traffic/ Holidays or any other reason

''विवादो के निष्पादन के लिए लोक अदालत का लाभ उठावें।'' 'परस्पर सहमति से न्यायिक निर्णय प्राप्त करें।'' 'समय एवं खर्च की बचत करें।'

> Chief Engineer (S&P) NBPDCL

PR.007065 (Ni Ni) 2019-20

भ्रष्टाचार से संबंधित शिकायत ०६१२–२२१७०४८ पर करें।

Security Council powers, plus I Iran to reverse its scale-back of commitments to the nuclear accord struck with world powers after the Islamic Republic

announced it was ending curbs on atomic research.

European Commission spokesman Carlos Martin Ruiz de Gordejuela told a media briefing in Brussels that the decision was "inconsistent" with the Joint Comprehensive

SEARCH FOR MISSING



General public is hereby informed that one male namely Shambhu, S/o Late Kamal Singh, R/o: RZ-82, Gali No. 10, Part-1, Deep Enclave, Vikas Nagar, Delhi, Age: 34 years, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Shallow, wearing Black Shirt-Black Jeans Pant and Brown Shoes in feet, has been missing/kidnapped from the

Area of P.S. Ranhola, since 19.06.2019. In this regard a DD No. 57-A, dated 21.06.2019 has been registered at P.S. Ranhola, Delhi.

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

Website : http://cbi.nic.in	
E-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in	SHO
Fax: 011-24368639	
Ph. No. : 011-24368638, 243	P.S. Ranhola, Delhi
DP/2612/OD/19	Ph.: 011-28363001, 28363002

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED



Fax: 011-24368639

DP/2637/OD/19

Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641

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DP

General Public is hereby informed that one man namely Vishal Kumar S/o Arvind Kumar R/o H.No. A-89, Near Rajdhani Public School, Vikas Nagar, Delhi has been missing/kidnapped since 23.06.2019 from the area of P.S. Ranhola, Delhi. In this regard a case vide DD No. 66-A dated 27.06.2019 has been registered at PS. Ranhola, Delhi.

The description of missing/kidnapped man is as Vishal Kumar under:

Name : Vishal Kumar, Father's Name : Arvind Kumar, Age : 28 years, Height: 5'5", Face: Round, Complexion: Fair, Wearing: Red

T-Shirt Blue Jeans and shoes in feet. If anyone having any clue/information, kindly inform the undersigned. SHO Website : http://cbi.nic.in e-mail : cic@cbi.gov.in

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the 36th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Company will be held on Monday, 30thSeptember, 2019 at 'The Sentinel', 47, Pocket A, Jasola, New Delhi-110025 at 12.00 P.M to transact the businesses mentioned in the Notice of Annual General Meeting.

The notice of AGM along with Annual Report, Proxy Form and Attendance Slip have been sent in electronic form to those shareholders whose email address are registered with the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent/Depository Participants, unless the Members have requested for hard copy of the same. Physical copy have been dispatched through permitted mode to all other members. The Company has completed all dispatches through e-mail and other permitted modes on Tuesday 3rd September, 2019.

Members may note that the Annual Report, AGM Notice inter alia indicating the process and manner of e-voting process, Proxy Form and Attendance Slip are available on Company's website vww.nktil.com and can also be obtained from registered office of the Company.

In compliance with the provisions of Section 108 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with the Companies (Management and Administration) Amendments Rules, 2015 and Regulation 44 of the SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirement) Regulation, 2015, the Company is pleased to provide its member the facility to exercise their right to vote by electronic means and business may be transacted through remote e-voting facility provided by National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL). The remote e-voting period commences from Thursday 26th September, 2019 at 9.00 a.m and ends on Sunday 29th September, 2019 at 5.00 p.m. The remote e-voting shall be disabled thereafter and no e-voting will be allowed thereafter. The Board has appointed Mr. Surrinder Kishore Kapahi, Proprietor Kapahi and Associates, Company Secretaries as Scrutinizer for conducting the e-voting process in accordance with the law and in a fair and transparent manner.

The voting rights of members shall be in proportion to their share in the paid up equity share capital of the Company as on the cut-off date of 23rd September, 2019. Members holding shares either in physical or in dematerialized form, on the said cut-off date, are eligible to avail the facility of remote evoting. Any person, who acquires shares of the Company after dispatch of AGM Notice and holds such shares as of the cut-off date i.e, 23rd September, 2019, may obtain the login ID and password by sending a request at evoting@nsdl.co.in.

At the AGM, facility for voting through ballot paper shall be made available and only the Members as on the "cut-off date" i.e, 23rd September, 2019, who have not cast their votes by remote e-voting, shall be entitled to exercise their rights to vote at the AGM through ballot paper. The members who have cast their votes through electronic means prior to the AGM may still attend the AGM but shall not be entitled to cast their votes again.

The notice of AGM containing, inter-alia, the procedure of e-voting is available on the Company's /ebsite www.nktil.com and on NSDL's website <u>https://www.evoting.nsdl.com.</u>

In case of any queries, Members may refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQS) and e-voting user manual available at the Downloads sections of https://www.evoting.nsdl.com or contact NSDL at the toll free no : 1800-222-990 or or write a mail to info@masserv.com.

Notice is also hereby given that that pursuant to section 91 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 10 of the Companies (Management and Administration) Rules, 2014 and Regulation 42 of SEBI (Listing Obligation and Disclosure Requirement) Regulation, 2015, the Register of Members and Share Transfer books of the Company will remain closed from Tuesday, September 24, 2019 to Monday, September 30, 2019 (both days inclusive) for the purpose of taking record of the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting.

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	Balbir Singh
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What a comeback! Smith marks Ashes return with century

AFP OLD TRAFFORD (MANCHESTER)

Sinternational cricket in imperi-ous fashion with a third hundred of the Ashes series on Thursday as Australia put themselves in a dominant position in the fourth Test. Smith was 173 not out in

Australia's commanding 369-5 at tea on the second day of the match against England at Old Trafford.

It was his highest score of a series during which Smith's lowest

total in four innings is 92. This was also the eighth time he had passed 150 in a Test and the third instance against England, although he was reprieved twice on Thursday

Smith and Tim Paine (58 not out), his successor as Australia captain, have now put on an unbeaten 145 for the sixth wicket, with the tourists going through the second session without losing a wicket.

Despite England's dramatic onewicket win in the third Test at Headingley in Smith's absence to square the five-match series at 1-1, the top-order problems that saw them dismissed for just 67 in the first innings in Leeds remain intact.

And with Australia left-arm fast bowler Mitchell Starc looking to make a mark in his first Test of the series, England faced a tough task just to get back on level terms in Manchester.

SMITH DROPPED But it might have been a differ-

ent story had fast bowler Jofra Archer held on to a Smith caughtand-bowled chance. Archer, whose bouncer at Lord's

concussed Smith and ruled him out of the Headingley match, dropped the world's number one-ranked Test

SINGLES

B'DESH QUALIFY FOR 2020 WWT20 DUNDEE: Bangladesh on Thursday booked a berth for the Women's T20 World Cup to be held in Australia next year after reaching the final of the qualifying tournament with a four-wicket win over Ireland. Bangladesh first bowled Ireland out for 85 in 20 overs and then chased down the target of 86 with nine balls to spare in the first semi-final of the Women's T20 World Cup Qualifiers. This will be the fourth time Bangladesh will be taking part in the Women's T20 World Cup after 2014, 2016 and 2018.

SHUTTLERS CAMPAIGN ENDS AT TAIPEI

TAIPEI: Former champion Sourabh Verma suffered a straight-game loss to world number 2 Chou Tien Chen in the men's singles second round to draw



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144	Birmingham	2019	Won
142	Birmingham	2019	Won
92	Lord's	2019	Draw
125*	Manchester	2019	-
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batsman on 65.

reprieve on 118 when he edged Jack Leach to Ben Stokes at slip only for replays to reveal the leftarm spinner had over-stepped for a no-ball — a careless error for a

Smith's innings followed his scores of 144 and 142 in Australia's 251-run win in the opener at Edgbaston — his first Test since completing a 12-month ball-tampering ban — and the 92 he made at Lord's, where he was felled by Archer.

Australia resumed on 170-3 under sunny skies after

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Smith was given another

Wednesday's rain-marred first day and Smith drove Archer off the back foot

through extra cover for a superb four in the second over to go to 65. The next delivery, however, saw Smith hammer a full toss straight back at Archer, who dropped the two-hand-ed caught-and-bowled chance, with the ball going for four after bursting through

his grasp. Broad, however, removed yet another left-hander this series when a fulllength delivery had Travis Head lbw for

Leach, who had played a key supporting role at No 11 while all-rounder Stokes's superb 135 not out saw England to victory at Headingley, lured Matthew Wade (16) into a miscued drive to England captain Joe Root at mid-on. Smith then clipped Craig Overton ball fifty.

for a two through square leg that saw him to his 26th Test century in 160 balls, with 11 fours.

Paine was on nine when, in the first over after lunch, he edged Broad, only for Jason Roy to drop a catch at second slip he should have held

Then came Leach's no-ball, with Root gathering his team around him afterwards as he issued a rallying cry.

England took the new ball as soon as they could but that did not stop Smith cover-driving Broad for a magnificent four off the back foot.

England's woes intensified when, with Stokes briefly off the field with a sore right shoulder, substitute Sam Curran dropped Paine, on 49, at midon following a pull off Archer. Paine went on to make a stylish 113-

Shafali makes to Eves T20 squad

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Rookie batter Shafali Verma, all of 15, Thursday became one of the youngest to be picked in the Indian women's cricket team, her arrival coinciding with the departure of the longserving Mithali Raj from the T20 scene.

Verma, whose ability with the bat has impressed many, including Mithali, has been selected in the Indian team for the first three games of the upcoming five-match T20 International series against South Africa.

Mithali will continue to lead the team in the three-match ODI series, which will follow the five T20 Internationals, where Harmanpreet Kaur will captain.

A little over five feet tall, Shafali was chosen following her good perfor-mances in the Women's T20 challenge earlier and at the age-group level this vear. The diminutive Haryana-girl played under Mithali for Team Velocity in the women's T20 challenge which was held during the IPL earlier this year. The youngster has a strike rate of

150-plus in the under-19 and under-23 category domestic events.

Besides effectively wielding the willow, she also bowls off-breaks. England's illustrious cricketer

Danielle Wyatt has also praised the talented Verma, calling her a "superstar" in the making.

Gargi Banerjee, at 14 years and 165 days, remains the youngest to play for the Indian women's cricket team.

She played her first ODI against England in 1978 and the first Test against Australia in 1984. She represented India in 12 Tests and 26 ODIs.

In recent times, big-hitting sensation Jemimah Rodrigues created quite a flutter when she made the Indian team at an age of 17.

In the teams announced on Verma, Mansi Joshi.

Thursday, Smriti Mandhana will be Harmanpreet's deputy in the T20s. Mithali decided to quit T20

Internationals after a career spanning 89 matches in which she scored 2364 runs and 17 half-centuries. She led India in 32 T20Is.

The selection committee meeting held at the BCCI headquarters on Thursday was attended by Mithali while T20I captain Harmanpreet and coach WV Raman connected via teleconference.

Pooja Vastrakar returns to the T20 squad after recovering from an injury. This will be the first T20 assignments for India since Mithali announced her retirement recently.

The T20 series assumes significance for India as they would look to regain lost ground after suffering defeats in their last six matches in the format.

The Indian team will conduct a reparatory camp at the National Cricket Academy in Bengaluru from September 12.

The T20 series begins in Surat on September 24, while the ODIs kick off on October 9 in Vadodara.

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ODI squad: Mithali Raj (Captain), Jemimah Rodrigues, Harmanpreet Kaur (vice-captain), Punam Raut, Smriti Mandhana, Deepti Sharma, Taniya Bhatia (wicket-keeper), Jhulan Goswami, Shikha Pandey, Mansi Joshi, Ekta Bisht, Poonam Yadav, D Hemalatha, Rajeshwari Gayakwad, Priva Punia

Squad for first 3 T20Is: Harmanpreet Kaur (Captain), Smriti Mandhana (vice-captain), Jemimah Rodrigues, Deepti Sharma, Taniya Bhatia (wicketkeeper), Poonam Yadav, Shikha Pandey, Arundhati Reddy, Pooja Vastrakar, Radha Yadav, Veda Krishnamurthy, Harleen Deol, Anuja Patil, Shafali

India lose to Oman

PTI GUWAHATI aptain Sunil Chhetri's early strike went in vain as India surrendered a onegoal advantage to lose 1-2 to Oman in their opening fixture of the 2022 FIFA World Cup Qualifiers here on Thursday. The 87-ranked Oman rallied to score twice through Rabia Alawi Al Mandhar in the last eight minutes of reg-

slow bowler.

curtains on India's campaign at the \$500,000 Chinese Taipei Open tournament on Thursday. The 26-year-old Sourabh, who won the Hyderabad Open last month, was no match for the top-seeded Chen, going down 12-21, 10-21 in a match that lasted 30 minutes. Sourabh had come into the match with a 2-0 head-to-head record against Chen but that did not matter as the Taipei shuttler stamped his authority to knock the Indian out of the tournament. Sourabh will next play at Vietnam Open Super 100 next week, before competing in Korea Open (September 24-29).

PRAJNESH ADVANCES TO JINAN Q/F

JINAN: Top seed Prainesh Gunneswaran booked a singles quarterfinal berth at the Jinan Open with a hard-fought win over Chinese Taipei's Tung-Lin Wu on Thursday. The Indian left-hander had to toil hard before prevailing 6-4, 7-6(3) in the third round of the \$ 162,480 hard court tournament. He next faces Japanese eighth seed Go Soeda, who steam-rolled Chinese Di Wu 6-1 6-2 in the other third round contest. Meanwhile, in the doubles event, three Indians will feature in the top-half semifinal. Top seed Divij Sharan and Matthew Ebden beat Pedja Krsten and Akira Santillan 6-1, 6-4 in just 45 minutes. They will now take on fourth-seeded Indian pair of Saketh Myneni and Jeevan Nedunchezhivan, who overcame Hiroki Moriya and Goncalo Oliveira 7-5 6-2 in the other quarterfinal.

NAGAL LOSES IN AON CHALLENGER

GENOA: At the Aon Open Challenger in Genoa, India's challenge has ended in the first round in both singles and doubles. Sumit Nagal, playing his first event after the high of US Open where he took a set off Roger Federer, suffered a 1-6, 5-7 defeat to local wild card Giulio Zeppieri. In the doubles, Purav Raja and his Australian partner lost narrowly 6-7(2), 6-7(3) to Fernando Romboli and Attila Balazs. At the Cassis Open in France, 12th seed Ramkumar Ramanathan lost his singles second round 3-6, 2-6 to Germany's Daniel Masur. However, he reached the doubles quarterfinal with Russian partner Evgeny Karlovskiy with 6-4, 6-1 win over fourth seed Croatian pair of Ivan Sabanov and Matej Sabanov.

BAJRANG GETS TOP BILLING AT WORLDS

NEW DELHI: India's top grappler Bajrang Punia has been handed the top billing in the men's 65kg freestyle category at the World Championships, slated to begin in Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan from September 14. World number one Bajrang, who is in Russia for training ahead of the championships, had bagged a Silver in the last edition and a Bronze in 2013 in 60kg. "Training abroad with foreign athletes has helped me grow as a wrestler. Sparring with some of the best names in Georgia, Russia and USA has made me more aware of my opponents," said Bajrang. Two-time Olympic medallist Sushil Kumar remains India's only Gold medallist at the Worlds. He had climbed on top of the podium in the 2010 AGENCIES edition.

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The 35-year-old Chhetri, international football's second highest scorer among active players, pushed India ahead in the 24th minute with his 72nd strike.

However, Mandhar broke Indian hearts when he flicked the ball past Gurpreet Singh Sandhu to restore parity in the 82nd minute. More disappointment was in store for the 103-ranked India as Mandhar completed his brace in the 89th minute in a stunning turnaround.

India dominated the first half with more shots at opposition goal and also enjoyed possession.

Ashique Kuruniyan, who returned to the team after missing the Kings Cup and Intercontinental Cup due to injury, created problems for



the Oman defence with his pace and trickery in the left channel.

Following one such run down the left flank in the 24th minute, he was fouled by Abdulaziz Al Ghailani and India got a free kick on the left edge of the box. Brandon Fernandes took

the set piece, sent a grounder in the middle of the box and Chhetri fooled his marker to drill in a left-footer into the Oman net, much to the celebration of a vociferous crowd.

minute when Udanta Singh's shot off a Chhetri pass beat

the Omani goalkeeper but it struck the crossbar, to the dismay of the home side. Udanta was also denied a goal in a similar fashion against the UAE in the Asian Cup earlier in the year.

There were periods of intact. incessant Indian attack in the first half and central defender Sandesh Jhingan sent the

Before that, India were header off a corner taken by denied lead in the 15th Anirudh Thapa in the 20th minute.

Oman pressed hard in the closing stages of the first half and goalkeeper Gurpreet Singh Sandhu made a great save in the 43rd minute, blocking a Ahmed Kano header in a one-to-one situation to keep India's lead

The visitors made a strong fightback in the second half to leave the home team ball over the bar in a free disappointed.

Germany face Dutch in Euro qualifiers

AFP BERLIN

Toachim Loew's resurgent Germany side face their first test without Manchester City winger Leroy Sane when they renew their rivalry with neighbours the Netherlands in today's Euro 2020 qualifier in Hamburg.

Sane, 23, is one of several German players missing through injury, including Julian Draxler and Thilo Kehrer, after he tore knee ligaments during City's Community Shield win over Liverpool last month.

The twinkle-toed winger has been a key part of the national team's part of the national ceans recovery from their World Cup debacle last year, scoring in five of Germany's last six games.

Two of those goals have come against today's opponents the Netherlands, who Germany have faced three times since last October in a resumption of one of international football's biggest rivalries

Yet Sane's team mates insisted this week that they would be able to compensate for his absence.

"Leroy creates a lot of space and is very important for the team, but we have a lot of quality to replace him," said Borussia Dortmund player Marco Reus on

Wednesday. Sane is expected to be replaced by in-form RB Leipzig striker Timo Werner, who is hoping to fight his way back into



"Leroy's unfortunate injury means there is a space in attack. I believe can show the same performances here as I have for my club," said Werner, who has scored five goals in three games for Leipzig this season.

HISTORIC HAMBURG

Having twice failed to beat the Dutch in the Nations League last year, Germany's 3-2 win in Amsterdam in March marked a change in fortunes and left them six points clear of their rivals in qualifying Group C.

Victory in Hamburg would therefore represent a huge step towards qualification, adding further spice to the cross-border derby.

"Games against the Netherlands are always big, iconic games. You stand on the pitch and think: 'awesome," said Reus.

For the Dutch in particular, the location of today's match is a fateful one. It was in Hamburg that Marco Van Basten fired a late winner past West Germany to send the the Germany first team.

Netherlands into the final of the 1988 E u r o p e a n Championships, where they won their only major title to date.

31 years later, the Dutch are under pressure after picking up just three points from their first two games.

They currently sit in Group C's play-off spot, nine points behind leaders Northern Ireland, albeit with two games in hand.

Yet at a press conference on Monday manager Ronald Koeman dismissed the notion that the match against Germany was a case of do-or-die for his team.

"The game against Germany is not crucial," said Koeman, who played in the 1988 semifinal and famously pretended to wipe his backside with a German shirt after the match.

"We have to get twelve points in the matches against Estonia and Belarus and pick up more points than Northern Ireland in our two games with them," he said.

BFI confirms direct berths for World medallists For the Olympic categories in

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 $T^{\rm he\ medal\ winners\ at\ the\ upcoming}_{\rm World\ Championships\ for\ men}$ and women, both to be held in Russia, will get direct berths in the Indian boxing teams for the first Olympic qualifying tournaments next year.

Confirming what was first reported on July 25, the Boxing Federation of India (BFI) has officially laid down the selection plan for the qualifiers to the 2020 Tokyo Games.

"The medallist of AIBA (men's) World Championship 2019 will be sent directly to the first Olympic qualifier to be held in China," read the minutes of a meeting of a BFI meeting which attended by its brass, the coaching staff, and the selection committee members.

"Selection criteria (Women): the Gold/Silver medallist of AIBA World Championship will be sent directly to the first Olympic qualifier in China."

While the men's event gets underway in Ekaterinberg from September 9, the women's competition is sched-uled to begin on October 3 in Ulan-Ude, also in Russia.

which the Indians fail to win any medal at these events, the federation has decided to hold trials between the top four boxers of that division based on performance ratings given by the respective head coaches.

The first Olympic Qualifier will be held in February next year followed by the second and last in May.

For the May event, the medal winners from the İndia Open, to be held in March, will get direct berths while the rest will be selected on the basis of trials.

"The best performer at the India Open will be selected. In case the scenario is not clear, then there will be trials among top two boxers of India Open, selected by head coaches and selection committee. Selection Trials will be held around 3rd-4th April 2020," the minutes of the meeting read.

The Tokyo Olympics will feature eight categories for men (52kg, 57kg, 63kg, 69kg, 75kg, 81kg, 91kg, +91kg) and five for women (51kg, 57kg, 60kg, 69kg, 75kg).

U Mumba, Puneri

D points after their Prokabaddi League match ended in a tense 33-33 draw at the Sree

Kanteerava Stadium here on Thursday. Abhishek Singh clinched a Super 10 (11 raid points) for U Mumba as they clawed their back from being six points down in the final five minutes to secure a crucial draw.

The match got off to a slow start with both sets of raiders cautious of the strong defences they were up against.

Nitin Tomar was bullied off the mat in his first raid of the match and that set the tone for the first half with both sets of defences per-

versatility as an All-Rounder, pulling off

on the mat and Season Two champions inflicted the first All-Out of the match in the tenth minute to open up a six-point lead.

Pune didn't lose their cool after the All-Out though and ensured they stayed in the game for the remainder of the first half. Mumbai led Pune 16-12 at half-time.Pune, coached by former U Mumba star Anup Kumar, kept doing their work cleverly in the second half.

Paltan play out tie PTI BENGALURU Unumba and Puneri Paltan shared the

forming admirable tackles. Sandeep Narwal was in his 'beast mode' for U Mumba, while Pune's Manjeet showed his

impressive Super Tackles. But Mumbai's raiders were slightly better



HOW PROPER SLEEP CAN HELP

Moving your bedtime up even by only 60 minutes could have huge benefits for your body, your mood, and your relationships, says TEAM VIVA



orget post-jog endorphins an extra hour of sleep provides the ultimate mood boost. In a recent survey of more than 700 respondents aged 17 to 79, those who identified as early risers reported feeling happier and healthier than their night owl counterparts. Researchers say that when you skip out on the recommended seven to nine hours of sleep, exhaustion can create a wide array of negative impacts on the brain, including depression, anxiety, and other mood disorders. Being happier and limiting your stress could be as simple as getting an extra hour of sleep every night, and then rising and shining with the sun the next morning; doing so aligns your biological clock with its natural rhythm.

A lack of sleep at night can make you cranky the next day. And over time, skimping on sleep can mess up more than just your morning mood. Studies show getting quality sleep on a regular basis can help improve all sorts of issues, from your blood sugar to your workouts.

Another thing that your brain does while you sleep is process your emotions. Your mind needs this time in order to recognize and react the right way. When you cut that short, you tend to have more negative emotional reactions and fewer positive ones.

Chronic lack of sleep can also raise the chance of having a mood disorder. One large study showed that when you have insomnia, you're five times more likely to

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develop depression, and your odds of anxiety or panic disorders are even greater.

If your sport requires quick bursts of energy, like wrestling or weightlifting, sleep loss may not affect you as much as with endurance sports like running, swimming, and biking. But you're not doing yourself any favors.

Besides robbing you of energy and time for muscle repair, lack of sleep saps your motivation, which is what gets you to the finish line. You'll face a harder mental and physical challenge -- and see slower reaction times.

Proper rest sets you up for your best performance.

To help you ward off illnesses, your immune system identifies harmful bacteria and viruses in your body and destroys them. Ongoing lack of sleep changes the way your immune cells work. They may not attack as quickly, and you could get sick more often.

Good nightly rest now can help you avoid that tired, worn-out feeling, as well as spending days in bed as your body tries to recover.

Our relationships lose when we don't snooze. After a sleepless night, you may feel more irritable,

short-tempered, and vulnerable to stress, which can put a strain on families and friendships. And research confirms that we can all get a little crabby when we lose sleep. According to one study persons who were limited to only 4.5 hours of sleep per night for one week reported feeling more stressed, angry, sad, and mentally exhausted. When the subjects resumed their normal sleeping patterns, they reported a dramatic improvement in their dispositions. Getting more shut-eye will put you in a better mood, so you can spend quality time with friends or family without

becoming a grouch.

It's dangerous to drink and drive, but drowsy driving can be dis-astrous, too. Getting behind the wheel when your mind is foggy and tired can alter your driving behavior, leading you to become impa-tient, stressed, or drive faster than you normally would after a solid eight hours of sleep. And drowsy driving is more common than you might think. A survey found that 60 percent of adult driver about 168 million people say they have driven a vehicle while feeling sleepy in the past year, and that more than onethird have actually fallen asleep at the wheel.

Even the best morning skin care routine can't fully hide tired bags under your eyes from a sleepless night. A recent study found that when participants viewed images of people who were sleep-deprived or well-rested, the sleep-deprived people were rated as less attractive, less healthy, less approachable, and sadder. An adequate bedtime, on the other hand, can add a refreshed glow to your skin.

Plus, getting that extra hour of sleep could do wonders for your workout; scientists in Brazil found that sleep deprivation can cause muscle loss and a higher chance of injuries because your body doesn't have the boost it needs to recover from exercise.

Hitting the sack later in the evening can ruin your nine-to-five workday. Concentration, memory, mathematical capacity, and logical reasoning decline when you're peak health benefits.

fatigued, keeping you from performing your best at work. In fact, one study found that subjects performed 30 percent better on a puzzle after waking up from a deep sleep than from light snoozing. Research has shown that sleep is essential for helping people solve complex problems, too. Simply put, setting back your bedtime by just one hour could give you a competitive advantage and make you more successful at your job; your boss will thank you, guaranteed. If you're not sleeping well at night, don't miss how sleep deprivation can jeopardise your job in seven big ways.

It's no secret that a lack of sleep can take a toll on your waistline. In a study published in the journal Sleep, researchers found that adults with late bedtimes gained more weight than those who hit the hay earlier. Your sleepy brain more likely to crave fatty, high-calorie snacks in the late hours of night. Experts say the culprit is an appetite-regulating hormone called leptin, which kick-starts the longer you're awake and makes your tummy rumble. If you turn in earlier, you'll avoid a late night binge and consume less daily calories.

Sleep needs vary, but on average, regularly sleeping more than 9 hours a night may do more harm than good. Research found that people who slept longer had more calcium buildup in their heart arteries and less flexible leg arteries, too.

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Dream Girl's eyebrows are bushy

Actor AYUSHMANN KHURRANA tells CHAHAK MITTAL that his film is about gender fluidity and how it's up to the people to dress up and act the way they want to irrespective of their sex for it is 2019

> hen I greet him by saying, "Hi dream girl with bushy eye-brows! (going by his Instagram bio)," actor Ayushmann Khurrana laughs and recalls how at 14, he used to call his first girlfriend to talk to her. It was the early 1990s and as those who have lived in the time know that a single landline sufficed for the entire family. The girl's father answered the calls and Ayushmann spoke in a woman's voice, pretending to be his girlfriend's female friend. The girl's father did not suspect

a thing when he heard his (turned her) voice and promptly handed over the phone to his daughter. "And we used to talk for hours because her dad thought that she was talking to a girl," says the actor and bursts out laughing even before we start asking questions. Well, who knew a little stint in his teenage years would come back to him as one of his roles today?

For his forthcoming film Dream Girl, this is one of the first t h i n g s Ayushmann recalls

when we ask him about how he established a command over the feminine voice he uses to make prank calls in the film. He also points out that he has done radio commentary in the past, "which enabled me to make prank calls. That also helped. But of course, this was not something that I was used to. I did practise to be fluent in it. And mostly, dubbed n d а



sounds so much like a girl that it doesn't even look like it's dubbed (laughs)."

The actor believes that this is one of his "most commercial films," which is very different from others. "The tonality of this film is its masala. This is one of most commercial films because I have been known for my realistic performances. But this one is out there. So it has given me the chance to explore that territory of a commercial film. And it's a lot of fun."

The trailer of the film has left the audience anticipating what exactly it has to offer as Ayushmann is seen essaying roles of Sita and Radha in *Ramlilas* and engaging in sex-talk with strangers on the phone during his job at a call centre. The actor says, "In our country, most of the actors who are playing characters of women in Ramlilas in small towns are males. There are many men who play the role of Sita. So this is also a story of one of those guys and I am that guy here. My character has the talent of being able to speak in both male and female voices. So he just explores it to earn money. But in the end, it's not bound to just adult chat or sex-talk but it is also about how I enable lonely people to have fun. They are looking for companions. It's a comedy but it certainly touches some souls with its humour." In one of the scenes in the trailer,

Ayushmann is seen playing Draupadi and during the time of her vastra haran or the unveiling of Draupadi in the court, he yells, "#MeToo agar recorded Mahabharata ke time par hota na, toh sabse pehle tum sab andar jaate (If my voice #MeToo happened during the time of in a studio so that I Mahabharata, you all would have been jailed first.)" It appears to be funny at could get multiple takes first but strikes as an epiphany later about how the film enab es a man to So now it

see the world from a woman's point of view when he puts himself into her shoes. So what was Ayushmann's idea of it? He says, "I feel that empathy is very important. When you know a woman personally, up close and inside out, as a friend, a brother or a husband, you realise the issues that she is facing in a social set-up. Hence, the film is also about gender fluidity. It says that a man should not think twice if he wants to dress up like a woman. No one should be stopped from doing that. Similarly, no one should stop a woman from dressing up like a man." It's 2019 and the actor believes that we should have that liberty as it's our "prerogative" to do that.

However, Dream Girl, he tells us, is not a film which tries to give a message. "It's funny and humorous. Though there are certain lines which will briefly touch and go. But overall, it is just for laughs. It is the funniest film that I have done till now." The film is set in Mathura and the best part about shooting for it, for Ayushmann, was the weather as it was during the Winter.

The recent films and even web series are evidence that more interesting plots are coming from small towns and middle-class family scenarios in our country, unlike the rich, affluent people in metro cities which inhabit a ypical Karan Johar film. Some exambles being Stree, Badhaai Ho!, Luka Chuppi, Jabariya Jodi and more. Why? It's certainly because of their high relatability factor and connect with the audience. And the theme of realism. However, Ayushmann believes that a good story is not place-specific. "It doesn't have anything to do with a small town or a metro city. It is also because 70 per cent of the nation lives in small towns. I am also from one of them

Even though I have stayed in Mumbai and Delhi but eventually, I am from Panchkula, a small city near Chandigarh. So when people from such places go out and watch these films, they connect to them. But there are also films like *Dil Dhadakne Do*, which give a glimpse of the urban lifestyle but do a glimpse of the urban lifestyle, but do fairly well too. So venues don't really matter as long as the stories are good, says he.

Talking about the realistic portrayal of issues in films today, do films with a message actually create an impact on society? A recent example being his Article 15, which presented a take on the discriminatory caste system in India. And Ayushmann agrees that it does: "The representation of these issues do make an impact on society. It reaches to a wider audience collectively especially to those for whom the issue of casteism doesn't really exist. But in the larger realm, it still does. It acts

as an eye-opener for most of them." It was certainly a film which not only might have created an impact on the audience, but provided some "great learning" to the actor as well. He tells us how and what he learnt the most us how and what he reach the most from it. "It was empathy more than anything else. Getting into that char-acter was like knowing the situations of a society in a country. If you know that, it will help you build that empathy towards the downtrodden. It was also about acknowledging the casteism in our country. Probably, I was more aware than the character on-screen about the issue because I come from the street theatre background and have done plays on social issues in small towns, which really helped me to get into the character. It was the only dark film that I have done till date and it was quite a learning experience," he adds.

The actor, who is currently living dream after his successful three blockbusters and winning a National Award, tells us how he balanced the roller-coaster of a ride his life has been during the past year. It was extreme as he had to balance swinging emotions — his wife's (Tahira Kashyap) illness

and two back-to-back hits (Andhadhun and Badhaai Ho!). "I have realised that life is a great leveller. It gives you something and also takes something away from you. There are equal phases of sorrow and happiness. There are tough times but good times too exist. At the same time, everybody has a void in their life and they have to accept it as a part of it. And at the end of the day, they have to keep going with the circumstances. But we just need to be in a happy state to go through the challenges ahead. So that's about it. I am glad we came out of that," says he.

However, there certainly comes a pressure after being honoured with a National Award, as it creates a particular benchmark for an actor to not fall below it, requires him/her to keep doing good and not 'disappoint' the viewers. "There is nothing like that," he laughs and adds that it's a "happy pressure, which will give me the courage to choose scripts which are more radical. And I always follow my gut and intuition. I have been doing that for many years now."

(The film releases on Sept

Photo: Pankai Kuma

IIT Bombay students and the alumni as

Chhichhore was attended by 2000

The special screening of

well. At the screening, the team including the director Nitesh Tiwari, the



cast — Varun Sharma, Saharsh Kumar Shukla, Tushar Pandey, Naveen Polishetty, Tahir Bhasin, Nalneesh Neel were present.

Since the film is based on the life of the IITians, the students were much amused to watch it. The film releases today.

Aniston won't go to social media

JENNIFER ANISTON has broken a new-age celebrity stereotype by remaining a top Hollywood star despite saying no to social media. Her reason for staying away

from interactive cyber space is clear. She says, "I know when I'm comfortable with something, and I

know when I'm not." Aniston feels the constant pressure to be liked on social media can particularly have damaging effects on young people figuring out their identity. "They (the young adult) are doing it through someone else's lens, which has been filtered and changed and then, here is that constant fear of getting liked. There is a lot of comparing and despairing," she adds.

t was here that I decided to become a Victorian (literature student) at a time when it was-n't at all fashionable. They were considered gauche, kitsch, sen-timental, absurd," Margaret Atwood says, tracing her life and remembering the times she would dash back and forth across the park to take english classes on one side and history and philosophy on the other. "But the foundations of

women's equality — John Stuart Mill, those kinds of thinkers were Victorians and the position of women was a real hotbed topic, extending all the way from proper undergarments to higher education. One of my cherished facts is that women weren't allowed into classical art schools because they might see naked women," she adds with a laugh. "What a shock!"

Atwood is among the world's most celebrated authors. Just months shy of her 80th birthday, the longtime Toronto resident has otherwise never been more noticed. She has written the year's most anticipated novel, The Testaments, the sequel to her classic — *The Handmaid's Tale* and a Booker Prize finalist.

In December, Atwood will be honoured in New York by the Centre for Fiction, which has given its first ever on-screen award to her and to Hulu executives for the Emmy-winning adaptation of The Handmaid's Tale. Hulu and MGM are now planning a series based on *The* Testaments.

Atwood is a literary writer who tries not to act like one, taking mock umbrage - "Of course. What do you take me for?" — when we ask if she has read The Hunger Games. Whatever the subject Victorian literature, résistance movements, Game of Thrones she is not only knowledgeable, but interesting and funny. Her voice, like her writing, is level and pointed, with the slightest inflection turning the mood towards irony, scandal or fore-

boding. "There is a great wit along with the breaking of rules taking

Return of Gilead

During the announcement of *The Testaments*. MARGARET ATWOOD recalls how women weren't allowed into the classical art schools during the 1960s because they could run into nude models



place" in her books, says fellow author and Canadian Michael Ondaatje. "And as an individual, she has been a remarkably brave spirit, supporting many causes to do with writers and politics," she adds.

She has written more than 40 books, novels, stories, essays and poems and her awards include the Booker Prize for The Blind Assassin and Canada's Giller Prize for Alias Grace. She is a feminist heroine who in the

'GILEAD IS NOT **INVENTED BUT** CURATED AND ROOTED IN THE ACTUAL AND THE POSSIBLE. EACH DETAIL I CAN TELL YOU CHAPTER AND VERSE WHO DID IT WHEN'

introduction to a recent edition of The Handmaid's Tale defines a feminist novel not as idealising women, but humanising them, with all the variety and character and behavior that implies. In her fiction, women are both killers and killed, betrayers and betrayed, rebels and oppressors.

The Handmaid's Tale reflects an imagination both expansive and grounded. As Atwood likes

could happen. Gilead, she says, is not "invented, but curated" and so rooted in the actual and the possible that she speaks of reissuing the book with foot-notes. For instance, the iconic handmaid uniforms of bright red cloaks and white bonnets that obscure their faces were inspired by the image on a container of old dutch cleanser. "Each detail I can tell you chapter and verse who did it when," Atwood says.

In announcing The Testaments last fall, she cited readers curiosity about Gilead and, more darkly, the world we've been living in. As she explains, she wrote The Handmaid's Tale in part as a response to the anti-feminist backlash of the 1980s. She didn't expect to write a sequel because she didn't expect the rise of Donald Trump and the world becoming more like the original novel. Even before he became president, she was resurrecting Gilead. In February 2017, she sent a memo to her literary representatives that outlined The Testaments, how it would have three narrators and would be set around 15 years after Offred fled to an undetermined future.

Praised by The New York Times as a "compelling sequel," *The Testaments* was in the top 10 on Amazon a week before its publication. Atwood has received letters from readers saying her book helped them cope with depression or make sense of living in religious communities. Naomi Alderman, who wrote The Power, says she was a teenager and an Orthodox Jew when she read The Handmaid's Tale, which pretty well rearranged her brain. Woman activists around the world have worn the handmaid outfits, protesting in silence against everything from anti-abortion laws in Ireland to the general policies of Trump.

Screen adaptations of acclaimed novels have a long and often unhappy history, but The Hulu Project has been embraced by Atwood, audiences and critics. The series has received six to point out, everything in the Emmys, including one for lead novel either has happened or actress Elisabeth Moss. The writ-

ing of The Testaments ran parallel to the making of the series, and was a process of subtle coordination. Atwood says she tried to avoid interfering or revealing any plot details beyond advising the makers. "She's in the unique position of understand-ing very well how to adapt her books to different art forms," says Miller, noting that Handmaid's Tale had previously been made into an opera and a feature film.

Atwood first gained attention as a poet, starting in the early 1960s with Double Persephone and reaching a national audience in 1966 with The Circle Game. Her emphasis on poetry wasn't only artistic, she says, "poetry was cheaper to publish than fiction, and Canadians writers in the 1960s were just beginning to establish themselves." Atwood, Nobel laureate Alice Munro and Robertson Davies were among those who helped Canadian literature become worldwide, with Atwood's early contributions also including such novels as Surfacing and an influential work of criticism, Survival. "Atwood deserves recogni-

tion as a tireless and unselfish cultural ambassador," says Russell Brown, co-editor of the Oxford University Press' anthology of Canadian literature. "She has done more to promote Canadian writing - both within Canada and beyond — than any other writer of her genera-

Her thoughts may run to the macabre and to disaster, but rarely to despair. Along with tyranny in Gilead, there is resistance, and confidence that hate is no more permanent than love. She has called herself a realist whose outlook is neither better nor worse than the world itself. But she also can't help believing that better is always possible.

Brown's co-editor of the Oxford anthology, Donna Bennett, says Atwood's thinking is characteristically Canadian. Atwood says it's characteristic of her profession.

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LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL

DONTELMAMA scores both hits and misses. While it would let you bond over salsa, tacos and peppery cocktails, it might make you question some of your choices, says Ayushi Sharma

sually we hear of Bollywood nights, live music and sufi nights at gastropubs. But how often have you heard of one celebrating salsa and that too at a pub? Do you wonder if that would create the right vibe? However, my recent outing at *Dontelmama*, South Extension II, put my questions to rest. The blue lights all across its walls, the levelledup dancing floor, jazzed-up music, garnet maroon, lapis and navy blue velvet chaise-lounges around, would do the same to yours too. Even though the salsa began late in the night, it added the charm to the place's already-vibrant ambience. The pub was sprawled across three levels, which gave off a rich vibrant feel. And the rooftop, which was further segregated into a lower section with a cool laid-back vibe, was complemented by the lush green and soft warm lights. A third 'bird's eye' level, gave a 360-degree view of the city. The smoking area was perky and exuberant and had a spectrum of colours that lended it a quirky aura.

Well, what could be better than enjoying such an evening (and spoiler alert: fingerlicking food) with your mate? The place offers a mix of different cuisine including fusion. A staf member suggested that we must begin our meal with their signature chaat platter. As I had it, I realised that while the right amount of flavours in the tikkis left a mark on one's tastebuds, the sweetness of the gol-gappas, on the other hand, might make one not opt for it. They were too sweet. I am one of those for whom the tanginess of the *chaat* is intrinsic to the dish and makes me relish it. Nothing like a spicy stuffing made out of potato-chickpea mash and tangy water, liberally

infused with mint leaves. Even though I tried the gol-gappas with the tangy water or the khatta paani, that too tasted sweet. Or rather, failed to tingle my palate.

tacos, something that I had been eyeing since the very beginning. However, we couldn't order it at first as we followed the chef's suggestion. Peas



rooms tacos were the ones that we opted for. With a name like that, we expected it to be a mix of the two vegetables, but it turned out to be a thick paste where both the ingredients were blended together. But having said that, it was a delightful mix. And who says tacos are just for Tuesdays? These were way too good to eat just about on any day of the week.

corn, surely making it the best dish of the evening. To accom-pany it, I ordered their signature cocktail — *Cinnamon whisky* story. With a base of bourbon

story. With a base of bourbon whisky, it was blended with lemon juice and honey and a cinnamon stick to top it with. Moving on to the main course, they've hit upon a great idea where they serve combo meals. This obviously saves time and prevents confusion as most people usually end up ordering only starters in a pub. We went ahead with Paneer tikka ajwai-ni masala and Dal makhani with Lachcha parantha combo. We were so full by the time that we asked them to lessen the quantity. The paranthas were crispy outside and buttery soft inside. The deal breaker? Dal makhni loaded with unnecessary amount of cream and fat. Of course, as the name suggests it should have a certain amount but it doesn't have to be practically drowning in them. However, the Paneer tikka ajwaini masala just had the right amount of everything.

We preserve food to stop its natural decomposition. Here are some smart techniques to do it

Tn the warm weeks, it is hard L to imagine that today's tomatoes, corn, peaches and other late-summer bounty will soon be just memories. But wait, they don't have to be. With a bit of forethought and a bit of time, we can safeguard some of this

we can safeguard some of this magnificent produce and draw upon it all winter long. When you preserve food, you are using techniques to stop its natural decomposi-tion, killing or preventing the growth of microbes. It's impor-tant to follow experts' direc-tions closely for safety and tions closely for safety and food quality. Four basic ways to preserve late-summer fruits and vegetables:

FREEZING

The simplest and most accessible way to preserve all kinds of produce quickly. The two most critical things about freezing produce are to freeze it as quickly as possible, and in freeze-grade containers.

Chill food before freezing to fasten the process, says Eugenia Bone, author of books including Microbia (Rodale, 2018), James Beard-nominated Well Preserved (Clarkson Potter, 2009), etc. "The slower the freezing process, the larger the ice crystals, which can cause the cell walls of the produce to rupture: This is what makes defrosted foods mushy," she says.

To prevent freezer burn, which can affect the taste and texture of food, use plastic bags, wraps or containers designed specifically for the freezer. If you use a container, leave the right amount of head-space, since the food will expand when it becomes frozen. Too much extra space will result in trapped air. Freezer-proof, zipper-top bags are terrific since you can label them easily, squeeze out excess air and freeze them flat on a tray. Once frozen, they can be stacked vertically or horizontally to save space — and they can be washed and reused. Consider blanching fruits and vegetables — putting them in boiling water and then shocking them in a bowl of ice water - before you freeze them, to enhance their quality after they thaw. Fruits with skins can be blanched, pitted and peeled before freezing so they are ready to use once lefrosted



Freeze, can, pickle and dry

Try roasting them first. Most vegetables and pretty much all fruits will have a softer texture when thawed, depending on how cold your freezer is. The closer to 0 degrees Fahrenheit it is, the better your frozen product will be and the longer it will keep. Frozen fruit should be used either in that state in smoothies and icy desserts, or, if you

are thawing it, in a pie, crum-ble or other baked dessert. the vegetables so they can be safely water-bath canned. You can pickle whole veg-

can the produce: boiling water bath and pressure canning.

jars with food, leaving adequate neadroom and heating the jars in a pot of boiling water for a prescribed amount of time. The heat drives any air from with naturally acidic foods like fruits and alkaline foods that have been acidified, like pick-les. Low-acid foods like vegeta-bles and mushrooms cannot be canned using this method

unless acidified. and involves pressurised steam heat, which can reach a high-

and creating a vacuum seal. "The best way to test your seal," says Bone, "is to wait until the jar has cooled totally. Then remove the band and see if you can lift the jar by the rim of the

result in the growth of harmfulzspoilers, so find a reliable source to follow. PICKLING There are many methods. You can prepare fermented pickles, which use salt or salt brine, and quick pickles, which use vinegar. Pickling acidifies

lid. If you don't spill the con-tents of your jar all over the

counter, then your seals are

good." Improper canning can

etables, like green beans or

okra, or you can make chutney

or relishes with chopped produce plus some seasonings.

Most of the techniques and

rules of regular canning apply.

There are some pickling meth-

ods that don't involve canning

like refrigerator pickles. These

don't have the shelf life of

processed pickles and must be

kept in the fridge but they will extend the life of the produce

somewhat. Refrigerator pickles

offer a fresh flavour and usu-

Whatever food you are

drying should be just ready to

eat and not overripe or under-

ripe, and without bruises or

dings. In some cases, produce to be dried should be pretreat-

ed - either blanched, or

dipped in solutions to retain

tions for each food to ensure

tor is the most reliable. If you think you will be drying foods

Again, find specific direc-

Drying methods include air drying, oven drying and using a dehydrator. A dehydra-

color and texture.

quality and safety.

ally have a crisp texture.

DRYING/DEHYDRATING

CANNING

There are two main ways to

The water bath method involves packing glass canning the jar, sterilising the food and creating a vacuum that causes the rubber flange on the lid to seal. This method works best

The pressure canning method requires a pressure canner (not a pressure cooker), er temperature than boiling. At these temperatures, alkaline foods can be safely canned without acidification. Pressure canners should be purchased based on the type of stove you have and the amount of food you plan to can. Bone's book The Kitchen Ecosystem, for instance, has advice on how to choose a pressure canner. Similar to water-bath canning, the heat pushes air out of the food and jars, sterilising both

regularly, invest in an electric dehydrator. Bone recommends one with an enclosed thermostat which ranges from 85 to 160 degrees Fahrenheit, a fan or blower to circulate air, and trays made of plastic. Fruits can also be made into fruit leather. —AF

mush-It was the time to make a

trip to the European subcontinent or rather try the Vilayati So from Indian, I decided to *subz pasta*. The very first bite dash across continents and order made me wonder why we ordered something that sounded like a mish-mash in the first place. However, gulping it down somehow improved its flavours. At first, it tasted sweet due to the

thick, butter tomato sauce. It was with the basil with spinach and only later that the pepperv corn sauce.

flavour hit home.

I wasn't satisfied and decided to taste another pasta of a different flavour. This time I went

enough to raise the bar of my The night ended on a good

note with people rejoicing and expectations. It was laced with bonding over salsa, tacos and goodness of spinach, packed peppery cocktails. Well, so did with flavours of garlic and sweet

A note on tomatoes: If you freeze them, their skin will slip off when they thaw, as if you had blanched and peeled them.



-ambar brings the Laste and festivity from Kerala with Onam round the corner. Its Sadhva menu has 27 vegetarian dishes — Aviyal, Eriserry, Khichadi beetroot, Mambazha Puliserry, *Kootu* curry, Cabbage thoran, Beans Mezhukkupuratti, Inji



puli, Thiyal, Pineapple pachadi, Choru, Parippu curry, Sambar and Rasam along with crunchy Nendran, jackfruit chips and various chutneys and pickles to go with the meal. It also has desserts like Ada paradhaman and the Pal payasam, redolent with creamy coconut milk. Date: September 11 Time: 11:30 am to 4:30 pm (lunch); 7 pm to 10:30 pm (dinner) Price: ₹900 per person (plus taxes) Venue: Zambar, Ambience Mall, Gurugram.



Tea Lounge offers a variety of *Kulle ki Chaat* to fill your between-themeal time with different flavours. The menu offers Papri chaat, Tikki chaat, Shakarkandi ki chaat, Samosa chaat and various fruit chaats along with traditional condiments. Date: Till September 30 Time: 11 am to 8 pm Price: ₹500 (plus taxes) Venue: Tea Lounge, Eros Hotel, Nehru Place.

METHOD

room temperature, transfer

them to a mixer

Simultaneously

basmati rice

excess water.

Boil the rice and

drain it once it is half

them finely.

wash the

and drain

grinder and grind



Time Machine hosts white Collar Thursdays and are giving away 33 per cent off on their corporate nights on Sricharan Venkatesh and Vanshika Bhatia will serve a all the favourite drinks. When: Thursdays Time: 7 pm Venue: Time Machine, sector be paired with the food. Date: September 13 and 14 38, Noida.

a Piazza introduces its first edition of *Wine Bazaar* for 10 days which will have 30 wines from nine countries. The bazaar offers wines



Garnacha from Spain, Piccini Merlot and Chardonnay from Italy, and La Piazza's own collector's wine too. There will also be wine experts from various wineries who would offer a whiff of their culture. Date: Till September 10 Venue: La Piazza, Hyatt Regency.

of Nadodi from Kuala Lumpur — chef Sricharan

nine-course menu that they have conceptualised.

Venkatesh, Akshar Chalwadi and Kartik Kumar.



ellow Garden offers favourite drinks Wat MRP. One can get pegs of Martini Bianco, Martini Rosso, Kahula, Triple Sec. Glenffidich (12 Yrs), Talisker (10 Yrs), Jim Beam, Jameson, Jack Daniel's and a lot more at reasonable prices. Date: Till September 30 Time: 12 am to 12 pm **Price:** ₹165 Onwards (plus taxes) Venue: The Mellow Garden, Rajouri Garden.



COCONUT CRUSTED and lime juice for 15 FISH CAKES minutes. WHAT YOU NEED

• Fresh coconut (grated)

Cilantro: 2 tbsp

• Ginger: 20 gm

• Lime juice: 10 ml

• Red pepper: 20 gm

• Tomatoes: 20 gm

• Sea salt: 1 pinch

Coconut oil: 10 ml

Marinate fillets with salt

METHOD

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• Grill the fillets well in coconut oil.

• Indian salmon fillet: 500 • Cool and mice the fillets or flake with hands and mix chopped onion, coriander, Cloves of garlic: 2

sriracha sauce, grated fresh coconut, chopped ginger and chopped garlic.

> Shape them into gallettes, coat with fresh grated coconut and grill in coconut oil.

• Prepare the salsa by mixing chopped pineapple, tomatoes, cilantro, mint leaves, red pepper and coconut water and oil.

 Serve the coconut fish Chopped coriander: 10 gm cakes, with the salsa.

> Courtesy: Executive chef Gautam Mehrishi at Vivanta New Delhi, Dwarka

GOSHT DUM BIRYANI WHAT YOU NEED Cinnamon sticks: 1-2 pieces Cumin seeds: 2 tsp Coriander seeds: 2 tsp • Star anise: 2 pieces • Green cardamom: 3 pieces • Fresh Mutton: ½ kg Salt: 2 tsp • Milk: 21/2 cups Basmati rice: 2 cups • Clove: 10 pieces • Fennel seeds: 1 tsp Black pepper: 1 tsp

- Mace powder: 1½ tsp
- Black cardamom: 2 pieces • Ghee: 3 tsp Refined oil: 4 tbsp
- Saffron: 1 pinch • Onion: 1
- For mutton marination: Ginger paste: 3 tsp
- Turmeric: 1 tsp
- Cashew paste: 2 tsp • Curd: 4 tsp
- Garlic paste: 1 tsp
- Red chilli powder: 1 tsp

pinch

• Garam masala powder: 1

done.

• For mutton marination, • To make the garam masala, dry roast all the spices. Then take half kilogram mutton, set aside the spices and let add ginger-garlic paste, them cool. Once they are at turmeric and chilli powder. Then add cashew paste,

> garam masala, curd and mix it well. Cover it with a lid and put it in the refrigerator for an hour. • Then slice the onion and deep fry it. Take out meat

from the refrigerator and allow it to come to room temperature. The, add salt for seasoning. • Prepare the handi by

- adding ghee and oil into it. Once it is sufficiently hot, add the marinated meat.
- Stir and cook the meat for a few minutes on high flame, until it is nicely roasted. Cover it with a lid and let it simmer for another half an hour.
- Meanwhile, add saffron to the milk and mix it well so that the saffron releases its

colour and aroma in the milk. • Then laver the mutton with cooked rice and add the

masala, fried onions and the

• Cover the handi with the lid and weight it down with something heavy. Cook it at a low flame for half an hour. It is best enjoyed hot with some chilled Burani raita on the side.

Courtesy: Chef Sadab Quershi at The Westin, Gurugram.

Akshar and Nitin will create the beverage menu that will Price: ₹4500 (plus taxes) Venue: Le Meridien, Gurugram.

> saffron-milk mixture. • Add a little salt, *garam* remaining ghee over it. Add

 Chopped pineapple: 50 gm Red onion: 25 gm • Coconut water: 1/2 cup mace powder and mix it well. • Sriracha sauce: 10 gm



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10 years challenge

Andreescu becomes first teenager in a decade to reach Flushing Meadows semis

AFP NEW YORK

anadian Bianca Andreescu became the first teen US Open semi-finalist in a decade, rallying to defeat Belgium's Elise Mertens on Wednesday and advance to a last-four matchup with Belinda Bencic.

Andreescu, a 19-year-old from suburban Toronto, downed 25th seed Mertens 3-6, 6-2, 6-3 to book a Thursday clash against fellow Slam semi-final debutante Bencic, the Swiss 13th seed who beat Croatian 23rd seed Donna Vekic 7-6 (7/5), 6-3.

"I'm honestly speechless," Andreescu said. "I need someone to pinch me right now. Is this real life

Serena Williams, seeking her 24th Grand Slam singles title to match Margaret Court's all-time record, faces Ukraine's fifth-seeded Elina Svitolina in Thursday's other semi.

Either Bencic or Andreescu, who have never played each other, will reach her first Slam final on Saturday at Arthur Ashe Stadium, where first-time Slam winners have been crowned three of the past four years.

'Semi-final feels great right now," Bencic said. "I was dreaming about this day coming but you never know. I worked hard for this. Yeah, very nice feeling."

Andreescu, a winner this year at Indian Wells and Toronto, is the first teen in the US Open's last four since Caroline Wozniacki in

2009. She could become the first teen to win a Grand Slam title since Maria Sharapova cap tured the 2006 US Open and she would be the youngest US Open champion since Russia's Svetlana Kuznetsova in 2004.

"This is honestly so crazy," said 15th seed Andreescu. "A year ago

Rahmat Shah celebrates after scoring his maid

historic ton

AFP CHITTAGONG

match.

Rahmat smashes

Batsman Rahmat Shah on Thursday became the first Afghanistan cricketer to score a Test cen-

tury, helping the minnows start strongly against

Bangladesh on the opening day of the one-off

Shah made 102 and put on a crucial 120-run fourth-wicket stand with Asghar Afghan, batting on 88, to counter the Bangladesh spin attack at the

Zahur Ahmed Chowdhury Stadium in Chittagong. Afghanistan were 271 for five at stumps with

Afghan and Afsar Zazai, on 35, putting together a 74-run partnership in the final session of play.

Afghanistan fought their way back in to the con-test after being in trouble at 77 for three at lunch.

ets each to hurt Afghanistan after the tourists elected to bat first in just their third five-day game. The top-order batsman, Shah extended his pro-

lific run of form as he reached his hundred with a

boundary off Hasan, raising his bat to a standing ovation from the crowd and the dressing room.

Hasan got the batsman, who hit 10 fours and two

sixes in his 187-ball knock, out on the next ball.

later in the same over, rattling the stumps of

Mohammad Nabi for nought as Afghanistan

Afghan, who survived a reprieve on 42 after being given lbw out off Mehidy Hasan, struck three

fours and two sixes so far in his second Test fifty.

picking a single pace bowler while Afghanistan

handed a Test debut to Ibrahim, Qais Ahmed and

Zahir Khan. Afghanistan skipper Rashid became

350 days with the toss, overtaking the record of

Bangladesh fielded an all-spin attack without

slipped to 197 for five.

Zimbabwe's Tatenda Taibu.

His celebration though was shortlived as

Hasan struck again with his off spin three balls

But it was Shah and Afghan who ensured that

Taijul Islam and Nayeem Hasan took two wick-





Belinda Bencic returns to Donna Vekic during the US Open quarterfinals

Andreescu, a winner this vear at **Indian Wells** and Toronto, is the first teen in the **US Open's** last four since since Caroline Wozniacki in 2009. She could now become the first teen to win a Grand Slam title since Maria Sharapova captured the 2006 US **Open and** she would be the youngest **US Open** champion since **Russia's Svetlana** Kuznetsova

in 2004

She sank as low as 328th after

numerous injuries and 2017 left

wrist surgery but the 22-year-old

Swiss began the year 55th and has climbed from there, thanks in part

to her third career WTA title in

run to seize a 6-3 edge and took

the first set after an hour when

Vekic swatted a forehand beyond

tant moments," Bencic said.

Bencic went on a 5-1 tie-break

"I stayed calm in the impor-

Vekic, who had 28 unforced

errors, netted a backhand to sur-

render a break and hand Bencic a

4-3 edge in the second set. Bencic held and broke again to close out

"She was just playing better tennis," Vekic said. "I felt like I

couldn't get three good points

together. I didn't really have a lot

February at Dubai.

the baseline.

the match.

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I was in the qualifying round. I remember I was suffering from a

Mertens had lost only 16

"I've been working a lot on my

games in four matches, but Andreescu, her first seeded foe, hit

fitness and mental strength," said

Andreescu. "It's a result of all the hard work I've been putting in."

CALM IN BIG MOMENTS

ranked defending champion

Naomi Osaka in the fourth round,

assuring the Japanese star will be replaced atop the rankings on

Monday by French Open champi-

US Open quarter-finals, ensured

a return to the world rankings top-

2016 with the victory.

10 for the first time since June

Bencic, who reached the 2014

on Ashleigh Barty of Australia.

Bencic knocked out top-

40 winners to 22 for Mertens.

back injury."

Nadal into last 4

AFP NEW YORK

Rafael Nadal will play Italy's Matteo Matteo Berrettini in the US Open semi-finals after the 18-time Grand Slam champion defeated Argentine 20th seed Diego Schwartzman 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.

Second seed Nadal — a winner at Flushing Meadows in 2010, 2013 and 2017 - beat a spirited Schwartzman for the eighth time in as many meetings in a nearly three-hour match that finished early on Thursday morning. Schwartzman put up

firm resistance against Nadal and twice fought back from double-break deficits in the first two sets, but the Spaniard found another gear at crucial moments to secure an eighth semifinal berth in New York. "Straight sets but big

challenges especially after the first two sets, having 4-0 and 5-1 and losing both breaks in a row, but I know how good he is when he's confident," Nadal said.

"I'm so happy how I accepted the situation and challenge and kept going, point after point. Here I am in the semifinals. I'm super happy, it means everything." He is the only former

major champion left in the men's field following the elimination of Roger Federer and Novak Djokovic, leaving him as the clear frontrunner in his pursuit of a 19th major title.

Schwartzman, who stands a mere 5ft 7in (1.70m), was bidding to become the shortest Grand Slam semi-finalist since 5-foot-6 Harold Solomon at Roland Garros in 1980.

"He's like a lion in the middle of the jungle. He's a fighter," Schwartzman said of Nadal.

"He knows how to play the important moments every single time. I played eight times, and every important moment he played better than me.'

past experience

Rafael Nadal reacts after winning the second set during his quarterfinal match against Diego Schwartzman in the US Open

SENT NADAL THROUGH TO A 33RD GRAND SLAM SEMI-FINAL - THIRD MOST IN HISTORY **BEHIND ROGER** FEDERER (45) AND NOVAK DJOKOVIC (36) -AS HE REACHED THE LAST FOUR IN NEW YORK FOR THE EIGHTH

THE WIN OVER

SCHWARTZMAN

TIME

'GREAT FIGHT'

Berrettini, the 24th seed, became the first Italian man to reach the US Open semi-finals in the French Open in 1983. 42 years.

four in 1977 after outlasting 13th-seeded Frenchman Gael Monfils 13th-seeded 3-6, 6-3, 6-2, 3-6, 7-6 (7/5) in three hours and 57 minutes. The 23-year-old Berrettini joined Barazzutti, 1976 Roland champion Garros

He matched Corrado

Barazzutti's run to the last

Adriano Panatta and Marco Cecchinato as just the fourth Italian to advance to a men's Grand Slam semi-final in sin-

gles. "What a great fight. I think it was one of the best matches I maybe ever saw — I was playing but I also saw. I'm really happy I don't know what

to say," Berrettini said. Defeat for Monfils prolonged France's lengthy wait for a first men's Grand Slam title since Yannick Noah won

Prepared for the worst: De Kock | Rabada counting on

PTI PRETORIA

September 15.

of rhythm out there?

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 $S_{\text{Quinton de Kock doesn't}}^{\text{outh Africa batsman}}$ want his team to lose sleep over an expected spin threat but warned the players to "prepare for the worst" during their tour of India this month. The Proteas will begin their

tour with a three-match T20I series, the first of which will be held at Dharamsala on September 15.

It will be followed by a three-Test series beginning with the first game at Visakhapatnam on October 2.

"From our side, what we are going to do is to make sure that we prepare for the worst," said De Kock, who will be leading the T20 side in the absence of Faf du Plessis.

'To be honest, I don't know what we are going to get. In T20s I don't think it will spin that much because in the IPL they prepare pretty good wickets.

"But Test matches are a dif- Quinton de Kock trains during SA training session

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turning on day one. It is more of a mental thing and not being caught up too much on whether it is spinning or not, that is what it boils down to."

ferent story and it could end up

Questions were raised regarding the quality of surfaces after South Africa lost 0-3 in the Test series in their last tour of India four years ago. The Tests at Mohali and Nagpur didn't last five days with the South Africa batsmen falling prey to the Indian spinners. In fact, the Nagpur pitch had received 'poor' rating from the ICC.

"The last time we were there, guys didn't really expect those type of surfaces but this time around we will have a little bit of head start about that," De Kock said.

open and make sure that we are a little bit better than last time. I am not sure if they are going to prepare similar or better wickets than the last time we were there?

played there before, you "We will keep our eyes camp here on Wednesday.

of India.

because we won the T20 and ODI series but the

Test series was a bit of a shambles because those wickets were just terrible," Rabada said.

"If I could give an example, the first Test match it was 200 v 200 in first innings. If we batted first, it was going to be a different ball game because we ended up having to chase the game. We lost 3-0 and we were truly hammered."

Asked how they will approach spin bowling during the tour, Rabada said: "On our recent tour to Sri Lanka, it was tricky conditions. There is a whole lot of talk about how to approach spin but we will see how it goes.

"What helps is that there are guys who have played there in the

past and I guess what you can do is to use what worked and what did not work during the Sri Lanka tour to have a base.

"When you go there for the first time it's weird and you don't know what to do. If you look at how Faf (Du Plessis) batted in Sri Lanka, he got good starts, which showed that he had played there and knew the conditions."





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Uncapped left-arm spinner George Linde was on

Thursday named as replacement

for all-rounder Jon-Jon Trevor

Smuts in South Africa's squad for

the three-match T20 International

series against India, starting

Opener Shikhar Dhawan was back amongst the runs with a brisk 52 off 43 balls but it wasn't enough to get India A over the line against South Africa A in to 178 for 9. a rain-hit unofficial fourth ODI, ending the

visitors' losing streak on Thursday. South Africa A pacemen Anrich Nortje and Marco Jansen shared three wickets each, triggering a middle-order collapse to help the team win the game by four runs via Duckworth-Lewis method.

The game, which was extended to a reserve day, resumed on Thursday afternoon after another delay to due to rain and wet outfield with India requiring 137 more runs in 17.2 overs to secure a fourth successive win, having already sealed the series.

One big positive from the game was Dhawan being back among the runs ahead of the T20 series against South Africa the youngest ever Test captain at the age of 20 years beginning on September 15.

India A were on course for victory when skipper Shreyas Iyer (26) and his played today.

were in the middle.

However, their dismissal in the space of two balls by the pacy Nortje (3/36), began the India A slide as the host slipped

Dube, who carted three big sixes, was well caught by substitute Khaya Zondo in the deep off Nortje's bowling. Two balls later, the captain fell to a catch in the deep.

Local star Sanju Samson, from whom a lot was expected, fell to a superb catch by the 'keeper Sinethemba Qeshile off rookie Lutho Sipamla for 1.

Nitish Rana and M S Washington Sundar fell while going for big shots and it was left to Rahul Chahar to try and pull off a win in the company of No 11 Ishan Porel.

He tried his best, hitting a six and a four, but couldn't take the team past the line as Beuran Hendricks didn't allow him to score off the final delivery. India A lead the five-match ODI series

3-1. The final unofficial ODI will be

Abhimanyu puts India | Linde replaces Red in command PTI BENGALURU

Bengal opener Abhimanyu Easwaran (102 bat-ting) struck a superb ton to put India Red in a strong position on day two of the Duleep Trophy final against India Green on Thursday.

India Red were 175 for 2 in 52 overs at close of play in reply to India Green's 231 all out in 72.1 overs at the M Chinnaswamy stadium.

Stylish right-hander Abhimanyu hit 11 fours and two sixes in his knock, which set the platform for India Red to take control of the proceedings

Abhimanyu was involved in a 87-run opening partnership with captain Priyank Panchal (33), during which the two played some beautiful shots.

India Red are trailing India Green by 56 runs with eight first innings wicket intact.

Earlier, leggie Mayank Markande came to India Green's rescue with the bat with a gutsy knock of 76 not out (121 balls). His 59-run last wicket partnership with Ankit Rajpoot (30 off 39 balls) took India Green to a decent total.



the required fitness standards", a Cricket South Africa (CSA) release said. The 27-year-old from Cape Town scored a quickfire unbeaten 52 in the second game of the five-match series, and has

snapped three wickets in as many matches so far. Linde, who was part of the

15-member spin camp that practised in Bengaluru last month, has played 75 T20 matches so far, scoring 611 runs at a strike rate of 139.81. He also snapped 77 wickets at a strike rate of 19.3.

The rest of the squad is expected to depart for India today.

Mumbai teammate Shivam Dube (31)

India A taste defeat

CSA