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China's bid to open new front in Sikkim foiled

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

When India and China were preparing for talks last week to defuse tension at the border in Ladakh, the People's Liberation Army (PLA) troops tried to breach the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in Sikkim leading to a minor face-off when Indian Army intercepted the Chinese.

Soldiers from both armies were injured. The situation was brought under control following the intervention of local commanders.

China on Monday, however, denied that such an incident ever took place. The Indian Army, on the other hand, confirmed the incident and said, "We have received several queries regarding a face-off between Indian Army and PLA troops in the Sikkim sector. It is clarified that there was a minor face-off at the Naku La area of North Sikkim on January 20 and

the same was resolved by local commanders as per established protocols. Media is requested to refrain from overplaying or exaggerating reports which are factually incorrect."

Sources said the injuries were insignificant and minor in nature and roughly about 20 PLA soldiers and four Indians were injured in the melee. The fracas took place when the Chinese patrol tried to enter Indian territory, they added. The Naku La is located at a height of more than 13,000 feet.

The latest stand-off took place at a time when the Corps Commanders of the two armies were getting ready for the talks on Sunday. The talks lasted more than 16 hours at the Chushul-Moldo border meeting point in Eastern Ladakh. However, there was no tangible breakthrough in the parleys.

The joint statement released here on Monday said the two sides had a candid and in-depth

exchange of views on disengagement along the LAC.

The two sides agreed that the ninth round of meeting was positive, practical and constructive, which further enhanced mutual trust and understanding. The two sides agreed to push for an early disengagement of the frontline troops.

Talking about the latest face-off, an official said, such an incident had also taken place last year on May 9 at Naku La when tension was building up at the LAC in Eastern Ladakh. Mountain pass is known as La in the Tibetan language. Even then, the troops from both sides exchanged blows after jostling each other. The intervention of local commanders prevented the situation from escalating.

Chinese Foreign Ministry Spokesman Zhao Lijian told a daily briefing in Beijing on Monday that he had "no information to offer" on the reports of clashes.

Minor clash at Naku La on Jan 20, confirms Indian Army, but China claims no scuffle took place

India honours Galwan hero martyr Col Santosh Babu with Mahavir Chakra award

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Colonel B Santosh Babu, who along with 19 other Army personnel, was martyred in a brawl with the Chinese troops in the Galwan valley last year, will be awarded the Mahavir Chakra posthumously on the occasion of Republic Day this year. This medal is the second highest wartime gallantry medal.

Veer Chakra, the third highest wartime gallantry medal, was conferred on five other soldiers.

All these soldiers had died with Babu, the commanding officer of the 16 Bihar Regiment, in the bloody clashes on June 15 in Eastern Ladakh.

Kisan to march on Parliament on Feb 1

Two lakh tractors to participate in kisan tractor rally on Republic Day

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Sanyukt Kisan Morcha on Monday announced that they will march towards Parliament from different locations on February 1 when the annual Union Budget is scheduled to be presented.

"We will march towards Parliament on foot from different locations on the Budget day on February 1. As far as tomorrow's tractor rally is concerned, it will give the Government an idea of our strength and they will know the agitation is not just limited to Haryana or Punjab but it is an agitation of the whole country," said Darshan Pal of the Krantikari Kisan Union.

"The farmers who have come for the tractor parade will not go back now and will join the protest. The agitation will

continue till our demands met. Our stand remains the same," Pal told a press conference, sharing the farmers' plans to intensify the protest.

The farmers' unions also claimed that around two lakh

tractors are expected to participate in their tractor rally on the Republic Day in Delhi.

The rally is planned to be moved into the city from the Singhu, Tikri and Ghazipur borders.

World media to cover tractor rally

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

Besides Indian media, a large number of foreign media has also lined up to cover the "kisan parade" on January 26 in the national Capital. A large number of YouTube channels from the UK, the USA, and Canada are present to cover the tractor rally.

Farmers' protests have drawn attention from across the world and foreign media has been highlighting the protests which entered its 61st day on Monday.

According to ground reports, a large number of international media, both print and TV, has assembled at three protests sites — Tikri Border, Ghazipur Border and Singhu

Border — in the national Capital to cover the tractor rally. This is for the first time since Independence the farmers will march in a unique kisan parade with National Flags. As thousands of farmers have started marching towards Delhi borders to participate in the tractor rally on Republic Day, agriculture organisations have decided to hold similar parades at State and district headquarters across the country.

Foreign media, including BBC, Al Jazeera, Washington Post, the New York Times, Toronto Star, Reuters, the Province, Hamilton Spectator, CNN, CBC 24, Bloomberg, the Guardian and the Sun, were concentrated only on the Singhu Border till date.

The Pioneer

wishes its readers a Happy Republic Day. The offices of *The Pioneer* will remain closed on January 26, 2021. Therefore, the next edition of the paper will appear on January 28



CAPSULE

PASWAN NAMED FOR PADMA BHUSHAN

New Delhi: The former Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution late Ram Vilas Paswan was on Monday honoured with prestigious Padma Bhushan.

NEW-GEN AKASH MISSILE LAUNCHED SUCCESSFULLY

Balalore: India on Monday successfully test-fired the new-generation Akash missile from an integrated test range off the Odisha coast, an official statement said. The surface-to-air missile was launched from Chandipur ITR in the afternoon, it said.








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BJP chief Nadda assures HP CM of a major airport for the hill State

PNS ■ SHIMLA

BJP national president Jagat Prakash Nadda on Monday gave assurance to Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur on working towards getting a major airport in the hill state to ensure its growth as an international tourist destination.

Nadda gave the assurance

to Thakur after the Chief Minister, while addressing a function at the Ridge Maidan here on the golden jubilee day of Himachal's statehood, said a major airport is the need of the hour in the hill state for the growth of international tourism here.

Taking note of the Chief Minister's demand for a major airport, Nadda, while address-

ing the function later, sought to assure the Chief Minister that he would work towards the state getting a major airport.

Nadda said that the young team led by Himachal Chief Minister has taken a big leap in the state's development, which many leaders across party lines had in the past initiated to change the state's landscape. Nadda, who belongs to the hill

state, said the schemes initiated by the present government such as 'Grihini Suvridha Yojana' provided free gas connections to those households that were not covered under the Centre's Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana.

Nadda, a three-time legislator and two-time minister in the state, also said that when he was 11-year old, on this day in



1971 Himachal was conferred the status of a full state -- the 18th in the country. The state has progressed tremendously in the past 51 years and the credit goes to the people and the Chief Ministers of all political

parties. The successive BJP governments also played a pivotal role in the development of Himachal, said Nadda, who was re-elected in 1998 and 2007.

Punjab CM blames AAP for attack on Cong MP Bittu; opp party refutes charge

PNS ■ PATIALA

Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh on Monday blamed AAP workers for the "attack" on Congress MP Ravneet Singh Bittu at the Singhu border the day before, a charge the main opposition party in the state denied.

Bittu was on Sunday allegedly assaulted, pushed around and his turban pulled

off in what he described was a "murderous attack" by some "mischievous elements" during a "Jan Sansad" programme at the Singhu border.

The Ludhiana MP's vehicle was also damaged in the attack at the Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji Memorial where he had gone with Congress' Amritsar MP Gurjeet Singh Aujla and party MLA Kulbir Singh Zira to attend the event.

Classifieds

LOST AND FOUND

It Is Notified For The Information That My Original Qualifying Examination Pass Certificate Of Main Secondary Examination Of Year 2008 Roll No 2167331 And Main Senior Secondary Examination Of Year 2010 Roll No 2679217 Issued By CBSE Have Been Actually Lost. Name Of The Candidate Abhishek Sharma. Full Address 57, Narotam Nagar, Khanna, District Ludhiana, Punjab. Telephone 9988002368

ਮੇਰੇ ਲਖਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਏਵਰਡ ਨੰ. 16 ਪੀਰ ਗੇਟੀ ਮੁਹੱਲਾ ਸਮਾਟਰ ਪਟਿਆਲਾ ਦਾ ਰਹਿਤ ਬਾਕਾ ਹਾਂ, ਮੇਰੀ ਇੱਕ ਪ੍ਰਾਈਵੇਟ ਜਿਮਨਾ ਖੇਡਣ ਖਤਰਨੇ ਨੰਬਰ 238/372 ਖਤਰਨੇ ਨੰ. 16 ਪੀਰ ਗੇਟੀ ਮੁਹੱਲਾ 983 ਮਿਤੀ 17-12-1984 ਏਵਰਡ 3 1/2 ਮੁਕਰ ਕੇ ਜੋ ਜਿ ਮਿਤੀ 21-12-2020 ਨੂੰ ਗੁੰਮ ਹੋ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਉਹ ਹਰ ਤਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਭਾਰ ਤੋਂ ਮੁਕਤ ਹੈ। ਜਿਸਨੂੰ ਮੈਂ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਸੀ। ਜਿਸਨੂੰ ਵੀ ਇਹ ਰਿਜਿਸਟਰੀ ਮਿਲਦੀ ਹੈ। ਉਹ ਇਸ ਨੰਬਰ ਤੋਂ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕਰੋ। ਮੋਬਾਇਲ ਨੰ. 8146611486, 9988818537

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Sahanaand S/o Amamath R/O #2604, DMC, Chandigarh disown my son Yogesh from my moveable immovable property. Anybody dealing with him at their own risk.

I, Rajkumar S/o Sh. Jile Singh R/O Vill. Bhagatn Malyan, Tehsil & Distt. Sonapat disowns my son Navveen & my daughter Secma from my all moveable-immovable property as they are out of my control. In future, if anybody deals with them, he/she will do at their own risk.

I, Kamaljit Devi W/O Late Pritpal Sharma R/O Ramgarh Jawandhey Teh Sonapat, Udhham Singh Wala, Sangrur Declared My Son Harpreet Sharma Is Out Of My Control. So I Disown His From All My Movable Or Immoveable Property. Anybody Dealing With On Their Own Risk.

I, Subhash Chander S/o Khem Chand, House No - H-509, Phase -1, Mohali inform that now my son Anshul Gaur is under my control. Now he have full Right in my All Moveable immovable properties in Future.

I, Gurmeet Kaur W/O Desa Singh R/O Village Alipur Arian, Teh. & Distt. Patiala declare that my son Manga Singh and his wife Kiranpreet Singh are out of my control. So I Disinherit/Disown them from my movable/ immovable property. Anyone dealing with them will do so on their own risk.

I Shiv Nath Chauhan S/O Tapeswari Chauhan R/O Makkar Colony, Main Street No. 1, GTB Nagar, Giaspura, Ludhiana Declare That My Son Ramesh Chauhan And His Wife Aarushi Singh Are Out Of My Control. I Disinherit them From My All Movable And Immoveable Properties. If Any One Deals With Them Or Makes Any Transaction They May Do So At His/Her Own Risk. I Am Not To Be Held Responsible For Any Of Their Act Whether Good Or Bad.

ਮੈਂ, ਜਸਵੀਰ ਪੁਰ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਏਵਰਡ ਨਿਵਾਰੀ ਸਿੰਧੂਰੀ ਕੋਲੋਨੀ, ਜੀਐਚ ਟ੍ਰਿਪਲ ਕਰਨਾ ਹੈਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੀ ਲੜਕੀ ਅਨੂ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਾਨੂੰ-ਜ਼ੁਮਨੇ ਦੇ ਬਾਹਰ ਹੈ। ਇਸਲਿਓ ਮੈਂ ਉਸੇ ਅਪਣੀ ਚਲ-ਚਲ ਸਮੱਗੀ ਦੇ ਬੇਰਦਲਤ ਦੇ ਤਰਜ਼ੇ ਸਮਝਕ ਨਿਕੇਰ ਕਰਨਾ ਹੈ। ਜੋ ਮੈਂ ਇਸਦੀ ਕਿਸੀ ਖ਼ਰਾਕ ਦਾ ਲੇਨਦੇਨ/ਕਾਨੂੰਰੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਕਰੇਮਾ, ਯਹ ਕਾਨੂੰਰੀ ਹੋਮਾ। ਮੇਰੇ ਮੇਰੇ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦੇ ਅਨ੍ਧ ਕਿਸੀ ਭੀ ਸਦਕਾ ਕੀ ਕੋਈ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰੀ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਮੀ।

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Ashok Kumar S/o Loti Ram p/o village Samana Bahu, Tehsil Niokehon (Karnal) inform that in my documents of Indian Army my son's name is erroneously recorded as Akshay Kumar, while his correct name is Akshay Kumar. He is known as Akshay Kumar.

I, Parveen Kumari W/O Sunny Kumar S/O Mohalla Sant Nagar, Teh/Dist Pathankot Have changed my name from Parveen Kumari To Parveen Devi.

I, Kamlesh Kumar S/o Kishori Lal R/O New Garg Bhawan, Behind Panchayati Dharamshala Hansi, Distt.Hisar (Haryana) have changed my name from Kamlesh Kumar to Kamlesh Kumar Garg.

I, Hardev Lal S/o Kapoor Chand resident of Civil Line Qadian Distt Gurdaspur Pin Code 143516 (Punjab), Declare that Hardev Lal and Hardev is both are same person. Please Concerned note.

W. Satpal Singh S/o Sh. Dharampal Singh and Smt. Seema Devi W/o Sh. Satpal Singh R/o Phurlak Road, Maharana Pratap Sr. Sec. School, Gharuanda Tahsil Gharuanda Distt. Karnal. Declare that we are changed my daughter's name from Gunjan Chauhan to Gunjan. In future our daughter will be called as Gunjan.

I, Pratibha D/O Jit Singh R/O Hno. 125/10, Maan Colony, Kishan Garh Road, Shahabad Distt. Kurukshetra I Have Changed My Name Pratibha Surname Sahota.

I, Sunita W/O Hava Singh R/O Hno. 91, Dhathra Distt. Jind I Have Changed My Name Sunita Devi.

I, Kamla Devi M/O No 15627998W Rank L/NK Trilok Chand HQ Coy Unit 1st Guards (2 Punjab) C/O 56 APO have changed my name from Kamla Devi Bhatt to Kamla Devi in my son service record.

I, Trishna P Oza Alias Tanishka Ranbir Sachdeva W/O Ranbir Sachdeva R/O Casa De Sachdeva Jodhamal Road Civil Lines Shalimar Nagar Hoshiarpur (Ph.) have changed my Name to Tanishka Ranbir Sachdeva after my marriage Concerned Note.

I, Abhijit Singh Rana S/o No 103717Y Ex (Hony/SLT) MCPO I Karan Singh R/O Vill & Post - Parmanand, Teh & Distt - Pathankot, Pin - 143534, Declare that my name in my father service record is Abhijit Rana already published, which is incorrect. My correct name is Abhijit Singh Rana as per my Birth Certi., Aadhar Card & Matriculation Certificate & Affidavit No AT 589718 dt 19 Jan 2021. Please correct it.

I, Ashwini Kumar Bairagi S/o Krishan Bairagi R/O H.No.- 1780 Kaiti Majri Ambala City have changed my Name to Ashwani Bairagi.

I, Seema Sharma is Legally wedded spouse of No JC246577H Rank RIS Praveen Kumar Sharma R/O Vill - Chandwani, PO - Gahar, Teh-Ghumarwin Chudhiani, Distt-Bilaspur (HP) -174027 At Present Mamoon Cant Pathankot Have changed my name in my husband service record from Seema Sharma To Seema Devi vide affidavit no AL 422233 Dated 25-1-2021 Before notary public Pathankot.

I Sapan Singh S/O Debendra Maity R/O W.No.-2 Parmod Nagar Garhshankar Tehsil Garhshankar Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab India have changed My Name Sapan Singh To Swapen Maity.

I Ranjit Singh S/O Sapan Singh R/O W.No.-2 Garhshankar Distt. Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Name Ranjit Singh To Ranjit Maity.

I Ranjit Singh S/O Sapan Singh R/O W.No.-2 Parmod Nagar Garhshankar Distt. Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Minor Son's Name Rohit Singh To Rohit Maity.

I, Meena Devi (existing name as per NOK), spouse of Ravinder Singh, resident of H.No. 1603/26, Bhagat Singh Colony, Sonapat, have changed my name from Meena Devi & DOB 04.12.1986 (existing name & DOB per service record) to the proposed name Meena and DOB 12.04.1987, vide affidavit dated 25.01.2021.

I, Sheela wife of Balwan Singh residence of 150/13 chulhana Road Shastri Colony, Tehsil Samalkha District Panipat. Sheela or Shushila Devi both name is me. I have changed my name Sheela To Shushila Devi. In future all government or non government places known me Shushila Devi All concerned note please.

I, Monika Chauhan w/o Sh. Narender Chauhan R/O 1945, Ward no. 7, Mvana, Meerut. U.P. declare that my L.I.C Policy No. 123119285, my name is Manju Rani wrongly write. But my correct name is Monika Chauhan.

I, Abhishek Nashier S/o Sandeep Kumar R/O 11/26 Prem Nagar Sonipat declare Abhishek Nashier and Abhishek both are my Name My DOB 07.10.2002 My 10th roll no 1302837

I, No. 4490242N Rank Sep Ravi Singh S/o Atma Singh R/O Vill. Ismailpur, Chauramaspur, Ambala. Have Changed my Brother Name from Vikram Singh To Vikramjeet Singh.

I, No. 17005042 P. Rank- CFN, Banti Kumar S/O Jalldar Verma of unit 948 AD MSL REGT (SP) WKSP, C/o 56 APO. Have changed my wife's name from Priya Kumari to Priya Devi.

I, Vijay Jagannath Ghadge S/O Jagannath Baji Ghadge R/o 4/14 Shiv Shakti Chawl, Near Shiv Shankar Mandir, Distt. Brihan Mumbai. Kandivali, Tank Path, Kandivali-i declare that lost of Wallet Containing Adhar Card, Pan Card & Gun License No. 1042/A/DMP /07 Dt 20.08.2007 issued by DM Poonch J & K issued to Vijay Jagannath Ghadge Dt on Lost: 05.01.2021 14.00 place Area of Staff Road, Ambala Cantt.

I, Sharanjit Singh S/o Joginder Singh VPO Khokhar Faujiani Tehsil Batala Distt Gurdaspur, Punjab (India) have changed my name Sharanjit Singh to Sharanjit Surname Sahota.

I, No 14428135F Hav (GD) Vaheed Khan resident of New army camp Near Apejash school Hoshiarpur road Jalandhar have changed the name of my son from Arshaban to Arshlan Khan vide Affidavit dated 23/1/2021 before Notary Public Jalandhar.

I, Patil Kiran Shivaji, No. 15177466K, NK (DMT) Presently Serving on 341 Med Regt and my Permanent resident at House No. 308, Tahl Gali 308, Pishavi, Kolhapur, Maharashtra 416213 have changed my wife name from Archana Bajirao Patil to Patil Archana Kiran.

I, Dabhi Hansa Wife Of Jc-245101K Rank RIS Dabhi Jagdish Arajan R/O Village Chandawana Teh- Mangrol District Junagarh State Gujarat - That In Some Documents Birth Date Is 17 May 1978 Which Is Wrong. Correct Birth Date Is 12 December 1978.

I, No 15481439W RANK DFR Name Shivraj Singh posted at 42 ARMD REGT C/O 56 APO hereby declare that I have changed the name of my daughter from Charoo Rajput to Charu Rajput vide affidavit dated 25/01/2021 before Session court, Hisar.

I, Kusum spouse of No 15502035M Rank ALD Name Jitendra Kr Yadav R/O VPO Semra, Teh Gopalganj, Distt Gopalganj, State Bihar 845415 hereby declare that I have changed my name from Kusum to Kusum Devi vide affidavit dated 25/01/2021 before Session Court, Hisar.

I, Basanti Devi mother of No 15481439W RANK DFR Name Shivraj Singh R/O VILL Nagla Khushiyaal, PO Raibha, Teh Kiroali, Distt Agra, State U.P. 283101 hereby declare that I have changed my name from Basanti Devi to Basmati vide affidavit dated 25/01/2021 before Session Court, Hisar.

I, Susila mother of No 15499540Y Rank SWR Name Kamalakkannan M R/O 13th Ward, Near Indian National School, Po Puliyur Cf, Teh Puliyur Cf, Distt Karur, State Tamilnadu 623114 hereby declare that I have changed my name from Susila to Susela M vide affidavit dated 25/01/2021 before Session Court, Hisar.

I, Soni daughter of No 15469469F RANK DFR Name Nareesh Singh R/O Vill Garhi Bearu, PO Mibhawali, Teh Sadabad, Distt Hattaras, State U.P. 281302 hereby declare that I have changed my name from Soni to Soni Kumari vide affidavit dated 25/01/2021 before Session Court, Hisar.

I, Harivilas Singh father of No 15481439W RANK DFR Name Shivraj Singh R/O Vill Nagla Khushiyaal, PO Raibha, Teh Kiroali, Distt Agra, State U.P. 283101 hereby declare that I have changed my name from Harivilas Singh to Hari Vilash vide affidavit dated 25/01/2021 before Session Court, Hisar.

I, Surinder S/O Ajit Singh R/O 264, Virk Enclave, Lane No. 2, Near Wadala Chowk, Jalandhar-144003, Punjab have changed my name from Surinder to Surinder Singh.

I, Harmesh S/O Kashmiri Lal R/O H.No.1295, Ravidass Road, Lamba Pind, Jalandhar-144009, Punjab Have Changed My Name From Harmesh To Harmesh Singh.

I, Service No. 2499677-L Rank NK Vinod Kumar presently service with 18 Punjab India declare that in my Army service record, name of my son is wrongly recorded as Samit Manhas. His correct name is Sumit Manhas. Concerned note.

I, Amandeep Kaur D/o Paramjit Singh R/o Vill. Sapror, Po.Nangal Majha, Teh.Phagwara, Distt. Kapurthala, Punjab Have Changed My Name To Kaur Amandeep. (Kaur as Surname)

I, Suresh Kumar S/o Paramjit Singh R/o Vill. Sapror, Po.Nangal Majha, Teh.Phagwara, Distt. Kapurthala, Punjab Have Changed My Name To Kumar Suresh. (Kumar as Surname)

I, hitherto known as Manpreet Kaur W/o Jasvir Singh R/o Bakhu Nangal Pattar Kalan, Jalandhar-144006, Punjab have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as Navdeep Kaur.

I, Raminderjit Singh S/o Bikramjit Singh R/o H.No. 39, Golden Colony, Phase-2, Deep Nagar, Near Biring, Jalandhar Cantt., Jalandhar-144005, Punjab have changed my name as Singh Raminderjit.

I, Iqbaljit Kaur D/o Bikramjit Singh R/o H.No. 39, Golden Colony, Biring, Jalandhar Cantt., Jalandhar-144005, Punjab have changed my name as Kaur Iqbaljit.

I, Malkit Singh & Malkiat Singh S/O Kehar Singh R/O Vpo. Bopara: Kalan Distt. Ludhiana Am One And The Same Person Of Above Both Names.

I, Parmjit W/O Pawan Kumar R/O Vpo. Bahadurpur Bahian Distt. Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Name To Parmjit Kaur.

I, Sonia W/O Karanpreet Kumar R/O Village Begampur Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt. S.B.S. Nagar Have Changed My Name From Sonia To Sonia Rani.

I, Karanpreet S/O Kulwinder Kumar R/O Village Begampur Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt. S.B.S. Nagar Have Changed My Name From Karanpreet To Karanpreet Kumar.

I, Amandeep S/O Balvir Singh R/O Vpo. Bhagoran Tehsil Nawanshahr Distt. S.B.S. Nagar Have Changed My Name From Amandeep To Amandeep Singh.

I, Komal Singla W/O Parmod Singla R/O House No.B-34/960 Street No. 7 Chandar Nagar Ludhiana Declare That Komal Singla And Komal Gupta Are One And The Same Person

I, Dharampreet W/o Satinder Pal Singh R/O 90 Pocket F-24 Sector-3 Rohini Delhi have changed my name to Ruby Melmi after marriage.

I, Veerdevinder Kumar Sharma S/O Kuldeep Kumar Vpo Patti Balhu Bholia Sahina Distt. Barnala Have Changed My Name To Varun Sharma.

I, No 14413866X Ex Hav Jaspal Singh S/O Charan Singh Resident Of Vill. Devlanwal, PO. Allawal, Tehsil Khadoor Sahib, District Tarn Taran. Changed My Son Name Gurbax Singh to Gurbaksh Singh.

I, Raj Kumar S/o Rattan Pal R/o Vpo. Kang Jagir Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) changed my name to Raj Kumar Sandhu.

I, Jaspal Kaur W/o gurcharan Singh Sanghera R/o Patti Mehneki Vpo. Bilga Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) changed my name to Jaspal Kaur Sanghera.

I, Sukhjinder Singh s/o Gurcharan Singh Sanghera R/o Patti Mehneki Vpo. Bilga Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) changed my name to Sukhjinder Singh Sanghera.

I, Simarjit Kaur W/o Gurjinder Singh Sanghera R/o Patti Mehneki Vpo. Bilga Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) changed my name to Simarjit Kaur Sanghera.

I, Gurjinder Singh S/o Gurcharan Singh Sanghera R/o Patti Mehneki Vpo. Bilga Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) changed my name to Gurjinder Singh Sanghera.

I, Ranjit Singh S/o Karam Singh R/o Agwar Rahlan Jagraon (Ludhiana) changed my name to Ranjit Singh Rahal.

I, Gursharan Singh S/o Ranjit Singh Rahal R/o Agwar Rahlan Jagraon (Ludhiana) changed my name to Gursharan Singh Rahal.

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1.05L healthcare workers vaccinated in Haryana till date: Health Minister

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Health Minister Anil Vij on Monday said that the State has vaccinated 1,05,401 Health care workers till date since the launch of vaccination drive on January 16 and has become one of the leading States in Covid-19 vaccination coverage.

On Monday, the Health Department administered Covid-19 vaccine to 33,215 Health Care Workers (HCWs). In the coming few days all registered and eligible beneficiaries will be vaccinated, he added.

Additional Health Secretary Rajeev Arora said that taking further steps to ensure better implementation of the drive the Department has decided to observe January 25 as Covid-19 Vaccination Day with an ambitious target of administering more than 30,000 doses of the vaccine to Health Care Workers.

He said Haryana is set to complete Covid-19 vaccination of all registered Health Care Workers (HCWs) except those who cannot be given vaccine as per guidelines (pregnant and lactating women, persons who are allergic to any vaccine).

On COVID-19 preparedness, Arora said that the state has been handling Covid-19 pandemic effectively and was able to strengthen medical facilities as per requirement.

Police Medal for 14 Haryana cops on Republic Day

Navdeep Singh Virk and ADGP Rohtak Range, Sandeep Khirwar have been selected to be awarded

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

On the occasion of Republic Day, two police officers of Haryana Police have been selected for President's Police Medal for distinguished service whereas 12 others will get Police Medal for meritorious service.

A Haryana Police spokesperson informed that State Additional Director General of Police (Law and Order) Navdeep Singh Virk and ADGP Rohtak Range, Sandeep Khirwar have been selected to be awarded with the President's Police Medal for distinguished service. Those who have been selected to be decorated with Police Medal for Meritorious Service include Angrej Singh DSP Headquarter Narnaul, Arun Deswal Sub-Inspector 5th Battalion. HAP Madhuban, Suresh Kumar SI Rohtak, Kulwinder Kaur Lady SI State Crime Branch, Hardev Singh ESI Police Headquarter, Joginder Singh ASI Haryana Power Utility, Amit Kumar ASI State Vigilance Bureau, Parveen Kumar ASI Charkhi Dabri, Deepak Kumar, ASI Karnal, Didar Singh ASI Panchkula, Harish Kumar SI Panchkula and Joginder Singh ESI Ambala.

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WHEREAS THE AUTHORISED OFFICER OF HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED UNDER THE SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (64 OF 2002) AND IN EXERCISE OF POWERS CONFERRED UNDER SECTION 13(12) READ WITH RULES 3 OF THE SECURITY INTEREST ENFORCEMENT RULES, 2002 ISSUED DEMAND NOTICE TO THE BORROWERS AS DETAILED HEREUNDER, CALLING UPON THE BORROWERS TO REPAY THE AMOUNT MENTIONED IN THE SAID NOTICE WITH ALL COSTS, CHARGES AND EXPENSES TILL ACTUAL DATE OF PAYMENT WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF RECEIPT OF THE SAME. THE SAID BORROWER/CO-BORROWER HAVING FAILED TO REPAY THE AMOUNT, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO BORROWER/CO-BORROWER AND THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL THAT THE UNDERSIGNED IN EXERCISE OF POWERS CONFERRED ON IT UNDER SECTION 13(4) OF THE SAID ACT R/W RULE 3 OF THE SAID RULES HAS TAKEN SYMBOLIC POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREUNDER ON THE DATE MENTIONED ALONGWITH THE BORROWERS IN PARTICULAR AND PUBLIC IN GENERAL ARE HEREBY CAUTIONED NOT TO DEAL WITH THE PROPERTY AND ANY DEALINGS WITH THE PROPERTY WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE CHARGE OF HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED FOR THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED HEREIN WITH FUTURE INTEREST, COSTS AND CHARGES FROM THE RESPECTIVE DATE. DETAILS OF BORROWER/ CO-BORROWER/ GUARANTORS, LOAN ACCOUNT NUMBER, LOAN AMOUNT, DETAILS OF SECURITY, DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE, CLAIMED AMOUNT, DATE OF POSSESSION ARE GIVEN HEREIN BELOW

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1. 1) NAME OF THE BORROWER & CO-BORROWERS: Gargitan, Woods, Realtors And Promoters Private Limited, D-55/1, South City Ayal Khurd Ludhiana, Punjab -141012 Also At Village Ayal Khura, H.B. No. 155 Teh And Distt Ludhiana, Punjab -141001; Mr. Bhalu D/O Shri Subhash Kumar Bandari A-56/1 Bhai Randhir Singh Nagar Ludhiana, Punjab -141012 Also At House No 61-A, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab -141012, Peshu Kumar Bhalla S/O Shri Yashpal Singh Bhalla, 1037 FFJ Sector 38-B, Chandigarh 160036 Also At A-56/1 Bhai Randhir Singh Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab -141012 Also At House No 61-A, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab -141012 Also At D-55/1, South City Ayal Khurd Ludhiana, Punjab -141012; Aradhana Gupta D/O Shri Yashpal Singh Bhalla, Garden Villa, Near Gill Farm, Ayal Road, Ludhiana, Punjab -141001 Also At D-55/1, South City Ayal Khurd Ludhiana, Punjab -141012; Mr. Bhalu D/O Shri Subhash Kumar Bandari A-56/1 Bhai Randhir Singh Nagar Ludhiana, Punjab -141012, Peshu Kumar Bhalla S/O Shri Yashpal Singh Bhalla, 1037 FFJ Sector 38-B, Chandigarh 160036 Also At A-56/1 Bhai Randhir Singh Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab -141012 Also At House No 61-A, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab -141012 Also At D-55/1, South City Ayal Khurd Ludhiana, Punjab -141012; Aradhana Gupta D/O Shri Yashpal Singh Bhalla, Garden Villa, Near Gill Farm, Ayal Road, Ludhiana, Punjab -141001 Also At D-55/1, South City Ayal Khurd Ludhiana, Punjab -141012; Mr. Bhalu D/O Shri Subhash Kumar Bandari A-56/1 Bhai Randhir Singh Nagar Ludhiana, Punjab -141012, Peshu Kumar Bhalla S/O Shri Yashpal Singh Bhalla, 1037 FFJ Sector 38-B, Chandigarh 160036 Also At A-56/1 Bhai Randhir Singh Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab -141012 Also At House No 61-A, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana, Punjab -141012 Also At D-55/1, South City Ayal Khurd Ludhiana,

Maintain peace during R-day tractor rally: Capt appeals to farmers

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh on Monday appealed to the farmers to ensure that their Republic Day Tractor Rally remains peaceful, just as their anti-farm law protests have been so far. At the same time, the Chief Minister urged the Centre once again to heed the troubled voice of the farming community in the true spirit of the Indian Republic.

"Peace has been the hallmark of your (farmers') democratic protests all these months, and should remain integral to your agitation in the days ahead, including the R-Day Tractor Rally into the national capital," said the Chief Minister, in his Republic Day eve message.

"The sight of your (farmers') tractors on Delhi roads tomorrow will underline the fact that the ethos of the Indian Constitution and the essence of our Republic is inalienable and uncompromisable," he said,

adding that the farmers' arduous battle for survival "will always remind us of this truth, and it will always help us remember (lest we forget), that the principles on which stands the edifice of the India we know, and our forefathers strove to build, cannot be destroyed or demolished on the whims of a few."

Lamenting that the federal structure on which India's polity is founded is facing one of its biggest threats under the present Indian regime, the Chief Minister said that the brazen manner in which the three farm laws were pushed through, without debate or discussion, cannot, and should not be accepted in the world's largest democracy.

The Chief Minister said that their collective fight, in which his Government was standing shoulder-to-shoulder with the farmers, was aimed at protecting the federal core of the Indian Constitution.

The Chief Minister also

extended his respects to all those farmers who had lost their lives in the prolonged agitation, which could have been avoided in the first place or could have been brought to an end long back had the "insensitive" Government of India, led by the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) not chosen to stand on unwarranted ego.

SAD PRESIDENT CALLS FOR DISCIPLINED CONDUCT OF TRACTOR RALLY

Shiromani Akali Dal president Sukhbir Singh Badal on Monday said that the peaceful and disciplined conduct of the tractor march on Tuesday will be the harbinger of a huge victory for our farmers.

"I am fully confident that the tractor march on Tuesday will be a totally peaceful event. Peace is the top priority for everyone and the participants in the farmers' struggle so far have demonstrated an unprecedented and commendable discipline. This has made this

movement one of the most unique democratic events in recent history. It is remarkable that hundreds of thousands of people have been protesting for over two months now in a most peaceful manner, despite provocations and conspiracies against them. Everyone participating in this movement and all Punjabis deserve full credit for this," said Sukhbir.

SAD chief, at the same time, urged the Central

Government "to ensure that the Police and other law enforcing agencies deal with the March tomorrow with utmost sensitivity and patience". Sukhbir has also issued directions to the party workers, taking part in the March, to act as "vigilantes for peace".

SECURITY TIGHTENED IN PUNJAB AND HARYANA

Security has been stepped up across Punjab and Haryana

ahead of Republic Day celebrations on Tuesday. Adequate security personnel have been deployed in Haryana's Sonapat, Panipat and Jhajjar, the districts near the national Capital, in view of the farmers' tractor parade in Delhi on January 26.

Services of bomb disposal squad and sniffer dog units were being taken to sensitise the vulnerable places across Punjab and Haryana, and the

vehicles entering the two states were being checked thoroughly, officials said.

Sonipat's Superintendent of Police Jashandeep Randhawa said police have made foolproof security arrangements to ensure Republic Day celebrations pass off smoothly.

Traffic diversion plans have been put in place as the tractor parade is likely to cause some disruptions. "We are coordi-

nating with neighbouring districts Karnal and Panipat so that heavy vehicle traffic can be diverted from there," he said.

Haryana Police has issued an advisory stating that in view of the security and traffic arrangements for Republic Day and the tractor parade, there would be disruptions in vehicular movement on the national highway from Karnal and Rohtak towards Delhi during January 25-27.

Punjab launches mega self employment loan mela

PNS ■ PATIALA

Taking Congress-led Punjab Government's flagship 'Ghar Ghar Rozgar and Karobar Mission' forward, Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh on Monday launched a Mega Self Employment Loan Mela from Patiala as a culmination to the special loan melas held across the State during October-December 2020, wherein 1.70 lakh youth were assisted in getting self-employment loans from various banks.

A token of 1,000 loan sanction certificates were handed over to beneficiaries as a symbolic gesture across the state on Monday, with the Chief Minister handing over certificates to five beneficiaries. He also paid a visit to the office of District Bureaus of Employment and Enterprise of Patiala district at Mini Secretariat. "More than 15 lakh youth have been facilitated in getting employment in Private or Government sector or Self-Employment since the Congress Government took over the state's reins in March 2017, translating into 1100 youth benefitting every day

from the Mission," the Chief Minister said.

He said that during this period, 8.8 lakh youth had been facilitated for self-employment, while 5.69 lakh youth had got jobs in the private sector and 58,258 in the government sector. The October-December 2020 drive had led to a total of 1.7 lakh youth getting jobs/self-employment opportunities, he added.

The Chief Minister announced that with the COVID situation now easing, two job melas will be organized every month in each district, and government jobs shall be regularly advertised this year to achieve the already-announced target of giving one lakh jobs, of which advertisements have already been issued for filling up 20,000 vacancies.

The Chief Minister said that State Government's multi-pronged strategy on this front, along with the pro-active new industrial policy, had resulted in on-ground Industrial Investments worth Rs 71,000 crore in the State, thus generating additional potential of 2.5 lakh jobs.

Given the limitation to

appointments in the government sector, where only 13,000 vacancies are created through retirement every year, "Congress Government has lowered the retirement age for government employees to create new opportunities for youth", he said, adding that as the COVID situation stabilizes, jobs would increase in the industry.

The state's Employment Generation and Training Minister Charanjit Singh Channi, who virtually joined the occasion from Amritsar, said that the counseling services for youth interested in going abroad through legal means will begin on February 15 to protect them from exploitation by unscrupulous agents.

PUNJAB LAUNCHES NATIONAL GIRL CHILD DAY CELEBRATIONS

In an initiative towards empowering the women, Punjab Govt on Monday kick-started the National Girl Child Day celebrations with a clarion call to the society to come forward to protect the life and liberty of girls.

Capt virtually lays foundation stone of Jallianwala Bagh Centenary Memorial Park

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

With an emotional tribute to the unsung heroes and to their families from a poem recalling how "after years still, (we are) carrying the pain of martyrs", Punjab Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh on Monday virtually laid the foundation stone of the Jallianwala Bagh Centenary Memorial Park at Amritsar.

Remembering the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for India's independence, the Chief Minister slammed those criticising the State Government for setting up their own Memorial. "Every Punjabi has the right to remember the unparalleled tragedy that paved the way for the freedom struggle," he said.

Terming the centenary celebration a happy occasion, he said that he will also participate in the national level celebration of the historic event at the Jallianwala Bagh.

The Chief Minister announced a Jallianwala Bagh Chair at the Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU) and a literary festival dedicated to the memory of those who lost their lives in one of the "world's biggest humanitarian tragedy".

Noting that the exact number of deaths in the massacre was still not known, the Chief Minister asked the state Tourism and Cultural Affairs Minister Charanjit Singh Channi to ensure that the research into the data is completed so that the exact number can be ascertained and small memorials also can be built in their villages.

Pointing out that General Dyer had cited the figure of 200-300 deaths of the 5000 people he said had gathered there, Capt Amarinder said that Gandhiji had put the figure at 1500, of which the names of only 492 martyrs were currently available.

Recalling his visit to the Cellular Jail at Kala Pani, where there were many names of Punjabis which nobody is aware of, the Chief Minister directed Channi to also get the information researched and compiled. "The State Government would also build memorials for them in Punjab," he announced.

On the occasion, Channi honoured 29 family members from amongst 492 identified families of the Jallianwala Bagh martyrs so far by district administration Amritsar with a kalash (urn) and a shawl.

MESSAGE

We Indians feel proud that we are celebrating 72nd Republic Day on 26th January, 2021. It is the day when we became a sovereign, democratic republic after the enforcement of the constitution in the year 1950. It is the festival of joy shared between people belonging to every religion, caste, and creed. The entire country is decorated in tri-colours to convey that we are all one belonging to different castes, religions, regions and speak different languages. I on behalf of the Board of Directors and Staff of The Citizens Urban Co-op. Bank Ltd., Jalandhar congratulate all the Indians on this auspicious day of Sh. K.K. SHARMA (CHAIRMAN)

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President Kovind on January 23 unveiled a portrait of Bose at the Rashtrapati Bhavan to mark the beginning of celebrations to commemo-

The TMC MP not only attacked the Central government over the alleged faux pas but also had a dig at the President. The TMC MP tweeted, "After donating ₹5

TMC MP Moitra has since deleted her tweet.

The comments by the President come against the backdrop of the ongoing agitation by farmers against three new farm laws.

“From space to the farms, from educational institutions to hospitals, the community of scientists has enriched our lives and work. Our scientists have been working day and night for decoding the Coronavirus and they have succeeded in developing the vaccine in record time. With this accomplishment, our scientists have added a glorious chapter of contribution to the well-being of humanity.

Jyoti Kumari, 16, cycled to her native place Darbhanga district in Bihar from Gurgaon in Haryana covering around 1,200 km with her father on the rear carrier amid the nationwide lockdown in May last year. She has been awarded for her bravery. "During the COVID-19 lockdown, she traversed 1,200 kms from Sikandarpur in Haryana to Darbhanga in Bihar to reach home," the citation issued for her by the Women and Child Development Ministry said.

Delhi Police officer Mahesh Bhardwaj, deputed as Senior Superintendent of Police in the CBI to probe extrajudicial killings in Manipur, has been awarded the President' Police Medal for Distinguished Service on the occasion of Republic Day. Bhardwaj, who joined Delhi Police as Assistant Commissioner in the year 1993, has worked extensively with United Nations Police,

Police Medal for Meritorious Service' on the occasion of Republic Day-2021. The Police Medal for Meritorious Service is awarded to the personnel of Central police and security organization who have completed a minimum service of 18 years. The medal is awarded to personnel for their commendable work whether operational or administrative. Love Kumar, Second-in-Command, Surendra Kumar, Assistant Commandant, Inspector Ramakant Singh and Assistant Sub-Inspector Moenuddin Khan have been awarded with the 'Police Medal for Meritorious Service' in recognition to their outstanding services. So far 10 NDRF Officers/personnel have been awarded with President's Police Medal for Distinguished Services and 74 personnel with Police Medal for Meritorious Service, said NDRF in statement.

PUBLIC NOTICE

General public is hereby informed that my client Mr. **Manokamtha Thakur S/o Sh. Binod Kumar Thakur & M. Binod Kumar Thakur S/o Sh. Bhooj Narain Thakur** has been declared as a defaulter in the Income Tax Department measuring 50% to 121 Sq. Yards i.e. 101.17 Sq. Meter. Khata No. 77, situated in the Village La, Pargana, Taluk Daltol, District Patna, Bihar. The said defaulter has been granted a loan from M/s. Vistara Financial Services Pvt. Ltd. and has assured that the title in respect of the aforesaid property is clear and free from all encumbrances and charges. Further, the Original Sale Deed 18.01.2011 Reg. Vide No. 40, 41 pertaining to the aforesaid property has been lodged for registration bearing no. GD-41 has been registered on 04.01.2012 at the District Sub-Registrar's Office, Patna.

If any person(s) have any objection(s) or claim in the property, then contact us within 7 days from date of this notice. For further details, please contact Mr. Manokamtha Thakur, Vistara Financial Services Pvt. Ltd., office at: C-53 2nd floor above bank Plaza 1, 110091, Shashi Grand, Sector 10, Gurgaon, Haryana. It is hereby stated and it is to be assumed that there are no claims or issues in respect of the aforesaid property.

Akash Osh (Advocate)
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Please take further notice that paid property ICICI Bank shall not other allotment done by the builder.

When foreign invaders like Babur came to India why did they choose the Ram temple for demolition because they knew that the soul of the country resides in Ram temple.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Sh. Naresh Kumar Sharma and his wife Smt. Babita Sharma R/o I/L No. 1/521, Gali No. 19, Harsh Vihar, Delhi 110093 have debarred and disowned his son namely Gaurav Sharma and his wife Ankshana Sharma from their movable and immovable property and severed all relations with them due to their misconduct, anybody dealing with both of them about any matter, he/she shall be responsible for the same at his/her own risk and consequences. My clients shall not be responsible for their any acts and transactions.

Punit Budhiraja (Advocate)

102 persons are awarded Padma Shri. "This year the President has approved conferment of 119 Padma Awards including 1 duo case (in a duo case, the Award is counted as one) as per list below. The list comprises 7 Padma Vibhushan, 10 Padma Bhushan and 102 Padma Shri Awards. 29 of the awardees are women and the list also includes 10 persons from the

category of Foreigners/NRI/PIO/OCI, 16 Posthumous awardees and 1 transgender awardee," said Government in a statement.

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POSSESSION NOTICE Under Rule 8 (1)

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited, under the Securities and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 hereinafter called the Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rules 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notices calling upon the borrowers, whose names have been indicated in Column [B] below on dates specified in Column [C] to repay the outstanding amount indicated in Column [D] below with interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties mortgaged with the Company described in Column [E] herein below on the respective dates mentioned in Column [F] in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rule 9 of the Rules made there under.


The borrowers in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned in Column [F] below and any such dealings will be subject to the charge of M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited for an amount mentioned in Column [D] along with interest and other charges.

Under section 13 (8) of the Securitisation Act, the borrowers can redeem the secured asset by payment of the entire outstanding including all costs, charges, and expenses before notification of sale.

| S.L No. | NAME AND ADDRESS OF BORROWER & LOAN ACCOUNT NUMBER | DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE | OUTSTANDING AMOUNT | DETAILS OF PROPERTY POSSESSED | DATE OF POSSESSION |
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| 1. | NO. XH0EDHE00000922010 & XH0EDHE00001202326 1. Rahul Atarray, 2. Praveish Rajput, 3. Yash Pal Singh, H.No.165, First Floor, Block B, Hari Nagar, Delhi - 110 028. | 20/03/2020 | Rs.48,93,975.31/- as on 28/02/2020 | Entire First Floor without roof rights of Property No. B-165, area measuring 110 sq.yds out of Khassra No. 20172, situated at village Thirai Cholai known as Hari Nagar Clock Tower Near Delhi | 23/01/2021 |

Date: 23.01.2021
Place : Delhi

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General Public is hereby informed that after the death of Mr. Sandeep Chandra Singh, Mr. Indira Prasad Girdhar has purchased the Flat No. SF-3, Second Floor (near LHS), Plot No. 107-C, Shalimar Garden, Ext.-II, Village-Pasana, Ghaziabad from the owner Mr. Rajeev Agarwal. Initially the subject plot was in the name of Mr. Deep Chand Kapoor who executed a registered Will dated 22.05.2007 in favour of Mr. Hitesh Chandra Kapoor, later on Mr. Deep Chand Kapoor died. There is no Survivor Certificate of Late Deep Chand Kapoor and Probated Order of Will dated 22.05.2007 is on record.

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Letter 3110 dated: 25/01/2021

Notice Inviting Tender (NIT)

Office of Municipal Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, HARIDWAR on behalf of "Governor of Uttarakhand" invites following short term re-tender under two bid system through E-tendering Process. Detailed eligibility criteria, EMD, ITB, and other terms & conditions of the tender document can be seen at <https://uktenders.gov.in>. Any amendment in future against the tender shall be uploaded on <https://uktenders.gov.in>

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| Time schedule | Supplying Vehicles and machinery for collection & transportation of solid waste at Haridwar during Maha Kumbh 2021. |
| Document Download Start Date | 26.01.2021 at 1000 hrs |
| Proposal Due Date | 02.02.2021 up to 1500 hrs |
| Opening of Technical Bids | 02.02.2021 at 1600 hrs |
| Cost of Tender Document | INR 5900/- |

Municipal Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Haridwar

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This Republic Day,
we salute the four pillars of our nation

Wish you a very Happy Republic Day

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Happy new R-Day!

Being celebrated in the midst of a raging pandemic, this year's parade will register many firsts

The Republic Day is all about pomp, show and gaiety. Primarily, it showcases India's military might and features its tanks, missiles, torpedoes, submarines, fighter jets and, of course, its men. The event related to the nation's prowess is accentuated by tableaux displaying the rich cultural heritage, diversity, its values, principles, the Government's initiatives and schemes, milestones achieved and the road ahead. However, the 72nd Republic Day, which is being celebrated in the midst of a raging pandemic, will not be the same. It will be a low-key affair marked by several firsts and many first-time misses. First and foremost, there will be no chief guest, making it the first R-Day parade in over 50 years without the presence of the most



important guest; thus making it a bit insipid. British Prime Minister Boris Johnson had been invited as the chief guest but he had to cancel his visit in the backdrop of the outbreak of a new COVID strain at home. Before this, India didn't have a chief guest for the R-Day parade in 1952, 1953 and in 1966. Second, due to COVID restrictions the route of the parade, which begins at the Rashtrapati Bhavan, has been cut short and it will this year conclude at the National Stadium (India Gate) instead of the Red Fort as every year. The soldiers marching down Rajpath would wear masks, as will the spectators. Further, there will be no gravity-defying stunts by the motor-

cycle-borne men and the size of the marching contingents has been reduced from the regular 144 to 96. The veterans' parade has also been cancelled this year due to the pandemic. All this has been done to ensure that the social distancing protocol is adhered to. Even the number of spectators has been brought down to 25,000 from 1.25 lakh last year.

The tableau of the Union Territory of Ladakh will participate in the parade for the first time, featuring the Indian Astronomical Observatory, located at Hanle near Leh, one of the world's highest sites for optical, infrared and gamma-ray telescopes. Among the other firsts will be the participation of the country's first woman fighter pilot, Flight Lieutenant Bhawana Kanth, and a flypast with the newly-inducted Rafale jets that will be part of different formations during the flypast. In yet another first, at least 122 soldiers of the Bangladesh Armed Forces will take part in the R-Day parade. Reportedly, this is only the third time since Independence that a foreign military contingent has been invited to be part of the national parade. The upgraded Schilika weapon system will showcase India's strength in the parade, led by the only woman contingent commander from the Army. In another first, Uttar Pradesh's tableau will showcase a replica of the Ram Temple in Ayodhya. It will also display the culture and tradition related to the ancient temple town. On the other hand, the Republic Day — which is celebrated with patriotism and fervour — will be marred by the farmers' tractor rally on restricted routes inside the Capital.

PICTALK



A worker pastes a sticker on a carpet ahead of the Republic Day parade in New Delhi

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Not a one-day wonder

Srishti becoming the Uttarakhand CM for a day is symbolic but let's learn to respect women all other days, too

Days after Kamala Harris assumed charge as the United States Vice-President with many firsts to her credit — the first woman, first coloured person and the first Asian-American to reach that office — 20-year-old Haridwar student Srishti Goswami has become probably the first Indian to take over the chief ministerial reins of any State, albeit for only a day, without winning any election or without being a member of any legislature. Following an initiative by the Uttarakhand State Child Rights Commission, as January 24 is celebrated as the National Girl Child Day since 2008, Srishti held meetings with the State's top bureaucrats and asked the officials to take



steps for checking the migration of youth, especially from the rural areas, and expressed concern over the growing instances of drug peddling in the State. She also instructed the officials to clamp a ban on the sale of tobacco products within a 500m radius from educational institutes. Talking about the inevitable comparisons with Anil Kapoor-starrer *Nayak*, a confident-looking Srishti, whose father is a shopkeeper, said: "He (Anil Kapoor) was a real-life *nayak*. Here, I became a real-life *nayak*, and I wish to continue on this path by entering politics at some stage."

Of course, the development is largely symbolic and seemingly aimed at wooing the State's women voters. It reminds one of seeking the blessings of very young girls to mark the single day of *kanya puja* towards the end of Navratras. But why stop the deifying at only one day? What's really needed is that we, as a people, treat the fair gender fairly and as an absolute equal. The skewed gender ratio needs to be balanced and improved. Women may be empowered by educating them, not exposing them to discrimination and harassment and trusting them with responsibilities. Give them what they deserve rather than giving them something in charity. There are varied ways to empower women other than symbolically making them the Chief Minister. Though it was done in a noble spirit, the trustees are not authorised to be the owners of a trust. People's representatives had better work for what they are chosen for rather than making attention-grabbing short-sighted moves. Gimmicks don't work anymore. Only performance counts.

In the footsteps of Donald Trump

Under him, America abdicated its role as the beacon of democratic norms. Trumpism may be on the wane there but it is alive and flourishing in India



DEEPAK SINHA

Former United States President Donald Trump's blatant disregard for all norms of civilised behaviour, his overt racism combined with an outsized ego and the propensity to lie — 21 per day during his term as per *The Washington Post* — are well known. Yet, despite this, or the 400,000 pandemic deaths directly attributable to his lack of leadership, or his futile and rather ludicrous attempts to overturn the election results, he still continues to enjoy the support of approximately 34 per cent of the population as per the latest Gallup Poll.

This is indeed intriguing, and while much of it can be attributed to racism, bigotry and illiteracy, it was his sophisticated use of the media, especially social media, that was probably the game-changer. Unfortunately, while his brash and uncouth ways may have made him a laughing stock internationally, it also made for a very dangerous and unstable world, in which America had abdicated its role as the beacon of democratic norms and human decency. Worse, he became the poster boy for a cohort of other tinpot dictators and autocrats globally, suddenly free to do as they pleased, with little fear of retribution.

"If you tell a lie big enough and keep repeating it, people will eventually come to believe it," said Joseph Goebbels, Hitler's Minister for Propaganda. However, he did add a caveat: "The lie can be maintained only for such time as the State can shield the people from the political, economic and/or military consequences of the lie. It thus becomes vitally important for the State to use all of its powers to repress dissent, for the truth is the mortal enemy of the lie and thus, by extension, the truth is the greatest enemy of the State." It's something every autocrat and dictator instinctively understands.

While swatting flies with a sledgehammer has its advantages, there are those who have understood and utilised the concept of "Zohnerism" to their benefit. The term, coined by journalist James Glassman, refers to "the use of true facts to lead a scientifically and mathematically ignorant public to a false conclusion".

It is derived from the experiment conducted in 1997 by Nathan Zohner, a 14-year-old student, who gathered petitions to ban "DHMO", or Dihydrogen Monoxide, as the basis of his science project, titled "How Gullible Are We?" The experiment involved calling for a cohort of other tinpot dictators and autocrats globally, suddenly free to do as they pleased, with little fear of retribution.

Trump used this phenomenon to good effect. While established media outlets may not have fully played along, the conservative and extreme Right-wing media outlets, like *Fox News* and *One America News Network*, did broadcast his lies and conspiracy theories with telling effect. The digital social media platforms too, such as Facebook and Twitter, were no less complicit in spreading his message of hate till they finally banned him for inciting violence.

After what we have witnessed during his presidency, it would be fair to say that the American democracy, despite



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its deep roots stretching back 244 years, has survived a direct assault on its very foundation by Trump and his acolytes by a hair's breadth. Thanks, in no small measure, to the strength of its democratic institutions and the upstanding character of the people who run these. An outstanding example, but not the only one, being that of former Vice-President Mike Pence, who did not let his unwavering support and loyalty to President Trump get in the way of doing the right thing, despite intense pressure to subvert the constitutional process. The other institution that deserves accolades, surviving with its dignity and reputation intact, was the judiciary. Trump had expected that having appointed a total of 200 Federal Judges with lifetime tenures, including two to the Supreme Court, they would remain beholden to him and act in a manner to support his agenda. He was, therefore, understandably shocked and disappointed when nearly all of his 60-plus challenges to the election results were summarily rejected by the courts, including two by the Supreme Court.

While Trumpism may be on the decline in America, it is alive and flourishing here in India. Make no mistake, the current dispensation — while

more circumspect and less colourful — has been just as damaging for our democracy. Our secular traditions are in tatters, empathetic behaviour forgotten and democratic institutions have all but crumbled, lacking even a shred of credibility. A vast majority of our media have become willing handmaidens of the Government. The military is being incrementally politicised and even our final bulwark, the judiciary, especially the apex court, is perceived to be functioning in tandem with the Government. Worst of all, we have no Opposition leadership worth the name, debilitated by the cancer of dynastic ambition.

Yet, hope springs eternal. After all, we have just witnessed a young untested Indian cricket team rise like a phoenix from the ashes of its worst defeat. Despite being deprived of its charismatic leader, another stepped up from the shadows, doing the impossible and leading the team to victory. Similarly, we too should shun fear and do the right thing; the rest will follow.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BJP'S POLL GIMMICK IN WEST BENGAL

Sir — The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) is playing dirty politics in West Bengal. The party and its leaders are trying to gain sympathy of voters by portaying that they are the only ones who really respect the great Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and his ideology. The visit of the BJP leaders to West Bengal on the 125th birth anniversary of Bose on January 23 was only a political stunt with an eye on the forthcoming Assembly elections. The BJP is reminded of such great leaders only at the time of elections.

The ruling party leaders are trying to fool the people but the voters of West Bengal are wise enough not to fall into their trap. The people have realised that the BJP leaders can go up to any extent just for the sake of winning the elections. The State can even be plunged into widespread violence for the sake of politics. The BJP will gain votes by creating a law and order situation. It is high time that the BJP concentrated on the real issues confronting the State and its people rather than showing off its bogus image. West Bengal is grappling with poverty, unemployment, illiteracy and several other problems besides COVID. Both the Centre and the State Government must focus on the real issues troubling the people and not on poll gimmicks.

Bhagwan Thadani| *Mumbai*

FARMERS HAVE NO OPTION

Sir — India is all set to witness a majestic march past at the Rajpath and a mammoth tractor rally by the farmers in Delhi on the Republic Day. The farmers' rally will attract wide attention. The farmers have reiterated that repeal of the laws is the only acceptable proposition for withdrawal of the agitation. In fact, the offer of the Government to put the laws on hold for 18 months itself is illogical as the Supreme Court has already stayed their implementation until further orders. However, the court can withdraw the stay soon, and the laws will come into force immediately. Faced with such vagueness, farmers fear

Congress faces Hobson's choice



This refers to the editorial 'Missing cohesion' (January 25). Now it's clear that the tenure of the Congress party's interim president Sonia Gandhi will be longer than that of its last full-time president. The fervid desire of Sonia Gandhi to see her son Rahul, a reluctant politician, at the helm of affairs of the grand old party — and the idea to build the party as an alternative to the mighty Bharatiya Janata

Party (BJP) at the national level is nothing but a joke.

Now, instead of working upon the electoral challenges of the Assembly polls over the next five months, the rank and file of the Congress will be mulling over the direction the party should take in its leadership choices. For a section of the party's workers, the fear of past factionalism in the party makes the Gandhi family an effective glue to bind various factions together and maintain overall discipline.

Even if that comes at the cost of the party being accused of being captive to dynastic politics, the lack of alternative leadership still makes Rahul Gandhi a formidable choice. However, its inability to find an adept leadership is not only pushing the party into irrelevance but also causing a huge void in the Opposition space — giving a free run to the ruling BJP Government at the Centre.

N Sadhasiva Reddy | *Bengaluru*

that a decision to retreat after accepting the offer could prove costly for them eventually.

An argument advanced against giving legal status to the Minimum Support Price (MSP) is that it would put a heavy burden on the national exchequer. It runs counter to the repeated assertions that farmers are free to sell their produce anywhere in the country. Here, wouldn't the envisioned higher prices for agricultural produce in the market — being 'opened up' now — reduce the dependence on the MSP and lessen the burden on the Budget? Farmers have deciphered the intentions and the arguments.

Haridasan Rajan | *Kozhikode*

TAKE THE JOB FOR HERD IMMUNITY

Sir — In 2020, all the countries including India faced an unprecedented challenge in the form of the COVID-19 pandemic. In some countries like the UK and the US, Coronavirus is still rearing its ugly head and hospitals are looking like war

zones. It will take some more time for all the countries to recover from the unwelcome guest's impact. At this juncture, the decision to supply millions of COVID-19 vaccines free of cost from India to multiple countries like Bhutan, Nepal, Maldives, Myanmar, Seychelles, Mauritius, Brazil, Morocco and so on is really laudable. The UK, Dominica, South Africa, Kenya, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia and the UAE are some other countries interested in COVID-19 vaccines from India as these vaccines are safe and cost-effective without compromising on safety standards.

India is clearly upstaging China in the COVID vaccines' supply. India is planning to vaccinate its 300 million people, almost the population of the US. Indians should dismiss all their apprehensions in taking vaccine jabs. We must come forward to make the inoculation drive successful.

V Nagendra Kumar | *Hyderabad*

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SOUNDBITE

The LDF Government recommending a CBI inquiry against me is a clear case of political vendetta. I and my party colleagues are not afraid of the inquiry.



Former Kerala Chief Minister —Oommen Chandy

One of the benefits of being 65 is that I'm eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. I got my first dose this week, and I feel great. Thanks to the scientists and all others.

Microsoft founder —Bill Gates

I know people love me. I get to know about it through social media. Sometimes I feel that the love of the audience is like a fixed deposit with me and I have to pay them back with interest.

Bollywood actor —Pankaj Tripathi

The best England players will want to play as many games as possible against India, in India. Pick them! Then they go to IPL and earn everything they deserve.

Former England cricketer —Kevin Pietersen

There is a defect in the DNA of Mamata Banerjee, and she hails from a demoness culture. No demon can love Lord Ram. Banerjee is a dishonest and evil person.

Uttar Pradesh BJP MLA —Surendra Singh



FIRST COLUMN

WAKE UP AND SMELL THE COFFEE

The Congress is at a 'historic low.' It will sit in Opposition again if CWC polls are not held soon



KALYANI SHANKAR

Will the Gandhi family continue to control the over 136-year-old Congress Party? Will it shrink further? This are the questions bothering not just Congress leaders but also millions of party workers and supporters. The party is in the grip of a serious leadership crisis that is symptomatic of a larger malaise. Now it has reached a stage where some senior Congress leaders are questioning the dynasty openly. For instance, last August, 23 Congress leaders, including the Leader of the Opposition in the Rajya Sabha, Ghulam Nabi Azad, his deputy Anand Sharma and some former Congress Chief Ministers, had written a letter to interim party chief Sonia Gandhi demanding a "full time" leadership, dissolution of power to State units and revamping the Congress Working Committee (CWC) in line with the party's constitution. Though Sonia managed to douse the fire then, the dissent continues, as was confirmed in last week's CWC meeting, where there was a public spat between the 'old guard' and the Gandhis. The leaders realise that just Modi-bashing or the past glory of the party are not enough to get the Congress back in power. Added to that, are concerns over talented leaders leaving the party for greener pastures. For instance, a young leader like Jyotiraditya Scindia, who was close to Congress scion Rahul Gandhi, left the party to join the BJP.

If the Congress is serious about revival, it has to introspect. With the dynasts unable to get the party back to power for two consecutive terms, the family and consequently the party, has become weak. As for the leadership crisis, Sonia has had her innings. Rahul has failed twice and the Priyanka Gandhi Vadra magic has not worked in Uttar Pradesh. Above all, the Gandhis want to continue in power, so there's no possibility of fresh blood leading the grand old party.



So, in order to cure the sickness in the Congress, one has to diagnose the root cause first. While the AK Antony Committee was set up in 2014 for this purpose, the findings of the report were never even discussed in the party. After its loss in 2019, the party didn't even bother to go through the motions of setting up a committee. Then, there is the lack of a smooth generational change in the organisation. While Sonia was able to install her son as the party chief and induct her daughter as general secretary, she could not check the party's erosion or build trust in the apprehensive old guard. When Rahul took complete charge between 2013 and 2019, his evident discomfort with the seniors and the latter's animosity against 'Team Rahul' was very evident. This must change.

Plus, the party must go back to grassroots politics and prepare the cadre, which will work during the elections. This is vital as the Congress has lost contact with the people. Also, there is a need for decentralisation of authority in order to empower State and district-level leaders and give up Delhi-centric functioning. The party must also develop second-rung leaders. There was a time when the States had strong Chief Ministers, and the presidents of various Pradesh Congress Committees (PCCs) wielded power. In such a situation, if the party lost in a region, then accountability could be fixed. That is not the case anymore. Also, in a coalition era, the Congress needs to redefine itself and befriend regional parties. The Gandhis need to change the way they have run the Congress in the last decade or so. They need to create a new narrative to attract voters and redefine the party's ideology. If the Gandhis do not wake up now, the party will deteriorate further. As Azad said, the party is at a "historic low." It will continue to sit in the Opposition for the next 50 years if elections to the CWC and key organisational posts are not held. The Congress must wake up and smell the coffee.

(The writer is a senior journalist. The views expressed are personal)

Fraternity must to preserve Indian unity

Kinship not only acts as the binding element between unity and equality, it gives birth to new rights which facilitate the constitutional goal of an egalitarian society



ROBIN DAVID

The Indian Constitution came into effect on January 26, 1950 and the Constituent Assembly first met on December 9, 1946 to draft it in the Constitution Hall, now known as the Central Hall of the Parliament. The Constituent Assembly firmly resolved to mould the dreams and aspirations of Indians after the freedom struggle.

Historical background: Since the beginning, the Constitution makers were transparent and knew their purpose and direction. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru while moving the Objectives Resolution in the Constituent Assembly said: "Laws are made of words but this Resolution is something higher than the law." He urged the members of the Assembly to treat the Objectives Resolution as a declaration, an undertaking and a pledge to achieve what they promised the people of India and the yet unborn citizens: A Constitution to call their own.

The Objective Resolution declared India as an independent, sovereign, republic. Pandit Nehru said: "India is bound to be sovereign, it is bound to be independent, and it is bound to be a republic." Clearly, the Constituent Assembly's intention was to end the monarchical system. The debates and deliberations in the House led to the Objective Resolution taking the form of the Preamble of the Constitution. However, the 'Mountbatten plan' divided India into two new dominions on June 3, 1947, causing political changes to the Constituent Assembly. Thus, the Resolution needed amendment to factor in the changed political context.

On August 29, 1947, the Constituent Assembly formed the Drafting Committee, of which BR Ambedkar was the convener. The Drafting Committee rendered meaning and form to the Preamble and incorporated other matters in the body of the Constitution. It took two years, 11 months and 17 days to complete the historic task of drafting the Constitution of India.

Preamble: Ambedkar's new preamble defined the essential features of the Indian State and its socio-political objectives. While drafting the Constitution, the makers imagined an egalitarian society built on the values and the spirit embodied in the Resolution. Pandit Thakur Das Bhargava, a member of the Constituent Assembly, said: "The Preamble is the most precious part of the Constitution. It is the soul of the Constitution. It is the key to the Constitution. It is a jewel set in the Constitution. It is a proper yardstick with which one can measure the worth of the Constitution."

The trinity of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity: The egalitarian society the founding fathers envisioned, rests on four pillars established in the Preamble: The pillars of Justice, Liberty, Equality and Fraternity. However, the word 'Fraternity' is mentioned in the Constitution only once. Also "Fraternity" and has not occupied much space in judicial discourse by the Supreme Court compared to Justice, Liberty and Equality. The French Revolution inspired the Drafting Committee to adopt the trinitarian concept of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity preceded by Justice. The French were the first to raise the slogan, "Liberty! Equality! Fraternity!" against oppression by the State, to demand political participation and to promote brotherhood. Of the three revolutionary slogans, *fraternité*, called for unity and solidarity, to be bound as citizens of one nation. In his concluding remarks on November 25, 1949, Ambedkar said: "We must make our political democracy a social democracy as well. Political democracy cannot last unless there lies at the base of it social democracy. What does social democracy mean? It means a way of life which recognises liberty, equality and fraternity as the principles of life."

Ambedkar asserted that the principles of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity are to be treated as



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a trinity and not as separate and mutually exclusive items. They must be seen as enforcing elements that cannot be divorced from each other. He said: "They form a union of trinity in the sense that to divorce one from the other is to defeat the very purpose of democracy. Liberty cannot be divorced from equality, equality cannot be divorced from liberty. Nor can liberty and equality be divorced from fraternity. Without equality, liberty would produce the supremacy of the few over the many. Equality without liberty would kill individual initiative. Without fraternity, liberty would produce the supremacy of the few over the many. Equality without liberty would kill individual initiative. Without fraternity, liberty and equality could not become a natural course of things. It would require a constable to enforce them."

Ambedkar pointed to the existing social and economic inequality in Indian society and the significance of the ideals of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity to eliminate those inequalities. On October 17, 1949, Acharya Kripalani applauded the inclusion of Fraternity in the Preamble. "Again I come to the great doctrine of fraternity, which is allied with democracy. It means that we are sons of the same God, as the religious would say, but as the mystic would say, that there is one life pulsating through us all, or as the *Holy Bible* says, 'We are one of another'. There can be no fraternity without this."

Courts on fraternity: The Bombay High Court in the Indian National Mines Overmen vs Western Coalfields Limited case, challenging the compulsory deduction of ₹50 from the salary/wages of its employees for transfer to the Prime

Minister's National Relief Fund cited the explanation given by Ambedkar on Fraternity. The court said that "fraternity means a sense of common brotherhood of all Indians. In a country like ours with disruptive forces of regionalism, communalism and linguism, it is necessary to emphasise and re-emphasise that the unity and integrity of India can be preserved only by a spirit of brotherhood. India has one common citizenship and every citizen should feel that s/he is Indian first, irrespective of other basis. In this view, any measure at bringing about equality should be welcome." The court relied on 'Fraternity' in the Preamble and Ambedkar's speech on obligations imposed under the Fundamental Duties chapter, which do not otherwise have any legal sanction.

In the Prathvi Raj Chauhan vs Union of India case, addressing the SC/ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, Justice Ravindra Bhat of the Supreme Court said that fraternity holds a crucial place in the scheme of our nation's consciousness and polity. However, he said that 'Fraternity' is one of the lesser explored areas in the Constitutional discourse of the judiciary. The court observed that, "The Fraternity assumed by the Preamble is not a declaration of a ritual handshake or cordiality between communities that are diverse and have occupied different spaces: It is far more."

While evaluating the constitutional validity of the appointment of local tribals as special police officers in Maoist-hit regions of Chhattisgarh in the Nandini Sundar vs State of Chhattisgarh case, the apex court stressed on the importance of fraternity. It said, "Our Constitution posits that unless we secure... conditions of

social, economic and political justice for all who live in India, we would not have achieved human dignity for our citizens, nor would we be able to promote fraternity among groups of them. Policies that run counter to that essential truth destroy national unity and integrity." The court said that the Constitution casts a positive obligation on the State to take necessary steps to protect the fundamental rights of all citizens. The State is obliged to secure conditions where dignity of its citizens is protected to enable all to live in conditions of fraternity. Fraternity not only acts as the binding element between unity and equality, it gives birth to new rights which facilitate the constitutional goal of an egalitarian society. The right to live with dignity and respect, free from oppression and untouchability. The fundamental rights granted in the Constitution are structured on the principles liberty, equality, and fraternity. These ideals are inscribed in the Constitution's Preamble. The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1948, which is contemporaneous with the Indian Constitution, recognises inherent dignity and the equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family. This is the foundation of freedom, justice and peace in the world.

Thus, the Constitutional value of 'Fraternity' must be palpably seen in the actions of the State and Constitutional functionaries. Fraternity must be seen in the laws and enactments by Parliament and the Legislature. Fraternity must percolate into people's lives to uphold a sense of brotherhood that the Constitution makers envisioned for India. The ideals of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity are coexistent, interdependent and inseparable.

POINTCOUNTERPOINT

TESLA HAS TAKEN A MISGUIDED APPROACH TO DEVELOPING FULLY AUTONOMOUS CARS AND ITS FULL SELF-DRIVING SYSTEM WILL FAIL.

—WAYMO CEO JOHN KRAFCIK



TO MY SURPRISE, TESLA HAS BETTER ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE AS COMPARED TO WAYMO (MONEY)

—TESLA CEO ELON MUSK

Heal sick healthcare sector with booster shot in Budget

If the Govt truly seeks to involve private capital, the Union Budget must relax unrealistic price restrictions and nix outdated rules

Now when the Union Budget 2021-22 is around the corner, in the midst of one of the worst public health emergencies faced by humanity in recent memory, it is high time for the healthcare industry to articulate its concerns and expectations. Only a well-formulated and balanced annual financial statement with adequate allocation and focus on all critical segments, as well as on secondary aspects, can prepare the country to improve its health services and meet the challenges of inoculating such a large population as ours.

Need to address poor spending on healthcare: There is an urgent need to raise the allocation on health as a propor-



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tion of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP). The gap is so large and the population so underserved that this would have to be done for several years in succession to alleviate the situation.

The forthcoming financial statement should focus on significantly higher allocations for Research & Development (R&D) in biotechnology, epidemiology and pharmaceuticals including vaccines and in building healthcare infrastructure. The ongoing pandemic reiterates the need for increased public spending on healthcare which is still in the range of 1.3 per cent of the GDP, far lower than what has been stated and promised.

More allocation must for infrastructure and skill development: It is another key area that the Government should prioritise. India has less than a bed and a doctor per 1,000 population, far lower than the World Health Organisation's (WHO's) standards. We need to invest in setting up an increased number of medical colleges with requisite infrastructure while giving due importance to key departments which play a significant role in preventing infections in hospital environments, apart from the operating rooms and Intensive Care Units (ICUs). There is also a pressing need to contain the problem of antibiotic and antimicrobial resistance for getting the desired



improvement in overall outcomes. If the Centre truly seeks to involve private capital it must relax unrealistic price restrictions and do away with outdated rules. One initiative that can be taken is to ask the medical and pharmaceutical companies to direct their Corporate Social

Responsibility funds for development of healthcare infrastructure and capacity building. **Expansion of digital healthcare must be the focus of the Union Budget:** The country needs connected healthcare — a digital ecosystem where real-time data from top Government and private hospitals and diagnostic centres flows into a data centre that tracks, monitors and predicts changes in disease patterns, so that timely action can be initiated to obviate the expensive follow-on treatment. In this context, the National Digital Health Mission is a step in the right direction. It needs to be strengthened and investments are required to be made to create the infrastruc-

ture and capacity for collecting and analysing data.

Need to expand the ambit of medical insurance: The annual financial statement 2021 also needs to ensure that medical insurance is extended as much as possible to drive the idea of universal healthcare in the country. Treatments like dental procedures, mental healthcare and homecare for the sick need to be included as part of health insurance policies.

Therefore, the Union Budget must be a well-thought out document from the healthcare sector's perspective and the allocation of 1.6 per cent of the GDP in the previous Budget must be improved under all circumstances.

FOREIGN EYE

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CAUSES AND FAILED ALLIES

Celebrity activism is a misnomer in Pakistan. *MeToo* exposed sexual coercion by media moguls who controlled women's careers and revealed how power of the perpetrator are drivers of sex crimes. Moreover, it is only possible to get justice for the offence in the formal workplace. The exclusion of students and informal workers from protection is a travesty. (Dawn editorial)

FARMERS HAVE SHOWN THAT ETHOS OF INDIA'S REPUBLIC IS UNCOMPROMISABLE

Lest we forget, it is a fight for Punjab's survival - from Farm Laws to Covid



Captain Amarinder Singh
Chief Minister, Punjab

Exactly two months ago, on 26th November 2020, our farmers marched to the borders of Delhi, braving water cannons and lathis on the way. Today, as the nation celebrates its 72nd Republic Day (on a somewhat muted note due to the Covid pandemic), the sight of thousands of farmers driving through the roads of the national capital on tractors stands testimony to the fact that the ethos of the Indian Constitution and the essence of our Republic is inalienable and uncompromisable. Our farmers' arduous battle for survival will always remind us of this truth, and it will always help us remember (lest we forget), that the principles on which stands the edifice of the India we know, and our forefathers strove to build, cannot be destroyed or demolished on the whims of a few.

Sadly, the hallmark of our Constitutional Republic - the federal structure on which India's polity is founded - faces one of its biggest threats under the present regime. The brazen manner in which the three Farm Laws were pushed through, without debate or discussion, cannot, and should not be accepted in the world's largest democracy. The Centre had absolutely no power to legislate on a state subject, which Agriculture is, and the implementation of the farm legislations violate every principle of our Constitution and the federal structure it stands for. It is this federal core that we have to fight to save, even as we stand shoulder to shoulder with the farmers in their battle for their survival and their future.

As a Punjabi, I am saddened at the plight of our farmers, and as an Indian, I am shocked at the insensitivity of the BJP-led government at the Centre to this plight. I have said it many times, and am saying it again - there is no reason whatsoever for the Central Government's adamant refusal to repeal the Farm Laws, which, in any case, have been implemented arbitrarily without consultation or discussion

with the farmers and other stakeholders. I see no justification in continuing to stand on prestige on this issue, especially as the Farm Laws are clearly designed not to nurture the interests of our 'Annadaatas' but to fill the pockets of a few.

We, in Punjab, have lost the lives of more than 75 farmers to this prolonged agitation, which was avoidable in the first place and, even thereafter, could have been ended long back had the Government of India not chosen to stand on unwarranted ego. I lead my government today in paying respects to all our deceased farmers and assure their families that we stand by them in their hour of grief. We stand by every farmer whose sweat and blood has nurtured Punjab's soil for decades, and without whom India today would not stand tall as a self-reliant nation. Besides compensation and job for one family member of each of the deceased farmers, we shall extend any other help their families may need. We shall continue also to reach out to the families of those still camping at the Delhi border to make their voice heard by the Government of India.

Frankly, this was not the India our freedom fighters (who can forget the names of the likes of Lala Lajpat Rai, Diwan Singh Kalepani, Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Rajguru, Sukhdev, Shaheed Udharn Singh and Kartar Singh Sarabha from Punjab and so many others from around the country) fought and sacrificed their lives for. And this is definitely not the India we have envisioned for our children. When, on 26th January 1950, our nation became a Republic, we saw the dream of every citizen of free India being shaped by the ideals of justice, liberty, equality and dignity, which remain the core of the Constitution till date. Today, as we usher in a new year of our Republic, it is those very ideals of justice, liberty, equality and dignity, which have been systematically trampled over the past 6 years, most notably over the past 2 months of our farmers' struggle at the borders of the national capital, that we have to commit ourselves to upholding. The voice of the farmers, and in fact every section of our populace, is being subjugated, and we have to ensure that their voice is not only heard but also heeded.

For decades now, the farmers of Punjab (and of course the rest of the country) have toiled hard to make India self-sufficient in

food. It has been a long and difficult journey - from going around with the begging bowl to feed India to a situation where we are actually exporting foodgrain, notably rice. Few can imagine the problems faced by the farmers of a non-rice eating state like ours to make India a leading producer of rice. We have seen our farmers toil with their sweat and blood to make that happen. We have seen our country humiliated for food at the hands of the Americans under PL480. For a state with less than 2% of the national coverage in terms of area to contribute 40% of the foodgrain production has been no mean task. Our farmers made that happen, and the people of Punjab made it happen at an immense cost to us - we have lost out on acres and acres of fertile soil, and water is no longer plenty in this land of five rivers.

The celebration of the Indian Republic would not be complete without acknowledgement of this contribution of Punjab and its farmers to India's progress. And it would be rendered meaningless unless the Centre has the humility to accept that it has done wrong to us, and makes immediate amends by repealing the Farm Laws to start on a fresh slate, after due discussions with the farmers, as well as the government of Punjab and all other states directly affected by their decisions on agricultural issues. That would be in the true spirit of India's Republic and Constitution.

I can assure the Government of India that we, in Punjab, which has always been at the forefront of India's growth and development, will support any initiative or reform that is in the best interest of our farmers and our people, just as we supported the Centre wholeheartedly in its fight against Covid. The pandemic has tested the mettle of virtually every nation around the world. We, in India, have not been spared the tragedy of lost lives and spiralling cases. The fight to survive the pandemic has not been easy, and it is far from over. But I am happy to say that Punjab has been largely successful in controlling the spread of the pandemic - a result of the grit and commitment of the Punjabis who have led India's fight in every battle since the nation's struggle for independence, and even before. At the peak of the pandemic in September 2020, while India's positivity rate stood at 8.1%, Punjab

showed 7.7%. The trend of bettering the national average has sustained through the months, with our current positivity at 4% against India's 5.6%.

One reason for this is the speed and promptness with which we moved to clamp down on the virus. We were among the first states to impose a total curfew at the start of the spread of the pandemic. We also led in facilitating the transportation of migrants back to their homes, while ensuring that those choosing to stay behind did not suffer from lack of food and shelter. From special recruitments of medical and paramedic staff to regular monitoring, from awareness campaigns to strict penalties for non-compliance with Covid safety norms, from strategic initiatives like micro containment to Corona Fateh Kits and high level of RT-PCR testing - Punjab showed the way to the rest of the nation every step of the fight against Coronavirus. Today, I would like to thank each one of you for making it possible for us to successfully implement these initiatives in the interest of the state and its people. I would also like to join every citizen of Punjab in saluting all those healthcare and frontline workers who lost their lives in this battle against the pandemic, and to all those who are even now leading from the front to keep every Punjabi safe and secure.

The fight, as I said earlier, is far from over. What, however, gives us reason to hope that the end could well be in sight is the launch of two Indian vaccines to protect us all from the damaging effects of the Coronavirus infection. Our leading doctors have shown us the way by taking the vaccination, it is now our turn to follow suit. This is an opportunity that Waheguru has showered us with to save us from the pandemic. Let us grab the opportunity the moment our turn comes.

A few months ago, I was repeatedly reminding the people of Punjab that Mask is the only protection against Covid. Today, I am happy and proud to state that India has, in fact, come a long way from that time and is now armed with two weapons against the Coronavirus - the Vaccine and the Mask. So let all of us, in Punjab, make the most of both these weapons and lead the nation in this new phase of our fight against Covid, just as we have done in the past. I am sure that if we do that, Fateh will be ours!

Jai Hind



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REGD. OFFICE: "RADHIKA", 2ND FLOOR, LAW GARDEN ROAD, NAVRANGPURA, AHMEDABD-380009
BRANCH OFFICE: HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED, BRANCH OFFICE: 188-A, LANDMARK BUILDING, 2ND FLOOR MAIN MARKET, MODEL TOWN, ABOVE KAYA SKIN CARE CENTRE, OPPOSITE NIKKU PARK, JALANDHAR-144001

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 2. LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF BID 3. DATE & TIME OF THE PROPERTY INSPECTION | 1. RESERVE PRICE 2. END OF THE PROPERTY |
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| Ahuja Sales, SCF 13215 Kesho Ram Colony Village Bursil, Chandigarh-160047. Harish Ahuja, Surinder Ahuja, Surinder Ahuja, Krishna Kumar And Ahuja Sales, H.No. 2458 Sector 23 C, Chandigarh-160023, Ahuja Sales, Site No 405 Sector 32, Chandigarh-160030. Loan Account No. 1051052 | 1. All The Place And Parcel Of The H No 2458 Sector 23 C, Chandigarh, Chandigarh-160023 Admeasuring 1784.97 Sq. Ft And Recorded In The Name Of Krishna Kumar Registration Document: Book No. 1, Volume No. 54, On Page No. 215, At Serial No. 278, On Dated 11.05.1981, With The Office Of Sub Registrar - Chandigarh. Admeasuring 771 Marlas (196.33 Sq. Yards) Property bounded as: East: Road: West: Built Up: North: 2458 Built Up: South: 2457 Built Up | 1) E-AUCTION DATE: 12.02.2021 10.30 AM TO 11.30AM WITH FURTHER EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES 2) LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EMD WITH KYC: 10.02.2021 TILL 5 PM 3) DATE OF INSPECTION: 08.02.2021 BETWEEN 11.00 AM TO 01.00 PM (IST) | Property No 1: Reserve Price (IN NR): Rs. 1,98,38,955/- (Rupees One Crore Ninety Eight Lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Five Only) EMD Amount (IN NR): Rs. 19,83,895/- (Rupees Nineteen Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Five Only) Property No 2: Reserve Price (IN NR): Rs. 2,26,17,753/- (Rupees Two Crore Twenty Six Lakh Seventeen Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Three Only) EMD Amount (IN NR): Rs. 22,61,775/- (Rupees Twenty Two Lakh Sixty One Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Five Only) |
| Loan Account No. 1051052 | Property No 2: Site No 405 Sector 32 Chandigarh Chandigarh-160030 Admeasuring 594 Sq. Ft And Recorded In The Name Of Surinder Ahuja And Harish Ahuja Registration Document: Book No. 1, Volume No. 129, At Serial No. 1862, On Dated 04.09.2002, With The Office Of Sub Registrar - Chandigarh Property Area: 66 Sq. Yards. Property bounded as: East: Parking: West: V-Road: North: Bay Shop No. 406 Built Up: South: Bay Shop No. 406 Built Up | 1) E-AUCTION DATE: 12.02.2021 10.30 AM TO 11.30AM WITH FURTHER EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES 2) LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EMD WITH KYC: 10.02.2021 TILL 5 PM 3) DATE OF INSPECTION: 08.02.2021 BETWEEN 11.00 AM TO 01.00 PM (IST) | Reserve Price (IN NR): Rs. 6,11,36,638/- (Rupees Six Crore Eleven Lakh Thirty Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Eight Only) EMD Amount (IN NR): Rs. 61,13,663/- (Rupees Sixty One Lakh Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Eight Only) |
| Lucky Wednesday Consultants Pvt Ltd Mc No B - XIX - 88/8, First Floor, Commercial Complex, Kunal Tower Mall Road Ludhiana-141001 Head Office K-37 -A, Green Park, New Delhi Mailing Address: Bakshi Singh S/o Shri Kunal Singh H-171, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana, Bajaj Singh S-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 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. Loan Account No. 1110974 | MC NO. B - XIX - 88/8 COMMERCIAL COMPLEX, SITUATED AT THE MALL KUNAL TOWER, MALL ROAD LUDHIANA-141001 admeasuring 9748 Sq. Ft covered area (10464 Sq. Ft built up area) and recorded in the name of Lucky Wednesday Consultants Pvt. Ltd, Registration document: at serial no. 14237, on dated 12.10.2011 with the office of Sub Registrar - Ludhiana | 1) E-AUCTION DATE: 12.02.2021 10.30 AM TO 11.30AM WITH FURTHER EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES 2) LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF EMD WITH KYC: 10.02.2021 TILL 5 PM 3) DATE OF INSPECTION: 08.02.2021 BETWEEN 11.00 AM TO 01.00 PM (IST) | Reserve Price (IN NR): Rs. 6,11,36,638/- (Rupees Six Crore Eleven Lakh Thirty Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Eight Only) EMD Amount (IN NR): Rs. 61,13,663/- (Rupees Sixty One Lakh Thirteen Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Eight Only) |

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"

Punjab - 141001. Also At Mc No B - XIX - 88/8, First Floor, Commercial Complex, Kunal Tower Mall Road Ludhiana-141001. Loan Account No. 1110974.

TOTAL OUTSTANDING: Rs. 42,76,23,118 (Rupees Four Crores Twenty Seven Lakh 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.

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 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 (or prospective purchaser(s)). The bidder(s) prospective purchaser(s) are requested, in their own interest, to satisfy himself/themselves 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 auction sale shall be "online e-auction" bidding through website <https://www.banksauctions.com> Or Auction Tiger Mobile APP on the dates as mentioned in the table above with Unlimited Extension of 5 Minutes.

(2) The interested bidders shall submit their EMD through Web Portal: <https://www.banksauctions.com> (the user ID & Password can be obtained free of cost by registering name with <https://www.banksauctions.com>) through Login ID & Password. The EMD shall be payable through NEFT in the account mentioned above After Registration (One Time) by the bidder in the Web Portal, the intending bidder/purchaser is required to get the copies of the following documents uploaded in the Web Portal before the Last Date & Time of submission of the Bid/ Documents viz.: i) Copy of the NEFT/RTGS Challan or Demand Draft; ii) Copy of PAN Card; iii) Proof of Identification/Address Proof (KYC) viz. self-attested copy of Voter ID Card/ Driving License/ Passport etc.; without which the Bid is liable to be rejected. UPLOADED SCANNED COPY OF ANNEXURE-II & III (can be downloaded from the Web Portal: <https://www.banksauctions.com>) AFTER DULY FILLED UP & SIGNING IS ALSO REQUIRED. The interested bidders who require assistance in creating Login ID & Password, uploading data, submitting Bid Documents, Training/ Demonstration on Online Inter-se Bidding etc., may contact M/s. C1 India Pvt Ltd, Udyog Vihar, Phase 2, Gulf Petrochem building, Building No. 301, Gurgaon, Haryana, Pin: 122015. E-mail ID: support@banksauctions.com, Support Helpline Numbers: 124-4302020/21/22/23, 7291981124/1125/1126. Sales Enquiries: sales@banksauctions.com, 7291981129 and for any property related query may contact Authorized Officer: MR. Vikas Anand; Mobile No: 9711010334, e-mail ID: vikas.anand@hdbfs.com, Naval Kishore: Mobile No: 7696442530 e-mail ID: naval.kishore@hdbfs.com, Dikshit Kumar: 9729994599 e-mail ID: dikshit.kumar@hdbfs.com and MR. Vishal Riturkar; Mobile No: 963671006, e-mail ID: vishal.riturkar@hdbfs.com during the working hours from Monday to Saturday.

(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 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: MICR500240002; Branch: LAKHIMPUR, HYDERABAD; on or before date and time mentioned above (Please refer to the details mentioned in table above) and register their name at <https://www.banksauctions.com> 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 copy/ Pay order; 2. Copy of PAN card and 3. Copy of proof of address (Passport, Driving License, Voter's I-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/ JALANDHAR or NEFT/RTGS in the account of "HDBFS GENERAL COLLNS". Account No: 00210310002748; IFSC Code: HDFC0000021; MICR Code: MICR500240002; Branch: LAKHIMPUR, HYDERABAD; on or before date and time mentioned above.

(5) Bids that are not filled 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 alongwith 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/ JALANDHAR or NEFT/RTGS in the account of "HDBFS GENERAL COLLNS". Account No: 00210310002748; IFSC Code: HDFC0000021; MICR Code: MICR500240002; Branch: LAKHIMPUR, HYDERABAD and 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. The deposit of EMD or 10% of sale price, whatever may be the case shall be forfeited by the Company, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to terms of sale or commits any default.

(8) On compliance of terms of Sale, Authorized officer shall issue "Sale Certificate" in favour of highest bidder. All the expenses related to stamp duty, registration charges, conveyance, TDS etc. to be borne by the purchaser.

(9) Company does not take any responsibility to procure permission/ NOC from any authority or under any other law in force in respect of property offered or any other dues i.e. outstanding water/electricity dues, property tax or other charges, if any.

(10) The successful bidder shall bear all expenses including pending dues of any Development Authority, if any/ taxes/ utility bills etc. to the Municipal Corporation or any other authority/ agency and fees payable for stamp duty registration fees etc. for registration of the Sale Certificate.

(11) The Authorized Officer reserves the absolute right and discretion to accept or reject any or all the offers/bids or adjourn/cancel the sale without assigning any reason or modify any terms of sale without any prior notice. The immovable property shall be sold to the highest bidder. However, the Authorized Officer reserves the absolute discretion to allow inter-se bidding, if deemed necessary.

(12) To the best of its knowledge and information, the Company is not aware of any encumbrances on the property to be sold except of the Company. However, interested bidders should make their own assessment of the property to their satisfaction. The Company does not in any way guarantee or makes any representation with regard to the fitness/titla of the aforesaid property. For any other information, the Authorized Officer shall not be held responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrances, property tax or any other dues to the Government or anybody in respect of the aforesaid property.

(13) Further interest will be charged as applicable, as per the loan documents on the amount outstanding in the notice and incidental expenses, costs, etc. is due and payable till its actual realization.

(14) The notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s) / Mortgagee(s) to remain present personally at the time of sale and they can bring the intending buyer/purchaser for purchasing the immovable property as described hereinabove, as per the particulars of the Terms and conditions of sale.

(15) Online E-auction participation is mandatory in the auction process by making application in prescribed format which is available along-with the offer/tender document on the website. Bidders are advised to go through the website <https://www.banksauctions.com> for detailed terms and conditions of auction sale before submitting their bids and taking part in e-auction sale proceedings. Online bidding will take place at web-site of organization as mentioned hereinabove, and shall be subject to the terms and conditions contained in the tender document. The Tender Document and detailed Terms and Conditions for the Auction may be downloaded from the website <https://www.banksauctions.com> or the same may also be collected from the concerned Branch office of HDB Financial Services Limited. A copy of the Bid form along with the enclosure submitted online (also mentioning UTR Number) shall be handed over to Concerned Manager Mr. Naval Kishore; Mobile No: 7696442530; at HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED, ADDRESS - 188-A, LANDMARK BUILDING, 2ND FLOOR MAIN MARKET, MODEL TOWN, ABOVE KAYA SKIN CARE CENTRE, OPPOSITE NIKKU PARK, JALANDHAR-144001 on or before date and time mentioned above. (Please refer to the details mentioned in table above).

(16) 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 site, 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 tenant only in accordance with the Law. The Company presses into service the principle of caveat emptor.

(17) This publication is also a '15' (Fifteen) days' notice to the Borrower / Mortgagee / 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 '15' (Fifteen) days' notice 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/mortgagee 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: 26.01.2021 PLACE: JALANDHAR FOR HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

AUTHORISED OFFICER, FOR HDB FINANCIAL SERVICES LIMITED

MESSAGE OF PUNJAB GOVERNOR AND ADMINISTRATOR, UT CHANDIGARH



Shri V.P. Singh Badnore

Fellow citizens,

On the auspicious occasion of our 72nd Republic Day, I extend my heartiest greetings and felicitations to all the Indians living in Punjab and abroad. I also send my greetings to the brave personnel of our armed forces who are guarding and defending the borders of our country thereby protecting the unity and territorial integrity of the Nation.

On this occasion my thoughts go back to millions of unsung heroes of the freedom struggle, who lived and died valiantly, for the freedom of our nation and also to the countless men and women who faced immense sufferings in the struggle for

Independence of our country. The world 'REPUBLIC' is not an ordinary word. It is a commitment to the effect that, in our State, supreme power is exercised by the people. This historic occasion is a day of rejoicing, as today we enjoy the status of being the world's largest democracy and one of the major players in the world.

A Special emphasis has been laid, at national and state levels, in recent years on rapid and more inclusive growth with the focus on bringing about social equality through the reduction of poverty and empowering our people by adopting multi-pronged strategies.

The unprecedented contribution of Punjab to the cause of Freedom of our country is unmatched anywhere in the history of the world. The great martyrs Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Lala Lajpat Rai, Shaheed Udharn Singh, Kartar Singh Sarabha, Dewan Singh Kalepani and many more who shed every drop of their blood and had languished in jails, have left a rich legacy for all of us which demands unbounded love and respect of our motherland

besides firm commitment to preserve India's glory and independence.

I was extremely happy to be a part of the prestigious Military Literature Festival, an annual feature organized jointly by the

Government of Punjab, Chandigarh Administration and the Western Command Chandi Mandir. This time, the fourth edition, because of the pandemic, was inaugurated virtually by Hon'ble Defence Minister of India, Sh. Raj Nath Singh Ji and was widely attended all across the world.

Given the rich martial traditions of the region of Punjab, it comes as no surprise that this region is a treasure cove of military events since times immemorial, thus simmering in unlimited tales of military invasions, campaigns and battles with the natural abundance of battlefield heroics, sacrifices and events that's steered the course of not only the region, but the country as a whole.

On this occasion, I would like to recall that the entire world remained in the grip of the Coronavirus for the past

more than one year. There has been a lot of suffering because of this Pandemic. But it is worth mentioning here that the timely initiatives taken by our Hon'ble Prime Minister Sh. Narendra Modi, the situation by and large remained under control. Now with the approval of India made vaccine, the Covid Free Bharat campaign has further been strengthened.

On this historic day, I congratulate the innovators scientists, Civil and Police Officers of Chandigarh and Punjab appearing in our daily War Room Reviews meetings on COVID, Ex-servicemen, Doctors, Para-medics, NGOs, Voluntary Organisations and the Media involved in the war against Covid. I also appreciate the people of Punjab and Chandigarh for their unstinted support and cooperation to the Government during these trying times.

Let us renew our pledge, on this historic day, to the ideals of secularism, nationalism, patriotism and to work with dedication to make Punjab and the country strong and vibrant.

JAI HIND.

NOTICE

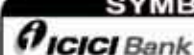
It is informed to the public vide publication of this notice that a shop plot no.91 size (15'x37.5') situated in New Vegetable Market Hansi (Hansi) was allotted at reserve price to M/s Gori Fruit Co. (Subj) Mandi, Hansi) proprietor Sh. Parveen Kumar S/o Sh. Bahadur Singh. Now, Smt. Sunita W/o Late Sh. Parveen Kumar has applied in this office for transfer of said property in the name of Smt. Sunita (Wife), Gori (Daughter) and Anant (Son) i.e. legal heirs of Late Sh. Parveen Kumar. If any person having any objection regarding transfer of this property then he/she can file their objections in written in the office of Market Committee, Hansi Distt. Hansi (Haryana) within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice. If any objection has not received in this office within the stipulated time period then the said property will be transferred to the legal heirs of Late Sh. Parveen Kumar S/o Sh. Bahadur Singh as per application.

Secretary Cum E.O., Market Committee, Hansi.

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Harish Kumar S/o Hem Raj R/o Kalamwal Distt. Sina is owner of a shop no.124 measuring 20x85 situated in New Anaj Mandi Kalamwal vide Transfer deed no.52 dated 05-04-16 duly registered at Sub Registrar Kalamwal. I have lost my previous original conveyance deed no.964 chd. 02-02-1967 somewhere. If found please contact on 94161 09808 within 7 days of receipt of this notice. If this deed found mortgage in any bank I am fully responsible for this.

SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE



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

Whereas

The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, 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 Notice (Rs.) | Name of Branch |
|---------|--|--|--|----------------|
| 1. | Shivani Suresh Goyal/ Suresh Kumar Sohanlal Goyal LBPNC00004412868 | Flat No 901, 9th Floor Tower- 1B, Suncity, Parkkarma, Sector 20, Panchkula Haryana/ January 22, 2021 | August 08, 2020/ Panchkula Rs. 1,37,42,761/- | Panchkula |

The above-mentioned borrower(s)/ guarantor(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: January 25, 2021 Place: Haryana (Panchkula)

Authorized Officer ICICI Bank Limited



Happy Republic Day 2021

TCS once again becomes most valued domestic firm

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Country's largest software exporter Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) on Monday surpassed Reliance Industries Ltd to become the country's most valued firm by market capitalisation.

In another milestone, TCS also emerged as the most valued IT company in the world as its market valuation went past that of Accenture.

During the close of trade, the market valuation of TCS was at ₹12,34,609.62 crore while that of Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) stood at ₹12,29,661.32 crore on the BSE.

TCS dipped 0.40 per cent to close at ₹3,290.20 after gaining 1.26 per cent to its one-year

high of ₹3,345.25 during the day.

Shares of RIL declined 5.36 per cent to close at ₹1,939.70 on the BSE after its earnings failed to cheer investors.

In March last year also, TCS had reclaimed the status of the country's most valued firm by market valuation.

So far this month, TCS shares have gained nearly 13 per cent on the BSE.

Multinational tech firm Accenture's market capitalisation was at USD 168.44 billion as of Friday close on the NYSE. As of Monday, TCS valuation in dollar terms was at USD 169.26 billion. Tech giant SAP's market valuation was at USD 155.50 billion and that of IBM was at USD 105.69 billion.

Govt may tweak customs duties on host of goods in Budget 2021

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Government may tweak customs duties in the Budget next week on several goods, including furniture raw materials, copper scrap, certain chemicals, telecom equipment and rubber products, to promote domestic manufacturing and exports, sources said.

They said that while import duties could be tweaked on over 20 products such as cut and polished diamonds, rubber goods, leather garments, telecom equipment and carpet, the customs duties could be removed on select raw materials (like wood in rough, swan wood and hard board) used for furniture manufacturing and copper concentrate.

RBI refutes reports of withdrawal of old ₹100, ₹10, ₹5 currency notes

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Monday refuted reports of withdrawal of old series of ₹100, ₹10 and ₹5 currency notes.

"With regard to reports in certain sections of media on withdrawal of old series of ₹100, ₹10 & ₹5 banknotes from circulation in near future, it is clarified that such reports are incorrect," the RBI said in a tweet.

While announcing the issuance of new ₹100 denomination banknotes with base colour Lavender in July 2018, RBI had said banknotes in the denomination of ₹100 issued by it in the earlier series will continue to be legal tender.

INBRIEF

BOTTLE FOR CHANGE CAMPAIGN

South Zone today in association with Bisleri International started Bottle For Change campaign and organised an exhibition at Zonal office. A plastic recycling corner was also installed at office. Zonal Chairperson Dr. Nandini Sharma, Deputy Chairperson Maya Bisht, Deputy Commissioner G Sudhakar, Assistant Commissioner Mahesh Meena were present at the occasion.

M-SEND POLICY WILL PROVE TO BE A GAME CHANGER: CM

Jaipur: Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot said that the State Government building committed to meeting the gravel needs of the people for the works and The Manufactured Send (M-Send) Policy -2020 brought in the direction will prove to be a game changer. They said that due to this much awaited policy, use of M-sand and its production in the state will increase and our dependence on gravel coming out of rivers will decrease. Along with this, the solution of the problem of waste coming out of the mines in the mining areas of the state and there will be employment opportunities at the local level due to the large number of M-Send units installed will be born. Shri Gehlot inaugurated M-Send Policy-2020 at Chief Minister's residence on Monday. He was addressing the program.

BIKE RALLY ON THE OCCASION OF NATIONAL TOURISM DAY

To celebrate the National Tourism Day, 2021, a bike rally was organised by Directorate of Tourism, Jammu. The rally was flagged off by Chander Mohan Gupta, Mayor, Jammu Municipal Corporation and Sh. R.K. Katoch, Director Tourism, Jammu from Jammu Tawi Golf Course in which around 50 bikers participated. The Bike Rally will cover tourist destinations of Surinsar, Mansar, Mahoregarh Fort and Chichi Mata Mandir.

Amazon files plea with Delhi HC to enforce SIAC interim order

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

US online retail giant Amazon has moved Delhi High Court to block partner Future Group from selling retail assets to Reliance Industries that had received a nod from market regulator SEBI and stock exchanges.

The e-commerce giant is seeking enforcement of the Singapore arbitrator's interim order to stall ₹24,713-crore Future-Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) deal.

Inclusive Finance India Awards

New Delhi: With an aim to celebrate and encourage deserving institutions to continue to enhance outreach to the poor by way of motivating management and staff through recognition to their painstaking efforts and enhancing credibility of the institution, the Inclusive Finance India Awards were constituted by ACCESS Development Services in partnership with HSBC India recently in Delhi. The winners were felicitated by Union Minister of State for Finance Anurag Singh Thakur and NABARD Chairman GR Chintala.

ICICI Bank

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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 Notice (Rs.) | Name of Branch |
|---------|--|---|--|----------------|
| 1. | Kota Lakshman Rao And Kota Lakshmi S. No. 234/P, 1st Fl., Kranthi Classic Apts, Flat No. B-2, Sai Priya Gardens Chinagadali Mandal, Madhurawada, VSP Vishakapatnam – 530016/ LBVPM00001178238. | Schedule-A An Undivided And Unspecified Share Of Land Measuring 32 Sq. Yds Or 26.75 Sq.Mts., Out Of The Total Extent Of 1555 Sq. Yds Or 1299.98 Sq.Mts, Together With A Flat Bearing No. B-2, In First Floor, In Kranthi Classic, Having Plinth Area Of 780 Sq.Ft. Constructed Upto Slabe Level, Covered By S.no.234/part, In Madhurawada Village And Panchayat, In The Registration Sub District Of Madhurawada And In The Registration District Of Visakhapatnam And Bounded By :- Boundaries For The Entire Site : East : Land Belongs To Vendors West : Land Belongs To Vendors North : 40ft Wide Road South : 100ft Wide Road Measurements East Wing : 140ft Or 42.672 Mts West Wing : 140 Ft Or 42.672 Mts North Wing: 100 Ft Or 30.48 Mts South Wing : 100 Ft Or 30.48 Mts Schedule-b Boundaries For The Flat No B-2 In First Floor Having Plinth Area Of 780 Sft East : Open Space West : Common Corridor And Flat No. B-7 North: Flat No.B-1 South : Flat No.B- 3 / Date Of Symbolic Possession 20.01.2021 | 26.08.2020 Rs. 510740.00/- | Vishakapatnam |

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 : January 25, 2021
Place: Delhi/ NCR

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

NORTHERN RAILWAY

TENDER NOTICE

Sr. Divisional Mechanical Engineer, Northern Railway, DEMU-Shed, Shakurbasti; for and on behalf of President of India, invites E-Tender for the under noted work.

| Tender No. | 258661DSLSSBR2 |
|--|---|
| Name of work | Provision for Comprehensive Annual Maintenance Contract of SLI (Safe Load Indicator) system of 140T BD Crane No. 142271 at DEMU-Shed, Shakurbasti working over DLI division for a period of three years. |
| Approximate Cost | Rs. 9.55,800/- including GST @18% |
| Earnest money | Rs. 19,200/- (Note:- It should be in the form of net banking or gateway only. Note: FDR not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS as per Railway Board letter no. 2015/CR-1/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016) |
| Completion period of the work | 03 years |
| Cost of tender document | Rs. 2,360/- with GST @18% (Note:- It should be in the form of net banking or gateway only. Note: FDR not be accepted as EMD for tender invited on IREPS as per Railway Board letter no. 2015/CR-1/CT/5/1 dated 31.08.2016) |
| Date and time for submission of tender and opening of tender | Upto 15:00 hrs. on 15.02.2021. Opening of Tender at 15:00 hrs. |
| Website particulars notice board location complete details of tender can be seen | Above tender is available on IREPS site i.e. www.ireps.gov.in |
| No.: 258661DSLSSBR2 | Date: 21.01.2021 |
| 191/2021 | |

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NOTICE
EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

No. RMSA/NSQF/EOI/1363/2020/1897 Date: 25/01/2021

This is an invitation to submit an Expression of interest party(s)/ firm(s) for implementation of Vocational Education under National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) in Government and Provincialised secondary schools across Assam through e-procurement system of Govt. of Assam i.e. <https://assamtenders.gov.in>

Detailed document may be seen at <https://assamtenders.gov.in> for eligibility, scope of work, Eoi terms and conditions etc. The Eoi document can be purchased by registering at <https://assamtenders.gov.in> from 26/01/2021 to 15/02/2021, 14:00 hours and making payment of non-refundable Eoi processing fee of Rs.5,000/- (Rupees five thousand) only in the form of DD/Banker cheque in favour of Mission Director, RMSA, Assam payable at Guwahati.

The Eoi is to be submitted online through e-procurement portal of Govt. of Assam i.e. <https://assamtenders.gov.in> only on or before 15/02/2021, 14:00 hours.

Scope of Work:
Implementation of Vocational Education services in secondary schools under NSQF in the following trades:
1.IT/TeS. 2. Agriculture. 3.Healthcare. 4.Beauty & Wellness. 5.Electronics & Hardware.6.Automotive.7.Tourism & Hospitality. 8.Retail.9. Private Security.

Details of Eoi:
1.Rs.16.80 lakh as Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) have to submit in favour of Mission Director, RMSA, Assam payable at Guwahati. 2.The Eoi can be downloaded from the website <https://assamtenders.gov.in>. 3.The proposal has to be submitted as described in the Eoi.4.Submission start date : 27/01/2021, 12.00 Noon.5.Last date/time for submission : 15/02/2021, 2.00 P.M. 6.Date of opening of Eoi : 15/02/2021, 3.00 P.M.

RMSA, Assam reserves the right to amend or cancel the Eoi without assigning any notice or reason therefor. Moreover, in case of non-availability of sufficient bidder (or less than three bidders), authority has the right to take decision without prior notice.

Sd/-Executive Director,
Samagra Shiksha, Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati-19

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SEARCH FOR MISSING

Rahul

General Public is hereby informed that one person namely **Rahul, S/o Rajesh, R/o H.No. A-31/6 C/1, Netaji Marg, Main Road, Maujpur, Delhi, Age: About 31 years, Height: 5'8", Face: Round, Complexion: Wheatish, Built: Normal, Hair: Black, ID Mark: Injury mark on forehead, Wearing: White colour shirt, grey colour pant and bare feet,** has been missing since **09.01.2021** from Gate No.4, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi from the area of P.S. North Avenue, New Delhi. In this regards a case **DD No. 40-A Dated 14.01.2021** has been registered at P.S. North Avenue, New Delhi. Sincere efforts have been made by local police to trace out the missing person but no clue has come to light so far. If any one having any information about this missing person please inform undersigned.

Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>
E-mail Id - cic@cbi.gov.in
Ph.: 011-24368638, 24368641
Fax No. 011-24368639
DP/195/NDD/2021

SHO
PS North Avenue, New Delhi
Ph. No. 011-23093040, 9810245276

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION

General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Namely: Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown, Age: approx. 40 years, Height: 5' 5", Complexion: Shallow, Face: Oval, Built: Thin, Hair: Black, ID: L.O.Y. tattoo on right hand, Wearing: Red/white colour shirt, matmaila coat and white colour pant,** who was found at Kesari Chowk, Old Lajpat Rai Market, Delhi. In this regard a case **DD No. 39A Dated 19.01.2021** has been registered at P.S. Kotwali, Delhi.

Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.

Sd/- SHO
P.S. Kotwali, Delhi
Tel.: 011-2395 3442

DP/902/N/2021(UIDB)

DELHI JAL BOARD: GOVT. OF NCT OF DELHI
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (SW)-III
SECTOR-VII, R.K. PURAM, NEW DELHI-110022

"STOP CORONA: Wear Mask, Follow Physical Distancing, Maintain Hand Hygiene"
N.I.T. NO.37(2020-21) SW-III

| S. No. | Description | Amount Put to Tender, Tender Fee | Date of release of tender in E-Procurement Solution) | Last date/Time of receipt of Tender Through E-Procurement Solution |
|--------|--|----------------------------------|--|--|
| 1 | Interconnection of 1500 mm dia water main with feeder line of A-2 UGR by 500 mm dia water main using trenchless technology under EE(SW)-III, AC-43 | Rs. 27.01,151/- Rs. 500/- | 21-01-2021 Tender I.D.No. 2021_DJB_199032_1 | 05.02.2021 At 2:00 P.M. |
| 2 | Replacement of old/damaged/ silted up sewerline behind Ravi Das Mandir & nearby area at village Hauz Rani under SW-III, AC-43 | Rs. 25.19,361/- Rs. 500/- | 21-01-2021 Tender I.D.No. 2021_DJB_199032_2 | 05.02.2021 At 2:00 P.M. |

Further details in this regard can be seen at (<https://govprocurement.delhi.gov.in>)

Sd/-
(Naveen Kumar Khare)
EXECUTIVE ENGINEER (SW)-III

ISSUED BY P.R.O. (WATER)
Advt. No. J.S.V. 338 (2020-21)

KAVYAM AFFORDABLE GROUP HOUSING
Being Developed by Agrante Realty Ltd, having
License No. 101 of 2017 dated 30.11.2017
HARERA No. RC/REP/HARERA/GGM/2018/23 dated 22.11.2018
Hotel "The Plazzio Hotel, 292-296 Sector-29 City Centre Gurugram- Haryana
22 जनवरी 2021 शुक्रवार को आयोजित काव्यम अफोर्डेबल ग्रुप हाउसिंग प्रोजेक्ट सेक्टर-108, गुरुग्राम स्थित प्लेड्स का ड्रा के सफल आवेदकों एवं प्रतीक्षा आवेदकों की सूची:-

TYPE-1 2 BHK 512.50 Sq.ft

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| 10501 | 10595 | 10597 | 10431 | 9556 | 10354 | 10615 | 10500 | 10555 | 10601 | 10529 | 10504 |
| 10539 | 10517 | 10528 | 10353 | 10352 | 9542 | 10596 | 10527 | 10519 | 10603 | 10607 | 3677 |
| 10525 | 10515 | 10605 | 10514 | 3679 | 10244 | 10600 | 10612 | 9937 | 10606 | 10618 | 10523 |

TYPE-3 2 BHK 488.30 Sq.ft

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| 10549 | 10662 | 10550 | 10592 | 10554 | 10617 | 9184 | 10563 | 10505 | 10557 | 10530 | 9633 |

प्रतिष्ठा सूची – TYPE-3 2 BHK 488.30 Sq.ft

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डिस्कलेमर:
काव्यम के प्लेड्स का ड्रा हरियाणा अफोर्डेबल हाउसिंग पॉलिसी ग्रुहमंत्रालय/की.टी. सी.पी. हरियाणा/की.सी. गुरुग्राम द्वारा जारी दिशा निर्देशों के तहत रखे गये मापदंडों के आधार पर तथा संबंध प्रशासिकों की नियमनीय में किया गया है।
सुनिश्चित आर्बटन सूची आवेदन पत्र संख्या व ड्रा के क्रमांक के अनुसार है।
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GOVERNMENT OF HARYANA

TENDER NOTICE

| SR. No. | NAME OF DEPARTMENT/AUTH | NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER | OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME) | AMOUNT / EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES | WEBSITE OF THE BOARD DEPARTMENT/AUTH | NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL |
|---------|-------------------------|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|
| 1 | PANCHAYATS KARNAL | SUPPLY OF RAW AND BUILDING MATERIAL IN VARIOUS VILLAGES OF BLOCK GHARAUNDA | 22.01.2021 03.02.2021 | - | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 9416290875 prexeeng.krl@hry.nic.in |
| 2 | PANCHAYATS KARNAL | SUPPLY OF RAW AND BUILDING MATERIAL IN VARIOUS VILLAGES OF BLOCK NISSING | 22.01.2021 03.02.2021 | - | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 9416290875 prexeeng.krl@hry.nic.in |
| 3 | PANCHAYATS KARNAL | SUPPLY OF RAW AND BUILDING MATERIAL IN VARIOUS VILLAGES OF BLOCK MUNAK | 22.01.2021 03.02.2021 | - | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 9416290875 prexeeng.krl@hry.nic.in |
| 4 | PWD(B & R) SONEPAT | CONSTRUCTION OF REVENUE RESIDENTIAL QUARTERS FOR SDM & TEHSILDAR IN MINI SECTT. AT KHARKHODA IN SONEPAT DISTT. (HON'BLE C.M. ANNOUNCEMENT CODE 15158 DATED 16.10.2016 + 2 OTHER WORK | CLOSING DATE 11.02.2021 | 2406.55 LACS | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 0130-2244690 pwd-eeep1-sonapat@hry.nic.in |
| 5 | PWD(B & R) JIND | SPECIAL REPAIR OF JIND-SAFIDON ROAD TO MALAR IN JIND DISTT. (ROAD ID 6702) | CLOSING DATE 11.02.2021 | 44.60 LACS | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 01681-249416 pwddeepjind@gmail.com |
| 6 | PANCHAYATI RAJ HISAR | PROVIDING AND INSTALLATION OF STP BASED ON JOHKASOU / ADVANCED MBRR TECHNOLOGY AT DIFFERENT VILLAGES OF HISAR DISTRICT I.E. INCLUDING DESIGNING, COMMISSIONING, 1 YEAR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE (EXTENDED MAINTENANCE FOR 4 YEARS.) | 23.01.2021 08.02.2021 | 5.15 CRORE | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 9467251500 prexeeng.hsr@hry.nic.in |
| 7 | PWD(B & R) HANSI | PERIODICAL RENEWAL BY PROVIDING HEAVY PATCHWORK ON KOTPUTLI (IN THE STATE OF RAJASTHAN) NARNAUL-MAHENDERGARH-CHARKHI DADRI-BHIWANI- HANSI- BARWALA-TOHANA (IN THE STATE OF HARYANA) (NH-148-B) KM 163.468 TO 196.520 & 197.270 TO 204.920 (RE-INVITED) | 22.01.2021 12.02.2021 | 121.67 LACS | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 9416136946 pwd-eeepd-hansi@hry.nic.in |
| 8 | PHE SIWANI | GUDHA- PROVIDING FUNCTIONAL HOUSE HOLD TAP CONNECTION (FHCT) AND LAYING OF DI PIPE LINE UNDER JIM CATEGORY-IIND (JIM) IN VILLAGE GUDHA, "LAYING OF DI PIPE LINE AND MAKING FHCT CONNECTIONS IN VILLAGE GUDHA AND ALL OTHER WORKS CONTINGENT THERETO." + 1 OTHER WORK | CLOSING DATE 28.01.2021 | 5.30 LACS | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 01255-277066 eesiwani@phedsiwani.gov.in |
| 9 | IRRIGATION HISAR | REMODELLING OF NEW SIWANI FEEDER FROM RD 0 TO 76170. | 27.01.2021 10.02.2021 | 2548 LACS | https://etenders.hry.nic.in | 01662-237166 xenconst7hsr@gmail.com |
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Lung cancer in never-smokers



Most of us tend to believe that not smoking a cigarette will insure us against lung cancer. Unfortunately, this is not true. A growing number of non-smokers in India are reporting lung cancer today. What's worse is the fact that the disease in non-smokers shows more subtle symptoms that are often difficult to diagnose initially. Non-smokers also tend to write off the possibility of contracting this disease as they believe they do not run its risk.

While it is true that smoking tobacco is the most significant risk factor for lung cancer, not all people who get the disease have smoked. The American Cancer Society estimates that around 20 per cent of people who die from lung cancer in the US every year have never consumed tobacco in any form. While we do not have any such consolidated estimates for India, Oncologists are reporting a clear trend of rising disease incidence among non-smokers.

Interestingly, it has been observed that lung cancers in smokers and non-smokers are different on genetic and molecular levels. In fact, a bulk of non-smokers who report lung cancer are women. Gene changes or exposure to carcinogens can trigger lung cancer in non-smokers

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While most lung cancers are treated in a similar way, Oncologists are now developing a deeper understanding of the genetic differences and triggers of different types of cancers. Patients with genetic cancer triggers such as EGFR mutation and ALK (anaplastic lymphoma kinase) gene rearrangements respond better to a different line of treatment than chemotherapy. Most commonly, these gene mutations are responsible for triggering cancers in non-smokers.

Never ignore these symptoms: As mentioned above lung cancers in non-smokers are often different as compare to the disease type in smokers. This is why sometimes, the disease manifests differently in these two sub categories of patients. People who do not smoke may present with more subtle symptoms such as shortness of breath, fatigue, pain in the back along with cough. Sometimes, these symptoms may initially be taken for any other condition, delaying the disease diagnosis and treatment.

Whether you smoke or not, it is important not to take any aberration in the respiratory health lightly. Always report to the doctor if you experience the following symptoms:

- A cough that lasts more than 2 weeks
- Shortness of breath
- Chronic fatigue or malaise accompanied by respiratory distress
- Experiencing pain while breathing
- Recurrent chest infections.

WARMFOODS

CHERRY: If one wants to go for both health and taste, then cherry is here to their rescue. They are high in antioxidants and anti-inflammatory compounds, which may reduce chronic disease risk and promote overall health. It can also help relieve exercise-induced muscle pain, damage, and inflammation.

Increasing your intake of nutrient-dense fruits like cherries is a tasty way to protect your heart. Many studies show that diets rich in fruits are associated with a reduced risk of heart disease.

Due to their potent anti-inflammatory effects, cherries may reduce symptoms of arthritis and gout, a type of arthritis caused by a buildup of uric acid that can lead to extreme swelling, inflammation and pain in your joints. That's not all. Cherries contain melatonin, a substance that helps regulate your sleep-wake cycle.

And last but not the least, cherries are also good for your skin. So if you want to have that glowing skin, just grab a bowl of cherries.



LISTEN TO ORAL CALL

Dental health is not considered as significant as mental health, in fact it is not a primary concern at all for many. DR TANVI PARKAR tells you why maintaining dental hygiene is just as important as overall hygiene



The stress and anxiety related to the infection coupled with the mental fatigue of calibrating oneself to the new normal, has made people realise the importance of mental wellness. To add to these, news of celebrities breathing their last owing to mental illness, has put this issue in the limelight. As we browse along the myriad of discourses on wellbeing, we quickly can realise that dental health is not considered as significant as mental health, in fact dental health is not a primary concern at all.

Oral cavity is one of the most important parts of our bodies that dentists dedicate five years of their lives learning. The fact that they spend most of their curricular time (even more by post-graduates), on such a small part of the body, itself, makes it so significant. Sadly, this seems to be a trivial subject for many. Maybe they feel that dentists shall only talk about brushing twice a day which is covered by a tooth-paste as it is, so what's more to it?? The relevance of dental health and why it should be a part of workplace wellbeing programme is what is discussed in the article.

Some of the significant aspects of oral cavity and dental health are as follows:

Functions of oral cavity: The oral cavity and its components have various functions like chewing food, enabling us to pronounce words, and giving shape and form to the face.

Oral manifestations of sys-

temic diseases: A lot of systemic diseases have oral manifestations. These include diabetes, certain infections, gastrointestinal problems as well as nutritional deficiencies.

Entry to the digestive system: The oral cavity is the portal to the digestive system. It is here that food is tasted and enjoyed, masticated with the teeth and mixed with saliva to form a bolus — an ingestible and digestible form of food that enters the oesophagus. It is also in the mouth that the food is mixed with digestible enzymes from the saliva for easy digestion.

Workplace grooming and halitosis: We are supposed to meet a lot of people for work related matters. These could be bosses, co-workers, clients, and other people. It is expected that we are well groomed and follow etiquettes during our meetings. One of the important aspects of this is oral hygiene. It is not necessary that we must go for a celebrity level smile design, however, it is pertinent that we do not show the food that's stuck in our teeth while we are talking or smiling. Halitosis or bad breath is also one of the concerns and a huge turn off while interacting socially.

Significance of oral health in COVID-19 situation:

Nasopharynx and oropharynx: The oral cavity is an entrance to the respiratory tract and maintaining good oral hygiene can prevent COVID-19 infection.

Saliva and oral mucosa: The oral mucosa and salivary glands are lined with ACE2 (angiotensin con-

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verting enzyme 2) receptors, which are used by SARS-CoV-2 virus to enter epithelial cells. In addition, SARS-CoV RNA can be detected in saliva before lung lesions appear. This may explain the presence of asymptomatic infections. Thus, the potential infectivity of saliva alone must not be ignored.

Xerostomia and dysgeusia: The inflammation caused by the viral infection leads to reduced salivary secretions and dry mouth.

Alteration in the quantity and composition of saliva also leads to loss or altered taste.

Mask mouth: Wearing mask for prolonged duration results in decreased salivation or dry mouth that results in cavities, gum disease and sour breath.

Loss of teeth in long haulers: A phenomenon where idiopathic bone loss and falling out of teeth have been reported by few people who have been experiencing COVID-19 symptoms for a very long time. Although a thorough research and more evidence is required to substantiate this phenomenon, it is speculated that the infection caused inflammation that could attack the gums and mouth, which might be able to trigger tooth loss.

As we can observe from the above, oral care plays a vital role in the overall health or a person. This has become crucial in the pandemic times. Dental treatments are currently not covered in most insurance programmes in the country. Ergo, oral health needs to be an important aspect of workplace wellness since education, awareness and early detection are key to good outcomes. As the famous saying goes, "Dentistry is not expensive, neglect is!", we must ensure that we always maintain good oral hygiene. In conclusion, we must provide equal attention to dental health as we provide to mental health in the workplace.

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LET THE SKIN DO THE TALKING



Following a proper skincare routine is important. DR AJAY RANA shares tips that will help you get healthy and glowing skin

Almost one month into the New Year, it is high time to make a routine for your skin and make sure you follow it. Morning is the best time to start taking care of your skin. Your skin is fresh from a goodnight's sleep and you should make sure to prepare it up before you begin your day. Everyday our face faces a lot of dust, sun rays, UV rays, pollution, hence, having a proper skincare routine in the morning is of utmost importance.

Here are a few tips to make your skin glowing this year:

Cleanse with water: Cleansing your face with water is the first and the foremost step for the glowing skin. Our face needs the right amount of water so that all the dryness from the night is removed.

Use a toner: The next big step is to use a toner. Toning your face is very important. A good toner helps to remove any remaining bits of oil and dirt left behind by a cleanser. It also shrinks the pores. Toners prevent the skin from producing excess oil.

Serum: After you are done using a toner, get ready to use a serum. The serum is specifically made to handle all your skin problems. Take a few drops of the serum and warm it up by rubbing it in between your palms. Apply the serum on the skin, starting from the nose, and work your way outwards. Leave it on for two-three minutes to absorb into the skin.

Always remove your makeup: It is very important to remove the makeup, no matter where you are, before you go to bed, or if you have been wearing it for a very long time. It is important that you give time to your skin to breathe. Use a good water makeup cleanser, and remove all the layers.

Skincare routines are incomplete without the use of a moisturiser: Moisturise your skin with a dermatologist-recommended moisturiser as often as you can based on your skin type.

Clean the makeup brushes regularly: It is important to clean your makeup brushes to avoid a buildup of makeup residue and bacteria. Use a shampoo and conditioner to clean your brushes, as you do with your hair. Cleaning brushes helps to smooth and even apply makeup every time.

Apply sunscreen: Don't forget to use sunscreen before you head out. Wear a good sunscreen with SPF of 40 or higher and try to avoid the sun as much as possible.

Lip moisturiser: Using a lip moisturiser would be a good idea. During the winter season, our lips tend to get really dry, because of which we sometimes develop the habit of licking our lips. This can lead to dermatitis around the mouth. In order to avoid this, even using a basic moisturizer like Vaseline would help.

Take multivitamins and antioxidants: Not getting enough sun causes a dip in your Vitamin D levels, so adding Vitamin C and D to the supplements, in addition to omega fatty acid supplements. Avoid taking sugar and alcohol.

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DadiKaKehna

Motion sickness or infections can result in nausea. While it is not painful, it is definitely uncomfortable. ROSHANI DEVI shares remedies that can help relieve it



Nausea can happen because of several reasons. If one has taken pills on an empty stomach, motion sickness and infections are the most common triggers for nausea.

Here are a few tips that can help.

While eating ginger is synonymous to catching cold, there is lot more that this herb can do. Experts believe that compounds in ginger may work in a similar way to anti-nausea medication. In fact, several studies agree that ginger is effective at reducing nausea in various situations.

Control your breathing. Taking slow, deep breaths can also help reduce nausea.

Certain spices like fennel powder, cinnamon and cumin extract also helps reducing nausea.

Fennel powder may reduce menstrual symptoms, including nausea, and help women experience shorter periods. Cinnamon may reduce the severity of nausea that women experience during menstruation. Cumin extract may help improve symptoms such as abdominal pain, nausea, constipation and diarrhea in individuals suffering from IBS.



Making good choices is key

SWAMI MUKUNDANANDA tells you how behavioural momentum helps you change your life for the better

Life presents us with an array of choices. We select our thoughts, priorities, emotions, and behaviours. Regardless of how good or bad we may presently be, we can always choose to make our future better. Regrettably, we also have the option of choosing to make our future worse. Nowadays, there is no dearth of advertisements promising you an annual income of two crores, if you simply spend two hours daily on the internet; a weight loss of twenty kilos by wearing a special belt; and perfection in meditation if you take initiation in a particular mantra. Surprisingly, people are willing to get duped into believing these alluring marketing lines.

The problem is that

our human nature wants quick fixes-excellence without toil, and perfection without practice. But life mastery and enlightenment are not cheap bargains. They are achieved through sacrifice, dedication, and perseverance.

The good news is that the level of difficulty does not remain the same throughout the journey. In fact, every incremental step becomes easier than the previous one. Social scientists have discovered a concept called behavioural momentum.

We are familiar with the momentum of solid objects. You may have had the experience of pushing someone's car. When the engine does not turn on with the ignition switch, passengers get out of the car and



begin pushing it. Initially, your every muscle gets exerted to overcome the vehicle's static inertia. But slowly, the movement begins and then keeps picking speed. When the driver sees the car has gathered enough momentum, she releases the clutch, to engage the engine with a jerk and kick start it.

This is an illustration of the momentum of physical objects.

Interestingly, the same phenomenon applies to human behaviour as well. As you strive to improve yourself, the velocity of your self-transformation keeps speeding up. The reason is that any learned behaviour becomes easier with every repetition, until it finally becomes a habit.

Slowly, the choices, which we keep repeating, grow onto us and become a part of us. That is why it is said: "First we make choices and then the choices make us." Now, if our choices are harmful, the momentum will build up in the wrong direction and work to our detriment. But if we keep repeating good choices, the impetus will develop in the beneficial direction and will work to our advantage.

This explains why the most difficult part of any behavioural modification is the initial phase. It is when our brain is breaking the neural pathways of old habits and establishing circuitry for new ones. Once the behavioural momentum builds up, we reach the auto mode and enjoy the ride, because progress in life has almost reached the automatic level.

In his latest book, *7 Divine Laws to Awaken Your Best Self*, he discusses the most important divine laws of life. What are these laws? How can our life be enriched by their knowledge and application? This joyous journey is accomplished through the seven chapters of the book.

The writer is global spiritual leader, best selling author and Vedic scholar

REPUBLIC DAY SPECIAL

**Trend
Blazer**

I know people love me: Pankaj

PANKAJ TRIPATHI surprises you by saying he doesn't quite understand what it means to be a star. However, he gets to know that people love him through social media reactions.

"Nothing has changed. I don't have an idea if I am a star and I don't know what it's like to be a star. I don't have an idea about stardom. I used to work with honesty and I am doing it with sincerity till now," Pankaj said.

"I know people love me. I get to know about it through social media. Sometimes I feel that the love of the audience is like a fixed deposit with me and I have to give them back with interest. So, the responsibility and trust increases," he added.



'I still remember meeting this kid (Varun Dhawan) in Goa! Long hair, big dreams in his eyes and a swag that was waiting to explode on celluloid! A few years later he was my Assistant on MNIK! (My Name Is Khan). When he faced the camera for me for the first time, I developed an immediately protective feeling of love and care for him... And that feeling today came alive in abundance as I saw him walk with his loved one around the holy fire of trust and commitment...'

—Karan Johar

Actor and yoga enthusiastic **SHILPA SHETTY KUNDRA** suggested the right yoga to bust stress, and improve core strength and flexibility of the hip joints and legs.

"For almost a year now, in some or the other way, we've all been in rough waters. For me, the best way to beat the stress is to occasionally draw out the 'boat' pose or the *Naukasana*. It can row you out of many issues that your body maybe undergoing. #MondayMotivation," she said.



I miss dressing up: Kim

American reality TV star **KIM KARDASHIAN** strikes a stylish pose in a new snapshot she has posted on social media, though she says she misses dressing up.

In the picture she posted in the early hours of Monday, according to India time, Kim is seen stepping out of her car. Colour-coordinated with the all-black power wheels, Kim is dressed in all-black, too. She wears a front-open black leather jacket that falls way below her knees, with a black leather off-shoulder short dress that has a cross embroidered on the torso.

The 40-year-old celebrity adds to her minimalist no-makeup look with the caption she writes on the picture: "I miss dressing up."



WE, THE PEOPLE

The Republic Day march makes for a visual treat. But is that still relevant and important? Experts speak. By CHAHAK MITTAL

Magnificent marches by the regiments of the Indian Army, Navy, Air Force, Police and Paramilitary forces, display of the Indian Defence prowess, latest missiles, aircrafts, weapon systems, colourful tableaux showcasing the beauty of different states of India — the Republic Day parade in Delhi has always been a visual treat. But beyond appearances, what does the idea of celebrating this day holds out for people besides inconveniencing a large part of the populace in the capital? Does it still have some importance among the citizens of India or is it merely a public holiday for them? We might find the tricolour at a roadside vendor's shop or children selling them at traffic signals only to be trampled upon later.

We speak to experts from various fields to know how the idea of Republic Day has changed over the years and what it means now.



Devdutt Pattanaik, Author and Illustrator:

It is a modern-day ritual designed to construct the idea of a nation-state. Just as the flag is a modern-day symbol and

standing up while singing National Anthem is a ritual. Through rituals and symbols were constructed ideas that create organisa-

tions such as tribe and nation. They help bind people together, grant pride and identity to a people. These are not a

natural phenomenon but cultural myths, i.e. people's truths. It is what humans do to establish a community.



Maya Sharma, Queer Activist:

Today, the idea of Republic has translated, rather seeped, into our ordinary lives in an extraordinarily historical way. With a massive number of people supporting and joining the Kisan Rally, it's a proud, uplifting moment. It's like a dream finding feet. I, and several others, bow to our daughters and sons of the soil for this emergence of a 'Republic' that was conceived by our founding mothers and fathers and Dr Bhim Rao Ambedkar. I feel, that over the years, the meaning of Republic also lost the powerful values enshrined in our Constitution. But whatever be the odds, GST, VAW, CAA laws and divisive politics — these have brought people together with compassion like never before. How incredible it is. What an



experience of freedom, dissent, diversity, respect and equity that our generation born post-Independence is experiencing!

We, the people of India, this January 26, 2021, resolve to give to ourselves the values of Constitution all over again.

Harish Iyer, Gay Rights Activist:

The idea of republic is basically an oath to the Constitution, which strives to see all of us as equals. The truth is that we are distinct and com-

pletely different from one another. We all define equality in the ways we perceive it. The idea of equality

too is different for everybody. Hence, this Republic Day, it's time to remember that equality is the key for a society to perform well and excel. It might be

different for various sections of the society, including the marginalised one. After the historic verdict by the Supreme Court, decriminalising Section 377, a lot changed and I think now, the LGBTQIA+ community is very much a part of the Republic.



Dr Bhuvan Lall, Author:

As a biographer of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, over the years, I have observed that the respect he gained from ordinary Indians, most of whom were born post-1947, is incredible. This Republic Day, we need to remember that people like him and our Armed Forces in difficult terrains and inhospitable weather conditions, continuously defending and standing up for the biggest democracy in the world. Jai Hind!



As India witnesses more and more game developers going mainstream, along with a thrust on creating a new gaming ecosystem in the country, the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA) has taken up the cudgels to find and nurture talent in the field of gaming.

Driven by smartphones, the online gaming industry in India is expected to grow at a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 40 per cent to \$2.8 billion by 2022, up from \$1.1 billion in 2019, according to a Deloitte India report that came out last week.

India is one of the top five mobile gaming markets in the world, with a 13 per cent share of global game sessions. The online gaming industry in India is expected to add 40 million online gamers during the 2020-22 period.

According to Jodie Azhar, winner of the 2016 BAFTA Breakthrough Initiative and currently games director at Teazelcat Games, the biggest challenge is to make right connections with the people who can help you get your games onto various online platforms where people can buy it, and help you market it to the audience that will be interested in your games.

"I think that's where organisations like BAFTA can really help because they have such a wide network, both in the video games industry as well as film and TV. It is really interesting to see the merging industries and making those connections, to help you develop games and get it in front of people who want to play it," Azhar said.

The applications for 'BAFTA Breakthrough India', supported by Netflix, are currently open and the entry window has been extended to February 8.

As part of the initiative, a jury of the British and Indian industry experts will select five talents from across India to take part in the year-long mentoring and guidance programme.



Talent search

BAFTA set to push Indians to create world-class games

"Game developers from India should apply right now as it is a brilliant initiative. People who have worked on AAA games, who have worked on independent projects, they all have a wealth of knowledge and by being part of BAFTA through this initiative, you get access to that knowledge," she elaborated.

AAA (or Triple-A) video games are to the gaming world what blockbusters are for the film industry. Just like blockbusters, they usually involve huge teams working for months to years to make a finished product, employed by a big studio.

According to Azhar, they are

for 12 months, and full voting BAFTA membership.

The chosen talent will also connect with and learn from some of the best in the British and Indian creative industries, share their expertise with peers around the world, gain access to opportunities beyond geographical borders, and be promoted as BAFTA Breakthrough artists globally.

Charu Desodt, games producer and 2014 Breakthrough Brit said, "Being named a BAFTA Breakthrough in 2014 was a career highlight for me. People recognise the BAFTA name and, in turn, it makes people pay more attention to you and your artistic vision."

The BAFTA Breakthrough initiative has been running in the UK since 2013, China since 2019 and launched in the US and India in 2020, supporting over 160 emerging talents to date.

'Theatres are safe'

Actor **SHARAD KELKAR** questions that if people are partying big time, why are they hesitant to return to cinema halls?

Actor Sharad Kelkar is surprised that the audience is still hesitant to return to the cinema theatres, although other areas of the hospitality and entertainment industry have started to open up, post-COVID lockdown.

"People have started going to pubs, coffee shops, restaurants, weddings and even to places like Goa on vacation. People are partying big time, so I don't know why they are not going to the theatres," Sharad said.

"Theatres are much safer, and also there is 50 per cent occupancy. Theaters are regularly cleaned and sanitised. This is one of the biggest industries we have, and it is dependent upon the audience. So I'd request everyone that if you can party, you can also go to the theatre," he added.

Quizzed about how the pandemic and lockdown have affected him, the actor said: "I am known as a workaholic in my friend circle. I am active and love to run around all the time. This pandemic taught me patience. Sitting at home doing nothing was a new experience for me for the first time in the last 18 years that I started working. Not going out to work and not meeting people was initially a little depressing but ultimately I understood that in life you need to be a little patient!"

Sharad, who impressed all playing Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in Ajay Devgn's blockbuster film *Tanhaji: The Unsung Warrior* last year, reveals he had rejected historical roles for almost 15 years of his acting career.

"I have been getting offers for historical shows right from my initial years when I started doing TV, due to my voice, height and physical structure. But I was always afraid of doing it. There was a fear



of having to wear a lot of costumes, which I thought would be tedious. So I almost avoided historical roles for 15 years," he said.

About *Tanhaji* and his role in the film, he said: "I never knew a historical film would give me so much appreciation and establishment in the industry. So, I proved myself wrong!"

On the work front, Sharad turns narrator for the forthcoming animated series, *The Legend Of Hanuman*. He will also feature in the Ajay Devgn-starrer *Bhuj: The Pride Of India* and the forthcoming web series *The Family Man 2*.

—IANS

England whitewash Lanka

AFP ■ GALLE

Dom Sibley and Jos Buttler anchored a run chase after a jittery start as England beat Sri Lanka by six wickets on Monday in the second Test to sweep the series 2-0.

Sibley and Buttler put on an unbeaten 75-run stand as England, who were struggling at 89/4, got to their target of 164 in an extended final session on the fourth day in Galle.

The result gave England a second successive Test whitewash in Sri Lanka after winning all three matches in the island nation in 2018.

England were given a deadline to finish in the day after spinners Jack Leach and Dom Bess skidded out Sri Lanka for 126 in their second innings.

Left-arm spinner Lasith Embuldeniya claimed three wickets that gave Sri Lanka hope and helped him to his Test-best match figures of 10-200.

Debutant spinner Ramesh Mendis got the key wicket of skipper Joe Root, who scored 11 after his 186 in England's first innings total of 344, to add to the scare given to the tourists.

Embuldeniya took Zak Crawley for 13 and then ended Jonny Bairstow's stay after a quickfire 29, putting England's nerves on edge, but Sibley calmly moved to his third Test half-century.

Leach and Sibley took four wickets each to set up England's win.

The hosts started their second innings early in the day with a lead of 37 but it all came to an end in the afternoon session.

Number 10 Embuldeniya top-scored with 40, after taking seven wickets with his left-arm



We'll carry confidence from SL win against 'world's best' India: Root

AFP ■ GALLE

Skipper Joe Root on Monday said England will take confidence from their 2-0 Test sweep in Sri Lanka to challenge world No 1 India on their own patch.

Root, who led by example with match-winning knocks of 228 and 186 in the first and second match respectively, said the team looks in good shape ahead of the four-Test series in India that starts in Chennai on February 5.

"We've got four very important games against arguably the best team in the world in their own conditions," Root said. "We'll have to play right at the top of our game to win out there but we couldn't be in a better place to go and challenge them."

The England team face a period of quarantine upon entry to India ahead of the series, but Root said the measures had not fazed the squad.

"We're gonna have seven or eight days with no cricket, six days in quarantine and then three very important days of prep ahead of the series," he said. "But what we have got is a huge amount of confidence coming out of these two games."

'DEFINITELY PROGRESS'
England have won five

England won the opening Test of the resumed series, which started last March but was postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic.

straight Tests away from home as they got past hosts South Africa in the final three matches of a four-match series to triumph 3-1 in January last year.

"Definitely progress. As I mentioned before this game, we have in the past struggled in away conditions," said Root.

"For us to be able to turn that round, find ways of consistently taking 20 wickets is really impressive. We have just got to stay hungry and keep looking to get better."

England though will be without Jonny Bairstow for the opening two India Tests as part of the team's rest and rotate policy for its players during the coronavirus pandemic. Buttler, who scored 55 and an unbeaten 46 in the second match, will return home after the first Test.

Root said the team, which will be boosted by the return of Ben Stokes and Jofra Archer, will have to keep up with player rotation in these uncertain times.

"We always want our best players there as often as possible, because of the world we're in right now it's not feasible and we have to manage that the best we can," said Root.

"But he's still got an opportunity to affect the series and sure he'll be desperate to keep up the good form."

England now head to India for a four-Test series starting February 5 in Chennai. The first two Tests will be played to empty stadiums.

Babar hopes to counter tough Proteas in home

AP ■ KARACHI

Babar Azam will make his Test captaincy debut on Tuesday against a tough South Africa team that is touring Pakistan for the first time in more than 13 years.

Azam has recovered from a thumb injury that kept him out of the two-Test series in New Zealand, which Pakistan lost 2-0.

"I missed the series against New Zealand, but it's a proud moment for me that I am doing my captaincy debut in my own country," Azam said on Monday. "South Africa is a good team. You can't take them lightly, but conditions suit us more because most of us have played here."

South Africa last toured Pakistan in 2007 because the country was forced to organize its "home" Test series in the United Arab Emirates following a terrorist attack on a bus carrying the Sri Lanka team in Lahore in 2009.

The second Test will be played in Rawalpindi from February 4, followed by the three-match Twenty20 series in Lahore from February 11-14.

Pakistan is out of the race to qualify for the World Test Championship final at Lord's in June while South Africa has only a mathematical chance to make it with India, New Zealand, Australia and England among the top contenders.

Azam is well aware of Pakistan's poor Test record against South Africa, winning only four of 26 against the Proteas. One of Pakistan's 15 losses came at the National Stadium — the venue for the first Test — when South Africa toured in 2007.

"We should not think about past, we should focus on what's ahead of us," Azam said. "It's a fact that we don't have a good record against them, but we have prepared well and we hope to give our best against them this time."

Pakistan has included six uncapped players in a 17-man

squad. Opening batsman Imran Butt and left-arm spinner Nauman Ali could make their Test debuts on Tuesday.

Azam also said Pakistan might go with an additional spinner along with Yasir Shah. "We have practiced here for a week now and the wicket looks a bit slow," Azam said.

Only South Africa coach Mark Boucher has previously played red-ball cricket in Pakistan, while the experienced Faf du Plessis has twice toured Pakistan over the last four years but played only in the T20 format.

"I'm sure this Pakistan team is going to be tough," South Africa captain Quinton de Kock said when the team arrived. "I think our biggest challenge is the

conditions that we could face, the unknowing of the things that we have to deal with."

Boucher said he expected the wicket in Karachi to help spinners and it might tempt him to include an extra spinner along with first choice left-arm spinner Keshav Maharaj.

"It's (the wicket) definitely going to turn," Boucher said. "The conditions are going to be proper subcontinent conditions where I don't think there's a lot of assistance for seamers."

"We've definitely come in with the mindset that if you want to win a series away from home, you've got to make a couple of brave calls at the end, (and) the selectors and the team are going with that mindset into the game."

AFP ■ LONDON

Chelsea sacked manager Frank Lampard on Monday after 18 months in charge, with former Paris Saint-Germain boss Thomas Tuchel reportedly set to replace him at Stamford Bridge.

Sunday's 3-1 FA Cup fourth-round win against Championship side Luton was

Chelsea sack Lampard

not enough to save Lampard, whose team have slumped to ninth place in the Premier League.

Chelsea said it had been a "very difficult decision" to part ways with the 42-year-old, who replaced Maurizio Sarri in July 2019.

"We are grateful to Frank for what he has achieved in his time as head coach of the club," Chelsea said in a statement.

"However, recent results and performances have not met the club's expectations, leaving the club mid-table

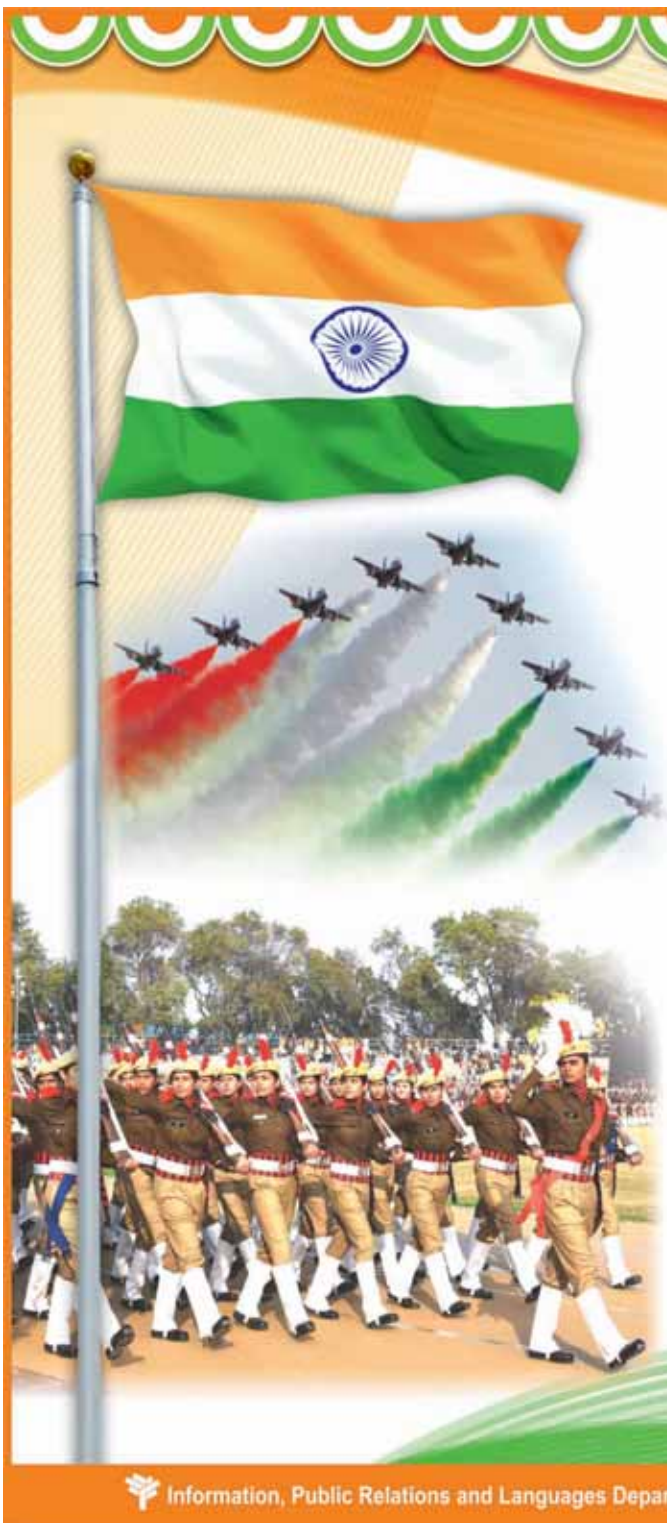
without any clear path to sustained improvement."

The club's Russian owner Roman Abramovich said: "This was a very difficult decision for the club, not least because I have an excellent personal relationship with Frank and I have the utmost respect

for him.

"He is a man of great integrity and has the highest of work ethics. However, under current circumstances we believe it is best to change managers."

Former PSG boss Tuchel, who was abruptly sacked by the French champions in December, is in line to take over, reports said.



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- Manohar Lal, Chief Minister, Haryana