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## SC panel to stub out burning problem

Justice Lokur committee formed to take steps to prevent stubble fires in Punjab, Haryana, UP

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Stepping in to ensure that the "residents of Delhi-NCR are able to breathe in fresh clean air", the Supreme Court on Friday appointed retired apex court judge Justice Madan B Lokur as a one-man committee to take steps to preventing stubble burning in Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh — wherein incidents of burning of paddy crop residue have doubled up this year compared to last two years during the corresponding period.

Stubble burning in the three neighbouring States is one of the major sources of pollution in the Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR). Between October 1 and 15, as many as 4,644 paddy crop residue burning incidents were detected in the three States, with Punjab leading the pack with 3,516 incidents. Comparatively, the three States combined reported 2,119 such incidents in 2019 and 2,151 incidents in 2018.

While directing that National Cadet Corps (NCC), National Service Scheme and Bharat Scouts to be deployed for assisting the panel, a bench headed by Chief Justice SA Bobde also rejected the objec-



Pollution levels reduced slightly in the national Capital on Friday with favourable wind speed helping in dispersion of pollutants, according to India Meteorological Department officials. (In pic) A view of the India Gate shrouded in haze in New Delhi on Friday

tion of Solicitor General Tushar Mehta to the appointment of the committee saying the States concerned have already been heard.

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Mehta, who appeared for the Centre, Uttar Pradesh and Haryana, told the bench that they may have "some reservation" over appointment of the one-man committee and urged that the EPCA should be the monitoring authority for preventing stubble burning.

"We must not trouble Justice Lokur," Mehta said, urging the bench to post the matter for hearing after Dussehra vacation on this issue. He said no notices were issued to the Centre and the concerned States on the issue of appointment of a committee.

"We have not given some extraordinary power to Justice Lokur," the bench said, adding, "We have heard the States and you (Mehta) were not there when we were dictating order for half an hour."

Additional Solicitor General Aishwarya Bhati, who

also appeared for the Centre, told the bench that the court may select the committee member from a panel of names.

The top court directed the States concerned to provide adequate security, secretarial infrastructure and transport to Lokur panel. It said the panel shall submit its report on stubble burning fortnightly to the apex court.

During his tenure as an apex court judge, Justice Lokur had dealt with pollution matter which included the aspect of stubble burning.

Union Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar has, however, contended that only 4 per cent pollution is due to stubble burning and 96 per cent of it is due to local factors like biomass burning, garbage dumping, unpaved roads, dust, construction and demolition

activities. He has flagged off 50 inspection teams of the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) for field visits to keep a watch on pollution hot spots.

The SC bench was hearing a plea filed by one Aditya Dubey who has raised concern over pollution caused due to stubble burning. During the hearing conducted through video-conferencing, senior advocate Vikas Singh, appearing for the petitioner, told the bench that a one-man commission headed by Justice (ret'd) Lokur be constituted as he has the experience in dealing with environment issues.

The bench observed it has no problem in appointing a commission and asked Singh to take consent of Justice (ret'd) Lokur. Singh later told the bench that he has talked to Justice (ret'd) Lokur and he is ready.

## Govt to revise girls' legal age of marriage: Modi

PM says decision soon after report by panel set up for this purpose

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said the Government will soon take a decision on revising the minimum age of marriage for girls after it receives the report from the committee set up for the purpose.

He said he has been receiving letters from women from across the country, asking about the report of the committee and when the Government will take a decision on it. "I want to assure them, the Government will soon take its decision after the submission of the report," Modi said.

Addressing a video conference here after releasing a commemorative coin of ₹5 denomination on the 75th anniversary of the Food and Agriculture Organisation

(FAO), the Prime Minister maintained: "There is an important deliberation going on to decide what should be the ideal age of marriage for daughters."

He pointed out that the girls' gross enrolment ratio in education has turned higher than that of boys for the first time in the country because of several efforts taken by the Government in the last six years.

On June 20, this year, the Women and Child Development Ministry set up the committee, headed by former Samata Party leader Jaya Jaitley, to review or reconsider the legal age for women.

Before 1978, the legal marriage age for the girl was 15 years. It was changed in 1978 by amending the erstwhile Sarda Act of 1929. As of now, a girl is allowed to get married legally when she is at least 18 years old.

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## SC seeks AG help to quash MP HC bail to molester if victim ties rakhi

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday sought Attorney General's assistance on a plea for stay on the Madhya Pradesh High Court order which granted bail to an accused in a molestation case on the condition that he would request the alleged victim to tie him "Rakhi".

A bench headed by Justice AM Khanwilkar issued notice to the office of Attorney General K Venugopal on an appeal filed by nine women lawyers who have said that courts across the country should be restrained from imposing such conditions as these are "against the principle of law".

The HC, in its July 30 order, had granted bail to the accused and imposed a condition that he along with his wife shall visit the house of the complainant and request her to tie "Rakhi" to him with the promise to protect her to the best of his ability for all times to come. Senior advocate Sanjay Parikh, appearing for the petitioners, including lawyer Aparna Bhat, told the bench that the appeal has been filed in an "extraordinary circumstance".

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### CAPSULE

**MEA: PAK TERROR SPOILS BILATERAL RELATIONS**  
New York: Terrorism remains publicly acknowledged by the Pakistan Government as a policy that they justify, making it very hard to conduct normal relations with it, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said.

**GHULAM NABI AZAD TESTS POSITIVE FOR COVID-19**  
New Delhi: Ghulam Nabi Azad, the Leader of Opposition in Rajya Sabha and Congress veteran, on Friday tweeted that he has contracted the novel coronavirus and has been under home quarantine.

**KEJRIWAL SEEKS CHANGE IN DELHI UNIVERSITIES ACT**  
New Delhi: Expressing concerns over higher cut-offs for admission in Delhi University colleges, Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Friday said he has written to Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank seeking amendment in the DU Act so that more colleges and universities can be established in the city.

## 4 more Rafales in Nov to give fillip to op readiness

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

With stand-off continuing at the Line of Actual Control (LAC), India's operational readiness will get a boost with the arrival of the second batch of three to four more Rafale fighter jets in early November. The first batch of five jets, which joined the IAF in September, is now flying regular sorties along the border in Ladakh as part of the country's overall preparedness to meet any challenge from China.

The induction of more Rafale jets will enhance the IAF's overall readiness as it has already deployed all its frontline jets, including the SU-30s, MIG-29s and Jaguars, at critical forward bases stretching from Ladakh in the west to Arunachal in the east.

The new arrivals will get operationalised within a few days for active duty. They will join the current lot of Rafales at the Ambala airbase.

In a related development, an IAF team, led by Assistant Chief of Air Staff (Projects) Air Vice Marshal N Tiwari, is in France now reviewing the Rafale project as part of the annual routine meeting.

At least, 10 to 12 IAF pilots are now undergoing training in France on the Rafale medium multi-role fighter aircraft, they said adding the training schedule will end by March next year. As per the overall plan, the IAF will have two squadrons (one squadron has 18 jets) of Rafales based at Ambala in north India and Hashimara in West Bengal in the east.

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## Court admits plea to remove mosque from Krishna Janmabhoomi

Mathura: A local court in Mathura on Friday admitted a plea that seeks to remove a mosque adjacent to the Krishna Janmabhoomi.

The court of district judge Sadhna Rani Thakur has fixed November 18 as the next date of hearing in the case.

Earlier in October, a civil court in Mathura had dismissed a plea seeking a judgment to remove the Shahi Idgah Mosque. The petitioner had alleged that the mosque was built over Krishna Janmabhoomi.

Mathura is considered to be the birthplace of Lord Krishna.

The mosque in question was built in the 17th century. According to petitioners, it was built at the birthplace of Lord Krishna, within the 13-acre premises of the Katra Keshav Dev temple. IANS

## Modi to go full throttle in Bihar; BJP distances itself from LJP

Party dubs LJP vote katua, but Chirag calls himself ardent admirer of PM

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the main face for the National Democratic Alliance (NDA), will go full steam campaigning in Bihar by holding as many as 12 rallies, starting next Friday, for the upcoming Assembly polls in the State.

Of these rallies, three each would be held on the days when the first (October 28) and second phase (November 3) of polling will be on in other constituencies in the State. The elections in Bihar are being held in three phases on October 28, November 3 and November 7 for the 243-seat Bihar assembly.

"On October 23, PM Modi will hold rallies in Sasaram, Gaya and Bhagalpur. On October 28, he will hold rallies in Darbhanga, Muzaffarpur and Patna. On November 3, he will hold rallies in Chhapra,



East Champaran and Samastipur. On November 3, rallies in West Champaran, Saharsa and Araria will be held," former Maharashtra Chief Minister and incharge of BJP in Bihar Devendra Fadnavis said during a Press conference.

The BJP, in the meantime, continued to distance itself from the Lok Janshakti Party (LJP) and even dubbing it a "vote katua" (vote-cutter) party. But then, LJP leader Chirag Paswan too continued to play his part to create confusion among the NDA ranks by reiterating his reverence for Modi and wishing to see the next Bihar Chief Minister from the BJP.

The BJP is seeking to reassure Chief Minister Nitish

Kumar that it is not providing any tacit support to the LJP against him. "Chirag has chosen a separate path in Bihar, he is trying to mislead people by taking names of senior BJP leaders. We don't have any B or C team. The NDA will get a three-fourth majority. Chirag's party will be left as a vote-katua party," Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Prakash Javadekar said.

As all senior BJP leaders, including party president JP Nadda, have hit the ground to take the BJP-JD(U)-VIP alliance forward in Bihar, the LJP seemed to be playing truant by "loving BJP" and "hitting" JD(U).

"I don't need to use the PM Modi's photos for campaigning. He lives in my heart, I am his Hanuman. If needed, I'll tear open my chest and show it," said Chirag even as the BJP hit out at him.

Other senior BJP leaders, including party general secretary Bhupender Yadav, too hit out at Chirag, who walked out of the ruling NDA in Bihar and deciding to contest the Assembly polls on its own.

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## Shaurya Chakra awardee killed in Tarn Taran

His security was withdrawn recently

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Shaurya Chakra awardee Balwinder Singh Bhikhiwind, who had fought bravely against terrorism for years and was repeatedly attacked by terrorists in the terror-infested area, was shot dead by unidentified assailants in

Tarn Taran district on Friday. Many documentaries have been made on his bravery.

Only a year ago, the security cover to 62-year-old awardee was withdrawn by the State Government on the recommendation of Tarn Taran police.

Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh on Friday ordered the constitution of a Special Investigative Team (SIT), headed by DIG Ferozpur, to probe all angles

of the fatal attack on Balwinder Singh.

The motorcycle-borne miscreants attacked Balwinder when he was at his office, adjoining his home, in the district's Bhikhiwind village, the police said, adding that the accused then fled the spot.

Condoling the death of Balwinder, the CM has directed DGP Dinkar Gupta to ensure speedy investigation to identify and bring the culprits to book at the earliest.

CCTV footage from the area shows that two unknown assailants arrived at the house of the deceased in the morning and one of them entered the premises and fired at Balwinder Singh at point-blank range. The details of the vehicle and its registration number are being probed, said the DGP.

A case under sections 302, 34, of the Indian Penal Code and 25, 27 of the Arms Act has been registered against unknown persons.

## Ballia BJP leader shoots dead man during meeting

Ballia/Lucknow: Police on Friday arrested two people including the brother of a local BJP leader who allegedly shot dead a man when a fracas broke out at a meeting attended by administration and police officials in Uttar Pradesh's Ballia district.

Five others have been detained but till Friday evening the main accused was yet to be arrested. As opposition parties targeted the Government, local party MLA Surendra Singh defended him.

"Dhirendra Pratap Singh opened fire in self-defence or else dozens of his family and associates would have been killed," the Baria MLA told reporters.

## CBI team finds blood on Hathras accused shirt, family says it's paint

IANS ■ HATHRAS

Members of the CBI team probing the Hathras rape and murder incident picked up a shirt that had "red stains" during a search operation carried out in the house of Luv Kush Sikarwar, one of the accused.

While the sleuths took away the shirt for forensic examination saying it could be "blood", the family of the accused refuted the claims.

The family said that Ravi Sikarwar, the elder brother of the accused, works as a painter in a factory and thus his clothes had red stains of paint.

Lalit Sikarwar, the younger brother of Luv Kush Sikarwar,

told reporters: "The CBI was in the house for more than two hours and they searched everything but could not find any 'evidence'. So they picked up shirt with red paint stains and took it away."

Lalit also released a video message. A 19-year-old girl had allegedly been raped and strangled by four accused persons on September 14. The girl later died and the case is being probed by the CBI.

The CBI team has been in the Boolgarhi village for the past four days and has interacted with the victim's father and brothers.

They had also taken one of the victims' brothers to the

crime scene. The mother and aunt of the victim had also gone to the millet field, the crime spot.

## Dalit girl raped, killed in Barabanki

Barabanki: A Dalit girl has been allegedly raped and strangled in a village in Barabanki district. The girl's body was found on Wednesday in a paddy field. The police had initially filed a murder case against an unidentified person but after the post-mortem report confirmed sexual assault, the charge of rape was added to the FIR.

## Indians' lifespan rises to 70.8 years

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

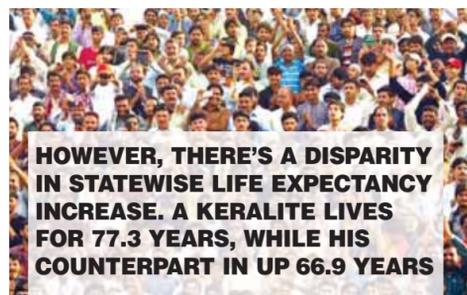
Over the last three decades, Indians have been increasingly living longer. On an average, Indians now are living a decade more than those during the early nineties. The life expectancy in India has risen from 59.6 years in 1990 to 70.8 years in 2019.

There's a disparity in Statewise life expectancy increase though. An average Keralite now lives for 77.3 years while his counterpart in Uttar Pradesh for 66.9 years.

Nevertheless, both, as also from many other States, share a commonality — the quality of life is missing as they live more with illness and disability, according to the Global Burden of Disease (GBD) Study, published in the Lancet journal on Friday.

The culprits, as the study pointed out, were air pollution, hypertension, tobacco use, poor diet and high blood sugar levels, the top-five risk factors for deaths in India in 2019.

The rising chronic illness can also fuel the Covid-19 death tally as people with comorbidities are vulnerable to



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The study assessed more than 286 causes of death and 369 diseases and injuries in more than 200 countries and territories across the world and noted that India has gained more than a decade of life expectancy since 1990, but with wide inequalities between States.

However, it said the increase in "healthy life expectancy" in India has not been as dramatic as the growth of life expectancy since "people are living more years with illness and disability".

Health Minister Harsh Vardhan too had on Thursday

stressed the need to move from food security to nutrition security to achieve the goals of the "Eat Right India Movement" and urged other Ministries concerned to form a joint platform to determine common goals and strategy and synergise their actions.

The GBD study found that the largest contributors to increasing health loss in India over the last 30 years were non-communicable diseases (NCDs) like ischaemic heart disease, COPD, diabetes, and stroke.

In 2019, the research noted that the top-five risk factors for death in India were air pollu-

tion (contributing to an estimated 1.67 million deaths), high blood pressure (1.47 million), tobacco use (1.23 million), poor diet (1.18 million), and high blood sugar (1.12 million).

"Over the past decade there has been more than 0.5 per cent annual increase in the exposure to several highly preventable risks such as obesity, high blood sugar, alcohol use, and drug use globally," said study lead author Christopher Murray, Director of the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME) at the University of Washington in the US.

"We are failing to change unhealthy behaviours, particularly those related to diet quality, caloric intake, and physical activity, in part due to inadequate policy attention and funding for public health and behavioural research," Murray said.

The scientists said several of the risk factors and NCDs highlighted by the study, including obesity and diabetes are associated with increased risk of serious illness and death from Covid-19.

# Kejriwal seeks amendment in DU Act for opening new colleges

**STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI**  
 Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal has written to Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal seeking to abolish the Section 5(2) Delhi University Act, 1922 so that new colleges and universities can be opened in Delhi to provide quality higher education. Kejriwal said that the Delhi University Act made during the

British era states that a new college needs to be affiliated with Delhi University. The chief minister said that the Delhi government is ready to open new colleges and universities in Delhi as students are facing a tough time getting enrolled in colleges because of high cut-off marks. "With cut-offs touching 100 per cent what will happen to students who secure 60, 70, 80, 90, 95 per cent? He also

observed that every year, Delhi has around 2,50,000 students passing out from school, but around 1,25,000 of them manage to get admission in Delhi-based colleges. What will happen to the remaining 1,25,000," he asked? Kejriwal said, "Students trying to get admission in colleges are facing trouble, given the 100 per cent cut-offs. Students below that mark too have the right to quality higher education.

High cut-offs are not the fault of students, it's our fault. This is happening because of the lack of universities and colleges in Delhi in comparison to the ever-rising number of students." Delhi is the capital of the nation, it should have been as par with the increasing number of students however, there is a stark imbalance in the ratio of the number of universities to the number of students, he said.

Kejriwal on Friday said, "I am hopeful that the Central government will definitely ponder over this and will definitely alter this act to suit the need of the hour. I believe the stress factor is escalating in students because of this system. If there will be cut-offs as high as 100 per cent, where will students go? This calls for a step to take in this direction to for once and for all end this for the sake of our students' future."

"If we only talk about Delhi, every year 2.5 lakhs students pass 12th class. However, only 1.25 lakh students can secure admission in Delhi colleges. It means two students are fighting for one seat leading to a cut-throat competition. Leaving behind the other 1.25 lakh students without any resources. This means that colleges in Delhi can only accommodate 50 per cent of students. Where will the other 50 per cent go?" he asked.

Kejriwal said, "There is a need to establish more universities and colleges to solve this problem. The Delhi Government is ready to invest, however, there is a legal impediment being faced." "Delhi University already has 91 affiliated colleges and has, since the last 30 years not opened a new college as it has already exceeded its

capacity. Because of this very reason as stated in this Act under Section 5(2), no new affiliating university or college can be set up. It was amended in 1998 and allowed IP University to do affiliation. IP University was launched to offer professional courses only and not regular courses like BA, BSc. But, now IP also has 127 affiliated colleges, which too, has surpassed its capacity," he added.

## SC seeks AG...

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 "The trauma of the victim is trivialised by such conditions," Parikh told the bench, also comprising Justice BR Gavai. "These kind of conditions are imposed which are against the principle of law. Repeatedly such observations are being made," he said. "Are you making the submission only for Madhya Pradesh or for the entire country," the bench asked. To this, Parikh said he is making submission with regard to entire country and the petitioners have made prayers to restrain courts, including high courts and trial courts, from making such observations. The bench, which said it is issuing notice to the office of the top law officer of the country, posted the matter for hearing on November 2. In their appeal, the petitioners have sought stay of the bail condition imposed on the accused by the high court. The plea said that substantial questions of law, including whether in a case seeking bail it is appropriate for a court to impose extraneous conditions which allows contact between the accused and the complainant, is involved in the matter. "Whether the bail condition which is impugned herein stands to further victimize the complainant and trivialize the trauma that she has suffered," the plea said, adding, "Whether the above mentioned bail condition is in line with the principles that govern trials within the criminal justice system?"

## Municipal bodies burning garbage in residential areas: AAP

**STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI**  
 Senior Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader and national Spokesperson Raghav Chadha accused Municipal Corporation of burning of garbage in Kirari and polluting the atmosphere that is already deteriorated due to stubble burning in neighbouring States. "It is most unfortunate that on one hand, the Delhi Government has been working tirelessly to come up with solutions for combating Delhi's pollution

and the BJP ruled Corporation is burning garbage in residential area. Chadha went on to show images, videos and even a live recording of the garbage burning at Kirari. Mounds of garbage could be seen go up in flames, polluting an already poor atmosphere. Delhi's Air Quality Index has been ranging from 'unhealthy' to 'very unhealthy' for days now. "I would like to ask the CPCB and EPCA as to how is BJP openly indulging in this criminal act with rampant

impunity? How is the MCD burning garbage with such brazenness," he asked? "Such criminal negligence cannot and will not be tolerated. And this is just one incident that has come to light. There must be several other current instances where BJP-ruled municipal corporations would be flouting norms and breaking the law," he said. Respiratory problems have increased manifold. COVID-19 is still a clear and present danger, and then the BJP govern-

ment is playing with Delhiites' lives, he said. Rituraj, MLA of Kirari elaborated upon how Kirari is a densely populated area with an economically weak population, and how the BJP and MCD are responsible for the terrible state of the environment. "Our Govt has taken multiple steps to combat air pollution. We have banned thermal plants, diesel gensets, we are following GRAP norms; the AAP Government is taking ample care and caution to protect res-

piratory health of Delhiites but the sins of MCD in particular garbage burning is just criminal. I would request the Supreme Court to take cognizance of the issue" Chadha said. "It is crucial that action be taken against this body. I would like to remind the MCD run by BJP that it is their responsibility to keep Delhi clean and that is the principal responsibility of MCDs. Garbage disposal must be done in a sustainable way, and the MCD has failed spectacularly in this area," he said.

## Rai imposes ₹1 cr fine on NMC for not taking action against garbage burning

**STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI**  
 Delhi Environment Minister Gopal Rai on Friday issued directions for imposition of ₹1 crore fine on North Delhi Municipal Corporation in Kirari village in northwest Delhi. He said regular incidents of

large-scale garbage burning had been brought to his notice. "Delhi's air quality has been worsening gradually, but the agencies are still not taking it seriously. Environmental norms are being flouted brazenly. Garbage burning is rampant," Rai said.



## 4 more...

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 Given the reach and capabilities of the Dassault manufactured fighter jet, the Rafale will guard the LAC and Line of Control (LOC) in the north and west facing China and Pakistan and China the east. India and France inked a Government to Government deal for 36 Rafale jets in September 2016 at a price of 7.8 billion Euros. The entire fleet of 36 jets is expected to join the IAF by next year end. The Rafale jets are the first to be inducted into the IAF after more than 24 years. The SU-30s manufactured by Russia were inducted in 1997. In his annual Press conference earlier this month, IAF chief RKS Bhaduria had said

the integration of Rafale fighter jets brought in a platform armed with advanced weapons, sensors and technologies that gave the IAF an operational and technological edge. "Combined with upgraded operational capabilities of our current fighter fleet, it gives us the ability to shoot first and strike deep and hard, even in contested airspace," the IAF chief said. The French built twin-engine jets have at least 13 India specific enhancements. They include a helmet-mounted sight, radar warning receivers, flight data recorders with storage for 10 hours of data, infrared search and track systems, jammers, cold engine start capability to operate from high-altitude bases and towed decoys to ward off incoming missiles. The modern jet is capable of carrying out a variety of missions like ground and sea attack, air defence and air superiority, reconnaissance and nuclear strike deterrence. It can carry almost 10 tonnes of weapons.

It wanted more seats than what the BJP was willing to give. "LJP was asking for more seats than what we wanted to give, so the matter broke down. Nowadays, some leaders of LJP are spreading rumours and asking why did the Prime Minister and Amit Shah not stop LJP from leaving NDA?" said Sushil.

## Odisha boy scores 100% in NEET, used lockdown in Kota to prepare well

**Jaipur:** With 720 out of 720 marks, 18-year-old Soyeb Aftab has hit the bullseye in this year's NEET, topping the coveted exam for admission to undergraduate medical courses.

From Rourkela in Odisha, Soyeb wants to be a cardiac surgeon when he finishes his medical studies. Giving the exam in the middle of the coronavirus pandemic had its pressures, said Soyeb, but he used the lockdown to study even harder. "I haven't gone back to my hometown since 2018," said Soyeb. "I stayed in Kota with my mother and younger sister to study," he added. While most students in Kota petitioned to go back home during the lockdown, Soyeb stayed put with his mother and sister to keep his nose to the grindstone and continue his

coaching classes from Kota's Allen Career Institute, his parents said. And it has certainly paid off as Soyeb Aftab managed to get the perfect score - a record first in the country. With marks like these, Soyeb should not have a problem in getting into the Delhi's premier All India Institutes of Medical Sciences or AIIMS where he wants to specialise in cardiac surgery. Soyeb's father is a construction business and he has a younger sister. The family said they now plan to visit the dargah at Ajmer Sharif to give thanks. A pen and paper-based test unlike the engineering entrance exam JEE, results for NEET were announced on Friday with more than 7.7 lakh candidates clearing the test this year.

## RESTRAINT ON MEDIA TRIAL

### Bombay HC asks Centre to come out with mechanism to control electronic media

**PN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI**  
 Lamenting that there was no mechanism to control the electronic media, the Bombay High Court asked the Information and Broadcasting Ministry to look into the matter and come out with a mechanism to control the electronic media. Hearing a bunch of PILs seeking restraint on the television news channels against the backdrop of media-trial in the coverage of Bollywood actor Sushant Singh Rajput's death, HC a division bench comprising wanted to know as to why there was nothing for electronic media, when for print media there is an act since the seventies. "You do not seem to be in the mood to ruffle feathers with respect to electronic media," the judges told Additional Solicitor-General (ASG) of India Anil Singh representing the Government. "For the print, there is the Press Council for the films there is the Censor Board... what about a similar statutory body for the electronic media..." a division bench comprising Chief Justice Dipankar Datta and Justice G. S. Kulkarni noted. "Times have changed... This is the most misused freedom now, as CJ has said.... You should have something for electronic media. We are saying this out of concern. Everyone seems to have an unfettered licence to say whatever they want to. There is such hue and cry, the entire system

will break down, if you do not do something," the judges told the ASG. At one stage, the judges observed: "Let the investigative journalism continue, it is legitimate, let them do their work, but not to do an exertion... All we are saying there is no mechanism to control the electronic media." "So much is happening, who is going to look into it. At this point, it is left to the wisdom of the legislature and judiciary. Why is the media exempted from such scrutiny? Why should citizens come to court every time? It is not good for the media as well.... It is an urgent situation, the ministry must look into it urgently," the judges observed. The HC bench was responding to the ASG's contention that "Time and again, courts have held that minimum interference should be there from the government, there should be self-regulation. The National Broadcasters Association (NBA) has their own code and guidelines.... It is not like we are not acting, we take action, we step in and take action." The Judges said that the HC bench was acting only in those cases, where the media channel is not a member of NBA. "If he is not a member, then we send it to the channel, if the channel takes no action, then there is an inter-ministerial committee to take action," the ASG responded. The HC bench wanted to know if there is a mechanism for surveillance of ministry or

prior censorship "Are actions taken by existing mechanisms only after complaint? Is any machinery to check the media channel is following the law, before the 'so-called damage' is caused?" the judges asked. Senior Council Arvind Datar who represented the National Broadcasters Association (NBA) informed the court that it had imposed fines on several TV channels for objectionable reportage on Sushant's death case.

**NORTHERN RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE**  
 The Dy. Chief Engineer/TMCL/Line, S.E.Road, New Delhi, for and on behalf of the President of India invites open e-tender under Single Packet System for the under noted work:-

1. Name of work and location	Hiring of two trucks 1.0 MT capacity each (one each for TMMD/LKO & TMMD/KKDE) for leading of Railway Material such as track machine spares, T & P, Oil & other engineering materials of any length & breadth in the jurisdiction of Dy.CE/TMCL/Line, S.E.Road, New Delhi for a period of twenty months of each truck (Total Truck Months =48 Months)
2. Completion period of the work	24 Months
3. Approx. Cost of work	Rs. 25.32 Lakhs
4. Cost of Tender Document	NIL
5. Earnest Money amount (to be deposited Online)	Rs. 50,600/-
6. Date & Time for submission of E-tender and opening of tender	Tenders may be uploaded upto 15.00 hrs on 25.11.2020 on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in. The bidders can participate in the e-tender, the tender will be opened soon after 15.00 hrs on 25.11.2020
7. Detailed Tender Notice & Tender Document:	The detailed e-tender notice and Tender Document is available on Railway web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in. Above tenders document will be available for submission of offer on IREPS web site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in from 11.11.2020 to 25.11.2020. The bidders who desire to participate against e-tenders, are advised to electronically register themselves on the above website for which, they would require to, obtain class III digital certificate (if already not obtained) issued by CCA under IT Act 2000. All other terms and conditions in respect of above tenders are given in tender document. The detailed tender notice also can be seen on the Notice Board of the above office.

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Online applications are invited from Indian nationals for filling up the following Group-A, B & C Non-Teaching positions in Assam University.

**Group-A**  
 (i) Registrar\*(1,UR) (ii) Finance Officer\* (1, UR) (iii) Librarian (1, UR) (iv) Director\*, College Development Council (1, UR) (v) Assistant Registrar (1, OBC)  
 Pay in pay matrix: ₹ 1,44,200 (Level-14: ₹ 1,44,200-2,18,200) & (Level- 10: ₹ 56,100-1,77,500)

**Group-B**  
 (i) Hindi Translator (1,UR)  
 Pay in pay matrix: ₹ 35,400 (Level-6) ₹ 35,400-1,12,400)

**Group-C**  
 (ii) Multi-Tasking Staff(MTS)(2: 1 SC, 1EWS)  
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\*The Post of Registrar, Finance Officer and Director, College Development Council is tenure post for a period of 5 (five) years and she/he shall be eligible for reappointment. Candidates who have already applied against the employment notification no 1/2020-RECT dated 01.01.2020 and 2/2020 dated 28.05.2020 for Group-A posts need not apply again for the said posts.

Last date for submission of online application form, payment of fees and application form PDF download is 30th October, 2020 up to 5.00pm.  
 Last date for submission of downloaded application form along with the enclosures is : 6th November 2020 up to 5:00 p.m.  
 The detailed Eligibility criteria, pay matrix, general instruction as well as other details like mode of submission of forms & fees etc. can be seen & downloaded from Assam University website <http://www.aus.ac.in>.

Sd/- Registrar i/c  
 davp 21240/1/0015/2021

**Modi to go...**  
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 Yadav accused Chirag of practising "politics of lies", saying he had been praising the Bihar Government in February this year. "Chirag should not either live in illusion or nurse any illusion or spread illusion," Yadav tweeted.

Javadkar said BJP's alliance in Bihar is with JD(U), Jitan Ram Manjhi's HAM(S) and Vikassheel Insaan Party, asserting the NDA combine will win three-fourth majority in the State. The Union Minister's statement came hours after Bihar Deputy CM Sushil Kumar Modi said Chirag's party left the NDA as

**कार्यालय अधिशासी अभियन्ता, अनुसूचना, उपखण्ड, उत्तराखण्ड जल संस्थान,**  
 सेल नं०-1, तरुण विहार, मोहरवाला रोड, देहरादून-248001, Phone No/Fax: 0135 2671940 Mail ID: ceem-ups-uk@nic.in

**पत्रांक : 2969 / ई-निविदा / 2020-21 ई-निविदा सूचना दिनांक : 16 / 10 / 2020**

मुख्य महाराष्ट्र, उत्तराखण्ड जल संस्थान, देहरादून की ओर से निम्नलिखित कार्यो हेतु ई-निविदा, दू-बिड सिस्टम (लोकनीय बिड एवं कॉम्पिशियल बिड) आधार पर निम्नानुसार आमंत्रित की जाती है :-

निविदा सं०	कार्य विवरण	बidding चक्र/नं०	निविदा प्रपत्र डाउनलोड करने की तिथि एवं समय	ई-निविदा प्रपत्र अपलोड करने की अंतिम तिथि एवं समय	लोकनीय बिड खोलने की तिथि एवं समय	निविदा की वेबसाइट
1	Laying of pipeline and strengthening of Aaduwala water supply scheme under Herbertpur Unit.	58300.00	20.10.2020 from 11.00 a.m	03.11.2020 up to 5.00 p.m	04.11.2020 from 11.00 a.m	90 days
2	Construction of CWR ,installation of Booster pump,strengthening and distribution of pipeline network of Aamwala Hariyawala Water Supply Scheme	66500.00	20.10.2020 from 11.00 a.m	03.11.2020 up to 5.00 p.m	04.11.2020 from 11.00 a.m	90 days

अर्हता:-क्रमांक 01 पर अंकित निविदा हेतु शाखा में डी ओपी अथवा इससे उच्च अथवा एच ओपी एवं क्रमांक 02 पर अंकित निविदा हेतु विभाग में सी ओपी अथवा इससे उच्च अथवा एच ओपी में जमीनकृत ठेकेदार/फर्म ही निविदा में प्रतिभाग करने हेतु पात्र होगा।  
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**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**  
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 Sealed bids in prescribed format are invited from Original equipment manufacturers (OEM)/ agencies for the following work:

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Cost of Tender Paper	BID Security	Availability of Tender Document on website	Last date of download of Tender Document	Last date of Submission/ Opening of bid
1	Supply and installation of Automatic Bomb Calorimeter with accessories in the Coal laboratory at Manoharpur Coal Mines, Sundergarh.	Rs.1180/- (Rupees one Thousand one hundred and eighty only), including GST.	Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand only).	07.00 AM on 17/10/2020	30/10/2020 (05.00PM)	03:00 PM on 05/11/2020 03.30 PM on 05/11/2020

For further details, bidders may visit our website, i.e. [www.ocpl.org.in](http://www.ocpl.org.in) . Any clarification may please be addressed to the undersigned at the above address or by email to: [a.kanungo@ocpl.org.in](mailto:a.kanungo@ocpl.org.in).

Sd/- Addl. General Manager (Commercial & Contracts)

## Govt to revise...

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 The task force's mandate is to examine the correlation of the age of marriage and motherhood with health, medical well-being and nutritional status of mother and neonate/infant/child, during pregnancy, birth and thereafter; key parameters like Infant Mortality Rate, Maternal Mortality Rate, Total Fertility Rate, Sex Ratio at Birth, Child Sex Ratio and any other relevant points pertaining to health and nutrition in this context. In many rural areas of India, girls are routinely married before 18 years with the approval of communities which is illegal. Orthodox sections back child marriages citing religion. The time seemed to have not moved for the child-marriage backers since Raja Ram Mohan Roy first opposed child marriages in the second-half of the 19th century and was actively supported by British Governor-General Lord William Bentinck. Anemia and malnutrition are known to be the result of underage marriages in India which has one of the largest numbers of child-marriages in the world even though the law has set 18 as the age of marriage for women and 21 for men.

In his Independence Day speech, the PM had announced that the Government was deliberating on what should be the minimum age of marriage for women and has set up a committee to look into the matter. Modi highlighted the efforts taken by his Government in the last six years to fight against malnutrition. The Prime Minister said his government has taken an integrated and holistic approach to deal with the challenge of malnutrition. The Government has adopted a multi-dimensional strategy to work on all those factors responsible for high malnutrition, he said adding the Government has started National Nutrition Mission. Highlighting other achievements, the Prime Minister said the Government has built 11 crore toilets across the country under the Swachh Bharat Mission and has launched Jal Jeevan Mission to provide piped drinking water. The Government is also providing sanitary pads at Rs 1 to poor women, he further said. "Because of these efforts, for the first time, the gross enrolment ratio of girls in education is more than that of boys," Modi said.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 This is to inform general public that Mr. Vineet Sehrawat is the owner of Land area measuring 134.617 sq. mtrs., out of Kharsa no. 1253, in Block B, Situated in the colony known as Rangpur, Extension, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi via Conveyance Deed dated 24.06.2020 and the same was duly registered with the Sub-Registrar-VII A Delhi, as Document No. 1759, Book No. 1, Volume No. 1282, Page No. 43-46, on 06.07.2020. Now, Mr. Vineet Sehrawat is mortgaging the above property with Shri Ram Housing Finance Ltd. & in case anyone has any objection, the same may be raised within 7 days of this publication to Mr. Muneesh Dwivedi/ Mr. Sudhir Jain (Advocates), Law Veritas, Unit no 405, 4th Floor, GD-TL, Northex Tower, (A-09), Netaji Subhash Place, Delhi-110034 or contact at 9066707172/ 9818228636 (M).

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 My client Smt. Ramo Devi W/o Late. Sh. Ram Swaroop R/o 1449/50, Durga Puri, 100 Foot Road, Shandara, Delhi-110093, have severed all their relation from her Son namely 1. Sh. Sunil Verma, daughter-in-law namely 2. Smt. Mamta Verma and Grand-Daughter namely 3. Prisha Verma from all her movable & immovable properties, and now my client and her family members have no concern with any acts or deed done by the above mentioned persons.  
**VISHESH VERMA (Advocate)**  
 Enr No: D/3507/2014.  
 Ch. No. D-625, Karkardooma Court, Delhi-32

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
 To be known to all that my client, SMT. SHILPA AGGARWAL, W/o LATE SH. KAMLESH KUMAR AGGARWAL, R/o 113, JOOR BAGH, NEW DELHI-110023 is the legal possessor of Commercial Plot No 24, CSC Safdarjung/Anand Nagar, New Delhi. The original documents i.e. DEMAND/ALLOTMENT LETTER, POSSESSION LETTER & SITE POSSESSION SLIP ALONG WITH C & D FORM of the above said property has been lost. An NCR/LR No. 6828/52/2020 dated 16/10/2020 to this effect has been lodged in P.S. Crime Branch, Delhi. Any person(s) claiming any right, interest, having any objection or found in possession of original documents, may write/contact with above named person at above Address/Phone No.9811842152 within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. The person claiming any right, interest, objection with respect to this property, can personally inform or write to Deputy Director (C.I.) or Director (C.I.), Vikas Sadan, New Delhi  
**Naveen Aggarwal (Advocate)**  
 Ch. No. M-7, Near SBP, Western Wing, Tis Hazari Courts, Delhi-54

# WAY FORWARD TO BEING AN IDEAL INVESTMENT DESTINATION

Banking on its recent developments towards reforming investment policies in the state, Government of Uttar Pradesh is currently projecting the state as an exemplary hub of 'Make in India' and 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' initiatives

The state is home to many prestigious national-level research and training institutions, such as the IIT-Kanpur, IIT BHU-Varanasi, IIM-Lucknow, the Indian Institute of Handloom Technology-Varanasi, etc.

THE ONGOING US-China tensions and PM Modi's clarion call for 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Vocal for Local' have given a new direction to the Indian economy. The world is now looking at India with hopeful eyes. There are currently many global companies planning exit routes from China, with many of them known to be interested in establishing their foothold in India. In such a scenario, the state of Uttar Pradesh emerges as an ideal destination for global investments, considering huge land reserves, manpower, good connectivity, presence of MSMEs and the recently launched New Investment Policy.

To woo global investors, especially companies exiting China, "the UP government had recently eased norms for allotment of industrial land to fast-track land allotment by fixing timeline of 15 days for mega, mega-plus and super-mega category of industrial investments. The new land allotment norms covered all big industrial enclaves, including Noida, Greater Noida, Yamuna Expressway and others."

With a spate of reforms, infrastructural projects and the New Investment Policy, Uttar Pradesh is currently seeing new developments in almost every sphere of life. The upcoming Gorakhpur Link Expressway and Purvanchal Expressway in eastern UP, and Bundelkhand Expressway and Defence Corridor in the Bundelkhand region are the prime examples of bringing development to the most backward regions of UP. Moreover, the 8-lane Ganga Expressway, connecting the eastern and western regions of Uttar Pradesh, will not only provide faster connectivity between Meerut and Prayagraj but will also improve overall infrastructure and logistical facilities – considered essential for driving industrial, economic and social growth.

Being the biggest emerging investment market in India, Uttar Pradesh offers enormous possibilities of enterprise and success coupled with its industry-conducive climate. It has many initiatives and measures at place to make investments a hassle-free process for domestic and foreign



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investors, including investor-friendly, government-simplified procedures, speedy online approvals through the Web-based application - NIVESH MITRA, and high-level committees to monitor the implementation of projects. The State Government is relentless in its pursuit to make Uttar Pradesh a power surplus State, so as to ensure uninterrupted power supply to Industries. Uttar Pradesh is also "one of the first states to introduce 'Single Table System' and formulate its own Special Economic Zone (SEZ) policy along with other industry-friendly policies as well as clearly defined guidelines for PPP projects for transparent bidding process with promise of profits and gains."

The state boasts a friendly industrial and 'ease-of-doing business' environ-

**UTTAR PRADESH is a land of infinite opportunities. It is India's third largest economy, contributing nearly 8% to the national GDP. UP is the country's largest market and has the largest manpower base. With a high focus on maximising its demographic dividend, the state government is emphasising on industrial and infrastructure development for large-scale job creation. More than 2,600 startups have been established in the last three years.**

**Recently, we have released the UP Startup Policy 2020 to promote fledgling units in sectors like health, power, education, tourism, transport, agro, food processing, etc. The new policy is aimed at creating 100 incubators in the state, with at least one in each district. The government is working towards creating an ecosystem to promote at least 10,000 startups.**

**Yogi Adityanath,**  
Chief Minister, Uttar Pradesh

ment due to the presence of readily available labour assets coupled with a big pool of highly skilled human resources in diverse fields. The state is home to many prestigious national-level research and training institutions, such as the IIT-Kanpur, IIM-Lucknow, the Indian Institute of Handloom Technology-Varanasi, etc.

In keeping with the best business practices, the timelines for obtaining various approvals from different departments have already been defined.

To encourage investors and promote business opportunities, a robust investor and industry-friendly policy framework – the New Investment

Policy – was recently cleared by the UP state cabinet with an active involvement of industrial and business bodies and thoughtfully devised facilitation mechanisms. As per sources, "Procedures and processes are being simplified and rationalized further, so that, entrepreneurs are guaranteed the best services, support and facilities right from the inception to the implementation of their projects becoming functional." Not withstanding the current economic problems created by COVID-19, it is believed that "government support and incentives, self-resilient markets and ever increasing huge domestic demand continuously create ample space for hectic economic activity in all spheres, opening avenues of immense opportunities for progress and growth."

With an aim to carry out "restructuring" of MSMEs in the state, major policy changes have been introduced by the State Government to make the import of raw materials duty free, give subsidies to companies moving out of China and an ambitious, 300-acre "plug and play" MSME park slated to come up along the Yamuna Expressway. The "plug and play" park will give MSMEs to come and set shop, complementing the changes in the MSME Act "that is now allowing one to apply on the portal and start work immediately while giving time up to 3 years to take the necessary NOCs." Similarly, the State Government is also bringing a leather park in Kanpur and a textile hub in Gautam Buddha Nagar.

The State Government has identified

land in Pilibhit and Lalitpur to carry out Central Government's aim of setting up three pharmaceutical parks and four medical devices parks. For medical devices park, the State Government has zeroed in on Prayagraj and Unnao. The State Government has also requested for a dry port as UP is a landlocked state. The State Government is also looking to introduce Bonded manufacturing concept in the state. In bonded manufacturing, when you import you do not need to pay a duty upfront. For Logistics industry, the UP government has changed its policy and given the sector an industry status and changed the floor of acquiring land for logistics from 50 acres to 25 acres. In electronics, the UP government is moving away from SGST-based incentives to capital investment-based investments. The State Government is also coming up with a top-up subsidy over and above what the Government of India is giving on refurbished plant being moved out of China. In the food processing sector, the UP government is making it simpler for farm land to be converted to industrial land which is encouraging.

Overall, it is the result of these investor-friendly policies and the state's relentless commitment to strengthen commercial opportunities for stability and growth that Agra recently became the first city in Uttar Pradesh to benefit from COVID-19 crisis and recent policy changes. Due to growing anti-China sentiment, a German footwear brand has recently announced its decision to shift its entire production from China to Agra, with a capacity of over three million pairs annually and an initial investment of Rs 110 crore in the first phase. Agra being a strong leather hub is set to benefit in a huge way. The State Government is currently looking to welcome a Japanese delegation in November that is keen to look at food processing, electronics and logistics sectors, thanks to the state government's proactive measures regarding increasing and supporting investment opportunities in the state.

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## ODOP SCHEME IS SET TO HIGHLIGHT SIGNATURE INDUSTRIES OF UTTAR PRADESH

Uttar Pradesh is known for its wide array of exclusive products, including wheat-stalk craft, renowned chikankari and zari-zardozi work on clothes, fancy glassware, etc. Such products are manufactured in the villages of UP that are not known to the general public. The ODOP scheme is to help these local and specialized products and handicrafts get the limelight to showcase the state's rich cultural heritage. The scheme aims to promote each district's signature industry or specialised product.

THE YOGI Adityanath government's flagship 'One District One Product' (ODOP) scheme will go a long way in repositioning Uttar Pradesh as the land for preferred investment destination, as the state boasts large land reserves, good connectivity and huge manpower for any industrial setup.

In a state as vast as Uttar Pradesh, it won't be wrong to say that it is the heart of MSME sector in India, given its huge and diverse population engaged in various commercial and traditional industries. According to estimates, "UP is home to nine million MSMEs with the sector forming the industrial

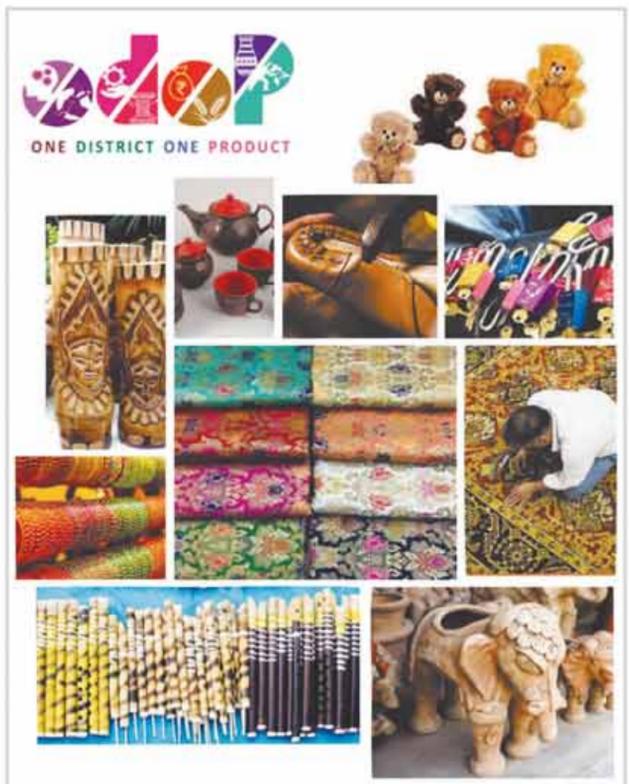
backbone of the state. It contributes 60 per cent to UP's annual industrial output and directly employs 50 million people."

To provide a boost to such signature industries in the state, One District One Product (ODOP) is the flagship scheme of the Yogi Adityanath government, launched in 2018, to promote the traditional and indigenous industries and handicrafts by facilitating state support in terms of setting up of new enterprises, bank credit and marketing. This innovative scheme was basically launched to promote the MSME sector in Uttar Pradesh.

In fact, Uttar Pradesh is known for its wide array of exclusive products, including wheat-stalk craft, renowned chikankari and zari-zardozi work on clothes, fancy glassware, etc. Such products are manufactured in the villages of UP that are not known to the general public. The ODOP scheme is to help these local and specialized products and handicrafts get the limelight to showcase the state's rich cultural heritage. The scheme aims to promote each district's signature industry or specialised product.

UP Government firmly believes that the ODOP Scheme will play an important role in turning the state into a USD 1 trillion economy by 2024. Districts devoid of any signature industry were suggested to project their agriculture or agricultural product to boost their economy and, ultimately, gain recognition via that product. For instance, "the gurbh (jaggery) of Muzaffarnagar made it to the ODOP list. Today, there are 118 varieties of gurbh being made there, and a festival dedicated to 'gurbh' called 'Gurbh Mahotsava' is also held."

India is likely to benefit in a big way due to the ongoing China-India conflict and PM Modi's clarion call for



Atmanirbhar Bharat. In this regard, the State Government is looking to tap the lucrative global textile supply chain by providing a competitive avenue to international buyers, who are currently procuring textile and fabrics from China. The idea is to provide an

alternative vendors base in UP to international buyers sourcing goods from China. Later on, buyers' suggestions can be incorporated in the new export promotion policy to make it more contemporary and competitive.

**Raw material bank and general processing center to be started soon in Lucknow under Common Facility Center (CFC) Scheme. Work of artisans will become easier after the CFC get operative.**

**To promote ODOP products, ODOP Cell has made tie up with e-Bay, Amazon and Flipkart to provide global market for artisans.**

To counter the economic impacts of COVID-19, the UP government will host e-exhibitions during the current FY 2020-21. The Yogi government has also offered to help exporters participating in e-exhibitions under the flagship Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme. The UP Export Promotion Council will also organise e-exhibitions for the state exporting firms, for which a blueprint is being charted out.

Despite the current economic challenges induced by COVID-19, the Yogi government has decided to double the exports of MSMEs in the coming three years to touch Rs 2.40 trillion. During FYs 2018-19 and 2019-20, the MSME exports from UP stood at nearly Rs 1.14 trillion and Rs 1.20 trillion respectively.

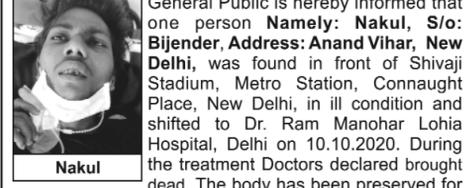
Yogi Adityanath had recently "directed officials to expedite the action plan to leverage the loan

component of Rs 15,000 crore for the domestic MSME sector in the federal economic package of more than Rs 20 trillion announced by the Centre to overcome the challenges of COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown."

The Union Ministry of Commerce and Industry is preparing an institutional mechanism to promote the One District One Product (ODOP) scheme, first started by the Uttar Pradesh government, at the national level to tap the rural economic potential of the country and identify one product per district. In this regard, the Ministry has scheduled a video-conference meeting with the Industry Ministers of all states and Union Territories later this month to discuss how the movement could be taken further. According to Principal Secretary (MSME and Export Promotion) Navneet Sehgal, the movement was a "great success" as it helped the state increase its exports by around 30 per cent. It is proposed to drive the movement on a mission mode with specific targets set to be achieved by 2022 when the country would be celebrating the 75th year of independence.

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**UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY**



General Public is hereby informed that one person **Nakul, S/o: Bijender, Address: Anand Vihar, New Delhi**, was found in front of Shivaji Stadium, Metro Station, Connaught Place, New Delhi, in ill condition and shifted to Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Delhi on 10.10.2020. During the treatment Doctors declared brought 72 Hours in Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital's Mortuary, Delhi. In this regard a case has been lodged vide **DD No. 60-A, dated 12.10.2020** at P.S. Connaught Place, Delhi. The description of the dead person is as under- **Age: About 20 years, Sex: Male, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Long, Hair: Black, Build: Thin, Wearing: Black colour shirt, lower and bare feet.** If any one having any information about this dead person please inform undersigned. **SHO PS. Connaught Place, New Delhi DP/137/NDD/2020 Ph.: 011-23364139, 8750870525**

**EASTERN RAILWAY'S FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS**

To clear extra rush of passengers during Festival Season, following special trains will be run as per following abstract timings, dates of run, stoppages and composition :-

02988/02987 AJMER-SEALDAH-AJMER SUPERFAST FESTIVAL SPECIAL (DAILY) (VIA DANKUNI)			
02988 Ajmer-Sealdah		02987 Sealdah-Ajmer	
Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.
-	12.45	02.45	-
14.45	14.50	23.55	00.05
23.05	23.15	14.30	14.40
01.50	01.55	12.00	12.05
04.53	05.03	09.25	09.40
12.03	12.06	01.50	01.53
12.46	12.48	01.11	01.13
13.49	13.52	00.20	00.22
16.00	-	-	22.55

The above special trains will also stop at Kishangarh, Bharatpur Jn., Achhnera Jn., Agra Fort, Tundla Jn., Bhabua Road, Sasaram Jn., Dehri On Sone, Gaya Jn., Koderma Jn., Parasnath, Dhanbad Jn. & Raniganj stations enroute. **Frequency : Daily. Days/Dates of run : From Ajmer : 20.10.2020 to 31.10.2020 = 42 trips and From Sealdah : 21.10.2020 to 01.12.2020 = 42 trips. Composition: AC 2-tier-2, AC 3-tier-6, Sleeper Class-7, General 2nd Class-4, Power Car-2 = 21 coaches. Category : Mail/Express (Superfast)**

02495/02496 BIKANER-KOLKATA-BIKANER SUPERFAST FESTIVAL SPECIAL (WEEKLY) (VIA DANKUNI)			
02495 Bikaner-Kolkata		02496 Kolkata-Bikaner	
Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.
-	05.20	05.50	-
11.30	11.45	23.10	23.20
19.57	20.05	14.05	14.15
22.35	22.45	11.30	11.35
02.43	02.53	08.55	09.10
10.09	10.14	01.31	01.36
10.44	10.46	01.00	01.02
11.35	11.38	00.09	00.11
13.15	-	-	22.45

The above special trains will also stop at Nokha, Nagaur, Degana Jn., Makrana Jn., Bandikui Jn., Bharatpur Jn., Achhnera Jn., Agra Fort, Tundla Jn., Gaya Jn., Koderma & Dhanbad Jn. stations enroute. **Days/Dates of run : From Bikaner : Every Thursdays (October) 22, 29 & (November) 05, 12, 19, 26 = 06 trips and From Kolkata : Every Fridays - (October) 23, 30 & (November) 06, 13, 20, 27 = 06 trips. Composition : AC 2-tier-1, AC 3-tier-5, Sleeper Class-7, General 2nd Class-4, Power Car-2 = 19 coaches. Category : Mail/Express (Superfast)**

09451/09452 GANDHIDHAM-BHAGALPUR-GANDHIDHAM (WEEKLY) FESTIVAL SPECIAL (VIA ANAND JN.-GODHRA JN. SECTION)			
09451 Gandhidham-Bhagalpur		09452 Bhagalpur-Gandhidham	
Arr.	Dep.	Arr.	Dep.
-	17.40	08.00	-
23.25	23.35	01.40	01.50
06.40	06.55	17.15	17.25
13.40	13.45	11.15	11.20
15.40	15.50	09.00	09.10
20.15	-	06.30	-

The above special trains will also stop at Bhachau, Samakhiali Jn., Dhrangdhra Jn., Ahmedabad Jn., Nadiad Jn., Dahod, Ratlam Jn., Bhawani Mandi, Kota Jn., Sawai Madhopur Jn., Gangapur City, Hindaun City, Bayana Jn., Bharatpur Jn., Achhnera Jn., Mathura Jn., Kasganj Jn., Farrukhabad Jn., Lucknow, Gonda Jn., Basti, Narkatiaganj Jn., Bettiah, Sagauli Jn., Bapudam Motihari, Samastipur Jn., Begusarai, Monghyr & Sultanganj stations enroute. **Days/Dates of run : From Gandhidham : Every Fridays - (October) 23, 30 & (November) 06, 13, 20, 27 = 06 trips and From Bhagalpur : Every Mondays - (October) 26 & (November) 02, 09, 16, 23, 30 = 06 trips. Composition : AC 2-tier-1, AC 3-tier-5, Sleeper Class-8, General 2nd Class-4, SLRD-2 = 20 coaches. Category : Mail/Express**

Booking for all the above special trains in UP direction [i.e. for train nos. 02987, 02496 & 09452] will be available on and from 18.10.2020 at 08.00 A.M. These trains will be fully reserved trains. The LS/GS/SLR/SLRD coaches available in the train composition will also run as reserved class (2S). In addition to fare, "SPECIAL" charges will be realized. Concessional booking is not allowed.

CCM/PM EASTERN RAILWAY CPTM

**CBI CONDUCTS RAIDS**  
**Tech help scam busted, ₹190 cr found**

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The CBI on Friday recovered digital evidence, various incriminating documents and also bank accounts and fixed deposits worth ₹190 crore besides ₹25 lakh in cash and gold worth ₹55 lakh during searches in multiple cities against firms that posed as representatives of reputed firms like Microsoft to dupe the victims by offering technical support for non-existent problems.



The agency had earlier registered a case on a complaint against six private companies—Softwill Infotech Pvt Ltd, New Delhi, Innovana Thinklabs Ltd, Jaipur, Benovellint Technologies Pvt Ltd, Noida, Systweak Software Pvt Ltd, Jaipur, Saburi TLC Worldwide Services Pvt Ltd, Delhi and Saburi Global Services Pvt Ltd, Gurugram and unknown others alleged to be involved in technical support fraud scheme.

The CBI had conducted the searches recently at various locations including Jaipur, Delhi, Noida, Gurugram, Faridabad and Mainpuri (Uttar Pradesh) at the premises of private companies and residential premises of accused persons in an on-going investigation of a case.

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**ED attaches DMK MP's property worth ₹8.60 cr**

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate on Friday issued seizure order under Foreign Exchange Management Act seizing properties held by DMK MP Gautham Sigamani to the tune of ₹8.60 crore.

The seized properties are equivalent to the value of the illegally acquired foreign security and non-repatriation of foreign exchange

earned abroad till date in contravention of Section 4 of FEMA, the ED said in a statement. The ED probe revealed that in March 2008 Sigamani, being a Person Resident in India, made overseas investment of USD 1,00,000 (₹41,57,225) in acquiring 2,45,000 shares of PT Excel Megindo, Jakarta and USD 55,000 (₹22,86,924) in Universal Business Ventures, UAE without RBI approval

and thereby contravened the provisions of Section 4 of FEMA for the said acquisition of foreign security, it said. Further, Sigamani failed to repatriate profits amounting to ₹7,05,57,237 earned by him from Universal Business Ventures, UAE for the period from Financial Year 2008-09 to 2012-13 and continued to hold the same abroad till date in contravention of FEMA, according to the ED.

**3 billion people globally lack handwashing facilities at home**

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

At least 40 per cent of the world's population i.e. 3 billion people, do not have access to handwashing facilities even though handwashing with soap is an integral part of protecting oneself from the deadly coronavirus. The new Unicef estimates also painted a grim picture regarding the handwashing facilities in schools across the world. Consider this: Forty-three per cent of schools globally also did not have handwashing facilities, this means that millions of school-age children do not have access to water and soap.

UNICEF said in a statement that handwashing is one of the simplest ways in which one can protect themselves and their loved ones from this epidemic. Naylor also added that the Covid-19 pandemic has highlighted a very crucial problem that handwashing facilities still remain out of reach for millions of children, be it where they live or learn.

**Asan Conservation Reserve becomes U'khand's first Ramsar site**

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Wetlands declared as Ramsar sites are protected under strict guidelines. If the nine other proposed wetlands are approved by the Ramsar Secretariat, India will have 47 sites protected internationally. In January this year, 10 wetlands in India that bagged Ramsar tag are Nandur Madhameshwar in Maharashtra, Keshopur-Miani, Beas Conservation Reserve and Nangal in Punjab, and Nawabganj, Parvati Agra, Saman, Samsapur, Sandi and SarsaiNawar in Uttar Pradesh.

The first 2+2 dialogue was held in Delhi in September 2018 after the mechanism was approved by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President Donald Trump. The second edition of the dialogue took place in Washington in December last year. The new framework of the ministerial dialogue was initiated in order to provide a forward-looking vision for the strategic partnership between the two countries. In the parleys, both sides are also expected to delve into the situation in the Indo-Pacific region as well as in India's neighbourhood besides key bilateral issues. On the Vice Chief's schedule, the Army said the aim of the visit is to enhance military cooperation between both the Armies. He will visit the US Army Pacific Command, the Army component of Indo-Pacific Command (INDOPACOM) and exchange ideas extensively with the military leadership apart from witnessing training and equipment capabilities of US Army.

**SPECIAL TRAIN**

In order to clear extra rush of passengers, Railways have decided to run the following Special Train as per details given below:-

02269/02270 MGR Chennai Central-Hazrat Nizamuddin-MGR Chennai Central Special Train (Bi-Weekly)					
Train No. 02269	STATIONS		Train No. 02270	STATIONS	
	ARR.	DEP.		ARR.	DEP.
---	06:40	MGR Chennai Central	20:40	---	---
12:20	12:30	Vijayawada	14:20	14:25	---
18:05	18:10	Balharshah	08:10	08:15	---
21:00	21:05	Nagpur	05:15	05:20	---
02:15	02:20	Habibganj	23:59	00:04	---
05:30	05:35	Jhansi Jn.	20:22	20:27	---
06:51	06:53	Gwalior	19:09	19:11	---
10:40	---	Hazrat Nizamuddin	---	15:45	---

Days of run : 02269 Ex. MGR Chennai Central from 19.10.2020 on every Monday, Friday till further advice and 02270 Ex. Hazrat Nizamuddin from 20.10.2020 on every Tuesday, Saturday till further advice. **Accommodation : 1st AC, AC 2 Tier, AC 3 Tier and Sleeper**

Note: All norms of the State and Central Government regarding COVID-19 including Social distancing, sanitization etc., may be followed in the trains and at the Railway stations. All other precautions associated with COVID-19 should also be ensured.

**Beware of Touts** Always buy your tickets from Railway Counters or authorised rail travel agents only.

Note: For any kind of information passengers are requested to contact Railway Enquiry No. 139 or visit Indian Railways website: [www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in](http://www.enquiry.indianrail.gov.in)

Security Helpline No. 182 Integrated Helpline No. 139

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**Remdesivir fails to show efficacy in WHO solidarity trial for Covid-19**

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Remdesivir-Gilead Sciences' Ranti-viral drug does not assist in reducing mortality due to Covid-19 or decrease the hospital stay, the World Health Organization's (WHO) Solidarity trial has found.

In response, however, the drug maker released a statement suggesting that the Solidarity trial is inconsistent and has not been subjected to a rigorous review.

From the 2743 recruited for being treated with remdesivir, 301 died. In comparison, the control group that did not receive remdesivir recorded 303 deaths from the 2708 participants.

The study stated that there was no significant difference in the death rate ratio between the ones who received and did not receive remdesivir.

Remdesivir is widely being used in 5 or 10 doses across the world to combat Covid-19.

**SC rejects PIL seeking dismissal of Maha Govt**

PTI N NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday refused to entertain a plea seeking dismissal of the Uddhav Thackeray-led Government of Maharashtra and imposition of President's Rule in the State.

**PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON**

Whereas complaint has been made before me that accused person (1) **Md. Shakil Saifi S/o Islam Saifi R/o RZ-100, Saifi Farm House, Nihal Vihar, Delhi**, (2) **Rajesh @ Bunty S/o Shiv Lal R/o 28/56 G/F, Gali No. 21, Baljeet Nagar, Patel Nagar, Delhi** has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case **FIR No. 656/20, U/s-307/120-B/34 IPC & 25/27 Arms Act** has been registered at P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said (1) **Md. Shakil Saifi (2) Rajesh @ Bunty** cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said (1) **Md. Shakil Saifi (2) Rajesh @ Bunty** have absconded (or is concealing themselves to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said (1) **Md. Shakil Saifi (2) Rajesh @ Bunty** accused **FIR No. 656/20, U/s-307/120-B/34 IPC & 25/27 Arms Act, P.S. Nihal Vihar, Delhi** is required to appear before this court to answer said complaint on or before **24.11.2020**.

By Order  
**Sh. Pankaj Arora, Metropolitan Magistrate, Room No. 292, 2nd Floor, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi**  
DP/465/OD/2020-(Court Matter)

**Rail Land Development Authority**  
(A Statutory Authority under Ministry of Railways, Government of India)  
Unit No. 702-B, 7th Floor, Connaught Tower-II DMRC Building, Ajmeri Gate, Delhi-110002 Phone: +91-11-23228554, Fax: +91-11-23228335

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANT FOR PROVIDING ARCHITECTURAL AND REAL ESTATE CONSULTANCY FOR RAILWAY COLONY RE-DEVELOPMENT OF BRAMHAPURA COLONY, MUZAFFARPUR, DIWAN TAKIYA COLONY, DARBHANGA AND EAST RAILWAY COLONY, SAHARSA

Estimated Cost for the Work: Rs. 27.02 Lakh (M.945177677) (E-mail: [prsinghden@gmail.com](mailto:prsinghden@gmail.com))  
Last Date & Time of Submission of RFP Documents: 17.11.2020 up to 15:00 hrs.

(1) For complete details, visit website [www.rlda.indianrailways.gov.in](http://www.rlda.indianrailways.gov.in) or [www.tenderwizard.com/RLDA](http://www.tenderwizard.com/RLDA)  
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(RFP Notice No. RLDA/RFP/CT-104 of 2020) DGM/Tender (Mob: 7703918078)

**GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA TENDER NOTICE**

SR. No.	NAME OF BOARD/CORP./A UTH	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT / EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	HPGCL HISAR	NIT No. 26/XEN/CMD-1/RGTPP/2020-21/F-486 DT. 10.10.2020. REPAIR OF EXPOSED IRON BARS IN RACKER COLUMNS, SHELL, SUPPORT BEAMS, GRILLAGE COLUMNS OF COOLING TOWER UNIT-II AND SHELL OF COOLING TOWER UNIT-I RGTPP, KHEGAR, HISAR.	CLOSING DATE 20.10.2020	1.54 LACS	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	9355084412 sing.yashpal@hpgcl.org.in
2	HPGCL HISAR	NIT No. 27/XEN/CMD-1/RGTPP/2020-21 DT. 10.10.2020. DESLITATION OF COOLING TOWER UNIT-1 (OVERHAULING WORK) AT RGTPP, KHEGAR, HISAR.	CLOSING DATE 20.10.2020	7,200/-	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	9355084412 sing.yashpal@hpgcl.org.in
3	HPGCL HISAR	NIT No. 331/RGTPP/MM-1/TOE-12557 DT. 01.10.2020. SUPPLY OF RETURN IDLERS AND GUIDE ROLLER FOR CHP.	CLOSING DATE 31.10.2020	13,300/-	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	9315164637 mm1.rgtp@hpgcl.org.in
4	HPGCL HISAR	NIT No. 25/XEN/CMD-1/RGTPP/2020-21 DT. 29.09.2020. PROVIDING ROAD SURFACE MARKINGS ALONG ROADS FROM GATE NO. 1 TO GATE NO. 2 IN ADMIN BUILDING AREA AND FROM T-POINT TO DM PLANT.	CLOSING DATE 20.10.2020	5,800/-	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	9355084412 sing.yashpal@hpgcl.org.in
5	HPGCL HISAR	NIT No. 09/RGTPP/BMD-II/368 DT. 12.10.2020 REPAIRING, HARD FACING AND ASSEMBLY OF COAL COMPARTMENT ASSEMBLIES OF 600 MW BOILER OF UNIT-II, AT RGTPP KHEGAR.	CLOSING DATE 22.10.2020	5,200/-	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	9315164616 xenbmd2.rgtp@hpgcl.org.in
6	HPGCL HISAR	NIT No. 38/ESP-II/M&P-593/RGTPP/2020-21 DT. 12.10.2020. OVERHAULING OF ESP INSTALLED IN UNIT-II, RGTPP DURING FORTHCOMING OVERHAULING OF 600 MW UNIT-II, RGTPP, KHEGAR, HISAR.	CLOSING DATE 22.10.2020	28,083/-	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	9355084343 xenmp.rgtp@hpgcl.org.in
7	HPGCL HISAR	NIT No. 320/RGTPP/MM-1/TOE-4431 DT. 13.10.2020. SUPPLY OF PNEUMATIC DRAIN VALVES FOR TURBINE AND EXTRACTION SYSTEM TO RGTPP, KHEGAR, HISAR.	CLOSING DATE 23.10.2020	59,900/-	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	8222023551 mm2.rgtp@hpgcl.org.in
8	HVPNL, PANCHKULA	CREATION OF 66KV S/STN. SECTOR-16 PART, HSVP, JAGADHARI WITH 1X2/5/31.5MVA + 2X12.5/16MVA, 66/11KV TRANSFORMERS WITH PROVISION OF TWO (2) NO. 66KV LINE BAYS FOR FUTURE. (SUPPLY OF 1X2/5/31.5MVA + 2X12.5/16MVA, 66/11KV TRANSFORMERS SHALL BE SUPPLIED BY HVPNL)	CLOSING DATE 09.11.2020	959 LACS	<a href="http://www.hvnpn.org.in">www.hvnpn.org.in</a>	0172-2583789 prohvnpn@gmail.com
9	HVPNL HISAR.	PCC, LEVELING, DRESSING, SUPPLY AND SPREADING CRUSHED BAJRI IN YARD AT 132 KV SUB-STATION KHAIRKAN (DEPOSIT WORK OF AIR FIELD SIRSA)	CLOSING DATE 26.10.2020	Rs.1490002/- 1300/- only for Society	<a href="https://www.hvnpn.org.in">https://www.hvnpn.org.in</a>	0172-2583789 prohvnpn@gmail.com
10	HVPNL HISAR.	SURFACE DRESSING AND GRVELLING IN 132KV AND 33KV YARD AT 132 KV SUB-STATION BHATTU KALAN	CLOSING DATE 26.10.2020	Rs.293501/- Only for Society 2660/-	<a href="https://www.hvnpn.org.in">https://www.hvnpn.org.in</a>	0172-2583789 prohvnpn@gmail.com
11	HVPNL HISAR.	SUPPLY AND SPREADING OF CRUSHED BAJRI IN SWITCH YARD AT 132 KV SUB-STATION HVPNL, MODHO-SINGHANA.	CLOSING DATE 26.10.2020	Rs.454422/- Only for Society 4065/-	<a href="https://www.hvnpn.org.in">https://www.hvnpn.org.in</a>	0172-2583789 prohvnpn@gmail.com
12	HPGCL, HISAR	NIT No. 332/RGTPP/MM-1/TOE-12593 DT. 06.10.2020. SUPPLY OF CAUSTIC SODA LYE FOR ALL THREE POWER GENERATING STATIONS OF HPGCL.	CLOSING DATE 05.11.2020	2.56 LACS	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	9315164637 mm2.rgtp@hpgcl.org.in
13	KARNAL SMART CITY	TOTAL 4 NOS. WORKS/GOODS/ SERVICES IN KARNAL CITY UNDER KARNAL SMART CITY PROJECT	12.10.2020 03.11.2020	-	<a href="https://etenders.hry.nic.in">https://etenders.hry.nic.in</a>	smartcitykarnal@gmail.com

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Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Bharat Kumar, Renu Devi Parwal, E- 42 Laxmi Nagar, Laxmi Narayanpura, Teh- Amer, Jaipur, Rajasthan. A/c:- QZJNV00005017814	Land Patta No.24, Missal No.154, Abadi Land In Gram- Akhepura, Amer, Rajasthan	18-Sep-2020, Rs. 971556/-	31/01/2020
2.	Santosh Kumar Singh, Beauty Singh, RZ C 10, First Floor, Vishnu Garden, Delhi. A/c:- QZDEL00005022237	F- 159-A, First Floor Without Roof, Situated At Plot No-159, Block-F, Gali No. 2, Khasra No- 31/19, 22, Village Khyala, Vishnu Garden, Delhi	18-Sep-2020, Rs. 18,77,000/-	31/01/2020
3.	Rajesh Saini, Nahani Devi Saini, 167, Engineers Colony, Sirsi Road, Panchayawala, Jaipur, Rajasthan. A/c:-QZJNV00005042906	Plot No- 72, Shyam Vitalka-phase-II, At Siwar, Sirsi Road, Rajasthan	18-Sep-2020, Rs. 24,29,229/-	29/02/2020
4.	Kalpna Jaiswal, Jitendra Kumar, H No 1986/A, Housing Board Colony, Sector 55, Ballabgarh, Haryana, Faridabad. A/c:- QZFDB00005035470	H. No- 483, Plot No- 33, Kh No 30/11, 12/2, Gali No- 23, Sanjay Colony, Sector23, Faridabad, Haryana	18-Sep-2020, Rs. 18,52,419/-	31/10/2019

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower(s) and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : 17-10-2020  
Place: Delhi NCR  
Authorized Officer  
ICICI Bank Limited

## CALCUTTA HC TO DURGA PUJA COMMITTEES

# 'Use Govt funds for secular works'

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

In a judgment that raised questions on the constitutional decorum of sponsoring religious festivals by secular Governments, the Calcutta High Court on Friday effectively segregated secular and religious works professed to be performed by various community-based Durga Puja committees often patronized by the democratically elected Governments.

In a hard-hitting order the Division Bench of Justices Sanjib Banerjee and Arijit Banerjee directed the thousands of Durga Pujas committees that recently received

Government grants of Rs 50,000 each to use such funds only for "secular purposes" like procuring logistics to prevent proliferation of corona virus and strengthening police-public bonding.

The clubs were also directed to present detailed utilization reports of the fund of Rs 50,000 to the Government for audit. The purchase of logistics like masks, sanitisers, and other relevant equipment should be supported by bills of purchase the Court said.

The Court apportioned 75 per cent of the allocated fund towards the purchase of masks, sanitisers and face shields, while the remaining 25 per cent

was asked to be spent for strengthening public-police bonding and inclusion of more women in community policing.

Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee had announced on September 24 the Rs 50,000 grant for each of the 36,946 Durga Puja committees in the state.

She said that her Government had decided to make a grant of Rs 50,000 each to the Durga Puja committees this year round as "we are in a difficult time for the pandemic situation and it has been very difficult for the community Puja committees too to organize Durgas."

Earlier Sourab Dutta a

CITU leader had moved a petition on October 9 challenging the grant and other doles such as discounts on application fees for permissions from fire brigade and power distribution companies saying such a grant was against the concept of secularism and hurt the fundamental rights provided in the Constitution.

Even as the state Advocate General Kishore Dutta said that the funds allocated by the Government were to be used for "secular purposes" like purchasing safety equipment and for public-police bonding the Court tended to ensure that the funds were indeed spent for the

purposes as claimed by the Government.

The matter would be taken up for hearing before the Court after the Durga Pujas.

Meanwhile, though the Trinamool Congress refused to react to the Friday's order, senior leader and MP Saugato Roy said that it would hurt the common people. "I do not want to make any comment on the order as such but I feel that the common people will be hurt by it." He also would not say whether the Government would prefer an appeal in the Supreme Court. "It is for the State Government to decide whether it would appeal before the Supreme Court or not"

## Forces catch OGW who ran away with 2 AK rifles

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

In a dramatic sequence of events an Over Ground worker (OGW) was caught alive by the joint team of security forces while another Special Police Officer, who had earlier decamped with two AK rifles from a security camp two days ago, managed to flee after an initial exchange of fire with security forces in the Chadoora area of Budgam on Friday.

The entire sequence of events was caught on camera where a senior army officer supervising the operation on ground zero was seen repeatedly

making an appeal to the OGW to surrender his weapon and walk towards the security personnel without fearing for his life.

In one of the videos which went viral on social media platforms the army officer was seen instructing his soldiers to serve water to an OGW and stay away from him so that he can feel comfortable and not threatened due to the presence of a large number of soldiers surrounding him.

In another video, the father of an OGW who was identified by the police as Jehangir Ahmad Bhat, was seen touching the feet

of a senior officer and thanking them for saving the precious life of his son. Several other security personnel were seen patting the back of an OGW and congratulating his father over safe home coming of his son.

Sharing details of the incident, a Jammu and Kashmir police spokesman said, "On a specific input regarding the presence of deserted SPO who decamped with 02 AK 47 rifles two days ago along with his associate in Chadoora area of Budgam, a joint cordon and search operation was launched by Police, 53RR and 181Bn CRPF in the said area."

## Kerala Cong(M) leader's 1st visit to CPI(M) State HQ in 39 years

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ KOCHI

Politics in Kerala took a new turn as Jose K Mani, leader of the Kerala Congress(Mani) faction called on CPI(M) State General Secretary Kodyiyeri Balakrishnan at AKG Centre at Thiruvananthapuram on Friday.

This is the first ever visit by a Kerala Congress (Mani) faction leader to the CPI(M) State headquarters in the last 39 years. Balakrishnan who addressed the media after the visit of Jose K Mani said that the decision of Kerala Congress

(Mani) to cast its lots with the Left Democratic Front was because of the anti-communal and anti-imperialist policies pursued by the CPI(M).

"The foundation of the United Democratic Front led by the Indian National Congress has been shattered. This is because of the failure of the Congress to take a strong anti-communal stance against the RSS. All sections of people in the State trust the development initiatives of the CPI(M). Ours is the best State in India only because of the development agenda of the CPI(M),"

said Balakrishnan.

He said even Pope Francis has accepted the fact that capitalism all over the world was collapsing. The CPI(M) leader addressed the Pope as "His Holiness Pope" as part of his party's changed attitude towards the Catholic Church.

But Balakrishnan got annoyed when reporters asked him about the CPI(M)'s agitations against Jose's father late K M Mani, founder of the Kerala Congress who was the finance Minister of Kerala during 2011 to 2016.

## Central teams sent to Kerala, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Bengal to tackle surge in Covid

New Delhi: The Union Health Ministry on Friday rushed high-level Central teams to Kerala, Karnataka, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh and West Bengal which have been reporting a surge in the number of new Covid cases in the recent days to help them manage the disease.

Each team comprises a joint secretary who will be the nodal officer for the concerned state, one public health expert, and one clinician to look after infection prevention practices, clinical management protocol being followed by the state, the Ministry said in a statement on Friday.

Kerala has reported a 3,17,929 cases, amounting to 8,909 infected per million. Recoveries are at 2,22,231, and active cases at 94,609. The state

has reported 1,089 deaths so far and has a positivity rate of 16.6 per cent.

Similarly, Karnataka has 11,010 cases per million, with a recovery rate of 83.35 per cent and positivity rate of 11.5 per cent. It has so far reported 7,43,848 cases and a death toll of 10,283. Rajasthan has registered 1,67,279 cases, with number of fatalities at 1,708. Positivity rate is at 5.3 per cent while West Bengal has 3,09,417 cases amounting to 3,106 cases per million. Case fatality rate is 1.90 per cent and the positivity rate is 8.2 per cent.

These teams interact with the the authorities and get a first hand understanding of the challenges and issues being faced by them so as to strengthen their ongoing activities and remove bottlenecks, if any.

## Kerala gold smuggling case: BJP demands CM's resignation

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The BJP on Friday alleged that the accused in the Kerala gold smuggling case are "hand in glove" with the people in power and demanded the resignation of Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan.

"The moral authority of the Chief Minister is lost. The BJP has been demanding, the people of Kerala have been demanding that the chief minister should resign owning moral responsibility of the whole incident," said Union Minister and Kerala BJP leader V Muraleedharan.

Muraleedharan said the Left government in the state had first asked the Centre to order a probe into the matter and has now moved court against the CBI, claiming that agency does not have the authority to investigate.

"This shows that those involved in smuggling gold are hand-in-glove with those in power," he alleged, adding that this case is distinct from other cases of gold smuggling because it is "directly" linked to the chief minister's office. Vijayan has been changing his stand on the matter from the day the case was registered and accused were arrested, Muraleedharan claimed.

The Union Minister noted that the case relates to the seizure of 30 kg of gold in Thiruvananthapuram Airport on July 5 after the precious metal was found camouflaged in diplomatic baggage.

The National Investigation Agency (NIA), Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) and the Enforcement Directorate (ED) are probing various angles of the case and several people, including two former employees of the UAE consulate in Thiruvananthapuram have been arrested by central agencies in connection with the case.

**MSTC**  
MSTC Ltd will be conducting e-auctions on behalf of Indus Tower on 21.10.2020 for the disposal of Capacitor Bank, Copper Cable & Strip, Earthing Strip, Mono Pole, DG Battery & Canopy, Tower Material, SPN, Electrical & MS Scrap, Battery Module Li-ion, AC-09 Tr, Petrol Genset, AC, ACCD, AMP PANEL, Battery Cabinet & Chiller, DG Cranking, FCU, IPMS, LCU, PU, RM, SMPs T-X-PACK, Tower, Battery Cells, Li-ion Modules, Stationery, DG CAT A, B, C, vide auction no. (Location wise) DEH-1654. Location: 16515 and 16516. For more details log on to www.mstcconline.com or www.mstcindia.co.in

## Maha opens local train services for women for specified time from today

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

In what came as a pleasant surprise for women commuters, the Maharashtra Government on Friday announced that it would allow all ladies to travel by suburban trains for a specified number of hours during a day in Mumbai and Mumbai Metropolitan Region (MMR) from Saturday.

Unveiling a major lockdown unlocking measure for women commuters, Maharashtra's Disaster Management, Relief & Rehabilitation Secretary Kishor Raje Nimbalkar wrote to the General Managers of Western Railway and Central Railway, saying that beginning Saturday, all lady commuters be permitted to travel by local trains from 11 am to 3 pm and from 7 pm till end of the last services operated for the day.

"It is requested that local train services may be made available to all ladies from 11 am to 3 pm and again from 7 pm onwards till the end of local services for the day, with effect from October 17 in Mumbai and MMR," Nimbalkar wrote in his letter to the General Managers of Western Railway and Central Railway.

"During the said time period, entry may be allowed to all ladies having valid tickets and to all emergency staff as well. QR codes will not be required for ladies travelling during the said time period," Nimbalkar said.

The local train services to all the personnel of all sectors that have been notified as the emergency services till date shall continue as being provided currently i.e., for the entire day.

"You are requested to also increase the frequency of local trains as per the increased demand," Nimbalkar stated in his letters to both the Western and Central Railway GMs.

Though the state government has asked the women commuters to travel during the non-peak hours of the morning, the state government's move is bound to help thousands of women commuters who travel to downtown Mumbai and other parts of Mumbai where offices and business establishments are located.

## No new Madrasa in Aligarh since Yogi Govt formed

PRADEEP SAXENA ■ ALIGARH

All over the country after the Assam Government announced the conversion of madrasas into regular schools. Most of the madrasas were recognized in the SP Government. 31 madrasas opened in the BSP Government. Yogi Government has not allowed any new madrasas after 2017.

There are 121 madrasas in the district of which 4 are semi-Government, 33 madrasas operates under modernization scheme and the rest are being privately run. The central and state government give budget in madrasas included in the modernization scheme and the semi-government which include the salary of teachers and other expenses. More than 20,000 students are enrolled in these madrasas.

## 697 new cases take J&K's Covid tally to 86,754

Srinagar: Jammu & Kashmir on Friday reported 697 new Covid-19 cases, taking the Union Territory's coronavirus tally to 86,754, while 8 deaths in the past 24 hours mounted the UT's Covid death toll to 1,366.

A statement issued by the Information and Public Relations Department said that of the 697 positive cases reported on Friday, 312 were from Jammu division and 385 from Kashmir division.

So far, 86,754 people have been infected with coronavirus of which 76,479 have recovered completely.

## Webinar on 'prospects for STEM education, and contribution of women scientists'

ALIGARH: Resource persons shed light on significant contributions of women scientists and how they discovered life-saving remedies, devised world-altering inventions, and produced far-reaching research in the two-day webinar on 'Prospects for STEM Education in the 21st Century and contribution of women scientists in STEM' held to mark the eventful centenary year of the Aligarh Muslim University (AMU).

## 1,400 POC SO cases pending in courts

PNS ■ ALIGARH

The courts have been burdened due to the increasing crime cases with women and the girl child because of which justice is delayed. The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO) has four courts in the district to protect children from sex offenders, despite this, 1,400 cases are pending since 2012. Corona is also one of the main reason for this, due to which the work is stopped since 6 months.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
My client Dinesh Gupta S/o Vinod Lal Gupta R/o RZ 54/F Street No. 7 Madhya Marg Gupta Sweets Tuglakabad Extn. New Delhi have debarred and disowned his son namely Aayush Gupta and his daughter-in-law namely Srishri Khandelwal from all his movable and immovable properties and have severed all relations from them as they are not under his (my client) control. My client and his other family members shall not be liable for any omission or commission of the aforesaid son and daughter-in-law. If any one deals with them, he/she will be doing so on their own risks and consequences. Bandana Rai (Advocate) Chamber No. 649 Saket Court, New Delhi 110017. Phone No.-999983238

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Information is given to general public at large that my client Mr. Sourav Duggal S/o Mr. M.L. Duggal owner of Built-up Second Floor without roof rights built on Property bearing No. 72/A, area measuring 95 Sq. yds. out of Khastri No. 26/3 situated in the layout plan of Rashmi Market Extn. in the area of Village Khuneji Khas, Shahdara, Delhi-110051. By virtue of Regd. CPA dated 20.05.2002, Notarized/ATS dated 20.05.2002 & Regd. Will dated 20.05.2002 and Built-up Second floor without roof rights sold to the Merududin and same property to be loan financed by M/s Vastu Housing Finance Corporation Ltd. A-32, 2nd Floor, Industrial Area, Phase-1, Naraina, New Delhi-110028. If any person(s) have any objection(s) or Claim(s) with respect to the right, title or interest in the said property then contact us within 7 days from the date of this notice on the number mentioned herein below failing which my client i.e. M/s Vastu Housing Finance Corporation Ltd. A-32, 2nd Floor, Industrial Area, Phase-1, Naraina New Delhi-110028 shall not be held responsible in any manner whatsoever. Navleen Kumar Verma Advocate F-211, Sector-3 vaishali, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh-201010

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
GENERAL PUBLIC IS HEREBY informed that My client Sh. Yuvraj Rastogi S/o Hari Krishan Rastogi, R/o D2A / 61D, Janakpuri, New Delhi - 110058 has severed all his relations and have disowned his son Sh. Sagar Rastogi from his all movable and immovable properties due to his quarrelsome and disobedient nature. So my client shall not be responsible for any act of his Son Sh. Sagar Rastogi if anyone do so then he/she will do so at his/her own risk.  
Advocate Gurdip Singh Dua

**JAIPUR DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
Indira Circle, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur-302004  
No.: JDA/EE&TA to Dir.Engg.-II/2020-11/D-246 Date : 16.10.2020  
**NOTICE INVITING BID**  
NIB No.: EE & TA to Dir. Eng-II/15/2020-21  
Bids are invited for works given below in various zones as per details given :-

S. No.	Zone	Job No.	Name of Work	Amount (Rs. in Lacs)	Last Date Bid Invited Online
1.	Executive Engineer-12A	117 2020-21	Renewal of Approach Road from Kalwar Road to Hatooj Kardhani Extension, Zone-12A, JDA Jaipur. (UBN No.: JDA2021WSOB00221)	265.97	09.11.2020 Up to 6.00 PM

Details may be seen in the Bidding Document at concerned Executive Engineer's office or the website of State Public Procurement Portal website [www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in](http://www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in), [www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in](http://www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in) and [www.jda.urban.rajasthan.gov.in](http://www.jda.urban.rajasthan.gov.in)  
To participate in the bid, bidder has to be :- 1. Registered on JDA website [www.jda.urban.rajasthan.gov.in](http://www.jda.urban.rajasthan.gov.in) for participation in the Bid, the Bidder has to apply for the Bid and pay the Bidding Document Fee, RISL Processing Fee and Bid Security Deposit, online only. 2. Registered on e-Procurement Portal of Government of Rajasthan [www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in](http://www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in) for online e-Bid submission.  
Executive Engineer & TA to Dir. Engg.-II  
Raj. Samwad/C/2020-21/5727

**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
TENDER NOTICE (Through E-Tendering)  
Name of work | Expansion of ICMS System at GZB, JHI, KKDE, PNP, PWL, ROK, SSB, JHL & GZB stations of DLI Division.  
Address of the office | Senior Divisional Signal & Telecom Engineer-C, Northern Railway, 3rd Floor, Annexure-1, DRM office, New Delhi-110055  
Date, Time for upload the tender | Tender uploading / closing date & time 05.11.2020 upto 15:00 hrs.  
Website particular & notice board location where complete details of the tender can be seen etc. | See The Northern Railway website [www.treps.gov.in](http://www.treps.gov.in) & Notice board at S&T branch, 3rd Floor, DRM Office, State Entry Road, New Delhi-110055  
Tender No.: 558-Sig-16-Tele-0T-92A Date: 15.10.2020 2240/20  
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**INDIAN RAILWAYS**  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)  
E-TENDER NO.2020RSIB743TC  
Executive Director, Railways Store(S), Ministry of Railways, Railway Board, Government of India invites e-tender for procurement of 1,79,659 Nos. AAR approved Cartridge Taper Roller Bearings (CTRB) Class E(6"X11") for use on Freight Stock for Indian Railways to RDSO specification No. AB/RB-40-2016(Rev.1) of August, 2018 & latest amendments.  
2.0 The interested tenderers are advised to visit the website <http://treps.gov.in> for details of the tender and submission of their e-bids.  
3.0 No manual offers will be accepted against e-tender.  
4.0 Tender will be closed at 15.00 hours on 09.11.2020.  
Director, Railway Stores (W), Ministry of Railways, Railway Board, New Delhi. for and on behalf of the President of India. 2250/2020  
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**NORTHERN RAILWAY**  
e-Open E-Tender Notice  
Sr. Divisional Engineer-I/Northern Railway, New Delhi for and on behalf of President of India invites e-tender on the prescribed form for the under noted work:  
Name of work with location, cost of work and Earnest money | 1 | Special Repairs such as replacement of worn out expansion joints, elastometric bearings, strengthening of RCC piers/abutments, beams & railing etc. for rehabilitation of existing 2 lane ROB no. 71-AA at Km. 41/15-17 at Sonipat on DLI-LUMB section in the section of SSE/W/SNP under ADEN/PNP.  
Approx Cost: Rs. 39,99,722.04, Earnest money: Rs. 80,000/-, Completion Period: 06 Months.  
Earnest money should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway only. Note: FDR or Demand Draft will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS as per Railway Boards letter No. 2015/CE-I/CT/51 dated 31.08.2016  
Date and time of submission of tender and opening of tender | Upto 15.00 hrs. on 06.11.2020 opening of e-tender at 15.00 hrs. on 06.11.2020  
Website particulars, published tender, notice location etc. complete details of tender can be seen and website where the tender form can be downloaded | Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. [www.treps.gov.in](http://www.treps.gov.in)  
Note: All attachments must be self attested by the tenderers and the affidavit should be submitted in the new format attached with tender conditions as per Annexure-XXIII is compulsorily. No.-128-W/280/Tender Notice/20-21/W-(NIT-07)(I) Dated: 10.2020 2239/2020  
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**DIRECTORATE OF TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING, HARYANA**  
Nagar Yojana Bhavan, Plot no.3, Block-A, Sector-18A, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh  
Tele-Fax: 0172-2548475, 0172-2549851, E-mail: [tcp.haryana7@gmail.com](mailto:tcp.haryana7@gmail.com), Website: [www.tcp.haryana.gov.in](http://www.tcp.haryana.gov.in)  
Memo No. RCP-29-Vol-III/SD(DK)/ 2020 Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

## UNIDENTIFIED DEAD BODY

General Public is hereby informed that an Unknown male person was found dead on Roop Nagar, 4 Block, Park, Delhi on dated 16.10.2020 in this regard a DD No. 31A dated 16.10.2020 has been registered at PS Roop Nagar, Delhi.

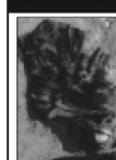
The description of the dead body is given as under Name: Unknown, S/O: Unknown, R/O: Unknown, Age: About 70-75 years, Height: 5'3", Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Round, Built: Thin, Long White Beard and Mustaches Wearing: White Colour Kurta Pajama.

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



SHO PS Roop Nagar, Delhi DP/656/N/2020 Ph.: 011-23844632, 8750870129

## APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General public is hereby informed that this female Name: Unknown, D/O Unknown, R/O: Unknown, Age: About. 30-45 years, Sex: Female, Face: Round, Height: About 5'2", Built: Normal, Complexion: Shallow, Wearing: Cream Suit & Lower has been found dead on 20-09-2020 across Yamuna River, Behind Palla Gaon, from Sank No. 4 to near Sank No. 2, Thokar No. 2, 301010, Alipur Delhi.

In this regard a DD No. 32A U/s 174 Cr.PC dated 20.09.2020 has been lodged at P.S. Alipur, Delhi.

Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out information about this female but no clue has come to light so far.

Any person having any information or clue about this female may kindly inform the following.

SHO P.S. Alipur, Delhi DP/545/ON/2020 Ph. 011-2720 2265, 7065036325

## PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON

(See Section 82 Cr.PC)

Whereas complaint has been made before me that Pardeep, S/o Ran Singh R/o Village Brona, P.S. Kharkhoda, Distt. Sonapat, Haryana has committed (or is suspected to have committed) the offence in case FIR No. 714/20 u/s 307/34 IPC & 27 Arms Act, P.S. Ranhola, Delhi and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest thereupon issued that the said accused Pardeep cannot be found and whereas it has been shown to my satisfaction that the said accused Pardeep has absconded (or is concealing himself to avoid the service of the said warrant).

Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused Pardeep of FIR No. 714/20 u/s 307/34 IPC & 27 Arms Act, P.S. Ranhola, Delhi is required to appear before this Court to answer the said complaint on or before 18.11.2020.

By Order, Sh. Kishor Kumar Metropolitan Magistrate-08, Room No.30 Ground Floor, Tis Hazari Court, Delhi DP/467/OD/2020

## Public Notice

The sectoral plans of Sector-58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 63A, 64, 65, 66, 67 & 67A, Gurugram-Manesar Urban Complex bearing Drawing No. DTP(G)/2196/2014 dated 20-05-2014/09-10-2014 was approved which inter-alia includes Sector-64, Gurugram designed for Institutional/ Open Space Zone. The approved sectoral plan have various institutional sites including medical college having area of 15 acres as per prevailing rules at the time of approval of Sectoral Plan.

The Government has revised area norms of internal and External Community Buildings/ sites and policy instruction in this regard was issued vide memo no. Misc-1A/SD(BS)/2018/29016-18 dated 09-10-2018 in which the area for college site has also been reduced from 15.0 acres to 5.0 acres, therefore, Government has decided in-principle to amend the sectoral plan accordingly. A copy of earlier approved sectoral plan of Sector-64, GMUC (Institutional/ Open Space Zone) as well as proposed revised sectoral plan having college site area of 5.0 acres has been hosted on the departmental website namely [www.tcp.haryana.gov.in](http://www.tcp.haryana.gov.in).

Any person having objection to the proposed revision of sectoral plan of Sector-64, GMUC may file his/ her objection along with reasons in writing in the office of Senior Town Planner, Gurugram situated at HSPV complex Sector-14, Gurugram within a period of 30 days from this notice. The objections received after lapse of stipulated time period of 30 days will not be entertained.

(K. Makrand Pandurag, IAS) Director, Town and Country Planning Haryana, Chandigarh

Dated: 16-10-2020 Place: Chandigarh PRDH-Advt No. 83269 Dt. 16-10-2020

# China's bluster

Beijing will continue to make tall claims, hoping to coerce us in a bloodless war. New Delhi must encircle it in the neighbourhood



For years together, China's intimidatory tactics and surreptitious salami slicing of territories had gone unchallenged along our Himalayan border. A logistically disadvantaged India meant that China could keep a fairly low-cost vigilance operation and easily push its ultimate aim of controlling the Karakoram, Central Asia and beyond with Pakistan as the key conduit. But that has changed recently. Irrespective of the clash at Galwan, infrastructure development in border areas, particularly Ladakh, has been ramped up on our side over the last few years. Better roads have meant that we can rush supplies and reinforcements to our frontier posts and

amass a presence quickly, something which was China's forte for long. With its strategic edge compromised and now that our troops have shown in Galwan that they are as adept in mountain warfare and capable of giving a bloody nose to marauders, Beijing has realised that its ambush tactics can no longer "shock and awe" us. And given that the nature of the Line of Actual Control (LAC) is not codified despite India's best efforts in forcing China to a discussion on it, perceptual differences mean India is now more vociferous about its rightful claims, too. Post-Galwan, it is determined to not give up its acquired positions and ridges and stare down at China with the same gusto. This explains the rather hyperbolic and impassioned war cry by Chinese President Xi Jinping, asking his troops to be ready for war, while his administration objected to the opening of 44 bridges in Ladakh and Arunachal Pradesh, saying they were "the root cause for tension between the two sides." This came barely a day after Beijing declared that it considered both Ladakh and Arunachal Pradesh illegal. Of course, India categorically rejected this latest missive, saying China has no locus standi to comment on its internal matters. This even as Minister for External Affairs Subrahmanya Jaishankar said that since peace talks with China were still on, he would not like to hazard an assessment. But his measured response was contradicted by Xi's provocation, clearly as part of his relentless effort to wear us out in the war of perception. For the first time, if anything, this betrays China's anxieties over what it had assumed would be a cakewalk, namely browbeating India. It may even tempt India into a limited theatre of war and then try to extract a give-and-take formula but it is getting exasperated with us refusing to bite the bait. The Siachenisation of Ladakh would cost it, too. Hence the stepped up rhetoric in the hope of getting some leeway in Ladakh. At best, the diplomacy is just a diversionary tactic as Beijing will not forfeit this geographical wedge between Gilgit-Baltistan in the west (Pakistan-occupied Kashmir), where it is invested in the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), and Aksai Chin in the east. It is an irritant to its regional supremacy, strategically and economically. And it wants an unhindered run of the highway from Xinjiang to Tibet, 179 km of which is under Indian shadow. As it is, by agreeing to a buffer zone, we have ceded our right to monitor forward areas in the Pangong Tso region. We should be wary of the fact that the People's Liberation Army (PLA), which has been pitching tents, building roads and marking territories since 2013 and which takes orders from Xi himself, intends to keep the LAC hot. And challenge us routinely on a battle of nerves, hoping to coerce us in a bloodless war if possible.

India is already working on a multi-pronged global approach to rein in the dragon's territorial and economic imperialism. It is challenging China in the Indian Ocean Region (IOR), neutralising the latter's maritime conduits and engaging with South and Southeast Asian nations that have been held hostage by Beijing's debt-trapping economic bailouts. And to counter our greedy neighbour's "string of pearls" diplomacy, which means having strong military and economic ties with all our neighbouring nations and laying siege to our national interests, we, too, have rolled the dice. The Government is bolstering defence cooperation in the neighbourhood, leasing out a submarine to Myanmar and arming it with torpedoes. We have begun ramping up the naval strategy around the Malacca Straits, which happens to be China's trade and strategic corridor. India has deployed its vessels to keep a check on any activity of the Chinese Navy and is planning to maintain hawkish patrols through autonomous underwater vessels, unmanned systems and sensors. It has got more active in the Quad initiative with the US, Japan and Australia and is using its international goodwill as a nation that respects "rule-based order" to build a case against China's "wolf warrior" tactics. Diplomatically, India should be transactional in its approach to China and lay down in no uncertain terms that the latter's avarice for global domination would only push the second-largest Asian entity towards the US-led bloc. In fact, we have to be overt about our strategic partnership with the US but it wouldn't be too invested in a theatre where it is not the dominant player. Besides, it may not want India to become too formidable in its quest to blunt China. Russia, for all its deepest desire to counter-balance China's growing heft and leverage itself vis-a-vis the US, is compromised by economic dependencies. So, India is pretty much on its own and has to use every multi-national forum, alliance and bilateral ties to make enough noise about the asymmetric relationship with China. And it must girdle up with nations that are directly under our neighbour's threat in the region to stand up and be counted.

# New timetable

The Indian Railways plan to reduce mail and express train services has angered some people but it is a necessary step



When the Railway Budget was presented separately until recently, concerned Ministers used to shower their largesse upon their home States as well as those of their friends. These usually included the construction of factories, yards, the creation of new zones and additional stops for trains. For example, the Rajdhani Express to Howrah started stopping at Etawah when Mulayam Singh Yadav dropped up the Government in the mid-1990s. But as the middle-class desert express trains for the convenience of flights, now increasingly affordable and much, much faster, the Railway Board has smartly decided that its post-pandemic timetable, as passenger services return to normal, will not only do away with 600 mail and express trains but also upwards of 10,000 halts for many fast trains. While there is no doubt that the Railways do provide connectivity to interior locations of the country, there needs to be a serious re-planning of long-distance train services. It would make much more sense for fewer long-distance trains that can be coupled with better regional services to connect small towns to big cities as is being done in the National Capital Region (NCR) with the new Regional Railway. Of course, not everyone can afford flights. In fact, as we all learnt during the lockdown, many of India's poorest migrants can barely afford trains and the Railways must continue to remain an option for those at the lowest rungs of the economic ladder. At the same time, they have to also become more competitive with airlines and make sense for those who have taken wings. Nobody wants to spend 16 hours in a train when a flight, even with travelling to and from the airport and security, will take under six hours and offer multiple time options.

At the same time, less passenger congestion on the tracks will help the Railways make hay, thanks to superior freight services. Many car companies are now using the Railways to send their products from their factories to major hubs as this is more efficient and better for the environment. These services don't just keep the economy running smoothly but also help the Railways subsidise passenger services. There will be politicians who will scream and shout about this decision but this is actually a step forward and the Railways have to be complimented.

# Television and its warts

The print medium has the responsibility of countering the socially and morally devastating effect of the deplorable fare that some channels are churning out



HIRANMAY KARLEKAR

The character assassinations and defamatory campaigns, witnessed on some television channels by some anchors and reporters against individual film personalities and the Mumbai movie industry, have understandably been strongly condemned. While the public response has mainly been focussed on the campaign and its gross violation of the principles of fair play, there is a compelling need to examine the character of television itself as a medium and its impact on society.

As a medium, television combines unfolding visuals with verbal narratives, besides bringing distant events to the homes of viewers, giving them a feeling of being in the midst of an unfolding development or its aftermath, with all its sights and sounds. In contrast, radio, which provides only audio accounts, does not give the feeling of being there and seeing it all. Not surprisingly, television coverage attracts more people than radio reportage and provokes more intense public reaction than radio.

The question arises: What are the consequences of its impact? One frequently heard in the 1960s that television coverage brought the horrors of the Vietnam War into American drawing rooms and was a major factor in triggering massive protest demonstrations and rioting, hastening the United States' withdrawal from Vietnam. Why so far? We are now witness to the investigations into the rape and murder of a 19-year-old girl in Hathras, Uttar Pradesh, in the aftermath of a nationwide uproar sparked principally by television reports.

Pieces in the print media — daily newspapers and magazines — have cost important people their perches. Newspaper reports have caused riots, violent demonstrations and general strikes, paralysing entire countries. This, however, was when newspapers and magazines constituted the dominant media. Now television has replaced them. This is the result not only of the pronounced edge that audio-visual reportage has over audio or print coverage, but of the fact that reports appear on television the same evening — or even earlier. An event has occurred, and by the time it is in newspapers the next morning, people already know the broad



contours of what has happened.

There is, however, a fundamental difference in popular response to television and print medium coverage respectively. It lies in not just the actions they trigger but the mindsets they create. This, in turn, follows from a basic difference in the character of the two. Visual images constitute the USP of television. An image is recognised; the mental process involved in cognition. A printed word is first decoded from the combination of the letters that constitute it, and is then linked by a mental process — association — to an object or an image. The ability to associate is central to the process of rational thinking and the latter is the principal instrument in the formulation of systems of thought or critical examination of the import of events.

Cognition primarily involves visual identification. It is not an act of intelligence though it can lead to one when externally stimulated. Much depends on the nature of the stimulus. In *Amusing Ourselves to Death: Public Discourse in the Age of Show Business*, Neil Postman states that entertainment is "the supra-ideology of all discourse on television. No matter what is depicted and from what point of view, the overarching presumption is that it is there for our amusement and pleasure." This is hardly surprising. A very large section of people wants entertainment. Hence programmes that entertain earn

higher Target Rating Points (TRPs) than those that do not, and advertisers, who sustain media, also prefer these.

There are doubtless television channels that consciously try to tread a different path and come up with programmes that inform and promote socially and politically relevant discourse. But even their programmes have an ambience of entertainment as they are preceded, followed and punctuated by music and advertisements featuring visuals of attractive models and products in the most arresting possible settings. For example, the advertisement of a car or a motorbike often shows it in shining colours, driven by a beautiful model or her equally attractive male companion, through a picturesque landscape. People enjoy watching these, sometimes more than the programmes themselves.

This writer has no quarrel with entertainment. Life would be terribly boring without it. He also believes that each person is entitled to his/her brand of entertainment within the limits prescribed by law and a very liberal definition of decency. There is, however, a dark dimension to what is happening now. Viewers, who remain glued to television sets while some anchors, reporters and talking heads gloat over the travails of film personalities and berate them hour after hour, behave in the same manner as the crowds in ancient Rome's

Colosseum, who roared in delight as a gladiator killed another or a lion. By catering to them, the mindset that television engenders is that of wanting to be perennially and brutally entertained. The result is a progressive coarsening of sensibilities and erosion of the virtues of compassion, tolerance and a sense of fair-play.

This is the most detrimental effect of television as a medium that needs to be countered. The print media is a very different cup of tea. It is the outcome of the written culture. Alvin Gouldner states in *The Dialectic of Ideology and Technology: The Origins, Grammar and Future of Ideology*, that writing confers a permanence to statements that verbal articulation does not. He argues that it also confers a certain finality. A mistake made during a conversation may be corrected then and there. A printed word cannot be easily recalled for correction once widely circulated. One, therefore, carefully seeks to avoid mistakes, embarrassing statements and faulty arguments while writing. This contributes to the drafting of informed and reasoned texts.

Besides, while one can interrupt and resume a conversation, one cannot do so in a written text where one has to proceed from premise to conclusion, rationally and convincingly, step by step — a process that leads to rational articulation and critical thought.

Doubtless, written communi-

cation lacks the advantages that a speaker has at a lecture. He/she can convey a great deal through gestures, facial expressions and body movements; a listener/viewer can also glean considerable information about the speaker and what he/she is saying and stands for. Equally, excessive focus on the speaker can distract attention from the substance of the speech. There is no such distraction when it comes to looking at a printed text. The reader can concentrate solely on the latter, absorbing its contents and reflecting on the same. Reading conduces to thought and thought spurs further thought. This fact, as well as the capacity for rational argumentation from premise to conclusion that the print medium promotes, has led to the rise of great systems of thought which have come to be known as ideologies.

That is another story. What is important now is the fact that the process of critical thinking can — and often does — mediate in a person's internalisation of the information generated by the print medium. Given this and some other of its attributes, those associated with it have a responsibility in countering the socially and morally devastating effect of the kind of deplorable fare that some channels are churning out. The process must begin by making people aware.

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## SOUNDBITE

The events (Australia's three biggest golf tournaments) rely on significant support from players and tours around the world. Given the quarantine restrictions, we believe the field strength of all three events would be severely compromised.

**PGA of Australia chief executive**  
—Gavin Kirkman

India is fighting a strong battle against malnutrition during COVID crisis with the help of farmers, *anganwadi* workers, scientists and ASHA workers.

**Prime Minister**  
—Narendra Modi

The three panels will make recommendations for pre-primary, secondary and higher secondary education after studying the infrastructure available in Goa.

**Goa CM**  
—Pramod Sawant

Peaceful transfer? I absolutely want that. But ideally, I don't want to transfer, because I want to win. I want it to be an honest election.

**US President**  
—Donald Trump

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Caste-based atrocities

Sir — Amid the nationwide outrage over the rape-murder case of the 19-year-old Dalit woman in Hathras, three minor sisters, belonging to the same community, were attacked with acid in Gonda, Uttar Pradesh. The sisters, aged 17, 12 and eight, were sleeping on the second floor of their house in Paraspur area, when someone threw acid on them in the wee hours of October 13. While the victims' parents rushed to their rooms after hearing their cries to find them writhing in pain, the attacker managed to escape. The police suspect that someone from their locality might have perpetrated the crime. The eldest sister suffered major injuries on her face and chest while the other two suffered minor burns on their hands. So while the State Government and its police are ruthlessly trying to save the culprits of the Hathras case, there seems to be no end to caste and gender-based atrocities. The Centre and the judiciary need to urgently intervene and ensure that victims of the Dalit community get justice.

NR Salam  
Jammu

### Safety must take precedence

A Governor is supposed to be politically neutral and non-partisan. But Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari made no effort to conceal his political preference in his letter to Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray calling for an early re-opening of temples in the State. His queries to the CM that if he had "suddenly turned secular" and had any "divine premonition to keep the temples closed" said it all. Simply put, the letter was unworthy of a Governor.

As a Governor, Koshyari is supposed to know that secularism is an inalienable part of the basic structure of the Constitution. Sadly, the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) *pracharak* in him got the better of him. Koshyari gave the CM lessons on Hindutva, underscoring the fact that the former himself needed lessons on secularism. His fealty to the ruling party at the Centre, as against his oath of allegiance to the Constitution, seems to have clouded his mind to the bigger need for safety. Koshyari's missive to the CM, arguing for re-opening of temples, was not backed by scientific advice.



The containment of the pandemic must take precedence over visiting places of worship, be they temples, mosques or churches. It would be the height of folly to let people congregate in a place of worship in this pandemic, unmindful of its possible consequences.

G David Milton  
Maruthancode

### Kashmir's future

Sir — The release of the former Jammu and Kashmir Chief Minister and Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) leader Mehbooba Mufti, after her detention for more than a year under the Public Safety Act (PSA) ahead of the Centre's decision to abrogate Article 370, was needlessly delayed. But, as it seems now, it

has dawned on the ruling dispensation that the presence of the local leaders is crucial to negotiate the future of the Union Territory (UT). Even after a year of restrictions on the citizens, the Centre still lacks a clear roadmap. Rather, the blanket hold on the Press, the promulgation of Section 144 and its unending nature are a poor reflection on governance. This has only caused

damage to the region's economy and worse, our national fabric. Previous Governments at the Centre and J&K were not naive, they carried a delicate political suitcase for decades.

Now, the Centre has two options — either run an inanimate State to all-round disillusionment or gather its wits and acumen to infuse the real meaning of integration of the UT with

the pulse of the nation, with or without Article 370 and any other legalese. Winning over the hearts of the locals is crucial for a democratic bulwark against further socio-political attrition and an invitation to outsiders to meddle in the region.

R Narayanan  
Mumbai

### Finding solutions

Sir — The overall air quality level (AQI) of Delhi is deteriorating by the day. On October 16, the Supreme Court constituted a one-member committee, headed by Justice Madan B Lokur, to carry out physical surveillance of farm fires in Punjab, Haryana and western Uttar Pradesh causing air pollution in Delhi and the National Capital Region (NCR) and submit a report after the Dussehra vacation. The committee will also suggest additional methods for preventing the burning of stubble. This comes as a ray of hope as Delhi continues to battle both air pollution and the pandemic.

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## FIRST COLUMN

## Democracy not dead in Bolivia

Morales' time is up but the MAS under Arce's leadership could still win this poll and if it doesn't then Mesa might become President



GWYNNE DYER

The quotation is usually given as, "Power corrupts. Absolute power corrupts absolutely." However, English historian, politician and writer Lord Acton's original remark went on to say: "Great men are almost always bad men." And so they are. This is not to say that all bad men in power are also great men. President Alexander Lukashenko of Belarus, in power for 26 years but currently fighting eviction after another rigged election, is clearly a bad man, but he is also a petty man of no discernible merit. Evo Morales, President of Bolivia for 14 years, is certainly a great man: The first person of indigenous descent ever elected to lead a country where only five per cent of the population is of European origin. But he was ousted from power late last year, and he deserved to be. (He is sitting out the October 18 election in exile in Argentina.)

This has been taken by most people elsewhere (and not just people on the Left) to mean that there was a "coup" in Bolivia last year, and that democracy there is in danger, or even at an end. That impression was reinforced by the fact that the caretaker President for the past 11 months has been an extreme Right-wing politician. But it wasn't really a coup; more of a car-crash. The presidential election last year was followed by weeks of popular protests claiming that it had been rigged to give Morales a narrow victory in the first round of voting.

Morales resigned when an investigation by the Organisation of American States reported that there had been "serious irregularities" in the vote and "clear manipulations" of the voting system. That was the right thing to do, but then his party, the Movement Towards Socialism (MAS), made an incredible blunder.

It boycotted an ad-hoc meeting held by the Opposition parties, the Catholic Church and representatives of the European Union (EU) to choose an interim President. All the senior MAS officials having resigned together with Morales, the choice fell on the second Vice-President of the Senate, an obscure politician called Jeanine Añez, who turned out to be a monster.

Within a week, journalists were digging up racist tweets in which she called Morales a "poor Indian" and declared an indigenous new year celebration "Satanic." In the same week, she fired all the military top brass, replacing them with her own appointees and gave the police and soldiers blanket authority to use lethal force against protesters. At least 28 were killed in the State-sponsored violence.

Añez seemed well on the way to enshrining the rule of the extreme Right. Morales was banned from seeking the presidency again and in May she declared that she would run for the presidency herself when the election was re-run. But now that election, much postponed because of COVID-19, has come round at last — and she has just withdrawn her candidacy.

It turns out that mourning for the death of Bolivian democracy has been a bit premature. The leading candidate in this election is still from the MAS: Luis Arce, a former Economy Minister who oversaw the nationalisation programme under Morales. Arce's main opponent is the same man Morales faced last year: Ex-President Carlos Mesa, a former journalist and professor who is Centre-Left politically. Añez withdrew to give the other hard-Right candidate, Luis Fernando Camacho, a better chance of getting through to the second round, but he still probably won't make it.

The second round remains the key issue. The rules say that the leading candidate wins in the first round if s/he gets 40 per cent of the vote, and is at least ten points ahead of the nearest rival. If not, the two leading candidates go through to the second round — but then the supporters of all the losing candidates will probably unite behind the challenger to defeat the socialist (who is invariably the leader in the first round).

Morales did not have a 10-point lead over Mesa last year when 85 per cent of the votes had been counted — but then the "quick count" stopped for no clear reason for a full day, and when it resumed Morales ended up with a 10.1 per cent lead. So no second round: Morales wins. That's when the mass protests started, and rightly so. An unexplained halt of that duration in the vote-counting always means they are fixing the outcome. Given Morales' past record — he held a referendum to end the two-term limit on the presidency, lost it, then got an MAS-dominated court to set the referendum result aside and end term limits — not too many people were willing to give him the benefit of the doubt.

Morales' time is up, but the MAS under Arce's leadership could still win this election, and if it doesn't then Mesa will probably become President, which would not be a disaster either. Democracy is not dead in Bolivia.

(Gwynne Dyer's new book is 'Growing Pains: The Future of Democracy and Work'.)

PEOPLE SELLING POISONOUS SUBSTANCES ARE ENEMIES OF SOCIETY. THEY SHOULD BE PUNISHED. EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO SEND THEM TO THE GALLOWES.

—MADHYA PRADESH CHIEF MINISTER SHIVRAJ SINGH CHOUHAN

## POINT COUNTERPOINT



WITH THE RETURN OF THE SHIVRAJ GOVERNMENT IN THE STATE, LIQUOR MAFIA, LAND MAFIA, DRUG MAFIA, ALL TYPES OF MAFIA HAVE BECOME ACTIVE AGAIN.

—CONGRESS LEADER KAMAL NATH

# Make local governance vocal

If local bodies are to play a more active role, it is important that the municipal cadre structure as it exists today undergoes a substantial change



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After the Central and State governments, it is the Urban Local Body (ULB) or panchayat that is the closest to the people. The 74th Constitutional Amendment Act of 1992 recognised municipalities even though the Municipal Corporation of Chennai had existed since 1688 and that of Kolkata and Mumbai had been there since 1726. Local government is a subject in the State list and though the 1992 Amendment provided constitutional status to municipalities, the prerogative of the respective State legislatures to determine the powers, functions and responsibilities of municipal bodies was maintained. So even though the legitimacy of the ULBs had been ensured, the amendment by itself did not lead to any structural change in the municipal system.

States have built upon this requirement of providing governance through local governments, thereby taking it closer to the people, albeit differently. The 18 functions, which could be assigned to ULBs as per Schedule 12 of the Constitution, have been handled differently by different State governments. Some have transferred all these functions but many have done it partially. And even when this is done, the issue of funds, functions and functionalities fully getting assigned to the ULBs continues to remain live because there is a lot missing in this regard.

The Central Government has made efforts — through the linking of Central schemes for urban areas with the reform agenda — to ensure transfer of all these functions to the urban bodies and to make them effective in line with the principle of subsidiarity. Why cannot our ULBs be fully responsible for key areas of activity affecting the lives of each one of us, such as water supply, waste management, drainage, sewage, city transport and e-governance? One reason cited as to why the urban bodies are not able to do this is that since the Constitutional Amendment did not lay down the revenue base for the ULBs and the State Finance Commission (SFC) mechanism has not worked effectively to bring about change in this regard, empowering them to improve own fund generation and ensuring better devolution of finances from the States are major requirements. As an example, it may be mentioned that municipalities in Brazil enjoy broad autonomy in regard to levying taxes and their Constitution defines a system of unconditional transfers between the federal, state and municipal governments.

It is worth considering whether like the Union and State lists in the Constitution, we can have a local bodies' list as well. If local bodies are to play a more active and accountable role in the case of functions assigned to them, it is important that the municipal cadre structure as it exists today undergoes a substantial change.

These are days of specialised work and each area of municipal administration needs competent professionals to oversee performance and to plan appropriately for the future. A typical city corporation in a State like Karnataka today has five main heads next to the Municipal Commissioner, namely the chief accounts officer, chief engineer, revenue officer, chief development officer and chief health officer. Solid waste management is a complex subject today, needing proper leadership. Raising resources, tying up for public-private partnerships, environment management, urban mobility are all areas which require competent professional lead-

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ership at the local body level. Norms of staffing pattern, too, require review. Our urban bodies should be able to focus on the best possible service delivery and have to be accountable for the same.

The importance of a shift from infrastructure creation to delivery of service outcomes has to be recognised at the local level. Are our local bodies in a position today to talk confidently about say, water supply, in terms of coverage, per capita supply, extent of continuity of supply, quality, metering, extent of non-revenue water, cost recovery, efficiency in collection of water charges, efficiency in the redressal of complaints and all such basic matters? Can they present before the residents the roadmap for making water available 24x7 as per norms, to all the households of the city/town representing future requirements as well?

The 13th Finance Commission had said that State Governments must gradually put in place standards for all essential services provided by local bodies and the 14th Finance Commission repeated the point that ULBs will have to measure and publish service level benchmarks for basic services.

Here, let me refer to one global example of how accountable the public service utility overseas feels to the consumer. The head of a private water utility in London accepted through a public statement in 2019 that it had not met the water leakage target for the year. And finding it unacceptable, apologised wholeheartedly and assured that the penalty it will pay for this, as determined by the water regulator, will be transferred to the customers through their bills from the next year. That is how a utility is subjected to the norms of accountability of performance.

In order to take local governments closer to the people, there are two measures, which if made effective and functional, can make a big difference as far as making local governments "vocal." The Constitution amendment provides for

ward committees to be constituted below the level of the local body council. Each State Legislature has to make provisions for this and see to it that they become functional.

The Centre had circulated to the States a model Nagar Raj Bill, which had listed their functions, their rights and duties as well. Such ward committees can play a proactive role in preparing ward budgets, supervision and coordination of various development works, ensuring universal access to the key public services and overall, this mechanism can be converted into one where people of the area can proactively contribute to the development agenda. It is for the States to legislate for their constitution and make them effective. Most of the States have not taken this agenda forward. Recently, the performance audit of Karnataka local bodies by the Comptroller and Auditor General has pointed out that ward committees have not been constituted in any of the city corporations except in Bengaluru.

Yet another step which can take local governments closer to the people is constitution of area *sabhas* at the level of each polling station or a group of polling stations, as decided by each State Government through a legislation.

The community participation law, which each State Government was expected to legislate as part of the reform agenda under the national urban mission, was to make such a provision. But except for a very limited number of States like Andhra Pradesh, the agenda has not been taken forward. In making local "vocal", both ward committees and area *sabhas* can play a key role in generating and maintaining basic data/information about the residents, constantly monitoring service delivery, reporting deficiencies, providing a network which can promptly and efficiently highlight issues and requirements, encouraging citizen participation and promoting local leadership — the

very essence of local governance.

Visualise a situation where, like in the context of the current pandemic, the area *sabhas* could have provided inputs to the local body administration about people needing help, who are single, disabled, living alone, needing constant medical attention, migrants and workers who are stranded and need support, linkages required with supply of certain essential items locally not available, deficiencies in service delivery and so on. This in turn could have positively influenced more informed decision-making at the local body level.

One such proactive example which was noticed recently was the Gurugram city administration utilising the otherwise idle city buses to go to different parts of the city to provide provisions and such essential items as per a pre-published rotation arrangement.

Local governments can be made "vocal" as far as areas of local administration are concerned. This will give people the feeling of being participative in the process of governance. States have to take the initiative to legislate for these institutions at the local level. It is time that the State Governments recognise the effective role local bodies can play in areas earmarked for them. Some changes have to come about as regards to resource position, professionalisation of cadres and encouraging the growth of both local accountability and improved performance at that level.

The Swachh Bharat Mission has proved how useful a contribution local leadership can make when it gets actively involved. With formal mechanisms coming into existence, it should be possible to better implement goals of schemes like the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation in terms of the primary purpose of covering all households with water supply and sewerage.

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## Hybrid regimes and their electoral authoritarianism

However, even sham polls can create new power centres and give the Opposition access to constitutional tools that it can turn against such a govt

voting and counting processes. They claim that this was done to aid Imran Khan's Centre-Right PTI, so it could gain just enough seats to form a coalition Government, especially at the expense of the country's two other mainstream parties, the centrist PML-N and the liberal-Left, PPP. Over the decades, the relationship of these two outfits with the military-establishment has continued to deteriorate.

Observers and analysts, who subscribe to this view, use the term "hybrid regime" in a negative light to explain the current Government as an artificially bolstered civilian vessel of the military establishment, propped up so that the latter can sustain its political influence within a semblance of democracy and without the controversial complexities of direct intervention.

However, interestingly, even though the Government and its supporters rubbish such claims, there have also been those within them who have used the term in a positive manner, to mean that the Government and military-establishment are on the same page.

Nevertheless, "hybrid regime" as a concept and reality has come under increasing scrutiny and criticism by political scientists. But this criticism was missing when the Hungarian sociologist Elemér Hankiss first used the term. Hankiss used it in the 1990s to describe the communist regime of János Kádár in Hungary. Kádár was appointed by the then Soviet Union as Hungary's premier in 1956, after a popular uprising in Budapest against the preceding Communist set-up was crushed by Soviet forces.

Hankiss treaded a fine line between the democratic aspirations of the protesters and Soviet-style authoritarianism by introducing civil, cultural and economic reforms that were a departure from the previous "Stalinist" model of authoritarianism. But he maintained the political supremacy and monopoly of the Hungarian Communist Party.

However, Hankiss' term was quickly picked up by European and American political scientists to mean a transitional period in former communist countries and non-communist dictatorships, which began to

adopt increasing democratic reforms and mechanisms after the end of the Cold War in 1991. Till the 1980s, countries going through this process were described as "transitional democracies." But this term was replaced with "hybrid regimes" in the post-Cold War period.

In an essay for the January 2012 issue of the *Journal of World Politics*, the American political scientist, Yonatan Morse, writes that initially, there was an element of optimism in the term, because most political scientists believed that hybrid regimes would eventually evolve into becoming full-fledged liberal democracies. Their optimism can be understood in the context of an unprecedented occurrence at the end of the Cold War, which saw numerous authoritarian systems across the world erode and/or adopt democratic electoral and constitutional tools and reforms.

In 2002, the American author and political analyst Thomas Carothers nudged political scientists to study the term "hybrid regime" without the optimism attached to it, and without the assumption that

such regimes would transform into becoming liberal democracies. Second, hybrid regimes were not homogenous. After Carothers' essay (published in the June 2002 issue of the *Journal of Democracy*) a conceptual shift occurred in the study of "hybrid regimes."

According to Morse, the common practice and theme in most "hybrid regimes" is "electoral authoritarianism" and that's how most of them are now understood (as opposed to earlier, when they were seen as political systems transitioning to liberal democracy). In electoral authoritarianism, elections do not stand up to democratic standards of being free and fair.

Such elections continue to, directly or indirectly, keep an authoritarian constant in power, but give it democratic "legitimacy" and the authority to alter the constitution to sustain its monopoly over large areas of power that it had earlier accumulated as a non-electoral entity, before the system went hybrid.

This arrangement can be seen in countries where once-dictatorial cliques reinvented themselves as

"popularly elected" entities through sham elections. They pay lip-service to democratic rights and manipulate the judiciary and an "elected" Parliament to do their bidding. Examples in this respect include former "strongmen" in certain African countries and in former Soviet republics in Central Asia, and Vladimir Putin in Russia.

Another manifestation of electoral authoritarianism is when a powerful State institution, such as the military, gets one of its high-ranking former members elected through a questionable voting process and continues to manipulate elections and alter the Constitution to keep him there (e.g. Egypt's Abdel Fattah el-Sisi).

Or the institution may nourish the rise of an easily-manoeuvred and manageable "democrat," and aid him to come to power through a tampered election (for instance allegedly in Pakistan).

Yet another manifestation is when a genuinely popular figure/party is elected through a fair election but, once it becomes an established incumbent, it begins to

alter the Constitution and laws to aid its continuation (Erdogan in Turkey).

All these manifestations of "hybrid regimes" claim to be democratic but resort to undemocratic practices, including usurping civil rights, using strong-arm tactics and State machinery to browbeat the Opposition. However, according to Morse, electoral authoritarianism and/or "hybrid regimes" can become problematic for those who impose and retain them.

Morse writes that electoral authoritarianism can be a "double-edged sword" because even the process of sham elections has the potential of creating new power centres and can also give the Opposition access to certain constitutional tools which can be turned against "hybrid regimes" — especially if, because of an assortment of economic, political or existential threats and challenges, the polity pours out on the streets to protest. One can thus conclude that a "hybrid regime", such as the one currently in Pakistan, inevitably heads that way.

(Courtesy: Dawn)



NADEEM PARACHA

The term "hybrid regime" has gained increasing currency in Pakistan among analysts and politicians. It is specifically used to explain the existential nature of the current PTI-led coalition Government, which came to power after the July 2018 polls. The elections were severely criticised by various parties for being "rigged," whereas a December 9, 2018 report by the Free and Fair Election Network (FAFEN) found "various irregularities" in the electoral process.

The Government's critics insist that institutions such as the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) — at the behest of the so-called "military-establishment" — tampered with the

# Time to get ready for 'no deal' Brexit: Boris

London: British Prime Minister Boris Johnson on Friday issued a stark warning that the UK must now prepare for the prospect of no post-Brexit free trade agreement (FTA) with the European Union (EU).



Boris Johnson

In a statement from Downing Street, Johnson said that he was making a judgment call on the UK-EU trade negotiations as the January 1, 2021, deadline for the end of the ongoing Brexit transition period was now only 10 weeks away and the crucial European Council summit this week failed to come up with promising answers.

"We always knew that there would be change on January 1 whatever type of relationship we had. So now is the time for our businesses to get ready, and for hauliers to get ready, and for travellers to get ready," said Johnson.

"So with high hearts and complete confidence we will prepare to embrace the alternative. And we will prosper mightily as an independent free trading nation, controlling our own borders, our fish-

eries, and setting our own laws," he said.

The UK had voted to leave the 27-member European economic trading bloc in a referendum in June 2016 and formally left in January this year, entering into a transition period with unchanged rules until the end of this year.

Both sides have been holding talks to thrash out an FTA akin to the EU's trade ties with Canada. However, Johnson's dramatic announcement on Friday notes that the likely outcome is now a relationship similar to EU-Australia ties, based on global trading norms.

"From the outset we were totally clear that we wanted nothing more complicated than

a Canada-style relationship, based on friendship and free trade. To judge by the latest EU summit in Brussels that won't work for our EU partners.

"They want the continued ability to control our legislative freedom, our fisheries, in a way that is obviously unacceptable to an independent country," said the UK PM, referring to one of the key stumbling blocks to a new deal being the division of waters for fishing rights with neighbouring coastal EU countries.

Instead, he indicated the prospect of smaller, sector-specific agreements remains on the table.

"And of course we are willing to discuss the practicalities with our friends where a lot of progress has already been made, by the way, on such issues as social security, and aviation, nuclear cooperation and so on. But for whatever reason it is clear from the summit that after 45 years of membership they are not willing — unless there is some fundamental change of approach — to offer this country the same terms as Canada," he said.

PTI

# Philippines says it will defend oil search in South China Seas

Manila (Philippines): The Philippines is ready to defend the oil and gas exploration it has decided to resume in its internationally recognised waters in the disputed South China Sea and will not cede that right to any nation, the energy chief said Friday.

The Department of Energy announced Thursday that President Rodrigo Duterte has approved its recommendation to lift a 6-year-old moratorium on energy exploration in three offshore areas west of the Philippines, including in potentially oil- and gas-rich Reed Bank, which China also claims.

Companies with government exploration contracts have been notified to resume their petroleum search, Energy Secretary Alfonso Cusi said.

Cusi told reporters in an online news conference Friday that China was not informed of the Philippine government's decision to resume oil exploration in its exclusive economic zone, a 200-mile (320-kilometer) stretch of waters where a coastal state can exclusively

exploit maritime resources under the 1982 U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea.

Reed Bank and two other exploration areas are within the Philippines' exclusive zone but China is likely to assert its claim, Cusi said.

"They will not just take it without raising a word. I'm sure they're going to write us," he said.

Asked how the Philippines will respond if China protests or intervenes in the high-seas exploration, Cusi replied, "We have to stand up for our rights, that's what we are going to do."

Exploration companies have been assured they will be protected by a 500-meter (1,650-foot) security buffer zone, Cusi said, without elaborating. He said he expected "China will be respecting that."

In 2011, a Philippine exploration vessel reported it was being harassed by two Chinese patrol boats at Reed Bank, prompting a military commander to deploy two aircraft. AP

# Trump, Biden hold separate town halls

Greenville (US): US President Donald Trump and his Democratic challenger Joe Biden held simultaneous and separate televised town halls in lieu of the second presidential debate, taking questions from pre-selected individuals at sessions moderated by eminent television journalists.

While Trump's town hall was hosted by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC) in Miami, Florida, that of Biden was held in Pennsylvania, Philadelphia by the American Broadcasting Company (ABC) News.

The second presidential debate had originally been scheduled for Thursday night. However, it was cancelled after Trump refused to participate in a virtual format of the presidential debate as amended by the independent debate commission following the president's COVID-19 diagnosis.

A final debate is still scheduled for October 22 in Nashville, Tennessee. The first debate was held on September 29 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Trump, 74, has recovered from a brief spell of COVID-19 after he and First Lady Melania Trump, 50, tested positive for the deadly viral infection on October 1. Trump's doctors have now cleared him for his election campaigns.

During the town hall, Trump defended his handling of the coronavirus pandemic. He also reiterated his stand on tax returns.

However, Trump refused to denounce the QAnon conspir-

acy theory.

According to QAnon, a far-right group that has been labelled a terror threat by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Democrats are running a secret paedophilia ring. PTI

# Biden vows to repeal 'Muslim ban' imposed by Trump admin if elected

Greenville (US): Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden has vowed to include Muslim Americans in every social and political aspect in his administration as well as repeal President Donald Trump's "Muslim ban" if voted to power.

In a video message to Muslim Advocates, a civil rights organisation, on Thursday, Biden also promised to push lawmakers for legislation to fight the growing spike in hate crimes in the US.

"As president, I'll work with you to rip the poison of hate from our society to honour your contributions and seek your ideas. My administration will look like America, with Muslim Americans serving at every level," he said. "On day one, I'll end

Trump's unconstitutional Muslim ban. I'll push Congress to pass hate crimes legislation. I'll implement the national strategy I've laid out since March to be COVID. I'll end the deadly inequities in health care, education, and opportunity that this crisis has amplified. And together, we'll rebuild the criminal justice system focused on redemption, not retribution," Biden added.

President Trump has imposed a controversial travel ban, often referred to by critics as a "Muslim ban", on several Muslim majority countries, including Iran and Syria, through a series of executive orders. In February, the travel ban was expanded to include six additional countries, including Nigeria. PTI

# WHO: Study finds 4 drugs have little to no effect on Covid 19

AP ■ GENEVA

The UN health agency says the world's largest randomised trial of COVID-19 treatments found "conclusive evidence" that remdesivir, a drug used to treat US President Donald Trump when he fell ill, has little or no effect on severe cases.

The World Health Organisation announced Friday the long-awaited results of its six-month "Solidarity Therapeutics Trial" that endeavored to see if existing drugs might have an effect on the coronavirus.

The study, which was not peer-reviewed, found that four treatments tested - remdesivir, hydroxychloroquine, lopinavir/ritonavir and interferon - had "little or no effect" on whether or not patients died within about a month or whether hospitalised patients recovered.

Most of those had already been ruled out. But remdesivir, a repurposed malaria drug, has been classified as standard-of-care in the United States, and it has been approved for use against COVID-19 in the UK and EU.

# China justifies its envoy's warning to Canada over asylum to Hong-Kongers

Beijing: China on Friday justified a warning by its envoy to the Canadian Government to not to grant asylum to Hong Kong residents fleeing abroad, saying that the ambassador was stating Beijing's "just position".

Chinese Ambassador to Canada, Cong Peiwu, in a video press conference from the Chinese Embassy in Ottawa, on Thursday said, "we strongly urge the Canadian side not (to) grant so-called political asylum to those violent criminals in Hong Kong because it is the interference in China's domestic affairs. And certainly, it will embolden those violent criminals."

"So, if the Canadian side really cares about the stability and the prosperity in Hong Kong, and really cares about the good health and safety of

those 300,000 Canadian passport-holders in Hong Kong, and the large number of Canadian companies operating in Hong Kong SAR, you should support those efforts to fight violent crimes," Cong said.

A large number of Hong Kong residents have been leaving the former British colony resenting China's move to extend the new security law to the specially administered province.

Asked about Cong's remarks which were interpreted as a warning by Beijing, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian told a media briefing here that, "the Chinese embassy in Canada just made clear our just position on issues relating to Hong Kong. It is beyond reproach."

"If anyone is misinterpreting this, then you should ask

for the reason and find out if there are ulterior motives involved", he said.

Chinese President Xi Jinping on June 30 signed a controversial security law that gave Beijing new powers over Hong Kong that are tailor-made to crackdown against dissent, criminalising secession and effectively curtailing protests, amidst global anger and outrage in the former British colony.

The relations between China and Canada were strained by the arrest of Huawei Chief Financial Officer Meng Wanzhou, in Vancouver in 2018 on a bank fraud warrant issued by the US authorities.

Meng, who is currently facing trial in the case, is also the daughter of Chinese telecom giant Huawei founder Ren Zhengfei. PTI

# China, Russia and India spewing stuff into air, says Trump

Washington: US President Donald Trump has blamed countries like China, Russia and India for adding to the global air pollution and asserted that his country has the best environmental numbers.

Speaking to his cheering supporters at an elections rally in the key battleground State of North Carolina on Thursday, Trump said the US under his administration has achieved energy independence while protecting its pristine environment.

"We have the best environmental numbers, ozone numbers, and so many other numbers. In the meantime, China, Russia, India all these countries they're spewing stuff into the air," he alleged during the rally. He said the US has achieved ener-

gy independence while protecting its pristine environment.

Trump in June, 2017 announced his decision to withdraw from the Paris deal, saying the accord would have cost America trillions of dollars, killed jobs, and hindered the oil, gas, coal and manufacturing industries.

He has continuously argued that countries like China and India are benefiting the most from the Paris agreement and the agreement itself was unfair to the US, as it badly hit its businesses and jobs.

During Thursday's rally too, Trump said to the cheering crowd that it were a few nations that were contributing to global pollution. PTI

# Around the Globe

Beijing: China on Friday accused the US of trying to sow discord in its close ties with Russia and asserted that the strategic partnership between the two countries is strong enough to withstand the pressure.

Baku: Azerbaijan on Friday accused Armenia of expanding the conflict over Nagorno-Karabakh by shelling a different region in Azerbaijan, a claim rejected by Armenian officials.

# DIESEL LOCOMOTIVE WORKS, VARANASI - 221004

**Bid No. E-48/2020-2021 E-TENDERS Dated : 12.10.2020**  
E-Tenders are invited for & behalf of the President of India for the supply of following items. Only E-offer will be accepted for which vendors must have Class III Digital Signature and registration on IREPS. The details of tenders are in the following sequence: - S. No., Tender No. (Due Date), Description and Quantity (1) 05205135E (30.10.2020), 3 Ph. Induction Motor, 01 Nos. (2) 05205254B (30.10.2020), Compressed Air Unit, 03 Nos. (3) 05205233A, (03.11.2020), Noise Filter, 01 Nos. (4) 05205232A (04.11.2020), Protective Glass, 10 Nos. (5) 05191112E (09.11.2020), Holding Fix for Crankshaft, Part No. 15610317, 07 Nos. (6) 05201678A (09.11.2020), Cotton Hand Gloves, Part No. 75040761, 7468 Pairs (7) 01201007B, (06.11.2020), Main Base Machining PL No. 10021267, 11 Nos. (8) 01201213, (09.11.2020), Upper Idrer Gear PL No. 16141921, 557 Nos. (9) 01201103, (11.11.2020), Shroud Assembly Turbine PL No. 16080488, 543 Nos. (10) 03200318, (04.11.2020), Hose for Cab Heater PL No. 29232 685, 310 Mtr. (11) 03201073, (10.11.2020), Hose Kit for Sander PL No. 29176682, 597 Sets, (12) 07201729, (02.11.2020), PL No.: 81030599, Cleaning Chemical, 9000 Ltrs. (13) 07201798, (02.11.2020), PL No.: 29721027 ABS Solvent Cement, 97.20 Kgs. (14) 03202450 (09.11.2020), Gear Wheel 74 Teeth, PL No. 12442884, 108 Nos. (15) 06201221A (06.11.2020) Set of Bus Bar (without Panel Section) Drg No. 29618370, Alt. b. Spec. CLW/ES/03/0118 Alt. M and CLW/ES/03/0412 ALT. G to PL No. 29618370, 289 Set. (16) 03201448 (28.10.2020) PL No.: 90518100, MS Perforated sheet 1.6 mm thick x 900 x 2500 mm, 139 Nos. (17) 07205205 (06.11.2020) PL No.: 5279N001, 8 MP 4K UHD Fixed Camera, 3 Nos. PL No.: 5279N002, 2 MP Full HD Bullet Camera, 10 Nos. PL No.: 5279N003, Video Recorder, 1 Nos. PL No.: 5279N004, 8 MP 4K UHD Bullet Camera, 2 Nos. Note: For Complete details of EMD and downloading of tender documents and Hindi Version also available at website [www.dlw.indianrailways.gov.in](http://www.dlw.indianrailways.gov.in) and [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in). **Corrigendum Notice Date : 05.10.2020 Bid No. : E-39, Tender No. : 09201122, Surge Arrester PL No. 29750052, Revision : 1 Details of Correction :** The date of opening of tender has been revised and now the same will be opened on 02.11.2020 instead of 30.09.2020 Note: All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged for above tenders. On behalf of PCMM P.R.O./LWS-64

Website : [www.dlw.indianrailways.gov.in](http://www.dlw.indianrailways.gov.in)

# GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER MECHANICAL HOSPITAL AND CENTRAL HEATING DIVISION SRINAGAR

Telefax :- 0194-2496089, Email Id:- xenmhchdk@yahoo.in

## Gist of e-tender (Short-term)

**NIT No: MHCHD/TS /2020-21/167/e-tendering Dated 13.10.2020**

For and on behalf of the Lt. Governor, J&K UT e-tenders are invited (in 2 cover system) on percentage basis from approved and eligible Contractors registered with J&K State Govt., CPWD, Railways and other State/Central Governments for the following works:-

**Name of Work:- Construction of Building for Housing of Oxygen Plant at CD Hospital, Srinagar.**

**Est. Cost (Rs. in Lacs) :- 78.71**

**Cost of T/Doc. (In rupees) :- 2000**

**Earnest Money (Lacs of Rs):- 1.60**

**Time of completion (in Days):- 16**

**Position of AAA/funds:- Available**

**Class of contractor :- AAY**

**1. Downloading of Bids:-** The NIT Consisting of qualifying information, eligibility criteria, specifications, Bill of quantities (B.O.Q), Set of terms and conditions of contract and other details can be seen from 13.10.2020 (18.00 hrs) downloaded from the departmental website [www.jktenders.gov.in](http://www.jktenders.gov.in) from 15-10-2020(18.00 hrs).

**2. Uploading:** The bidders shall deposit their bids in electronic format on the above web site from 17.10.2020 (10.00 hrs) to 03.11.2020 (15:00 hrs) in two (02) covers.

**3. Opening of Bids:-** The bids received up to due date and time shall be opened on 04.11.2020 at 15.00 hrs or any other date convenient to the department in the office of Executive Engineer, MHCHD, Srinagar.

**No. DIPP/ 742/2020 Dated:- 15.10.2020**

Sd/- Executive Engineer, MHCHD, Srinagar

# SEARCH FOR MISSING

General public is hereby informed that one female namely Pooja, W/o Suresh Kumar, R/o H.No. K-5/43, Gali No. 05, Jain Mandir Wali Gali, West Ghonda, Bhajanpura, Delhi, Age: Approx 28 years, Height: 5' Complexion: Shallow, Face: Round, Built: Strong, wearing Pink colour Suit Salwar, has been missing along with her daughter namely Madhu, Age: Approx 05 years, Height: 3' Complexion: Fair, Face: Round, Built: Medium, wearing Blue colour T-Shirt and Black Pant, from her house since 26.07.2020. In this regard a DD No. 100-A, dated 28.07.2020 has been registered at P.S. Bhajanpura, Delhi.

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

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E-mail : [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)  
Fax: 011-24368639  
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SHO P.S. Bhajanpura, Delhi  
DP/230/NE/2020 Ph.: 011-22560741, 22561071

# छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल पर्यावास भवन, सेक्टर-19, नवा रायपुर अटल नगर, जिला-रायपुर (छ.ग.)

// सर्व संबंधित को सूचना //

भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय द्वारा जारी ई.आई.ए. नोटिफिकेशन, 2006 (यथा-संशोधित) के तहत सर्व संबंधित को साहित्य दिया जा रहा है कि मेसर्स पथराकुण्डी लाईम स्टोन माईन (श्री अवधेश जैन) ग्राम-पथराकुण्डी, तहसील-तिल्दा, जिला-रायपुर (छ.ग.) द्वारा खसरा नं. 314/2 एवं 315/2 कुल लीज क्षेत्र 7.044 हेक्टेयर में चूना पत्थर खदान (मुख्य खनिज) क्षमता-94,500 टन/वर्ष के पर्यावरणीय स्वीकृति बाबत लोक सुनवाई दिनांक 18/11/2020 को समय दोपहर 12:00 बजे से परियोजना स्थल पंचायत भवन, ग्राम पंचायत मरुवाडीह कला, तहसील-तिल्दा, जिला-रायपुर में नियत की गई है। यह भी सूचित हो कि:-

- लोक सुनवाई के दौरान सम्मिलित होने वाले व्यक्तियों को फिजिकल/सोशल डिस्टेंसिंग का पालन करना अनिवार्य होगा।
- लोक सुनवाई में सम्मिलित होने वाले व्यक्तियों द्वारा मार्क का उपयोग किया जावेगा तथा समय-समय पर सेनेटाइजर का उपयोग किया जाना अनिवार्य होगा।
- लोक सुनवाई स्थल पर सम्मिलित होने वाले व्यक्तियों की बैठक व्यवस्था कम से कम 02 मीटर की दूरी रखना अनिवार्य होगा।
- कोरोना वायरस के नियंत्रण एवं रोकथाम हेतु शासन द्वारा जारी समस्त दिशा-निर्देशों का अखरखाल पालन किया जाना अनिवार्य होगा।

ई.आई.ए. नोटिफिकेशन, 14 सितम्बर, 2006 (यथा-संशोधित) के अनुसार संबंधित व्यक्तियों के अवलोकन/चदन हेतु ड्राफ्ट ई.आई.ए. रिपोर्ट, कार्यालय सार हिन्दी एवं अंग्रेजी भाषा तथा सी.डी. (साफ्ट कॉपी) डायरेक्टर, भारत सरकार, पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, जोर बाग रोड, नई दिल्ली, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय (डब्ल्यू.सी.जेड) पर्यावरण, वन एवं जलवायु परिवर्तन मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार, ग्राउण्ड फ्लोर, ईस्ट बिल्डिंग, न्यू सेक्टर-19 रायपुर, मुख्य कार्यालय अधिकारी, जिला पंचायत, जिला-रायपुर, मुख्य महाप्रबंधक, जिला व्यापार एवं उद्योग केन्द्र, जिला-रायपुर, कार्यालय, सरपंच, ग्राम पंचायत नहरडीह, मरुवाडीह कला, तहसील तिल्दा, जिला-रायपुर, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल, जिला-रायपुर एवं मुख्यालय, छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल, पर्यावास भवन, सेक्टर-19, नवा रायपुर अटल नगर, रायपुर में रखी गई है।

ह/— सदस्य सचिव  
क्रमांक 1529 शेका/तक/छ.प.सं.म./2020 छत्तीसगढ़ पर्यावरण संरक्षण मंडल,  
दिनांक 16/10/2020 नवा रायपुर अटल नगर, रायपुर (छ.ग.)

# SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

Branch office: ICICI Bank Ltd, 3rd Floor, Plot No-23, Shal Tower, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, Delhi- 110005

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) R/W Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, (on underlying pool assigned to ICICI Bank by Dewan Housing Finance Ltd.) in relation to the enforcement of security in respect of a housing loan facility granted pursuant to a loan agreement entered into between DHFL and the borrower, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

As the borrower failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the below-mentioned dates. The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of ICICI Bank Limited.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Number (Loan Account Number (DHFL Old LAN & ICICI New LAN))	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Rajnish Yadav/ Mamta Yadav/ 25500001335/ QZDELPU00005025310	Prop No- 1185/80 SF RHS Without Roof (Western Side Portion), Gali No- 80 Old Plot- 30, Khasra No-255/1 & 254/1 Shanti Ngr, Tri Nagar Delhi/ October 13, 2020	December 16, 2019 Rs. 16,06,829/-	Del/ Ncr
2.	Rajindra Singh/ Bhavna/ 19000000604 QZDEL00005001658	M C D Flat No. C-15 A, Ground Floor Madi Pur New Delhi/ October 13, 2020	February 07, 2020 Rs. 7,91,396/-	Del/ Ncr
3.	Ram Sagar Yadav/ Anita Yadav/ 09600001760/ QZDEL00005008304	Property No. 3411, Entire Ground Floor Ward No-12, Arya Pura, Subzi Mandi New Delhi/ October 13, 2020	February 07, 2020 Rs. 29,07,052/-	Del/ Ncr

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

Date: 17-10-2020 Place: Delhi/ NCR Authorized Officer ICICI Bank Limited

# SUNIL HEALTHCARE LIMITED

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CIN:- L24302DL1973PLC189662

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## NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in pursuance to the Regulation 29 read with Regulation 47 and other applicable regulation of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company is scheduled to be held on Friday, October 23, 2020 at 3:30 p.m., through video conferencing/ other Audio visual means, inter alia, to consider, approve and take on record the Un-Audited Financial Results for the Q2ndquarter/ 1sthalf year ended on September 30, 2020of the financial year 2020-21.The Registered office of the Company at New Delhi shall be deemed as venue of the Board meeting.

Further, the Trading Window, under the provisions of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) Regulations, 2015 as already intimated via our letter dated 30.09.2020, shall remain close from October 01, 2020 till October 25, 2020 (both days inclusive). The information contained in this notice is also available on the Company's website [www.sunilhealthcare.com](http://www.sunilhealthcare.com) and also available on the website of BSE Ltd. [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com).

For Sunil Healthcare Limited Santosh Kumar Sharma Company Secretary & Compliance Officer Place:- New Delhi Date:- October16, 2020 F-6817

# EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY E-TENDER NOTICE

E- TENDER NOTICE NO. - ECR-CAO-C-M-ETN-41-20-21

E-TENDER IS INVITED ON BEHALF OF THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA FOR THE UNDER MENTIONED WORK:

S.No. (1), Name of work with its location : Maintenance of track including miscellaneous and other work in connection with newly commissioned line between Nirmali-Saragarh.

(2) Approx. cost of the work of : Rs.1,86,89,059.70 (3) Earnest money to be deposited : Rs.243500/- (4) Date and time for closing of tender : 06.11.2020 at 14.30 hrs. (5) Website particular, Notice board location where complete details of tender can be seen and addressed of the office from where the tender form be purchased etc. - The above E-Tender, E-Tendering document alongwith full information is available on website i.e. <http://www.ireps.gov.in>. Note : In case of any discrepancies found in tender notice, English version will be final. Tenderers are requested to visit the website <http://www.ireps.gov.in> at least 15 days before last date of closing for latest corrigendum/corrections etc in response to this E-tender.

CAO/Con/Enth/77/MX, Patna PR/0768/CON/Enth/77/20-21/48

Stay protected from Corona Wear your mask properly

Frequently wash your hands with soap

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# FinMin kick-starts Budget making exercise

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The finance ministry on Friday kicked off the exercise to prepare the annual Budget for 2021-22 amid the urgency to push economic growth hit by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The upcoming Budget will be crucial for the country as it will have to deal with impact of pandemic which has affected all segments of the economy, including revenue collection, disinvestment, expenditure, exports and food prices.

The economy is projected to contract by a massive 10.3 per cent this year, according to an IMF forecast. Even the Reserve Bank of India expects the economy to shrink by 9.5 per cent in the current financial year.

As per the finance ministry schedule, the nearly one-month long exercise to finalise the Revised Estimate (RE) for

2020-21 and Budget Estimate (BE) for 2021-22 began on Friday. The meetings will conclude on November 12.

Officials of the Department of Financial Services, as well as ministries of MSMEs, housing, steel and power were among those who participated in the first meeting, as per the schedule. "This year, however, keeping in view the COVID-19 situation and the need to maintain social distancing, the number of participants for the pre-budget meetings may be restricted to a maximum of 5 officers (for each meeting) from a Ministry/Department, not below the rank of Director/DS," the Budget Division of the finance ministry had said in a notice.

It will be the third Budget of the Modi 2.0 government and Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman.

Budget 2021-22 is likely to be presented on February 1.

The Prime Minister

Narendra Modi-led government scrapped the colonial-era tradition of presenting the Budget at the end of February. The then finance minister Arun Jaitley had for the first time presented the annual accounts on February 1, 2017.

With the preponement of the Budget, ministries are now allocated their budgeted funds from the start of the financial year beginning April.

This gives government departments more leeway to spend as well as allow companies time to adapt to business and taxation plans.

Previously, when the Budget was presented at the end of February, the three-stage Parliament approval process used to get completed some time in mid-May, weeks ahead of onset of monsoon rains.

This meant government departments would start spending on projects only from August-end or September, after the monsoon season ended.

# RBI to conduct OMOs in SDLs worth ₹10,000 cr

FIANS ■ MUMBAI

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Friday announced the purchase of state development loans worth ₹10,000 crore under open market operations. The auction will be conducted on October 22.

The RBI, in a statement, said that it has been decided to conduct a purchase auction of SDLs under OMOs for an aggregate amount of ₹10,000 crore on October 22, keeping in view that this is the first ever OMO purchase of SDLs.

"Depending on market response, the size of the auctions may be enhanced in the subsequent auctions."

"Accordingly, RBI will purchase the SDLs... through a multi-security auction using the multiple price method."

Earlier this month, RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das, in the 'Statement on

**RBI will purchase the SDLs... through a multi-security auction using the multiple price method**

Developmental and Regulatory Policies', said: "In order to impart liquidity to SDLs and thereby facilitate efficient pricing, it has been decided to conduct open market operations (OMOs) in SDLs as a special case during the current financial year."

"This would improve secondary market activity and rationalise spreads of SDLs over the Central government securities of comparable maturities. This measure, along with the extension of HTM (Held to Maturity Category) till March 2022, should ease concerns about illiquidity and absorptive capacity for the total government borrowing in the current year."

# Markets back to winning ways as banking, metal stocks sparkle

LOG WEEKLY LOSSES

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Indian equities resumed their upward march on Friday following the massive selloff in the previous session, with banking, metal and IT counters leading the rally. After fighting bouts of volatility, the BSE Sensex closed 254.57 points or 0.64 per cent higher at 39,982.98.

On similar lines, the NSE gauge Nifty settled 82.10 points or 0.70 per cent up at 11,762.45. Tata Steel topped the Sensex gainers chart with a jump of 5.38 per cent, followed by HDFC Bank, PowerGrid, Ultratech Cement, Kotak Bank, Axis Bank and ONGC.

Of the 30 Sensex constituents, 24 ended with gains. HCL Tech was the biggest laggard, tumbling 3.76 per cent, despite the company posting an 18.5 per cent rise in September quarter net profit at Rs 3,142 crore.

Mahindra & Mahindra, Reliance Industries, Asian

Paints, Nestle India and Sun Pharma were the other losers. On a weekly basis, the Sensex lost 526.51 points or 1.29 per cent, while the Nifty declined 151.75 points or 1.27 per cent.

"The market has lifted marginally after yesterday's deep fall, but the overall trend is still fragile. The market trend has turned weak due to high stock prices in spite of lack of required fiscal support and rising spread of COVID impacting economic recovery. The quick bounce of the market to above last high and near the pre-COVID level, has brought volatility, which can stay for some time."

"For Nifty a strong support is at 11,500 limiting the downside, in the near-term. The market will look forward, with high hopes to Q2 results and update on stimulus plans. IT, telecom, pharma and banks will be the sectors under focus with a positive bias," said Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services.

# Rupee closes flat at 73.35 in restricted trade

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The rupee on Friday settled almost flat at 73.35 against the US dollar in the absence of any fresh trigger.

At the interbank forex market, the rupee opened at 73.41 against the greenback and moved in a narrow range during the day in lacklustre trade. The rupee closed at 73.35, higher by just 1 paise from its previous close of 73.36. Meanwhile, the dollar index, which gauges the greenback's strength against a basket of six currencies, fell 0.16 per cent to 93.70.

"There are no fresh cues in the market to react to and that is why we are seeing USD/INR spot consolidating in between 73-73.60."

# Telecom dept raids on illegal mobile network boosters

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Department of Telecom's wireless monitoring organisation on Friday conducted raids in South and South-West Delhi to bring down illegal network boosters which interfere with mobile services and result in call drops and other quality issues, an official said.

The Wireless Monitoring Organisation (WMO) has also issued notice to e-commerce companies warning against the sale of network boosters without valid permit, the official said.

"We got an assignment from WMO regarding unauthorised mobile boosters in East of Kailash, Sant Nagar and South West. We have identified some unauthorised mobile boosters but people are not aware that installing them without a valid permit is illegal. We made them aware of it," said G K Reddy, engineer-in-charge, international monitoring station, Wireless Monitoring Organisation.

# Farm sentiments remain positive led by good monsoon: Report

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Farm sentiments have remained buoyant mainly driven by healthy monsoon and further optimism of a good kharif crop, according to a report.

Agriculture income is likely to benefit over the medium term aided by increased government focus on rural income coupled with the recently introduced farm reforms, Ica Ratings said in the report.

Moreover, it said the rural household incomes have stayed resilient in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic and have been supported by healthy farm cash flows across regions, aided by high levels of rabi procurement under various government schemes after a season of bumper harvest.

Further, increased government support through schemes like MNRGA and PM-KISAN have helped in creating employment and easing liq-

uidity pressure on rural incomes, brought about by large scale reverse migration from urban to rural areas post the imposition of the nationwide lockdown, it added.

"While the sudden imposition of nationwide lockdown had led to fears of disruption in the Rabi procurement process, the same was mitigated by prompt lifting of restrictions by the government for agricultural activities."

"This, along with significant increase in spending on social welfare schemes during the first quarter of FY21 helped in absorbing the excess labour availability in rural areas created by reverse migration."

The ratings agency's Vice President Shamsheer Dewan said.

Further, timely and healthy monsoon rain across regions and labour availability has supported early kharif sowing with its acreage at record highs during the current year, the report added.

# 80% consumers look forward for festive shopping: Survey

FIANS ■ NEW DELHI

The upcoming festive season comes with a hope for the retailers as they have been severely hit by the pandemic.

A survey by the Retailers Association of India (RAI) and LitmusWorld shows that around 80 per cent Indian consumers are looking forward to buy products during the upcoming festive season.

The 'Festive Shopping Index 2020' shows that around 75 per cent of the consumers would be shopping online and around 66 per cent would also consider shopping at stand-alone stores and 37 per cent want to visit malls. The survey observed that the trend reflects the rise of omni-channel shopping.

"While online is the pri-

mary mode of discovery, consumers are looking forward to purchasing at physical stores," said a joint statement by RAI and LitmusWorld.

Commenting on the festive shopping sentiments, Kumar Rajagopalan, CEO of RAI, said: "Retailers are looking at the festive season with some amount of cautious optimism. We believe that all formats of retail will see resurgence but on an omni-channel basis."

He said that customers do feel the need to reconnect with a sense of cheer and are slowly coming out to shop.

"However, they may not shop in the same way they have been shopping all these years. There is a lot of reliance on what is being shown to them digitally," he added.

# JAIPUR DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

## JDA's 130 crore revenue in September

Jaipur: Due to the continuous efforts of Jaipur Development Commissioner Gaurav Goel, the JDA has earned Rs 130 crore in September. The increase in JDA revenue will accelerate the development of Jaipur city and provide better facilities to the common man. Along with this, many development works are being done by the JDA in the city.

The JDC said that 711 leases were issued in the camp held in the month of September in Prithviraj Nagar, due to which JDA received a revenue of Rs 33 crores.

He informed that 180 leases were issued by the JDA under the Zone-Prithviraj Nagar Yojana (North-I) in the month of September, which received a revenue of Rs. 42 million.

# Dept of Hospitality, Protocol organises Capacity Building workshop at Convention centre



Jammu: A Two days Capacity Building program for the employees of Hospitality & Protocol Jammu was inaugurated today by Sh Hashmat Ali Khan, KAS, Director Hospitality & Protocol, J&K through Online Mode at Convention centre, Jammu. The Capacity Building program has been organised in collaboration with M/s Indus EduTrain Pvt Ltd a National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) empanelled vocational training partner with aim to impart Hard/ soft skills to the officials required in service sector, besides etiquettes, personal hygiene & hygiene in

food production. The training endeavors to impart among the officials the best skills, knowledge of the latest trends, modern ways & techniques to ensure the Guest satisfaction. Director, H&P&J&K while motivating the officials towards improvisation of their skills and services further said that the programme is organised with the objective of upgrading the skills of the staff of Hospitality & Protocol and imbibe in them a culture of courtesy, etiquettes and to inculcate an aptitude for problem solving and service, the safety and security parameters.

# WESTERN RAILWAY

**CORRIGENDUM TO e-AUCTION SALE PROGRAM OF October, 2020 MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT**  
No. SIII/Auction Programme-3/October-2020, Dated: 14.10.2020.  
Please refer to this office e-Auction Sale Notification No. SIII/Auction Programme-1/October-2020, Dated: 08.09.2020 & SIII/Auction Programme-2/ October-2020, Dated: 14.09.2020.  
E-Auction Sale Program scheduled to be held in the month of October, 2020 at Bhawanagar Division & Mahatma Depot on 13.10.2020 has been rescheduled & will be held on 23.10.2020. All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged. Please visit Western Railway website of Material Management Department i.e. [www.wr.indianrailways.gov.in](http://www.wr.indianrailways.gov.in) as well as on [www.trens.gov.in](http://www.trens.gov.in) e-auction portal for further information.  
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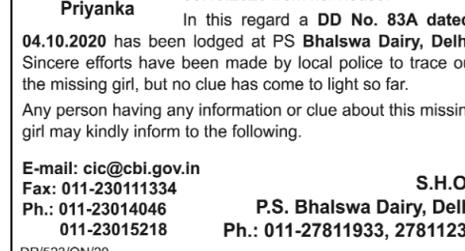
# SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

General public is hereby informed that one lady namely **Somwati W/o Vicky R/o PNC DSIIDC, Narela, Delhi** and Permanent address Village Khokhariya Niche Khera, PS Nimora Distt: Agra, UP has been missing/kidnapped from the area of P.S. Narela Industrial Area, Delhi. In this regard, a case **DD No. 7-A, dated 30.09.2020 has been registered at P.S. Narela Industrial Area Delhi.** The description of the missing lady is as under.  
**Age:** 22 Years, **Complexion:** Shallow, **Height:** 4' 8" **Face:** Round, **Wearing:** Badami Jamphar white Salwar and Hawaii chappal. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out her but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone has any information about the missing/kidnapped lady then please inform P.S. Narela Industrial Area, Delhi at following Tel No./e-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) and Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>  
**Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641**  
**Fax No. 011-24368639**  
**Sd/- S.H.O.**  
**P.S. Narela Industrial Area, Delhi**  
**Phone: 011-27787592, 27787593**



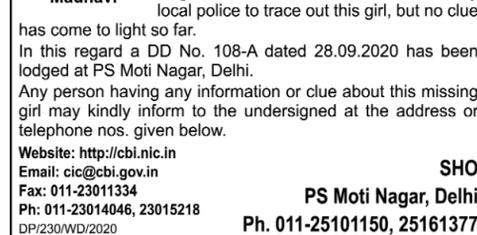
# SEARCH FOR MISSING GIRL

General public is hereby informed that one girl namely **Priyanka D/o Vijay Shankar R/o Khasra No. 146, Gali No. 6, Mukand Vihar, Mukundpur, Delhi.** Age: 19 yrs, Height: 5', Fair complexion, face round, built Medium. Wearing blue colour suit, black colour salwar and slippers in feet is missing since 03.10.2020 from her house.  
In this regard a **DD No. 83A dated: 04.10.2020** has been lodged at **PS Bhalswa Dairy, Delhi.** Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing girl, but no clue has come to light so far.  
Any person having any information or clue about this missing girl may kindly inform to the following.  
**E-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)**  
**Fax: 011-23011334**  
**Ph.: 011-23014046**  
**011-23015218**  
**S.H.O.,**  
**P.S. Bhalswa Dairy, Delhi**  
**Ph.: 011-27811933, 27811230**  
**DP/523/ON/20**



# SEARCH FOR MISSING GIRL

General public is hereby informed that one girl namely **Madhavi D/o Brij Kishore R/o WZ-365, Basai Complex, Delhi.** Age 22 year, Height 5', Complexion fair, Built medium, Face round, wearing Brown colour Suit, Black colour payjama and Red colour chappal in feet has been missing since 28.09.2020 from the area of PS Moti Nagar. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out this girl, but no clue has come to light so far.  
In this regard a **DD No. 108-A dated 28.09.2020** has been lodged at **PS Moti Nagar, Delhi.**  
Any person having any information or clue about this missing girl may kindly inform to the undersigned at the address or telephone nos. given below.  
**Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>**  
**Email: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in)**  
**Fax: 011-23011334**  
**Ph: 011-23014046, 23015218**  
**DP/230/WD/2020**  
**SHO**  
**PS Moti Nagar, Delhi**  
**Ph. 011-25101150, 25161377**



# SEARCH FOR MISSING FEMALE

General Public is hereby informed that one female (depicted in the photo) namely **Priyanka D/o Rakesh R/o H.No. F-114, Raghurib Nagar, Delhi** **Aged-25 Years** has been reported missing since 06.10.2020 at about 10:00 PM from her residence vide **DD No. 160A Dated 09.10.2020** registered at Police Station Rajouri Garden, Delhi. Her physical description is as under:-  
**Complexion:** Fair, **Height:** 5', **Face:** Round, **Built:** Normal, **Clothing:** Green colour Kurta, Black colour pajami, Black colour Dupatta and Black colour slipper in feet.  
Any person having any information/Clue about this missing female, may inform SHO, Rajouri Garden, Delhi at **E-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) or website: <http://cbi.nic.in>**  
**Tele No. : 011-24368638 or 24368641**  
**FAX No. : 011-24368639**  
**SHO, Rajouri Garden, Delhi**  
**DP/237/WD/2020**  
**Tel.: 011-25448885, 2516102**



# PUBLIC NOTICE

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd, 3rd Floor, Plot No- 23, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh, Delhi- 110005

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 in their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Vandana Jaswal, Vinay Rathore, Ward Number 6 VPO Ghaluval, Tehsil UNA, Himachal Pradesh/ LBDEL00004688330	Flat No 58B, Ground Floor Pocket III Mayur Vihar- I (Earlier Known Astrikol Puri), Delhi	13-Aug-2020, Rs. 82,02,422/-	29/02/2020
2.	Neha Singh, Dhananjay Kumar, F 2204 Elegant Villenear Ryan Public School, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh/ LBGHZ00002437033	Flat No- 204, 22nd Floor, Tower-F Elegant Ville Plot No Gh- 06B, Sector- Techzone- IV, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	21-Aug-2020, Rs. 25,17,500/-	30-09-2019
3.	Chaudhary Arun Kumar, Satender Kumar, House No- 522 Sector- 2C Vasantnagar, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh/ LBGHZ00002240578	Flat No- 1310, 13th Floor Tower-C, Officer City Khasra No- 1059 And 1098 Village Noor Nagar, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh	19-Aug-2020, Rs. 25,82,872/-	31-01-2020
4.	Sumit Subhash Verma, Amrita Verma, 53, Dayanand Vihar Dayanand Vihar, Delhi/ LBDEL00001985175	Flat No- 1512A, TS- 1, Block- F, 15th Floor, Supertech, UP Country Sector- 17A Yamuna Expressway Industrial Development Authority, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	19-Aug-2020, Rs. 24,56,286/-	31-01-2020
5.	Sumit Kohli, Ayeena Puri, Richa Kohli, Ashok Gupta, 801 N Humboldt Street Apt- 214, San Mateo, California/ LBDEL00001978742	Appartment No- LDI- 08-101, The Kove, Jaypee Greens Sport City, Gautam Budh Nagar Sector- 25, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	19-Aug-2020, Rs. 17,00,830/-	31-01-2020
6.	Rajesh Sharma, Rakhi Sharma, 335, Pkt- 16, Sec- 3, Dwarka, Delhi, LBGUR00002388147	Flat No. 104, 1st Floor, Tower D, Capital Gateway, Sector 111, Gurgaon	31-Aug-2020, Rs. 93,56,141/-	31-12-2019
7.	Ginni Bajaj, Jaya Kumari Chikkala, Ns Residence Nurses Hostel, BRS Marg, Delhi, LBDEL00002946223	Flat No- B704, 7th Floor, Meghdutam Encore, Plot No- Gh- 05, Sports City, Sec- Tech Zone- IV, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	31-Aug-2020, Rs. 62,62,720/-	31-01-2020
8.	Rajni Jain, Mukul Jain, 8 Kingsley Mew, Sley Street, ILFORS ESSEX IGIGBT, ESSEX/ LBDEL00002937009	Flat No- A601, 6th Floor, Meghdutam Encore, Plot No- Gh- 05, Sports City, Sec- Tech Zone- IV, Noida, Uttar Pradesh	31-Aug-2020, Rs. 52,25,513/-	31-01-2020
9.	Ritika Sapra, 2410, Rohit Niwas, 16th A Main Hal, 2nd Stage, Indira Nagar, Bangalore, Karnataka./ LBDEL0000454820	H. No. 340- P, Ground Floor, Surya Nagar, Phase- II, Sector- 91, Faridabad, Haryana	31-Aug-2020, Rs. 50,17,564/-	31-01-2020
10.	Reeta Nishad, Sudhanshu Nishad, T- 08 1902, Lotus Boulevard, Phase- 2, Sec- 100, Noida, Uttar Pradesh. A/c- LBGUR00003684106 & LBGUR00003793753	Flat No- 1001, T5 Tower, SuperTech Azalia, Sector- 68, Golf Course Extension, Road, Gurgaon, Haryana	29-Aug-2020, Rs.41,53,119/- Rs.73,383/-	31/01/2020
11.	Firoz Ahmad, Sadia Hayaat, Plot No- B- 286/ F- 2, Shalimar Garden Main, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh/ LBNO00001379876	Flat No- FF- 2 Situated At Plot- No- B- 286, Shalimar Garden Main Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh	21-Aug-2020, Rs. 8,13,548/-	30-11-2019
12.	Rahul Mishra, Shaile Mishra, K B 52, Karpuripuram Near Cng Gas Pump, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh/ LBNO00002431624	Flat No-1410, 14th Floor Tower Phoenic Oasis Grand, Standgh- 01- Ts- 01b Sector- 22 Dnoida, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh	19-Aug-2020, Rs. 12,51,091/-	31-01-2020
13.	Akhil Singh, Saroj Singh, E- 18036 Sixteenth Avenue, Gaur City 2, Sec- 16C, Greater Noida West/ LBNO00004579246	Flat No. T4- 2005, 20th Floor, Block B, Unibera Towers, Sector- 1, Greater Noida	27-Aug-2020, Rs. 33,06,838.94/-	31-12-2019
14.	Surender Prasad Pandey, Urmila Pandey, A- 238 Jhilmil Colony, Delhi./ LBNO00004411847	Flat No. T1- 2101, 21st Floor, Block E, unibera Towers, Sector- 1, Greater Noida	27-Aug-2020, Rs. 32,12,533.74/-	31-12-2019
15.	Gagan Gautam, Lata Rani, H- 1001 Amarpali Sapphire, Sector- 45, Noida./ LBNO00000376507	Flat No. A120, UGF, Wave Executive Floor, Nh- 24, Ghaziabad	27-Aug-2020, Rs. 16,05,087/-	30-04-2019

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : October 17, 2020  
Place: Delhi NCR  
Authorized Officer  
ICICI Bank Limited

# Director called on ambassador of DRC



Rajendra Chaudhari, Director (Commercial) accompanied by Shri Pradeep Sharma, GM (BD), called on H.E. Mossi Nyamale Rosette, Ambassador of Democratic Republic of Congo at Congo Embassy, Delhi on Oct 14, 2020 to discuss NBCC's participation in upcoming infrastructure Development works in DRC.

# 65th Railway week observed in CLW

CHITTARANJAN: 65th Railway Week function was observed on 15th Oct 2020 afternoon in Chittaranjan conference hall. Praveen Kumar Mishra, General Manager/CLW presided over this function as Chief Guest & Sunita Mishra, President /CLW-WWO as Guest of Honour in this annual award function. On this occasion, staff and officers of CLW were felicitated for their outstanding performance in the year 2019-20. Sunita Mishra President/CLW-WWO, along with other members of the organisation, S D Patidar, Pr. Chief Personnel Officer / CLW and other Senior officers were also present on the occasion in conference hall. Shri Praveen Kumar Mishra, General Manager congratulated the award winners.

SHORT CIRCUITS



TIGER SHROFF

Whenever Master ji (Ganesh Acharya) thanks me for anything, I feel he is abusing me because the way he has helped me since my first film, I am is really grateful to him. He worked with me in my first film *Heropanti* and we did a song called *Whistle bajaa*. I remember I was really scared on the set but he supported me.



SHABANA AZMI

*Kaali Khuhi* explores the dark history of a family haunted by its gruesome past and entangled in a web of unnatural occurrences. As 10-year-old Shivangi witnesses her entire family fall deeper into the secrets of the black well, she's put to the ultimate test. The film interweaves elements of drama, suspense and grounded horror.



UDAY CHOPRA

*Diivale Dulhania Le Jayenge* was the first film whose behind the scenes footage was telecast on Doordarshan. The channel made a special show out of the exclusive content that was shared to them. When the making aired, we got tons of wishes and it was a huge validation for trying to do something new for audience.



CHRISTOPHER CROSS

It was the worst 10 days of my life. I couldn't walk, could barely move. And so, it was certainly the darkest of times for me. I'm not a big celebrity but it's important for people to know that you can get this disease — Guillain-Barre Syndrome.

KANGANA RANAUT

I have started action training for my forthcoming action films — *Tejas* and *Dhakaad*. I play a fauji and a spy respectively in these films. Bollywood's plate may have given me a lot but post *Manikarnika* success I have also given the industry its first ever legitimate action heroine.



NEW NORMAL 60 MINUTES

# Long walk to light

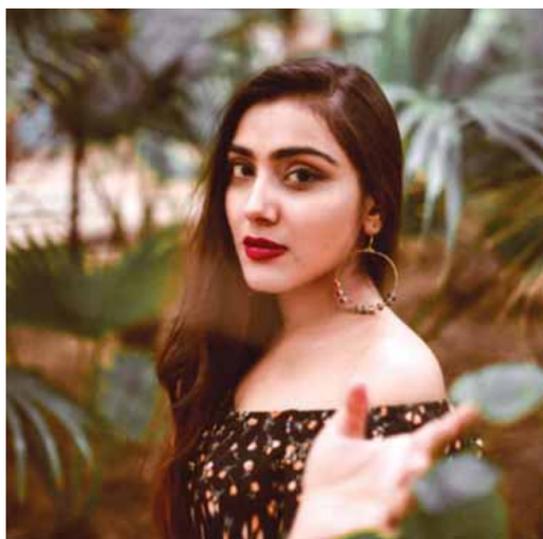
Good things take time. For filmmaker ROHIT ARORA and actor SASHA AERY, the wait for their debut film, *The Pickup Artist*, was an unending one due to the pandemic-induced lockdown. While for the director, it was difficult to extend the release after investing 10 years into its making, Aery had to hold back her excitement of being on the big screen. By CHAHAK MITTAL

How difficult was it to extend the release due to the lockdown? Why didn't you release the film online?

Rohit: In March, just 10 days before the lockdown was announced, we had finished all the marketing work as the release date was nearing. It was surely devastating to know that we had to extend the release for that time but now I think, it was for a reason. I made the film for the big screen and it deserved to have been showcased there. Of course, the thought killed me every now and then that when are the theatres going to open but I also knew that cinema is one thing Indian audience has loved and it will certainly be opened again once things settle down.

I held back on OTT. I had some small investors in the film who wanted it to be out during this time in lockdown. Even I thought for once to just go for OTT and get over with it. But it was my first film and it had to be special. The film has played at big festivals and grabbed good audiences. Also, it's a different process through which you make content for the big screen or the small one or OTT. The cost goes high, the post-production and editing work is also done accordingly.

Sasha: Lockdown was like an unending wait. Given that it's my first film, I was very excited about it. But it gradually demanded a lot of patience. However, I also think it's kind of revolutionary now that this is one of the first films to be releasing after the reopening of the cinemas. And I am glad for this fact because cinema lovers have obviously waited long for this day to come in 2020.



How did you conceptualise the film?

Rohit: The idea occurred to me in 2010. However, I cannot tell you how it originated because otherwise I might end up revealing a lot about the script and the film's very secret! (laughs)

I would say it's a compilation of a lot of ideas that I had in my mind. I also referred to books — about mystery, thriller and cops. It was a very long process. I wanted my first film to be super amazing. I didn't want the audience to get bored. I had set the bar very high for myself even in my very first project. I just wanted to

bank on the originality of my thought that revolves around creating more mindful cinema in India. From the concept to the screen, it was a journey of 10 years. At the end of 2015, we started shooting and 2019 was the premiere. And now it's releasing in the cinemas in India.

The trailer highlights a lot of things like questioning the government, society and old-age beliefs and the exploitation of women, of course. It says very less about what the film is exactly trying to say...

Rohit: Well, it's the reason why I cut the trailer this way. I did not



want to reveal anything. Trailers are usually cut by the producers' marketing team. But here, I worked on it myself and it took my team about six months to cut the trailer. You will realise that at every step in the film.

What does the title signify?

Rohit: Who is a pickup artist? He is the one who belongs to the seduction or the pickup community and aims at picking up girls to lure them for sex. Our tagline — a curious case of missing girls investigated by a maniac cop — is actually the answer. This is the plot. But there's a lot more to it!

There was a dialogue in the trailer that caught our attention — "Raavan agar Ramayan jeet jaata toh woh hero ban jaata, par haar gaya isliye villain ban gaya." Where did that idea come from? How do you think modern dialogue-writing has become more thought-provoking?

Rohit: The idea came to me when I was going to shoot a *Ramleela*

scene and I was in a cab. It just struck me out of nowhere. You never know where an idea might emerge from at times and that's exactly what happened at the time. You just know that it's a good idea and you should work upon it. I never sit down to think and write. I let it happen while on the go. I am in a constant conversation with myself. So, I never write my dialogues in a rush, I give them a lot of time. I usually have a structure ready, which I fill up with dialogues and story steadily. Until I am super happy and satisfied with my writing, I don't go ahead with it. Dialogues is my USP as a writer.

Sasha: I agree. I think he has that flair of being perfect with the structure. He makes sure his script aligns with his idea. I think it also has a lot to do with the way he structured the idea itself, for which he needs those specific pieces to build it. That's actually the beauty of this film!

Being a practising psychologist, how did you land the project?

Sasha: It's actually a very funny story and that's the most interesting part about it. One of my very good friends was going for the audition for this film and I just accompanied him. And it's the funny how I landed a role and he did not. I just went casually and gave a try. Before this, I had only given auditions for theatre or stage shows or a street play but never for a feature film. I think it was just meant to happen.

Rohit: I'd say, she is very photogenic. She just held the audience. One of my friends complimented her that one can just hold the camera on her for as long as one wants, and the audience won't move!

Sasha: (Laughs) It was flattering!

How did you get into the skin of your character, Akansha? Was the prep more mental?

Sasha: Yes, my target was always to understand the character from a psychological perspective because otherwise it would have got quite difficult for me to resonate with her and be in her skin. And Rohit always gave me that leeway. Even if he had his own process and professional ethics, he still let me get comfortable with the character myself and gave me enough time to settle.

How challenging was it?

Sasha: I would say it was slightly challenging because Akansha was quite opposite to how I am. She was quite naive. I am not trying to mean that being naive is a bad thing but if we look at Sasha, her senses would have been too alert rather than just going for what was being asked of her. So my most conversations about the character with Rohit were about this — How can she do that? I was constantly trying to understand her motives. But then, it automatically came to me when we started rehearsing and finally shooting. I also found a similarity that Akansha, just like me, also wanted to be somebody successful.

What should the audience expect from the film?

Rohit: It's a mindful entertainment. The audience will find good music, definitely a story, performances by some amazing actors, humour, drama, suspense and above all, newness. It will certainly be a visual treat. It has not been made as a typical Bollywood film. I have worked very hard to fight the cliches and go beyond them both in my writing and my treatment. We even conducted various workshops to get better at learning the characters. We did not straight away begin with the shoot. Had I done it in a Bollywood system, it would have never worked out this way. A funny fact? A lot of my assistants left in the way (chuckles) because it took so long to complete!

What do you think is the relevance of the film?

Rohit: There's no message as such. It's just a thriller — a mindful one. The core of the film is "trust." This term has fascinated me since childhood. As I grew-up, my sensitivity towards trust increased to a point where I started seeing my whole life as a binary pattern of presence or absence of trust, just like signals in a computer are represented by presence or absence of current. I am really glad this film turned out to be my debut as a director. The thought still fascinates me how the idea of a pickup artist and trust somehow amalgamated together in my head.

(The film released yesterday in theatres.)

CELEB TALK 30 MINUTES

# Bounce back to normal

Actors RICHA CHADHA and ALI FAZAL head together for an international film festival. The former is set to participate in the women empowerment panel while Fazal joins as jury for short film category

Even as festivals world over are moving virtual, Egypt's El Gouna Film Festival to be held between October 23 and October 30 is all set to be amongst the first sizeable physical film events to be held in COVID-era. Interestingly enough, the festival has an interesting Indian connection too. The Shorts Film Competition of the schedule will be judged by Bollywood actor Ali Fazal.

Fazal, who is currently in the midst of promoting his forthcoming Amazon Prime Show *Mirzapur*, will soon star in the much-awaited Kenneth Branagh film *Death On The Nile*. The actor had previously headlined *Victoria & Abdul* alongside Dame Judi Dench. His co-jury members include Tunisian director Raja Amari, Syrian actor Kinda Allouh and the popular Argentine filmmaker Santiago Amigorena. The jury will choose four best entries from a wide range of submissions to award a prize money of \$31,000n(USD).

Fazal will be accompanied to the festival by fiancée actor Richa Chadha. The actress known for the Emmy nominated series *Inside Edge*, the much-celebrated *Love Sonia* amongst others will be in a panel discussion about women empowerment. She will also discuss her journey in the Hindi film industry, her challenges, choices and the impact it had on the kind of roles that came her way.



"I am looking forward to the panel discussion. It's an important dialogue that must be had to help popular culture move in the right direction. With the rising number of powerful female voices across the world, it's important to discuss, debate and relearn norms. The narra-

tive in 2020 must speak about gender equality which will only come from empowering the women who've been given the short end of the stick for far too long."

Ali says, "It has been a fairly grim year for all of us across the world. The fact that I will

be attending an on ground physical event is a reminder that the worst is behind us. It gives me hope that things will get better world over, here on. I am looking forward to watching many short films and interacting with the people at this event."



# FIVE SENSES OF HISTORY

The Garden of Five Senses in South Delhi is not only an archaeologically significant area but is also a hub of cultural and gastronomic delights

The Mehrauli-Badarpur Road is one of those roads, which when you drive through you go through a millennia of Delhi's history — from the ram-



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parts of the spectacular Tughlakabad Fort to the towering Qutub Minar, the oldest free-standing tower in the world. You realise then that Delhi is truly one of the world's oldest living cities, one steeped in history both ancient and modern. And one of those places where Delhi's history meets the modern Delhi is The Garden of Five Senses, located just off this very road, next to Saket Metro Station. This 20-acre space initially conceptualised by Delhi-based architect Pradeep Bhandari is run by Delhi Tourism and, in a normal time

is a hub of cultural and gastronomic activities, particularly in Winters. That is why the name of the place — as it delights all your five senses.

But one must not lose sight of the site's historical significance located just outside the Mehrauli archaeological site. Several historical monuments, including the Qutub Minar, are visible from the site. However, it is also home to some stunning modern art installations as well as a replica of the Mayan-

era Labna Arch, creating a cultural history bridge between India and Mexico. It is unfortunate that due to the current pandemic, there will be fewer events this year, although Delhi Tourism is promising that some events with limited attendance will take place nonetheless. Some of the permanent restaurants located inside the Garden of Five Senses have opened their doors again and the public can easily visit the site and experience a mix of the ancient and modern.

There is ample parking at the Garden and the Hyundai Venue Sport is the ideal urban car to visit the site in its modern looks, accentuated by the greenery and the art installations at the Garden.

Photo: Vikram Sharma

CONVERSATION 30 MINUTES

CAUSE 15 MINUTES

# THEY ARE BACK

Actors LINDA HAMILTON and ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER talk about their characters in the action sci-fi, *Terminator: Dark Fate*, and reuniting after years.

By TEAM VIVA



**T**erminator: *Dark Fate* is a science fiction action film directed by Tim Miller and produced by James Cameron and David Ellison. It is the sixth installment in the Terminator film franchise and acts as a direct sequel to *The Terminator* (1984) and *Terminator 2: Judgment Day* (1991).

The film stars Linda Hamilton and Arnold Schwarzenegger as Sarah Connor and the T-800 Terminator, respectively, reuniting the actors after 23 years, and introduces Mackenzie Davis, Natalia Reyes and Gabriel Luna as new characters. In this interview, Arnold and Linda talk about their character and the feeling of reuniting after so many years.

**In these 35 years of life, the electronics have kind of taken over our lives. How foreshadowing is this franchise?**

**Linda Hamilton:** Well, it certainly was ahead of its time back in 1984 when we did the first one and it couldn't be truer today. So in all these years we have seen it come true and I think it actually speaks more powerfully today than it ever has.

**How refreshing is it to come back together after years to inhabit the characters?**

**Arnold Schwarzenegger:** Well, we had such a great time when we worked in the first terminator. Then, in the second one we did a lot of training together, weapon training and stuff like that. We also did training for the acting, the scenes and all. One day James Cameron and I went to a

motorcycle ride as we always go and had breakfast. There he said, 'what do you think of doing another terminator film?' I got really excited and asked him about the storyline. And while telling me the story he said that we are going to have Linda back. I said, 'Oh man that would be great.' So he told me that he is going to produce it soon and create a story where along with Linda, we all are going to be back. I was delighted about this and it turned out to be a great decision as it ended up being a great film.

**"Years ago if you would ask me to run, jump and do some physical exertion I could do it well. But later there would be some things I would have a harder time doing it." How was it doing some of the actions in the film?**

**Linda:** We used to work day in and day out, I mean there was not a rest day. I used to act and then go home, lay down to rest my body and read 40 books. That way you rest your body, take your mind out elsewhere and then work in a fresh mood the next day.

**What really impressed me with this latest incarnation is female empowerment. There has always been that kind of element but this time we see a little spin...**

**Arnold:** Well, thanks to Jim. I have to say this because in all in his films he has female heroes. The key thing is the casting, there are a lot of women who rebel on the screen, I don't believe it and I don't buy all of it. But with this one I bought it. When Linda came on this screen in the first



terminator and she crushed it, I totally bought in because she became the ant and the leader that she is supposed to be. It got a notch higher in the second one. She created a whole new kind of a character that a female can be a rebel just like a guy and its totally believable.

So the pressure is on the other women who want to be the same and want to be called action heroes. They have to be as intense as her as she has set a whole new standard. This also applies to other women who are in this film. She created a standard that's very hard to

match up to and so the other women were all struggling, but they finally did. They all did a great job but Linda is the real hero.

*(The film will premiere for the first time on television on Star Movies on October 18 at 12 pm and 9 pm.)*

# Stories of hope

Actors DIA MIRZA and SONU SOOD to co-host a three-part documentary, *Bharat Ke Mahaveer*, which celebrates selfless heroes of the pandemic

**R**ecognising India's unsung selfless heroes who have gone out of their way to help those in need during the pandemic, the United Nations in India and NITI Aayog, in partnership with Discovery channel, are launching a campaign #BharatKeMahaveer. It will celebrate Indians who have shown kindness, extending a helping hand to the vulnerable and have selflessly gone that extra mile.

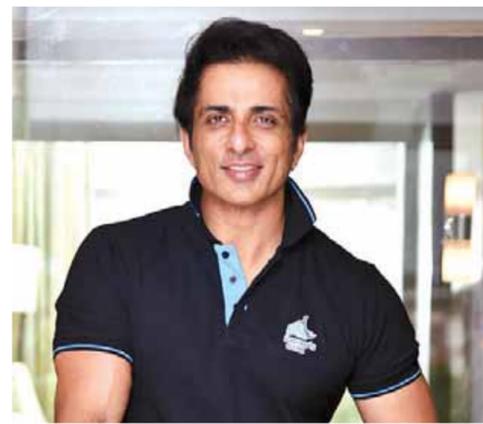
As a part of the campaign, a three-part series will air on Discovery to celebrate the actions by 12 champions from across India who, through their exemplary actions have been spreading a ray of hope, coming together in strength and solidarity.

The series will be co-hosted by the UN Secretary-General's SDG Advocate Dia Mirza and actor Sonu Sood, who was recently conferred the 'Special Humanitarian Action Award' by the Government of Punjab for his efforts during the COVID-19 crisis.

Speaking about the initiative, Amitabh Kant, CEO, NITI Aayog, said, "Throughout this global crisis, we have seen countless stories of individuals across the country who have gone beyond their call of duty. Even in the aspirational districts, despite facing greater developmental challenges, people came forward in a tremendous display of humanity. We are happy to have come together for this initiative to recognise these stories."

The campaign celebrates luminous stories of solidarity, where, whether through food distribution, medical care, donating their life savings or feeding a stray animal people have shown a strong sense of togetherness.

Renata Dessallien, UN Resident Coordinator in India said, "As COVID-19 continues to upend our lives, these unsung heroes are an inspiration and solace to us all. They remind us that it is only working together, with kindness and compassion, that we can succeed - a truth that underpins the message of UN. Through the campaign we wish to honour those individuals, who despite all odds, have gone out of their way to show extraordinary kindness to help those in need. They rekindle our faith in humanity and our hope for a better future. They



make us proud."

Megha Tata, Managing Director - South Asia, Discovery Communications India, said, "This is not just a TV show - it is a reflection of India's gratitude to so many of the unsung heroes who became a shining beacon of hope and inspiration."

Dia said, "Over the past few months, India has shown the world that when people come together, they can overcome any adversity. Instead of self-interest, we have seen an outpouring of solidarity during the pandemic. People are banding together to spread love, compassion and positivity through their actions, thereby ensuring that the most vulnerable are not left behind. I am proud to call myself an Indian

and proud to be part of this excellent initiative."

"The recent time has been painful for humanity. During this time, some individuals with extraordinary sense of empathy for fellow citizens gave away everything they had," said Sonu. He added, "The almighty has been benevolent to me and has given me means to help others. I tried in my small way but some of the stories that I came across are of individuals with limited means but who with their strong will moved mountains. The world will know more about these heroes through this campaign."

*(The documentary will commence with phase 1 in November on Discovery, Discovery HD Channels and Discovery Plus app.)*

WRITER'S BLOG 45 MINUTES

**H**aving written-directed-produced and animated children films like *Jajantaram Mamantaram*, *Goopi Gawaiyaa Bagha Bajaiyaa* and written-illustrated numerous books for children, the filmmaker Soumitra Ranade is now coming out with his first action adventure novel for children, *Bhriгу and The Palace Of Mirror*.

Known for the official remake of *Albert Pinto Ko Gussa Kyun Aata Hai?* starring Nandita Das and Manav Kaul which is streaming on Netflix and Amazon Prime, Soumitra is currently involved with the pre-production of an animated feature *Kabuliwala* based on Rabindranath Tagore's short story and an animation web series.

Excited about his debut as a novel writer for children, Soumitra says, "Although I have written many short stories for children and some of them have also been published, I always wanted to write something longer, something more substantial. A novel by its very form gives the writer that space to explore stories in depth - to delve into complexities, to develop relationships and so on."

He adds, "Writing and then illustrating the novel brought me immense joy - like all the work that I do specifically for children always does. More than anything else, it is also to maintain my own sanity that I keep going back to children's literature or films. That is free world - a world full of adventure and fantasy, of mystery and intrigue. That's a world where one can eliminate the dark, the depressing and the miserable. It is a space of hope, love and compassion. There is a wide variety of children's literature available in India - not just in English but also in many regional languages. But most of it is for young children. There is hardly anything for older children as a result of which they have to switch to the Harry Potters and other western writing. This in itself is fine, since children should be reading all that, but I think they should also be reading our stories. This novel is our way to address this gap. I am absolutely fascinated by the way children think and I am really looking forward to knowing what they think of my book."

The novel revolves around 10-year-old Bhriгу who has a nose for mystery and a

# Bridge the gap through fantasy

Writer, filmmaker and animator SOUMITRA RANADE's first action-adventure novel for children, *Bhriгу and The Palace Of Mirror*, is an attempt to connect the younger generation to our architectural heritage



taste for adventure. So instead of spending his summer break playing all day, he finds himself drawn to his father's latest film set, a replica of an ancient palace with a creepy legend. But when a chance encounter with a mysterious stranger sets off a series of bizarre events and an old story tears into real life, Bhriгу realises that something truly sinister is afoot. Things come to a head when his father goes missing. Now he must use all his deductive skills and find little help from the grown-ups to solve an impossible puzzle, before it wrecks his entire world. Packed with thrills and chills, this illustrated book will keep you turning the pages until the very end.

**AUTHOR'S NOTE**

When my children were much

younger, I had to tell them a new story every night. Any repeats would be countered with noisy protests and I had to rack my brains to come up with something not just new, but exciting enough to hold their attention.

While I was telling them these stories, which were sometimes funny, but mostly strange and scary, I was also experimenting. I would sometimes create a logical sequence of events and then slowly break away and tread on a contradictory trajectory. I would then wait for their responses. Sometimes they would complain fiercely while at other times they were not at all disturbed by the illogicalities. Often, I would also experiment with a non-linear storyline and at times I would play with improbable sizes and shapes. It was my way of keeping my own interest alive.

Whether they were enjoying these stories is for them to say but for me, it was a great learning experience. It was like a little story-making laboratory that I had started in my own house. While I was telling them these stories, I watched them closely, their eyes fixated on one spot listening to me intently. They would take in my words and through their eyes, I could see them forming their own unique images in their minds. Their eyes, and occasional questions told me if I was on the right track. Through their eyes I could also sense what is really scary and what is 'excitingly' scary. Their eyes told me how far I could go.

This particular story of the *Palace of Mirrors* came to me when I had visited Lucknow and experienced the extraordinary mazes at Bhoal Bhulaiya. I had felt then that it is not only an exciting story but something that will connect our children with our architectural heritage. I have often felt that amazing structures such as Ajanta Caves, Jantar Mantar, Konark temple etc. have all been relegated to mere chapters in school history books with no real bond with the younger generation. This story is also an attempt to address that.

**WHAT WENT BEHIND THE PALACE?**

A few years back, I had a chance to visit Lucknow and I was totally looking forward to savouring the most delicious

local food - the *Tunday Kebabs*, *Khasta*, *Kormans*, *Makhan Malai*, *Awadi Biryani*, *Nahari-Kulchas*, *Roomali Rotis*, *Sheermal*, *Basket Chaat* and of course the *Warqi Parathas*. And if there was still any space left in my overstuffed stomach then there were the sweets too. The *Gulab Jamuns*, *Besan Laddus*, *Jalebis* and *Kulfi*. But Lucknow is known for many other things besides its cuisine. It's incredible chikankari kurtas, exquisite jewelry and the aromatic attars - natural perfume oils made from flowers like rose or jasmine or from sandalwood, herbs, spices or even special tree barks, are famous the world over. But wait.

Well, this is not all. Lucknow also has the most extraordinary architecture. Diliksha Kothi Palace, Chattar Manzil, Aurangzeb's Mosque, Kaiserbagh Palace, Constantia House, Chota Imbarara and many such architectural wonders dot the city, which reflects centuries old culture or the Lucknowi tehzeeb as it is called universally.

The most peculiar edifice is of course the Bhoal Bhulaiya. The entire structure is staggering to say the least. Here, unending passages and corridors are connected extremely skillfully with one another and form mysterious mazes that are spellbinding. While I was walking through these passages totally mesmerised by them, a story began to form in my mind and as soon as I returned to Mumbai, I wrote the first draft of *Bhriгу and The Palace of Mirrors*.

The Naseemgadh Palace in the book is inspired by Bhoal Bhulaiya, which is a part of Bara Imbarara, used by Shia Muslims for the purpose of Azadari. It was commissioned by Nawab of Awadh, Asaf-Ud-Dowhala, during the drought year of 1784. His objective was to provide employment for people in the region for almost a decade while the famine lasted. Designed by Hafiz Kifayat ullah, an architect from Shahjahanabad (present day old Delhi), its central hall is said to be the largest vaulted chamber in the world. Two imposing gateways lead to the main hall and it is said that there are 1024 ways to reach the terrace but only two to come back.

*(Published by Hachette India, the novel will be out on October 20 on Amazon, Kindle, Flipkart and bookstores across India.)*

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We've been in this situation and before and have come back from this, so we're not panicking about this, we know it can be done and I believe in this team to do it

To me, Chris is the greatest T20 player. When he is batting, you always feel you have a chance of winning the game. Once he is there, it's a different mood in the camp

Things are looking good at this stage of the season, but I am never the one to try and look too far ahead because I know how quickly the IPL can turn around

Being four and five down early really cost us, we managed to get a score on the board, but when Mumbai come out and play like that it is difficult to stop momentum

# RCB look to get tactics right

**PTI ■ DUBAI**

Royal Challengers Bangalore would aim to get their strategy right after some inexplicable decisions during the loss to Kings XI Punjab when they take on an erratic-but-dauntless Rajasthan Royals on Saturday.

The Virat Kohli-led RCB has won five of its eight games on the back of all-round performances but seemingly blundered in the eight-wicket defeat to laggards KXIP on Thursday.

On the other hand, the Royals' campaign this season has been marred by numerous top-order collapses, forcing the lower half to pull them across the finish line and that lie at the seventh spot in the points table with just three wins from eight outings.

Against KXIP in Sharjah, AB De Villiers, who has been in fine form, was sent in to bat at number six, a baffling decision by the RCB.

Left-hander Washington Sundar (13) and Shivam Dube (23) were promoted up the order to accompany skipper Kohli in the middle.

The experiment didn't work as all three batsmen struggled with the South African scoring just two off five balls. To add to RCB's woes, while defending the total, Kohli decid-



# MI 5

De Kock leads defending champions to fifth straight win

**PTI ■ ABU DHABI**

The Mumbai Indians juggernaut rolled on unabated as they recorded their fifth straight win with an eight-wicket mauling of Kolkata Knight Riders in the IPL here on Friday.

A tidy bowling effort by Mumbai Indians ensured that KKR were restricted to 148 for five after an unbeaten 53 by pace spearhead Pat Cummins.

Then, the defending champions rode on a blistering 44-ball 78 by Quinton de Kock, to chase down the target with 3.1 overs to spare.

De Kock, who struck nine fours and three sixes and skipper Rohit Sharma (35 off 36 balls), laid the foundation for the emphatic win with their 94-run first-wicket stand.

The two openers took the KKR attack to cleaners with de Kock being the more aggressive one. The South African notched up his fifty in just 25 balls, with a maximum over deep-square leg.

It rained boundaries for Mumbai as the two dominated the KKR bowling attack.

Pacer Prasidh Krishna (0/30) faced their brunt, conceding three



Mumbai Indians batsman Quinton de Kock celebrates with Hardik Pandya after win IPL20

fours in the third over and de Kock followed that up by hammering Cummins (0/28) for two successive fours, both pull shots, in the next.

De Kock kept playing shots all around the park and was again brutal on Prasidh, whom he hit for two fours and a six, in the seventh over, which fetched Mumbai 16 runs.

KKR tried to pull things back by removing Rohit and Suryakumar Yadav (10) in quick succession, but de Kock continued his onslaught with gusto and took the side home in the company of Hardik Pandya (21 off 11 balls), who played a small cameo.

Earlier, after a top-order failure, it was Cummins (53 off 36 balls 5x4;2x6) and new skipper Eoin

# DK PASSES BATON TO MORGAN

**ABU DHABI:** Wicketkeeper-batsman Dinesh Karthik on Friday stepped down as captain of the Kolkata Knight Riders team, handing over the reins to his English deputy Eoin Morgan hours before the IPL match against Mumbai Indians.

Karthik told the KKR management that he wants to "focus on his batting and contributing more to the team's cause". Appointed skipper in 2018, the 35-year-old led KKR in 37 matches.

"We are fortunate to have leaders such as DK, who has always put the team first. It takes a lot of courage for someone like him to take a decision such as this," team CEO Venky Mysore said in a statement.

"While we were surprised by his decision, we are respectful of his wishes."

Midway into the ongoing season, KKR find themselves at fourth place in the points table with four wins and four losses. Morgan was widely tipped to take over at some point from Karthik given the topsy-turvy run. PTI

(21) and Dinesh Karthik (4) off successive balls and reduced Kolkata to 42 for four.

KKR lost half their side for 61 as Andre Russell perished for 12. A bouncer from Jasprit Bumrah (1/22) did the trick as Russell lobbed off a sitter to de Kock.

# DUGOUT



**SMITH REMAINS CAPTAIN AFTER RUMOUR**

Rajasthan Royals on Friday seem to have inadvertently sparked a rumour of a change in captains before clarifying that Steve Smith remains skipper of the team. RR first posted a meme featuring their star wicket-keeper-batsman Jos Buttler based on the popular television show *The Office*. "Thankful for a boss like Jos," the team said in a tweet. That led to many on social media to speculate on whether Buttler is going to replace Smith as captain. Their tweet came just hours after Buttler's England team mate and captain Eoin Morgan replaced Dinesh Karthik as skipper at KKR. RR, however, later indicated that it was an attempt at humour that ended up sparking the rumour about the captaincy change. "When admin realises he started a false rumour," tweeted the franchise with another meme based on *The Office* before tweeting Smith's picture with the caption "Captain" with a heart emoji.

# POINTS TABLE

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2	DC	8	6	2	+0.990	12
3	RCB	8	5	3	-0.139	10
4	KKR	8	4	4	-0.684	8
5	SRH	8	3	5	+0.009	6
6	CSK	8	3	5	-0.390	6
7	RR	8	3	5	-0.844	6
8	KXIP	8	2	6	-0.295	4

# CSK brace for DC challenge

**SHARJAH:** Their campaign is back on track, courtesy Mahendra Singh Dhoni's smart captaincy but a stiff test awaits Chennai Super Kings when they face a dominant Delhi Capitals here on Saturday.

Every tactic that Dhoni employed against SRH, worked, and they are expected to continue in the same vein as they battle to salvage the season.

Whether it was promoting the Sam Curran to the opener's slot or finishing pacer Deepak Chahar's quota upfront while using seven bowlers to dry up runs, every

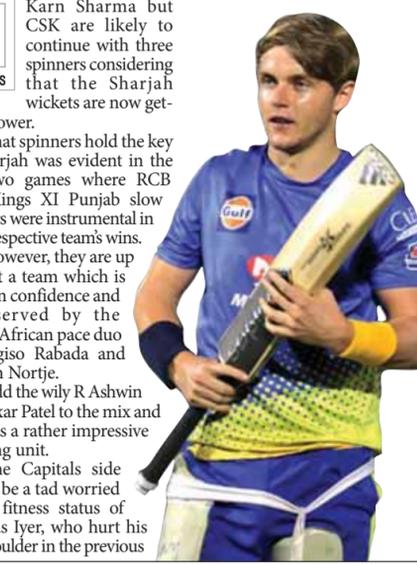
move produced desired result. Dhoni used leg spinner Piyush Chawla for only one over and that too as late as in the 16th over, leaving it largely on Ravindra Jadeja and Karn Sharma but CSK are likely to continue with three spinners considering that the Sharjah wickets are now getting slower.

That spinners hold the key in Sharjah was evident in the last two games where RCB and Kings XI Punjab slow bowlers were instrumental in their respective teams' wins.

However, they are up against a team which is high on confidence and well-served by the South African pace duo of Kagiso Rabada and Anrich Nortje.

Add the wily R Ashwin and Axar Patel to the mix and DC has a rather impressive bowling unit.

The Capitals side would be a tad worried about fitness status of Shreyas Iyer, who hurt his left shoulder in the previous



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3	Earnest Money	(It should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway only. Note:- FDR will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS as per Railway Board letter no. 20/1025/ICE-ICT/5/11 dated 31.08.2016) Rs. 89900.0
4	Completion period of the work	1 12 Months
5	Date & Time for submission of tender and opening of tender	Upto 15.00 hrs on 10.11.2020 Opening of tender at 15:00 hrs on 10.11.2020
6	Website particulars notice board location complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc.	Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. <a href="http://www.ireps.gov.in">www.ireps.gov.in</a>

No. 128-W/280/OET/20-21/W-V/NIT-27 Dated : 15.10.2020 2245/20  
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**Tender Notice No.:68/2020, Dated : 16-10-2020**  
**SUPPLY OF STORES ITEMS**

**E-Procurement Tender Notice**  
The following Tenders have been floated online. Tenderers are requested to visit the website [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) and submit their offers online. The Tender Description, Qty, EMD, SD may be seen in website. Offers submitted manually will not be accepted. Offers by post will not be entertained. Tender Closing time is 14:30 hours of the Due date of the Tender. "For all indigenous offers. Earnest Money Deposit will be accepted only via online system as available on [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in)"

Tender No.	Brief Description
45.20.1126	Battery Operated Led based.
81.20.1415A	Liquid Oxygen.
77.20.1209	DTBP Blocks..
45.19.5004	Jointless grooved copper.
29.20.1425	Set of Racers for Standard Journal.
29.20.1147	End frame driving end assly.
29.19.1279A	Cab activating key Switch.
29.20.1423	Contractor control Circuits in 110V.
29.20.1149	Gasket Overhauling kit.
29.20.1355	Set of Steel lock Nuts.
29.20.1182A	Primary voltage Transformer.
29.20.5002B	set of spares for IGBT.
29.20.5003	IGBT Based Auxillary Converter.

**Note:- Due dates of Tender Opening:**  
S.No. 01 on dt.05-11-2020, S.No. 02 on dt.06-11-2020, S.No. 03 on dt.09-11-2020, S.No. 04 on dt.13-11-2020, S.No. 05 to 08 on 16-11-2020, S.No. 09 to 13 on 23-11-2020.  
Beside above mentioned tenders there are other tenders having value below Rs.25 lakhs. For details, please visit Railway website above.

Principal Chief Materials Manager, A172 Secunderabad.  
For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at <http://www.ireps.gov.in> or [www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in](http://www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in)

No. 128-W/269/OET/20-21/NRCH/NIT 08 (A,B,C,D) Dated : 15.10.2020 2252/2020  
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**NORTHERN RAILWAY TENDER NOTICE**  
**Invitation of Tender through E-Tendering (E-Procurement System)**

N.I.T.No.	08 (A,B,C,D)-20-21 dated 15.10.2020
1	Name of work with its location
A)	Various types of Hort. works to improve aesthetic lock of NRCH Complex under ADENI/Hort./NDLS
B)	Repair of Eye donation centre, toilet block for pharmacy and ambulance driver, enhancement in the facility of OPD, mortuary, ramp facia and other ancillary works at NRCH under ADENI/NRCH.
C)	Repair to the sunshade, damaged worn out beams & columns, whose concrete is spalled out and Repair to old SCI stack of OT/Blood bank block and other area of Central Hospital in the section of SSE/WNRCH under ADENI/NRCH.
D)	Outsourcing of Nucleic Acid Testing for HIV, HBV & HCV of blood donor for two years in NRCH
2	Approx. Cost of work
A)	2292076.23
B)	13549348.34
C)	14987780.72
D)	3947100
3	Earnest Money
(It should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway Only. Note :- FDR will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS as per Railway Boards letter no 2015/ICE-I/CT/5/11 dated 31.08.2016)	
A)	45900.00
B)	217800.00
C)	224900.00
D)	79000.00
4	Completion period of Work
A)	24 Months
B)	6 Months
C)	7 Months
D)	24 Months
5	Cost of tender on cash/ by post
(It should be in the form of net banking or payment gateway Only. Note :- FDR will not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS as per Railway Boards letter no 2015/ICE-I/CT/5/11 dated 31.08.2016)	
A)	NIL
B)	NIL
C)	NIL
D)	NIL
6	Date and time for submission of tender and opening of tender
Upto 15.00 hrs on 13.11.2020 Opening of tender at 15:00 hrs. On 13.11.2020	
7	Website particulars notice board location complete details of tender can be seen and address of the office from where the tender form can be purchased etc
Above tender available on IREPS site i.e. <a href="http://www.ireps.gov.in">www.ireps.gov.in</a> .	

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# MORE FESTIVAL SPECIAL TRAINS - 2020

In order to clear extra rush of passengers during forthcoming festival season, Railways have decided to run the following Festival Special Trains as per details given below:-

Train No.	From-To	Frequency	Dates of Service	Stoppages & Timings Accommodation
05251	Darbhanga - Jalandhar City Festival Special Express	Weekly	24.10.2020 to 28.11.2020	Same as Train No. 22551/22552 Darbhanga - Jalandhar City - Darbhanga Antyodaya Express Reserved Second Class
05252	Jalandhar City - Darbhanga Festival Special Express	Weekly	25.10.2020 to 29.11.2020	Reserved Second Class
02397	Gaya - New Delhi Festival Special Express	Daily	20.10.2020 to 30.11.2020	Same as Train No. 12397/12398 Gaya - New Delhi - Gaya Mahabodhi Express
02398	New Delhi - Gaya Festival Special Express	Daily	21.10.2020 to 01.12.2020	Reserved Second Class
03255	Patliputra - Chandigarh Festival Special Express	Bi-Weekly	21.10.2020 to 29.11.2020	Same as Train No. 22355/22356 Patliputra - Chandigarh - Patliputra Express
03256	Chandigarh - Patliputra Festival Special Express	Bi-Weekly	22.10.2020 to 30.11.2020	1st AC, AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Sleeper & Reserved Second Class
02355	Patna - Jammu Tawi Festival Special Express	Bi-Weekly	20.10.2020 to 28.11.2020	Same as Train No. 12355/12356 Patna - Jammu Tawi - Patna Archana Exp.
02356	Jammu Tawi - Patna Festival Special Express	Bi-Weekly	21.10.2020 to 29.11.2020	AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Sleeper & Reserved Second Class
06229	Mysuru - Varanasi Festival Special Express	Bi-Weekly	20.10.2020 to 26.11.2020	Same as Train No. 16229/16230 Mysuru - Varanasi - Mysuru Exp. (Except Krishna Railway Station)
06230	Varanasi - Mysuru Festival Special Express	Bi-Weekly	22.10.2020 to 28.11.2020	AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Chair Car Sleeper & Reserved Second Class
07323	Hubballi - Varanasi Festival Special Express	Weekly	23.10.2020 to 27.11.2020	Same as Train No. 17323/17324 Hubballi - Varanasi - Hubballi Express
07324	Varanasi - Hubballi Festival Special Express	Weekly	25.10.2020 to 29.11.2020	AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Sleeper & Reserved Second Class
04185	Gwalior - Barauni Festival Special Express	Daily	26.10.2020 to 30.11.2020	Same as Train No. 11124/11123 Gwalior - Barauni - Gwalior Express
04186	Barauni - Gwalior Festival Special Express	Daily	27.10.2020 to 01.12.2020	AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Sleeper & Reserved Second Class
02817	Visakhapatnam - Nizamuddin Festival Special Express	05 days in a week	20.10.2020 to 29.11.2020	Same as Train No. 12807/12808 Visakhapatnam - Nizamuddin - Visakhapatnam Express (Except Singapur Road, Therubali, Ambodola, Norla Road, Rupra Road Stations)
02818	Nizamuddin - Visakhapatnam Festival Special Express	05 days in a week	22.10.2020 to 01.12.2020	AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Sleeper & Reserved Second Class
08237	Korba - Amritsar Festival Special Express	Tri-Weekly	20.10.2020 to 27.11.2020	Same as Train No. 18237/18238 Korba - Amritsar-Bilaspur-Korba Chattisgarh Express (Except Belha, Hathbandh, Katol, Narkher, Pandhurna, Obaidulla Ganj, Sanchi, Babina, Sonagir, Jakhalaun, Dhaura, Banmor, Basai & Kartarpur Stations)
08238	Amritsar - Bilaspur Festival Special Express	Tri-Weekly	22.10.2020 to 29.11.2020	1st AC, AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Sleeper & Reserved Second Class
02683	Yeshwantapur - Lucknow Festival Special Express	Weekly	26.10.2020 to 30.11.2020	Same as Train No. 22683/22684 Yeshwantapur - Lucknow - Yeshwantapur Express
02684	Lucknow - Yeshwantapur Festival Special Express	Weekly	29.10.2020 to 03.12.2020	AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Sleeper & Reserved Second Class
02539	Yeshwantapur - Lucknow Festival Special Express	Weekly	21.10.2020 to 25.11.2020	Same as Train No. 12539/12540 Yeshwantapur - Lucknow - Yeshwantapur Express
02540	Lucknow - Yeshwantapur Festival Special Express	Weekly	23.10.2020 to 27.11.2020	AC-2 Tier, AC-3 Tier, Sleeper & Reserved Second Class

**NOTE :** All norms of the State and Central Government regarding COVID-19 including Social distancing, sanitization etc., may be followed in the trains and at the Railway stations. All other precautions associated with COVID-19 should also be ensured.

**Beware of Touts** Always buy Train Tickets from Railway Counters/Authorized Railway Travel Agents only

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