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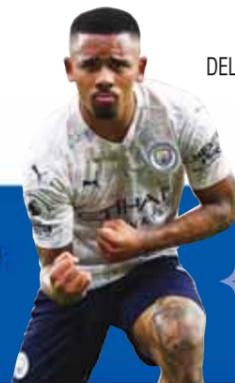
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## Opp begins Session boycott

Suspended MPs end sit-in; united Opp plans long-term protest against farm Bills

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Opposition parties led by the Congress on Tuesday began the boycott of the remaining part of the Monsoon Session to demand the revocation of the suspension of eight MPs and the introduction of a Bill to bar private players from buying farm produce below the minimum support price (MSP).

The battle-line drawn between the ruling BJP and the Opposition after the passing of two controversial farm Bills in the Rajya Sabha impacted the Lok Sabha, too, where Opposition members, including from the DMK, Congress, NCP and TMC, boycotted the proceedings demanding "withdrawal" of the Bills before they are sent to the President for his consent.

While the Opposition members staged a walkout in the Rajya Sabha and announced to boycott the entire ongoing session, the Opposition MPs in the Lok Sabha joined them to express solidarity with them.

The eight suspended members who were on a sit-in dharna overnight on Parliament premises called off their protest and joined the Lok Sabha MPs to strategise a broad-based boycott.

"Senior Opposition leaders,

including Congress Leader of the Opposition Ghulam Nabi Azad, appealed to all of us sitting at the dharna to finish it and join them in boycotting the rest of the session.

That is how we have ended this dharna," said Congress Rajya Sabha member Syed Nasir Hussain.

"We not only want our suspension to be revoked but also want the farm Bills to be taken back and discussed further. There should be proper voting on it," Hussain said.

Hussain is among the eight MPs who were suspended for the remaining part of the Session over "gross disorderly conduct" during the passage of the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020, and the Farmers' Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020 on Sunday.

Trinamool Congress' Derek O'Brien and Dola Sen, Congress' Rajeev Satav, Ripun Bora, Aam Aadmi Party's Sanjay Singh, CPI(M)'s Elamaram Kareem and KK Ragesh are the other suspended MPs.

Soon after the Upper House resumed, the Opposition parties led by Congress staged a walkout after their demand for revoca-

tion of suspension of the eight MPs fell on deaf ears. In order to pacify the members at dharna, the Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh had offered them tea requesting them to call off their protest but in vain.

Congress Rajya Sabha member and Chief Whip Jairam Ramesh took to twitter to give seven reasons behind the decision to boycott the proceedings.

Several senior Opposition leaders, including Azad, Samajwadi Party's Ram Gopal Yadav, Janata Dal (Secular) leader and former Prime Minister HD Deve Gowda and NCP Praful Patel, appealed to Chairman M Venkaiah Naidu to revoke the suspension of the eight leaders.



Congress MP Ghulam Nabi Azad and other Opposition MPs stage a walkout from the Rajya Sabha, demanding suspension of 8 lawmakers be revoked, during the ongoing Monsoon Session of Parliament, at Parliament House in New Delhi on Tuesday PTI

## China's rapid military build-up alarms India

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

China continues to rapidly cramp up its military prowess all along the border stretching from Arunachal Pradesh in the east to Ladakh in the west as talks are on to defuse the volatile situation at the Line of Actual Control.

The Chinese have doubled up their airbases and other military installations in the last three years thereby threatening India's strategic interests.

China has already deployed more than 150 aircraft and helicopters close to the LAC in Ladakh where both the countries share a 1,700 km long border. Satellite images and a report by Stratfor, a global intelligence platform, about the massive build up has alarmed the Indian security establishment.

The rapid improvement in military infrastructure started right after the 73-day stand-off between India and China in Doklam, Sikkim in 2017. Intervention at the highest political and diplomatic levels then defused the situation.

Since then, China has more than doubled its total number of airbases, air defence positions and heliports near the Indian border. The Stratfor report gives details of China's military-infrastructure build-up through a detailed analysis of satellite images of military facilities.

"The timing of the Chinese build-up of military facilities along the border with India just prior to the ongoing Ladakh standoff suggests these border tensions are part of a much larger effort by China to assert control over its border regions,"

Beijing has doubled airbases, military installations along LAC in last 3 years

### SINISTER DESIGN

- China has already deployed more than 150 aircraft and helicopters close to LAC in Ladakh, according to satellite images and a report by Stratfor, a global intelligence platform
- It has started constructing at least 13 entirely new military positions near its borders with India
- The timing of the Chinese build-up of military facilities along the border with India just prior to the ongoing Ladakh standoff suggests these border tensions are part of a much larger effort by China



says Sim Tack, a senior global analyst with Stratfor and the author of the report.

Significantly, China's upgrade of its military infrastructure is far from complete. "The expansion and construction of military infrastructure is in most cases still underway, so the Chinese military activity that we are seeing along the border with India today is only the beginning of a longer-term intent," the report says.

The consequences of this for India, which has been involved in a violent face-off with China in eastern Ladakh since early May, seem clear. "Once finished, this infrastructure will provide support for an even greater intensity of

Chinese operations." According to the report, China has "started constructing at least 13 entirely new military positions near its borders with India."

This includes three airbases, five permanent air defence positions and five heliports. "Construction on four of those new heliports started after the onset of the current Ladakh crisis in May," it says.

China's military build-up along the Indian borders, the report says, is part of a bigger strategy similar to its goals in the South China Sea where Beijing has dredged land around tiny coral atolls to develop full-fledged air bases and naval facilities.

## 11 Bills passed in Opp MPs' absence

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Parliament on Tuesday passed as many as 11 Bills, three of them related to the crucial labour sector and the fourth one with regard to essential commodities without the participation of the Opposition.

One of those Bills will allow companies to hire and fire at will if the staff strength is less than 300.

The other one will virtually decriminalise hoarding of what were defined essential commodities. While the Bill will decide the fate of tens of thousands of workers and millions of farmers, they met with no scrutiny from Opposition parties.

The Centre used the Opposition's decision to boycott both Houses of Parliament to rush through these Bills. The Rajya Sabha

passed seven Bills, and the Lok Sabha passed four Bills, including three Bills on labour sector.

The three labour sector Bills passed in the Lok Sabha are: Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code 2020; the Industrial Relations Code 2020 and the Code on Social Security 2020.

Later the Lok Sabha also passed Jammu & Kashmir Official Language (Amendment) Bill which makes five languages as official languages in the State. Earlier only Urdu was considered as the only official language. As per the new Bill apart from Urdu, Kashmiri, Hindi, Dogri and Punjabi will be official language.

Rajya Sabha passed seven Bills, which include Banking Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2020.

## Harivansh observes fast to express anguish over MPs' unruly behaviour

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In an unprecedented act in the history of Parliament, Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh Narayan Singh went on a one-day fast on Tuesday to express his anguish over the Opposition MPs' "unruly" behaviour during the vote on the farm Bills on Sunday.

He also wrote letter to President Ram Nath Kovind and Vice-President M Venkaiah Naidu narrating the incident which had led him to announce the token fast in front of the Mahatma Gandhi statue in Parliament.

Harivansh announced his fast shortly after he met eight Rajya Sabha members protesting on the lawns on the Parliament complex and offered them tea, a gesture that the MPs snubbed.

"After what happened on Sunday, I have been extremely anguished, distressed and in mental agony and have been unable to sleep for the past two days..." "In the name of democracy, Opposition members behaved in a violent manner and there were attempts to intimidate the Chair," Harivansh wrote in his letter.



Deputy Chairman of Rajya Sabha Harivansh Narayan Singh offers tea to suspended MPs on the premises of Parliament on Tuesday morning PTI

## Sharad Pawar gets I-T notice on poll affidavits

Mumbai: NCP chief Sharad Pawar on Tuesday said the Income Tax department has served him a notice in connection with his poll affidavits submitted to the Election Commission. Talking to reporters here, Pawar said the Income Tax department has sought his "clarification and explanation" on some poll affidavits furnished by him.

"I got the notice yesterday...We are happy that they (the Centre) love us from among all the members...The notice was served by Income Tax after the Election Commission asked (it) to...We



will reply to the notice," he said. He was responding to a query on reports that his daughter and Lok Sabha member Supriya Sule, Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray and Environment Minister Aaditya Thackeray had received similar notices from the I-T department.

## LAC talks inconclusive but raises hopes

Both sides agree to stop sending more troops to frontline, to avoid misunderstandings

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The 14-hour military-diplomatic level talks between India and China on Monday to defuse tension at the Line of Actual Control (LAC) ended on a positive note.

The talks were held in a positive manner, and it is hoped that another two to three rounds of dialogues in the coming days may start the process of disengagement of troops.

India and China on Tuesday in a joint statement after the sixth round of Corps Commanders talks agreed to "stop sending more troops to

the frontline" and "refrain from unilaterally changing the situation on the ground" while agreeing to hold more talks to resolve the standoff.

"They agreed to earnestly implement the important consensus reached by the leaders of the two countries, strengthen communication on the ground, avoid misunderstandings and misjudgements, stop sending more troops to the frontline, refrain from unilaterally changing the situation on the ground, and avoid taking any actions that may complicate the situation," the joint statement said on the senior military commander-level held



on Monday. The two sides had candid and in-depth exchanges of views on stabilising the situation along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in the India-China border areas, it stated. Sources said while the disengagement is yet to be agreed

upon, the recent talks will ensure there will not be any further build up along the LAC.

The two sides also agreed to hold the seventh round of military commander level talks as soon as possible, "take practical measures to properly solve problems on the ground, and jointly safeguard peace and tranquillity in the border area," the statement added.

Also, the two delegations reaffirmed their commitment to abide by the five-point plan outlined by External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and his Chinese counterpart Wang Yi for disengagement.

## Punjab Covid cases show a decline

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

In a notable decline, Punjab on Tuesday reported 1,498 fresh cases of Covid-19 besides 66 deaths, pushing the State's total count of infections past one lakh. The state's infection tally now stood at 1,01,341, while the death toll has reached close to 2,926. Of the total, highest 11 casualties were reported from Jalandhar; followed by nine each from Amritsar, Ludhiana, and Patiala; six from Gurdaspur; three each from Bathinda, Ferozepur, Ropar; two each from Moga, and SAS Nagar (Mohali); and one each from Faridkot, Fatehgarh Sahib, Fazilka, Kapurthala, Mansa, Muktsar, Pathankot, Sangrur, and Tarn Taran.

Among the districts, maximum 2,57 cases were reported from Amritsar, followed by 227 from SAS Nagar (Mohali), 127 from Patiala, 115 from Ludhiana, 93 from Gurdaspur, 92 from Kapurthala, 76 from Bathinda, 72 from Jalandhar, 66 from Ropar, 60 from Pathankot, 50 from Hoshiarpur, 44 from Muktsar, 33 from Moga, 32 each from Fazilka and Faridkot, 27 from Sangrur, 23 from SBS Nagar (Nawanshahr), 22 from Barnala, 20 from Fatehgarh Sahib, 12 each from Tarn Taran and Mansa, and four from

Ferozepur. With this, the total number of recoveries has reached 77,127 at the rate of 76.11 percent. However, the state still has 21,288 active cases (21.01 percent of the total confirmed cases in the state), of which 565 patients are on oxygen support, and 65 are critical and on ventilator support.

| PUNJAB SURPASSES ONE LAKH CASES |                 |              |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| DISTRICT                        | TOTAL CASES     | DEATHS       |
| Ludhiana                        | 16,599          | 677          |
| Jalandhar                       | 11,646          | 334          |
| Patiala                         | 10,642          | 295          |
| Mohali                          | 9,138           | 149          |
| Amritsar                        | 8,682           | 315          |
| Gurdaspur                       | 5,180           | 112          |
| Bathinda                        | 5,112           | 91           |
| Hoshiarpur                      | 3,858           | 120          |
| Ferozepur                       | 3,429           | 89           |
| Sangrur                         | 3,274           | 130          |
| Pathankot                       | 3,053           | 57           |
| Kapurthala                      | 2,707           | 122          |
| Faridkot                        | 2,437           | 39           |
| Muktsar                         | 2,179           | 31           |
| Moga                            | 2,059           | 60           |
| Fazilka                         | 1,912           | 28           |
| Ropar                           | 1,799           | 56           |
| Fatehgarh Sahib                 | 1,730           | 75           |
| Barnala                         | 1,701           | 37           |
| Tarn Taran                      | 1,448           | 52           |
| Mansa                           | 1,390           | 22           |
| Nawanshahr                      | 1,366           | 35           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>1,01,341</b> | <b>2,926</b> |

## Covid-19 IN INDIA

**TOTAL CASES: 56,39,088**  
**DEATHS: 90,006**  
**RECOVERED: 45,78,395**  
**ACTIVE: 9,69,880**



| STATES         | TOTAL CASES | DEATHS | RECOVERED |
|----------------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| Maharashtra    | 12,42,770   | 33,407 | 9,36,554  |
| Andhra Pradesh | 6,39,302    | 5,461  | 5,62,376  |
| Tamil Nadu     | 5,52,674    | 8,947  | 4,97,377  |
| Karnataka      | 5,33,850    | 8,228  | 4,32,450  |
| Uttar Pradesh  | 3,64,543    | 5,212  | 2,96,183  |
| Delhi          | 2,53,075    | 5,051  | 2,16,401  |
| West Bengal    | 2,31,484    | 4,483  | 2,02,030  |
| Odisha         | 1,88,311    | 774    | 1,53,213  |
| Telangana      | 1,74,774    | 1,052  | 1,44,073  |
| Bihar          | 1,71,465    | 873    | 1,57,056  |
| Assam          | 1,61,393    | 586    | 1,29,130  |
| Kerala         | 1,42,758    | 573    | 1,01,727  |
| Gujarat        | 1,26,169    | 3,353  | 1,06,512  |
| Rajasthan      | 1,18,793    | 1,367  | 98,812    |
| Haryana        | 1,14,870    | 1,206  | 93,776    |
| Madhya Pradesh | 1,10,711    | 2,035  | 86,030    |

## 90,000 LIVES LOST TO CORONAVIRUS

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

India's Covid-19 death count crossed 90,000-mark on Tuesday as the country once again recorded more than 1,000 deaths with Maharashtra leading the tally followed by Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, UP and Delhi. Maharashtra on Tuesday recorded 392 deaths which took its overall death count to 33,407. The State reported

18,390 new cases of coronavirus on Tuesday, and with that the tally has now climbed to 12,42,770.

The number of active cases is now pitched at 2,72,410 as per the latest information shared by the state health department.

Tamil Nadu recorded 76 deaths and 5,337 new cases on Tuesday which took its death count to 5,406 and total case-load to 5.52 lakh.

## 1 cr migrants walked home during Mar-Jun: Govt

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

More than one crore migrant labourers returned to their home States on foot during March-June 2020, including those who travelled during the Covid-19 pandemic-induced lockdown, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) said on Tuesday.

"Covid-19 has resulted in migration of large number of workers from destination states to the home States," Minister of State for Road Transport and Highways VK Singh told Lok

Sabha in a written reply. As per the data compiled by Ministry of Labour and Employment, more than 1.06 crore migrant workers, including those who travelled on foot during the lockdown, returned to their home States, he said.

As per provisional available information, 81,385 accidents occurred on the roads (including national highways) during the period March-June 2020 with 29,415 fatalities, he informed Parliament.

However, he said that the

Ministry does not maintain separate data in respect of migrants' death in road accidents during the lockdown.

He said the MHA issued regular advisories to state/union territories to take all necessary measures to provide shelters, food, water, health facilities to migrant workers.

"This ministry had assisted the movement of migrant labourers walking on foot on the various NHs by providing them food, drinking water, basic medicines and foot wears, etc," he said.



## Delhi HC stays 80% ICU quota for Covid, Govt to challenge it

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi High Court on Tuesday stayed the Delhi Government's decision to reserve 80 per cent ICU beds for coronavirus patients in 33 private hospitals in the national Capital. Reacting to the HC order, the Delhi Government on Tuesday said it will challenge it on Wednesday.

# Classifieds

## LOST AND FOUND

**I, Baby Chhavi Alias Diksha Bhatia D/O Late. Gurpreet Singh (Same Name) R/O 218, Nijamat Nagar, Jalandhar, going to encasement purchased by my deceased father vide KVP No. B1BB092976 to B1BB092983 & 80BB982013 to 80BB982020 (each of Rs. 5000) If anybody having any objection can contact us at 98722-14632. Within 7 days.**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

**I, Balwant S/O Ram Narayan R/O Village Tarkha Kharakbura Distt Jind, current R/O Village Tagra hari singh Tehsil Kalka Distt Panchkula my son Naveen and his wife Anuradha are out of my control. I disown them from my moveable/immovable properties. Anybody deals with them at their own risk.**

**I, Rajesh Gupta S/O Sh. Shyam Lal Gupta R/O H.No- 353 Sec-7, Urban Estate Ambala City inform that I and my family member break all relation with my Brother in Law Pankaj Gupta, his wife Aarti Gupta. I have no relation with them in future. I and my family members shall not be held responsible for any kind of act/bad.**

**I, Jaspal Singh Jaggi S/O Late Smt. Iqbal Kaur Jaggi & Late Sh. Jawsant Singh Jaggi R/O H. No. 129-B, Gobind Nagar Ambala Cantt, I Inform That Jaspal Singh & Jaspal Singh Jaggi S/O Late Smt. Iqbal Kaur & Late Sh. Jawsant Singh. Both are one & the Same Person in all Records Please Note.**

**I, Sita Devi W/O. Basant Singh Resident of Ward - 4, Ratta Distt Fatehabad Haryana declare that my son Harpreet Singh is out of my control. I disown him from my all moveable and immovable properties. In Future I & my family will not be responsible for his any Act / transactions.**

**We Dilbag Singh S/O Gaurkha Ram and Nirmla W/O Dilbag Singh R/O H. No. 522 Sector 13, U.E. Kurukshetra, presently R/O H.No. 1031 Sadhu Mandi Kurukshetra, have disown my son Amardeep Singh from all my moveable/immovable properties, as he is out of our control.**

**I, Jaggu S/O Budhsen R/O 1533, Mouli Jagran Complex, Chandigarh U.T. declare that my Son Prem is out of my control I disown them from my moveable/immovable property if any body deals with them will do so on his/ her own risk and responsibility.**

**I, Satish Kumar S/O Kali Ram R/O h.no 3932 near shiv Mandir moti ram colony panipat declared missing my original registry vaska no.2102 dt 8.8.1990 in the name bhannat w/o Maan Singh at moti ram colony noorwala panipat dated 10.7.2020 and DDR no.132340252003170 if any legal case me responsible.**

**I, Soban Singh Rawat S/O Late Sh. Indar Singh R/O House No. 4630, Maloya Colony, Chandigarh declare that my son Amit is out of my control. I disown him from all my moveable / immovable properties. Anybody dealing with him will do so at his / her own risk and responsibility.**

**We, Yash Paul and Tripta Devi #1023/1 Dashmesh Nagar, Naya Gaon, SAS Nagar Mohali, disown our son Arun Kumar from our moveable/immovable properties as he beyond our control. Anybody deals them shall do at their own risk. We shall not responsible for his acts.**

**I, Phumman Singh S/O Jagir Singh R/O Village Santokhpura Tehsil Thanesar District Kurukshetra, declare that my Daughter Gunwinder Kaur, is out of our control. I disown her from all my moveable and immovable properties. Anybody dealing with her will do so at their own risk and responsibility.**

**We, N.K. Sharma S/O B.D Sharma & Kamlesh Sharma W/O N.K. Sharma R/O #5244/A, Sec-38 Chandigarh Declared Our Son Arvind Sharma is Out Of Our Control. We Disown Him From Our All Moveable / Immovable Properties. Anybody Deal With Him On His Own Risk.**

**I, JC731593L Rank Sub. Yashwant Singh Parihar Son of Hardev Singh Parihar resident of Sakra, Mauranpur Jhansi, Uttar Pradesh-284205 at present H.No.15/1, Mohalla No. 4, Sadar Bazar, Jalandhar Cantt., Punjab declare that I want to get correct my name from Yashwant Singh Parihar to Yashwant Singh Parihar and my wife's name from Meera Devi to Meera Parihar in my Army record.**

**I, No. 3999680K L/Hav Sushil Kumar S/O Harbans Lal R/O Vill. Bhavnal, Po Sariana, Teh.Mukerian, Distt.Hoshiarpur declare that in my Army documents my wife's name & DOB written wrong as Anjana & DOB is 7-9-1981. The correct name of my wife is Anjana Rani & DOB is 7-9-1980.**

**I, Jasbir Singh S/O Dil Chand R/O W.No. 4 Mohalla Dadpara Teh-Dera Bassi (SAS Nagar, Mohali) declare that in the LIC Policy No. 162544506 my daughter name entered wrongly Nishu Devi. But my daughter correct name is Khushpreet according to all the documents. So amended my daughter name from Nishu Devi to Khushpreet in LIC Policy No. 162544506.**

**मैं नैन सिंह पुत्र गोधम सिंह निवासी वॉर्ड नं 15 इमार्लजिड कालोनी, रतिया जिला फतेहाबाद का हूँ। मेरी पुत्रवधु पूजा पत्नी पूर्ण सिंह जोकि मेरे कहने सुनने से बाहर है। मैं अपनी पुत्रवधु को अपनी चल अचल सम्पत्ति से वेदखल करता हूँ। नविये में मेरी पुत्रवधु को साथ लेने-देने करने वाला स्वयं जिम्मेवार होगा।**

## CHANGE OF NAME

**I, Army No. JC-247774X NIB/RIS Inderpal Singh of Unit 4 Horse C/O 56 APO, In my service record my son's name wrongly recorded as Jasandeep Singh instead of Jashandeep Singh vide affidavit no. 7337293 dated 15-09-2020 before Notary Pathankot.**

**I, Jarnail Singh S/O Dyal Singh Village Daffer Hadd Bast No.1 Tehsil Dasuya Distt. Hoshiarpur declare my name wrongly written Gurkamajit Singh alias Mela Singh in revenue record Jama Bandi 2019-2020. My correct name is Jarnail Singh S/O Dyal Singh S/O Mela Singh is amended in revenue record.**

**I, Sarbjit Singh S/O Mela Singh S/O Kartar Singh Village Daffer Tehsil Dasuya Distt. Hoshiarpur declare that my name wrongly written Bhilo Singh S/O Mela Singh Village Mokha 455 Jamma Bandi 2018-2019. My correct name is Sarbjit Singh S/O Mela Singh S/O Kartar Singh is amended in revenue record.**

**I, Shalini W/O Ajay Sachdeva R/O #821 Sector -7, Panchkula have changed my name to Shalini Sachdeva.**

**I, Daljit Singh S/O Late Gurdav Singh R/O 1304, Sector 37-B, Chandigarh have changed my name Daljit Singh to Daljeet Singh.**

**I, Manoj Kumar S/O Janak Raj Sharma R/O #42, Ward No.3, Dhakoli, Distt.SAS Nagar (Punjab) have changed my name to Manoj Sharma S/O Janak Raj.**

**I, Jagdish Singh S/O Jalal Masih R/O Village Pahra Distt Gurdaspur have changed my name from Jagdish Singh to Jagdish Masih. Concerned note.**

**I, No 1546837M Rank DFR Ajmer Singh posted at 13 ARMD REGT C/O 56 APO hereby declare that I have changed the name of my daughter from Rasmi Yadav to Rashmi in my Army record.**

**I, Mandeep Kohli W/O Jagjit Singh R/O #1215 Sector - 10, Panchkula Haryana have changed my name to Mandeep Singh.**

**I, Manju Victor W/O Sarvjit Singh R/O Plot No. 2, Civil Lines, Jagadhri, have changed my name to Manju Singh.**

**I, Surender Kumar (Nayab Subedar, J.C. No. 342564H) S/O Sh. Balwan Singh R/O Vill. Halalpur, Tehsil & Distt. Sonapat declare that in my service record, my wife's name was wrongly entered as Sunita Devi. Her actual name is Sunita. Please correct it.**

**I, Ranbir Singh S/O Pale Ram R/O Village-Purkhas, Tehsil-Ganaur, Distt.Sonapat have changed my son's name from Mohit Kumar to Mohit Rathes.**

**I, Satbir S/O Shri Mangatu Ram and Mukesh W/O Satbir R/O #289 Sector 19, Panchkula have changed our name from Satbir to Mukesh Rani.**

**I, Stuti Sharma D/O Sh. Vijay Sharma R/O, H.No. 227- Dayal Bagh Ambala Cantt. I Have Changed My Name From Stuti Agnihotri To Stuti Sharma. In Future My Name Known as Stuti Sharma All Concerned Please Note.**

**I, Ravinder Singh S/O Tarlochan Singh R/O Village Gorgarh, Tehsil Indri, District Karnal declares that my son's name has been wrongly registered as Divreet Singh in the 10th certificate instead of Divreet Singh. Mandivreet Singh was written in the school from Nursery to VIII, which was corrected on the basis of birth certificate.**

**I, Sandeep Kumar S/O Jai Singh R/O ward no.2 near shiv mandir village bhakra teh samalkha distt panipat declare change my son name from Rhythm to Aakash and his Adhar no. 221639390446.dob is 22.3.2007 in future my son name Aakash.**

**I, No. 14674583W Rank: Hav. Amlesh Kumar Sharma Unit 17 R&O Flight 6602 Maint flight PIN 925417 C/O 56 APO R/O Basti Mu. Jajali, PO Fatehpur Talwar, P.S. Madhuban, Distt. Mau, (U.P) Pin-221603 declare in my service records my wife's name is wrongly mentioned Yasoda Devi and 23/06/1965 but her correct name and DOB is Yashoda Yadav and DOB 23/06/1967 vide Affidavit No. AT 427575 dated 21.09.2020.**

**I, No. 14674583W Rank Nk. Name: Jitendra Singh Yadav Unit 17 R&O FLT C/O 56 APO R/O Ward No. 13, Nandni Nagar, Near Adarsh School, Gairatganj, M.P. - 464884 declare that in my service record my mother's Name and DOB wrongly mentioned Yasoda Devi and 23/06/1965 but her correct Name and DOB is Yashoda Yadav and DOB 23/06/1967 vide Affidavit No. AT 427575 dated 21.09.2020.**

**I, Jagvir Singh W/O Amarjit Singh, Vill Rurka, Teh Malerkotia, Distt Sangrur, changed my name to Jagvir Singh.**

**I, Karam Veer S/O Nathi Ram # 592-A, RBI Colony Sector 30-A, Chandigarh, have changed my name to Karamveer.**

**I, Jagjeet S/O Surmukh Singh R/O 252, Village Mauli Jagran, Chandigarh, have changed my name to Jagjit Singh.**

**I, Karamjit Kaur W/O Paramjit Singh, VPO Barwa, Tehsil Anandpur Sahib (Ropar), declare that my husband's correct name is Paramjeet Singh.**

**I, Pooja Devi W/O Mohit R/O Village Rukla Kheri PO Khera Farm, Tehsil Jagadhri, (Yamuna Nagar) have changed my name Pooja to Pooja Devi.**

**I, Tannu D/O Sh.Sunil Dutt, R/O 1259, Urban Estate, Jind, Haryana declare that my name has been wrongly mentioned Tanu in my passport. But my correct name is Tannu, which may be amended accordingly.**

**I, Smt Simerjeet Kaur W/O No 1492902W Hav Kamaljit Singh R/O Vill. Sotla P/O Bhunga Tehsil & Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed my name from Simerjeet Kaur Simerjeet Kaur vide affidavit dated 22-09-2020 before Notary at Hoshiarpur.**

**I, Madan Lal S/O Sh. Lekh Raj R/O Village Khangwan PO Manhota Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed the name of my daughter from Tamanna to Tamanna Dawal Concerned Note.**

**I, Shyama Devi mother of No 15493614M Rank ALD Name Manmohan Kumar Vill Sawari Math, Po Sawari Bojixite, Teh Jalaipur, Distt Chapra, State Bihar 841412 hereby declare that I have changed my name from Shyama Devi to Shyama Devi vide affidavit dated 22/09/2020 before Session Court, Hisar.**

**I, Dina Nath S/O Frangur Ram R/O Flat No. 532, Sector-41, Near Government High School, Chandigarh have changed my name from Dina Nath to Sahil Atri.**

**I, Smt Metto W/O Late No.6321985 Signl Gan Chand R/O Village- Rawal Gadarian Po-Khojepur Tehsil/Distt- Gurdaspur State- Punjab. Have Changed My Name From Metto To Mito Rani And My Date Of Birth 01-07-1943 To 01-01-1953 Vide Affidavit No 1683 Dt 07-09-2020 Before Attested By Executive Magistrate Gurdaspur.**

**I, Sudesh W/O Lt. Sh. Satbir Singh R/O H.No.320/B, Nera Bhamari Mata Mandir, Knuda Ali Sher, Chandigarh declare that I have changed my name from Sumesta Devi to Sudesh for all future purposes.**

**I, Deesha Umesh Gaonkar is Legally wedded spouse of No #494290F Rank NK Umesh Unit - 5371 ASC Bn MT S/O Late Chandrakant Mahadev Gaonkar R/O Village - Konseth, PO-Castle-Rokh (Karnataka) Pin-581121 have changed my name from Deesha Parasharam Chougule to Deesha Umesh Gaonkar Vide Affidavit No Z 407900 Before Notary Public Pathankot.**

**I, Vikas S/O Satyawan Singh R/O Village Kheri Simbalwail, Tehsil Rajourid District Kathal declares that I have changed my name from Vikas to Vikas Kumar. All concerned please note.**

**I, Parmjeet Kaur W/O Karnail Singh R/O Ward No 16, Dera Bhaig Singh Cheeka, Tehsil Gulia District Kathal declares that I have changed my name from Parmjeet Kaur to Parmjeet Kaur. All concerned please note.**

**I, Ranveer Singh S/O Girvar Singh is Legally Father of No 14872299L Rank Sep Anil Kumar Unit -5371 ASC Bn MT C/O 56 APO Vill-Dudharai, Kesari, Firozabad (UP) - 205141 have changed my name from Ranveer Singh to Ranveer Singh Vide Affidavit No Z 407788 Before Notary Public Pathankot.**

**I, Smt Sukhinder Kaur W/O No.JC-429067P Ex Sub H.Sub Maj Bakar Singh R/O Vill- Chopra Po-Sidhwan, Tehsil/Distt- Gurdaspur State Punjab that I Declare Changed My Name From Stuti Agnihotri To Stuti Sharma In Future My Name Known as Stuti Sharma All Concerned Please Note.**

**I, Parmjit Kaur W/O Rajinder Singh R/O Village- Nawain Pind Bahadur Tehsil/Distt Gurdaspur. Declare That My Son Daljit Singh His School Record My Name Parmjit Kaur Which is Wrong But My Name Parmjit Kaur Which Is Correct.**

**I, Jeeru Vanitha, Spouse of No. 16114684K Hav, Jeeru Ramana, Unit 5 EngR Regt C/O 56 Apo have changed my name from Vanitha to Jeeru Vanitha.**

**I, Pandimadevi G, Spouse of No. 15333961F, Hav, R Muthu Kumar, Unit 5 EngR Regt C/O 56 Apo have changed my name from Pandimadevi Muthu Kumar to Pandimadevi G.**

**I, Harkirat Kaur And Harkirat Kaur W/O Amarjeet Singh R/O H.No.172 GK Vihar Satjot Nagar Ludhiana Am One And Same Person Of Above Both Names.**

**I, Sukhdeep S/O Prem Chand R/O Vpo. Chaukmaan Distt. Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Sukhdeep Rupal.**

**I, Rajesh Kumar S/O Jawahar Lal Kapoor R/O 605/80 Guru Nanak Nagar Backside Sec-32 Kulwail Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Rajesh Kumar Kapoor.**

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**I, Amarjit Singh S/O Sardar Singh R/O Patti Ramu Ki, VPO. Dhillwan, Distt.Kapurthala, Punjab have changed my name as Amar Singh.**

**I, Narinder Kaur Saini W/O Mandeep Saini R/O H No 51/52, Frindes Avenue, Mithapur Road, Jalandhar Have Changed My Name From Narinder Saini To Narinder Kaur Saini.**

**I, Harwinder Kaur W/O Bagga Singh R/O Sangojia, Kapurthala Declare That My Father Names Gurdjeep Singh and Gurdip Singh is one and the same person.**

**I, Navneet Kaur Gill alias Navneet Kaur W/O Surjit Singh Gill R/O Vill. Wadian Chakkian Teh-Zira (Ferozepur) both names are mine.**

**I, Manjeet Kaur W/O Rachpal Singh R/O Jodhan (Ludhiana) changed my name to Manjeet Kaur Dhillion.**

**I, Sukhwinder Singh Tatta S/O Sukhdev Singh R/O Barmi (Ludhiana) changed my minor daughter name from Ranveet Kaur to Ranveet Kaur Tatta.**

**I, Sukhwinder Singh Tatta S/O Sukhdev Singh R/O Barmi (Ludhiana) changed my minor son name from Ekamjot Singh to Ekamjot Singh Tatta.**

**I, Jaspreet Kaur W/O Sukhwinder Singh Tatal R/O Barmi (Ludhiana) changed my name to Jaspreet Kaur Tatta.**

**I, Baljit Kaur W/O Mandeep Singh Rakha R/O Vpo. Nathawal (Ludhiana) changed my name to Baljit Kaur Rakha after marriage.**

**I, Amanjot Kaur D/O Nek Singh R/O Village Karhal Nau Abad P O Khera Dona Kapurthala Changed My Name Amanjot Kaur To Amanjot As Name And Kaur As Surname.**

**I, Pawanpreet Kaur D/O Nek Singh R/O Village Karhal Nau Abad P O Khera Dona Kapurthala Changed My Name Pawanpreet Kaur To Pawanpreet As Name And Kaur As Surname.**

**I, Harpreet Singh Sidhu S/O Baldev Singh R/O # 2659, Urban Estate, Phase 2, Patiala Have Changed My Name To Harpreet Singh.**

**I, Baljit Singh S/O Mehar Singh R/O Village Mirza Lakhoke District Ferozeper have Changed My Name To Baljeet Singh.**

**I, Rajbir Kaur W/O Bajjett Singh R/O Village Mirza Lakhoke District Ferozeper Have Changed My Name To Rajbeer Kaur.**

**I, Sukhdev Singh Hundal S/O Sukhohain Singh R/O Village Chuchind District Ferozeper Changed My Name To Sukhdev Singh.**

**I, Vimal S/O Gurmeet Singh R/O Vill. Seh Teh-Samrala (Ludhiana) have known by both names Vimal and Vimaljeet Singh.**

**I, Harpreet Singh S/O Jawsant Singh R/O Vill. Amanipur P/O Tibba Distt.Kapurthala Have Changed My Name Harpreet Singh To Harpreet Singh Momi.**

**I, Arjan Singh S/O Jagdish Singh R/O Vpo. Shaipur Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) changed my minor son name from Priyanshu to Priyanshu Arora.**

**I, Neha Chauhan W/O Om Parkash Karra R/O Vpo. Sidhwan Station Teh-Nakodar (Jalandhar) changed my name to Neha Karra after marriage.**

**I, Neha Khanna W/O Mayank Mahajan R/O H.No.190 Guru Nanak Colony, Village Rasulpur P.O. Jaja Tehsil Dasuya District Hoshiarpur Punjab Have Changed My Name To Neha Manajan.**

**I, Payal W/O Suresh Kumar R/O Vpo. Chandiani Khurd Tehsil Balachaur District S.B.S. Nagar Have Changed My Name To Malika Chaudhary.**

**I, Kuldeep Singh Bawa S/O Roshan Singh R/O Ambejkar Nagar, Vpo. Mukdi (Ferozeper) Have Changed My Minor Daughter's Name Kamna To Kamna Bawa.**

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# 6 arrested, fake call centre busted by Chandigarh Police

PNs ■ CHANDIGARH

The Chandigarh Police has busted a racket of a fake call centre running in Zirakpur.

Six persons have been arrested from the tricity for insurance fraud targeting the senior citizens. During investigation, ₹4 lakh cash and 30 mobile phones along with SIM cards of different service providers and 10 registers have been recovered from the accused, said a police spokesperson.

The investigation began by the cyber crime investigation cell, UT Police on two separate complaints by city residents. In the first complaint, Nirmal Singh, a resident of Sector 44 stated that he had received a phone call in June 2020 regarding insurance policy. The caller discussed his old insurance policy and informed that ₹25,00,000 of his insurance

policy are balance at their end and if he wants to claim the same amount, he needs to deposit documents fee etc.

After this, he deposited ₹1654000 in different accounts in different banks. Later on, the complainant realized that he has been cheated on the pretext of maturity of insurance policy. Further, one more complaint of similar modus operandi was made by Ajudhya Dass Rajpoot, resident of Sector 42 here regarding fraud of ₹2000000 on the pretext of Reliance Nippon insurance policy maturity.

Cases under Section 419 (punishment for cheating by personation), 420 (cheating and dishonestly inducing delivery of property), 120B (punishment of criminal conspiracy) IPC were registered to apprehend the criminals involved in cheating and insurance fraud, the spokesman

said. During the investigation, accused Yogesh Verma (38), resident of Dhakoli Punjab, Pranav, a resident of Ambala Cantt. Haryana, Manish Kumar Rai, a resident of Mohali Punjab, Subham Bhardwaj, a resident of Mohali, Arjun Yadav, a resident of Panchkula Haryana and Rakesh Kumar, a resident of Mohali have been arrested from the tricity area.

During interrogation, it has been revealed that the accused had set up a call centre in Zirakpur and used to target the senior citizens who had purchased insurance policies from different companies and allured them to deposit money on the pretext of the huge amount of maturity of their policies. Accused were produced in court and police remand for three days was obtained, the spokesperson added.

# Brascon elected as president of HAS Officers Association



PNs ■ SHIMLA

The general house of Himachal Pradesh Administrative Services Officers Association was held here on Tuesday through Google meet in which the association was reconstituted and new general secretary and president were elected.

Harbans Singh Brascon, HAS officer of 2001 batch, serving as Director Information and Public Relation was elected as the President of the association and Vivek Chandel HAS officer, batch 2004, presently serving as Director Technical Education has been elected as General Secretary.

Due to induction of former President of the Association Manmohan Sharma and General Secretary Ram Kumar Gautam in the Indian Administrative Service, both these posts of the Association were lying vacant for the last few months.

# Govt procurement of wheat, paddy and other crops to continue, says Haryana CM

PNs ■ CHANDIGARH

A delegation of Haryana Arhiti Association led by Shiv Kumar Jain on Tuesday met Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar and held a detailed discussion on the issues related to Arhitis. A statement said that in the meeting, the Chief Minister said that the procurement of crops of farmers is done by the government so as to ensure that they are benefited and this

will not be discontinued in future as well. Government procurement of wheat, paddy, millet, maize, mustard, sunflower and cotton etc. will continue in Haryana as before, he said.

Besides this, only Haryana Government provides benefits to the farmers on several fruits and vegetables through 'Bhavantar Bharpayee Yojana. Under this scheme benefit is given to farmers by compensating the rate difference of prices as suggested by the State.

# 29 more Covid deaths, 1,795 fresh cases in Haryana

PNs ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana reported 29 more fatalities due to Covid-19 on Tuesday, taking the death toll to 1,206, while 1,795 fresh cases pushed the state's infection tally to 114,870.

Of the new deaths, four each were reported from Gurugram and Panchkula, three each from Sirsa and Ambala, two each from Faridabad, Karnal, Hisar, Yamunanagar and Jind, and one each from Kathal, Fatehabad, Bhiwani, Panipat and Rohtak, according to the state health department's daily bulletin. Among the districts which reported a high spike in cases are Gurugram (372), Faridabad (191), Karnal (146), Hisar (119), Jind (131) and Yamunanagar (98).

The number of active COVID-19 cases in the state is 19,888, while 93,776 patients have been discharged after recovery. As many as 2,892 patients were discharged after recovery in the last 24 hours.

As of Tuesday, the state has a recovery rate of 81.64 per cent and the fatality rate is 1.05 per cent. The rate at which infections are doubling is 27 days and COVID positivity rate is 6.67 per cent, as per the bulletin.

# FOUR DEATHS, 266 NEW CASES IN CHANDIGARH

Four more residents succumbed to COVID-19 in the union territory of Chandigarh as 266 fresh positive cases surfaced on Tuesday. With this, the death toll due to COVID-19 reached 127 while the total case tally stood at 10546 in the city.

There were 2622 active cases in the city. With 383 recoveries reported in the past 24 hours, a total of 7794 residents have so far recovered from the virus," stated Chandigarh Health Department's evening bulletin. 14 cases were reported in Sector 45, 12 cases in Sector 19, nine from Sector 38 west among others, the bulletin stated.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Joginder Singh S/O Kalyan Singh R/O 201, Gandhi Dham Colony, Jagadhri, Distt. Yamunanagar declares that my transfer deed No. 274 Dt. 11.04.2017 in name of Joginder Singh S/O Kalyan Singh on Dt. 08.02.2020 has been lost. It has not been mortgaged with any person / bank / financial institution. Onine DDR No. 13240032000447 has been launched.

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PROTEST AGAINST FARM BILLS

# SAD to hold 'chakka jam' on Sept 25 across Punjab

**TO HOLD 'KISAN MARCH' FROM ALL THREE TAKTHS IN STATE TO MOHALI ON OCT 1**

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) on Tuesday announced a 'sangharsh' programme to get the agricultural Bills reversed, including a state-wide 'chakka jam' on September 25 as well as a simultaneous 'kisan march' from all three Sikh religious 'Takths' to Mohali on October 1 to hand over a memorandum for the President of India to the State Government.

The decisions were taken at a meeting of the party's core committee, which also decided that SAD president would visit various parts of the State to interact with the party cadre from September 26 to 29.

"The core committee decided to hold a 'chakka jam' across the State on September 25. Party leaders and workers

have been asked to hold 'chakka jam' in all constituencies in league with farmers, khet mazdoor (farm labourers), and arhtiyas (commission agents). The party will observe a three-hour programme from 11 am to 2 pm," said SAD spokesman and former minister Daljit Singh Cheema, adding that the party workers have, however, been asked not to come in way of emergency services.

The core committee also decided to hold a 'kisan march' from state's all three religious 'Takths' (temporal seats) — Akal Takth Sahib (Amritsar), Dandama Sahib (Talwandi Sabo in Bathinda), and Keshgarh Sahib (Sri Anandpur Sahib) — on October 1.

While the SAD president would lead the march from Dandama Sahib, former Union Minister Harsimrat Kaur Badal would lead the march from Akal Takth Sahib, and Prof Prem Singh Chandumajr and Daljit Singh Cheema would lead the march from Sri Keshgarh Sahib; and the senior party leaders would participate in the march.

The march would culminate at the Dussehra ground in Mohali following which a delegation of senior party leaders would give a memorandum to the Punjab Governor for the President Ram Nath Kovind.

**SAD TO APPROACH ALL LIKE MINDED PARTIES**

After cropping of fissures between its age old ally, the BJP over the farm bills, the SAD core committee has decided to contact all likeminded regional parties across the country to evolve a joint strategy to forge a united fight to get the anti-farmer Bills revoked. The party also resolved to pursue all logical steps to ensure the discrimination being meted out to the farmers was removed.

**SUKHBR ASKS CM TO HOLD SPECIAL ASSEMBLY SESSION TO REVOKE AMENDED APMC ACT**

SAD president Sukhbir Singh Badal on Tuesday asked the Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh to hold a special assembly session immediately to revoke the amended

State Agriculture Produce Markets Committee (APMC) Act of 2017. "The Chief Minister should not practice deceit with farmers by shedding crocodile tears at their fate while he is the author of the same legislation in Punjab and continues to stand by his own anti-farmer Act," said Sukhbir. He asked the Chief Minister to tell the farmers and 'khet mazdoor' of Punjab why he is refusing to rescind the State APMC Act, 2017, which he has implemented in his own State as CM. "Could you show moral courage to disassociate yourself from the Congress' 2019 manifesto which called for removing APMC Act all together," he questioned the CM while asking him to apologize to the farming community for encouraging corporatization of the farm sector by accepting the Montek Singh Ahluwalia committee report which calls for reducing procurement of foodgrain. He asked the chief minister to scrap the committee and reject its report which he termed as a death warrant for Punjab farmers.

## SAD chakka jam decision clear bid to exploit farmers sentiment and perhaps even sabotage their fight: CM

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh on Tuesday termed the Akalis' decision to hold a state-wide chakka jam on September 25, the day when Punjab's farmers had already announced a Bandh against the Farm Bills, as yet another brazen attempt by the BJP ally to exploit the sentiments of the farmers, and perhaps even to sabotage the farmers' fight at the behest of their allies in the Central Government.

"Why don't you go to Delhi and do a chakka jam outside the homes of BJP leaders and others who have shamelessly sold off the interests of Punjab's farmers to the big corporate houses for their own petty interests?" the Chief Minister said, during the Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) to quit the Central Government if it really cared for the farmers.

Capt Amarinder lambasted SAD president Sukhbir Badal and his wife Harsimrat for continuing to indulge in their hypocritical pretense of standing with the farmers in the face of the bla-

tant attack on their livelihood by the very Government of which the Akalis are a part. "What are these double standards? Why did your Core Committee today not take a decision on quitting the BJP-led NDA coalition?" he asked Sukhbir.

Questioning the SAD announcement of holding chakka jams across Punjab "in league with the farmers, khet mazdoors and arhtiyas", the Chief Minister said this clearly exposed the Akalis' malicious intentions, since the farmers' and other organisations had already declared a Bandh for September 25 several days ago, when the Akalis were still busy projecting the unconstitutionality and dangerous Agriculture Bills as beneficial for the farming community.

There is clearly some malafide intent behind the Akalis' decision to jump, at this juncture, into the farmers' pre-planned agitation, he said, adding that the farmers will not be fooled by these antics.

The games that the SAD, led by the Badals, has been playing with the farmers for the past several months, beginning

with the introduction of the vicious Ordinances, have totally exposed their double standards on this issue of critical importance not just to the farmers of Punjab but to the entire state, said Captain Amarinder. The Centre is clearly out to ruin Punjab, and the Akalis have been actively supporting this agenda with all their might, he said, adding that their purported U-turn or rethink on the issue also appears to be a conspiracy to undermine their agitation.

Meanwhile, Punjab Pradesh Congress Committee (PPCC) chief Sunil Jakhar said the Congress, which has always fought for, and protected, the rights and interests of the farmers, stands firmly behind them in the most difficult moment in the history of Indian Agriculture. Punjab Congress MPs and leaders are camping in Delhi, fighting the Centre's despotic attempts to stifle their voices and bravely facing the brute force of the BJP-controlled Delhi Police, he said, asserting that the party will not succumb to these high-handed measures and will not relent.

## NAVJOT SIDHU TO BAT FOR FARMERS

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Formally announcing his decision to join the team farmers to bat for them against the Centre's recently-enacted three farm bills, the former cricketer-turned-politician Navjot Singh Sidhu on Tuesday called for taking the movement to the masses.

Sharing a video on his YouTube channel 'Jittega Punjab', the Congress leader Navjot Sidhu has asked all the political parties, farm unions, and every Punjab, right from old to the young ones, to be on the same page for opposing these "black laws" till the end.

Sidhu, who has decided to come out of his year-long political exile for the farmers' cause, on Tuesday announced that he would be holding protests against the controversial farm bills from his Amritsar East constituency

on Wednesday. His announcement came a day after the party legislators in Punjab, in response to the Congress high command's call, held state wide protests against the Bills.

Batting for formulating a common minimum programme to strategically fight against the Centre's move, Sidhu maintained that challenging the Bills in the Supreme Court appears to be the best way to counter the Central Government's decision.

"The BJP has got the Bills passed in both the House, and there are negligible chances for the President to counter the Centre's move...I have also done the politics of solution and not just discussed the problem," he said.

He also claimed that the Bills could not only lead to "unprecedented" food inflation, he said that it would also

legitimize hoarding, and the hoarders would sell that produce at much higher prices, leading to food inflation.

The former Minister alleged that the Government at the Centre always "went out of the way to help capitalists by waiving Rs 4 to 5 lakh crore taxes and giving subsidies and rebates in taxes...But when the time comes for giving MSP to farmers, there is so much hue and cry," he said, adding that the GST killed traders. These black laws are ruining farmers. Around 28,000 arhtiyas and four to five lakh mandi labourers will also be hit.

Sidhu said that these farm bills would affect the state's revenue from mandis. He alleged that the Centre was replacing the "successful mandi model" with the "free market model" that had failed in the USA and Europe.

## PM TO REVIEW PUNJAB'S COVID-19 STATUS

### CM to raise issue of augmentation of oxygen supplies from other States

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will review the COVID-19 response in Punjab, which is witnessing 'higher than national average' deaths and infection rate. In Punjab, the case fatality rate due to COVID-19 and the COVID-19 positivity rate is higher than the national average. Punjab, which has reported an increase in the number of cases being reported recently coupled with escalating deaths, has CFR of 2.89 percent (as on Tuesday), while the state's positivity rate on Tuesday was recorded at 5.22 percent.

In all, the Prime Minister will hold a virtual meet with the Chief Ministers of seven states, including Punjab, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and Delhi where 65.5 percent of the country's total confirmed cases, 77 percent of total deaths, and more than 63 percent of the active cases are concentrated.

During the Wednesday's virtual meeting, the Chief Minister Capt

Amarinder Singh would raise the issue of augmentation of Oxygen supplies from other states.

"I will urge the Prime Minister to issue the necessary directions to the states of Haryana, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand, which are currently Punjab's main source of medical oxygen," said the Chief Minister. We need to ensure that there are enough supplies in Punjab to save lives, the Chief Minister said amid reports of 14 percent death rate in the three Government Medical Colleges and Hospitals (GMCs) at Patiala, Amritsar and Faridkot, which are engaged in providing tertiary care of COVID-19 patients.

The Chief Minister asked the Departments to work towards bringing the death rate in these GMCs to below 10 percent at the earliest. The state Medical Education Secretary DK Tiwari, during the virtual COVID review meeting chaired by the Chief Minister, asserted that while there was no shortage of Oxygen in Punjab at present, "but, if occupancy goes up to 100 percent, more supplies would be needed".

## If needed, masks will be provided to Govt school students: Gujjar

MANOJ KUMAR ■ CHANDIGARH

After the second day of reopening of Government Schools for the students studying in Classes IX-XII, Haryana Education Minister Kanwar Pal Gujjar on Tuesday said that the number of students who attended their Schools was comparatively low but with the passage of time in the next 10 days, their attendance would increase.

Owing to rising cases of Covid-19, wearing masks has been made mandatory for the students along with strict implementation of other necessary guidelines. "In the last two days, so far all the students attended their school wearing masks located in rural and urban areas and sought guidance from their teachers. If needed, masks will be provided to students by the State Government," he added.

Talking to The Pioneer over Phone, Gujjar said that the decision of reopening of Government School was taken in compliance with the Unlock-4 guidelines issued by the Union Ministry of Home Affairs.

Teachers should go for Covid-19 testing periodically and for this, the health department has made proper arrangements regarding the same. Responding to a question that private school operators criticising the State Government for charging fee from private school teachers for Covid-19 test, Gujjar said that this issue has not come yet before the Government but will be taken care of.

The Education Minister said that online teaching would continue in the State. As per reports from the districts, the Covid-19 standard operating procedures were being followed strictly in Government Schools, where students were being thermally scanned and made to wash and sanitise their hands. "The schools opened after six months for "consultation" for classes IX to XII.

Gujjar said that schools were earlier asked by the authorities concerned to follow all Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) issued by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and all the necessary arrangements were made for smooth conduct

of the schools.

A Senior Education officer from Panchkula said that after remaining shut for the past six months due to the Covid-19 outbreak, schools partially reopened on Monday to enable students studying in Classes IX to XII to visit their institutions on a voluntary basis for taking guidance from their teachers.

"The State Govt had recently allowed students of Class IX to XII to visit their schools in areas outside Covid-19 containment zones only, on voluntary basis for academic guidance. The students carried written permission that had consent of their parents or guardians allowing them to visit schools for guidance from teachers. It has been made mandatory for teachers to download the Aarogya Setu app on their mobile phones and all were required to take a Covid-19 test before September 21."

A principal of a government school in Panchkula said that students of higher classes, who visited the school to seek teachers' guidance, were allocated different time slots to ensure only a few students are present inside the school at a given time.

She also said that despite education being imparted online these days, as schools are shut, many students were excited to visit the school after a long gap and meet their teachers.

"The teachers too were happy to see them after months. Even students were happy to be back in school, even if regular classes had not resumed yet. We were expecting more students in line with the consent forms we had received."

However, it seems parents have changed their mind and are not willing to send their wards to school. We are taking every precaution in view of the pandemic and following all the government guidelines," she said.

A Govt School teacher said that the attendance of the students was low as some parents might have been apprehensive as coronavirus cases had surged in the State and elsewhere. Teachers were instructed not to share books, dusters, chalks with either students or other teachers.

## Punjab's 3 Govt medical colleges to participate in phase -III trials of Covaxin from October 15

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab's three Government Medical Colleges will participate in the Phase III trials of the COVAXIN, being tested by Bharat Biotech Limited in collaboration with the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) against the COVID pandemic. The trials are scheduled to commence from October 15.

The Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh has directed the Medical Education and Research Department to ensure full care and strict adherence to all precautions to be taken during the trials, for which the consent of the participants will be mandatory. He issued stern directions to also ensure that poor persons are not pulled into the trials without consent,

**Two doses of the inactivated virus injection would be given to the participants (0 and 28 days) as part of the Phase III human trials**

knowledge, and understanding of the possible repercussions and dangers.

Bharat Biotech Limited, which had approached the State Government a few days back, has announced Rs 75 lakh insurance cover for the participants in case of any adverse event or effects or death. The possible side effects of the vaccine could include fever, pain at the site of the intramuscular injection, and malaise.

Two doses of the inactivated virus injection would be given to the participants (0 and 28 days) as part of the Phase III human trials.

## Punjabi singers extend support to Sep 25 bandh call given by farmers' unions

Chandigarh: Many Punjabi singers have extended their support to the September 25 Punjab 'bandh' call given by farmers' unions against the new farm bills.

Around 30 farmers' outfits have given a call for the complete shutdown of Punjab on September 25 in protest against the bills.

Punjabi singer and actor Harbhajan Mann has appealed to people to support the bandh call.

Mann, in a tweet, said he, along with several other artists, would be participating in the Punjab bandh protest.

Another famous singer Babbu Mann also came out in support of the 'chakka jaam' on September 25.

In a video uploaded on his Instagram account, he urged people to unite for the farmers' cause.

Farmers in Punjab have been protesting against the three bills.

They have expressed apprehension that the three bills will pave a way for dismantling the minimum support price system, leaving them at the "mercy" of big corporates.

The Rajya Sabha passed the Essential Commodities (Amendment) Bill, 2020 during the day. It had cleared the Farmers' Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020 and the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement of Price Assurance and Farm Services

Bill, 2020 on Sunday. The bills had been passed by Lok Sabha last week.

Singer Sidhu Moosewala, in a video, said he stands with farmers who had been protesting against the farm bills.

"We will hold 'rosh pardarshan' (protest) in Mansa," he said, adding that he would soon share the details of the protest. He also appealed to people to come out and support farmers in their struggle.

A few days ago, singer and actor Diljit Dosaanj had voiced his support for farmers and tweeted, "Kisaan Bachao, Desh Bachao. Kisaan Virodhi Bill Da Asi Sarey Virod Karde Haan (Save farmers, save the country. We all oppose the anti-farmer bills)".

## Punjab CM orders augmentation of medical oxygen supplies from within and outside State

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

As Covid-19 cases in the State continue to surge, with peak projections suggesting further increase in the coming weeks, Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh on Tuesday ordered ramping up of facilities in 13 districts with the maximum Case Fatality Rate (CFR) and augmentation of medical oxygen supplies from within and outside the State to ensure that there is no shortfall of the same.

Though the CFR, currently at 2.89 percent, has been progressively coming down, it is still higher than the national average, with 13 districts reporting the highest figures.

Nine of these districts — Kapurthala, Fatehgarh Sahib, Sangrur, Tarn Taran, Hoshiarpur, Ropar, Moga, SBS Nagar, and Ferozepur — account for the maximum

CFR, requiring urgent upgradation of their Level III facilities in both government and private sectors, said the Chief Minister adding that most of the deaths are occurring in hospitals, with nearly half being reported from private tertiary care hospitals.

Expressing concern over the state's high CFR, Dr KK Talwar, chairman of the state's expert committee on COVID, also underlined the need to ensure optimal utilization of resources across the State, with adequate manpower and facilities as required in various districts.

The ICU occupancy in these GMCs is currently at 212 out of the total availability of 283, the Chief Minister was informed during a review meeting of the COVID situation in the state with top officials and health or medical experts.

Health Secretary Hussan Lal, in a brief presentation, pointed out that at 6.15 percent, Punjab's cumulative positivity rate, as of September 20, was below the national average of 8.48 percent.

**PUNJAB LAUNCHES COVID FATEH KIT**

Scaling up the state's fight against COVID-19, Punjab Government on Tuesday launched the Corona Fateh Kits, which will be distributed immediately to all virus affected patients in isolation, whether at home or in hospitals. While 5,000 of the 50,000 kits ordered by the State Government have already been received, the remaining supplies are expected within one week.

The Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh, while launching the kit during a virtual COVID review meeting,

directed the Deputy Commissioners to ensure that the deliveries are prioritized and all the 18,000 active patients in isolation receive the kits within the next one week. The kit consists of 18 items, including Pulse Oxymeter, Digital Thermometer, essential medicines and Kaadha, among others, along with educational material and instructions on use of medicines. Instructions for patients and caregivers are provided in the kit, which also contains a self-monitoring log chart.

The kit is aimed at ensuring regular self-monitoring of health indicators of all COVID patients in isolation to enable early identification of critical parameters for saving lives. Health Minister Balbir Sidhu said that the kits carry adequate information on their use and on proper monitoring of

health. Dr KK Talwar said that the patients in home isolation over 60 years of age were a matter of concern and should be encouraged to come for hospitalization if they cannot get suitable home care and supervision.

**TELE CONSULTING AGENCY FOR HOME QUARANTINE PATIENTS BY SEPT-END**

The state Health Secretary Hussan Lal said that tenders had been invited by the Department for hiring a teleconsulting agency to monitor home quarantine patients in a more streamlined and thorough manner. The last day for submitting bids is September 23 and the professional agency, which will take over the home quarantine patient monitoring and follow-ups from 104, will be in place by the end of this month.

**CAPT EXPRESSES SATISFACTION AT INCREASED TESTING IN RURAL AREAS, 40% PANCHAYATS PASS RESOLUTIONS BACKING GOVT EFFORTS**

Expressing satisfaction at increased testing in rural areas with many Panchayats passing formal resolutions in support of the Government's efforts to contain COVID-19, Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh on Tuesday ordered strict enforcement of COVID safety protocols and strengthening of the public awareness campaigns across the State.

The Chief Minister expressed concern over the continuing violation by the people of the rules and protocols on COVID safety. The State Government had no option but to open up but people have to realize their respon-

sibility, he said during a Covid review video conference, stressing the need to bring down the Case Fatality Rate (CFR), which continues to be higher for Punjab than the national average.

Taking serious note of people continuing to not wear masks and not giving up spitting on the roads despite the critical situation in the state, Capt Amarinder directed the state DGP Dinkar Gupta to ensure punishment for those found violating the rules.

"Nobody knows how long the crisis will continue or what the disease's side effects really are," pointed out the Chief Minister, directing the concerned Departments to step up their efforts to spread public awareness about the problem.

Earlier, the DGP informed that 5,300 (40 percent) of the state's Panchayats

had passed formal resolutions backing COVID-19 testing, as a result of which the initial resistance shown by the public due to widespread disinformation campaigns had eased off.

Giving details of the number of police personnel impacted by the disease, Gupta said that of the 86 cops who had died due to the infection, 18 had been reported in September, with eight currently on ventilators. A total of 1,233 cops had tested COVID positive so far, he added.

The DGP further disclosed that the Police Department was appointing a nodal officer to expedite disbursement of Rs 50 lakhs compensation, as announced earlier by the Chief Minister, to the families of police personnel who had lost their lives in the fight against COVID.

# Daily recoveries surpass new Covid infections

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

With India recording the highest number of Covid-19 recoveries in the world, the Union Health Ministry on Tuesday said for the past four consecutive days the number of daily recovered cases surpassed the new infections reported per day.

India has the highest number of recovered cases in the world at 44,97,867, Union Health Ministry Secretary Rajesh Bhushan said, addressing a Press briefing here.

"India's Covid-19 cases share is 17.7 per cent of global infections, while those who have recuperated are 19.5 per cent of total recoveries in world. The daily recoveries from Covid-19 more than number of new infections reported per day since past four consecutive days," he said.

While the US Covid-19 cases share is 22.4 per cent of global infections, those who have recuperated are 18.6 per cent of total recoveries in world, the data presented by him showed. Brazil's Covid-19 cases share is 14.5 per cent of global infections, those who have recuperated are 16.8 per cent of total recoveries in world, it showed.

So far, India has recorded over 55 lakh confirmed cases, including 87,882 deaths. Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh



## VACCINE EFFICACY IN INDIA LIKELY TO REMAIN BETWEEN 50 TO 100%: ICMR

New Delhi: The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) Director General Dr Balram Bhargava on Tuesday said the efficacy of the Covid-19 vaccine in India is likely to remain between 50 to 100 per cent, however, they are trying for 100 per cent efficiency. "We are aiming for 100 per cent efficacy but may land between 50 to 100 per cent. However, it still would be an effective vaccine against the virus," he said.

and Tamil Nadu have reported the highest number of cases while infections are rising rapidly in States like Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. Yet, India's recovery rate continues to rise and now stands at 80.1 per cent.

Bhushan said the number of active Covid-19 cases were less than one-fifth of the total

55,62,663 infections in India. "We get swayed by the narrative that India has over 50 lakh cases, but we forget that nearly 45 lakh people have already recovered," the health secretary said.

"India's Covid-19 deaths per million population is also amongst the lowest in the world. India has 64 deaths per million

## PM to meet with 7 most affected States' CM

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday will convene a meeting with most Covid-19 affected seven States' Chief Ministers to review the situation. Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Uttar Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Delhi and Punjab Chief Ministers and Health Ministers will attend the meeting.

"The PM will chair a high-level virtual meeting with the CMs and Health Ministers of seven Covid-19 high-burden States and Union Territories (UTs) on Wednesday to review the status and preparedness of the response and management of the viral outbreak," according to a Government statement.

Union Health Minister Harsh Vardhan, Cabinet Secretary, Home Secretary and senior officials will attend the meeting of Chief Ministers with the Prime Minister.

population, whereas world's average stands at 123," he said.

Bhushan added early detection, isolation and seamless hospitalisation of Covid-19 patients has been made possible due to an exponential increase in testing infrastructure in the country.

Covid-19 task force member VK Paul (NITI Aayog member) urged people to wear masks and follow all the social distancing norms, specially as the festival season is about to begin next month.

# ED attaches Iqbal Mirchi family's 15 properties

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) on Tuesday attached 15 properties in Dubai, including a Midwest Hotel apartment and 14 other residential and commercial assets, belonging to the family members of notorious drug baron and aide of global terrorist Dawood Ibrahim, Iqbal Mirchi.

Earlier, the ED had issued two attachment orders in December, 2019 attaching properties to the tune of ₹573 crore. Now the total attachment in this

case has reached to ₹776 crore.

The ED had registered a money laundering case against Iqbal Memon, alias Mirchi, and others on September 26, 2019, under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA).

In this case, five accused including Kapil Wadhawan, Dheeraj Wadhawan & Humayun Merchant were arrested.

A prosecution complaint (chargesheet in police parlance) was filed on December 9 last year before the Special PMLA

Court that has taken cognisance of the chargesheet.

Open ended Non-Bailable Warrants have been issued by the designated court against Asif Memon, Junaid Memon (both sons of Iqbal Mirchi) and Hajra Memon (wife of Iqbal Memon).

Further investigation is in progress, the agency added.

Mirchi died on August 14, 2013, and was considered the right-hand man of Dawood Ibrahim. Mirchi was often called the drug baron for his thriving narcotics business

across Asia, Africa and Europe, according to reports.

Memon's family originally owned shops selling chillies and spices that gave him the nickname 'Mirchi'.

Mirchi's fortunes soared after he began smuggling in banned meth tablets, heroin and Mandrax. He also owned a club The Fisherman's Wharf at Worli seafront in Mumbai which was a hotbed for narcotics.

Mirchi left India in late 80s, first to Dubai and later to London.

# Lok Sabha members complain about assault on them during adjournment

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Lok Sabha was adjourned for an hour soon after it assembled on Tuesday following an allegation of police assault by Congress MP from Ludhiana Raveen Singh Bittu and a DMK MP also complaining that some people "barged" in his room asking about his party's "Parliamentary agenda."

The Congress MP charged that around 100 Delhi policemen charged at them at 'Vijay Chowk' when they were "marching in solidarity" with the farmers. He said police assaulted them thinking they were farmers.

Speaking in the house, Bittu alleged that police "brutally assaulted" him and his three MP colleagues from

Punjab Santokh Singh Choudhary, Jasbir Singh Gill and Gurjeet Singh Aujla, when they were all taking out a candle light march from Parliament House to Rashtrapati Bhavan on the issue of farm bills.

"We told them we are parliamentarians and sit with the Prime Minister but to no avail. Police didn't know we were MPs. They thought we were farmers and beat us up badly. I had a bad left knee fracture, which has gone worse after the assault and other MPs have also suffered injuries. This is horrifying," Bittu said in the LS.

The Congress MP also said he and other MPs sustained severe injuries in the process.

Speaker Om Birla assured the MP a full probe into the

incident and protection both inside and outside Parliament.

Bittu and Santokh Choudhary submitted written representations to the Speaker providing the sequence of events starting 7 pm on Monday.

Prior to this a DMK member in the House also alleged that some people barged in his room in Tamil Nadu Bhawan (where he is staying), describing themselves as "IB sleuths" and asked him about his party's programme and "interrogated" him on his party's Parliamentary agenda.

The Speaker asked the MP to give details in writing and cautioned him that the information should be "authentic". DMK leader TR Balu also backed his party MP on the issue.

# NIA starts B'luru violence probe



PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has taken over probe in two cases related to large-scale violence at DJ Halli and KG Halli under Bengaluru city limits on the night of August 11 in which the house of an MLA and two police stations besides vehicles were torched by miscreants.

The anti-terror probe agency took over the investigation of the two cases of arson and violence wherein Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act had been invoked by State Police.

The NIA has now re-registered these two cases.

The first case has arisen out of an FIR registered at Devarajeevana Halli PS, Bengaluru on August 12. The second was registered on the basis of a case registered by Kadugondana Halli PS, Bengaluru on August 12.

On August 11, 2020, around 8 pm, more than 1,000 people gathered in front of the house of Congress MLA Akhanda Srinivas Murthy (Pulakeshi Nagar constituency) at Kavalbyrasandra, Bengaluru City. The mob was protesting against the alleged derogatory social media (Facebook) post about Prophet Mohammed made on August 11 at around 4 PM Naveen, nephew of the MLA allegedly insulting the religious sentiments of the Muslims.

"The State Secretary of SDPI, Muzamil Pasha had earlier called a meeting and directed the members of PFI/SDPI to instigate the mob and incite violence. The mob went on rampage in DJ Halli, KG Halli and Pulakeshi Nagar area under Bengaluru City. They attacked the two police stations namely DJ Halli PS and KG Halli PS and vandalised the property of police stations including Government and private vehicles parked in the Police Stations. The mob also attacked the house of Pulakeshi Nagar constituency MLA before attacking the police stations," the NIA said in a statement.

## बिहार सरकार स्थानिक अभियन्ता का कार्यालय बिहार भवन, नई दिल्ली निविदा आमंत्रण सूचना

पत्रांक:- 102/स्था0 अगि0, नई दिल्ली दिनांक:- 22/09/2020

बिहार भवन एवं बिहार निवास चाणक्यपुरी नई दिल्ली हेतु निम्नलिखित कार्यों के लिए समुचित श्रेणी में बिहार लोक निर्माण विभाग में पंजीकृत टेकेंदारों भवन निर्माताओं से बिहार लोक निर्माण विभाग एफ-2 एकराजनामा में होने वाले कार्यों के लिए मुहरबंद निविदाएँ आमंत्रित की जाती है।

- विज्ञापन दाता का नाम एवं पता- स्थानिक अभियन्ता, बिहार भवन, चाणक्यपुरी, नई दिल्ली
- परीमाण विपत्र के विक्री की तिथि एवं समय- 06.10.2020 (कार्यालय अवधि तक)
- निविदा प्राप्त की तिथि एवं समय- 07.10.2020 (अपराहण 3.00 बजे तक)
- निविदा खोलने की तिथि एवं समय- 07.10.2020 (अपराहण 3.00 से 5.00 बजे तक)
- परिमाण विपत्र निर्गत का स्थान- 1. स्थानिक अभियन्ता कार्यालय, बिहार निवास, चाणक्यपुरी, नई दिल्ली।  
2. उपस्थानिक अभियन्ता कार्यालय, बिहार निवास, चाणक्यपुरी, नई दिल्ली।
- निविदा प्राप्ति का स्थान- स्थानिक अभियन्ता कार्यालय, बिहार निवास, नई दिल्ली।

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| 1.       | Painting and polishing work of Room No 001 to 003 of Bihar Bhawan for the year 2020-21  | 325000          | 6500        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 2.       | Painting and polishing work of CS suite of Bihar Bhawan for the year 2020-21  | 150000          | 3000        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 3.       | Repair and painting work of outer portion (front and back side) and boundary wall of Bihar Bhawan for the year 2020-21                              | 500000          | 10000       | 500             | एक माह     |
| 4.       | Repair and painting work of HE suite & CM suite with dormatry of Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21   | 400000          | 8000        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 5.       | Painting and polishing work of stair case of old wing new wing and ground floor reception area of Bihar Bhawan and Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21 | 450000          | 9000        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 6.       | Repair and painting work of staircase & corridor of Bihar Niwas For the Year 2020-21  | 150000          | 3000        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 7.       | Repair and painting polishing work of boundary wall (fornt and back side) of Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-2021                                     | 350000          | 7000        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 8.       | Repair and Painting Polishing work of out house of Bihar Bhawan for the year 2020-21  | 345000          | 7000        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 9.       | Painting and polishing work of VIP hall waiting Room of Ground floor of conference hall of First floor of Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21          | 260000          | 5200        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 10.      | A/R to Painting work of Ground floor and 1st floor of Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21  | 275000          | 5500        | 500             | एक माह     |
| 11.      | Repair, painting and Furnishing of CAO Office/Conference hall at Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21   | 150000          | 3000        | 500             | एक माह     |

- शर्त:-
- निविदा के साथ अद्यतन निबंधन आयकर प्रमाण पत्र वाणिज्य कर प्रमाण पत्र, चरित्र प्रमाण पत्र पैन कार्ड-आदि की छाया प्रति जो राजपत्रित पदाधिकारी से अभिप्रायित हो संलग्न करना होगा।
  - अग्रघन की राशि डाकघर के एन.ए.सी/सावधि जाम के रूप में संलग्न की जानी है। जो स्थानिक अभियन्ता चाणक्यपुरी, बिहार भवन, नई दिल्ली की नाम से निविदा प्रकाशन के तिथि के बाद के तिथि में विधिवत प्लेज्ड हो।
  - निविदाकर्ता को भारतीय मानक विनिर्देश के अनुसार कार्य हेतु अपेक्षित सामग्री की खुद व्यवस्था करनी होगी।
  - बिना कोई कारण बताए निविदा स्थगित एवं रद्द करने का अधिकार अधोहस्ताक्षरी को सुरक्षित होगा।
  - प्राक्कलन की राशि घट बढ़ सकती है।
- उक्त कार्य के संबंध में किसी प्रकार की जानकारी हेतु अधोहस्ताक्षरी कार्यालय से कार्यालय अवधि में संपर्क कर प्राप्त किया जा सकता है।

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# Farmers' bodies to organise Bharat Bandh on Sept 25

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

After holding separate protests against agriculture Bills, now farmer organisations — Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU), All India Farmers Union (AIFU), All India Kisan Sangharsh Coordination Committee (AIKSCC), All India Kisan Mahasangh (AIKM) — have come on a common platform and announced a nationwide shut down on September 25.

Farmers' organisations from southern states - Karnataka and Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra have also called for bandh on September 25. Meanwhile, Ola Cab Drivers' association and lorry drivers' association members in Karnataka have decided to support the farmers and will not operate on Friday.

Besides, ten Central trade unions, including National Trades Union Congress, All India Trade Union Congress, Hind Mazdoor Sabha, Centre of Indian Trade Unions, All India United Trade Union Centre and Trade Union Coordination Centre, have extended their support for Bharat Bandh on September 25.

Not only farmers' organi-

sations but also arhatiya (commission agent or a link between farmer and procurement agencies) of both Punjab and Haryana will join the protest.

The Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD), an NDA ally, on Tuesday announced to undertake "chakka jam" for three hours across Punjab on September 25 to protest against the farm bills passed by the Parliament.

Former Punjab Minister and Congress leader Navjot Singh Sidhu would hold protests in his constituency Amritsar (East).

Many Punjabi singers including Harbhajan Mann have extended their support to the September 25 Punjab "bandh".

According to BKU president Rakesh Tikait, over 100 farmers and arhatiya unions (small and big) will participate in the protests on September 25.

"Farmers in Uttar Pradesh will jam their respective villages, towns and highways whereas in Haryana it is planned to be completely closed. "We are also trying to involve local shopkeepers in the protests. We will come out with the final strategy by September 23-24," he said.

# Disease, infighting too take toll on Kaziranga rhinos

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

It's not only poaching and habitat destruction which are the most pressing threats to the survival of the Greater one-horned rhinoceros, but disease and presence of a large population in an isolated habitat, Kaziranga National Park in Assam also do not bode well for their existence, wildlife experts say.

India is home to two-thirds of the world's remaining one-horned rhinos, a vulnerable species on the IUCN red list.

After review of records from the rhino bearing Protected Areas (PAs) of Assam, a team of wildlife veterinarians said as compared to reported 217 deaths caused due to poaching, more than 600 natural deaths have been recorded during 2008-2018 (Unpublished data), meaning about 60 deaths every year which may be due to the disease and infighting.

In their study conducted in Assam's four rhino bearing Protected Areas viz. Rajiv Gandhi Orang National Park, Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary, Manas National Park, and Kaziranga National Park, the researchers observed that the overall preva-

lence of endoparasites were found to be in 58.57 per cent of the total samples collected while mixed infection rate was found to be 6.47 per cent amongst all the four areas.

A total of 309 Rhino dung samples were collected from the four PAs in Assam for this study which were analysed at the Department of Parasitology, College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University, in Guwahati, Assam.

Though the study was conducted just last year, results still hold important as India celebrates World Rhinoceros Day on Tuesday. Early this year itself in February, five one-horned female rhinoceroses died in Jaldapara National Park which the activists blamed on anthrax, a communicable disease that attacks herbivores.

Of the total 2,979 rhinos in the country, around 2,652 i.e. 89.35 per cent are found in Assam, with Kaziranga National Park alone with a population of 2413 individuals.

The need to initiate studies on diseases and pathogens affecting the Indian rhino is urgent as considerable number of cases on rhino deaths goes unaddressed and due to

# Centre expects 144.52 mn tonnes of foodgrain production in 2020-21

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Due to the return of over 1.04 crore migrant workers to their home States, the Ministry of Agriculture has expected 144.52 million tonnes of foodgrain production in 2020-21.

The Ministry has come out with its first advance estimates of foodgrain production in the country which is higher by 9.83 million tonnes than the average foodgrain production of previous five years' (2014-15 to 2018-19).

Due to return of migrant workers, the kharif crops sowing area coverage has touched 1113.63 lakh ha area against 1,053.52 lakh ha area during the corresponding period of last year, thus, increase in area coverage by 5.71 per cent compared to corresponding period of last year in the country.

As per the Ministry's first advance estimates for the year 2020-21, total production of rice is estimated at 102.36 million tonnes. It is higher by 6.70 million tonnes than the previous five years' average production of 95.66 million tonnes.

Production of nutri / coarse cereals is estimated at 32.84 million tonnes is higher by 1.45 million tonnes than the average production of 31.39 million tonnes.

"Total kharif pulses production is estimated at 9.31 million tonnes. It is higher by 1.59 million tonnes than pulses production of 7.72 million tonnes in 2019-20 as per the fourth advance estimates.

Officials said higher foodgrain is expected as over crore of migrant workers have returned to their home states during the lockdown.

"The kharif oilseeds production in the country is estimated at 25.73 million tonnes which is higher by 3.41 million tonnes than the production during 2019-20. The production of sugarcane during 2020-21 is higher by 39.40 million tones," the Ministry said.

As per the estimate, production of cotton is estimated at 37.12 million bales (of 170 kg each) is higher by 1.63 million bales than the production of 35.49 million bales during 2019-20. Production of jute & mesta is estimated at 9.66 million bales (of 180 kg each).

# Fit India: PM to interact with Virat Kohli, Milind Soman and other fitness influencers

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

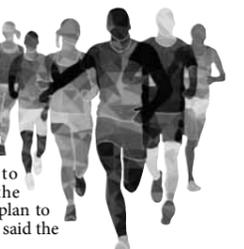
Prime Minister Narendra Modi will on Thursday interact with sportspersons, fitness enthusiasts and influencers to raise the importance of fitness and commemorate the Central Government's ambitious Fit India Movement.

Fit India Movement was launched on September 24 last year. In his Fit India Dialogue, Modi will also interact with personalities from other fields also through virtual conference. Indian cricketers including Virat Kohli, currently in Dubai in connection with IPL, will also join the conversation.

Apart from cricketers, the online interaction will see celebrities like Milind Soman and fitness influencers like Rujuta Diwekar, share anecdotes and tips of their own fitness journey while drawing out guidance from the Prime Minister on his thoughts about fitness and good health.

"In times of Covid-19 pandemic, fitness has become an even more important aspect of life. The dialogue will see a timely and fruitful conversation on nutrition, wellness and various other aspects of fitness," said the Sports Ministry in a statement.

"Envisioned by Prime Minister Modi as a people's movement, the Fit India Dialogue is yet another endeavour to involve citizens of the country to draw out a plan to make India a fit nation, said the Ministry.



# TMC hits streets against farm Bills

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

Quick to milk a farmer centric issue that once catapulted it to power post Singur and Nandigram movements the Trinamool Congress on Tuesday lapped up the alleged forced passage of farm bill in Rajya Sabha even as the party launched pan-Bengal demonstrations demanding an immediate rollback of the "black law".

Cleverly mixing the farm bill with the amendment in essential commodities laws that has declassified a plethora of eatables including potato, onion --- which are already selling for a premium in the State --- edible oil and other items raising apprehensions of burning bigger holes in consumers' pockets, the TMC leadership said the party would reach door-to-door driving home the "side effects of the BJP Government's pro-rich reforms."

This even as Bengal Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar queered the pitch with a no-holds-barred attack on Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee wondering why she stopped pro-

farmer Kisan Sanman Nidhi, a central scheme that benefits the tillers from entering Bengal.

He accused the TMC supremo of blocking the passage of Rs 8,400 crore under Kisan Sanman Nidhi and was "shedding crocodile tears" on farm bill.

Senior TMC leaders including minister Chandrima Bhattacharya and MPs Saugato Roy and Kalyan Banerjee attacked Prime Minister Narendra Modi for "hitting at the very base of the Indian economy."

Bhattacharya said "first he half-murdered the economy by imposing the demonetisation which was a tricky scheme to convert black money into white money but in actuality it ruined the middle and small sector industry and sucked out crores of jobs. Then there was another foolish scheme of GST which was hurriedly implemented and massacred the market... and finally these two bills. The farm bill will break the back bone of the Indian economy --- perhaps hitting the farmers more than the British East India Company did."

# Pak handlers using drones to drop weapons in Valley

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

After failing to smuggle big consignments of arms and ammunition inside the Indian territory via the land route, the Pakistan based handlers of different terrorist outfits have frequently started using 'drones' to dump weapons and narcotics to maintain the supply of weapons to their cadre and newly recruited local terrorists in Jammu & Kashmir.

In the recent months at least half a dozen attempts to smuggle arms and ammunition using drones have come to light in Jammu region.

Initially drones were used to airdrop weapons from across the International border but last week the Indian Army also recovered a consignment of weapons and narcotics airdropped by a drone along the line of control in the forward areas of Rajouri district.

Interestingly, three LeT cadre from the South Kashmir area had trekked all the way from Kashmir via Mughal road to receive the consignment of weapons but were arrested by the security personnel while searches were going on in the forest area of Gurdanbala, four kilometers from Rajouri.



Senior security officers say, its a new 'challenge' for them. "We are working towards exposing the network of Over ground workers across Jammu region who are acting as couriers and ready to ferry these arms and ammunition consignment to the Kashmir valley".

Meanwhile, on Tuesday another consignment of weapons airdropped from a drone was recovered by the joint team of Jammu police and special forces of the Indian army from the border area of Akhnoor. According to the official sources, the arms consignment was meant to be airdropped inside the Indian territory from where it was expected to be ferried to a hideout of terrorists with the help of a network of over ground workers in the region.

Senior Superintendent of Police, Jammu Shridhar Patil said, "after receiving intelligence inputs a joint search operation was launched by the Jammu police along with special forces of the Indian army in the border belt of Akhnoor on Tuesday".

He said, during the search operations in village Sohal of Akhnoor, two consignments were recovered by the security personnel.

# Cross-border trade NIA conducts raids at multiple locations in Baramulla

New Delhi: The NIA on Tuesday conducted searches at multiple locations in Baramulla-Uri and one location in Srinagar in Jammu & Kashmir in connection with Hizbul Mujahideen terrorist Naveed Babu case and Cross-border Trade case.

In the Hizbul Mujahideen case, houses of close associates of accused Tariq Mir of Shopian, who was arrested by NIA on April 29 for his role in smuggling and supply of weapons to HM terrorists, were searched. The premises of Azad Ahmad Pir of Dardkote, Uri, Haleema Begum of Boniyar, Baramulla and Shaheen Lone of Kanspora, Baramulla, working as an Inspector in Power Development Department were searched. Lone's father-in-law's house at Waza Mohalla, Palhalan, Baramulla, was also searched besides Shareen Bibi, wife of accused Tariq Mir of Chinad, Baramulla and Tafazul Parimoo of Hyderpora, Budgam were also searched.

# Central Vista redevelopment project could become fulcrum of economic revival: Puri

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Central Vista redevelopment project would generate large-scale direct and indirect employment which could become an "important fulcrum of economic revival".

In his written reply to a question by All India Trinamool Congress MP Mala Roy, Union minister Hardeep Singh Puri told Lok Sabha on Tuesday said, "In the current economic scenario, the project shall generate a large number of direct and indirect employment which could be an important fulcrum for economic revival." The redevelopment project of Central Vista -- the nation's power corridor -- envisages a new triangular parliament building, a common

central secretariat and revamping of the 3-km-long Rajpath, from Rashtrapati Bhavan to India Gate.

Puri said that the estimated cost for construction of new Parliament building is Rs 971 crore. Estimated cost of other buildings and development and redevelopment of Central Vista Avenue will be worked out after finalisation of plans, Puri said.

Explaining the rationale behind the need of the project, the Union housing and urban affairs minister said that the existing Parliament House building was started in 1921 and commissioned in 1927 and hence, the building is already 93 years old, adding that its facilities and amenities are "highly inadequate".

# Never seen Bills passed in such hurry: Pawar

Mumbai: As he went on a day-long fast to express his solidarity with the eight suspended Rajya Sabha members, NCP chief Sharad Pawar on Tuesday debunked the hurried manner in which the BJP-led government had agriculture reform bills passed in the upper house of Parliament without discussion and vote.

Talking to media persons here, Pawar said: "I have never seen bills being passed like this. They (the BJP-led NDA government) wanted to pass these bills soon. Members had questions regarding the bill and they wanted a discussion." Generally, the members are allowed to speak, deliberate and oppose the bills.

# Aligarh: Traders on indefinite strike to protest against mandi tax

PRADEEP SAXENA ■ ALIGARH

Mandi traders have started an indefinite strike to protest the tax exemption on the purchase of food grains outside the mandi premises and against the 2% mandi duty and 0.5% cess within the mandi. Dhanipur Mandi based agents have declared that their strike will continue till the government does not withdraw this rule law.

In this regard, they also submitted a memorandum to the Deputy Director mandi addressed to the Chief Minister. Due to this strike, the work was stalled in the grain mandis across the district and the business of about 80 lakh rupees was affected. Suresh Chandra Lodhi, chairman of Galla Traders Welfare Committee, said that on one hand, the government has given exemption of mandi duty and cess on the sale of grain outside the mandi premises but within the mandi, 2% mandi duty and 0.5% cess tax has been imposed. This is causing a loss of revenue for the government itself. Farmers are not coming inside the market which results in the crisis of livelihood of hundreds of Mandi workers.

# Vijayan blames Opp, media for spike in Covid-19 cases

Kochi: Even as the Department of Health in Kerala diagnosed 4,125 new patients with Covid-19 on Tuesday, Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan blamed the Opposition parties and the media in the State for the 'unprecedented hike' in the transmission of the disease.

"My Government has done the best to control and regulate the Covid-19 pandemic. But the Opposition parties in the State want to subvert and sabotage the good works of my government. The media is highlighting the unnecessary and unwanted agitations and demonstrations staged by the opposition parties," Vijayan charged while briefing the media on Tuesday evening.

He said though he was not against rightful agitations, the present demonstrations have been planned by the Opposition parties with the sole aim of spreading the pandemic.

# Assembly brawl case: Court junks Kerala Govt's move to withdraw criminal case against accused

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ KOCHI

Kerala government faced an embarrassment on Tuesday as R Jayakrishnan, Chief Judicial Magistrate, Thiruvananthapuram, rejected its request for withdrawing the criminal complaint registered against six members of the legislative Assembly by Crime Branch for the brawl and indecent behavior inside the House on March 13, 2015.

The Crime Branch case was that the MLAs who had tried to stop the then finance minister KM Mani from presenting the budget damaged public property worth more than Rs 2 lakh. This included computer terminals, mikes, chairs and other furniture.

# TN sees 5,337 new cases, 76 deaths on Tue

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ CHENNAI

Tamil Nadu is on its way to bring down the Covid-19 cases in the State to a reasonable level if the figures released by the Department of Health on Tuesday are any indication.

On Tuesday, 5,337 persons were diagnosed with Covid-19 while 76 deaths were reported from various parts of the State.

There are 46,350 active Covid-19 cases across the State as on Tuesday evening. This should be read against the number of Covid-19 cases in neighbouring Kerala, where the figures reached 40,382 by Tuesday evening.

Pinarayi Vijayan, Kerala chief minister had claimed early May that his State was the benchmark as far as controlling of Covid-19 pandemic was concerned. Total fatalities in Tamil Nadu reached 8,947 by Tuesday.

# Illegal oxygen plant raided in Aligarh

Aligarh: In view of black marketing of medical oxygen cylinder, on Monday night, the district administration team including City Magistrate Vineet Kumar Singh, ACM-II, Drug Inspector, and DSO conducted a raid campaign.

District Magistrate Chandra Bhushan Singh said strict instructions has been given to the officers to stop black marketing of medical oxygen cylinder. The team formed by City Magistrate Vineet Singh, started action. On a confidential information, the City Magistrate, ACM-II, District Supply Officer, and Drug Inspector raided a fake plant named as Radha Industries Gases operated in the village along the Jawa of Kasimpur Road.

According to City Magistrate, plant owner Arun Agarwal has been caught and 300 oxygen cylinders, 4 vehicles, and other equipment have been recovered.

# Rhea's judicial custody extended till Oct 6

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

A special court here on Tuesday extended the judicial custody of actress Rhea Chakraborty in the Sushant Singh Rajput-related drug case till October 6, even as the Narcotic Control Bureau (NCB) widened its scope of investigations and summoned Deepika Padukone's manager Karishma Prakash and talent management agency's CEO Dhruv Chitgopekar for questioning in a WhatsApp chat involving "Padmavat" actress.

In a related development, the Bombay High Court will hear the bail pleas of Rhea - who had been arrested on September 8 in connection with the Sushant Singh Rajput-related drug case - and her brother Showik - who had been arrested in the same case earlier, on Wednesday.

The special court - dealing with cases registered under the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985 - had earlier on September 11 rejected the bail pleas of Rhea, her brother

Showik and four others in connection with a much-discussed drug case relating to Sushant Singh Rajput's death.

On Tuesday when the NCB questioned Sushant's talent manager Jaya Saha for the second consecutive day, the spotlight remained riveted on the summons issued to Deepika Padukone's manager Karishma Prakash and talent management agency's CEO Dhruv Chitgopekar on the basis of the "Padmavat" actress' WhatsApp chats with her manager Karishma retrieved by the NCB.

# 136 test +ve, 2 die in Aligarh

Aligarh: 136 people found infected including CO civil line Anil Samaniya but at the same time 111 patients recovered as well. 2 people including a prisoner died with corona. The total number of infected corona patients reached 7566 in the district. 6098 patients recovered and 38 died so far. According to the report released by the CMO office, a total of 136 patients found infected. Businessman of Mamubhanja died in Banna Hospital, Delhi.

**Public Notice**

It is hereby notified to all the general public on behalf of my Client Sh. Girja Nand Pandey S/o Late Sh. Daya Nidhi Pandey, R/O H.No.-E-243, Gali No-8, Shyam Enclave, phase-2, Najafgarh, Dindar Pur, New Delhi-43, have debarred his son Vinit Pandey & Daughter in-law smt. Anamika Pandey, from all his moveable and immovable properties and have also severed all his relations with them, due to their misbehavior, cruelty, & out of control. My Client will not responsible for any type of their activities. Anybody dealing with them from any person in future. It is own risk and consequences. My client will not responsible for their any acts.

S.K. SHRIVASTVA (ADVOCATE)

**WESTERN RAILWAY**

VARIOUS CONSTRUCTION WORKS

E-Tender No. : Dy.CE/CI/11/BRC/CTD-Dhar/110R-1Name of Work: Laying and linking of BG for Main & Loop lines including points & crossing at various yards, spreading of ballast, supply of ballast, tamping of track with other incidental miscellaneous works and Transportation of P-way materials from various locations in Western Railway or outside with contractor's own vehicle including loading, unloading and stacking by mechanical means adjoining the formation at different location between Khanadala (Excluding Yard) to Jobat (including Yard) in connection with "CTD-DHAR new BG Line Project".

Approximate cost of work: ₹ 475.95 Lakhs

Earnest Money to be deposited: ₹ 3,88,000/-

Availability of online Tender for bidding: From 25.09.2020 to 09.10.2020 at 15:00 hrs. Regarding detailed notice containing cost of tender document (Non Refundable), EMD, eligibility criteria, similar nature of work, detailed tender condition please visit [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in). Manual offer will not be considered.

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**SHORT RE-TENDER NOTICE**

SSUPSW, Department of Social Welfare, Government of Bihar, Patna invites sealed tenders from reputed Company/Firm/Agency to provide Services of "Comprehensive Maintenance for Physiotherapy, Exercise therapy, Audiological and Optical Equipments installed in 38 district level Buniyad Centres and 38 Mobile Therapy Vans"

The interested Company/Firm/Agency may submit their Technical and Financial bid in prescribed format in separate sealed cover. The required services, bid documents, terms & conditions and format for technical and financial bid for participating in the bid are available on [www.ssupsww.in](http://www.ssupsww.in) & <https://state.bihar.gov.in/socialwelfare/CitizenHome>.

The other details are as follows:

| S.N | PARTICULARS  | DETAILS  |
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| 1.  | Online availability of Tender documents on the website | Up till 29/09/2020<br><a href="http://www.ssupsww.in">www.ssupsww.in</a> & <a href="https://state.bihar.gov.in/socialwelfare/CitizenHome">https://state.bihar.gov.in/socialwelfare/CitizenHome</a> |
| 2.  | Last Date and Time for receipt of Tender offers        | 29/09/2020 till 04.00 PM   |
| 3.  | Date & time of opening of Technical bid                | 29/09/2020at 04.30 PM  |
| 4.  | Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)                            | Mentioned in Bid Document  |

The SSUPSW will reserve right to cancel the tender or its process at any stage without assigning any reason.

The EMD, Technical & Financial Bid should be sealed in separate envelopes by mentioning the words "EMD"/"Technical Bid"/"Financial Bid" on the respective envelopes. These envelopes should be contained in a single sealed envelope super scribed as "SHORT RE-TENDER FOR COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR PHYSIOTHERAPY, EXERCISE THERAPY, AUDIOLOGICAL AND OPTICAL EQUIPMENTS INSTALLED IN 38 DISTRICT LEVEL BUNIYAD CENTERS AND 38 MOBILE THERAPY VANS" and should reach by Post/Courier/Representative till 29/09/2020 at 04.00 PM to SSUPSW, Patna.

(Notice Tender published for "SHORT TENDER FOR COMPREHENSIVE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR PHYSIOTHERAPY, EXERCISE THERAPY, AUDIOLOGICAL AND OPTICAL EQUIPMENTS INSTALLED IN 38 DISTRICT LEVEL BUNIYAD CENTERS & MOBILE THERAPY VANS" vide PR No. 0006196 (NI NI) 2020-21 has been cancelled by the competent authority.

(Daya Nidhan Pandey, IAS)  
Chief Executive Officer

PR. No. 007388 (NI NI) 2020-21

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**KAVYAM**

**"KAVYAM"-AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT**

Applications are invited from general public for Part booking of Residential Apartments in the Affordable Group Housing Project proposed to be developed as per terms and conditions of the policy prescribed by the Town & Country Planning Department, Government of Haryana vide notification no PF-27/48921 dated 19.08.2013 & amendments thereof (details available at the Department website, i.e. [tcepharyana.gov.in](http://tcepharyana.gov.in)).

**Project Details**

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| 1. | Project Approvals                           | Coloniser/Developer: Agrante Realty Ltd<br>License No/ Year: 101/2017, Building Plan Approved on 06.07.2018<br>Haryana RERA Registration No. RC/REP/HARERA/GGM/2018/23 dated 22.11.2018.  |
| 2. | Location                                    | Sector 108, Gurugram, Haryana   |
| 3. | Provisions                                  | <b>Project Area</b> : 5 acres comprising a total 723 no. of apartments.<br><b>Community Facilities</b> : One Community Hall of 2000 sqft and One Anganwadi-cum-Creche of 2000 sqft.   |
| 4. | Apartment Details                           | <b>Category 1</b> : Part Draw of 48 no. of apartments of 512.50 sqft (approx.) carpet area and balcony(ies) with an aggregated area of 130.30 sq ft (approx.) with a two-wheeler parking.<br><b>Category 3</b> : Part Draw of 25 no. of apartments of 488.30 sq ft (approx.) carpet area and balcony(ies) with an aggregated area of 79.73 sq ft (approx.) with a two-wheeler parking.  |
| 5. | Allotment Rate of Apartment (all inclusive) | <b>Category 1: Rs. 21 lakhs / apartment, Category 3: Rs. 19.93 lakhs / apartment.</b> The above rate is an all-inclusive cost of apartment as per rates prescribed under the policy notified vide no. PF-27/48921 dated 19.08.2013 & amendments thereof (details available at the Department website, ie. <a href="http://tcepharyana.gov.in">tcepharyana.gov.in</a> ).<br><b>* Statutory &amp; government taxes are as applicable.</b>               |
| 6. | Payment Terms                               | i. With application:Booking amount, i.e., 5% of cost of flat.<br>ii. On allotment:Additional 20% of cost of flat.<br>iii. Balance 75% of the amount in six equal monthly instalments over three year period.<br>No interest shall fall due before the due date of payment. Any default in payment shall invite interest as provided in rule 15 of the Haryana Real Estate Regulatory Authority, Rules, 2017   |
| 7. | Broad Specifications of the Apartment       | 2 BHK + 3 Balconies<br>2 BHK + 2 Balconies<br>(Detailed specifications are provided, in application form)   |
| 8. | Applications Timelines                      | i. Applications can be procured from: 704 DLF Tower-B, Jasola, New Delhi by paying an application fee of Rs 1000/- starting from 16.09.2020.<br>ii. Last Date of submission of Applications: 01.10.2020.<br>iii. All Applicants who have already applied and the prospective applicant are also directed to submit an affidavit declaring "weather applicant is or not identified beneficiary under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna and relevant documents. |

**Eligibility:-**

- Any person can apply, however, the PMAY beneficiaries, which include their spouse or dependent children, identified by the Urban Local Bodies Department, Haryana under "Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna-Housing for All" programme shall be granted preference in allotment. First priority shall be given to the identified beneficiaries of the said town followed by other PMAY beneficiaries of the State of Haryana. Thereafter, for the remaining flats, persons which include their spouse or dependent children who do not own any flat/plot in any HUDA developed colony/sector or any licenced colony in any of the Urban areas in Haryana, UT of Chandigarh and NCT Delhi shall be given next preference in allotment of flats.
- Any applicant can make only one application. Any successful applicant under this policy shall not be eligible for allotment of any other flat under this policy in any other colony. In case, he/she is successful in more than one colony, he/she will have choice of retain only one flat.

**Allotment Criteria:-**

- The allotment of apartments shall be done through draw of lots in the presence of a committee consisting of Deputy Commissioner or his representative (at least of the cadre of Haryana Civil Services), Senior Town Planner (Circle office), DTP of the concerned district and the representative of coloniser concerned.
- After fixation of date for draw of lots, an advertisement shall be issued by the Developer informing the applicants about the details regarding date/time and venue of the draw of lots in the same newspapers in which the original advertisement was issued.
- For detailed criteria and time-frame to be adopted for scrutiny and allotment, the applicants may also refer to the details in the Affordable Housing Policy 2013 notified vide no. PF-27/48921 dated 19.08.2013 & amendments thereof (available at the Department website, i.e., [tcepharyana.gov.in](http://tcepharyana.gov.in)).

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## Lack of confidence

India's rising COVID-19 numbers and a second wave in the West mean that economic revival is a long way off



China has enjoyed showing its thumb to the world and in a brazen display of insensitivity, it recently allowed a mass beach party to take place in the city of Wuhan, the epicentre of the contagion that is ravaging the lungs of people across the world as well as the global economy. Stock markets worldwide are in a tumble once again as renewed curbs across Europe, following a resurgence of the pandemic, cast a shadow on economic activity that was picking up pace. The cascading impact hit D Street, too, as foreign portfolio investors and domestic institutions dumped shares, plunging graphs southwards. And although our market

has recovered by about 50 per cent from the lows of March, it is still patchy and any decelerator sends it crashing too. Large countries like the UK as well as several cities and states across the US are being forced into another round of lockdown to prevent a devastating "second wave," which means shuttering businesses that had opened. In India, while numbers have stabilised, albeit with lower testing numbers as well as evidence that district and city level officials are restricting testing deliberately, the pandemic appears to have become a fact of life with most cities whirling back. In Kerala, the State Government is allowing asymptomatic workers to return to their jobs in a secluded work zone. Yet, full steam ahead is quite a way off. While the impending festive season and the action in the Indian Premier League (IPL) will bring a spending boost, the levels will be nowhere close to those of past years. The problem is while businesses aren't completely dysfunctional, allowed as they are to operate freely in non-restricted areas, they are inter-connected to supply and distribution chains across States. Stalling of operations in one hub in a badly-hit State is bound to affect others as the cascading effect slows down the sector a particular business is into, and thereby grunts the overall economy. With attendance and production capacity affected by restrictions, some sectors cannot even take off optimally. Bengaluru is a prime example. With most IT workers having left the city through a series of lockdowns, they returned in waves, thereby, slowing down the desired momentum for recovery. All such micro-blocks are threatening to disrupt the little gains made in reviving the economy. A slew of economic relief measures, too, has failed to inspire confidence among businesses as corporate finances remain squeezed, sales have not regained momentum and demand remains low. Even the amount allocated for bailing out MSMEs remains largely undistributed.

As some have described it, 2020 is a lost year, a year spent bleeding and that can only stop next year. Anyway the process of full recovery will not start before 2022. That said, others are still quite hopeful of a rebound economy and while expecting numbers to be lower than before, they feel they would be fairly decent. Many of these people are seen in the stock exchanges betting big. The rise in the price of many major stocks despite the lost first and insipid second quarters of the year was a sign that some would hold out long-term. As long as COVID-19 is around, there will be a continuing drop in demand and supply chain inconsistencies. Besides, there are sectoral spurts while the economy as a whole needs to stabilise. Given the Government's long-range structural reforms, stimulus and relief by RBI, many investors are still using the volatility to their advantage by focussing on long-term prospects and asset allocation and choosing to build a solid portfolio. While many Indians do not have a choice but to live with the virus, some nations might prioritise differently. That said, it appears that the virus will keep on coming back. If we are to learn anything from the 1919-1920 Spanish flu epidemic, it is that it just took time to eliminate it. Vaccines did not exist then. But a price of asking for time will be that the economic bleeding might last longer and many worry that a body without any blood is not worth saving. So, will 2021 also be a frightening year? It is a question worth asking now. Global ratings agency Fitch has already estimated that the Indian economy is expected to contract by 10.5 per cent in 2020-21. And while industry federations are hopeful that growth can be expedited through continued government support and hand-holding of businesses during this crisis, they are still cautiously optimistic about full capacity utilisation. This is going to be a long road to recovery.

## Women in combat

Woman pilot to fly Rafale, two others to fly choppers from Navy warships. Finally, the glass ceiling has been broken



Women in India have something to be extremely proud of as Avani Chaturvedi, a young fighter pilot of the Indian Air Force (IAF), will soon be part of the crew flying the newly-inducted Rafale fleet. She is now undergoing training to fly India's latest acquisition and is part of a three-member women team commissioned as flying officers in July 2016, less than a year after the Government decided to open the fighter stream for women. The first Indian woman to fly a fighter aircraft solo, she has been flying MiG-21s for a while now. However, India has been a bit late in entrusting the nation's safety to its daughters. Because this small and

elite league of extraordinary women is led by Turkish aviator Sabiha Gökçen, who in 1937 flew fighter airplanes into war zones and dropped bombs on rebel camps. This was a time when women weren't even allowed to become air force pilots, forget flying fighters. At the young age of 24, Gökçen became the world's first-ever woman to participate in a national military operation. That a woman from a predominantly Western Asian country, with a small part straddling south Europe, was the first to do so says much about the region's leadership at that time as even in the "free world", namely the US, women were not allowed to serve as jet pilots until about 50 years later in 1976. And it took a few more years for women in the US to do what Gökçen could as Jeannie Leavitt became the first woman fighter pilot in 1993. It's a sad statement on gender parity in the Indian security forces that it took over six decades for them to send a woman into combat. It was in 1999 during the Kargil War that India allowed Gunjan Saxena to fly into a war zone on a chopper. Too late and too little, the IAF has 10 women fighter pilots and 18 women navigators and the total strength of women officers serving in the IAF is 1,875 as the force continues to induct and deploy them as per strategic needs and operational requirements. Now, the Golden Arrows squadron that was raised on October 1, 1951, will have its first woman fighter pilot. Two women will also fly Navy choppers in frontline positions on Navy warships. A rather slow start. This in a country that has had a woman Prime Minister, a woman President and many women Chief Ministers and Governors, leaving behind a so-called developed country like the US, which is yet to have its first woman President. So while the much-maligned world of politics has been more inclusive, the gallant security forces have not been as welcoming of the other half.

Thanks to the Supreme Court, women officers in the Army can now get command positions on par with male officers and break the glass ceiling in the forces. However, the sad part is that they had to fight for it legally rather than being naturalised in the just order of things, considering that they were inducted in the Army way back in 1992, a long 28 years ago. The court also underlined the need for a mindset change in the evolutionary flow of changing times, not just in the Army but everywhere. It had said, "Physiological features of women have no link to their rights. Women work shoulder to shoulder with men." Women officers in the forces, like their male counterparts, give up on all familial commitments to be part of the Army. They, too, undergo the same rigorous selection and training procedures as their male peers. If women have made it through all kinds of selection criteria, then they should at least be given a chance to prove their mettle. Not benched.

# China sitting pretty

One scenario is PLA withdrawing to original positions from most friction points except Depsang with Indian forces vacating Chushul heights as quid pro quo



ASHOK K MEHTA

After a hiatus of seven weeks, the India-China disengagement and de-escalation process (DDP) resumed on Monday in a revised military-diplomatic format. To recap, in April-May, the People's Liberation Army (PLA) presented India with a fait accompli through multiple intrusions across LAC, annexing 1,000 sq km of territory following intelligence and operational lapses of Himalayan heights. China built up 40,000 troops with matching deployment by India and preliminary conversations on a DDP culminated in the Galwan clash, which led to further mobilisation of troops. The China-dictated DDP disadvantaged Indian forces, locking them in buffer zones and blocking their patrolling in Galwan, Hot Springs-Goghra, Depsang and Pangong Lake areas. An Indian riposte came south and north of Pangong Lake on Kailash ridge centred around Mukhpari through a pre-emptive operation by the Special Frontier Force, comprising exiled Tibetans, and local action in the Fingers area. This unnerved PLA, which created a friction point near Mukhpari prior to the anodyne five-point Moscow agreement between Chinese and Indian Foreign Ministers. Few days earlier, the two Defence Ministers had conversed at the same platform. Two thresholds — unarmed combat resulting in casualties and prophylactic firing — on the escalation ladder have been crossed for the first time in 45 years.

Speaking in both Houses of Parliament on the situation along the LAC, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh skipped specifying statistics of PLA ingress. In fact, he was less than economical with the truth by suggesting that coordinated intelligence and border troops' action thwarted aggression which he referred to as transgression when it was clearly a case of intrusion. In fact, the Ministry of Defence had put out the details of intrusions on its website but mysteriously removed them.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's epic statement on June 19 that no Chinese troops intruded or were on Indian soil was the original sin which became the Holy Grail for Beijing. Singh replied rhetorically to Indian troops in lockdown being prevented from



patrolling by PLA. What was also missing from his statement was any reference to restoration of status quo ante (RSQA) and Depsang, the deepest and strategically most unbalancing of all intrusions. It was Singh who first spilled the beans on intrusions and later admitted he could not guarantee a favourable outcome from military commanders' talks. He was spot on as DDP had virtually collapsed by August 2, the last date of talks.

India's negotiating strategy has serious lacunae. Further, in the statements issued by each side, China has never mentioned RSQA but restoring peace and tranquility in border areas. The word LAC has also never been used. Curiously, the Indian side has also not used RSQA in formal statements but called for full and complete disengagement. Mention of Depsang has become taboo. China has violated all border protocols, especially the 1993 and 1996 agreements, and changed the concept of LAC since it is neither delimited nor delineated. It has made LAC irrelevant, turning it into the line it can occupy and control. Instead, it has promulgated the November 1959 claim line shifting LAC westwards. As the stronger power, it has exploited the undefined LAC for exercising coercive diplomacy. China's *Global Times* has repeatedly said that India must

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accept the 1959 claim line or else face war.

Before the Foreign Ministers' Moscow meeting, the PLA attempted to unhinge India's seizure of Chushul heights, including several nodal points on the 30-km Kailash ridge line dominating PLA Moldo garrison and Spanggur Gap. These dominating heights are on the Indian side of LAC and not a trespass as alleged by China. PLA manufactured a friction point on a plateau roughly 300 m away and 200 m lower, near Mukhpari, one of the highest points on the ridge. It is surprising why the Special Frontier Force (SFF) did not occupy this plateau. During the ongoing talks, Mukhpari has already become the new bone of contention in DDP.

Even with the dust not settling on the plateaus of east Ladakh for over five months now, it is possible to decipher more rationally the Chinese motivation for its well-planned military occupation of Indian territory. It is now flatly refusing to disengage and abandon military gains like it did after past intrusions — Sumdorong Chu (1986), Depsang (2013), Chumar (2014) and Doklam (2017). India is still relying on China eventually withdrawing and returning to barracks.

It seems China was incensed when Indian troops trespassed border at Doklam (disputed between China and Bhutan)

and blocked PLA from building a road towards the disputed India-Bhutan-China trijunction in Chumbi Valley. China compared Indian belligerence to "if you go to steal chicken, you may lose the rice bowl" and took Indian audacity as daring China. The Chinese media had then noted that Beijing was looking for an opportunity to humiliate India.

Two other compulsions can be added to the mythical India-China border of the Ming dynasty and strive for a fair and mutually acceptable border settlement. This appears to be problematic due to asymmetries in gross national power. China has already imposed costs by forcing the Indian Army to deploy three additional divisions ahead of its high altitude defences in Ladakh along LAC.

It seems prepared to press on its claims and deployments in a game of blink. It has mobilised four out of its five Theatre Commands to grapple with inimical fronts in East China Sea, South China Sea, Taiwan and the Xinjiang and Tibet borders facing India. It will be unwise to underestimate the staying power of PLA — either its capacity to fight in high mountains or the need for it to employ troops in the ratio of 6:1 to dislodge Indian soldiers occupying heights.

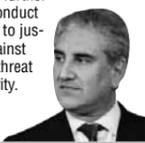
But China has no intention of starting a conflict. It is the satisfied power, having already made territorial gains. India has said it will respond to aggression in self-defence, despite Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Bipin Rawat's threat of the military option if diplomacy fails. One scenario from the DDP is PLA agreeing to withdraw to original positions from most friction points except Depsang with Indian forces vacating their commanding Chushul heights as quid pro quo. A full RSQA, still unlikely, could result only from a possible third Xi-Modi summit on the sidelines of the G20 at Riyadh in November. Otherwise, the standoff could go the long Sumdorong Chu way of eight winters unless Xi is persuaded to temper his Ladakh dream.

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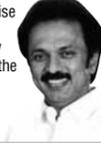
There is a tangible threat of further escalation as India might conduct another false flag operation to justify renewed aggression against Pakistan, posing a serious threat to regional peace and security.

Pakistan Foreign Minister —Shah Mahmood Qureshi



The proposed Mokedatu reservoir under the guise of drinking water purpose would irreparably affect the flow of water.

DMK president —MK Stalin



We remain committed to using our tools to do what we can to ensure that the recovery will be as strong as possible, and to limit lasting damage to the economy.

Federal Reserve Chairman —Jerome Powell



For the past month we have been training here, Virat Bhajaya (Kohli) has talked to me and I have learnt a lot from him.

Cricketer —Devdutt Padikkal



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Ruckus in Parliament

Sir — The Government did not have a majority in the Rajya Sabha to get its farm Bills passed. Thus, to bend the House to its wishes, even as the Opposition protested and demanded further discussion on the same, the ruling dispensation intentionally had the Bills passed through a voice vote. The sheer display of arrogance by the Government will cost it dear as the farmers continue to protest against the "historic farm reforms".

R Narayanan  
Mumbai

### Hollow promises?

Sir — With the Bihar Assembly elections round the corner, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has announced a special package of ₹1.25 lakh crore for the State. This is not the first time a Government has announced a special package just before elections, so, only time will tell how much of this package will actually help the people of Bihar. As of now, Bihar remains one of the most backward States in the country. And many promises

### A call for people's vaccine

The decision to stop funding WHO and opt out of COVAX, the COVID-19 Global Access Facility, by the US were major setbacks in the fight against the virus. Also, orders by countries like US, UK and Australia for large supplies of potential COVID-19 vaccines will deplete the limited stock and deny or delay vaccination in the developing countries. Speaking at the United Nations' 75th anniversary commemoration, Secretary General Antonio Guterres called for global collaboration and cooperation to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. The UN should indeed facilitate an agreement for a fair and equitable distribution of vaccines when they become available.

While the race for the COVID-19 vaccines is understandable, the cut-throat competition for developing them is avoidable and unnecessary. However, this isn't the time to seek national glory or commercial benefit but to push the idea of "people's vaccine" forward. This will make the vaccines available to all at affordable prices and the pharmaceutical companies won't be able to



manipulate the prices.

The UN will have served its purpose if it sends out the message that creating vaccinated pockets won't be beneficial for any country. The leaders need to come together and work towards a sustainable future for all mankind.

David Milton  
Maruthancode

made before are yet to see the light of day.

Bhagwan Thadani  
Mumbai

### Gender equality

Sir — In a first, the Indian Air Force's Rafale squadron in Ambala is getting its first woman fighter pilot. Currently, the total strength of women officers serv-

ing in the IAF is 1,875, including 10 women fighter pilots and 18 women navigators. There is still a long way to go before we achieve gender equality in all spheres of life.

Yashi Bairagi  
Ujjain

### Disgraceful conduct

Sir — Rajya Sabha Deputy

This presents a grim picture of the state of democracy in India under the present regime. However, the Opposition's reaction didn't help the case either as they went on a rampage disrupting the proceedings of the House and the farmers' interest was lost in the din.

Yash Pal Ralhan  
Jalandhar

### Bank reforms

Sir — Former RBI Governor Raghuram Rajan suggested that the Government should privatise select public sector banks as reforms are necessary to ensure growth of banking activity without the periodic boom-bust cycles. However, before initiating such a step, the Government should complete the process of consolidating Government banks by merging the remaining five nationalised banks. Once this is done, there will be about seven or eight big public sector banks out of which a select three or four may be considered for privatisation.

MR Anand  
Vrindavan

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**FIRST COLUMN**

## Time to take stock of the UN

Overall the UN is a mixed bag and it is for the members to make it effective. At this juncture, it is crucial to improve the UN rather than destroy it



KALYANI SHANKAR

The United Nations (UN) will be 75 next month. It is a relatively young organisation but a significant birthday like this one means it is time for stock-taking. It came into being after its structure was finalised at an international conference in San Francisco in October 1945, in which 50 countries, including India participated. Since then it has grown and today the UN has 193 members. Moreover, the UN of today is hugely different from the UN of 75 years ago. The big question is whether the world body has played its role properly or has it become irrelevant? It was the late UN Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld who said famously that the UN was created "not to lead mankind to heaven but to save humanity from hell."

Interestingly, those who support the UN believe that the world body has served its purpose by and large. The very fact that it has survived, despite the ups and downs, shows success. They point out that most of all, there has been no nuclear war in the last 75 years. Others praise the peace-keeping missions of the UN. They also praise its sustainable development programmes. But the UN is also criticised for not being effective for various reasons. On the UN's watch, several authoritarian rulers have used conventional weapons against innocent citizens. The UN resolutions are non-binding. The world body was supposed to prevent conflicts and war and yet over 80 conflicts took place since its inception. In the last three decades, US Presidents, right from Bush to Trump, have all criticised the UN for its functioning. The UN is also facing a resource crunch because members, including the US, do not pay their contribution in time.

India's involvement with the UN is remarkable. As a founding member, New Delhi's contribution in implementing the goals of the UN Charter and programmes has been substantial. It has been involved in many UN bodies and India is the current chair of the World Health Organisation's (WHO) executive committee. India is right now a member of the UN's Commission on Status of Women (UNCSW), for four years (from 2021 to 2025). India was elected as a non-permanent member of the powerful UN Security Council (UNSC) for two years in June and the country served eight two-year terms earlier. New Delhi has been lobbying for the expansion of the UNSC and also staked a claim for a place in it. For some years now, whenever any of our Prime Ministers went abroad or any heads of State visited India, one issue that was always raised was getting support for India's candidature to the expanded UNSC. However, the reforms are not taking off for various reasons. For instance, the five permanent members are not keen on losing their veto powers. The UN chief has praised India's contribution to the peace-keeping forces as it has been the driving force behind many issues like the end of colonialism and apartheid and of global disarmament and terrorism. India is an ardent advocate of UN reforms. New Delhi initially had no ambition of becoming a permanent member of the Council. However, when the General Assembly took up the UN reforms in 1992, Japan, Germany and Brazil sought membership in an expanded Security Council. India too joined them in the chorus. However, many European countries object to Germany's claim, Argentina opposes Brazil and Pakistan opposes India, and so on. Thereafter, the four countries formed the BRICS group to work together.

The one question that is being repeatedly asked in today's circumstances is what is the future of the UN? Some want the UN to play a greater role in world affairs, while others want its role to specifically focus on humanitarian work. Reforming the system and getting wide international support and funds are the most important things needed for the UN. Almost from the early nineties, the reforms are being talked about but there is no progress in this regard, which is indeed unfortunate. Second, the UN needs to be modernised. Many feel that the present structure is flawed and many programmes are often duplicated. Third, there is an increasing feeling that the UN should be strengthened. The world body should be vested with more powers to deal with errant members.

Fourth, UN funding should not be stopped for any reason as the world body must remain independent. The UN is dependent on the contribution of cash, goods and services from its member states to finance and help its activities. Fifth, there is a need to cut down the strength of the staff. As *The Guardian* newspaper pointed out some time ago, "85,000 bureaucrats, an annual spend of about \$40 billion (£26 billion) — 2,000 times that of the organisation's budget during its first year in 1946. Spending has quadrupled in the past 20 years — and still, several agencies struggle to balance their books."

However, despite all complaints and criticisms, the UN is currently the only international body where heads of states can gather to discuss important issues and countries come together to try to work out some of the world's problems. Overall the UN is a mixed bag and it is for the members to make it effective. At this juncture it is crucial to improve the UN rather than destroy it.

(The writer is a senior journalist)

**POINTCOUNTERPOINT**

IT IS A WITCH-HUNT. PEOPLE IN THE FILM INDUSTRY ARE BEING FLOGGED BY SOCIAL MEDIA. PEOPLE WHO MADE THEIR NAMES IN IT HAVE CALLED IT A GUTTER.

—SP MP

JAYA BACHCHAN



WHEN THE FILM INDUSTRY IS FULL OF WITCHES WE WILL HAVE TO HUNT FOR THEM.

—BJP MP

SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY

# A boon or bane?

The Govt needs to fix the lacunae in the farm Bills instead of trying to push them through without consulting those it affects most, namely our farmers



CHITTARVU RAGHU

Central legislation, the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 was enacted with the main objective of prohibiting hoarding and black marketing of essential commodities. The other objective was to provide them to the common man at fair prices. This is because their cost to the consumer is dependent on various uncontrolled factors like climatic conditions, region of origin, supply chain, marketing and so on. Restrictions were stipulated under the Act and control orders were issued by respective States in relation to stocking, pricing and distribution. Over the years, we have been witnessing fluctuations in prices of essential commodities as well as other agriculture produce. This has often resulted in huge losses to farmers and control orders have often been invoked by the States to minimise the financial damage to them.

Now, there is an uproar among the farmers in the country and in political circles, too, after the Parliament passed three agriculture-related Bills, namely, the Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill 2020, Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020 and Essential Commodities (Amendment) Bill.

A reading of the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020 shows that the same is being enacted to protect and empower the farmers. It is meant for them to engage with agri-business firms, processors, wholesalers, exporters, large retailers for farm services and sale of future farming produce within a mutually agreed remunerative price framework in a fair and transparent manner. A reading of the provisions shows that farming produce includes all the agriculture produce, foodstuffs, cereals, cattle fodder, cotton seeds and so on. And farm services under the Bill include even the provision for supply of seed, feed, fodder inputs for farming and so on by the wholesaler or retailer, who is termed as "sponsor" under an agreement.

This shows that the entire agriculture produce of a farmer would be under the control of the "sponsor", who could be a businessman or a corporate. The proposed Act specifically overrides the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and all the State control orders and any other laws related to stock limit and so on under Section 7 of the Bill. The "sponsor", who would provide inputs for the farmer, would have overall control over the production, stocking and so on. Since the proposed Act overrides the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, there is no limit in relation to the number of agreements that may be entered into by the "sponsor" with various farmers. There is a possibility of a single "sponsor" monopolising the entire control of farming and the produce.

The next stage would be with regard to trade and marketing by the farmer. The Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020 has been introduced with the main objective of giving farmers and traders the freedom of choice relating to sale and purchase of the produce. The word "farmer" has been defined as an individual engaged in the production of agricultural produce and includes farmer-producer organisations (FPOs). The FPO is defined as an association or a group of growers. However, sections on the inter-State and intra-State trade have included only the word "trader". The trader has been defined as a person who buys farm produce and does not include a farmer. Therefore, the sum and substance of the

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proposed Act is that the inter-State trade or intra-State trade can be conducted by only the one who buys the farm produce.

The Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020 ends with the purchase of the stock by the "sponsor" who enters into a farming agreement with the farmer at the production level. The Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020 speaks with regard to the trade of the farm produce and spells out that the trader would be involved in the inter and intra-State trade.

Neither the word "trader" in the said Bill includes the "sponsor" under the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020, nor does the definition "sponsor" include the "trader" under the Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020. Both the Bills do not specify how the commodity will be dealt with after the produce is taken over by the "sponsor". Maybe the "sponsor" has to become a trader under the Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020 but the Bills are silent on this.

Though it appears from the reading of both the proposed legislations that they are being pushed for the benefit of growers in relation to agricultural activity, price, marketing and so on, in reality the businessman, corporates, middlemen may take over the entire control of essential commodities. There cannot be any regulation in relation to hoarding and black marketing. This lacuna has to be addressed by the Central Government and it must make suitable amendments to protect the interests of the farmers and the consumers.

Section 6 of the Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and

Facilitation) Bill stipulates that no marketing fee or cess levy under any State Agriculture Marketing Committee Act or any other State law shall be levied on farmers, traders, electronic trading and transaction platforms for conducting business in a "trade area."

The "trade area" has been defined as a place where the farmers produce can be collected. Obviously, the "sponsor" under the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020 would be in control of the farm produce and he may be acting as a "trader" who would utilise the trade area for the purpose of his business. In the process, the State Governments shall lose revenue, which otherwise would be available by way of market fee, levy and so on. Such a provision will adversely affect the revenue of the States.

Section 8 of the said Act of the Farmers Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation) Bill, 2020 stipulates dispute resolution but speaks with regard to a dispute arising out of the transaction between the farmer and a trader under Section 4. The "farmer" may not have any scope to offer his produce for sale to a trader in cases wherein he enters into an agreement with the "sponsor" under the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020.

When both the Bills are independently understood, those farmers who would not enter into an agreement with any "sponsor" for the purpose of production, may benefit in the course of time. But in the light of the businessmen/sponsor entering into the domain of the agriculture production, whether the farmer would be benefited or not is the question.

Certain amendments may be required to the Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement on Price

Assurance and Farm Services Bill, 2020 in respect to pricing of farming produce under Section 5, mechanism for dispute resolution under Section 14 and power of the State Governments to make rules under Section 23 of the Bill, in the interest of protecting the rights of growers.

Certain safeguards can be provided to them in relation to the payment of the Minimum Support Price (MSP), the consequences if the farming produce is refused by the "sponsor" on the ground of quality and payment of money to the grower by the "sponsor."

Section 5, which contemplates pricing of the produce, does not stipulate any minimum price. It only speaks with regard to the "guaranteed" price to be paid for the produce. The provision is silent with regard to the "authority" which would determine the said guaranteed price. Section 23, which empowers the State Government to make rules, is also silent regarding this aspect. It only enables the State Government to frame rules in relation to the mode and manner of payment but gives it no right to fix the guaranteed price. A reading of the Act shows that the guaranteed price would be determined inter-se between the "farmer" and the "sponsor". When the "sponsor" is providing various inputs for the crop, obviously he would be in a position to command a particular price which may be adverse to the interest of the farmer.

The "sponsor", while determining the price, would also take into account the other factors like the cost of the inputs which in the end would reduce the farmer into a farm labourer.

The Government needs to fix the lacunae in the farm Bills instead of trying to push them through without consulting those it affects most, 60 per cent of the country's population.

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# Green buildings only hope in post-pandemic era

It is high time governments act by adopting mandatory energy-saving codes for new buildings and refurbishing existing ones



ARCHANA JYOTI

Sneha Singh shifted to an apartment in a highrise building with her husband and children in the national Capital two years ago. She has two air-conditioners, a TV, a refrigerator and other electrical appliances in her home. But she has stopped using air-conditioners now and has minimised the use of other electrical appliances because of the economic impact of the COVID-induced lockdown.

"With the mercury shooting up in April and May, it was extremely difficult for my kids to study or sleep. They were restless and unable to focus on their work," she says. But what she does not understand is that the problem lies with the design and construction of the flat, which was not built keeping the

health of its occupants in mind. With the virulent virus forcing Sneha to spend most of the time indoors, she and many other families like hers are now realising the importance of the quality of the environment inside the house.

Experts are of the opinion that green building technologies can help the world prepare for a future in which pandemics will be more common. In fact, the Singapore Green Building Council (SGBC) president Dr Ho Nyok Yong made it loud and clear at a webinar in May this year when he said, "Think of green buildings as giant N95 face masks, protecting you from harmful toxins the moment you step inside."

Echoing his observation, a study in Singapore said that people who stay in "green" buildings are less likely to suffer from fatigue, headache and even skin irritation, showing that their benefits stretch beyond saving energy.

In contrast, the health impacts of living in energy-inefficient buildings have been studied extensively in some countries like the UK and New Zealand. They have shown that the list

of consequences of non-energy efficient houses is long: Increased chances of respiratory infections, cardiovascular disease, gastro infections, asthma, allergy symptoms, poor mental health, arthritis, rheumatism and a higher number of falls — a major safety risk for the elderly. Closer home, in 2018, IIT Bombay and Doctors For You, an NGO, conducted a study in Mumbai's poorest ward, M-East, that established a co-relation between mortality due to tuberculosis (TB) and housing conditions. It found that eight to 10 per cent of the residents in the denser, less light-filled and more poorly ventilated complexes had TB, compared to one per cent of residents in a better ventilated project. Even within a building, the risk of TB declined on higher, well-ventilated floors.

Veteran architect Ashok B Lall explains, "Most of the time buyers are not aware that housing conditions have an influence on physical health. People must understand that houses are more than the physical structures providing shelter. For example, a warm and dry house can improve gen-

eral health outcomes and specifically reduce respiratory issues. Children living in crowded homes are more likely to be stressed, anxious and depressed, have poorer physical health, and inattentiveness at school."

Lall is a supporter of green building design focussing on reductions in energy and water usage, creation of healthy indoor environment and minimisation of environmental disturbances.

Realising the significant co-benefits of improving housing conditions, in 2018, the World Health Organisation (WHO) came out with guidelines on health and buildings.

"Improved housing conditions can save lives, reduce disease, increase the quality of life, reduce poverty and help mitigate climate change," said the WHO, also noting that these can contribute towards the attainment of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) related to health (Goal 3) and sustainable cities (Goal 11). As per the guidelines, installing efficient and safe thermal insulation can improve indoor temperatures that support health, while also lowering energy costs and

reducing carbon emissions.

Thermal quality refers to whether the indoor temperature is comfortable and healthy. While most evidence relates to the impact of cold environment, overheating can also damage health through dehydration. In cold climates, better and improved energy efficiency can lower rates of excess winter mortality while in hot climates it helps reduce the risk of dehydration and negative health impacts, says Sameer Maithel, Director of research and advisory firm Greentech Knowledge Solutions and Head, Building Energy Efficiency Project (BEEP) Project Management and Technical Unit in India. BEEP is a bilateral cooperation project between the Union Power Ministry and the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA) of the Swiss Confederation. Maithel says that the health quotients in energy-efficient buildings are: Thermal comforts, natural ventilation, daylight availability, which serves as a disinfectant as well as the source of Vitamin D, safe drinking water, sanitation and waste management.

Talking about the design princi-

ples of building green and sustainable homes in India, Lall says, "If we can devote 60 per cent of the terrace area of a four-storey building to install solar panels, it will meet the energy demand of all its residents." The height of the building has a direct co-relation with its carbon emissions and is inversely proportional to affordability, he adds.

Refining the ventilation system is another key to minimising disease transmissions while saving electricity.

Unfortunately, in India most buildings are not equipped to establish and maintain healthy indoor air quality and need to be upgraded. The number of buildings conforming to green labels covers only about one per cent of the urban buildings in India. Isn't there a risk that raising standards will push up costs further? "But in the bargain you cut down medical bills as well as enhance productivity," argues SP Garnaik, executive director of Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL), a joint venture under the Power Ministry.

On its part, with an aim to make workplaces healthier and greener in the COVID-19 scenario, EESL and the

US Agency for International Development's (USAID) MAITREE programme, launched the "Healthy and Energy-Efficient Buildings" initiative to ensure efficiency along with health components at workplaces.

"We hope that this pilot will spur urban planners, architects and property managers to rethink the design, operation and maintenance of the buildings so as to safeguard the health and well-being of the occupants at offices and homes as well," he says.

It is high time governments act by adopting mandatory energy-saving codes for new buildings and for the refurbishment of existing ones, assert experts. "This is all the more urgent in the light of soaring construction rates. Most buildings lack mandatory building energy codes. By strengthening these codes every three-five years, zero-emission and net zero energy codes could rapidly become the norm," says Maithel.

(The writer is Special Correspondent with The Pioneer. The article has been published as part of CMS-BEEP Media Fellowship Programme.)

# WHO: Highest weekly spike of 2mn cases

**Geneva:** The World Health Organisation (WHO) has reported a record number of confirmed cases of the coronavirus registered across the world over the past week — almost 2 million infections — which marks the highest number in a single week so far.

From 14 through 20 September, there were almost 2 million new cases of COVID-19, which represents a 6 per cent increase compared to the previous week, and the highest number of reported cases in a single week since the beginning of the epidemic. During the same period, there was a 10 per cent decrease in the number of deaths, with 36,764 deaths reported in the past seven days," the WHO said in a sit-



uation report late on Monday. In particular, an increase in the weekly case incidence rate was reported across all regions in the last seven days, except for

Africa, with the two Americas remaining the worst-hit areas and accounting for over 38 per cent of all new cases reported over the past week.

Meanwhile, Europe showed the greatest increment in the number of fatalities in the past week, with a 27 per cent increase compared to the previous week. AP

# Covid airborne, believe many scientists despite US body flip-flop

**Washington:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Monday removed language from its website that said the novel coronavirus spreads through airborne transmission, the latest example of the agency backtracking from its own guidance.

The agency said the guidance, which went up Friday largely without notice until late Sunday, should not have been posted because it was an early draft.

"Unfortunately an early draft of a revision went up without any technical review," said Jay Butler, the CDC's deputy director for infectious diseases. "We are returning to the earlier version and revisiting that process. It was a failure of process at CDC."

Evidence that the virus floats in the air has mounted

for months, with an increasingly loud chorus of aerosol biologists pointing to super-spreading events in choirs, buses, bars and other poorly ventilated spaces. They cheered when the CDC seemed to join them in agreeing that the coronavirus can be airborne.

Experts who reviewed the CDC's Friday post had said the language change had the power to shift policy and drive a major rethinking on the need to better ventilate indoor air.

Jose-Luis Jimenez, a chemistry professor at the University of Colorado at Boulder who studies how aerosols spread the virus, told The Washington Post before the CDC reversed its guidance that "this is a good thing, if we can reduce transmission because more people understand how it is spreading and know what to do to stop it."

# Julian Assange says he hears voices in prison: Psychiatrist

AFP ■ LONDON

WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange complained of hearing imaginary voices and music while detained in a high-security British prison, a psychiatrist who has interviewed him told his extradition hearing on Tuesday.

Michael Kopelman, a psychiatrist who has interviewed Assange around 20 times, said the former hacker would be a "very high" suicide risk if he were extradited to the United States for leaking military secrets.

Assange's partner Stella Morris has previously said she feared he would take his own life, leaving their two young sons without a father.

James Lewis, representing the US government, quizzed Kopelman over the veracity of some of Assange's claims, suggesting he may have made them up.

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nated music and voices saying "you are dust, you are dead, we are coming to get you".

Assange's suicidal impulses "arise out of clinical factors... but it is the imminence of extradition that will trigger the attempt," he added, warning "he will deteriorate substantially" if extradited.

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# China responsible for unleashing plague of 'China virus' onto the world: Trump

**United Nations:** US President Donald Trump blasted China on Tuesday for "unleashing" the plague of the "China virus" onto the world, demanding that the United Nations must hold Beijing accountable for failing to contain the coronavirus that has killed nearly one million people across the world, including 200,000 Americans.



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"75 years after the end of World War II and the founding of the United Nations, we are once again engaged in a great global struggle. We have waged a fierce battle against the invisible enemy - the China virus - which has claimed countless lives in 188 countries," Trump said in a video statement to the 75th session of the UN General Assembly.

Trump demanded that China, where the coronavirus emerged, be held accountable for failure to control the virus and for allowing it to spread across the world.

"As we pursue this bright future, we must hold accountable the nation which unleashed

this plague onto the world: China," he said.

Doubling down on Beijing, Trump said that China condemned his travel ban on their country, even as they cancelled domestic flights and locked citizens in their homes.

"In the earliest days of the virus, China locked down travel domestically while allowing flights to leave China and infect the world," Trump said.

The COVID-19 pandemic has so far infected over 30 million people and more than 958,000 people have died. The US, with 6.7 million infections, crossed the grim milestone of 200,000 deaths.

"The Chinese government, and the World Health Organization -- which is virtually controlled by China -- falsely declared that there was no evidence of human-to-human transmission," Trump said.

"Later, they falsely said people without symptoms would not spread the disease. The United Nations must hold China accountable for their actions," he said.

Trump also slammed China for dumping millions and millions of tonnes of plastic and trash into the oceans every year, overfishing other countries' waters, destroying vast swaths of coral reef, and emitting "more toxic mercury into the atmosphere than any country anywhere in the world."

"China's carbon emissions are nearly twice what the US has, and it's rising fast," he said, adding that he withdrew from the "one-sided" Paris Climate Accord and last year America reduced its carbon emissions by more than any country in the agreement. PTI

# Bolsonaro: Brazil is victim of environmental smear

**Rio de Janeiro:** Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro defended his administration's record protecting the Amazon rainforest, telling the United Nations' virtual meeting of global leaders on Tuesday that his country has been wrongly portrayed as an environmental villain.

Speaking first in the General Debate of the UN's General Assembly, as is tradition for the Brazilian leader, Bolsonaro said the South American nation's agribusiness sector has succeeded in boosting agricultural exports to feed a growing global population, which has made it a target.

"We are victims of one of the most brutal disinformation campaigns about the Amazon

and the Pantanal wetlands," Bolsonaro said.

"The Brazilian Amazon is well-known to be very rich. That explains why international institutions support such campaigns based on ulterior interests, joined by self-serving and unpatriotic Brazilian associations, with the objective of harming the government and Brazil itself."

Bolsonaro came to office in 2019 promising to open more of the Amazon to development, such as farming and mining. International concern, particularly after last year's fires, has led investors to try to distance themselves from rising deforestation and pressure Bolsonaro's government to take more action against it. AP

# Critic of Xi sentenced to 18 years in graft

**Beijing:** The former chairman of a Chinese state-owned real estate company who publicly criticized President Xi Jinping's handling of the coronavirus pandemic was sentenced to 18 years in prison on Tuesday in a corruption case, the government announced.

Ren Zhiqiang, who had become known for speaking up about censorship and other sensitive topics, disappeared from public view in March after publishing an essay online that accused Xi of mishandling the outbreak that began in December in the central city of Wuhan. Ren, was convicted of corruption, bribery, embezzlement and abuse of power, a court in Beijing announced. The former chairman and deputy party secretary of Huayuan Group was expelled from the ruling party in July. AP

# Turkey accuses EU of rewarding aggressor in Libya

**Ankara:** Turkey on Tuesday accused the European Union of "rewarding the aggressor" after the 27-nation bloc slapped sanctions on three transport companies for violating the UN arms embargo on Libya, including the Turkish shipping firm which operates a vessel that was at the center of a naval standoff in the Mediterranean Sea between Turkey and France.

A Turkish Foreign Ministry statement dismissed the decision as "of no value." It insisted the ship was providing aid to Libya's U.N.-recognised government based in the capital, Tripoli, and accused the EU of ignoring countries and companies sending arms to the rival Libyan National Army, led by Gen. Khalifa Haftar, which

controls the east.

"With this attitude, the EU insists on maintaining a double-standard attitude... Which rewards the aggressor, instead of taking an attitude in favour of international legitimacy," the ministry said.

The statement also said it is "extremely unfortunate" that the decision came as efforts are underway to reduce tensions between Greece and Turkey over energy exploration rights in the eastern Mediterranean.

At talks in Brussels on Monday, EU foreign ministers imposed sanctions on the Avrasya Shipping company, which is headquartered in Turkey, saying it was "found to have violated the arms embargo in Libya." AP

# Australian rescuers save 25 of 270 stranded whales so far

**Hobart (Australia):** Around one third of an estimated 270 pilot whales that became stranded on Australia's island state of Tasmania have died, with rescuers managing to return 25 to the sea in an ongoing operation, officials said Tuesday.

The whales were discovered Monday on a beach and two sand bars near the west coast town of Strahan. Sixty people have joined the rescue effort.

"We've rescued about 25 at the present time and escorted them out to sea and crews are continuing to work, so that number will increase before we get to the end of the day," Tasmania Parks and Wildlife Service Manager Nic Dekka told reporters late Tuesday afternoon. AP

**CHITTARANJAN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS**

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The following e-Tenders can be accessed under the link [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in). Offers for such e-Tender can be submitted only electronically by accessing the link [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) → login → E-Tender Stores/Supply. Vendors may also contact the following officials to obtain clarification regarding particular tender or IREPS related information if any. Dy. CMM/HQ/CLW/Chittaranjan, 0341-2525594 or SMM/CON/HQ, 0341-2535631. Sl. No.; Tender No.; Brief Description of Item; Quantity.; Earnest Money Deposit (₹); Tender Closing Date & Time (IST): [1]; 91200052; Accessories of 3 Phase Stator Chamber Type 6FRA-6068; 845 set; ₹1,23,860; 19.10.2020 at 11:00 am. [2]; 91200185; Resistance Ring [Machined]; 41no.; 000; 20.10.2020 at 11:00 am. [3]; 70200081; Gear 72 Teeth & Pinion 20 Teeth; 99 set; ₹14,53,220; 21.10.2020 at 11:00 am. [4]; 70200089; Set of Bull Gear 107 Teeth along with pinion 21 teeth for WAG-9 type Electric Locomotive; 125 set; ₹17,80,170; 20.10.2020 at 11:00 am. Office Address : Dy. CMM-III/CLW/Chittaranjan, 9163340711 or SMM/HQ, 9163340704.

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Mr. Sudip Roy/ Mrs. Aarti Roy/ Mrs. Rekha Roy G-1450 F F Chittaranjan Park, Delhi- 110019

Mr. Sudip Roy/ Mrs. Aarti Roy/ Mrs. Rekha Roy Apartment No PMA 322, The Primus DLF Garden City Sect, Village Shikohpur In, Sector-82A Gurgaon- 122004

Mr. Sudip Roy VBH Holding India Pvt Ltd C-166 Basement, Sarvodya Enclave New Delhi- 110017

Mr. Sudip Roy/ Mrs. Rekha Roy 37-5-1, Sri Penaga Condominium Jalan Maroof Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia- 59100

Dear Sir/Madam,

Sub: 1) Facility Agreement No. LBDEL00001987440  
2) Total amount Payable of Rs. 1,22,19,732/-  
3) Property Address: Apartment No PMA 322, The Primus DLF Garden City Sect, Village Shikohpur In, Sector-82A, Gurgaon- 122004

We refer to the Home Loan facility availed by you from ICICI Bank Ltd. (hereinafter referred to as "the bank") for the purchase of the above mentioned property and wherein the builder being DLF Home Developers Ltd.

In this regard we wish to bring to your notice the letter of cancellation issued by the builder on account of your failure to pay the contractual amount to the builder as per the terms and conditions of your agreement. That as per letter dated September 17, 2020, DLF Home Developers Ltd having registered office at DLF Sales Gallery Sec 74A, Near DLF Corporate Greens, Gurgaon - Haryana 122004 has canceled the allotment of the said property.

That as per agreement the builder the total refundable amount is payable to the bank. That your account was declared as an NPA on January 31, 2018.

That an amount of Rs. 1,22,19,732/- (One Crore twenty two Lac nineteen thousand seven hundred and thirty two) is payable and due to the bank as on date. That in case there is any shortfall in the amount received from the builder, the bank shall be entitled to claim the balance from the borrowers/ guarantors.

This notice is issued to you without prejudice to the rights & remedies available to us in any proceedings, which may either, have been initiated or likely to be initiated.

Without prejudice to the above, as a service gesture, through a copy of this letter, in the event of any further clarification, you may contact the undersigned Raj kumar on mobile no. +91 9871276369 and/ or visit our branch office between 9:00 am to 5:30 pm at ICICI Bank Ltd Plot No.7, Community Centre S.D. Tower, Sector-8, Rohini Delhi- 110085 upon obtaining prior appointment.

Thanking you,  
For ICICI Bank Limited  
Authorised Signatory

**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**

General Public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male Namely Unknown S/o Unknown, R/o Unknown Age: 60-65 years, Height: 5'6", Complexion: Wheatish, Built: Medium, Face: Round, Injury Mark: Head crushed, Brain dropout, Right hand broken off shoulder, Bruises on left leg & rub marks on whole body, Wearing: White coloured kurta pajama, Golden clock on the wrist of the left hand which belongs to Sonata company and Black coloured Slipper in feet On which the AIR is written, was found dead by train accident on 19.09.2020 at 9:00 AM from between KM Pol No. 5/19, 5/21 South Rly Line, Opposite Gali No.2, Bihari Colony, Shahdra, Delhi. The dead body has been preserved 72 hours in GTB Hospital Mortuary. In this regard a DD No.11A dated 19.09.2020 u/s 174 Cr.P.C. has been lodged at P.S. Old Delhi Railway Station, Delhi.

If any one having any clue about deceased male may kindly inform the undersigned and contact on following numbers. SHO P.S. Old Delhi Railway Station, Delhi Ph: 011-23961522 Mob.: 9311350017

DP/4466/RLY/2020

**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male namely Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown was found on 13.09.2020 from the area of P.S. Mahendra Park, Delhi. In this regard DD No. 45A, dated 13.09.2020 has been lodged at Police Station Mahendra Park, Delhi. Identification of unidentified dead body of male is as under:

Name: Unknown, Age: about 35 Years, Height: 5'7"  
Face: Round, Built: Normal, Complexion: Wheatish, ID Mark: Tattoo on right arm namely Bittoo in English & Anita in hindi, Wearing: Blue Orange striped T-shirt and brown colour under wear.

If anyone have any information or clue about this male deceased may kindly be inform undersigned.

SHO Police Station, Mahendra Park, Delhi Ph: 011-27632501, 8750870227

DP/400/NW/2020

**SEARCH FOR KIDNAPPED BOY**

General public is here by informed that this boy namely Dhuruv Aggarwal S/o Surrender Aggarwal R/o H.No. E-53, Gali No. 3, Shastri Park, Delhi Age : About 11 years, Complexion : Wheatish, Height : 4', Face : Round, Build : Thin, wearing green colour T-shirt, green colour nikkar and chappal in feet, has been kidnapped since 00.00.0000 from his house. In this regard FIR No. 682/18 dated 27.08.2018 u/s 363 IPC has been registered at P.S. New Usmanpur, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about this kidnapped boy may kindly inform to the following:-

E-mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) SHO - P.S. New Usmanpur, Delhi; Tel. No. : 011-22175468, 22172410

Website: <http://cbi.nic.in> Delh: 24368639, 22172410

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No. 128-W/280/e Tender Notice/NIT/21/2020-21-W-3 Dated : 21.09.2020

The Sr. Divisional Engineer-III, Northern Railway, Delhi Division invites E-Tender for the following work:

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|---|---|--|
| 1 | Name of work  | Removal of garbage which includes waste material, animal carcass, cow dung, leaves, malba from railway land to near by MCD dustbins in the section of SSEW/DL/Line under ADEN/DLI. |
| 2 | Approx cost of work   | Rs. 98,81,714.86 (Rupees Ninety Eight Lakh Eighty One Thousand Seven Hundred Fourteen and Eighty Six Paise only)   |
| 3 | Earnest Money to be deposited   | Rs. 1,97,600/- (Rupees One Lakh Ninety Seven Thousand Six Hundred Only)  |
| 4 | Cost of tender document   | Rs. 5900/-   |
| 5 | Date & Time of submission of tender bid & opening of tender:                | 13.10.2020 at 15:00 Hrs.   |
| 6 | Website particulars where complete details of tender documents can be seen. | <a href="http://www.ireps.gov.in">www.ireps.gov.in</a>   |

\* The tenderer/s must be registered on the Indian Railway E-Procurement system (IREPS) site i.e. [www.ireps.gov.in](http://www.ireps.gov.in) for participating in the e-tender system. \* For all terms and conditions please refer tender document. \* No manual offers are acceptable. \* Cost of tender document and Earnest money will be acceptable through net banking or payment gateway only.

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**GOVT. OF BIHAR OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT ENGINEER, BIHAR BHAWAN, NEW DELHI NO. 97/Dated: 22/09/2020**

Short notice inviting quotation The reputed firms are requested to submit sealed quotation for following work in Bihar Bhawan and Bihar Niwas Chanakyapuri, New Delhi for the year 2019-20. Quotation will be submitted up to 13-10-2020 till 3:00 pm and opened on 14-10-2020 at 3:30 pm at the office of the Resident Engineer, Bihar Niwas Chanakyapuri, New Delhi undersigned office has right to cancel quotation without any further information. Registration, Tin No., Pan No. and authorization of firm paper here enclosed. Details of items list can be obtained from the office of the Resident Engineer Bihar Bhawan, New Delhi. The Earnest Money (NSC/term Deposit) should be deposited 5% of total contract value before issue of work order.

| S.No | Particulars  |
|------|--|
| 1    | Supply fitting and fixing Split A.C 1.5 ton 8 Nos for the year 2020-2021   |
| 2    | Supply of 29 Nos sony make large size 43" T.V A3W 672 g at Bihar Bhawan and Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21                                       |
| 3    | Repair and polishing of all furniture and wooden panel in HVE suite of Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21  |
| 4    | Supply fitting and fixing Display Monitors for CCTV Video conferencing (55 Inch) at Bihar Bhawan and Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21              |
| 5    | Fitting new glasses in basement ventilation windows and repair leakage and Replacement of drain pipes at Bihar Niwas basement for the year 2020-21 |
| 6    | Repair Replacement upholstery of reception sofa's and room's chairs at Bihar Bhawan for the year 2020-21   |
| 7    | Crack repair and polishing of Italian marbal at Bihar Bhawan and Bihar Niwas for the year 2020-21  |

Sd/-  
Executive Engineer-cum-Resident Engineer Bihar Bhawan, New Delhi

**Poll indicates Ardern poised to win reelection**

**Wellington:** A new opinion poll indicates that New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern is poised to win a second term in office when the nation goes to the polls next month.

But Ardern said Tuesday that she's taking nothing for granted.

The 1 News Colmar Brunton Poll put support for Ardern's liberal Labour Party at 48 per cent while support for the conservative National Party, led by opposition leader Judith Collins, was at 31 per cent.

Support for Ardern as preferred prime minister was at 54 per cent compared to 18 per cent for Collins.

Under New Zealand's proportional voting system, larger parties typically form coalitions with smaller parties to govern.

Ardern's popularity has surged since the coronavirus became the defining issue for her government six months ago. Her approach of trying to eliminate the virus has been widely viewed as successful. AP

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Notice is hereby given to the General Public that Mrs. Lalita Devi is owner of Property / Plot area measuring 50 Sq.Yds., out of kharsa No. 146m, situated in the area of Village Sadapur, Pargana and Tehsil Dadr, Distt. Gautamibudh Nagar, U.P. "Said Property" by virtue of Sale Deed dated 31.07.2020, having registration no. 4761. All persons are hereby informed that above mentioned owner want to take a loan from our client, i.e. Trust lenders Capital Pvt. Ltd. if anybody has any objections or his ownership / Title / Mortgage, kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 07 days of the present. Kumar & Associates (Advocates & Consultants) 200, Ind. Fir. 23, Shivaji Marg, Moti Nagar, N.Delhi-15 Ph. 011-41112527-28. [kumarassociates.advocate@gmail.com](mailto:kumarassociates.advocate@gmail.com)

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Notice is hereby given to the General Public that Mr. Abhishek Kulkarni & Mrs. Ruby Tyagi are joint owners of Flat No. ASH-2106, First Floor, measuring 84.3 Sq.Mts. Situated at Shriya Surooty - II, Indraprastha, Ghazabad, "the Said Property", by virtue of Sale Deed dated 22.09.2011, registration no. 22663, executed by Mrs. Kusum Tyagi. All persons are hereby informed that above mentioned owners want to sell the said property and someone want to purchase the same by taking Home Loan from ICICI Bank Ltd. if anybody has any objections upon the said property and his ownership / Title / Mortgage, kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 07 days of the present. Kumar & Associates (Advocates & Consultants) 200, Ind. Fir. 23, Shivaji Marg, Moti Nagar, N.Delhi-15 Ph. 011-41112527-28. [kumarassociates.advocate@gmail.com](mailto:kumarassociates.advocate@gmail.com)

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given to the public on behalf of my client Shri Terath Jeet Singh S/o Late Shri Gur Baksh Singh that the property bearing House No. 1850, Pana Mamoorpur, Punjabi Mohalla, Narela, Delhi is a custodian property & is registered in the joint name of Five Brothers Late Shri Chatter Singh, Late Shri Gurbaksh Singh, Late Shri Lal Singh, Bhagat Singh and Prem Singh. It has come to the notice of my above client, who is a stake holder in the above property that Shri Sundeep Singh S/o Late Shri Chatter Singh is trying to sell the above property fraudulently on fictitious Documents / General Power of Attorney by concealment of above facts. Any one purchasing the above disputed property would be doing so on his/her own risk and cost.

(MS SAHIBA)  
Advocates and Solicitors,  
GH-1/104, Sector-28  
Rohini, Delhi-110042

# Sensex down 300 points on lockdown fears across Europe

FIANS ■ MUMBAI

The Indian stock market continued its dip on Tuesday, in line with the global markets as resurgence in coronavirus cases have increased possibilities of fresh lockdown restrictions across Europe, including the UK.

The across-the-board sell off in the Indian market was led by oil and gas, energy, auto, banking and finance stocks.

"Sensex and Nifty continued to be in correction mode by closing down by 300 points and 97 points, respectively, due to a spike in covid cases in Europe," Keshav Lahoti, Associate Equity Analyst, Angel Broking Ltd, said.

BSE Sensex closed at 37,734.08, lower by 300.06 points, or 0.79 per cent, from the previous close of 38,034.14.

It had opened at 38,200.71 and touched an intra-day high

of 38,209.97 and a low of 37,531.14 points.

The Nifty50 on the National Stock Exchange was trading at 11,153.65, lower by 96.90 points, or 0.86 per cent, from its previous close.

Manish Hathiramani, technical analyst with Deen Dayal Investments, said: "The markets are weak and we should see more downside in the coming days. Nifty could go down to 10,950-11,000 and if we don't halt there, we could fall further to test 10,800."

The resistance on the upside is 10,600-10,650 and till we do not cross that, a sell on every rise would be the appropriate strategy to adopt."

The small and midcap indices also witnessed a selloff on Tuesday.

The BSE MidCap index closed 1.70 per cent lower and the BSE SmallCap was down 1.61 per cent.

## ₹ drops 20 paise amid renewed growth concerns

Mumbai: The rupee depreciated by 20 paise to settle at 73.58 against the US dollar on Tuesday due to forex outflows and a stronger greenback in the global markets.

At the interbank forex market, the rupee opened on a weak note at 73.50 and fell further to a low of 73.64 as stock markets continued to fall for the fourth straight day.

Renewed growth concerns following resurgence of coronavirus cases in Europe and subsequent restrictions weighed on investor sentiment, dealers said.

# 'Labour reforms intend to put India among top 10 nations in ease of doing business'

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Government aims to catapult India to among the top 10 countries in World Bank's ease of doing business rankings with the comprehensive labour reforms which are likely to be completed after Parliament approves three draft codes in the ongoing session, a senior official said on Tuesday.

Under the labour reforms, the Centre plans to subsume 44 central laws into four broad codes on wages, industrial relations, occupational safety, health and working conditions (OSH) and social security.

The Wage Code Bill 2019 was passed by Parliament last year, while the other three codes were introduced in the Lok Sabha on Saturday. These bills are listed for consideration and passage in the Lower House on Tuesday.

"The ultimate goal of the government is to see India fig-



ure in top 10 nations in ease of doing business index of World Bank with completion of long-pending labour reforms," a senior labour ministry official told PTI.

As per the 'Doing Business' 2020 report, India had jumped 14 places to the 63rd position in the ease of doing business rankings. India has improved its rank by 79 positions in five years (2014-19).

"Labour laws would act as catalyst after the reform process

is completed with passage of remaining three codes in Parliament during the ongoing session.

They would help in attracting investments and generate employment in the country," the official added.

"At present, it is cumbersome to be an entrepreneur due to this vicious web of labour laws which make compliance practically difficult. It is easy to seek employment rather doing own business and becoming a job creator," the official noted.

# Liquor makers urge Bengal CM not to alter tax structure

PTI ■ KOLKATA

Manufacturers of alcoholic Beverages have urged West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee not to alter the existing structure of tax on liquor before the festive seasons as it will hit the market.

In a joint representation to the chief minister, two major liquor makers' associations -- Confederation of Indian Alcoholic Beverage Companies (CIABC) and International Spirits and Wines Association of India (ISWAI) -- have said if the current tax structure is changed before pujas, it would prove 'counterproductive' for both the government and the industry.

The state Government had imposed a 30 per cent sales tax on liquor causing "a deep slide in sales and thus hurting the government exchequer," they said.

# Covid bonanza for health insurers, 25% growth recorded

FIANS ■ NEW DELHI

The Covid-19 pandemic has increased the propensity of consumers to opt for a comprehensive health insurance product that gives proper financial protection for meeting any medical emergencies.

Accordingly, overall growth in the health business of general insurers was strong at 25 per cent yoy in August (13 per cent yoy in 5MFY21) with strong performance reported in retail health and government business at 40 per cent yoy each, according to analysis report by Kotak Institutional Equities.

Group health insurance, however, was muted at 12 per cent.

"Increasing risk aversion among consumers, strong uptick in demand for new Covid-related policies ('Corona Kavacha' and 'Corona Rakshak') and penetration among mass segments through the newly launched 'Arogya Sanjeevani' plans were likely drivers," the report said.

In the health insurance category, people preferred taking policies from entities having expertise in this line of operation.

Accordingly, standalone health insurers reported 39 per cent yoy increase in health premiums led by 51 per cent yoy increase in the retail health business. Private players were up 16 per cent yoy in the health business (up 40 per cent in retail health) while PSUs were up 21 per cent yoy.



Investment by health insurers in digital renewal of policies has likely paid off.

Private players witnessed 40 per cent yoy increase in retail health insurance premiums on the back of 1.1X yoy growth for Reliance General, 66 per cent yoy growth for Tata AIG and 65 per cent yoy growth for Iffco Tokio. Chola MS, ICICI Lombard and Bajaj General reported 62 per cent yoy, 28 per cent yoy and 35 per cent yoy growth, respectively, the brokerage report said.

On an overall basis, General insurers reported 10 per cent yoy growth in premiums (excluding crop) in August 2020 (7-8 per cent in past two months) led by 29 per cent yoy growth in fire and robust 40 per cent yoy growth in retail health. Motor continues to drag growth (down 2 per cent yoy).

Among key players, SBI reported stellar growth across most segments (up 25 per cent ex-crop) while ICICI and Tata AIG were up 12 per cent and 11 per cent yoy (ex-crop). Bajaj's ex-crop business remained weak, down 8 per cent yoy. Chola MS was muted at 1 per cent yoy (ex-crop).

# 60% Indian retailers expect 25% festive season sales cut: Survey

FIANS ■ NEW DELHI

Amid a surge in online shopping due to Covid-19, about 60 per cent retail organisations in India have seen their forecasts for the festive season go down 25 per cent or more compared to last year, says a new survey on Tuesday.

Given that festive season sales account for a significant portion of sales book each year, a downturn in the festive season sales would mean a longer road to recovery, said the report by BluePi Consulting.

While negative festive forecasts are pronounced in the apparel retail forecasts, 57 per cent of non-apparel retailers are interestingly optimistic about no or little change in the festive

season sales.

Due to the reduction in the festive season forecasts, around 71 per cent of the respondents are considering cancelling or deferring orders, showed the findings, adding that this reduction in forecast puts back the pressure on the entire supply chain, including the suppliers, vendors, manufacturers and other ancillaries.

"There is no shortage of challenges as underlined in the report, and a collaborative public-private model is the need of the hour," Pronam Chatterjee, CEO at BluePi, said in a statement. Nearly 60 per cent of the retail sector companies are actively looking for capital infusion, according to the "Retail Thought Leadership Survey Report 2020."

# Govt should extend MEIS till Dec 31 in its present form: CII

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Industry body CII on Tuesday urged the Govt to extend the export incentive scheme MEIS till December 31 in its present form to help exporters.

CII also suggested that the ambit of coverage under the Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) should be extended to the extent of any unutilised amount for revival of stressed sectors, including civil aviation, hospitality and tourism. These suggestions, among others, were made by the chamber during a meeting with Niti Aayog.

"The Govt should extend the MEIS benefits up to 31st Dec, in its present form with a rider that the balanced funds (60 per cent shortfall) would be disbursed later (with

in a fixed agreeable time-period) as and when government's finances improve," CII said in a statement.

It said the extension will help address the accounting problem of exporters as they can book the receivables under the Merchandise Exports from India Scheme in the current financial year. The Govt has capped export incentives under MEIS at ₹2 crore per exporter on ₹20 crore of exports made during the period from September 1 to December 31, 2020. The move comes after the Department of Revenue asked the commerce ministry to review the coverage of MEIS so that the fiscal benefits under the programme can be brought down to ₹9,000 crore in the current financial year.

# Amazon.in now available in Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu

FIANS ■ BENGALURU

In a major move to break the language barrier for online shopping ahead of the festive season, Amazon India on Tuesday said it is launching its shopping experience in four new languages, including Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil and Telugu.

With this launch, Amazon.in customers can now discover deals and discounts, read detailed product information, manage their account information, place and pay for their orders including bill payments, recharges, money transfers, track their orders and view order history in the language of their preference.

Amazon customers can select their preferred language in a few simple steps across Android and iOS apps, mobile and desktop sites.

The launch of Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil and Telugu, Tamil shopping experience on Amazon.in follows the widely adopted Hindi shopping experience that was launched in 2018.

Hundreds of thousands of Amazon customers from tier-1, tier-2 and tier-3 cities across Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Punjab, Chhattisgarh,

Jharkhand, Telangana, Himachal Pradesh have since switched to the Hindi shopping experience.

In the past five months, the adoption of Hindi shopping experience has grown by three times, Amazon India said.

Customers will find the most common words that are actually used in their daily lives being used in Amazon.in in all six languages that include Hindi, Kannada, Malayalam, Tamil and Telugu in addition to English.

"We have been working on introducing multiple ways of making shopping accessible to all customers -- wherever they may be and whatever the preferences may be," Kishore Thota, Director, Customer Experience and Marketing, Amazon India, said in a statement.

"This is in addition to various solutions that we introduced to reach a larger base of customers through video and voice based experiences that make consumption of information easier and interaction a lot more natural," Thota added.

In March this year, Alexa was introduced on the Amazon shopping app for Android devices to help users shop using voice commands.

# Ola, Oyo watching geopolitics closely as they grow globally

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Two of India's global startups, Ola and Oyo, are cautious about the geopolitical trends while they battle to overcome the challenges created by Covid-19.

Speaking at the 47th National Management Convention of the All India Management Association (AIMA) on Tuesday, the founders of the two companies explained the global and economic situation of their businesses.

# GAIL wins Leaders Award at the Frost & Sullivan and TERI's Sustainability 4.0 Awards 2020

New Delhi: GAIL (India) Limited has won the Leaders Award in the Mega Large Business, Process Sector category in the 11th edition of Frost & Sullivan - MEASA and TERI - The Energy and Resources Institute's Sustainability 4.0 Awards 2020. The award recognises corporates in sustainable development practices that provide a measurable and verifiable framework for sustainability.

Shri Manoj Jain, Chairman & Managing Director, GAIL said, "We are extremely happy and honoured to have been recognised as Leader in Mega Business Process Sector Category this year by Frost & Sullivan & TERI Award Jury. The award is essentially a result of eco-conscious development GAIL has been pursuing for the past 36 years." Frost & Sullivan and TERI Award Assessment is an in-depth and comprehensive assessment based on a well-defined framework covering all critical areas of sustainability.

# APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION



General Public is hereby informed that one woman **Name: Unknown, W/o Unknown, R/o: Unknown**, has been found in an abandoned condition near Coca Cola Bus Stand, Moti Nagar, Delhi. In this regard a **DD No. 03A dated 14.09.2020**, has been registered at P.S. Moti Nagar, Delhi.

The description of the woman is as under- **Age: 30 years, Sex: Female, Height: 5', Complexion: Shallow, Face: Round, Built: Medium, Wearing: Pink colour suit-salwar.** She was admitted in Nari Niketan Nirmal Chhaya, Hari Nagar, Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the women's family but no clue has come to light so far. Any person having any information or clue about this woman's family kindly inform to the following. **Website: http://cbi.nic.in E-mail id - cbc@cbi.gov.in Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641 Fax No. 011-24368639 P.S. Moti Nagar, Delhi DP/207/WD/2020 Tel.No. 011-25101150, 8750871125**

# SEARCH OF MISSING

General public is hereby informed that one lady (depicted in the photo), **Name: Gulaksha, W/o: Naseem, R/o: C-234, 25 Futa Road, Near Janti Masjid, Shree Ram Colony, Khajuri, Delhi, Aged: 22 years**, has been missing from the area of PS Timarpur, Delhi since 10.09.2020 at 02.00 PM. In this regard a case vide **DD No. 52A, Dated 12.09.2020**, has been lodged at P.S. Timarpur, Delhi. Her physical description is as under: **Height: 5'5" Feet, Complexion: Wheatish, Face: Round, Built: Normal, Clothing: Black Colour Kurta.** Any person is having any information/clue about this kidnapped lady, may inform SHO, Timarpur, Delhi at **E-mail: cbc@cbi.gov.nic.in or website : http://cbi.nic.in Tel No. : 011-24368638 or 24368641**



**Gulaksha**

**S.H.O P.S. Timarpur, Delhi Ph. 011-23812734, 23814421 DP/568/N/2020**

**MINISTRY OF DEFENCE**  
Department of Ex-Servicemen Welfare  
Ex-Servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS)  
**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**  
ADVERTISEMENT FOR ECHS EMPANELMENT OF PRIVATE HOSPITALS DESIGNATED BY STATE GOVERNMENT FOR COVID-19 TREATMENT BY LOCAL FORMATION COMMANDRES

- Director Regional Centre ECHS Dehradun, on behalf of the GOC Sub Area / Area and equivalent, the Ex-servicemen Contributory Health Scheme (ECHS) invites applications for the purchase of ECHS Empanelment from private hospitals / Nursing homes designated by the state Government for COVID-19 treatment and co-morbidities.
- The empanelment of such hospitals with ECHS will be for treatment of COVID-19 cases at rates as notified by MoD. The hospitals which are notified by State Government for treatment of COVID-19 patients and who are willing to get Empanelled with ECHS on temporary basis initially for a period of six months subject to review of the COVID situation by the Competent Authority would be eligible for temporary empanelment irrespective of their OC/NABH status.
- The empanelment will be only for testing and treatment of COVID-19 and co-morbidities and will be for a maximum period of six months and will be renewed / extended based on COVID-19 situations.
- Interested Hospitals, Nursing Home etc. may submit the completed application forms at the Regional Centre, ECHS Dehradun. The terms / conditions and requirements of empanelment for ECHS requirements are detailed in attached application form.

**Contact Number : 0135-2755906**  
**E-mail: dirrcdehradun@echsgov.in, rechsdn@gmail.com**

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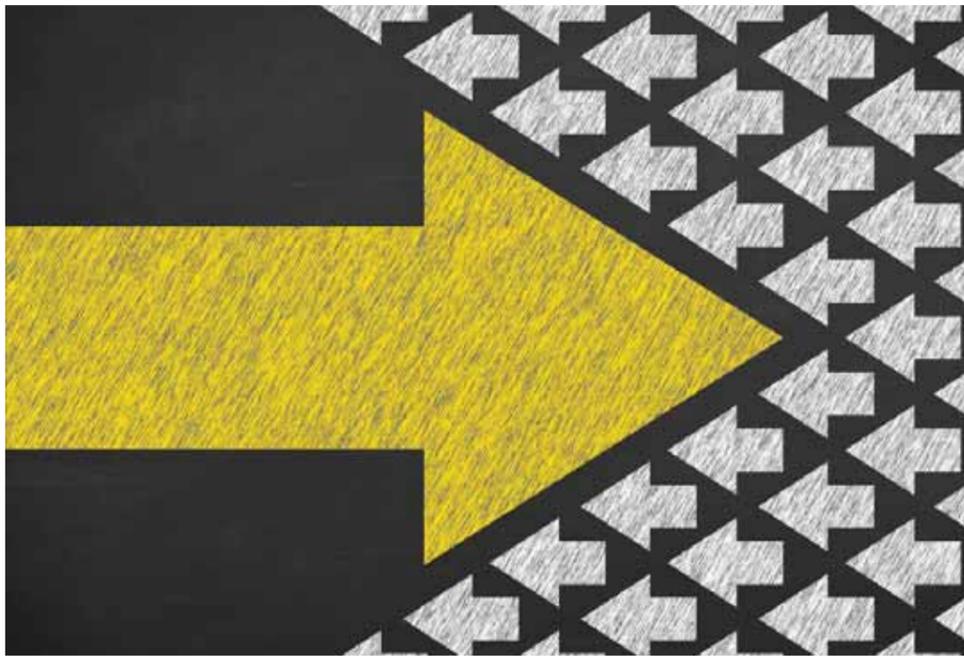
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| 3.  | Himanshu Sikka/ Gulsan Kumar Sikka LBNOD00002278735 | Flat No 1802 18th Floor Tower A1 Palm Court Sec 16C Greater Noida Uttar Pradesh/ September 18, 2020  | March 31, 2018 Rs. 34,52,984/-                | Delhi          |
| 4.  | Gunjan/ Rahul Chandna LBGUR00002866940              | Appartment No. A2- 1503, 15th Floor, Jkg Palm Court, Plot No. Gh/ 1- D, Sector 16 C, Greater Noida West, UP And/ Or 1503, 15th Floor, Palm Court Tower A1 And A2, Plot No. Gh- 01D, Sector 16 C, Greater Noida/ September 18, 2020 | September 29, 2018 Rs. 33,63,188/-            | Delhi          |
| 5.  | Ashish Vashishtha/ Shobha Sharma LBGUR0000287296    | A 1- 1801, 18th Floor, Jkg Palm Court, Plot No. Gh- 1D, Sector 16 C, Greater Noida West, UP/ September 18, 2020  | April 27, 2018 Rs. 33,05,818/-                | Delhi          |
| 6.  | Chintu Ghai/ Shilpi Ghai LBDEL00002342824           | Flat No- 1805, Tower A1, Plot No- Gh 01D, Palm Court Sector- 16 C, Noida Uttar Pradesh/ September 18, 2020   | February 27, 2018 Rs. 33,43,753/-             | Delhi          |

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 : 23-09-2020  
Place: Delhi/ NCR

Authorized Officer  
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The conventional model and approach in the Education Sector seem to be taking a backseat and the unprecedented times are calling for a newer approach to disseminate education without impacting its quality, says DR DNS KUMAR



# For a better tomorrow

India has always held a significant place in the world of education. It has not only been known for its quality education but also the devotion of institutes that focus specifically on making the students learn and prosper in their respective fields. Even though our country has one of the largest networks of higher education institutions across the globe, there still are a lot of areas of improvement it can work on. The country still hasn't explored its highest potential in the field of education.

As per a report by Indian Brand Equity Foundation (IBEI), India was aiming to raise its current gross enrolment ratio to 30% by the end of 2020, which would also have boosted the growth of distance education in India. However, the plans had to take a backseat due to the outbreak of COVID-19, disrupting the entire education sector. There is no doubt about the industry witnessing a crisis due to the ongoing pandemic and the education of the students being impacted severely by the same. The

disruptive period has steered the institutions and universities to focus on their higher education model and re-contemplate its working to resonate with the current scenario.

The conventional model and approach in the sector seem to be taking a back seat ever since the pandemic hit the country and the unprecedented time is calling for a newer approach to disseminate education without impacting the quality of it. The need of the hour requires the institutions to adapt to new innovative technologies and different techniques, which will further help them sync with the present generation.

Holding lectures and regular classes for the students is turning out to be a task because of the physical disruption caused by coronavirus. However, the universities from all over the world are putting their best foot forward to combat the issue by adopting a tech-enabled approach and conducting classes on virtual platforms. A lot of universities are going an extra mile to stand in unison with

the global institutes and form international alliances to offer the best to their students. They are offering a diversity of experiences as they provide international exposure to their students via online platforms and classrooms.

A number of massive online open courses (MOOCs) are being available to the students these days, preventing any lag on their educational front along with the professors and lecturers upgrading their skill sets to match the new way of teaching.

The way to rise above this disruption is to embrace innovative ways and break outdated boundaries. Technological advancement comes with its own set of pros and cons, with some of the flaws adverse effects including the increase in cybercrimes or offences, but these times require us to focus on the silver lining in the cloud and create opportunities out of this crisis instead. Eliminating conventional ways and outdated approaches will create a wave which will pave a new path to success and will further make edu-

cation accessible to the masses with the help of technology.

Education in the age of disruption has eventually led us to a path where the institutions are not only making online learning cost-effective and affordable for more people to enrol, but also encouraging students to focus on acquisition of skills rather than theoretical teaching. This will further bolster their confidence and make them competent to deal with any uncalled crisis in the near future. The collaborative learning coupled with a new way of teaching is revolutionising the educational sector along with offering additional perks to the students, such as online open houses, webinars, internships, smart-learning and others.

Fuelling the spirit of education and promoting remote learning, the universities are trying to fleet out of their comfort zones to create a new today and a better tomorrow. Endeavouring to make education soar high in an age of disruption, they are hosting online workshops, digi-

tised lectures, interactive sessions and discussions and on-screen examinations for the students. Remote learning, along with other tech-savvy approaches, is catching up with the country and is anticipated to contribute to the individual success of students, eventually leading India towards collective growth.

The education sector's receptivity towards innovative approaches is also providing the country with a window to improvise the Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) and build technology-oriented skills and competency amongst students. Building technology-oriented skills and making students competent to take the world head-on, edu-tech and virtual learning are seen serving as the tools for collective success.

The education in the age of disruption is creating ripples of change and empowering the youth to pursue their passion and eventually become skilled professionals contributing to the economic growth of the country. The writer is Vice-Chancellor, Ansal University

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

**Give a girl an education and introduce her properly into the world, and ten to one but she has the means of settling well, without further expense to anybody.**

— James Madison

## Online GK Olympiad

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The term GK is firmly associated with general intelligence, therefore understanding the significance of things that happen in our life. Participation in a test like Olympiad makes students learn it through quizzes and puzzles in turn enabling them to be more decisive and confident in career.

Hence, in support of every parents and child's wish to achieve a new milestone and succeed in what he or she does; Mind Wars, a multiplatform knowledge programme promoted by Zee Entertainment Enterprises Ltd has announced India's largest online general knowledge

Olympiad 2020, intending to identify, encourage, and promote students towards achieving a better tomorrow.

A national-level championship will begin in November 2020, and it is open to students of classes IV to XII from all education boards across India. The 20-minute exam comprises general awareness question across five topics per class, that aims at improving students' ability and growth in the coming years.

To participate in Olympiad visit: <https://www.mindwars.co.in/olympiad/>.

Exam dates: November 22, 28 and 29, 2020. December 5, 6 and 12, 2020.

## UG programme

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The University of Strathclyde, Glasgow is inviting applications for BEng Hons Manufacturing Engineering with Management course (four years) starting in September 2021.

Students will learn to combine virtual and physical design and prototyping in the university's digital design suite. Every physical product you come into contact with has been manufactured and the industry's demand for those skilled in this area continues to increase.

Students will benefit from guaranteed industrial experience to develop and apply their skills as a product design engineer within the real world and

add to their CV, through the Industrial Group Project modules.

Manufacturing Engineering with Management blends a more technical engineering focus (such as mechanics, manufacturing, electronics, maths, programming, engineering calculations of a product's design) with production and management principles, and technology such as operational improvement and quality management.

**Eligibility:** 70-75 per cent in all subjects taken at level XII and the same at level X. Marks should be particularly strong in the proposed area of study. IELTS requirement is 6.5 (no individual element below 5.5).

**How to apply:** Contact [eng-admissions@strath.ac.uk](mailto:eng-admissions@strath.ac.uk).

While education remains a vital part of any individual's life span, that not only assists in providing a threshold to a flourishing career but also broadens the horizon to give a positive outlook to their personality. Analysing the estimated students for undergraduate programmes, around 9 crore in senior secondary level and nearly 3.5 crore in higher education. But devoid of availability of quality higher education institutions in India, the number of students opting for the best higher education remains in incongruity, leading to a steady outflow of the Indian Students for International Education.

Attributing to a plethora of quite obvious reasons like emotional control, financial budget, dependent nature of the child, culture, and lifestyle of various countries, and most importantly unawareness, parents were earlier hesitant to send their kids abroad, as seen historically. The demand for high-quality education fuelled by a rising and stable economic condition in the country has managed to make this idea turn into a reality for many.

Students these days are opting for higher education in a foreign destination. However, abundant options and too many choices make this dream a challenge for many to achieve.

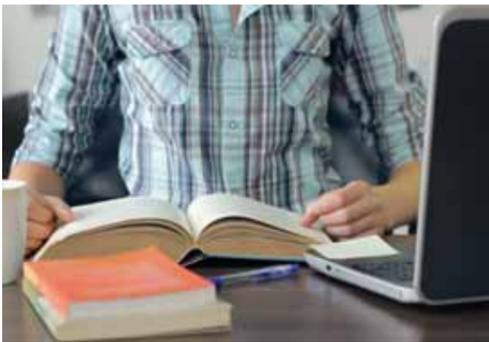
Why Indian students' International Mobility on rise?

When you look at the kind of course combinations that are provided by international universities today, they will definitely attract any student who is willing to explore possibilities through various courses or inculcate experience by mixing with international peer groups.

But a student aiming to go abroad for education should con-

## Proper guidance is must

A student aiming to go abroad for education should consider several factors, including the budget. Many students due to incomplete research end up getting an admission in a university of less credibility, says ANKIT KAPOOR



**Interest towards the course:** Prove it to the university that you are keenly interested in the subject that you are applying to. Only exceptional academic scores in the subject might not be enough in this regard, rather your participation in subject based Olympiads, quizzes or taking higher level courses may be worthwhile.

**Leadership and Risk-Taking capacities:** Very common skill in sophomores of top-notch universities across the world. If you have the capacity of taking the initiative and leading others towards a positive movement, it means a lot to the universities as they can see a change maker in you.

Proper guidance helps in aspiring to bring out the best in its students by ethically guiding them and helping them build up their profiles to crack the world's top universities with scholarships. Motivating the students to choose the best courses as per their potential and evaluate their profile to provide the information based on a wide range of courses and options available across the world, is one of the important traits. Overall, one must understand those top universities today are looking for nothing less than a unique individual.

The writer is Managing Director, Pratham International Education Desk

## Be a true leader

Creating leadership talent is not easy, given just how vast a capable leader's toolkit is. A leader is the cusp of people skills, strategy, technical competence, vision, commercial sense and selling ability, says DR JITENDRA K DAS

A key concern across industries and geographies is the lack of leadership talent. While the ranks of executives and managers are adequately staffed with superior talent, the top of the corporate pyramid lacks enough visionaries. Where is the next Jack Welch? The next Bill Gates? The next Steve Jobs? The next Lee Iacocca? Or closer home, the next JRD Tata? The next Aditya Birla?

Creating leadership talent is not easy, given just how vast a capable leader's toolkit is. A leader is a cusp of people skills, strategy, technical competence, vision, commercial sense, and selling ability. Little wonder that the business world is suffering from a dearth of leaders just when they are needed the most in volatile times.

The majority of millennials (the leaders of tomorrow) agree that their leadership skills are underdeveloped. Organisations thus have to invest heavily in leadership development of their workforce which has huge cost implications. To develop tomorrow's leaders, enter B-schools as a training ground. Think of it this way — from the industry's perspective, if they could hire competent business managers from B-schools who have the right seeds of leadership already planted then it would reduce time, cost, and effort down the road when it is time to select CXOs.

This clarion call from industry has led to B-schools sharpening their curriculum and pedagogy to include specific and proven techniques for identifying and nurturing leadership talent on the one hand and helping others who are lacking in leadership potential to devel-



think critically and find creative solutions thus strengthening their decision-making skills. The objective is to push students out of their comfort zones — after all, leaders have vast comfort zones.

**Integrating Entrepreneurship skills into the curriculum:** Not every management student wants to pursue a corporate career. Many of them choose a management programme to polish their entrepreneurial capabilities, which also emphasises the significance of leadership qualities. Of course, the first gateway to successful entrepreneurship is effective leadership and team building. Realising this, many business schools have come forward with incubators, innovation labs, accelerators, and also organise 'start-up pitch' competitions which help students explore and refine their entrepreneurial skills.

**Emphasis on technology and digital skills:** Digital technology is reshaping the industry and hence, the leadership style. Business leaders are now required to possess digital and technical competence to grow the business and take decisions that are aligned with the evolving trends. Business schools are taking measures to bridge the technological leadership gap to make students ready for an ever-evolving business landscape disrupted by technological trends.

The gap in leadership talent is not something that can be plugged in the short term. However, a beginning has been made in nurturing talent at an early stage in the cradle of business education.

The writer is Director, FORE School of Management, New Delhi

## NCPA's live workshop

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

India's premier cultural institution, the National Centre for the Performing Arts (NCPA) in collaboration with renowned dancer, and cultural entrepreneur Dr Anita Ratnam will be hosting a live workshop on 'Innovation, ideas and experimentation in artistic pursuit' on September 24 live on: <https://www.facebook.com/NCPAMumbai>. The session is a part of the ongoing Utkarsh Series by NCPA.

Considering the new normal with no on-stage performances, the live session will have Dr Anita address how innovation, when adapted digitally, can beautifully

transcend all boundaries and barriers associated with dance as a genre.

As a founder of Natharki.com, Ratnam noticed that many dancers were taking to Instagram while performing from their living rooms. Taking this opportunity ahead, this session is curated to address out of the box ideas for performers to think beyond a structured framework and push boundaries of dance & choreography.

The live workshop will give the audience an understanding of the production value that can be imperative when a dancer is planning to create content for a digital audience.

## New batch with virtual induction programme

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Symbiosis Centre for Management Studies, Pune is all set to welcome its incoming batch of 2020-23. The virtual induction ceremony will be graced by distinguished and eminent leaders from the industry who will be addressing the students. In a first, SCMS is hosting its induction session virtually due to the current coronavirus crisis. With much grandeur, the institute is going to welcome the students following the virtual protocol in the new normal. The induction is designed in a way

that the students can embark on their educational journey with motivation and learnings from industry leaders.

The five-day induction session will be addressed by Kaushik Deka — Deputy Editor of India Today Magazine, Anurag Gour, Director — Partner Development at Microsoft.

The session will also include a panel discussion on the third day wherein notable SCMS alumni Hanisha Lalwani, Senior Marketing Manager for the Middle East & Africa region at PageGroup, Dubai, Mr. Kunal Shah, AVP — Non Financial

Risk Management at Deutsche bank, London, Twishi Chaturvedi, Channel Marketing Manager at Siemens Financial Services, London, Priya Venkatraman, Customer Care Executive at CMA CGM Agencies Pvt Ltd, India shall be discussing 'My memories of SCMS'.

Speaking about the event, Dr Adya Sharma, Director, SCMS Pune said: "The core agenda of the induction programme is to empower students to make the most of what the institute offers. With much mirth and glory, every year the induction session

takes place in the campus and is looked forward to by students. This year, we are welcoming the students virtually, with the same zeal and enthusiasm. We hope students will be motivated to start their career journey with valuable learnings from industry leaders and faculty members."

The induction programme will also include a session on a pressing topic of Gender sensitisation. Fun filled student activities through virtual gym which will be conducted by Department of Sports Recreation and Wellness (DSRW), SIU through Microsoft Teams platform.

## 22nd convocation

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The Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati celebrated its 22nd Convocation on September 22, 2020, with a graduating class of 1,803 students (1532 male & 271 female). Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi graced the occasion as the Chief Guest in the esteemed presence of Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank',

Education Minister, Government of India, among others.

Virtually addressing the students, Narendra Modi said, "Convocation is a special day for every student. But this year, it is a different experience for them. The pandemic has changed the way convocation is conducted. But still it is as special as it was before. I congratulate students for their bright future."

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As a 36-year-old to come here, having not played a lot of cricket, in the middle of some talented youngsters - was a pleasing start. Very happy with the basics

Padikkal is a brilliant young player, he has shown it over the last couple of years, how talented he is and how destructive he could be at the top of the order

Shubman is a quality player. There is a lot of expectation from him around the world, I'm sure he will exceed all expectations and I'm really confident about that

Bumrah is a world class bowler, he is trying very hard over the last couple of days to find rhythm. I am 100 per cent sure he will be on the mark in the coming games

# City start season with nervy win

if they wanted to keep pace with the champions and they raced into a two-goal lead before half-time thanks to Kevin De Bruyne's penalty and Foden's cool finish.

City's swaggering first half gave way to an anxious spell as Wolves dominated after the interval and they had to cling on after Raul Jimenez got one back before Gabriel Jesus sealed the points in stoppage time.

Foden's goal was a welcome morale boost in his first match since the midfielder was sent home in disgrace, along with Manchester United's Mason Greenwood, after the pair invited local women into the England team's hotel.

"For the goal and in the second half Foden played incredibly well, he helped us keep the ball," Guardiola said.

While City equalled Aston Villa's record of winning 10 consecutive opening fixtures to a top-flight season, there is little doubt Liverpool remain the Premier League's preeminent force for now.

But Guardiola was delighted to open with a victory given the shorter than usual pre-season.

"We could not run much because we are tired in our legs but in general we did a good game," he said.

"The period that we are in, the situation that we had this last two weeks, I expected some moments where we suffer but in general we controlled it well.

"It was a good performance. We know how difficult it is in this stadium.

"Sometimes we need more time to get to our best condition but it was a good start to come here and win."

# Morgan aims to complement Russell



One of the more dependable middle-order batsman in the limited overs cricket, Morgan was bought by KKR at the auction after they looked heavily reliant on Andre Russell to finish close games as they missed the qualifiers by a whisker in 2019.

"I know (Andre) Russell has done that role significantly well for a number of years for Kolkata. He's done exceptionally well. If I get a go, hopefully I will be able to aid that," Morgan said during a virtual media interaction.

The KKR vice-captain further said he's more experienced

now and his batting is coming off really well.

"I think it's been quite a few years since I played (at KKR). Just looking at batting, my game has really come on

quite a lot in the last three to four years. I would like to think I've come on quite well," Morgan, who will be back at the franchise after his stint from 2011-2013, said.

Guardiola labelled Phil Foden as "incredible" after Manchester City survived a scare to start their Premier League title challenge with a 3-1 win against Wolves on Monday.

City's delayed start to the campaign — due to their involvement in last season's Champions League — had allowed Liverpool to build a six-point lead over them before they had even kicked a ball.

Guardiola's side could not afford to slip up at Molineux

### SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE

**ICICI Bank** 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, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, 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/ Loan Account Number  | Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession  | Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand (Rs.) | Name of Branch |
|---------|--|---|---|----------------|
| 1.      | Kuldeep Kumar/ Paromila Vikas/ Yogesh LBAMT00003457938 & LBAMT00003457947                                  | Plot Private No-128, Kharsa No-133 Min, Vakia Rakba Wadali Gur, Abadi Shaheed Nagar, Tehsil, Amritsar Punjab/ September 18, 2020                        | February 29, 2020 Rs.30,65,509/-              | Amritsar       |
| 2.      | Kuldip Singh/ Manmohan Singh LBAMT00003112270  | Khana Shumari No- 4888/37 Old And Persent No-9778/16 Sarwarpura Gali No-5, Sabka And, Majood No Sikri Abadi Tehsil, Amritsar Punjab/ September 18, 2020 | January 31, 2020 Rs.84,35,904/-               | Amritsar       |
| 3.      | Kawaljit Singh/ Manpreet Kaur LBAMT00002892260   | Plot No-30-A & 29-A, Min Kharsa Number-1258 Min Vakiarabka Sultanwind Urbanabadi Kot Atma Ram Amritsar Punjab/ September 18, 2020                       | January 31, 2020 Rs.36,68,429/-               | Amritsar       |
| 4.      | Wazir Singh/ Entorprises/ Anudeep Singh/ Dalbir Kaur LBAMT00002121679, LBAMT00002121832 & LBAMT00002121833 | Plot No-88, Min Kharsa No-1550/520-521, 1552/520, 1554/519-520, Vakia Rakbatung Bala Urban Abadi Magbool Road Amritsar Punjab/ September 18, 2020       | January 31, 2020 Rs.1,56,77,918/-             | Amritsar       |

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: 23-09-2020  
Place: Amritsar  
Authorized Officer  
ICICI Bank Limited

# Good to play Mumbai early: DK



Abu Dhabi: Mumbai Indians consist of world-class players and that is why it is good for us to play the four-time champions early in the IPL. Kolkata Knight Riders skipper Dinesh Karthik said on Tuesday.

The two teams have faced each other 25 times and the Kolkata-based franchise has won only six matches.

"They (Mumbai Indians) have a team of world-class players; they are a strong lineup and the number of IPL titles they have won shows that. It's good that we are playing Mumbai early in the tournament. Every year is a different year. I am sure it will be a great game tomorrow," said Karthik during a virtual press conference on Tuesday.

Karthik also hinted that Shubman Gill and Sunil Narine will be opening the batting for KKR. "Shubman is a quality player. I am sure he will exceed all expectations and it's good to have him. Gill and Narine make a good opening combination," he said.

Karthik admitted that he has the 'problem of plenty' to pick the XI from a revamped Kolkata Knight Riders squad.

"One of the tough points for KKR at this point of time is picking the right XI. A lot of guys have put their hands up and are ready for selection. It's going to be an interesting one and a tough one but that's a good sign."

### HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

**\*\*\* Notice Inviting Tender \*\*\***

Sealed item rate tender on form No. 6 & 8 are hereby invited by the Executive Engineer, HP PWD Division Tanda at Nagrota Bagwan on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh for the following work from the approved and eligible contractors enlisted in HP PWD (B & R) whose registration stood renewed as per revised rules so as to reach in his office on or before on 30.10.2020 up to 11:00 A.M. And the same shall be opened on the same day at 11:30 A.M. in the presence of intending contractors or their authorized representatives. The tender form can be obtained from his office on cash payment (non refundable) on 29.10.2020 up to 4:00 P.M. and the application for issue of tender form shall be received on 28.10.2020 up to 12:00 noon. The applications for issue of tender forms accompanied with enlistment letter or renewal letter and the earnest money in the shape of National Saving Certificate/Saving Account of the Post Office (Time Deposit account/FDR in Himachal Pradesh duly pledged in favour of Executive Engineer, HP PWD Division Tanda at Nagrota Bagwan.

The conditional tender and the tender received without earnest money will summarily be rejected. The offer of the tender shall be kept open for 120 days.

| Sr. No. | Name of Work   | Estimated Cost | Earnest Money | Time limit   |
|---------|--|----------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1       | Construction of link road to village Gaglu in G.P. Balugola (SH -Providing and laying cement concrete pavement at RD 0/925 to 0/980) Under Deposit work                            | 235553/-       | 4750/-        | Two months   |
| 2       | Improvement of black spots on Sakreh Damtehar road Km 0/000 to 5/000 (SH -Providing and fixing W-metal crash barrier at different reaches between Km 0/000 to 6/000) Under Deposit | 318300/-       | 6400/-        | Two months   |
| 3       | Repair of road from Daroon Khad to Bhoot Basti Raounkhar (SH-Construction of retaining wall at various RDs) Deposit  | 489650/-       | 9800/-        | Three months |
| 4       | Construction of store at Bhomi under Radh section of Baroh Sub-Division (SH -C/O building portion (Under Stock storage)  | 463876/-       | 9300/-        | Four months  |

**Terms & Conditions:-**

- The contractor/firm should be registered as or dealer GST No.
- The intending contractor / firm have to produce the copy of latest enlistment and renewal enlisted in HPPWD.
- If any of the date mentioned above happened to be Gazetted Holidays the same shall be processed on next working day.
- The Executive Engineer reserves the right to accept/reject any tender/application or all tenders without assigning any reason.
- The Contractor will have to submit affidavit along with application for issue of tender that he has not more than two works in hand.
- Next tender will be issued only after completion of previous works in hand.

Executive Engineer  
H.P.P.W.D. Tanda Division  
at Nagrota Bagwan  
(On behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh)

RO 3220/20-21 Dt. 22-09-2020

### HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES

REGD. OFFICE: "RADHIKA", 2ND FLOOR, LAW GARDEN ROAD, NAVRANGPURA, AHMEDABD-380009.  
BRANCH OFFICE: BRANCH OFFICE: HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED, 4th FLOOR, KUNAL TOWER, MALL ROAD, LUDHIANA-141001

#### E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT, 2002

THE UNDERSIGNED AS AUTHORIZED OFFICER OF HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED HAS TAKEN OVER POSSESSION OF THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY PURSUANT TO THE NOTICE ISSUED U/S 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THE FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 IN THE FOLLOWING LOAN ACCOUNTS WITH A RIGHT TO SELL THE SAME ON "AS IS WHERE IS BASIS" AND "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" FOR REALIZATION OF COMPANY'S DUES.

| 1. BORROWER/S & GUARANTOR/S NAME & ADDRESS 2. TOTAL DUE+ INTEREST FROM   | DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY  | 1. DATE & TIME OF E AUCTION<br>2. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EMD<br>3. DATE & TIME OF THE PROPERTY INSPECTION  | 1. RESERVE PRICE<br>2. EMD OF THE PROPERTY  |
|--|--|--|---|
| Lucky Wednesday Consultants Pvt Ltd Mc No B - XIX - 88/8, First Floor, Commercial Complex, Kunal Tower Mall Road Ludhiana-141001<br>Head Office: K-37-A, Green Park, New Delhi Mailing Address: Bajajet Singh S/O. Shri. Kusan Singh H-171, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab - 141001.<br>Also At Mc No B - XIX - 88/8, First Floor, Commercial Complex, Kunal Tower Mall Road Ludhiana-141001 Harpreet Kaur B-35/171-H, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab - 141001. Also At Mc No B - XIX - 88/8, First Floor, Commercial Complex, Kunal Tower Mall Road Ludhiana-141001<br>Loan Account No 1110874<br>TOTAL OUTSTANDING : Rs 42762318 (Rupees Four Crores Twenty Seven Lakhs Sixty Two Thousand Three Hundred Eighteen Only) as of 08th March, 2019 and future contractual interest till actual realization together with incidental expenses, cost and charges etc | MC NO B-XIX-88/8 COMMERCIAL COMPLEX,SITUATED AT THE MALL KUNAL TOWER,MALL ROAD LUDHIANA-141001 admeasuring 9746 Sq. Ft Covered area (10464 Sq. Ft built up area) and recorded in the name of Lucky Wednesday Consultant Pvt. Ltd. Registration document: at serial no 14237, on dated 12.10.2011 with the office of Sub Registrar - Ludhiana. Property Bounded As: North: Property of Rajinder Gupta 24 The Mall - 185-2", South: Property of Avinash Chander Nayyar & Vishwanath Nayyar, 28 The Mall - 170-10", East: Property of Others - 110-0", West: The Mall Road - 108-2" | 1)E-AUCTION DATE:29.10.2020<br>10:30 AM TO 11:30AM WITH FURTHER EXTENSION OF 5MINUTES<br>2) LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EMD WITH KYC 27.10.2020 TILL 5 PM<br>3) DATE OF INSPECTION: 25.10.2020 BETWEEN-11:00 AM TO 01:00 PM IST | Reserve Price (IN INR):<br>Rs. 7,99,17,200/-<br>(Rupees Seven Core Ninety Nine Lakh Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Only)<br>EMD Amount (IN INR):<br>Rs. 79,91,720/-<br>(Rupees Seventy Nine Lakh Ninety One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Only) |

The intending bidders are advised to visit the Branch and the properties put up on Auction, and obtain necessary information regarding charges, encumbrances. The purchaser shall make his own enquiry and ascertain the additional charges, encumbrances and any third party interests and satisfy himself/herself in all aspects thereto. All statutory dues like property taxes, electricity dues and any other dues, if any, attached to the property should be ascertained and paid by the successful bidder(s)/prospective purchaser(s). The bidder(s)/prospective purchaser(s) are requested, in their own interest, to satisfy himself/herself with regard to the above and the other relevant details pertaining to the above mentioned property/properties, before submitting the bids.

**Terms & Conditions of Online Tender/Auction:** (1) The online sale shall be "online e-auction" bidding through website <https://sarfaesi.auctiontng.net> Or Auction Tiger Mobile APP on the dates as mentioned in the table above with Unlimited Extension of 5 Minutes. (2) The interested bidders are required to register themselves with the portal and obtain login ID and Password well in advance, which is mandatory for e-bidding, from auction service provider M/S E-Procurement Technologies Ltd. (Auction Tiger) Ahmadabad (Tel:-079-40005416/1718) Contact Person: Mr. Kunal Kothari Cell no. 9978591888, Email : kushal@auctiontng.net, Mr.Sachin Sharma Mob. 9988137576 Email. punjab@auctiontng.net Fax:-079-400230847 support@auctiontng.net Please note that, Prospective bidders may avail online training on e-auction from their registered mobile number only. (3) The intending purchaser/bidder is required to submit amount of the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) by way of Demand Draft/PAY ORDER drawn on any nationalized or scheduled Commercial Bank in favor of "HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED" payable AT PAR/ LUDHIANA or NEFT/RTGS in the account of "HDBFS GENERAL COLLNS"; Account No 00210310002748; IFSC Code- HDFC0000021; MICR CODE: MICR50240002; Branch: LAKDIKAPUL, HYDERABAD; on or before date and time mentioned above (Please refer to the details mentioned in table above) and register their name at <https://sarfaesi.auctiontng.net> and get user ID and password free of cost and get training on e-auction from the service provider. After their Registration on the web-site, the intending purchaser/bidder is required to get the copies of the following documents uploaded: (1) Copy of the NEFT/RTGS challan/DD/ Pay order, 2. Copy of PAN card and 3. Copy of proof of address (Passport, Driving License, Voter's Card or Aadhar Card, Ration Card, Electricity Bill, Telephone Bill, Registered Lease Agreement) on the website before or by the last date of submission of the EMD(s) as mentioned in the table above and also submit hardcopy thereof at the Branch mentioned hereinabove (4) Bid must be accompanied with EMD (Equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price) by way of Demand Draft/ Pay order in favour of "HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED" payable AT PAR/ LUDHIANA or NEFT/RTGS in the account of "HDBFS GENERAL COLLNS"; Account No 00210310002748; IFSC Code- HDFC0000021; MICR CODE: MICR50240002; Branch: LAKDIKAPUL, HYDERABAD; on or before date and time mentioned above. (5) Bids that are not filed up or Bids received beyond last date will be considered as invalid Bid and shall be summarily rejected. No interest shall be paid on the EMD. Once the bid is submitted by the Bidder, same cannot be withdrawn. If the bidder does not participate in the bid process, EMD deposited by the Bidder shall be forfeited without further recourse. However, EMD deposited by the unsuccessful bidder shall be refunded without interest. (6) The bid price to be submitted shall be above the Reserve Price along with increment value of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) and the bidder shall further improve their offer in multiple of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only). The property shall not be sold below the Reserve Price set by the Authorized Officer. (7) The successful bidder is required to deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD) immediately but not later than next working day by Demand Draft drawn in favour of "HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED" payable AT PAR/ LUDHIANA or NEFT/RTGS in the account of "HDBFS GENERAL COLLNS"; Account No 00210310002748; IFSC Code- HDFC0000021; MICR CODE: MICR50240002; Branch: LAKDIKAPUL, HYDERABAD; on or before date and time mentioned above. (8) The successful bidder shall be liable to pay the balance amount of sale price shall be paid by the successful bidder within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale by the Company. The EMD as well as Sale Price paid by the interested bidders shall carry no interest. (9) Please refer to the details mentioned in table above. (10) The property shall be sold on "As is Where is Basis" and "As is What is Basis" condition and the intending bidder should make discreet enquiries as regards encumbrance, charge and statutory outstanding on the property of any authority besides the Company's charges and should satisfy themselves about the title, extent, quality and quantity of the property before submitting their bid. No claim of whatsoever nature regarding the property put for sale, charges and encumbrances over the property or any other matter etc. will be entertained after submission of the online bid and at any stage thereafter. The Company shall not be responsible for anything whatsoever including damages or eviction proceeding, etc. The intending bidder shall indemnify the tenants as well as the Company in this regard. The purchaser shall take necessary action for eviction of tenant / settlement of tenancy in accordance with the Law. The Company presses into service the principle of caveat emptor. (11) This publication is also a '30' (Thirty) days' notice to the Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantors of the above said loan account pursuant to rule 6(2), 8(6) and Rule 9 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, to discharge the liability in full and pay the dues as mentioned above alongwith upto date interest and expenses within 30 days from the date of this notice failing which the Secured asset will be sold as per the terms and conditions mentioned above. In case there is any discrepancy between the publications of Sale notice in English and Vernacular newspaper, then in such case the English newspaper will supersede the vernacular newspaper and it shall be considered as the final copy, thus removing the ambiguity. If the borrower/mortgagor pays the amount due to the Company, in full before the date of sale, auction is liable to be stopped. For further details and queries, contact Authorized Officer, HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED Mr. NAVAL KISHORE Mobile No. 7696442530.

DATE: 23.09.2020 PLACE : LUDHIANA Sd/- AUTHORIZED OFFICER, FOR HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

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