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Centre to revisit ₹8L cap on EWS quota in NEET PG

Panel will review in 4 weeks, Govt informs apex court

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The Centre is all set to revisit the upper limit of income fixed for determining the Economically Weaker Section (EWS) category for reservation in NEET admissions for postgraduate medical courses.

The Centre on Thursday told the Supreme Court that it has taken a considered decision to revisit the limit of ₹8 lakh annual income criteria in four

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta told a bench of justices DY Chandrachud, Surva Kant, and Vikram Nath that the Government will set up a committee to revisit the criteria within four weeks.

Mehta said that NEET (PG) counselling would stand postponed for a further four weeks as per assurance earlier given to the court.

The top court was hearing a batch of pleas filed by the students challenging the Centre and Medical Counselling Committee (MCC) July 29 notice providing 27 per cent reservation for Other Backward Class (OBC) and 10 per cent



for EWS category in the National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET-PG) admissions for medical courses for the current academic

Justice Kant said that the EWS quota is a very enabling and progressive kind of reservation and all States should support the Centre in its endeavour.

The bench said that the only question is that the determination of the category

should be in a scientific man-

ner and it appreciates that the

Centre has taken a decision to

revisit the criteria earlier fixed Senior advocate Arvind Datar, appearing for petitioners (students), said since a lot of time has passed and the Centre should push back implementation of the EWS quota for the next academic rear and the current year counselling should be allowed

The bench agreed with

asked Mehta whether it could push the implementation of the Constitutional amend ment for the next academic year and allow the counselling to go on for the current acad-

emic year.

Mehta said that the
Government has taken a decision to implement the 103rd Constitutional amendment from the current academic year and pushing back would not be appropriate.

He said that if the deter-

mination is done earlier than four weeks then it will inform the court.

The bench told Datar that four weeks is not unreasonable and it doesn't want to push the Government to do it earlier otherwise the criteria would be fixed in an unscientific and haphazard manner.

Shashank Advocate Ratnoo, appearing on behalf of some OBC candidates, requested that the application of reservation to OBC students should not be deferred as the Centre is planning to revisit the EWS criteria

The bench said that it has not said anything about OBC students and is not disposing of the petition. It then recorded the submission of Mehta and posted the matter for further hearing on January 6.

Alarm over deadly Covid variant in SA

Variant most mutated version of Coronavirus

PNS NEW DELHI

Even as many countries in Europe and elsewhere reel under the multiple surges of the Covid-19 waves, British experts have sounded alarm over a new deadly Covid variant believed to have emerged in "Botswana" in South Africa. The variant is the most mutated version of the virus till now, according to a news report. South Africa last year

detected the Beta variant of the virus although until now infection numbers have been driven by the Delta variant, which was originally detected in India.

The new variant found in Botswana carries 32 mutations, many of which are highly transmissible and vaccine-resistant, and has more alterations to its spike protein than any other variant, the report said.

Only 10 cases of the strain, which could eventually be named "Nu", have been detected so far.

But it has already been spotted in three countries, suggesting the variant is more widespread. There are no cases in India, but a senior official from the Union Health Ministry said that they are



In this file photo from June, healthcare workers prepare to test patients for Covid-19 at the Lancet Laboratories in Johannesburg

keeping a watch on the new development.

News agency IANS quoted Professor Francois Balloux, a eneticist at University College London, saying that new variant might have emerged in a lingering infection in an immunocompromised patient, possibly someone with undiagnosed AIDS, the report added.

Changes to the spike make it difficult for current jabs to fight off, because they train the immune system to recognise an older version of the virus.

Dr Tom Peacock, a virologist at Imperial College who first picked up on its spread, described the variant's combination of mutations as "hor rific", the report added.

He warned that B.1.1.529, its scientific name, had the potential to be "worse than nearly anything else about", including the world-dominant Delta strain.

Committee on Peace

into anti-Sikh plaints

however, that its unprecedented number of mutations might work against it and make it "unstable", preventing it from becoming widespread

Scientists told MailOnline.

66 vaccinated students test +ve for Covid in Karnataka

Dharwad: At least 66 medical college students, fully vaccinated against coronavirus, have tested positive for Covid-19 in Karnataka's Dharwad, officials said on Thursday. The students of SDM College of Medical Sciences were found infected after 300 out of 400 students were made to undergo Covid tests following a college event.

Delhi House panel summons

Cong to enrol a million members in State

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The Congress on Thursday announced that by March 2022, it would enrol as many as 10 lakh members in the State. The membership campaign that started November 1 would continue till next year and all the newly-enrolled members would qualify to take part in the party's internal elections.

Congress State vice-president in charge of organisation Jagneswar Babu told reporters that by March 2022, the party would form a cooperative farmers' organisation in every gram panchayat and a fivemember Congress helpdesk in each ward to help people get their entitlements like old age, widow and disabled pensions, PMAY benefits, land patta and toilets. The party would also run

a sustained campaign for loan waivers for farmers and SHGs, employment or unemployment allowance for educated jobless, Rs 6,000 for each poor family under the party's Nyay Yojana, etc. The party would celebrate

the 75th anniversary of India's independence, for which a State-level committee under the chairmanship of former Minister Panchanan Kanungo has been formed.

Another committee has been formed under the chairmanship of former MLA Dr Debashis Patnaik to celebrate the Bangladesh war of freedom, they said.

HC commutes **Shakti Mills** gangrapists' death to life

commuted the death "common" convicts in the twin 2013 Shakti Mill gangrape cases to life imprisonment.

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More than seven years after a trial court treated them as "repeat offenders" and handed out the first-ever capital punishment to them under new provision 376 (E) of the IPC, the Bombay High Court on Thursday commuted the death sentence of three "common" convicts in the twin 2013 Shakti Mill gangrape cases to life

imprisonment. The three convicts Vijay Jadhay (19), Mohammad Qasim Shaikh alias Qasim Bengali (21) and Mohammad Ansari (28)whose death sentences have been commuted to life — are common convicts in both the July 31, 2013 telephone operator and August 22, 2013 pho-

tojournalist gangrape cases. Detailed report on P5

Noida airport will become logistical gateway of north India, says PM

Earlier Govts ignored development of western UP: Modi

 $P^{\text{rime Minister Narendra}}_{\text{Modi on Thursday laid the}}$ foundation stone for Noida International Airport (NIA), paving the way for Delhi-NCR to become the first megapolis in India to have two civilian airports for commercial flights by October 2024.

The airport at Jewar — which will ensure "uttam suvidha" in Uttar Pradesh — will begin its journey with one runway and a terminal to handle 1.2 crore passengers annually at an investment of ₹5,730 crore. The ruling BJP will showcase the NIA as its one of the major achievement of the Yogi Adityanath Government in the State. Uttar Pradesh

will go to polls next year. Speaking at the occasion, Modi hit out at the Opposition, saying the airport is an example of how the earlier Governments in Uttar Pradesh

Gautam Buddha Nagar district on Thursday. UP CM Yogi Adityanath is also seen



Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the foundation stone laying ceremony for the Noida International Airport at Jewar in

and at the Centre ignored development of the western part of the State.

"But it is now getting what it always deserved and is making its mark internationally under a double-engine BJP rule," Modi said, adding that the Noida International Airport

will become the logistical gateway of north India, and will have direct connectivity to a

dedicated freight corridor. The construction of this airport comes just weeks after the Prime Minister inaugurated the Kushinagar interna-

tional airport in Uttar Pradesh

to boost the country's aviation sector. Another international airport is presently under-con-

struction in Ayodhya. Addressing a gathering in the poll-bound State, Modi asserted that infrastructure is "not politics for us but part of national policy

A statement by the panel headed by MLA Raghav Chadha reads as "The Committee has received multiple complaints eliciting outrageously offensive and deroga-tory Instagram stories/posts allegedly published by Kangana Ranaut, the film actress, on her official Instagram Account namely @kanganaranaut. According to the complainants, the stories published by Kangana Ranaut on her Instagram account which has a

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massive reach and is being followed by around 80 lakh of people worldwide, specifically illustrates the instances which hurt the religious sentiments of the Sikh community and has a tendency to disturb the peace and harmony of the society."

Significantly, the complaints stated that Kangana Ranaut has



allegedly labelled the Sikh Community as "Khalistani terrorists" which has led to unbearable humiliation for people from Sikh Community but has also led to apprehensions regarding their safety, life and liberty in their minds. The complaint mentions that on November 20, 2021, Ranaut had posted a story which read as "Khalistani terrorists may be arm-twisting the Government

today.... But let's not forget one woman...The only woman prime minister ne innko apni jooti ke neeche crush kiya tha.....No matter how much suffering she caused to this nation... she crushed them like mosquitos at the cost of her own life.... Lekin desh ke tukde nahi hone dive even after decades of her death... aaj bhi uske naam se kampte hain yeh.... Inko vaisa

he guru chahiye...

Further rise: State adds 335 Covid cases

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The State registered 335 new Covid-19 positive cases in 21 districts and the State pool on Thursday, with which the total tally surged to 10,48,009.

Among the newly-infected were 47 children in the age group of 0 to 18 years.

Notably, the State had recorded 288 cases on Wednesday. Of the new cases, 197 were from quarantine and 138 local contacts.

Khordha district recorded the day's highest 141 cases followed by Sambalpur with 51, Cuttack 21, Baleswar 13, Mayurbhanj 12 and Jajpur 10.

The districts which recorded below-10 cases were Kendrapada and Sundargarh eight each, Jagatsinghpur and Puri six each, Jharsuguda five, Bargarh, Bhadrak, Dhenkanal and Keonjhar three each, Boudh and Nayagarh two each and Angul, Deogarh, Rayagada and Subarnapur one each. Besides, 34 cases were detected from the State Pool. The active cases stood at

Two more persons succumbed to the disease, taking the State's total death toll to 8,401. Both the fatalities were reported from Khordha dis-

So far, 10,37,001 persons have recovered from the disease in the State. Capital Bhubaneswar registered 96 of the State's 335 cases, with which the total tally in the city rose to 1,20,898. The active cases were 1,407.

Notably, 94 cases had been recorded in the city on Wednesday. Two more persons succumbed to the disease in the city, taking the total death toll to 1,084.

BJD ultimatum to Modi Govt: 'Reduce gas price by Nov 30 or face protest'

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fter its three-day State-After its time and spiralling prices of cooking gas and other essential commodities, the BJD on Thursday warned the Centre to reduce the prices of LPG by November 30 or the BJD would continue its tired. would continue its tirade against the Modi-led BJP Government.

Party MLAs Byomkesh Ray, Pranav Balabantray and Devi Ranjan Tripathy said that when the Modi Government came to power in 2014, a gas cylinder's cost was Rs 414, but during the last seven years it has doubled to Rs 930. They stated that while peo-

the Covid impact, the sharp rise in prices of petroleum



modities have become an additional burden for them. State BIP leaders are makple are already suffering from ing peculiar statements citing

price though it is at an all-time

the international crude oil

"The so-called Ujjwala story is completely a failed programme. Only statistical presentations would not serve; you have to see the ground reality," they added.



Sex ratio further declines in Odisha

In a matter of concern, the sex ratio in Odisha is on the decline.

The sex ratio at birth for children born in the last five years stands at 894 female for 1,000 male against 932 in 2015-16. This was revealed from the National Family Health Survey 2020-21 (NFHS-5), whose report was out on Wednesday.

What has pressed the panic button is the fact that the child sex ratio at birth had not declined in this year's report only. It also had declined in the last report (NFHS-4) published for the year 2015-16.

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Student Congress activists On Thursday hurled eggs and waved black flags at the

carcade of Bhubaneswar MP

Aparajita Sarangi at Balipatna

Square on the outskirts of

Bhubaneswar to protest unem-

ployment and rise in fuel

president Yasir Nawaz said,

Unemployment has reached

its peak in the country. The

Bhubaneswar MP has not done

anything to provide employ-

ment to the youths of the

prices of petrol, diesel and

cooking gas has made our lives

difficult. It has become very dif-

ficult for the youths to sustain

themselves. We resorted to egg

attack on Sarangi as a mark of

protest and will continue to do

so in the future," he warned.
However, following the

"Besides, the rise in the

Smart City."

State Student Congress

was 932 in 2015-16 and 963 in

In urban areas, the ratio came down from 966 in 2015-16 to 950 in 2020-21. The figure in rural areas is on a dangerous path because the gender gap is getting widened.

In rural Odisha, the child sex ratio at birth declined to 855 in 2020-21 from 926 in

Since overall sex ratio has improved from 1,036 in 2015-16 to 1,063 during 2020-21, the decline of sex ratio at birth raises alarm. At the national level, there is an improvement from 919 in 2015-16 to 929 during 2019-21 on the sex ratio at birth. The decline in Odisha is very sharp. Experts feel that people in the rural areas still follow the patriarchal values

Eggs hurled at Aparajita's

carcade: Two detained

and increasingly prefer sons to daughters.

As cases of abuse against women are rising day by day that is also leading people in the urban areas to prefer boys since they now feel that girls are not safe and hence a burden,

said a sociologist.

A health expert opined that the small family norm coupled with easy availability of sex determination tests and preconception sex selection facilities is also behind the declinng sex ratio

The NFHS-5 was conducted on population, health, and nutrition for India and each State/Union Territory (UT). In Odisha, the information was gathered from 26,467 households, 27,971 women,

permission from IPRS is mandatory.

"No recorded songs can be used anywhere regardless of the event or the match without an IPRS permission and any violation will lead to infringement of copyright law and the infringers have to pay a huge compensation if the music is played without obtaining the required license," the statement added.

The IPRS India's only registered Copyright Society under Section 33(3) of the Copyright Act, 1957 is a rep resentative body of music com posers, lyricists, and publishers IPRS is a Non-Profit organization formed to protect, monitor, and enforce the rights of its members and counts more than 8,000 members as part of

OSPCB asked for zero fluoride discharge by smelters

On music rights-IPRS

Hockey WC organisers

issues legal notice to

The Indian Performing Right Society Ltd. (IPRS) has issued a legal notice to the

organisers and the venue of the Men's FIH Junior Hockey

the society, as it is mandated in

protecting its member's rights, the copyright body had to

issue a legal notice to the

organisers and the venue of the

event at the Kalinga Stadium

starting from November 24 as

they have failed to procure the

necessary licence from the

per the Copyright Act 1957, for

any commercial use of music in

the form of a live show, event,

public performance, broad-

cast, telecast in any manner,

The statement said that as

According to a statement of

World Cup here.

Make people aware about the contributions of urban forests for a healthy life of denizens, directed Chief Secretary Suresh Mahapatra to the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB) while chairing a Board meeting.

Mahapatra said the urban forests like Bharatpur sanctuary, Ekamra Kanan, Jayadev Vatika and Chandaka have immensely contributed towards enrichment of human

He directed the Board to strictly enforce the pollution control measures in the aluminum smelter plants near Hirakud. He directed to ensure zero discharge of the fluoride by these industries to the reservoir. The Board was also asked to conduct a detailed study on the waste discharge by these

industries and its impact on the wild life.

Other important matters discussed in the meeting included implementation of the clean air programme in Ekamra Kshetra (Bhubaneswar) and development of the Geo database for environmental mapping in critically polluted areas. It was decided that out of several global level air pollution management models, the technique of less emission zone (LEZ) would be more effective for

SPCB Member-Secretary Dr K Murugesan said Geo database for environmental mapping and web-based GIS application have been rolled out in Talcher. The system would also be put in place for the industrial areas in Rourkela, Baleswar Keonihar, Kalinganagar and Angul.

Go for Covid test if you have mild fever: Advises Health Director

positive cases at the Veer

Surendra Sai Institute of Medical Sciences and Research

(VIMSAR), Burla, and a

Government school in

Sundargarh, he said both areas

have been declared as con-

tainment zones and there is no

need to panic as the infection

has spread in a few specific

belts. The severity of the dis-

ease is also less among the

People suffering from mild cold and fever are advised to immediately go for Covid-19 test for everyone's safety, said Health Services Director Bijay Mohapatra on Thursdav.

He told reporters that the virus has been mutating as people with mild cold and fever are found infected with Covid-19 these days. Hence, people should get themselves tested as soon as they develop the flu-like symptoms.

infected. *The Health Department and the district administration

Regarding detection of have kept a close watch on the situation. Authorities concerned have been asked to keep hostels under surveillance. Hopefully, the rate of transmission will be under control within next four to five days," he added.

Mohapatra regretted that people are not properly following Covid-appropriate behaviour at public places which may have dangerous consequences in coming days consequences in coming days. He urged people to avoid going out if it is not necessary.

Odisha forms 8-member panel to resolve dispute with AP

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The State Government on ■ Wednesday formed an eight-member committee under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary SC Mahapatra to deliberate on bilateral outstanding issues of mutual interest between the States of Odisha and Andhra Pradesh.

Revenue and Disaster anagement Principal Management Secretary Bishnupada Sethi issued a notification in this regard. The panel will discuss the issues with the officials nominated by Andhra Pradesh for the purpose.

The other members of the

panel are the Development Ĥome Commissioner, Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue Principal Secretary, Water Resources Principal Secretary, Energy Principal Secretary, S&ME Department Principal Secretary and Higher

Education Principal Secretary. The committee has been formed as per a decision taken at the meeting held on November 9 here between Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik and his AP counterpart YS Jagan Mohan Reddy with a view to resolving the out-

standing issues of mutual interest between both States. The meeting had decided that the two States' Chief Secretaries would set up an institutional mechanism to deliberate on the outstanding issues and find a solution in the best interests of the people of both States.

It was decided in the meeting to work closely for resolving the issues relating to the Kotia group of villages and any other boundary dispute, Neradi Barrage, Jhanjavathi Reservoir, Polavaram, release of water for Bahuda river and mutual NOCs for Balimela and Upper Sileru in energy sector.

Both States also resolved to extend support for tackling the problems of Leftwing Extremism and ganja cultivation. It was also decided that both States would work towards setting up a chair for Odia and Telugu languages in BR Ambedkar University, Srikakulam, and Berhampur University, respectively. Besides, appointment of language teachers in schools in border districts of the two States, supply of books and conduct of language examination would also be undertaken

Assembly Session: Covid test from Nov 28

PNS BHUBANESWAR

The State Assembly's coming Winter Session would be held from December 1 amid Covid-19 restrictions like the previous session, informed Speaker Surjya Narayan Patro on Thursday.

The seating arrangements would be made as per the Covid safety norms in the House, Speaker's Gallery and Public Gallery. The MLAs unable to be present in the House physically can attend the session via videoconference at the Lok Seva Bhawan.

The MLAs, their PSOs and drivers as well as Assembly employees would undergo Covid-19 and antibody tests on November 28, 29

"In this regard, the discussion has been held with the Health Secretary and Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (BMC) officials. The House will be sanitised everyday. The business hours of the session will be decided at an all-party meeting scheduled on November 29," Patro

CS stresses on Action Plan for clean air in

held a demonstration at Raj

Mahal Square to protest the rise

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the communities in the busi-

ness sector through different

schemes for last half decade

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with the targeted groups, the

non-serious and unaccountable

attitude of the people in charge

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of the elected representatives of

these communities who usual-

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SOCIAL CANVAS

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at the Balipatana police station

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Congress members led by State

president Smrutiranjan Lenka

the MP's representative

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ically implemented by people

without any understanding and

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and encouragement to self-

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neurial activities followed by

reduction in Government and

public sector employment. In

order to encourage STs and

SCs in the changing econom-

ic process with financial inclu-

sion, the Government has set

up financial institutions exclu-

sively to encourage SC and ST

entrepreneurs for self-employ-

ment and the RBI has made a

separate credit policy for these

leftout social groups to

encourage their entry into

business sector. An indepen-

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areas in Rourkela, Keonjhar, Baleswar, Kalinganagar and

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cent of SCs and STs population

lags behind other States in exe-

cuting Central schemes for

almost half of its backward

population whose economic

development is directly linked

to the financial growth of the State. The Odisha SCs and STs

Corporation Limited which is

the nodal agency of the State

is most ineffective in imple-

mentation of entrepreneur-

ship development programme

among SCs and STs of the

State. It has not roped in the banks, NSTFDC, NSCFDC,

NABARD and other stake-

holders in grounding the poli-

cies of the RBI as well as

tant because mostly these

schemes aim at educational

and economic development of the SC and ST populace.

The economic activities can be

undertaken in group or indi-

vidual level using local

resources and raw materials

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tive businessman.

These schemes are impor-

Central subsidies schemes.

Development

PNS BHUBANESWAR Many dubious chit fund companies on the guise of providing high returns had duped many gullible investors of crores of rupees in the State.

Later, their promoters and top officials had vanished. These fly-by-night operators had ruined many small investors In a crackdown against

such a dubious firm, Åkash India Multi Complex Limited, the Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of the Crime Branch on Thursday arrested Sudarsan Senapati, one of the directors of the firm on charges of duping investors of Rs 3 crore. Later, Senapati was for-

warded to court.

One Debendra Kumar Nayak had filed a complaint with the EOW alleging that Sahoo, who identified himself

as the MD of the ponzi firm, and other directors of the company have duped a large number of investors crores of rupees on the pretext of returning high interest on their deposits under the various schemes launched by the com-Based on the allegations,

the EOW had initiated a probe

to promote brotherhood.

Company duped investors of ₹ 3 cr

Ponzi firm director held by EOW:

Akash India Multi Complex Ltd was incorporated with ROC, Cuttack and had its registered office Dumuduma and Khandagiri in Bhubaneswar. It also has branch offices at Niali, Charichhak, Puri, Astaranga, Baungarigaon, Panikoili, Bramhagiri and Jagatsinghpur.

The EOW said Senapati along with other accused had collected approximately Rs 3 crore from investors under different schemes of the com-

pany from 2011 to 2016.

The company initially had made some meagre payment to the investors to win their trust but subsequently from 2013, stopped making any payment to the investors and closed down their offices functioning at different places. The accused were on the run thereafter.

able assets created by the accused companies from out of the public deposits have been attached under section 3 of OPID Act, 2011. The investigation in the case is underway, added the EOW.

Prior to Senapati, the firm's managing director (MD) Kedarnath Sahoo, director Suresh Chandra Sahoo and chief executive officer Subash Chandra Mohanty had been arrested in connection with the

Anubhav's father's promotion cancelled for 'forgery'



The Higher Education Department on Thursday certificate to get promotion.

The department stated that the placement of Mohanty as

Reader with effect from January 2, 1997 in the scale of pay Rs 12,000-420-18,300 has been cancelled. Mohanty is father of Kendrapada BJD MP and actor Anubhav Mohanty. Earlier on June 3, 2021, the Government had withdrawn the extra pension benefits to the Mohanty over submission of the fake certificate to get pro-

motion as Reader.

Pradhan seeks Dubai-**BBSR flight**

PNS BHUBANESWAR

Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan on Wednesday sought the personal intervention of Union Minister of Civil Aviation Jyotiraditya M Scindia to introduce a daily flight from Dubai to Bhubaneswar and back. Pradhan wrote a letter to

Scindia enclosing a request letter from the Odia Society of Dubai citing the long-standing demand of 10,000 Odias living in UAE. "A direct flight would be a gateway for Odia people for international level and make it convenient for Odias living all over the world to connect and it would promote international tourism and medical tourism," Pradhan wrote. The airline would also help

traders, businessmen, artists taking part in Dubai Expo-2021 and it would boost Sate economy through tradeoff artifacts, handlooms and farm produce, he added.

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RBI in its credit policy has

instructed all its banks to fol-

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tions and conduct awareness

meetings with the people on

different available schemes

and help the people in prepa-

ration of necessary documents

such as filling up the forms

and help them at each stage for

easy access to credit. It is also

said that the bank should not

insist on deposits while con-

sidering loan application

under various Government

schemes specially relating to

self-employment in case of

STs and SCs and further the

bank has the responsibility to

ensure hassle-free release of

subsidy. It is told that it is the

duty of the bank to educate

their filed staff on various

schemes and policies relating

to credit while dealing with

ferential interest rate and

relaxation in guarantee provi-

sions. The bank at the branch

level cannot reject any loan

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The question is why the policy and institutional mecha-

nism are not being translated

ness of the people heading

these institutions and in

charge of enforcement of the

policy are not held accountable

for lapses and missing the

target. Many of our elected

peoples' representatives have

hardly made a review of the

implementation process and

asked for action taken reports

must have a special cell at head

office level to monitor the

credit flow to SCs and STs and

see that the RBI policy has

been effectively implemented

along with building a data base

on beneficiaries to share it

with the Government and

RBI. The State level bankers

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Security beefed up for CM's B'swar visit today

PNS ■ BALESWAR

Apprehending untoward incidents, elaborate security arrangements have been made by the district administration in view of Chief minister Naveen Patnaik's visit to the district on Friday.

Patnaik has a programme of distributing health cards under the Biju Swathya Kalyan Yojana (BSKY) and inaugurating a slew of projects as well as laying foundation stones for many projects.

According to district Collector K Sudarshan Chakravathy, besides the card distribution programme, the CM will unveil 77 projects costing about Rs 366 crore and lay foundation stone for as many as 109 projects worth Rs 1,186 crore.

The cards would be distributed among over 5 lakh families covering about 19.5



In order to thwart any untoward incidents as many as 25 platoons of police force along with three police offi-cers in the rank of Additional

Superintendents, 22 Inspectors and 94 Sub Inspectors and Assistant Sub Inspectors will be deployed.

The CM while has a programme of landing at the Police Reserve Ground, the adjacent roads will be sealed while in some others there would be traffic restrictions as security measures, informed SP SS Mishra during a media

Love on social media: 2 from Punjab held fleeing with minor girl

PNS ■ ROURKELA

¬wo youths from Punjab ■ were arrested and forwarded to court on Wednesday, while they were trying to take a minor girl with them by train

According to sources, the minor girl is a resident of Sector-1 area. She had come in contact with one of the arrested youths, identified as Harjit Singh from Hoshiarpur, Punjab over social media. She had fallen in love with him. Harjit allegedly had told her that he and his cousin brother Gaganjit Singh were coming to Rourkela on November 22 to take her to Punjab and he (Harjit) would marry her there.

Accordingly the duo (Harjit and Gaganjit) had reached at Rourkela on November 22 and Harjit had contacted the minor girl. As per plan, on Tuesday morning the minor girl had gone out of her house to meet her lover. When the family members of the girl did not see the girl in the house, they lodged an FIR in Sector-3 police station on Tuesday morning.

Police started tracking the mobile of the minor girl. Harjit, Gaganjit and the victim girl were on Tuesday evening waiting for a train to Punjab when police reached there and rescued the minor girl. On Wednesday, police arrested Harjit and Gaganjit and forwarded them to

Road safety training programme 'Rakshyak' begins at Sambalpur

Looking at the growing number of road accidents and loss of valuable lives thereby, the State Government has launched a programme 'Rakshyak' to train first respondents who will rescue accident victims and bring them to hospital instantly without making any delay for fear of police or any other factors.

On Wednesday, the training for the trainers (ToT) began in Sambalpur in this connec-

participants from Subarnapur and Bargarh districts were also present on this occasion. "Total 37 participants were

imparted training, who in turn will train volunteers in their own places," Sambalpur DIPRO FM Majhi informed.

The trainers will identify black spots in their respective areas and further train the local volunteers how to prevent accidents in those places. They will also make it a point to involve more people in the

dents could be averted, Majhi added. This training programme will continue till December 4 to cover the entire area. "Since the first one hour is very important and crucial for the accident victims, the locals and trainees will be trained on how to provide proper treatment including hospitalisation in the vital time," the master trainers said. Senior officers from Police, Transport, Revenue and NGO activists were present

Ahead of Assembly session, Narasingha seeks people's views

With a view to representing the people's views and their demands in a better way in the forthcoming State Assembly session beginning on December 1, Balangir MLA Narasingha Mishra held discussions with different sections of people on Wednesday evening.
At the outset, Mishra con-

gratulated the teachers of the Odisha Adarsh Vidyalaya at Patharchepa for having secured the 10th rank at the national level.

Mishra, who is the Congress Legislature Party Leader, deliberated on various development projects of Balangir including Lower Suktel, Gandhrell Dam, roads, bypass roads, Medical College, Super Specialty



tricity and traffic problem and possible solutions to the

In the Assembly session,

issues of paddy procurement, the Mamita Meher killing case and problems of teachers, among others, would be

Kendrapada man gets life for abducting, raping minor

PNS ■ KENDRAPADA

¬he Kendrapada Fast Track L Court on Wednesday convicted one Pradip Ojha alias Huda on the charges of kidnapping a minor girl for ransom and sexually assaulting her. Huda, a resident of Dhinkia village under

Abhachandrapur police station, was sentenced to life by Judge Tribikram Keshari Chinnar. The accused had abducted the 13-year-old victim from her house under the Sadar PS on May 29, 2014 and demanded a ransom of Rs 3 lakh. He had also sexually assaulted the girl, said Public

Prosecutor Manoj Kumar Sahu, An FIR was lodged against Huda by the girl's parents. Police arrested him and rescued the girl from Khillar village under the Nimapada police station in Puri district. After verifying the evidences and hearing witnesses, the judge pronounced the judgment.

Naval Veterans', Veer Naris' grievances heard



PNS BHUBANESWAR

A participatory workshop on grievances relating to e-PPOs of Naval Veterans and Veer Naris was organised under the aegis of the Veterans Club Odisha (VCO) with support and cooperation of Naval Pension (NAVPEN) and Principal Controller of Defence Account, Navy PCDA (N), Mumbai, here.

Central Officer from

PCDA (NAVY), Mumbai Jagadsih Sakpale and Commodore Sridhar Ramaswamy and Anish Mourya, CPÓLOG (F and A) from NAVPEN, Mumbai were

They gave a patient hearing to the grievances of the Naval Veterans and Veer Naris of Odisha and assured for faster resolution of the grievances raised by them. 104 grievances received online

physically present in the workshop were put up before the officers for deliberation and

Commodore Ramaswamy and Sapkale highly appreciated the dedication put in by the VCO for smooth conduct and organisation of the workshop.

VCO president Bidyadhar Nayak thanked all the participants present in the workshop for making it a success.

M'bhanj: Brother, sister found hanging

PNS ■ BARIPADA

brother-sister duo was A found hanging from a tree under mysterious circumstances at Lodha Sahi under the Betnoti police station in Mayurbhanj district on Thursday. Locals spotted the bodies of the minor siblings hanging from the tree in the morning and informed police.

Later, the cops rushed to the spot, recovered the bodies and started an investigation into the incident. The bodies were sent for postmortem and an unnatural death case has been registered by police in this connection. Though the reason behind their death was yet to be ascertained, it is suspected that the two committed suicide. The possible reason behind the suspected extreme step by them was yet to be ascertained. Further probe was ongoing, said police.

Pangolin seized; 1

PNS ■ BARIPADA

Thursday.

held in Mayurbhani

A team of the Special Task Force (STF) of the Crime

and arrested a wildlife smuggler

in this connection in

Mayurbhanj district on

Satkosia Wildlife Forest Range

officials conducted a raid at a

place near the Satkosia-Nalda

road. The team seized the pan-

golin and incriminating mate-

rials from the possession of the

arrestee identified as Nilamali

Dehury of Padmapur under

the Anandpur police station in

Keonjhar district. As the

accused could not produce any

valid document in support of

possession of the animal, he was detained and handed over to

Karaniia Forest officials for

legal action. Later, the pangolin was handed over to the DFO Wildlife Division, Karanjia

The team along with



Bhubaneswar: The well-known Mahima Dhaba near the Kalinga Stadium here, which was doing business for several years, was evicted on Thursday. Following a High Court order, the GA Department asked the Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation (BMC) to demolish the structure. A joint squad evicted the unit.

NDRF HOLDS MOCK EXERCISE AT KHANDAGIRI Bhubaneswar: Under the banner of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, a full-scale

mock exercise on rescue of victims of landslide due to continuous rain was conducted under the supervision of second-in-commandant, 3rd Battalion, NDRF, Mundali, Arun Deogam at the Khandagiri cave on Tuesday. Five "victims: were rescued by response agencies. The exercise was conducted from 10.30 am to 11.40 am which was attended by various stakeholders and response agencies like NDRF, ODRAF, Odisha Fire Service and police.

COVID-HIT DECEASED SCRIBE'S KIN GETS EX-GRATIA

Sambalpur: Sambalpur Collector Suvam Saxena handed over a cheque of Rs 15 lakh to Subashish Samantaray, son of late senior journalist Debendra Samantaray who died of Covid in May this year. As per the guidelines of the State Government to declare the working journalists as Covid Warriors and pay Rs15 lakh in case of death, the Collector handed over the cheque on Wednesday. Due to the sickness of Debendra's wife Sukanti Samantaray, his son Subhasish received the

VIZOUS OPENS NEW CENTRE IN BBSR



Bhubaneswar: Vizous Interio Pvt Ltd, a trusted modular furniture brand of Odisha and Chhattisgarh, has opened its second extension centre at Laxmisagar, Bhubaneswar. Ollywood star Anu Choudhury inaugurated the new centre in the presence of Chandrakanta Das and Rakhal Navak. Directors of the company

SNISTHA HOLD TRAINING ON TAILORING



Semiliguda: With an objective to train 100 women on tailoring and make then financially-equipped, local voluntary organisation Nistha has started a free sewing training centre at Sunabeda. The centre was inaugurated by Koraput Deputy Collector Archana Das and Dr Rudrani Mohanty.

27 FROM K'PUT TO JOIN INDIA KARATE C'SHIP



Semiliguda: As many as 27 students of the Utkal Karate School Semiliguda would participate in 11th All India Karate Championship to be held at the Utkal Karate School Bhubaneswar from November 26 to 28. Prominent among the participants are Rudransh Kumar Samal, Anol Sadhuka, Shibaprit Swain, Harsada Kumar, R. Ansh, K. Venkat Satwik and Aditi Panigrahi. The Utkal Karate School, Semiliguda president Manoj Patnaik, advisor Bhagaban Dora and coach Sensei Rajendra Keshari Samal wished succes of the team.

Improve infra, edu quality of schools shut for less strength, open all schools post Covid

Government to furnish a justification for the latter's decision to close and consolidate 7,772 schools in the State.

The court has given time till December; this interjection by the court is the outcome of a year and a half long struggle involving the RTE Forum, Civil Society Organisations (CSOs), parents associations, the Mass Education Department and the High Court. The schools earmarked to be shut down are those where less than 20 students are enrolled. This is going to be disastrous for nearly 80,000 children mostly from the Adivasi and Dalit commu-

As of now 4,480 schools already have been merged in the State. On March 11, 2020, the Odisha School and Mass **Education Department issued** a notification for closure and merger of over 8,000 primary and elementary schools. They said that schools with poor strength i.e. less than 20 and 25 students will be merged with nearby schools with bigger strength and robust infrastructure. The plan was to merge around 7,772 schools of which 1,724 schools had less than 25 students and 6,048 schools had less than 20 students. This would have affected those children who are in remote areas and can only afford to go to schools close by.

To oppose school closure in the State, the Odisha RTE Forum took up the issue with different political parties with a petition highlighting the negative impact it would have on the most marginalised children dependent up on schools available in remote locations. In May 2021, Justice Dr BR Sarangi ordered an interim stay on closure and merger of schools and ordered the State Government to restore closed schools. The State has till end of September to provide a justification of closure of schools.

In the earlier affidavit submitted by the Government to fund for school consolidation and till date it has not received any complaint from any front on school merger and closure.

4,480 schools have already been consolidated without any grievance, claims the Government. The Government of Odisha has set up a grievance redressal cell and a portal, as well, for submission of grievances from parents in areas

where schools are being closed. In Odisha, 22% population is tribal and 7.8% population is Dalit. As per the survey conducted by Odisha RTE Forum, in Odisha only 33% children could attend digital education during Covid pandemic. So those who couldn't attend classes due to classes going digital since March 2020 might end up not having a school to go to once the classes begin.

The spate of school mergers began in 2017 when the NITI Aayog launched its SATH-E (Sustainable Action for Transforming Human Capital in Education) programme. The SATH-E aimed at consolidation and rationalisation of schools operational in three States —Odisha, Madhya Pradesh and Jharkhand.

These mergers and consolidation is in violation of Section 3 of the Right To Education (RTE) Act which guarantees providing school to every children in the neighbourhood area and Section 8 which commits that it is the duty of the Government to make it possible. Instead of analysing the reasons for poor enrolment and finding innovative ways of bringing out of school children to school, they have found the easier way to shut down schools instead in the name of merger. In Odisha merely 6.6% of the schools are compliant to the ten parame-

of RTE provisions. Last year, while defending the notification School and Mass Education Minister Samir Ranjan Das had informed that the State Assembly that those children, whose schools will be

High Court it was mentioned shut, will get a one-time finanthat the Government has cial assistance of Rs 3,000 (for bigger school) and Rs 300 per month for upto 10 months for monthly transportation facili-But this is not adequate for

children in remote locations where transportation facilities are not available and financial assistance will not help them to pursue education far away from their homes. For one, small children who otherwise could go on their own to a school close to home will be pulled out of school if they have to cross highways, forests, rivers etc to reach a larger, well equipped school. It will be worse for girls who will drop out of school due to safety issues. And then the question arises as to what hap-

pens after 10 months? According to the RTE Act, schools have to be provided to all children in their own neighbourhood which means for every child primary school should be provided within a periphery of 1 km and for every upper primary schools it should be within 3 km. In Odisha, where many children are facing problems in accessing school the Government should put all effort to improve school infrastructure and quality so that enrolment can be improved in schools.

Moreover, the Government needs to rethink the policy in the light of Covid-19 and the lockdowns. There is an urgent need to restore the classes and in all schools possible so that no child is left out. This is adversely going to affect children from the marginalised communities, Dalits and Adivasis and girls.

The scenario has changed drastically post-pandemic and it is imperative for the State Governments to take a fresh guard and back schools with adequate resources. Shutting them is definitely not the option here. (The writer, who works

with Oxfam India, is passionate about child rights. He works on education, health and fighting inequality)

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AIIMS depts to start DM/MCh courses soon



PNS ■ BHUBANESWAR

The AIIMS Bhubaneswar's Surgical Gastroenterology and Nephrology Departments among 16 departments will start superspeciality courses soon. A team of experts from AIIMS New Delhi, JIPMER Puducherry and SCB Medical College and Hospital, Cuttack inspected the Surgical Gastroenterology Nephrology Departments at AIIMS Bhubaneswar on November 21 and 25

The team visited both the

Departments and inspected

infrastructure, research facili-

al other things. The inspection teams have expressed their satisfaction over the same. This will pave the way for starting the Superspeciality DM/MCh courses in both the Departments subject to approval of the Academic Committee. After starting of these courses now there will be more

research oriented work in Surgical Gastroenterology and Nephrology Departments. It will certainly boost quality health care facilities, said AIIMS Bhubaneswar Director Dr Gitanjali Batmanabane.

for safe custody. Further investigation was on. BJD protests gas

price hike in B'pur

PNS ■ BRAHMAPUR

The BJD Brahmapur unit on Wednesday held a rally and then held a meeting before the RDC office here against increasing prices of cooking gas. Thousands of party workers, mostly women and youths, led by Brahmapur MLA Bikram Panda took out the rally from the Khallikote University to the RDC office. "People have genuine resentment against the Modi Government over the increasing rise in prices of petroleum products and essential commodities like edible oils, cooking gas, etc.," said Panda. A memorandum was submitted to the Union Government through the RDC demanding to roll back the hiked prices of cooking gas and other essential commodities.

BJD leaders stated that fuel prices have increased by 30% since the BJP returned to power at the Centre in 2019 which indirectly pushed up the price of other essential commodities.

India, China, Russia to virtually brainstorm Af



PNS ■ NEW DELHI

India, China and Russia will hold trilateral talks in the virtual mode on Friday on issues including Afghanistan and other regional issues. External affairs ministers of the three countries will take part in this annual event.

Giving details of the upcoming dialogue, the Ministry of external affairs (MEA) said here on Thursday Indian External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar, his Chinese counterpart Wang Yi and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's will hold talks in the virtual format.

Incidentally, Jaishankar and Lavrov are likely to take part in the first ever two plus

two talks between India and Russia in the first week of December alongside President Vladimir Putin's summit with Prime Minister Narendra Modi here. The two plus two dialogue will see foreign and defence ministers of the two countries holding extensive talks on strategic and defence

As regards the talks on Friday, officials said the meeting, being held under the Russia-India-China (RIC) trilateral framework, will be chaired by Jaishankar.

The 18th meeting of the foreign ministers of the Russian Federation, Republic of India and People's Republic of China will be held in digital video-confer-

ence format on November 26," it said.

The three foreign ministers are expected to deliberate on regional issues of mutual interests including the situation in Afghanistan. "The foreign ministers are expected to discuss further strengthening of RIC trilateral cooperation including exchange of views on various regional and international issues of importance," the ministry said.

India took over the chairmanship of the RIC after the last meeting of the trilateral in Moscow in September last year. Following Friday's meeting, Jaishankar will pass on the chairmanship of the RIC to the Chinese foreign minister for the next one year.

"However, I have been

informed that some states are

yet to complete the formulation

of the plan," he noted. "I would like to take this opportunity to

request the (state) authorities for

early finalisation of the plan as

it would come handy during

disaster relief operations," the

31 members from various min-

istries, agencies, all coastal states

and union territories. It meets

annually to discuss policy issues.

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Coast Guard chief said.

India, Russia to hold 2+2 dialogue to cement ties

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n an effort to further cement ties between the two countries, India and Russia are likely to have the first two plus two(2+2) dialogue between the defence and foreign ministers of their countries here on December five or six. The talks will be held alongside summit between President Vladimir Putin and Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

The two plus two dialogue may see progress on the proposed leasing of a second nuclear powered submarine from Russia, procurement of additional 450 T-90 main battle tanks, S-400 air defence systems, additional SU-30 fighter jets and inking of the AK-203 rifles deal worth over ₹6,000 crores. The Defence Acquisition Council(DAC)on Tuesday gave the nod for the seven lakh rifle contract. A factory in Amethi will manufacture the rifles under a joint venture between India and Russia.

India will host the first ever two plus two with Russia wherein External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh are likely to hold talks with their Russian counterparts Sergey Lavrov and Sergey Shoygu. So far, India has such a format with US, Japan and Australia, sources said here on Wednesday.

It was also learnt the two plus two meeting between India and US in Washington earlier scheduled to be held in late November or early



Sources said the event was shifted to January due winter session of parliament commencing November 29 and ending on December 23.

Giving the background of the upcoming two plus two, sources said the format was agreed upon during a telephonic conversation between Modi and Putin in April this

The 2+2 talks are also likely to see the ministers review the progress made on proposed deal for Russian made short range air defence systems and the joint venture to manufacture more than 200 Kamov helicopters here.

India and Russia are also likely to ink the Reciprocal Exchange of Logistics Support (RELOS) Agreement and a Navy-to-Navy cooperation MoU. There is also a proposal to establish a separate Joint Commission on Science and Technology Cooperation to look at high technology areas such as Artificial Intelligence, cyber, quantum, nano and bio-advances which could be



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The ministers will also review the progress made on having joint ventures in India for long-term support and maintenance of Russian military equipment used by the Indian forces.

Since both the countries are fighting the corona pandemic, the two plus two will also see focus on more cooperation. Russia had helped India during the second wave of corona earlier this year. Moreover, Russian made Sputnik vaccines are now available in the country besides Covishield and

Cong Parl panel chalks out strategy ahead of Winter Session

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

he Congress parliamentary I panel on Thursday met to chalk out the strategy ahead of the Winter Session. Congress president Sonia Gandhi chaired the meeting held at her residence where key issues were discussed. A total of 18 issues were taken up during the meeting, including four core issues.

Sources said there was also a heated discussion during the meeting about Congress leaders joining the TMC. Some party leaders even said that the TMC is 'breaking' the Congress, which saw 12 of its MLAs including former Meghalaya CM Mukul Sangma joining the Mamata Banerjee

Sources from AICC said Congress will demand the Bill for the repeal of the three farm laws to be tabled on the first day of the Winter Session. In addition, the party will ask the central government to bring a law guaranteeing MSP during the Parliament session starting November 29.

Apart from the resignation of Union minister Ajay Misra Teni, the Congress will also raise the issues of price rise and the India-China standoff in Ladakh in Parliament. The Congress has also

been raising the issue of Rs 4 lakh ex-gratia to the kin of those who died of Covid-19. Interestingly, the meeting comes at a time when Congress leaders in parts of

the country are flocking to the Trinamool Congress (TMC). In Uttar Pradesh, Congress MLA from Rai Bareli - Aditi Singh - joined the BJP in the presence of state party chief Swatantra Dev

Singh. Leader of Opposition in the Rajya Sabha, Mallikarjun Kharge, told reporters after the meeting, "We will move alongside other parties, whether TMC or others, we will contact and request all of

Kharge said that people from the Congress, Rahul Gandhi and others in the high command are looking

Kharge said that the grand old party is prepared to corner the Narendra Modiled BJP government in the winter session of the Parliament on issues ranging from Chinese aggression to inflation.

"As we did in the Monsoon Session, we will appeal to all parties to come together and seek redressal for the concerns of the people," Kharge said.

Member in Rajya Sabha Anand Sharma called these issues important saying all of them will be raised.

Some coastal States\ UTs yet to formulate contingency plan for mass rescue ops, rues Coast Guard chief

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Indian Coast Guard chief K Natarajan on Thursday lamented that some coastal States and union territories are yet to formulate a local contingency plan for mass rescue operations during disasters and stressed the need for its early finalisation.

During the 16th National Maritime Search and Rescue Board(NMSARB) meeting in

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tories will formulate a local cue operations as per the tem-

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formulate procedures and assess Search and Rescue Plan. Railways have decided to run the Natarajan said the Defence following fully reserved Trains as per Ministry has accorded its inprinciple approval for setting up 29 additional maritime rescue sub-centres to augment the 15059/15060 Lalkuan Jn. - Anand Vihar (T.) -

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EC to hold international webinar on inclusive participation of voters

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Election L Commission (EC) will host an international webinar on Friday on inclusive participation of voters where election management bodies will showcase best practices adopted to enhance electoral participation of women, persons with disabilities and senior citi-

Nearly 100 delegates from 24 countries across the world and four international organisations — International Foundation of Electoral Systems (IFES), Association of World Election Bodies (A-WEB) and European Centre for Elections -- are going to participate in the webinar. Besides, 20 diplomats are also scheduled to attend the event.

NORTHERN RAILWAY

The Senior Divisional Commercial Manager/Freight, Northern Railway, New Delhi invites sealed Quotations from Registered Railway leaseholders (Registered in Delhi Division) for the contract of temporary leasing of SLR/SLRD space in the following trains originating from various stations over Delhi Division for 90 days, to be opened on 03.12.2021 as per Railway Board Letter No. 2021/TC (FM)/10/11 dated 16.11.2021. The details are as under:

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CNB (Kanpur Central)

SC (Secunderabad Jn.)

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The event is being held to mark the completion of two years of chairmanship of the Association of World Election Bodies (A-WEB) by the EC.

Three publications will also be released at the webinar. "This international webinar will provide a good opportunity to all the partico exchange ideas and learn from each other's experience of the best practices and initiatives taken to participation of women, persons with disabilities and

senior citizen voters," the

Dated: 24.11.2021

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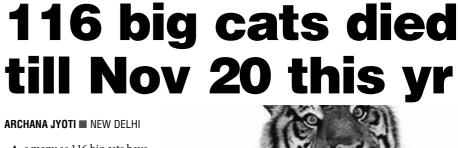
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The Wildlife Protection



ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

As many as 116 big cats have died so far till November 20, 2021—the highest in the past three years— much to the disappointment of wildlife activists and tiger lovers. The figures include 27 tigresses and 15 cubs.

A dozen of them died

every month on average for the first seven months of the year. The signs that this year was being cruel to the big cats were evident with 84 mortalities reported till July. Since predators succumbed to death in the following four months.

In 2018, 101 tiger deaths were reported in the country. The number fell to 96 in 2019 but 2020 saw a 10 per cent rise in the deaths, nearly 106. There was no let up in the deaths in 2021 also. Among the States, Madhya Pradesh known as Tiger State' reported highest casualties at 39 followed by Maharashtra (21 deaths), Karnataka (15) and Uttar Pradesh (9)

Society of India (WPSI), an NGO engaged in tiger conser-



ber on a much higher side. It tiger reserves itself. This shows clim that till November 2021, that the big cats might have of which 48 due to poaching itself. This is a startling number when compared to the government data available from the Tigernet data which puts the poaching figure at 9.

India has 52 tiger reserves spread across 18 States having 2,967 big cats.

The data compiled by the Tigernet, a data based e-platform under the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA), a statutory body under the Union Environment Ministry, shows that most of the deaths ie at least 76 per cent of the total mortalities have poaching as confirmed by the seizure of the skin and the body

In 98 deaths, the officials are uncertain of the cause of the death. The number of deaths outside the reserves were 54, indicating the shortage of the space in the tiger reserves to accommodate all the big cat, calling better management, enhancement in protection strategy, sensitisation of villagers living on the fringes of the tiger reserves who usually electrocute or poison the striped

predators in conflicts.

Study: Key to longer life associated with physical activity even during sunset years

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

ontrary to the general per-Ception that one should slow down as one ages, a team of researchers has said that the key to longer life is associated with physical activity even during sunset years.

The researchers from Harvard University said that physical activity shifted energy away from processes that compromised health and toward mechanisms in the body that extended it. This guarded against chronic illnesses such as cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, and even some cancers, said the study published in Journal PNAS.

The study used evolutionary and biomedical evidence showing that people, who evolved to live many decades after they stopped reproducing, also evolved to be relatively active in their later years.

The response also causes the release of exercise-related antioxidants and anti-inflammatories and enhances blood flow. In the absence of physical activity, these responses are activated less," the

researchers said.

People must choose to exercise, that is, do voluntary physical activity for the sake of health and fitness. Physical activity levels have been decreasing worldwide as machines and technology replace human labour. The researchers' advice is for people to do something and to try to make it enjoyable so they will keep it up.

Even small amounts of physical activity—just 10 or 20 minutes a day —substantially lower the risk of mortality.

The World Health Organisation already recommends that children and adolescents aged five to 17years should do at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous-intensity physical activity daily.

In fact, on Thursday, the WHO issued a statement, calling upon the nation in its South-East Asia Region to accelerate action to address insufficient physical activity which is as high as 74 per cent among adolescents, to arrest and reverse the growing epidemic of NCDs and promote physical and mental well-being.

"Physical activity helps prevent NCDs such as heart disease, stroke, diabetes and some cancers, which continue to be leading killer diseases in the Region and a risk for severe disease and deaths in the ingoing Covid-19 pandemic," said Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh, Regional Director, WHO South-East Asia Region while addressing a virtual meeting of health officials and partners from member countries where the Regional Roadmap for implementation of Global Action Plan for Physical Activity (GAPPA) was launched.

The Regional roadmap aims to facilitate context-specific activities to achieve 10 per cent relative reduction of insufficient physical activity by 2025, and 15 per cent improvement in global levels by 2030.

Globally, 23 per cent adults and 81 per cent adolescents aged 11-17 years do not meet WHO recommendations for physical activity. In the WHO South-East Asia Region, physical inactivity among adults is around 15 per cent and 74 per cent among adolescents.

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Kolkata Municipal elections on Dec 19

Ademand made by the opposition parties that the elections to all the 115 civic boards be held on a single day notwithstanding, the West Bengal State Election Commission on Thursday announced the much-awaited elections for the Kolkata Municipal Corporation would be held on December 19.

The SEC announcement came regardless of a petition --- filed by BJP State vice president Pratap Banerjee --- pending in Calcutta High Court seeking simultaneous elections to all the 118 civic bodies

The elections to the Municipal Corporation was however not announced in the wake of some legal tangles over bifurcation of the Bally municipality from the Howrah Board. State Governor Jagdeep Dhankhar who had earlier in a meeting with the State Election Commissioner requested him to hold simultaneous elections to all the municipalities withheld his permission for the



Howrah Board demanding more clarifications on the issue.

According to the SEC notification December 1 will be the last date for filing nomination and scrutiny would be conducted the following day. December 4 has been fixed as e last date for withdrawal of candidature. The poll process will be completed by December 22 meaning thereby that the results will be declared either on December 21 or 22.

Meanwhile, the BJP alleged that the announcement of the poll process by the SEC was in "utter disregard" of the Court's authority as a public interest litigation is already pending before the Court seekiung the municipal boards.

The petition pending before the Division Bench of Chief Justice Prakash Shrivastava and Justice Rajarshi Bharadwai will be heard on November 29. The Court however would not intervene in the SEC's decision to issue a notification for KMC elections lawyers said.

The Opposition parties have been asking for simultaneous elections apparently to put the Trinamool Congress nder pressure

As an image building exercise after its thumping victory in the Assembly elections the TMC leadership has been asking the lower rung workers to avoid rigging whereas the opposition leadership has been trying to create a situation where the rulers are forced to rig polls, said BN Chakrabarty a political expert.

Critics also feel that the election results in Kolkata would impact the outcome of polls in the North Bengal districts where the BJP has a good support base.

NOIDA AIRPORT —

Uttar Pradesh is moving on the path of development: CM

New Delhi: Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Thursday said the country has to decide if the sweetness of sugarcane will grow or the followers of Pakistan founder Muhammad Ali Jinnah will cause mischief in the State, in a veiled attack on the Samajwadi Party (SP).

Adityanath trained his guns at the Opposition as he joined the foundation-laying ceremony for the Noida International Airport in the Jewar area of Gautam Buddh Nagar in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. SP leader and former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav had last month equated Jinnah with Mahatma Gandhi, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Jawaharlal Nehru, saying all of them helped the country achieve independence. His remark had invited severe criticism from the ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), among others.

He said Uttar Pradesh is moving on the path of development and highlighted various efforts of the Government.

The BJP leader also thanked the over 7,000 farmers who gave consent for the acquisition of their land for the airport without any controversy. He said the ceremony was a "much awaited" moment for western Uttar Pradesh and important because this is where farmers had taken forward the initiative to add sweetness in the region with sugarcane cultiva-

"Some people had tried to add bitterness in the sugarcane region of Uttar Pradesh with a series of riots. Now the country has to decide if the sweetness of sugarcane will grow or Jinnah's followers will cause mischief," Adityanath said as he addressed the gathering of thousands. Citing various infrastructure projects worth thousands of crores of rupees in Noida and Greater Noida of Gautam Buddh Nagar, the chief minister said lakhs of job opportunities would be generated in the region in the coming days.

It was PM's direction to build Asia's biggest airport here: Min

New Delhi: Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia on Thursday said it was Prime Minister Narendra Modi's direction that Asia's biggest airport has to be built in Uttar Pradesh, as he joined the foundation-laying ceremony for the Noida International Airport.

Scindia said the airport, located in Jewar in Gautam Buddh Nagar district in western Uttar Pradesh, will bring investments worth ₹34,000 crore and the first phase of the Greenfield project is expected to be completed in 2024 with a capacity of 1.2 crore passengers annually. "By the last phase of development, the Noida International Airport will even surpass Delhi's Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport and become India's leading airport,"

Scindia told the gathering. He said earlier, there were only four airports in Uttar Pradesh but now, there are nine airports and this (Jewar) will be the 10th airport in the state, as he hit out at the previous non-BJP governments. "It was Prime Minister Narendra Modi's direction that Asia's biggest airport has to be built in Uttar Pradesh,"

BJP building airports only to sell them off: Akhilesh Yadav

Lucknow: Samajwadi Party (SP) President Akhilesh Yadav on Thursday said the BJP is laying the foundation stone of Noida International airport while selling other existing airports in the country.

Addressing a rally organ-Addressing a rany organised by Janwadi Party (Socialist), an SP ally, near Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport in Lucknow, Akhilesh said "How can the BJP be believed when on one hand it is making new airports, and on the other hand selling the existing ones?"

The Lucknow airport was given on lease to a private company earlier. chief's comments came on the day when Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of the Jewar International Airport in Greater Noida. government airport was sold and the other is being made. I

fail to understand the reason. "BJP said the poor with slippers will travel in aircraft, the poor should let the BJP know how many of them have travelled in planes," he said. He said the BJP Government is engaged in disposing of air-

ing from these airports, when even the Delhi Airport is suffering losses.

He asked what will happen to the "rights and honour" of the people in a country where public property is sold off.

'In a country where things are sold off, government institutions are sold off, what will happen to the rights and honour for which Ambedkar gave us the Constitution, what will happen to the future generations? Who will give them jobs, livelihood and reservation?" said the former Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister at the 'Janvadi Jankranti

During his address, he asked the Chauhan community to extend its support to him, saying if it comes along the BJP will suffer a "historic defeat" in the upcoming elections.

NIA raids five places in Kashmir in UP Al-Qaeda case

New Delhi: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Thursday conducted searches at multiple locations in Kashmir in connection with the Al-Qaeda case of Lucknow. The searches were conducted at five locations in Shopian and Budgam districts of Kashmir, the agency said in a statement.

The case relates to Umar Halmandi, an Al-Qaeda operative, who along with other accused persons, had been radicalizing and recruiting vulnerable persons for AQIS (Al-Qaeda in Indian Subcontinent) and trying to raise Ansaar Gajwatul Hind (AGH) to carry out terrorist acts for which they had already arranged arms and explosive substances, it said.

The case was initially registered as FIR No. 10/2021 dated July 11, 2021, by ATS, Uttar Pradesh and NIA had re-registered the same on July 29.During the searches, large number of incriminating documents and digital devices have been seized and further investigation in the case is continuing, it added.

CBI books 7 for ₹73 crore fraud at PNB, Indian Bank

New Delhi: The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) has registered a case on a complaint from Punjab National Bank, Bhubaneswar against a private company based at New Industrial Estate, Jagatpur, Cuttack (Odisha), its Managing Director and others bank loan fraud worth

Besides the Cuttack-based private firm SR Alcobev Pvt. Ltd., others named in the case are its Managing Director Ranjan Kumar Padhi, Director Saina Kar, corporate guarantors Naina Devi Suppliers Pvt. Ltd. (based at Kolkata, West Bengal), Chandraghanta Iron & Steel Traders Pvt. Ltd. (Shyam Bazar Street, Kolkata, West Bengal)

(Corporate Guarantor), supplier Brewforce Technologies (East Nagar, Delhi/Dehradun, Uttarakhand,

civil Cuttack-based contractor Sukanta Kumar Lenka and unknown public servant(s) of PNB besides unknown others, the agency said in a statement. The accused persons and

entities allegedly perpetrated a fraud at Punjab National Bank, Main Branch, Buxi Bazar, Cuttack Allahabad Bhubaneswar Branch in a matter of credit facilities/Term Loans to the tune of around ₹73 crore {₹40 crore by PNB and ₹33 crore by Indian Bank (erstwhile Allahabad Bank) } during 2013.After disbursal of the loan proceeds, the borrowers/guarantors allegedly violated the terms and conditions of the sanction and they neither procured the machineries nor deposited the installments in time and the account turned Non-Performing Assets (NPA), it further said. It was further alleged that the accused including promoters/directors/guarantors/suppliers had misappropriated and diverted the loan proceeds with an ulterior motive to defraud the banks to the tune of around ₹ 140.48 crore (principal amount plus interest as on September 30, 2021). Searches were conducted at the premises of the accused situated at Cuttack (Odisha) and Dehradun (Uttarakhand), it

Anna Hazare undergoes angiography, stable now

Mumbai: Veteran social worker and renowned Gandhian Anna Hazare underwent an angiography at Ruby Hall Clinic in Pune on Thursday afternoon, within hours after he was rushed there for treatment of chest pain. Eight-four-year-old Hazare, who lives in

Yadavbaba temple at Ralegan-Siddhi in Ahmednagar district of western Maharashtra, had been complaining about chest pain for the past two to three days.

"After he was admitted to our hospital, a team of doctors examined him thoroughly. We did an electrocardiogram (ECG) on him. The test revealed minor cardiac abnormalities," the hospital's Medical Superintendent Dr. Avdhut Bomadwad said.

Shortly afterwards, a team of heart specialists comprising the Chief Cardiologist Dr. P. K.

Grant and Dr. C. N. Makhale conducted an angiography on Hazare.

The angiogram revealed a minor blockage in his coronary artery. The procedure was performed successfully. He is receiving the appropriate line of medical treatment," said Dr. Grant,

who is the Managing Trustee of the hospital, said. Dr. Grant said that Hazare's condition was "stable" now and he would be discharged from the hospital in a couple of days.

Meanwhile, Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray - who himself is recouping at the HN Reliance Hospital in Mumbai after a cervical spine surgery that he underwent on November 12— called up the hospital and made enquiries about Hazare's health condition "I wish him a speedy recovery," the chief minister said

2013 TWIN SHAKTI MILL GANG RAPE CASES HC commutes death penalty of 3 convicts to life

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

More than seven years after a trial court treated them as "repeat offenders" and handed out the first-ever capital punishment to them under new provision 376 (E) of Indian Penal Code (IPC), the Bombay commuted the death sentence of three "common" convicts in the twin 2013 Shakti Mill gang

rape cases to life imprisonment. Quashing the death sentence awarded to the three convicts under the new section 376 E of the IPC that came to be incorporated in the law after the December 2012 gang rape in Delhi, a HC bench of Justices SS Jadhav and PK Chavan upheld the conviction of the convicts punishable under section 376D of the IPC, thus reducing the original capital punishment to rigorous imprisonment for life.
"While setting aside the

sentence of death penalty, it may appear to the public at large that we play a counter

majoritarian role. However, the Constitutional Courts are bound to take into consideration the judicial mandate not by considering just individual rights or the rights of the criminal, but to follow `the procedure established by law," the two Judges observed in their

"At the cost of reiteration, we would observe that Section 376E of the Indian Penal Code is not a substantive offence, but is a punishment contemplated for repeat offenders under section 376D, 376DA, 376DB of Indian Penal Code . We would not take a pedantic approach to mean that it contemplates commission of an offence after the first conviction as under section 75 of the Indian Penal Code. But it would mean that the sentence of death penalty may be awarded in a case which is tried after the first conviction for a similar offence as in the case of Rajendra Wasnik," the Judges noted.

The three convicts Vijay Jadhav (19) Mohammad

Qasim Shaikh alias Qasim Bengali (21) and Mohammad Ansari (28)—whose death sentences have been commuted to rigorous imprisonment for life --are common convicts in both the July 31, 2013 telephone operator and August 22, 2013 photojournalist gang rape

It may be recalled that on April 4, 2014, Principal Judge Shalini Phansalkar Joshi had awarded capital punishment to Vijay Jadhav (19) Mohammad Qasim Shaikh alias Qasim Bengali (21) and Mohammad Ansari (28), after noting the three convicts deserved death penalty for repeat offences under section 376 (E) of the IPC and that there was no scope of reformation of the trio.

'The gang-rape accused were not only enjoying the act of sexual assault but also the survivor's helplessness. ..It was executed in the most gruesome manner with no mercy or show of human dignity to the survivor," the trial court Judge had observed then.

J&K: 200 schools to be transformed into smart schools in tribal areas

Jammu: Taking a giant leap forward towards imparting quality education to the Tribal population, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha on Thursday dedicated the UT Government's ambitious project of transforming 200 Schools into Smart Schools at a cost of ₹40 crores.

The modernization of Smart Schools will be executed in two phases. In the first phase, works related to 100 schools will er 100 schools by December 2022.

On the occasion, the Lt Governor announced another major decision of the government to provide scholarships to 21,000 children of Gaddi, Sippi, Dard, Sheena communities who were deprived of the same for the last 3 decades.

"In 1991, the Gaddi, Sippi community was declared tribal but their children were denied scholarship. For three decades they kept approaching governments but no decision was taken. This issue was brought to my notice just a few days back and we immediately decided that scholarships will be provided to the 21,000 children of Gaddi, Sippi, Dard, Sheena communities", he added.

In his address, the Lt Governor con-



Lt Governor Launches 200 Smart Schools in Tribal Areas

gratulated the Tribal communities and the concerned administrative departments for the historic beginning of the new era of educational empowerment of Tribals in J&K.

"Our priority is to secure the future of tribal children. Smart schools in tribal & remote areas equipped with modern facilities will develop scientific temper in children and make them future ready, besides arresting the drop-out rate", said the Lt Governor

The UT Government has formulated a visionary framework for the functioning of the Smart Schools. Members of the Tribal communities, PRI representatives, and the people associated with voluntary organizations will be involved in the management so that these schools could perform the role of 'changemakers' in our society, observed the Lt "Lives are changed when people con-

nect. Life is changed when everything is connected. Tribal Education Plan, Scholarships, Smart Schools will do juswere neglected for decades", the Lt These groundbreaking initiatives

will also ensure that the members of the tribal communities can keep pace with the revolutionary and rapid changes happening around them and connect themselves to the world, he added.

The Lt Governor expressed gratitude to the Prime Minister Narendra Modi for awakening the self-confidence of the tribal community.

The Lt Governor highlighted that the & K administration is collectively spending around ₹104 crore to strengthen school infrastructure in tribal areas and establish a strong educational ecosystem for the tribal community.

'Absconding' Mumbai ex-top cop Param Bir Singh finally surfaces

Mumbai: More than a week after he was declared "proclaimed offender" by a city court in an extortion case, Mumbai's former Police Commissioner Param Bir Singh appeared before the Crime Branch Unit 11 office of the Mumbai police on Thursday morning. Singh, who had been missing for nearly six months now, was subjected to a first round of questioning in connection with a case registered against him. Earlier in the morning. Singh -- upon his arrival at the Mumbai Airport from Chandigarh -- said: "I will join the investigation as directed by the court".

On November 22, the Supreme Court had granted Mumbai's former Police Commissioner Param Bir Singh protection from arrest and asked him to join the investigations in the inquiries initiated against him. A day after the apex court's directive, a city court order declaring him as a "proclaimed offender" and ordering him to appear before the Court or Investigating Officer within 30 days, was pasted outside his Juhu residence

"Singh is required to appear before Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Esplanade, Mumbai or investigating officer to answer the said complaint within 30 days," reads the order issued by the court," read a court order pasted on the door of the former Police Commissioner's flat at Juhu in north-west Mumbai. In the order signed by Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, 37th Court, Esplanade, Mumbai, on November 18, a complaint has been made before the court that Singh has committed (or suspected to have committed) offences under sections 384, 386, 388, 389 (all sections relating to extortion), 120-b (criminal conspiracy), 201 (destruction of evidence) and 34 (common intent) of Indian Penal

The order also stated that an arrest warrant has been issued against the accused (Singh) and that he has absconded himself to avoid the service of arrest warrant to him. At Monday's hearing at the Supreme Court, Senior Advocate Puneet Bali, appearing for Singh, informed the bench that "the petitioner is very much in India but apprehends actions being taken by the State of Maharashtra". Singh had moved the Supreme Court seeking protection from arrest and for other reliefs, after the Bombay High Court had on September 16, 2021 dismissed his petition challenging two preliminary inquiries launched against him by the Maharashtra government for alleged violation of service rules and another for alleged corruption.

While dismissing Singh's petition on the ground that it was "not maintainable", a HC division bench comprising Justices S S Shinde and N J Jamdar said that "it is a service matter" and asked him to approach the Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT), which is an appropriate forum. (When) the petitioner approaches the appropriate forum, then the same shall be heard and decided without any prejudice to the HC's order," the HC bench said.

People have started looking at the killers as innocent people: J&K DGP **MOHIT KANDHARI** ■ JAMMU ly DGP Singh said, "There are many

Director General of Jammu & Kashmir Police, Dilbagh Singh on Thursday came out with all guns blazing after the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) Chief and former Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti once again raised question marks over the authenticity of an encounter in Rambagh area of Srinagar in which three terrorists were gunned down by the police late Wednesday evening.

Reacting strongly to these allega-tions DGP Singh told reporters in Jammu, "there are people in the civil society who somehow understand the reality but try to say something which is away from the reality". He said, "unfortunately there are people who have started looking at the killers as innocent people".

Singh was responding to a straight question in which he was asked to comment on the tweet posted by the PDP Chief in which she had stated, "After yesterday's alleged encounter at Rambagh legitimate doubts are looming over its authenticity. As per reports & witnesses it seems that the firing was one sided. Again the official version far from the truth is not in line with ground realities as seen in Shopian, HMT &

Without naming PDP Chief direct-

people who are active on the social media who are trying to cast aspersions on the killing of terrorists. Unfortunately there are people who have started looking at the killers as innocent people".

Singh said, in yesterday's encountyer three terrorists have been eliminated. The killed terrorists were identified as Mehraan Yaseen Shalla son of Mohd Yaseen Shalla resident of Jamalata, Arafat Ahmad Sheikh son of Mohammed Maqbool Sheikh resident of Nikloora Litter Pulwama and Manzoor Ahmad Mir son of Late Sonaullah Mir resident of Babhar Pulwama". Singh said, Mehran was associated with Abbas Sheikh, Chief Commander of The Resistance Front while the other two, Arafat and Manzoor, hailing from Pulwama district were working as Over ground workers.Reading out the complete dossier of Mehraan Shalla, DGP said he is the one who was providing all kind of logistics support to Abbas Sheikh when he was active in Srinagar. Singh said, Mehraan Yaseen was

involved in several terror crime cases including grenade attack at Barbar Shah Srinagar on 26/06/2021 in which one civilian namely Mudasir Ahmad Bhat resident of Hanjigund Beerwah got killed & three other civilians got critically injured. He was involved in the

killing of Meeran Ali Sheikh at Bulbul Lanker Nawa Kadal on 27/07/2021, and of PSI Arshad Ahmad at Khanyar on 12/09/2021.He was also involved in killing of School Principal Supinder Kour and teacher Deepak Chand of Government Higher Secondary School, Khankah Noorbagh Sangam on 07/10/2021 and suddenly he become innocent after so many killings". Singh said, "it is high time people look at the reality without mixing it with their imagination. The encounter has brought relief to the people. So anybody talking nonsense I think is absolutely not jus-

Earlier, addressing a joint press conference with ADGP Jammu range, Mukesh Singh, DGP told reporters, a consignment of narcotics (Heroin) weighing 52 kgs, estimated market price of around 100 crores, was seized by the alert policemen after chasing a truck bearing registration number of Haryana near Jhajjar Kotli along the Jammu-Srinagar National Highway. Briefing reporters, Mukesh Singh said, the huge consignment of Heroin was seized from a truck after its driver managed to run away while his co driver, hailing from Kurukshetra, has been arrested. Preliminary investigations revealed the drugs consignment was picked up from Srinagar and the truck was heading towards Punjab.

Mexican Ambassador lauds Khadi popularity

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Mexican Ambassador to India, H.E. Federico Salas, who visited the Khadi India Pavilion at the India International Trade Fair 2021, on Thursday, lauded the global popularity of Khadi and clicked selfies with the portraits of Mahatma Gandhi and Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi, at the selfie point in Khadi pavilion. He was received by Manoj Kumar, Member (Marketing), Khadi and Village Industries Commission.

The Ambassador saw the live demonstration of Pashmina wool spinning, clay pottery making, woodpressed oil extraction, Incense sticks (Agarbatti) and handmade paper making while he also visited several other stalls displaying the finest handcrafted Khadi fabric, readymade garments, handmade jewellery and a wide range of village industry products.

The Ambassador took to an electric potter wheel and tried his hands on making clay pottery. Salas appreciated the sheer variety of products at the Khadi India Pavilion and the exquisite craftsmanship of Khadi artisans. "I congratulate Khadi and Village Industries Commission for setting up such a grand Khadi India pavilion at IITF that has given Khadi artisans a big platform to sell their products.

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Clean up!

The parties that select candidates with criminal records should face the possibility of deregistration

The judiciary, the executive and the legislature agree that politics has to be decriminalised. Where they disagree is on the extent of decriminalisation. The judiciary asks the latter to amend existing laws to permanently ban convicted persons from contesting elections. The executive is unwilling to take that step. The process of decriminalising politics, as a result, is held to ransom by the lack of unanimity among the pillars of democracy. The Supreme Court on Wednesday raised the issue once again, asking whether the Government was amenable to amending the law. There was no clear response from the Government. The row finds resonance at a time when assembly elections are due in several States including Uttar Pradesh that has the largest number of criminal cases pending against sitting and former legislators. Over 1,300 such cases are being heard in 63 specially constituted courts. Many of the cases



have been dragging on for years. At the national level, the Association for Democratic Rights informs us, 363 MPs and MLAs have declared criminal cases against them. The cases, in which charges have been framed, have been pending anywhere between five and seven years. There are over a score MPs with 43 cases between them, and over 100 MLAs with 315 cases, pending for 10 years or more. There are over 170 cases where the punishment is a life term. It is not known how many sitting members did not disclose any cases against them.

The question is, should one go the whole hog to decriminalise politics. As of date, legislators convicted of a crime and given a minimum of two years imprisonment stand disqualified. A landmark judgment of the Supreme Court also said they cannot contest elections for six years after their release. Out of the hundreds of legislators who face thousands of cases against them, only 11 have been disqualified so far. That is a poor conviction rate by any standard. The well-known reason for this is that cases drag on, or are dragged on, for years and the accused persons contest polls during the pendency. The Supreme Court also raised the question of whether a person should be disqualified from membership in a legislative body on the mere framing of criminal charges against them, but a fivejudge bench ruled it could not disqualify them at that stage. Instead, it asked the Government to bring in such a law. The Government, which is against the recommendation, evades a clear stand on the principle of decriminalisation. Politics cannot be decriminalised by mere disqualification for a certain time. The disqualification has to be permanent upon conviction in heinous criminal cases. Where charges are framed, the courts must dispose of them within a specified time so that the accused face automatic, permanent disqualification upon conviction. Political parties which select candidates with criminal antecedents should face the possibility of derecognition or deregistration. Will the cat bell itself?



Devotees cover the Yamuna with sarees during Chunari Manorath festival, in Mathura

Water woes

There's a pressing need to nationalise rivers in the subcontinent before we perish

arly this week, when the shutters of Aliyar Dam in Tamil Nadu were raised, there was a major protest demonstration by the people of Palakkad in Kerala. The water level in Kannadipuzha flowing from Tamil Nadu to Kerala rose to an alarming level and put the lives of thousands of people staying along the banks of the river in danger. The proactive media in both the States conveniently blacked out the report. The shutters of Aliyar Dam were opened by the Tamil Nadu Government to save the lives of its people along this river. The concern of the TN Government to save the lives of its people from the impending disaster is understandable. But the DMK Government should show the same concern for the lives of more than



four million people in Kerala who stay along the banks of Mullaperiyar Dam which may burst any time once the water level in this largest and oldest gravity dam in the country crosses the 138-ft mark. As pointed out by this newspaper in a report, the Mullaperiyar Dam is a water bomb ticking by the second and the possibility of a major disaster stares the people of four Kerala districts in the face. The 140-year-old dam has outlived its utility and age has caught up with it.

It is time to decommission this dam and build a new one, as suggested by the Kerala Government.

But, strangely, Tamil Nadu vehemently opposes this idea. Geologists have warned time and again that the region around Mullaperiyar Dam is "pregnant with earthquakes". While Tamil Nadu turns a blind eye towards this warning, the State's politicians are highly critical of the Centre's move to build the Indian Neutrino Observatory in the region and cite studies by geologists to oppose the proposed research laboratory. Aren't these double standards exposing Tamil Nadu's 'Heads I win, Tails You Lose' attitude? Tamil Nadu's opposition to the Karnataka Government's move to build the Mekedatu Dam across the Cauvery river is the same. Karnataka has the right to build a dam on its own land and there are no laws restraining it. The Mullaperiyar Dam agreement has inherent weaknesses in it. The Union Government and the Supreme Court should not take recourse in the apology that "though laws are there, public resentment has to be taken into consideration". It is time rivers in the subcontinent are nationalised and people — irrespective of region, religion, caste and community — get justice equally.

Supranationalism will hold us back



Marxism believes the nation-State to be an exploitative instrument of capitalists, just as Islam believes it to be the death of its faith

he recent war of words, law and politics began when Aryan Khan, the son of Bollywood actor Shahrukh Khan, was arrested and kept behind bars for some weeks. The Left-Liberals vociferously alleged that that this happened because he is Muslim, forgetting that he is half Hindu. This controversy grew louder and worse when Indian bowler Mohammed Shami gave away a few runs to Pakistani batters in the recent T20 World Cup. I feel this is a baseless allegation; and I am neither Liberal nor Left. To make matters worse, Pakistani Home Minister Sheikh Rasheed declared "Indian Muslims share our sentiment", which can mean that they are all Muslims first and Indian or Pakistani later.

At Etawah in Uttar Pradesh, the State's former CM, Akhilesh Yadav has compared Pakistan's founder MA Jinnah to Nehru, Sardar Patel and even Gandhi. 'They had all combined to win independence", said Akhilesh. UP CM Yogi Adityanath has taken strong objection to such comparisons, but no Muslim appears to have contradicted Akhilesh. There are innumerable such instances around the Muslim identity. The late Syed Shahabuddin repeatedly advocated the importance of Muslim identity above most issues. His pet expression was "Muslim Indian"; he refused to ever say "Indian Muslim". Clearly, he meant that the pan-Islamic loyalty supersedes national identity.

The recent example of the Pakistani winners of the recent T20 cricket match emphasising that their triumph was that of Islam, and not merely of Pakistan, is by no means an isolated one. Some years ago, when Wasim Akram was the captain of a Pakistani team that lost a match to Bangladesh, Akram said he did not mind as Pakistan had lost to a "Muslim brother". This clearly meant that the ummah is far higher than the nation. This Islamic supra-national-

ism is unpopular as was the Jewish sentiment of "Jew first, and zerman, British or French later. The origin of supra-nationalism is probably a Judaic phenome-

Egyptians to work as labourers to build stone upon stone. It was clear that there was no Pharaonic intention to ever release them. The Jews felt cursed, miserable and hopeless. When their Prophet Moses, with Herculean difficulty, released them and led them to Israel, they could only think of God and overlooked any State or country. Ironically, they did not have either for centuries until the British helped them after World War II, in 1948.

Supra-nationalism has often been described as transnationalism, whereby a citizen's loyalty to his country is superseded by an allegiance beyond the borders to say, an empire, religion or something higher. In some ways, it is a suzerainty over and above sovereignty. A Jew's supreme allegiance is to Judaism and not to a country. Even after the nation called Israel was attained in 1948, for a Jew, Jehovah commands a higher loyalty. Chaim Weizmann, the leading figure in the movement for establishing a separate homeland for the Jews and Israel's first president, illustrated the point by saying, "There are no British or French Jews; there are Jews in Britain and France

It is telling that the acclaimed poet Mohammad non. Jews were captured by the Iqbal who wrote 'Sare jahan se



SUPRANATIONALISM HAS OFTEN BEEN **DESCRIBED AS** TRANSNATIONALISM, WHEREBY A CITIZEN'S LOYALTY TO HIS COUNTRY IS SUPERSEDED BY AN ALLEGIANCE **BEYOND THE BORDERS**; TO SAY AN EMPIRE. **RELIGION OR** SOMETHING achha, hindustan hamara' came back from Europe, turned supra-nationalist and remained so. Yet, he did not become a total separatist unlike Jinnah. In all probability, many a Muslim is similarly confused and is a prisoner of his feeling. Except the rich families, there is nowhere they can be welcome. Where then is there a place for supranationalist feelings? Have they, more particularly, not thought of what happened to the Jews in Germany and elsewhere?

The fourth Abrahamic sibling, Marxism too, is supranational in nature. Marxists, in adherence to their supranational nature and thinking, have destroyed their native countries. Does that mean that Muslims, who are also supranational, would end up being destructive of their countries? Well, without the country of nature, their countries become poor. Their ethos does not encourage production or a productive culture. This has been explained most eloquently by Prof. Timur Kuran, who has proved how Islamic laws have held back the Muslim ummah in economic progress.

In sharp contrast, the Jews, who are also supra-national are believed to have the Midas touch. Their priority is the pursuit of wealth and successfully so. But Jews were unpopular in Europe, because they were suspected of caring more for themselves than for their

The Marxists are another community of supra-nations without any faith in any god. In fact, they deny god and call religion "the opium of the masses". The objective of the communists is to unite the workers of the world. Their enemies were the rich or what they called the bourgeoisie, whose overthrow is necessary to what Marxists believe will be transfer of power to industrial workers or the proletariat. In a vicarious way, Marxists became enemies of even the small farmers by collectivising or taking over their farms. In the end, the Marxist ruined entire countries, as their history proves it.

In the pursuit of its supranational ideology, Marxism also believes that the individual nation does not matter much. In fact, Marxism believes the nation-state to be an exploitative instrument of capitalists, just as Islam believes the nation-state to be the death of its faith.

(This is part of an ongoing series on Indian Partition.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

NEED TO KEEP A CHECK ON POPULATION

Sir — The damage done due to excessive population growth is long-lasting. Let us not forget that the scars of the Emergency are still with us. Men used to be part of family planning initiatives but after they were forced to sterilise, they continued to remain completely out of family planning programmes even today. Government now mostly works with woman and child health programmes. Mistakes of that era are not what new Governments with a robust electoral mandate would like to repeat.

Therefore, it is time to ask some of the prejudiced voices within the Government and the ruling parties not to venture into terrain they may not fully understand. Family planning programs benefit not only parents and children but also the society and nation by keeping the number of new births under control. A controlled population growth will allow sustainable distribution of resources among the already vast population of India. This would also help ensure that basic amenities are provided to every citizen of the country and natural resources, which are already depleting, do not get exhausted too early. MR Jayanthi | Mumbai

A MOTHER'S BATTLE FOR HER BABY

Sir — A real-life story in God's own country Kerala has captured the imagination of the public. It was a powerful human drama involving a myriad of human instincts and emotions unfolding before our eyes. It revolved around the central theme of a mother's spirited fight to get back her child given in adoption by her parents without her consent. The pain of separation from her baby for more than a year was deeply moving and ennobling. The suspense and uncertainty ended with the DNA test results confirming that Anupama S Chandran and her partner Ajith Kumar are the baby's biological parents. The proof of parenthood provided by the paternity and maternity tests put an end to the legal wrangles and settled the matter once and for all.

Anupama's parents did wrong by forcibly taking away the baby (amount-

Jewar airport: New possibilities



ne construction of the much awaited Noida International Airport, also called the Jewar International Airport, will bring new avenues for development not only in Uttar Pradesh but in Delhi and in the entire NCR region. Presently, the Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGI) is the only primary international airport serving Delhi and its surroundings which usually remains very busy, hence this new airport will help decongest the IGI airport. The Noida International Airport will be a state-of-the-art modern air-

ing to abduction) and handing him over to the Kerala State Council for Child Welfare just three days after birth on the utterly specious ground that the new arrival was out of wedlock. Nature or biology has not ordained wedlock for procreation. The relationship between mother and baby is special in the truest sense of the word. In this day and age we should be able to do without moral prudery and

G David Milton | Maruthancode

GIVE EMPLOYMENT, NOT JUST FREE FOOD Sir — The announcement of extension of the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana till March next year is welcome. The announcement is apparently backed by political will ahead of the Assembly elections in various States. This decision to support poor Indians is absolutely appreciable. There are poor families in the country who still can't cope up with the economic upheaval of COVID-19. The Government data indicates that it is the

port and the largest in Asia and the fourth

largest in the world with six runways.

Worldwide, all major metro cities have more than one airport, London has six, New York has three and Washington has three airports. Hence, the much awaited new Jewar airport is a welcome development for the entire region. The project is expected to finish up by 2024 and create employment and attract investment. The project will significantly boost commerce, connectivity and tourism which will bring new avenues of job opportunities for thousands of people during the construction and operation of the airport. The airport will also help exporters from Western Uttar Pradesh as it will directly connect major centers of export with international markets. It will have an integrated multi-model cargo hub also. The project is indeed a step forward but we took a lot of time in taking this step. Now the Government must strive to complete the project well within the scheduled timeline.

Ramesh G Jethwani | Bangalore

fifth phase of the PMGKAY, which aims to serve food to 80 crore families in the country by March 2022. The Government must be appreciated for their constant

However, it is also worth noting that the distribution of free food has its limits. One day it has to be stopped. It is, therefore, essential to ensure employment to the youth of this country rather than only ensuring their food needs. If the daughters and sons of a family get employment opportunities equivalent to their skills and potential, it will itself ensure their well being and healthy sustenance. The Government must prepare employment alternatives to make citizens meet their ends by themselves rather than providing free food. This is a crucial matter and it should not be taken up by the Central and State Governments.

Kirti Wadhawan | Kanpur

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I have not four months as CM, but I will do four years' work. Neither do I sleep, nor do I let



Punjab Chief Minister —Charanjit Singh Channi



A coalition Government should resign if a party chooses to leave the Government

Swedish Prime Minister -Magdalena Andersson

I've always wanted a family and children. I realised that adoption was a way to marry both these things.

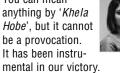


—Swara Bhasker



best gloveman behind the stumps. In my eyes, that's Tim Paine.

You can mean anything by 'Khela Hobe', but it cannot





-Saayoni Ghosh

Australia spinner

– Nathan Lyon

FIRST COLUMN INDIA SHOULD WORK ON NEW-AGE TRADE POLICY

Imposing high tariffs on imports to check trade imbalance won't vield much results



KUMARDEEP BANERJEE

here are hectic times ahead for India to catch the bus on trade deals with major trading partners around the globe. India has been late on the global trading platform and has already missed several low-hanging harvest deals. A reviving inflationary economy in almost every corner of the globe, taken with severe supply chain issues due to over dependence on China, is forcing major economies to stitch trade deals with strategic partners and major trading blocs. The entire globe has huge dependence on China for automobile parts, steel, pharma products to IT hardware. Now crippled, due to delay or no supplies from China, most of them are looking at alternate destinations for securing their supply chains. India is not part of any major regional trading bloc after it walked out of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP), led by ASEAN group of nations where there are several side shows at play. One of the key reasons for India walking out of RCEP is the China factor, where the latter has huge influence on shaping trade deals with ASEAN members. India has had a free trade agreement with ASEAN; however, the agreement was restricted to goods.



On review by Government of India, it was found that the free trade agreement (FTA) on goods with ASEAN created a trade imbalance skewed towards more imports from ASEAN to India. Several experts have pointed out the reason to be India not signing a simultaneous agreement on services, where India has competitive advantage. It is ASEAN member countries as a bloc that is being looked as a viable alternative by European Union and Australia due to their agile manufacturing policies. India, if it has to reach the stated target of \$2 trillion in exports from goods and services in the next couple of years, has to start working towards an integrated narrative on trade deals encompassing all government departments. The trade of 21st century is increasingly being dictated by digital trade policies and nudges on climate change, human rights issues.

India has done well to start looking at new partners for finalizing trade agreements in some form, including the European Union, Australia, United Kingdom and UAE. All of these are rich, developed economies where the considerations for finalising a deal are pretty mature. India has had a lull in its trade relationship with the US for nearly half a decade now, but there are signs of revival after the visit of US Trade representative Katherine Tai this week. The past principles of imposing high tariffs on imports as a measure to check trade imbalance and, or resist a not a so friendly country would not yield much results in the current situation. It can be counter-productive leading to India being isolated from lucrative trade agreements. Most economies today understand the power of data-driven opportunities for trade and India has to step up its game at the global stage on the digital front. Its digital policies need to be interoperable with its potential and existing trade partners. India's outlook to shape a futuristic digital economy could only be successful with the investments or riches generated through trade. Another issue that India needs to focus on is remove non-tariff trade barriers that manifest in cumbersome compliance requirements. These are seen as major hurdles to trade and have to be reviewed from economic advantage point of view. It requires the entire Government approach to gear towards reaching a \$2 trillion target.

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World Philosophy Day: Must be a good reason



Philosophy aims to further our knowledge, advance our reasoning abilities, explore our possible future as a species and stimulate the thinking capacity

t Is nearly two decades since World Philosophy Day was established. Mostly, it is a day celebrated by phi-Losophy departments, philosophy journals and publishers, and humanities scholars. Some of them organise outreach events on this day, the third Thursday of November (as formalised by the UNESCO) to share some of the core values in the modern academic discipline known as philosophy with the general public, especially the young who may have had very little exposure to it.

There is a central faith in philosophy which is that the life preserving apparatus within us is evolving steadily towards a better and wider understanding of the possibilities in our universe. This is not a far-fetched belief at all.

Many of today's designers and testers of intercontinental missiles may not have reflected on how ancient communities developed archery to obtain food and to discourage raiders. It is quite sophisticated to speak of vibrations and String Theory in the 21st century, but for users of mere sticks and spears to use a narrow strip of hide as a bowstring to launch a sharp shaft was a leap of imagination. Very likely, it was discovered in play by children and adapted by an astute adult observer. So do not lose sight of whatever it is your kids are

As with many other lofty achievements and ambitious dreams of humankind, Philosophy too has particularly simple origins. And in the way that school physics teaches us how an arrow could fly by informing us about kinematics, deformation due to strain, velocity, the parabola, and the law of gravitational attraction - it is possible to outline in a classroom setting, the methods by which human thinking can soar.

We initially develop our reasoning abilities because the right conclusions can prove extremely advantageous or even save our lives. A freshly killed prey is a sign that the predator is still in the vicinity. The size of the prey is an indicator of how dangerous its attacker. A question, whether and how soon hyenas will arrive, could arise depending on one's knowledge of the territory.

To interpret phenomena and respond accordingly is part of our nature. Realising the value of accruing information, we became voracious information-gatherers even tens of thousands of years before we started compiling encyclopedias.

Just as the application of fire, and the newly introduced flavour of salt transformed the process of food preparation and made meals safer and tastier, and even thereby improved the quality of dinner conversation (!), the continued development of language and activity specialisation (weapon maker, hunter, peeler, berry collector) within the herd led to the



TO REFLECT ON

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acquisition and sharing of a lot more knowledge.

The first thing we learn to ask is really not questions, but for guidance. As parents cautioned kids not to chew some berries and leaves, or to keep their distance from particular insects, the young learnt to point or name things and ask for a Y/N or OK/Not OK response from the group elders. Thus, the first 24*7 assistance came into existence to advise instantly on basic safety.

This led to the first 'What' and 'Where' questions, what animal or tree did you see, and where was it? These queries pertained to information for immediate or future use. Memory came to develop as every member had a larger information base, and each following generation received more inputs from the start than the earlier. The origins of the 'Who' question are easier to figure out, but a lot more thinking will be needed to account for how the others viz. wnen, How and wny wnich lead us to more complex ideas and principles came into human language and regular thinking.

To reflect on philosophy is to take a dip in a river instead of having a shower at home. A refreshing experience with greater openness. We connect with the water that descends to the plains from the mountains instead of availing it from a domestic fitting. Our thinking relates directly to the elements in a situation in

place of being conditioned by household arrangements, equations, and traditions. It draws deeper and directly from the planet, and from multiple founts of yore.

Philosophy aims to further our knowledge, to advance our reasoning abilities, to explore our possible futures as a species, and to stimulate the thinking capacity in whosoever possible. It encourages the use of methods like framing a few likely hypotheses, considering the evidence or lack thereof for each of them, and the assigning of a level of confidence to a given statement that describes a state of affairs. It is impartial like math, medicinal like botany, retrieves from the ancient past like archaeology, loves breadth like cosmology and astrophysics, is revelatory like religion, and enterprising like quantum physics.

be compared with learning to play present. Or a compelling revision a musical instrument: what generally happens is that we rarely pick up an instrument in a shop through our own impulse or prior decision.

Typically, it is an instrument we have seen and heard a lot and there is someone nearby to help us learn it. The particular instrument could demand manual accuracy or lung power or shoulder strength or lightness of touch, and so could specially suit our physical makeup. It has its own lineage of

performers and composers. What matters is not all the gossip about musical history, the brands of manufacturers, the names of concert venues, or reports of album sale figures. At the core of it, there is a proficiency to be reached through sincere pursuit and practice, and to relate to the arranged sound in a deep way through an attentive unity of playing and listening. Musicians can relate to each other transcending their geography, culture, instrument, and musical tradition.

In so far as the developmental process goes, in philosophy too, a similar beginning is made. At one level, there is an identification with a broad approach or an ancient or modern tradition. A lot of name-dropping ensues and controversies are brought up for taking sides. What really matters though is the recreation of the spirit of a beautiful piece of Can gaining experience in intellectual heritage so it can the use of philosophical methods add to the quality of life in the and diligent updating of a dominant paradigm so that it can benefit many more in society or pave the way for a greater addition of new knowledge.

Philosophy is often taken to be about discord because there are contentions, counter-arguments and often vehement exchanges. Above the clamour, it is possible to realise that it can and does foster concord. In a sense, its function in nature is to maximise meaning.

THE JEWAR AIRPORT WILL BE COMPLETED AS PER THE SCHEDULED DEADLINE AND CREATE HUGE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN THE STATE. —UP CHIEF MINISTER YOGI ADITYANATH





THE BLUEPRINT OF THE JEWAR AIRPORT WAS PREPARED BY MAYAWATI. BUT THE THEN UPA **GOVERNMENT DID NOT ALLOW IT TO BE BUILT.** —BSP NATIONAL SPOKESPERSON **SUDHINDRA BHADORIA**

Climate justice to net-zero emission: A change in narrative

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India needs to emphasise to the world where its scorecard is better than many of the developed countries, who frequently lecture India on emission flows

Recently, yet another COPs meeting was held in Glasgow. Compared to the low-key meetings in the last couple of years, this year's meeting seems to have ended on a high note. The developed countries have been quite successful in delinking the narrative of stock of historical emission in the carbon space, contributed by the developed countries, to the issue of current emissions. The bad guys are of course the emerging

countries like India and China. The nudge towards this was slowly evident in the last few years when pressures in various forums was being built on developing countries to identify the peaking year of carbon emissions. Many countries including China followed suit and identified the peaking



year as per their development pathways. To my best knowledge, India never officially announced a peaking year even though they may have worked in the official circle before announcing 2070 as the target year for Net Zero emissions. A bold announcement by India's Prime Minister in a meeting like this gives a strong message. As I recollect, a similar

message by the Prime Minister in Paris meeting paves the way for the significant shift towards renewable in India's energy spectrum. However, the task is much more challenging this time. India has to depend mostly on own resources as developed countries are not very forthcoming in allocating funds to developing countries like India for the transition.



Moreover, as climate changes become more evident as years go by, it is expected that the pressure will be on all countries including India to advance the target year for net

zero emissions. Thus, India needs to do the homework seriously on pathways to reduce emissions. Also, India needs to emphasize to the world where its scorecard is better than many of the developed countries who frequently lecture India on emission flows. By and large, India approach most of the time.

For instance, there are two board sources of emission: consumption process as well as production process. It is in our interest where we stand vis-a-vis each of the components. On the consumption side, India's households emit a minuscule compared to the rich households of the developed countries. This is true even for the ultra-rich households of India versus the same in developed countries. This happens because of contrasting life. Many of the Indian consumer electrical goods are energy efficient due to the introduction of star rating system of such goods by BEES, thereby lowering emission. Similarly, most of the Indian personal automobiles are fuel-

guzzling automobiles of USA,leading to lower emission. However, Indians are not very forthcoming to point out these facts in the global meet with evidences. Alas, Indian researchers have not invested in this kind of fact-

finding research for global consumption. The production process needs more attention as most emission takes place here. Here also, there are sectors where Indian industries compare well with the developed ones. We need to do an objectives analysis of such cases and produce evidence to the world. In the process, we will know where we need to take corrective actions. Of course, these need in-depth research where the funds need to be invested

has taken has taken a laidback efficient compared to fuel by government and/or the private sector.

Over the years, a lot of investment came in the energy intensive sectors from the developed countries due to the laxity in Indian environmental norm. More such investments may be forthcoming as other countries strengthen their environmental norms to gear their economy towards net-zero emission target. It is high time that India also takes an objective decision regarding the environmental norm, how best these polluting industries may be modernized and whether the investment policy on establishing such industries should be revised. Our major trading partner, European Union, is discussing the imposition of a carbon border adjustment tax on imports based on the amount of carbon emissions resulting from the production of a product in question. India needs to have a well-thought-out policy on energy-intensive prod-

India's agricultural practices need introspection. Free power, free water in the Northern India belt has encouraged deep-water paddy cultivation practices which inadvertently leads to higher emission. India's farm sector nearly accounts for 14 per cent of the country's total greenhouse gas emissions, preceded by electricity (44 per cent) and manufacturing industries and construction sectors combined (18 per cent). Thus, the farm sector needs special focus if we have to achieve net zero emission.

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Blast near school in Somalia kills 8

Al-Shabab claims responsibility

Mogadishu: A large explosion outside a school in Somalia's capital on Thursday killed at least eight people, including students, witnesses said. The extremist group al-Shabab claimed responsibility for the attack. The al-Qaida-linked group controls large parts of rural Somalia and continues to frustrate efforts at rebuilding the Horn of Africa nation after three decades of conflict.

The blast sent a plume of smoke above a busy part of Mogadishu during the morning rush hour. The blast shredded part of the school, with emergency workers looking through the collapsed roof beams and wooden benches.

"We were extremely terrified by the blast," said teacher

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<u>Defendants:</u>
1) Mr. Amit Kumar Meena,

Gaziabad- 201001.(U.P.). 2) Mrs.Nisha Jharwa, W/o Mr. Mohamed Osman, who said he was explaining a lesson to students when the explosion occurred. "We were disorientated and we were covered with dust and smoke."

Police spokesman Abdifatah Adam Hassan said eight people were killed and 17 others wounded. "This is a tragedy," said Abdulkadir Adan of the Amin ambulance service, which rushed people to a hospital.

The casualties were fewer than might have occurred since Thursday is part of the weekend in Somalia, an overwhelmingly Muslim nation. Al-Shabab in a statement carried by its Andalus radio said it targeted Western officials being escorted by the African Union peacekeeping

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Defendants:

1) Mr. Mangeram, son of Ram Sharan Singh, Resident of UNIT Reference No. GDI 009123, Resident of Flat No. A-3102, First Floor, Springview Floors, New

Garden Isles, Jaipee Greens, Noida- 201301 (U.P.). Also: H. No. 08, Type-IV, Guatam Bhuddha University, Noida-201308. (U.P.). 2) Mrs. Prabha Rani Wife of Mr.

Mangeram, Resident of UNIT Reference No. GDI 009123, Garden Isles, Jaipee Greens, Noida- 201301 (U.P.). Also: H. No. 08, Type-IV, Guatam Bhuddha University, Noida-201308. (U.P.).

3) M/S. Jalprakash Associates Limited, Reg. Office: Jaypee Greens, Sector-128, Noida- 201304 (U.P.).

In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 06/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

Chinese military asks US to stop military activities in South China Sea after recent submarine incident

Beijing: The Chinese military on Thursday asked the US to stop "close-in reconnaissance, interference, provocation" in the disputed South China Sea after the recent accident involving an American nuclear-powered submarine in the region.

The USS Connecticut struck an object underwater in the South China Sea (SCS) last month. Eleven sailors on board the submarine were injured in the accident.

Commenting on the US Navy dismissing two senior officers of the nuclear-powered attack submarine, Chinese Defence Ministry Spokesman Sr. Col Wu Qian told media here that since the collision occurred, the US side's awkward and secretive attitude has inevitably raised doubts.

from Covid-19

Official figures released Thursday show Germany

has become the latest country

to pass the grim milestone of

100,000 deaths from Covid-19

Germany's disease control

संख्याः: 210/04/E-4/DR(JE)/2021-22

संबंध में महत्वपूर्ण तिथियाँ निम्नवत् हैं:-

आवेदन करने की प्रारम्भ तिथि

अन्तिम तिथि

01. ऑनलाईन विज्ञापन जारी करने/ऑनलाइन

02. ऑनलाईन आवेदन-पत्र जमा किये जाने की

since the pandemic began.

AP ■ BERLIN

Raising several questions over the

Germany latest country

to pass 100,000 deaths

activities of the submarine, Wu said, 'China believes the root causes of this incident are the extensive and highintensity close-in reconnaissance, interference, provocation and show of force made by the US military vessels in the Asia-Pacific region, as well as the United States' militarisation and navigation hegemony in the South China Sea".

We urge the US side to stop such activities immediately, so as to avoid beating its head against the wall," Wu The US in recent years has intensi-

fied aerial and naval patrols in the South

China Sea to assert freedom of naviga-

China claims most of the South China Sea. Vietnam, the Philippines, Malaysia, Brunei and Taiwan have

counter claims over the area.

agency says it recorded 351

additional deaths in connection

with the coronavirus over the

past 24 hours, taking the total

fifth country to pass that mark,

after Russia, the United

Kingdom, Italy and France.

In Europe, Germany is the

toll to 100,119.

उत्तराखण्ड लोक सेवा आयोग

<u>विज्ञप्ति</u>

'उत्तराखण्ड सम्मिलित राज्य कनिष्ठ अभियन्ता सेवा परीक्षा–2021' के अन्तर्गत

विभिन्न विभागों में कनिष्ठ अभियन्ता के रिक्त पदों पर सीधी भर्ती द्वारा चयन हेतु

अभ्यर्थियों से ऑनलाईन आवेदन—पत्र आमंत्रित किये जाते हैं। उक्त परीक्षा के

भर्ती से सम्बन्धित समस्त नियम, अर्हता और शर्ते आदि आयोग की वेबसाईट

www.ukpsc.gov.in पर उपलब्ध विज्ञापन में उल्लिखित है। अभ्यर्थी आवेदन

करने से पूर्व विज्ञापन का भली-भाँति अवलोकन करना सुनिश्चित करें। परीक्ष

आयोजन की तिथि एवं प्रवेश पत्र डाउनलोड करने संबंधी तिथि की सूचना पृथव

से दैनिक समाचार पत्रों एवं आयोग की वेबसाइट के माध्यम से प्रकाशित की जायेगी।

EU regulator authorises Pfizer's Covid vaccine for kids 5-11

AP ■ THE HAGUE

The European Union's drug regula-L tor on Thursday authorised Pfizer's coronavirus vaccine for use on children from 5 to 11 years old, clearing the way for shots to be administered to millions of elementary school pupils amid a new wave of infections sweeping across the continent.

It is the first time the European Medicines Agency has cleared a Covid-19 vaccine for use in young children. The agency said it "recommended

granting an extension of indication for the Covid-19 vaccine Comirnaty to include use in children aged 5 to 11." At least one country facing spiking infections didn't wait for the EMA approval. Authorities in the Austrian capital, Vienna, already have begun vaccinating the 5 to 11 age group. Europe is currently at the epicenter of

the pandemic and the World Health Organisation has warned the continent could see deaths top 2 million by the spring unless urgent measures are

The EMA green light for the vaccine developed by Pfizer and German company BioNTech has to be rubberstamped by the EU's executive branch, the European Commission, before health authorities in member states can begin administering shots.

Earlier this week, Germany's health minister Jens Spahn said shipping of vaccines for younger children in the EU would begin on Dec. 20.

The United States signed off on Pfizer's kids-sized shots earlier this month, followed by other countries including Canada. Pfizer tested a dose that is a third of the amount given to adults for elementary school-age

Bangladesh sends hundreds more Rohingya refugees to island

Dhaka: Bangladesh on Thursday began relocating hundreds of Rohingya refugees to an island in the Bay of Bengal, despite ongoing concerns from rights groups over the conditions on the vulnerable low-lying island and that no refugees should be sent

The Rohingya are a Muslim ethnic group, over 700,000 of whom fled persecution and violence in neighbouring Myanmar in August 2017. Bangladesh has been sheltering 1.1 million of the refugees in crowded camps near

A U.N.-sponsored investigation in 2018 recommended the prosecution of Myanmar's top military commanders on charges of genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity for the violence against the Rohingya.

A senior Bangladeshi official overseeing the relocation, Mohammad Shamsud Douza, said that a navy ship would take 379 refugees from Chattogram city to the Bhashan Char Island which lies off the country's southeastern coast.

"They are going there vol-untarily. All the 379 refugees have chosen to live there for a better and secure life," he told The Associated Press.

Interpol elects **United Arab Emirates official** as president

Istanbul: Interpol on Thursday elected a contentious official from the United Arab Emirates as its new president during the international law enforcement body's annual General Assembly held in Istanbul

Mai, Gen. Ahmed Naser al-Raisi, inspector general at the United Arab Emirates' interior ministry, was elected for one four-year term. He has been accused by human rights groups of involvement in torture and arbitrary detentions in the

Notice is hereby given to the General Public on behalf of Fullerton India Credit Company Ltd. that Mr. Ashok Kumar is owner of Property bearing No.42, area measuring 170 sq., yds., Part of Khasra No.1, Gall No. 3-A, Situated in the revenue estate of village Molarband, New Delhi, now Known as Molarband, P.O. Badarpur, New Delhi, vide a registered Gift Deed dated 27.11.2018, registration No. 6462, executed by Mrs. Ramwal, All persons are hereby informed that above mentioned owner want to take a Loan against the said property from Fullerton India Credit company Ltd. if anybody has any objection/s upon the ownership of Mr. Ashok Kumar in respect of the said property is Sale / Mortgage/ Litigation, & any kind of dispute, kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 07 days of the present.

Kumar & Associates (Advocates & Consultants) 200, Ilmd Proc, 23, Shivaji Marg, Mot Nagar, N. Delhi-15 Ph.: 011-41112527-28 kumarasocoates.advocate@gmail.com The vote for president was being closely watched since the first-ever Chinese president of the body, Meng Hongwei, vanished midway through his fouryear term on a return trip to China in 2018. It subsequently emerged that he had been detained, accused of bribery and other alleged crimes.

The international law enforcement body also said Valdecy Urquiza of Brazil was elected to the post of vice president for the Americas, while Garba Baba Umar of Nigeria was elected vice president for Africa.

Al-Raisi is accused of torture and has criminal complaints against him in five countries, including in France, where Interpol has its headquarters, and in Turkey, where the election is taking place.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is inform to all concerned that M/s D. & D. Garments Pvt. Ltd., B-15, Sector-1, Noida Distt. Gautam Budh Nagar U.P. through its Director Sh. B.R. Khanna S/o

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600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Temple,

(Area of Jurisdiction, Part of

Uttar Pradesh)

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O.A. No. 128/ 2021

Libya: Gadhafi son disqualified from running for president Benghazi: Libya's top elec-Seif al-Islam had been sen-

toral body on Wednesday disqualified the son and onetime heir apparent of the late dictator Moammar Gadhafi from running for president in elections to be held next month, citing his previous convictions.

The name of Seif al-Islam

Gadhafi appeared on a list of ineligible candidates issued by the country's High National Elections Committee. He can appeal the decision in court in

tenced to death by a Tripoli court in 2015 for using violence against protesters in a 2011 uprising against his father, but that ruling has since been called into question by Libya's rival authorities.

He is also wanted by the International Criminal Court on charges of crimes against humanity related to the upris-

Office of the Project Manager, Construction Unit, Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam, Pithoragarh फोन / फैक्सः 05964–224084 ई-मेलः pmpithoragarh@gmail.com

Letter No. 1317/NIVIDA/170

E-Tender Notice

Dated: 24.11.2021

Project Manager, Construction Unit, Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam, Near Hanuman Mandir, Pithoragarh (Pithoragarh) 262501, on behalf of Chairman Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam invites item rate tender on E-Government Procurement System (e-GPS) portal i.e. - http://www.uktenders.gov.in for following works :-Name of Work Estimated Letter Earnest Cost of Validity

No.		cost of work	No.	Money	Tender Documents (in Rs.)	Period	Completion period	Registration
1	Construction of Mini Stadium at Sosa (Tisiyankang), Block- Dharchula, Distt Pithoragarh	Rs. 72.76 Lacs	Letter No. 1309/ Nivida/167 Dt. 24.11.2021	Securing	+ GST@18% Total = Rs. 60/-	02	12	Category "B" (Building - Work) in
2	Construction of Mini Stadium at Manmanle (jholkhet), Block- Dharchula, Distt Pithoragarh	Rs. 74.01 Lacs	Letter No. 1310/ Nivida/168 Dt. 24.11.2021	er Bid Declar	Rs. 2000/-+ C (Rs.360) To 2360	Month	Month	Uttarakhand Peyjal Nigam

The Tender Form and other details can be downloaded from above portal from 25.11.2021 at 17:00 hrs. to 09.12.2021 at 17:00 hrs. Other details/information related to Addendum Corrigendum letter / Cancellation etc. related to the E-Tender can be seen on the portal www.uktenders.gov.in (Sanjeev Verma)

Project Manager

FORM NO.5 **DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL** 600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Mandir, Lucknow-226007

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O.A. No. 135/ 2021 (Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financia Institutions Act. 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure

Rules, 1993) O.A. No. 135/ 2021 Versus

Mr. Madhusudan Kumar & Others

Defendants: 1) Mr. Madhusudan Kumar, son of Shri Ashok Kumar, Resident of Flat No. 2102 Floor No.21 Tower-H Plot No.GH 16E, Future Estate Sector-01, Greater Noida-201307 (U.P.).

ALSO

Resident of Flat. No.1404, Divyansh Flora GC 2 Noida Extn. Greater Noida-201308(U.P.). 2) Mrs. Ashok Kumar

(as guarantor), Resident of Flat No. 2102, Floor No.21 Tower-H Plot No.GH-16E, Future Estate Sector-01, Greater Noida, Noida 201307(U.P.). **ALSO**

Resident of Flat. No.1404, Divyansh Flora GC 2 Noida Extn. Greater Noida-201308(U.P.). 3) M/S Future World Green Homes Pvt. Ltd. Reg. Office- Plot No. GH-16E, Sector 1, Greater Noida-201307.

In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any) personally or through your duly authorized agent or lega practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 10/01/2022 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your

which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence. Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

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& APPEARANCE BY PUBLICATION O.A. No. 93/ 2021 Date 27/09/2021

(Summons to defendant under Section 19(3), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act. 1993 read with Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993)

Original Application No. 93 of 2021 ICICI BANK LTD. Versus SANJEEV KUMAR VERMA &

OTHERS 1. MR. SANJEEV KUMAR

VERMA. B-3001, Ebony Greensare Homes Lal Kuan, Ghaziabad-201001, Uttar Pradesh

Also At: Flat No-305, 3rd Floor, Tower-D Spring View Heights, Village Shahpur, Bhameta, Ghaziabad-

201001, U.P. 2. MR. RAJIV KUMAR VERMA, B-3001, Ebony Greensare Homes Lal Kuan, Ghaziabad-201001, Uttar Pradesh

Also At: Flat No-305, 3rd Floor, D Spring View Heights, Village Shahpur, Bhameta, Ghaziabad-201001 3. SARE SAAMAG REALTY

Registered Office: B-67, Sarita Vihar, New Delhi-110076 Corporate Office:

Crescent park Township, Near Lal Kuan, NH-24, Ghaziabad-

In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 08/02/2022 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Luckno

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दिनाँक :: 25 नवम्बर, 2021

Sh. S.L. Khanna R/o C-45, South Extension Part-II, New Delhi. Had sold Residential Flat No.191-C, Block-B-10, Udaigiri-II, Sector-34, Noida Distt.Gautam Budh Nagar U.P. on General Power of Attorney basis to No. COS/CRJ/PUB/e-Tender/19/0162 U.P. on General Power of Attorney basis to the Following person (s) General Power Of Attorney was executed on 27/03/2003 in favour of Mr. P.A. Cheriar S/o Sh. P.M. Abraham R/o Flat No.191C Block B-10, Sector-34, Noida Distt Gautarr Date: 23/11/2021 The following e-Tenders can be accessed under the link www.ireps.gov.in. Offers for such e-Tender can be submitted only Block B-10, Sector-34, Noida Distt Gautam Budh Nagar, U.P. which is registered with the Sub-Registrar-III, Noida Book No.IV, Volume No.181 pages 15 to 24 at Document No.337 dated 27/03/2003 and the Agreement to Sell was not executed and not registered, so it is inform to all concerned that the said Residential Flat No. 191-C, Block-B-10, Udaigiri-II, Sector-34, Noida Distt. Gautam Budh Nagar U.P. is going to be transferred in favour of Mrs. Saramma Cherian W/o Sh.P.A. Cherian R/o Flat No.191C, Block-B-10, Sector-34, Noida electronically by accessing the link www.ireps.gov.in → login → E-Tender Stores/Supply. Vendors may also contact the following officials to obtain clarification regarding particular tender or IREPS related information if any Dy.CMM/HQ/CLW/Chittaranjan, 0341-2525594 or SMM/CON/HQ, 0341-2535631. Sl. No.; Tender No.; Brief Description of Item; Qty.; Earnest Saramma Chenan Wo Sh.P.A. Chenan Ro Flat No.191C, Block-B-10, Sector-34, Noida Distt. Gautam Budh Nagar U.P. If anyone has/have any objection he/she may file his/her objection along with the sufficient proof in the Housing Department (H) of the Noida Authority within 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice. Money Deposit (Rupees); Tender Closing Date & Time (IST): [1]; 75213707A; Crown Gear Coupling

Hurth Coupling) for WAP-5; 72.00 Numbers; 1132010.00; 15/12/2021 at 11:00AM. [2]; 75213724A. (i) Set of Helical Spring for WAP-5; (ii) Set of Helical Spring for WAP-7; 11.00 Set; 62.00 Set: 603660.00: 27/12/2021 at 11:00AM. [3]; 70210090; Gear Box Ca (Machined) complete for WAP-5; 72.00 Numbers; 1480550.00; 15/12/2021 at 11:00AM. [4]; 70215018; IGBT based composite converter with traction converter and hotel load converter for WAP-5; 48.00 Set; 5000000.00; 20/12/2021 at 11:00AM.

PR4-274 PCMM/CLW/CRJ Like us on: www.facebook.com/clwrailways **WESTERN RAILWAY**

Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY **OF VARIOUS SLEEPERS** Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts CS/2021/2. dated 24.11.2021 for tender on E Procurement mode only are invited Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993) by Chief Engineer (Track Supply), Head Quarter Office, Old Building, 2nd floor O.A. NO.128/2021 Churchgate, Mumbai: 400 020 for supply ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant of the following item:-Tender No. WTR/17/2021/6027. Short Description Mr. Anil Verma & Others ...Defendants

Manufacture and supply of various sleepers to suit 60 Kg UIC rail as per RDSO design and IRS specification No. Defendants:
1) M/S ATM Estates Pvt. Ltd. T-45 (Fourth Revision March-2021) and IRS specification No T-39 (Sixth Revision March-2021) as amended from time to time up to the date of opening of tender for pre-stressed concrete sleepers (Pretensioned type) duly loaded into Wagons/road vehicles (a) 1 in 12 Turnout sleeper sets to RDSO Drg. No. T-4218, Quantity: 113 sets. (b) 1 in 20 Turnout sleeper set to RDSO Drg. No. T-5858, Quantity :1 set . (c) SEJ sleepe to RDSO Drg. No.T-4149, Quantity: 6151 Nos. EMD: ₹16,61,200/-. Date of Opening: 05.01.2022. Tender Value (approx.): ₹8,30,59,794/-. Time closing of E-tender: 11.30 hrs. on the date of tender. NOTE: For detailed tender conditions/Corrigendum if any please visit www.ireps.gov.in and

www.wr.indianrailways.gov.in.

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Reg. Office- 8/33, 2nd Floor, Sat Bhravan School Marg, W.E.A., Karol Bagh, New Delhi-110005. In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in paper

book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any) personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 03/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

कार्यालय कार्यपालन अभियंता, लोक स्वास्थ्य यांत्रिकी खण्ड, गरियाबंद छत्तीसगढ eegar-phe-cg@nic in //ई-प्रोक्योरमेंट निविदा सूचना//

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143 / 22.11.2021	87306	दुल्ला, कोसमबुड़ा, कोसमी/छुरा	233.54
144 / 22.11.2021	87307	कोठीगॉव, कनसिंघी, रक्सी/छुरा	202.35
145 / 22.11.2021	87308	मदनपुर, बारुला, खरता / गरियाबंद (एकल ग्राम योजना)	181.45
146 / 22.11.2021	87309	बेहराबुड़ा, मैनपुर, मालगाँव/गरियाबंद (एकल ग्राम योजना)	189.65
147 / 22.11.2021	87310	छैलडोंगरी, गोहरापदर, इन्दागॉव, मदानमुड़ा/मैनपुर	394.87
148 / 22.11.2021	87311	कोदोभाठा, मुङ्गेलमाल, सरनाबहालै / मैनपुर	353.24
149 / 22.11.2021	87313	झरगॉव, गुढ़ियारी, खैरीपथरा / मैनपुर	384.35
150 / 22.11.2021	87314	हरदीभाठा, मैनपुरकला, कुल्हाड़ीघाट, मैनपुरखुर्द / मैनपुर	393.71
151/22.11.2021	87315	मुचबहाल, गुरुजीमाठा (काण्डेकेला/मैनपुर	371.77
152 / 22.11.2021	87316	बिजली / फिंगेश्वर	39.50
153 / 22.11.2021	87317	सिर्रीकला / फिंगेश्वर	44.29
154 / 22.11.2021	87319	हथखोज / फिंगेश्वर	46.08
155 / 22 11 2021	87320	रोबा / फिंगेश्वर	41.72

नोट:– उपरोक्त कार्यों की निविदा की सामान्य शर्ते, धरोहर राशि, विस्तृत निविदा विञ्नप्ति, निविदा दस्तावेज व अन्य जानकारी ई–प्रोक्योरमेंट वेबपोर्टल http:eproc.cgstate.gov.in दिनांक 27.11.2021 से देखी जा सकती है तथा बिड सबिमशन की अंतिम तिथि दिनांक 13.12.2021 है।

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TENDER NOTICE

APPOINTMENT OF C&AG EMPANELLED AUDITORS FOR REGULATORY AUDIT OF BOOKS OF ACCOUNT OF DISCOMS IN NCT OF DELHI FOR TRUE-UP OF FY 2020-21 . The Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC) invites sealed bids for the following:

a) Hiring of audit services for undertaking Regulatory Audit of Books of Account of New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) for True up of FY 2020-21. b) Hiring of audit services for undertaking Regulatory Audit of Books of Account of BSES

Rajdhani Power Limited (BRPL) for True up of FY 2020-21. c) Hiring of audit services for undertaking Regulatory Audit of Books of Account of BSES

Yamuna Power Limited (BYPL) for True up of FY 2020-21. d) Hiring of audit services for undertaking Regulatory Audit of Books of Account of Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited (TPDDL) for True up of FY 2020-21.

2. The copy of the DISCOM-wise Bid Documents is available on DERC website (www.derc.gov.in). Interested Bidders may participate and submit their DISCOM(s)-wise Bid proposal(s) to the Secretary of the Commission latest by 1300 hours on 21/12/2021, as per the following schedule:

Pre-Bid Meeting	8/12/2021 at 1100 nours
Last date of submission of Bid Proposals	21/12/2021 at 1300 hours
Opening of Technical Bids	21/12/2021 at 1500 hours
	920

Secretary **Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission**

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Jewar airport will **boost mkt: Realtors**

The proposed international The proposed internal airport at Jewar in Uttar Pradesh is likely to boost property market of Noida and Greater Noida and will bring the two cities at par with Gurugram, according to real estate developers and consul-

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday laid the foundation stone for the Noida International Airport at Jewar in Uttar Pradesh, which would be one of the largest in Asia.

Commenting on the development, industry body CREDAI-NCR President Pankaj Bajaj said: "Noida has been waiting for this day for 20 years. Noida has competed with Gurugram as the premier



Supporters of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) during the foundation stone laying ceremony for the Noida International Airport at Jewar, in Gautam Buddha Nagar

suburb of Delhi with one hand tied behind its back." Corporates and MNCs have always preferred Gurugram over Noida due to the proximity of Indira Gandhi International Airport, despite

Noida having better infra-

structure and access from Delhi, he said.

"Over the next few years, this differential will disappear," Bajaj said, adding that the sentiment in Noida market is reflecting the expectation of a property boom.

Black income detected after IT raids on some Indian entities, neighbouring Country-linked associates PTI NEW DELHI inating e inating evidence in the form of

The Income Tax Department has detected huge unaccounted income after it raided some Indian companies and their associates, being controlled by a neighbouring country, in Delhi, Maharashtra and Gujarat, the CBDT said on Thursday.

The searches were carried out on November 16 on at least 20 premises in Mumbai, Ahmedabad and Gandhidham in Guiarat and in Delhi. Those searched are engaged in the business of chemicals, ball bearings, machinery parts, and injection moulding machinery.

The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) said in a statement that ₹66 lakh cash was seized while bank accounts holding about ₹28 crore funds have been put under restraint. "A large number of incrim-

digital data showing earning of huge unaccounted income by these companies has been seized and it has been found that these companies are indulging in tax evasion through manipulation of books of accounts," the CBDT claimed. The CBDT frames policy for the Income Tax department.

"These companies have indulged in transferring funds by using a network of shell companies to a neighbouring country." "An estimated amount of ₹20 crore was transferred in the last two years through the above modus operandi," it said. The tax officials found that a Mumbaibased professional firm not only assisted in the formation of these shell companies but also provided dummy directors to these shell companies.

Banning cryptocurrencies could lead to more unlawful usage: BACC

The Blockchain and Crypto Assets Council (BACC), which is part of the Internet and Mobile Association of India (IAMAI) on Thursday said a blanket ban on cryptocurrencies will encourage non-state players, thereby leading to more unlawful usage of such currencies.

BACC's statement comes days after the government listed for introduction in Parliament a bill to ban all private cryptocurrencies, with some exceptions.

In a statement, IAMAI said there would be several negative outcomes of a ban such as zero accountability and traceability of the origin and end usage of the cryp-

tocurrencies; besides a complete evasion of taxes.

A ban will also adversely impact retail investors, it added. The Council has always argued in favour of prohibiting the usage of private cryp-tocurrencies as a currency in

On the other hand, the Council has advocated their use only as an asset.

India by law since usage as

currency is likely to interfere

with monetary policy and fis-cal controls, the statement

The Council said it believes that a smartly regulated crypto assets business will protect investors, help monitor Indian buyers and sellers, lead to better taxation of the industry, and limit illegal usage of

Markets stage a comeback as **RIL** rebounds over 6 pc

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Equity benchmark Sensex Lovercame a wobbly start to close with smart gains on Thursday, propelled by hectic buying in index heavyweight Reliance Industries amid expiry of monthly derivative contracts. A depreciating rupee, persistent foreign fund outflows and mixed global cues capped the gains, traders said. Reversing the previous session's losses, the 30-share index ended 454.10 points or 0.78 per cent higher at 58,795.09. Similarly, the broader NSE Nifty surged 121.20 points or 0.70 per cent to close at 17,536.25. Reliance Industries hogged the limelight in the Sensex pack, soaring 6.10 per cent, followed by ITC, Infosys.

Northern Railway GM meets MPs, briefs them about dev initiatives

Ashutosh Gangal, General Manager, Northern Railway held a meeting with the Ministers and Members of Parliament of constituencies that come under the jurisdiction of Ambala & Firozpur Divisions in Chandigarh on Thursday. This is in accordance with the directives given by Minister of Railways Ashwini Vaishnav, advising General Managers of Zonal Railways to increase public outreach to get feedback for providing better service to the nation. Railway related issues in each constituency were discussed with the public representatives to find solutions for the benefit of the passengers.

The GM welcomed the Members of Parliament and briefed them about the various developmental activities and new initiatives taken up by Northern Railway.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform all concerned that my husband COL. (DR.) N.K. BHATIA son of H.No.1160, Sector-33C, Chandigarh, was the co-owner of 50% Share in Residentia Flat No.119, Type-IV, 1st Floor, Arun Vihar, Sector-28, NOIDA, Distt. Gautam Budh favour which is registered in the office of Sub-Registrar, U.T., Chandigarh, in Book No.III, Volume No.315, on pages 102, as Document No.404 dt.05.06.2015.

And whereas my husband Col. (Dr.) N.K. Bhatia died on 25.08.2020 and after his death I, DR. BIMLA BHATIA wife of LATE LT.COL. (DR.) N.K. BHATIA. R/G to get mutation of his share in the said Authority within 30 days of the publication o

property in my favour. If anyone has any objection, he/she will submit his/he objection in the OSD(GHP), Deptt. of Noida this notice. DR. (MRS.) BIMLA BHATIA

Tender Notice No. S/67/2021-22, dtd 23-11-2021. E-Tender are invited by th ndersigned for the following work. SN Tender No.: 50/21/5112/OT/213/2

22. Brief Description P. L. No Quantity: Supply, installation configuration, testing and commissioning of STM-4 & STM-16 configuration, along with all accessories as per the details provided in Annexure-A & attached. Qty-1Nos for SSE/Tele/GHY Item Code No-5090N01.Closing Opening Date: 09-12-2021. <u>SN</u>: 2 Tender No.: 50/20/5104/A/OT/214/21 2. Brief Description P. L. No 8 Quantity: (1) PVC Insulated armoured unscreened, Under Ground Railwa Signalling Cable of Size 2 Core x 2. Sq.mm as per RDSO Specification No IRS:S-63/2014 (Rev.4) (i) Qty-3KM for Sr. Section Engineer/SIG/FKM. Iter Code No.-5611N001. (ii) Qty- 8KM for SSE/SIG/GHY, Item Code No 5611N002. (iii) Qtv-40 KM for SSE/SIG LMG, Item Code No. 4020N003. (iv) Qty-1KM for SSE/SIG/DMV, Item Code No 4020N004. (v) Qty-1KM for SSE/SIG BPB, Item Code No.-4020N005. (vi) Qty 6KM for SSE/SIG/BPB, Item Code No. 4020N006. (vii) Qty-3KM for SSE/SIG KIR, Item Code No.-5611N007, (viii) Qty 15KM for SSE/SIG/NJP, Item Code No 5611N008. (ix) Qty-2KM for SSE/SIG APDJ, Item Code No.-5611N009. (x) Qty 3KM for SSE/SIG/APDJ, Item Code No 5611N010. (xi) Qty-5KM for SSE/SIG APDJ, Item Code No.-5611N011. (xii Qty-8KM for SSE/SIG/DMV, Item Code No.-4020N012.Closing/Opening Date 06-12-2021. NOTE :- For full details of Tender Notice and Tender Documents Tenderer may log on to the website (www.ireps.gov.in) prospective bidde who intend to participate in above tender are required to log in themselves with th electronically, if they are already registered with IREPS. In case they are not registered with IREPS, they are advised to obtain class-III Digital Signatur Certificate from the certifying agencies

participate in the above tenders. **NORTHEAST FRONTIER RAILWAY**

inder Govt. of India IT Act 2000 an



UJVN LIMITED

Date Extension Notice-10 e-NIT No. NCB/01/EE/PCM-DKP/TN/2021-22 & NCB/02/EE/PCM-DKP/TN/2021-22 invited by the office of the Executive Engineer Project Civil Maintenance-Dakpathar is being extended as below

Last Date & Time for submission of bids: Upto 17:00 hrs of 06.12.2021 Date & Time of Opening of bids on the portal: at 11:00 hrs of 07.12.2021 Information regarding Addendum/Corrigendum/Cancellation etc. of tender may be obtained from the website.

Full & Further Details of tender can be seen from the e- procurement portal "https://uktenders.gov.in". Executive Engineer(PCM

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उत्तराखण्ड पेयजल निगम, हल्द्वानी

कार्य का नाम- जल जीवन मिशन कार्यक्रम में टू-बिड सिस्टम के अनुसार रूद्रपुर गदरपुर एवं बाजपुर विकासखण्ड के अन्तर्गत निम्नेलिखित पेयजल योजनाओं में पम्प हाउस, उच्च जलाशय, राइजिंग मेन, वितरण प्रणाली, एफ०एच०टी०सी०, टेस्टिंग, कमिशनिंग आदि एवं अन्य तत्संबंधी कार्य ।

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	निविदा आमंत्रण की तिथि	25.11.2021				
2	ऑनलाइन प्रकाशन की तिथि	26.11.2021, 17:00 बजे				

दस्तावेज डाउनलोड : प्रारम्भ तिथि 26.11.2021, 10:00 बजे एवं अंतिम तिथि 09.12.2021, 17:00 बजे। 4 प्री बिड बैठक 30.11.2021, 13:00 बजे

बिड अपलोडिंग : प्रारम्भ तिथि 01.12.2021, 10:00 बजे एवं अंतिम तिधि

09.12.2021, 17:00 बजे। 10.12.2021, 17:00 बजे 6 दस्तावेज को ऑफलाइन जमा करने की तिथि 13.12.2021, 12:00 बजे तकनीकी बिड खोलने की तिथि

निविदा की पूर्ण जानकारी, शुद्धि-पत्र निरस्तीकरण www.uktenders.gov.in, वेबसाइट पर लॉग-इन करें।

Form G INVITATION FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST Inder Regulation 36A (1) of the Insolvency and Bankru

Relevant particulars					
ı	1.	Name of the corporate debtor	DHSL TEXTILES (INDIA) LIMITED		
Г	2.	Date of Incorporation of Corporate Debtor	19.12.1984		
	Authority under which Corporate Debtor is incorporated / registered		ROC-Delhi		
	4.	Corporate identity number / limited liability identification number of corporate debtor	L51900DL1984PLC019624		
	5.	Address of the registered office and principal office (if any) of the Corporate Debtor	R-815 New Rajinder Nagar, New Delhi-110060, India		
	6.	Insolvency commencement date in respect of Corporate Debtor	04.10.2021		
ı	7.	Date of invitation of expression of interest	26.11.2021		
	8.	Eligibility for resolution applicants under section 25(2)(h) of the Code is available at:			

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o) If any company's including holding compan
subsidiary company or group company is having the
amount as NPA in less than 12 months, the
company including holding company, subsidia
company or group company will be ineligible to subn
the Possibilities also. d) There is no default on the part of the Company in file The latest Audited Financial statements and for income tax return and for GST Returns (if application for the FY 2020-2021 or thereafter Further detail can be sought by emailing

http://ibbi.gov.in/webfront/legalframework.php (Official website of IBBI-Legal framework-Update Code) Also details can be sought by emailing- Norms of ineligibility applicable under section 29A are available at: cirp.dhsltextiles@gmail.com 10. Last date for receipt of expression of interest 11.12.2021 Date of issue of provisional list of prospective resolution applicants 12. Last date for submission of objections to 26.12.2021

13. Date of issue of final list of prospective olution applicants 14. Date of issue of information memorandum, 26.12.2021 evaluation matrix and request for resolutio plans to prospective resolution applicants 15. Manner of obtaining request for resolution Details can be obtained by e-mailing at

Nazim@mnkassociates.com; emorandum and further information cirp.dhsltextiles@gmail.com 16. Last date for submission of resolution plans 25.01.2022 17. Manner of submitting resolution plans to resolution professional Sylectronic mode through email Nazim@mnkassociates.com; cirp.dhsltextiles@gmail.com

18. Estimated date for submission of resolution 24.02.2022 plan to the Adjudicating Authority for approve Name and registration number of the resolution professional Name: Mohd Nazim Khan Reg No: IBBI/IPA-002/IP-N00076/2017-18/10207 Name, Address and e-email of the Name: Mohd Nazim Khan resolution professional, as registered

22. Further Details are available at or with

Address: G-41, Ground Floor, West Patel Nagar,New Delhi-110008 Email: nazim@mnkassociates.com; cirp.dhsltextiles@gmail.com 21. Address and email to be used for Address: G-41, Ground Floor, West Patel Naga correspondence with the resolution Email: nazim@mnkassociates.com

Detail can be obtained by emailing at

23. Date of publication of Form G Resolution Professional DHSL Textiles (India) Limited IBBI Reg No. IBBI/IPA-002/IP-N00076/2017-18/10207 Date: 25.11.2021

FORM NO.5 DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL 600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Mandir, Lucknow-226007

(Area of Jurisdiction-Part of Uttar Pradesh) Summons for filing & Appearance by Publication O.A.No. 308/2020

Date. 28.10.2021 (Summons to defendant under section 19(3) of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery
Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993) **Original Application** No. 308 of 2020

Versus ICICI BANK LTD. SRI ROHIT KUMAR & OTHERS

III E-94, Nehru Nagar, Ghaziabad- 201001, U.P. Apt No. 0502, 5th Floor, Sec-MU, Tower-19, Capella Uniworld, City, Plot No. GH-01, Gr. Noida-

. ROHIT KUMAR

2. RUBAL KUMAR III E-94, Nehru Nagar, Ghaziabad-201001, U.P.

Apt No. 0502, 5th Floor, Sec-MU, Tower-19, Capella Uniworld, City, Plot No. GH-01, Gr. Noida-

3. M/S UNITECH LTD. Registered Office at: 6, Community Centre, Saket, New Delhi-110017 Corporate Office at: P-7, Sector-18, Noida-201301

In the above noted application, you are required to file in Paper Bool form in two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel/duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to 21/01/2022 at 10.30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decide in your absence Registrar

FORM NO.5

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL

600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Temple,

Lucknow - 226007

(Area of Jurisdiction. Part of Uttar

Pradesh and Uttaranchal)

SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY

& APPEARANCE BY

PUBLICATION

O.A. No. 123/ 2021

Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial

Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts

Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993) O.A. NO.123/2021

ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant Versus

...Defendants

Mr. Manish Rangwani & Others

1) Mr. Manish Ranghwani, son of Shri Gopi Chand Rangwani, Resident of Flat No. 1001, 10TH

Floor Sunworld Arista, Phase LI, Tower-9. Plot No.Gh 01/C, Sector 168, Noida, Gautam Buddha

ALSO: Resident of H-95 Shastri Nagar, Rajasthan, Jodhpur-342003.

2) Mrs. Vaneeta Rangwani, Wife

Floor Sunworld Arista, Phase Li, Tower-9, Plot No.Gh 01/C, Secto 168, Noida, Gautam Buddha

Nagar- 201301. (U.P.). ALSO Resident of H-95 Shastri

Nagar, Rajasthan, Jodhpur-342003. 3) M/S Sunworld Residency Pvt.

Ltd. Reg. Office- 117 Hans Bhawan, 1 Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002.

In the above noted application, you

are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with

documents and affidavits (if any)

personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly

authorized agent after publication

of the summons, and thereafter to

appear before the Tribunal on 09/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing

which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

of Mr. Manish Ranghwani, Resident of Flat No. 1001, 10

Nagar-201301. (U.P.).

Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

FORM NO.5 **DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL** 600/1, University Road, Near

Lucknow - 226007 (Area of Jurisdiction. Part of Utta Pradesh and Uttaranchal) SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY & APPEARANCE BY **PUBLICATION**

O.A. No. 127/ 2021 Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993) O.A. NO.127/2021

ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant Versus Mr. Vinod Kumar & Others

...Defendants

1) Mr. Vinod Kumar, son of Shri Bhagwan Das, Resident of Flat No. 802, 8th Floor, Sunworld Arista Phase LI, Tower-9, Plot No. Gh 01/C. Sector-168, Noida, Gutam Buddha Nagar- 201301. (U.P.). ALSO: Resident of D-111, Shashtri Nagar, Jodhpur- 342001 2) Mr. Pankaj Kherajam, Son of Shri. Bhagwan Das, Resident of Flat No. 802, 8th Floor, Sunworld Arista Phase Li, Tower-9, Plot

No.Gh 01/C, Sector-168, Noida, Gutam Buddha Nagar-201301. ALSO Resident of D-111, Shashtri Nagar, Jodhpur- 342001 3) M/S Sunworld Residency Pvt. Ltd. Reg. Office- 117 Hans Bhawan, 1 Bahadur Shah Zafar

Marg, New Delhi- 110002. In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in paper documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

FORM NO.5 DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL

600/1, University Road, Nea Hanuman Setu Temple,

Lucknow - 226007 (Area of Jurisdiction. Part of Uttar

Pradesh)

SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY

PUBLICATION

O.A. No. 136/ 2021

Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of

Debts due to Banks and Financia

Institutions Act, 1993 read with

Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure

O.A. NO.136/2021

ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant Versus

...Defendants

Mr. Naba Jyoti Burah & Others

1. Mr. Naba Jyoti Burah, son of

Shri Satindra Kumar Burah, Resident of Flat No. 1504, 15TH

Floor, Meghdutam Encore, Tower C and D, Tower-D Sc 1gh 05, Sec Adjoining Techzone 4 Greater Noida, Noida- 201307 (U.P.).

ALSO: Resident of H. No.153

2. Mrs. Jonali Naba lyoti Burah, Wife of Mr. Naba Jyoti Burah, Resident of Flat No. 1504, 15TH

Resident of Flat No. 1504, 151H Floor, Meghdutam Encore, Tower C and D, Tower-D Sc 1gh 05, Sec Adjoining Techzone 4 Greater Noida, Noida-201307(U.P.).

3. M/S Palm Developers Pvt. Ltd. Reg. Office-718/21, Joshi road, Karolbagh, New Delhi-110005.

In the above noted application, you

are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with

documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after

serving copy of the same on the

authorized agent after publication

of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on

18/01/2022 at 10:30 A.M. failing

which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

ALSO: Resident of H. No.153.

Saurav Nagar Belatala, Guwahati- 781028.

Saurav Nagar Belatala, Guwahati- 781028.

Rules, 1993)

Defendants:

FORM NO.5 **DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL** 600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Mandir, Lucknow-

226007 (Ares of Jurisdiction Part of Uttar Pradesh) SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY & APPEARANCE BY

PUBLICATION O.A. No. 452/ 2021 Date 26/10/2021 (Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of

Debts due to Banks and Financia Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993) **Original Application** No. 452 of 2021

ICICI BANK LTD. ...Applicant Versus Mr. MR. PANKAJ KHERAJANI & OTHERS

1. PANKAJ KHERAJANI

D-111, Shashtri Nagar, Jodhpur, Rajasthan 342001 Also At: Flat No. 901, 9th floor, tower 9 Sunworld Arista, gh-1C, Sector 168, Noida, Gautam buddha Nagar 201301, U.P 2. MRS. KHUSHBOO WAGHANI Flat 501, treasure park Sant Nagar, Padmavati, Pune-9

Flat No. 901, 9th floor, tower 9 Sunworld Arista, gh-1C, Sector 168, Noida, Gautam buddha Nagar 201301, U.P. 3. M/S. SUNWORLD RESIDENCY PVT. LTD.

Registered Office: New Delhi-110002

In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in pape book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 06/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL 600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Temple,

Lucknow - 226007 (Area of Jurisdiction. Part of Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal)
SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY **PUBLICATION**

O.A. No. 121/2021

Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993) O.A. NO.121/2021

ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant Versus Mr. Azhar Hussain & Others

Defendants: 1) Mr. Azhar Hussain, son of Shri Izhar Hussain, Resident of Flat No. 1202, 12H Floor, Tower Sector-22d, Noida, Gautam

Buddha Nagar- 201301. (U.P.).

ALSO: Resident of Flat No. 63 Ground Floor Onaxe Royal Stree Near Jd Celebration Jhaijar Road, Bahadurgarh-124507. 2) Mrs. Jasmine, Wife of Mr. Azhar Hussain, Resident of Flat No. 1202, 12th Floor, Tower Valencia Oasis, Grandstand, Sector-22d, Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar 201301. U.P.

ALSO: Resident of Flat No. 63 Ground Floor Onaxe Royal Street Near .ld Celebration .lhaijar Road, Bahadurgarh-124507.

3) M/S Oasisi Realtech Pvt. Ltd. Reg. Office-A-77, Sector 2 Noida 201301.(U.P.).

In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 09/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal

FORM NO.5 DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL 600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Temple, Lucknow - 226007

(Area of Jurisdiction. Part of Uttar Pradesh) SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY & APPEARANCE BY PUBLICATION

O.A. No. 129/2020 Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993)

O.A. NO.129/2020 ICICI Bank Ltd. Mr. Harish Manghwani & Others

Defendants: Defendants:
1) Mr. Harish Manghwani, son of Shri Parshotam Manghwani, Resident of Flat No. 801, 8th Floor Tower-9, Sunworld Arista Phase Li, Plot No. Gh 01/C, Sector 168, Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar- 201301. (U.P.).

ALSO Resident of Mudit Mansion 3rd Floor 302 Pal Lank Road, Jodhpur- 342001.
2) Mrs. Raini Harsih Manghwani.

2) Mrs. Rajni Harsih Manghwani Wife of Mr. Harish Manghwani, Resident of Flat No. 801, 8th Floor Tower-9, Sunworld Arista Phase LI, Plot No.Gh 01/C, Sector 168, Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar-201301. (U.P.). ALSO Resident of Mudit Mansion 3rd Floor 302 Pal Lank Road, Jodhpur- 342001.

3) M/S Sunworld Residency
Pvt. Ltd. Reg. Office- 117 Hans
Bhawan, 1 Bahadur Saan Marg, New Delhi-110002. In the above noted application, you

are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 23/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your absence

Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknov

FORM NO.5 **DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL** 600/1, University Road, Near

Hanuman Setu Temple, Lucknow - 226007 (Area of Jurisdiction. Part of Uttai Pradesh) SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY

& APPEARANCE BY PUBLICATION O.A. No. 131/2021

Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993) O.A. NO.131/2021

ICICI Bank Ltd. ...Applicant Mrs. Nameeta Bansal & Others ...Defendants

Defendants: 1. Mrs. Nameeta Bansal.

Daughter of Harsha Sharma, Resident of Flat No. 501, 5th Floor, Meghdutam Encore, Tower A Sports City Plot No Gh 05, Sec Adjoining Techzone Iv Greater Noida 201307 (U.P.). ALSO: Resident of D-36 Gharonda Appartments S Gharonda Appartments Shrestha Vihar Delhi- 110092

2. Mr. Arjun Bansal Son of Ajay Bansal, Resident of Flat No. 501 5th Floor, Meghdutam Encore, Tower A Sports City Plot No Gh 05, Sec Adjoining Techzone IV Greater Noida 201307 (U.P.). ALSO: Resident of D-36 Gharonda Association

Gharonda Appartments Shrestha Vihar Delhi-110092 3. M/S Palm Developers Pvt. Ltd. Reg. Office-718/21, Joshi road, Karolbagh, New Delhi- 110005. In the above noted application, you

are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any) personally or through your duly practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 23/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

FORM NO.5 DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL 600/1, University Road, Near Hanuman Setu Mandir, Lucknow

(Area of Jurisdiction Part of Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal)
SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY & APPEARANCE BY PUBLICATION O.A. No. 126/ 2021

226007

(Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financia Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993)

O.A. No. 126/ 2021 ICICI BANK LTD. ...Ap Mr. Pankaj Kumar Tiwary & Others ...Defendant

Defendants:

1) Mr. Pankaj Kumar Tiwary, 7) Mr. Pankaj Kumar Tiwary, Son of Shamhu Nath Tiwary, Resident of Flat No. T1 303, 3rd Floor Tower T1 Unnati the, Aranya Heights Plot No Gh-02. Sec-119 Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar 201(U.P.).

Also, G-601 M Aroma 6th Floor, Sec-75 Noida-201301(U.P.) 2) Mrs. Ritu Tiwari Wife of Pankaj Kumar Tiwary, Resident of Flat No. T1-303, 3rd Floor Tower T1 Unnati The, Aranya Heights Plot No GH-02, Sec-119 Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar 201301(U.P.).

Also. G-601 J M Aroma 6H Floor, Sec-75 Noida-201301(U.P.). 3) M/S. Unnati Fortune Holdings Limited, Reg. Office at B-117 Sector-67 Noida - 201301 (UP.).

In the above noted application, you are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 06/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal Lucknow

FORM NO.5 **DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL** 600/1, University Road, Near 226007

(Area of Jurisdiction Part of Uttar Pradesh and Uttaranchal) SUMMONS FOR FILING REPLY & APPEARANCE BY PUBLICATION O.A. No. 122/ 2021

(Summons to defendant under Section 19(4), of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 read with Rules 12 and 13 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal (Procedure Rules, 1993)

O.A. No. 122/ 2021 ICICI BANK LTD. ...Applicant Versus

1) Mr. Praveen Kumar Maduri, son of Shri Kashinadham Maduri

Mr. Praveen Kumar Maduri & Others ...Defendant Defendants:

Ashok Kumar, Resident of Flat No. 1506,14th Floor Tower-T15, Sare Crescent Park P 4 Sector 92, Gurgaon-122001.(Haryana). ALSO

Resident of Flat C 508, Icon Appartmentchi 3, Greater Noida 201301(U.P.). 2) Mrs. Maduri Archana,

wife of Mr. Praveen Kumar Maduri, Resident of Flat No. 1506,14tH Floor Tower-T15, Sare Crescent Parc P 4 Sector-92, Gurgaon 122001.(Haryana). ALSO Resident of Flat C 508, Icon Appartmentchi 3, Greate Noida 201301(U.P.).

3) M/S Ramprastha SARE Realty Pvt. Ltd. Reg. Office - C-10, C Block Market Vasant Vihar, New Delhi-110057. In the above noted application, you

are required to file reply in paper book form in Two sets along with documents and affidavits (if any), personally or through your duly authorized agent or legal practitioner in this Tribunal, after serving copy of the same on the applicant or his counsel / duly authorized agent after publication of the summons, and thereafter to appear before the Tribunal on 09/12/2021 at 10:30 A.M. failing which the application shall be heard and decided in your

Registrar Debts Recovery Tribunal

Lucknow



ONE FACE, MANY VOICES

Dhindora is a baby step towards a bigger aspiration, my own universe, BHUVAN BAM tells Khushbu Kirti on the recent launch of his independent web-series

Bhuvan Bam, or commonly known as BB, is an Indian comedian who changed the face of YouTube for artists in India. He blazed a path that wasn't as yet to be as well trod as it is now. The comedian, writer, singer and song-writer has donned another feather in his cap by releasing his new creation, Dhindora.

Flying high on the IMDb charts with a whopping 9.8, *Dhindora* was recently created by BB on his popular YouTube channel, BB Ki Vines. The star did not have to wait for an OTT to approach him, but decided to take matters into his own hand and, sure enough, became the first Indian digital content creator to launch his independent web-series.

In a candid conversation, BB opened up about his master-piece. An excerpt from the interview is as fol-

*From making YouTube videos on your phone to featuring in Forbes 30 under 30, how has the journey been?

The journey's been exciting. Have had the opportunity to meet and work with so many people.

*You are the first Indian digital content creator to launch your independent web series, Dhindora. Would love to know everything about the

Dhindora is a baby step towards a bigger aspiration, my own universe. To create good stories with my char-

'SATIRE THROUGH **COMEDY IS THE BEST WAY TO** INTERACT WITH THE AUDIENCE. I'D LIKE THE PEOPLE SITTING ON THE TOPMOST POSITION IN THE OTT HIERARCHY TO INVEST IN **NEWCOMERS AND** NOT JUST STICK TO THEIR OLD SCHOOL

DATA NUMBERS.

acters in it. Dhindora being the first show of its kind, is a cluster of all my life experiences presented with humour and drama. How middle class aspirations and expectations lead to chaos. How society behaves differently in your ups and downs. *Dhindora* is a satire, a reflection of society.

*You are the one-man army behind and in Dhindora. What was the thought behind it? And your vision/objective of it.

The thought behind Dhindora was to create a universe of my own. Where all my characters bring in different emotions, where they are combined together to portray various faces of our society.

*What is the significance of the

Dhindora is a word that I've been hearing from people since childhood. 'Bagal mein chora, sheher mein dhindora' means something you are searching for is near you and you are busy chasing the world. It fits perfectly with the context of the show because of the chaos created by one of the characters.

*Creating an episodic show out of mainstream OTT platforms, on YouTube, how was the experience?

Creating this show on YouTube was a smooth platform experience. They gave us the opportunity to act our vision out but since it was a

unique project (one man and 10 characters), shooting it was a task. Everyone on the set learnt the process through the making of the show itself. Makeup and costumes were time consuming, and since I was the only actor on set, things became tedious.

What has been the most enjoyable part of being in the comedy sector?

Satire through comedy is the best ay to interact with the audience. I'd like the people sitting on the topmost position in the OTT hierarchy to invest in newcomers and not just stick to their old school data numbers. People are ready to watch something new, and new concepts will automatically win your attention.

*As a fellow DUite, I want to ask you if open mics and fest season was how you got into comedy? Did it start with stand-up shows?

I did try stand up comedy once for an OTT platform and wouldn't want to try that again because it's a difficult craft. Kudos to all the stand up comedians but not my cup of tea.

*What are your plans for the future? Are there any upcoming gigs your fans should look out for? Or Dhindora 2,3?

Dhindora season 2 is definitely on the cards but apart from that, I'm working on a few more projects that are in the pipeline under BBKV

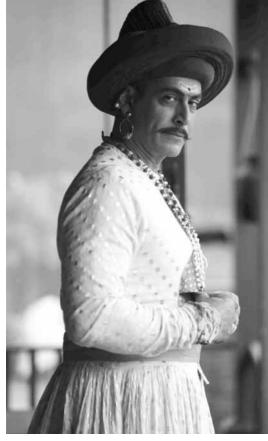
Tune into diction

"My co-actress Aishwarya Narkar is helping me with the proper Marathi dialect for my role," shares Kashibai Bajirao Ballal star TARUN KHANNA. By TEAM VIVA

Over the years, Zee TV has introduced the audience to India's leaders and royal figures who have had a significant impact on the country's historical and cultural heritage. After Jodha Akbar and Jhansi ki Rani, Zee TV recently introduced viewers to the untold story of one of the most iconic women of the Maratha empire Kashibai Bajirao Ballal. The show premiered recently where Tarun Khanna portrays Balaji Vishwanath.

role of Bajirao's father -Balaji Vishwanath Ballal in the show, who was a powerful soldier in the army of Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj. He also holds a senior position in the king's court and is known for his wisdom and wordplay. To play this role of Balaji authentically on the small screen, Tarun has learnt the proper Marathi dialect.

As the actor shared, "I was honoured to be offered a challenging role like this and I am very excited to portray the part of Peshwa Balaii Vishwanath Ballal on our show. It holds such a strong historical relevance in our nation's vast history and I will give my 100 per cent to play the role as authentically as possible. I believe that everyone should prepare for their roles very rigorously, especially while portraying great historical leaders. I have been learning the proper Marathi dialect to personify my character and do justice to my role in Kashibai Bajirao Ballal. But it is a little difficult to be fluent in the enunciation at all times. Nevertheless, my



co-actress Aishwarva Narkar is helping me with the proper Marathi dialect as well as with the proper pronunciations of the 'shudh Marathi' words. I also help her with Hindi words. So it is a give and take between us. I feel it is really important for an actor to convince his audience and present an authentic character as they can on screen, and these are the baby steps we all take for our viewers. I really hope they continue liking me as Balaji Vishwanath Ballal.'

While Khanna is working hard to get into the skin of the character and bring an impactful character to the screen, the untold story of Kashibai is unfolding on our small screens. In the upcoming episodes we will also see Shivubai and Bhawanibai becoming hindrances in Kashibai's life, but will Kashi and Bajirao still end up being together?

(Watch Kashibai Bajirao Ballal every Monday to Friday at 8 pm, only on Zee TV.)

The earth is being plundered and its resources exploited at such a rapid rate that future generations face a frightening scenario. In fact, it wouldn't be incorrect to say that with the continued destruction of the ecosystem, the existence of life on earth itself is under threat.

done at an individual level in mental agencies to do the heavy lifting. But a change is imperative for every drop counts and does add up to make the proverbial ocean. 'Going organic' is a dynamic way to get started and

nurture the ecosystem?

is certified organic.

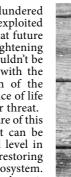
Most of us are aware of this

but vague about what can be order to contribute to restoring and preserving the ecosystem. More often than not, we leave it to the government and environcontribute.

◆Eat organic

Excessive use of such chemicals in conventional farming practices contaminates the soil, water and air and allows the development of disease resistance in plant-eating insects, fungi and bacteria. Organic farming relies on ecologically based pest control mechanisms and vermicomposting to ensure maximum preservation of environmental resources.

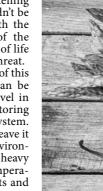
No use of chemicals during organic farming helps in preserving and improving soil health. The practise also wards off soil erosion and decreases nitrate leaching into groundwater and surface water, and recycles animal wastes back into the farm. Such farming practices have a positive impact on the ecosystem, additionally promoting biodiversity to the



means adopting lifestyle practices that do not harm the environment, and instead help restore, preserve and nurture it. how we can go about it and help preserve the earth's ecosystem.

This translates to choosing foods grown the organic way. What is organic farming and how does it help preserve and

> Organic Foods: Must-Know 1) Ensure that the product 2) Authentic organic foods



What does 'going organic' translate to? To put it simply, it

towards a more sustainable lifestyle in India carry these labels: India Organic, EÚ Organic or USDA

Organic labels. 3) Organic foods and supplements are healthier since no chemicals are used in growing or preserving the food or supplements.

♦Wear sustainable fashion

Several fashion brands are rushing to initiate their ecofriendly fashion lines — clothes made of plant-based fibres and developed in an ethical manner. The manufacturing process in a sustainable fashion setup does not involve polluting the water, soil and the environment. On the other hand, synthetic fabrics are made using chemicals and manufacturing processes that deplete and damage the ecosys-

'Going organic' also means we buy fewer clothes, opt for more durable iterations and avoid what is termed as 'fast



fashion'. (Remember, the more clothes we use, the more of earth's resources we use up.) 'Fast fashion' means churning out frequent lines of cheap clothing, using quick-fix chemicals, dyes and practices of manufacturing that include destruction of the environment, polluting of waters and more.

Going Organic: A leap towards ecosystem restoration

Subrata Dutta believes that if humans have to survive, they need to switch

Opt for sustainable fashion or clothes manufactured using ethical practises that help nurture and protect the ecosystem. In this case, less is truly more.

♦Other ways to 'Go Organic' Opt for local produce: This supports the community's economy, helping it thrive. One of the key pillars of 'going organ-ic' is to support the most prized of earth's bounties: mankind. So, buy local. Another way this helps support the ecosystem is by reducing greenhouse gas emissions by cutting on the transport of food from distant

Use 'green' products: Read labels and be mindful of all products that you use — from house-cleaning agents and cosmetics to your garbage bags and containers. Look for cleaning products that do not include phosphates and phthalates;

avoid non-degradable plastic (the frightening videos of plastic clogging up the earth are not fictitious); opt for jute bags and glass containers and shun cosmetics that are harmful to animals or contain damaging chemicals (check the Environmental Working Group website for more).

It's time to do away with the careless, consumerist lifestyles that most of us tend to indulge

Use transport more efficiently: Change your car to one that guzzles less fuel — a limited natural resource. Cut down on the use of vehicles by combining errands, opting for carpool or walking more often. You will be reducing the greenhouse gas emission that leads to global warming that and continues to be one of the biggest threats to the ecosystem.

(The author is group managing director, Organic India.)

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JUMPED ON THE IDEA: TRIPATHI

PANKAJ TRIPATHI is on a roll as the actor recently wrapped up Akshay Kumar-starrer OMG and has now started shooting for Srijit Mukherjee's film Sherdil, where he plays the

Sharing his experience of working with Mukherjee, Tripathi says, "He is a fabulous director and needs no introduction. When Sherdil was offered to me, I jumped on the idea. The story has a definite character in itself. It is a beautifully written script and I trust him to bring each character to life convincingly. That's his USP."



'Falling in love is something very subjective and we can't judge a person for their choices because, at the end of the day, it's your heart. You can't direct your heart to do things that a particular person would feel is morally right or wrong. What might be right to you might be wrong for the other person. Considering all the flaws that we all are living with, we should not sit and judge

dailytalk ABHISHEK BACHCHAN



'Mentally, I got stuck because we had to shut down our shoot halfway through because of the lockdown and we were about 80 per cent done with Bob Biswas. And, we had another 10-15 days of work left. I became between 100-105 kilos during the shoot.Throughout the lock-down, I had to maintain that weight that I had to put on for my character. That was touah.

I WANTED THAT ROLE SO BAD: LEVI

ZACHARY LEVI reveals he auditioned for the role of Star-Lord and ended up helping to get cast as Shazam. Levi took up the role of the superhero in the DC universe, and is one of the most fun movies of the DCEU.

"James [Gunn] and I were friends, we would have game nights at each other's homes, and had a lot of mutual friends. He had asked me to come in and read for Star-Lord, and I did. It led to the next step, and then all of a sudden, I was camera testing. I wanted that role so bad, like so, so, so bad," he shared.

NEED FOR NUTRITION

after four cups of coffee

Touted and widely adopted as the universal beverage to ward off sleep and keep you alert, awake and ready to take on the day, a daily cup of coffee has practically become a ritual for most of us. It's also not uncommon to reach for a few extra cups or a shot of espresso when you feel that all-too-familiar energy slump in the middle of

However, when you're down four cups of coffee and still find yourself struggling to muster the energy and focus needed for the simplest tasks, it's important to realise that your body isn't craving caffeine. What it needs instead is

Despite its ubiquitous presence across energising beverages, scientifically speaking, caffeine (the principal stimulant in coffee) isn't exactly the ultimate energy elixir it is made out to be. It works by binding to the receptors of adenosine, (a neurotransmitter that builds up in your body as you exert yourself and relaxes your brain making you feel tired), and thus blocks these receptors and stops them from being activated. This prevents you from feeling how tired you actually are temporarily but it also makes you feel even more exhausted once the effects of the caffeine wear off

It is a time-tested fact that Ayurveda has solutions for all our skin, hair, body and wellness related woes. Playing

an instrumental role in

Ayurveda are some herbs and

natural extracts that heal mul-

tiple conditions like blemish-

es, dark spots, greasy scalp,

dandruff and more. Here are

some herbs and natural

extracts that can make our hair

healthy shiny and volumi-

Amla contains a signifi-

cant amount of fatty acids,

approximately 60 per cent of

linoleic acid and almost 29 per

cent of oleic acid. Its Vitamin

E content in the form of a-

tocopherol, in addition to

maleic acid and phyllanthin,

▲Hairloss prevention

Essential fatty acids affect our hair metabolism to a great

extent. The deficit of fatty

acids essential has cutaneous

are beneficial to hair.



certainly do wonders for your alertness, it offers little to no nutritional value by itself. In fact, coffee actually blocks the absorption of vital energising micronutrients (vitamins and minerals) in your body and inhibits their ability to initiate natural metabolic and energy generation processes in your body.

Our bodies need a regular and balanced combination of macro and micronutrients to generate a steady stream of energy. Some of the most important ones needed in this context are vitamins D, B12 and B9 (folic acid). They act as catalysts in the energy generation process and help convert the macronutrients (like carbohydrates, fats and proteins) from the food you eat into

Think of macronutrients as the fuel you need to sustain a fire and micronutrients as the match that you need to light it in the first place. Any deficiency in either of these will lead to the fire being extinguished or to

slump in daily energy levels as you cross the 30-year old mark but this is far from normal and is not due to

age but is instead due to a lack of nutrients in our bodies.

ciencies in vitamins B9 and B12.

This is largely due to the fact that we actually animal protein.

(The author is the founder and

In addition, henna also has tannins in its composition. The tannins are capable of precipitating extracellular enzymes secreted by infectious microorganisms thanks to their activity astringent. This is why it means that these compounds have the ability to fight damage caused by these microorganisms. This makes henna useful in formulating cosmetic products with purification and antiseptic.

Many tannins, especially hydrolyzable tannins, inhibit lipid peroxidation by ADP and acid ascorbic in rat liver mitochondria. In vitro, they are free radical scavengers,

Flavonoids have antioxidant activity, which depends primarily on your ability to reduce free radicals and metal chelates, avoiding free radical catalytic reactions. Henna is highly recommended in the formulation of cosmetic products intended to protect the skin and hair from oxidative



Lifestyle changes v/s fad diets

Bringing about changes in the way you live your life can help to move the weighing scale's needle move left, says Ruchi Sharma

You will do much better if you set your goals that have more to do with health rather than weight. Putting all your efforts in lowering the numbers on the weight scale can lead to fluctuating cycles of losing and regaining weight, lower selfesteem and a complex relationship with food and body image. A permanent challenge cannot be fixed with quick fixes like crash diets. Focusing on finding positive results in lifestyle changes will help you ace in the long run than just lowering the points on the weight scale. Instead of fat loss, setting wellnessrelated goals will result in the best of both worlds; you will get healthier, energised and will be able to lose weight as well. Here is a guide to some of the reasons for you to concentrate more on making lifestyle changes than focusing on mere fat

*Compromised immune function

People often run after crash or fad diets to get overnight results rather than following a healthy route for weight loss. Following various crash diets deprives them of essential vitamins and minerals which eventually weakens their natural immune function. An extremely fat-restricted diet results in insufficient intake of fat-soluble vitamins such as vitamin A, D, E and K. Since these vitamins are involved in thousands of bodily processes, their deficiency leads to weakening of immune function which can make you more prone to illnesses. Hence, making sustainable choices that last longer will have a positive impact on your health along with supporting you with weight loss.

Stress managementThe majority of people go straight to the diets that claim to help them lose fat without taking note of the habits that cause them to binge eat. How well you manage your stress is one of the most important lifestyle changes that has a direct effect on your weight. is believed to increase the levels of

cortisol in the body. Higher levels of cortisol stimulate your appetite which eventually leads to either weight gain or it may cause difficulty losing undesired pounds. So, instead of swiftly shifting to fat-loss diets, make the lifestyle changes that will help you in the long run as it is said; a permanent challenge cannot be sorted with quick fixes.

Wellness over fat loss goals Being healthy and taking care

of your wellness is way more rewarding than just focusing on losing fat. Being conscious about your wellness will not only help you stay healthy and focused, but it will help you lose that unwanted fat as well. Wellness is all about taking care of your sleep, managing your stress, and keeping yourself relaxed and fit through physical activity and meditation. Making these true lifestyle changes is going to take a bit of your hard work but in the end, it's totally worth it. Fixing your sleep cycle together with proper physical activity is the healthiest approach towards losing fat. It will give you the best of both worlds; you will stay healthy and focused and it will support sustainable weight loss as well.

*****Hair and skin health

Your hair and skin are two very important parts that define your appearance and need to be taken some extra care of. However, your extreme obsession with fat loss may lead to a deficiency of essential vitamins and minerals that your skin and hair need. This can hamper your skin and hair health by making your hair look dull and fall out easily and by making your skin dry and pale. Here's your sign to gear up for long term lifestyle changes instead of just focusing on losing

Long-lasting lifestyle modifications enable them to lose fat along-side maintaining their overall wellbeing. Health should come first and you should make sustainable and healthful choices to support both

and founder, Eat Fit Repeat.)

Ayurveda for the mane

CLELIA CECILIA ANGELON suggests tapping into these herbs for hair that is healthy, shiny and voluminous



<u>LISTINGS</u>

present in *amla* plays a key role in preventing hair loss, as it stimulates microcirculation of the scalp and recovers the dystrophic cells of the hair bulb. The acceleration of microcirculation is because vitamin E favours the recovery of movement of the

and baby corn salad and grilled

and oven-roasted lamb salad

with carrot and haricot vert;

multi-grain and gluten-free

breads and rolls; a variety of

pizzas; pastas with choice of

creamy sundried tomato sauce;

Cajun marinated cottage cheese

prawns, Red snapper, sea bass

with a choice of marinates. The

arrabiata, white sauce, and

stuffed steaks and grilled

icing on all this is the cake

Sunday brunch starting in

Christmas celebrations.

the Martini Bar, besides

making ceremony during the

November and leading up to

The Sunday Brunch

beverages menu offers a wide

range of alcoholic beverages

including a selection of world-

mocktails, juices, milkshakes,

smoothies and fruit punch for

The Brunch packages

•Champagne Brunch: ₹5,995/-

++ per person (₹7781.51 AI)

•Premium Liquor Brunch:

Brunch & Soft Beverages:

•Kids Brunch: ₹2,195/-++ per

(Children between eight-12 years

When: 12:30pm - 3:3 0pm, every

Where: The Claridges Garden

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offered by The Claridges are:

class martinis and cocktails from

freshly baked French baguettes,

chicken sausage with bell pepper,

manifestations such as scalp dermatitis, alopecia and hair de-pigmentation. These sympveins and arteries, toms can be reversed by topithus favouring its cal application of rich oils in decongestion. This

In addition, the Vitamin E mulating cosmetic products

with an effect of anti-alopecia due to its high content of linoleic acid and vitamin E.

▲ Hair conditioning
There is strong evidence that vitamin E may play an important role in protecting against hair damage caused by excessive heat and dryness as well as offering protection from breakage by brushing and



tion of cosmetic products with activities like hair conditioning, moisturising, fibre repair, hair colour protection and anti-

HENNA

Henna has high concentrations of Gallic acid, betacoumarins, Sitosterol, flavonoids, mucilages, terpenes, naphthoquinone and Therefore, Amla is medicinal and cosmetic prop- organisms.

CHOCOLATE BROWNIE MUESLI

- Phab chocolate brownie bar: 1
- Oats: 1/2 cup

WHAT YOU NEED

- Cocoa nibs: 1 tbsp
- Almond milk: 1/2 cup
- Strawberries: 2-3 Blue berries: 1 tbsp
- Ruby chocolate: 1 tbsp
- Roasted hazelnut: 1 tbsp
- Honey: 1 tsp
- Almonds: 15 gm
- Nutella: 1 tbsp

 Take oats, add almonds, hazelnut and some of the ruby chocolate.

your wellness and fat loss.

- Add almond milk to the oats mix and let it soak for an hour. Now add sliced chocolate brownie
- bar on top of the soaked oats.
- Add ruby chocolate, almonds, hazelnuts and berries.
- To add crunch, put in some cocoa
- Drizzle with some nutella and honey.
- Your breakfast is ready to serve.

the mixture well.

Courtesy: Gayatri Chona

WEEKEND BRUNCH AT THE CLARIDGES

With the onset of winter, The Claridges New Delhi has unveiled its first-of-its-kind Sunday Brunch.

The Sunday Brunch has become an essential culinary experience in the Delhi winters, with The Claridges offering cuisines from across the globe, including signature dishes from its celebrated restaurants -Dhaba, Pickwick, Jade, Sevilla and Ye Old Bakery - prepared by seasoned culinary experts. This year, the hotel has

carefully crafted a fine gourmet spread under the winter sun when it comes to a luxurious, elegant and lavish Sunday brunch experience in Lutyens Delhi. A brunch that's all about warmth, togetherness, and excitement

Guests can savour a multitude of European, Oriental and Indian dishes from a vast selection of delectable soups, appetisers, salads, grills, main course and desserts from the interactive counters set up in the Garden. The menu highlights include dim sums, pizzas, pastas, Mexican and Spanish food, a variety of salads and cheese, grills and roasts and a dedicated Oriental counter serving tempura dishes, dim sums and sushi. Notable among the delicacies are antipasti courses like preserved calamari, marinated olives medley and Mediterranean vegetable with cherry tomato; salads like shredded carrot with asparagus

Commune, Aerocity and get ready for an action-packed

TACO FIESTA AT ONE8 COMMUNE Come out to the Inaugural Taco Festival being held at One8

time filled with a variety of tacos on the menu curated by the celebrated chef — Pawan Bisht. Preparations have been made to capture the spirit of Mexican culture in all its glory to give customers a flavour of Mexico with a desi fusion. With a vast variety of

tacos being offered, chef brings out the recipe with a desi twist such as Asparagus Bandel chop tacos made with Thenla, home-style mixed

pickle and cream cheese mousse and lettuce, Jamaican jerk brie tacos made with Madua roti (finger millet flour), pico de gallo, sour cream and lettuce for the vegetarians in the house and Kasundi fish tacos made with Bhakri, oven-cooked fish, lettuce and lemon wedge, No bread chicken tacos made with spicy chicken, creamy cilantro dressing and romaine lettuce; Shredded mutton kosha tacos made with Missi roti, sour cream, lettuce and red cabbage are some of the taco delicacies in the menu for the non-vegetarians.

Dive right into the colourful culinary world of tacos and especially curated gin cocktails in Bhu Kombucha. When: Till December 5

Where: One8 Commune, Aerocity

FRESH SANGRIA MENU AT MAMAGOTO

Mamagoto has launched an exciting Sangria menu that will satisfy your soul, as well as elevate your dining experiences this winter season The limited menu sees the

launch of a huge variety of their favourite beverage, including the Passionate ginger and Orange juice sangria, Plum and pineapple sangria, Strawberry and thyme sangria and all-time favourite winter cocktails, White and red mulled wines, which will keep you coming back for more. A glass of the sangria or mulled wine is priced at ₹499/++ whereas, a pitcher is priced at ₹1299/++.

With a wide variety of vegetarian and non vegetarian dishes on the table, Mamagoto's new sangria menu goes perfectly with some of their classic favourites such as the Rainbow



edamame with cream cheese, crab meat with edamame dimsums, among many others.

of sangria only at ₹999/-. With stunning decor, the perfect Mamagoto is certainly the ideal place to be at this season. When: Until February 2022 Where: All Mamagoto outlets in



sushi, their Wild mushroom Truffle oil dimsums, and Prawn &

That's not all. With every sushi order, you can get a pitcher atmosphere, great offers and the most delectable pan-asian cuisine,

MUSHROOM SOUP

- WHAT YOU NEED Mushrooms (sliced or chopped): 250 gms (white butter or cremini)
- Butter: 1-2 tbsp
- Bay leaf: 1

1 tbsp

- Onion (finely chopped): 1 medium size
- Garlic (finely chopped): 4-5 cloves
- Whole wheat flour (atta) or all-purpose flour (maida):
- Salt: as per taste
- Black pepper: as per taste Water/vegetable stock/ mushroom stock/ chicken stock: 1 cup
- Whole milk/ full-flat milk (at room temperature): 1 cup
- Low fat cream/ heavy cream/whipping cream: 3-4
- Parsley/coriander leaves/herbs (finely chopped): as per choice



METHOD

- Heat two tablespoons of butter in a pan.
- Once the butter has melted, add the bay leaf. Sauté it for a minute or two until it turns fragrant.
- Now, add onion and garlic and sauté them till the onions become translucent. Kindly note that we do not have to turn them brown.
- Add the mushrooms and continue to mix till the mushrooms start releasing water.
- the water dries up in the pan and the mushrooms turn golden brown. At this stage, add flour.
- Continue to mix on low
- Keep stirring the mix at regular intervals. Cook it until the raw aroma of the flour goes away.
- Now, add water or stock as per your choice. Stir and mix it well.
- Add the milk and again stir

Season it with salt and pepper. If you want chunky soup,

mixture on a low flame until it thickens. Keep stirring it in between. If you want a smooth soup, then you can cool down the mixture to room

temperature and blend

then continue to cook the

- everything well with the help of a blender. For this stage, please remove the bay leaf. Now, reheat the soup and
- add cream. Stir and mix well. Remove the soup from the

pan and serve it hot by

- garnishing it with the herbs of your choice. You could enjoy it as it is or with croutons, toasted
- bread, sandwich or mixed vegetables salad by the side.
- Courtesy: Rubaina Adhikari

JHOOMER SINHA answers the pertinent question, why we remain tired even



instead of giving your body the nutrients it needs to generate more energy and banish fatigue for good. While coffee in moderation can

a literal crash in your energy levels. It is common to observe a 80 per cent of Indians are defi-

cient in vitamin D, one of the most vital components needed for us to feel energetic. While our bodies are actually capable of naturally producing this nutrient when exposed to sunlight, the need to supplement our diets with an additional intake of vitamin D in order to compensate for this deficiency cannot be overstated. A lot of Indians also exhibit defi-

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ing properties. Incidentally,

some naphthoquinones are

used in cosmetics as natural

colourants. In addition to

being an important fungicide,

naphthoquinones bind with

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Henna, by its virtue of containing tannins and

flavonoids, can strengthen the

roots, reduce irritation to the

scalp and strengthen the hair. In addition to it, the presence

antibacterial and fungicidal

properties. The presence of

naphthoquinones in wood

from certain trees allows us to

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tend to observe diets that are predominantly vegetarian and the best natural source of these vitamins is

Adding health supplements that are rich in vitamins D, B12 and folic acid to your diet is a great way to prevent such deficiencies, bridge nutrition gaps that occur in your diet and directly increase your energy

CEO of Hea Boosters.) erties.

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ON DEBUT, IYER SHOWS THE WAY AS INDIA SCORE 258/4

ebutant Shreyas Iyer was guts, aggression and flair rolled into one during an unbeaten knock of 75, which was nothing short of a baptism by fire, as India ended on 258 for four on the first day of the opening Test against New Zealand here on

On a pitch that had variable bounce and didn't offer enough pace off it, Iyer put his best foot forward while facing 136 balls, hitting seven boundaries and two sixes on his very first day in office in the longest format.

Coming in at 106 for 3 at the fall of Cheteshwar Pujara's (26 off 88 balls) wicket, the debutant, in another half an hour, found his skipper Ajinkya Rahane's (33 off 65 balls) promising knock come to a halt as Kyle Jamieson (15.2-6-47-3) and Tim Southee (16.4-3-43-1) rocked the middle-

order in inspiring post-lunch spells. But at 144 for 4, Iyer took charge with senior all-rounder Ravindra Jadeja (50 batting, 100 balls) for company as they resurrected the innings, at the same time batting with a lot of intent to keep the score-

Jadeja scored his 17th Test fifty and did

the delight of the crowd.

One doesn't know if Sunil Gavaskar, while presenting the India Cap to Iyer, mentioned about a very special player to him. Someone, who had announced his arrival at this very ground 52 years back in 1969 against Bill Lawry's Australia.

There are very few in Indian cricket who have received unadulterated love like Gavaskar's illustrious brother-in-law Gundappa Viswanath.

His hundred on debut at this very ground is a part of Indian cricket's most warmly recounted folklores.

They say every blade of grass at Green Park had felt punch in Viswanath's shots and remembers him forever.

He might not be of Viswanath's class but from Thursday onwards, Green Park will also remember Iyer for once again proving the old concrete jungle saying: "A good player, is a good player, is a good player.'

Doesn't matter whether one hails from a T20 generation, what ultimately matters is sound temperament to succeed at high-

Iyer proved that all those hard yards put in during Ranji Trophy and the 1000 plus



runs season that he once had, haven't gone

It did help that he wasn't just looking to survive but score as there were pull shots, lap scoops, drives down the ground and

ing in the manner he played Jamieson and Southee with caution.

The six over long on off left-arm spin-

There was Mumbai's 'khadoos' school-

ner Ajaz Patel, while giving him the charge, was that of a vintage 50-over batter and the shuffle towards off-stump to play the lap scoop off left-arm spinner Rachin Ravindra was straight from the IPL play-book.

Iver had it all and it was on display. Ít did help that Patel (21-6-78-0) and off-break bowler William Somerville (24-2-60-0) didn't find any ways to assist the pressure that was time and again created by the

Patel, who literally bowls with a halfstep-full-jump run-up, either pitched too short or gave the ball enough air to give batters the option to either cut him or come

down the track to drive him off length. Shubman Gill (52 off 93 balls) did that with elan before perishing on a day when a hundred was there for the taking and he looked good to reach the landmark before Jamieson exposed the gap between his bat and pad. But there was no stopping Iyer, who save a strong leg before appeal by Sommerville that turned out to be an Umpire's Call, was ready to wait for the loose deliveries. The 113-run unbroken partnership between Jadeja and Iyer might prove

to be the winning one in the final analysis. That's because if India's batters found

Mominul tells B'desh to 'close

tion to what is being said. My

job is to bring back focus. You

cannot stop anyone from talk-

ing. So it's better to keep your

ears closed," he said on

Adding to their woes, star

the Black Caps' willow wielders, with very little experience of dealing with Ravichandran Ashwin, Axar Patel and Jadeja in these conditions, will find it doubly difficult.

If Iyer's debut innings was the brightest spot, comeback man Gill's taking the attack back to the opposition camp in the first session couldn't be seen in isolation either. It was a stage that was set by Gill and had Jamieson not bowled a beauty with the old ball, he should have completed what was expected to be his maiden Test hundred.

But more importantly what Gill and Iyer did on the day was to send another warning signal for Pujara and Rahane, who are now on borrowed time.

Rahane was done in by low bounce when he was expecting the ball from a near 7 feet tall Jamieson to rear up. With 12 Tests without a big score (India might not bat twice), Rahane's record is not reading too well for a stand-in skipper.

Similarly, Pujara being stopped from scoring by spinners, whom younger players like Gill and Iyer played freely, is an indicator that he either has to reinvent himself

Pressure mounts on Pujara-Rahane ahead of SA tour

¬ime is running out for Cheteshwar Pujara and Ajinkya Rahane after another failure and this time, in reasonably conducive home conditions against an attack which wasn't half as threatening as Australia and England.

Both Pujara and Rahane squandered decent starts on a day when the willows of debutant Shreyas Iyer and Shubman Gill produced half centuries against New Zealand in the opening Test here. And the failure was against

an attack which did not have

the immensely talented and ing moisture makes life difficult crafty Trent Boult, whose for batters.

(Pujara) in this Test match. The Indian squad for the South Africa series will be announced in some days and

even if the seasoned duo board that flight to Johannesburg, captain Virat Kohli, head coach Rahul Dravid and white-ball captain Rohit Sharma, who is an integral part of red ball think-tank will have to take an enormous leap of faith to give them a whole series in the Rainbow Nation

Test match scenario and Gill

being back among runs, albeit as an opener, would certainly set

alarm bells ringing for the captain (Rahane) and vice-captain

Before KL Rahul got injured, Gill was being considered as a middle-order enforcer, an option they want to check out in long-term.

He played as an opener but Gill's highest overseas firstclass score on foreign soil is 204 batting at No.5 in the West Indies, when he was there with the A team. Without a doubt, Iyer has responded well and made a case for himself.

So if Gill and Iyer, both of whom have come through the ranks now push the door open, there are only two vulnerable slots at the moment — Pujara

This is not the first time

ears' ahead of Pakistan Tests

 $B_{\text{Haque urged his team-}}^{\text{angladesh captain Mominul}}$ mates to ignore criticism and concentrate on the job at hand ahead of the Test series at home against Pakistan beginning on Friday.

The hosts kick off the new

Test Championship cycle with the two-match series against Pakistan starting in Chittagong, having never beaten the visitors either at home or away. The series follows a dismal

run in T20Is, with Bangladesh losing eight consecutive matches. Five losses at the World Cup were followed by a three-nil whitewash at home by semifinalists Pakistan.

Bangladesh have gone through such a phase. We have over

come such times before too," player Shakib Al Hasan, batssaid Test captain Mominul, man Tamim Iqbal and an inwho was not part of T20 side. form all-rounder Taskin "People got mentally Ahmed, will all miss the first weak... because they pay atten-Test due to injury.

Pakistan captain Babar Azam insisted his team will not take the hosts lightly in their home conditions.

'This looks a typical Bangladeshi pitch which will help spinners.

Man City, PSG, Real, Inter qualify for R16

APF MANCHESTER

Manchester City beat Paris Saint-Germain 2-1 on Wednesday but both clubs qualified for the last 16 of the Champions League, along with Real Madrid, Inter Milan and Sporting Lisbon. Gabriel Jesus tapped in

from Bernardo Silva's deft knockdown on 76 minutes to settle an absorbing match at the Etihad after Raheem Sterling had cancelled out Kylian Mbappe's goal. Before Jesus sent the crowd

wild in Manchester, Neymar shot wide to blow a golden Lionel Messi had a low-key

among the substitutes, was not called on to make his PSG Pep Guardiola's City, the

game and Sergio Ramos, named

beaten finalists last season, are guaranteed of winning Group



A, while PSG qualified in secbecause RB Leipzig thrashed Club Brugge 5-0 in Belgium.

Karim Benzema scored just hours after being found guilty by a French court in a blackmail case as Real Madrid eased past Sheriff Tiraspol 3-0 to reach the knockout stage.

The French striker notched

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his team's third goal of a confident display in Transnistria after David Alaba's free-kick and Toni Kroos' strike as Real took revenge for their shock 2-1 loss to Sheriff in Madrid earlier this season.

Iyer's arrival with a bang in

The victory sent the Spanish giants back to the top of Group D, two points clear of second-placed Inter Milan, who also qualified for the last 16 after beating Shakhtar Donetsk 2-0 thanks to two Edin Dzeko

Sporting Lisbon reached the knockout phase for the first time since the 2008-2009 season as they beat Borussia Portuguese capital.

Liverpool were already qualified for the last 16 going into their tie against Porto at Anfield and Thiago Alcantara's superb low shot and Mohamed Salah's sixth goal of this season's group phase wrapped up a comfortable 2-0 win.

Oz bowlers want Paine as wk for Ashes: Lyon best keeper in the world," he said.

AP ■ BRISBANE

Australia's bowlers want Tim Paine behind the stumps for the first Ashes Test against England because he is "the best keeper in the world", spin king Nathan Lyon said on Thursday.

Paine quit as Test captain in disgrace last week over a historical text message scandal, but is keen to keep playing. Selectors must decide

whether to cut him loose and start afresh or show loyalty amid a groundswell of support to keep him in the team for the opening 8. Opener Marcus Harris on Wednesday said Paine had the backing of the Australian squad and Lyon — who is one wicket away from claiming 400 Test scalps — reiterated this. "The selectors always said they were going to pick the best available XI and in my eyes Tim Paine is the



9th Convocation

On Friday, 26th November 2021 at 10:30 AM



His Excellency, The Governor of Odisha

Prof. Ganeshi Lal

Visitor, Centurion University Will preside over the Ceremony



His Excellency, The Australian High Commissioner to India

Mr. Barry O' Farrell AO

Chief Guest Will deliver the commencement Address

Lakshya set to become youngest Indian to qualify for World Tour Finals

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

India's Lakshya Sen is set to become the youngest shuttler from the country to qualify for the season-ending HSBC BWF World Tour Finals which will be held in Bali, Indonesia from December 1. The 20-year-old from Almora has enjoyed an impressive run on the BWF world tour and is currently ranked fifth in the World Tour rankings. He will join Kidambi Srikanth (ranked 3rd) in the men's singles competition, twotime Olympic medallist P V Sindhu (4th) in women's singles and women's doubles pair of Ashwini Ponnappa and N Sikki Reddy (6th) at the event, which was shifted from Guangzhou to Bali due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Srikanth, Sameer Verma, Sindhu and London bronzemedallist Saina Nehwal have competed in the year-ending tournament in the past. While Sindhu is the only

Indian to win the BWF World Tour Finals in 2018, Saina had reached the summit clash of the BWF Superseries Finals in 2011.

Srikanth and Sameer have reached the knockout stage but couldn't enter the finals.

Lakshya, who claimed five titles in 2019 before COVID-19 suspended the international circuit, has been on a roll with a final finish at Dubai Open and semifinal results at Denmark Masters and Hylo



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