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# SP stitching alliances to take on BJP

# Mamata meets PM; Swamy hogs limelight

**Akhilesh meets AAP leader Sanjay Singh and Apna Dal leader Krishna Patel****BISWAJEET BANERJEE ■ LUCKNOW**

Shedding its Covid-period inertia, the Samajwadi Party is racing ahead with its plan to stitch up alliances with smaller parties to take on the BJP in the forthcoming Assembly polls in Uttar Pradesh.

In an attempt to strengthen the caste alliance further, Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav met senior Aam Adami Party (AAP) leader and Rajya Sabha member Sanjay Singh and Apna Dal (Krishna Group) president Krishna Patel separately on Wednesday, fuelling speculation of further alliances.

Krishna Patel later declared that her party will share stage with the Samajwadi Party in near future but did not elaborate on the seat arrangement.

The meeting between Akhilesh and Singh took place at Janeshwar Mishra Trust building in Lucknow and lasted for about an hour. This was the third meeting of the AAP leader and Akhilesh.

"In an attempt to give respite to the people of UP from the BJP, we are trying to come together and talks regarding a possible alliance have been initiated," Singh said.



Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav meets AAP leader Sanjay Singh in Lucknow on Wednesday PTI

Recently Singh had visited the residence of SP patriarch Mulayam Singh Yadav and greeted him on his birthday.

Political pundits believe that if the SP and the AAP forge an alliance, it will boost their chances in the urban areas where the BJP has stronghold.

Earlier in the day, Patel met Akhilesh. She claimed that her deal with the SP is final now and very soon leaders of both parties would share a common platform.

Another faction of Apna Dal led by Union Minister Anupriya Patel has an alliance with the ruling BJP.

Akhilesh has already forged alliance with Suheldeo Rajbhar Bhartiya Samaj Party (SBSP) which has a strong base among Rajbhar community in east UP. Besides, the SP also has tied up with Mahan Dal, which has influence among the Maurya-Kachi and Kushwaha community in east and central UP. Last month, the

SP had entered into an alliance with the Jan Kranti Party dominated by Lonia community.

Earlier on Tuesday, Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD) chief Jayant Choudhury had met with Akhilesh regarding alliance for the coming UP Assembly elections.



Rebel Congress MLA Aditi Singh (L) and BSP MLA from Azamgarh Vandana Singh join the BJP at the party office in Lucknow on Wednesday PTI

## Rebel Cong, BSP MLAs join BJP

**PNS ■ LUCKNOW**

The Congress and the BSP received another setback in Uttar Pradesh before the crucial Assembly polls when rebel Congress MLA Aditi Singh from Rae Bareilly's Sadar seat joined the BJP; and rebel BSP MLA from Sagri seat of Azamgarh district Vandana Singh did the same.

Vandana was suspended by the BSP for anti-party activities. She said the BSP never heard her side and suspended her without any reason. "Thereafter I met Yogi Adityanath and he asked me to join BJP," she said.

Leaders of various political parties took the membership of the BJP in the presence of BJP State president Swatantra Dev

Singh in Lucknow.

Welcoming both the leaders, Singh said joining of these sitting MLAs gives a clear picture of what will happen in 2022 Assembly polls.

Aditi has been criticising the Congress and hailing the policies of the BJP Government for a long time. Recently, Aditi had said she wanted to be a part of Yogi's team and claimed Yogi is the most popular CM.

Aditi had even criticised Priyanka Gandhi saying she is only doing drama. "If she had been aware of women's pride, she would have first acted against her personal secretary Sandeep Singh, who has been booked for molesting a woman," Aditi had said.

**PNS ■ NEW DELHI**

TMC supremo and West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on Wednesday called on Prime Minister Narendra Modi to discuss a range of issues, including demand for withdrawal of the order extending the BSF's jurisdiction in the State. She also invited the PM to inaugurate the Global Business Meet scheduled in Kolkata for April 2022.

However, what caused more attention during the day was senior BJP leader Subramanian Swamy calling on the TMC chief a day after the regional party inducted several senior party members of the Congress and the JD(U).

Swamy, however, oblique-

## Bengal CM urges Modi to withdraw order on extension of BSF jurisdiction

ly scotched the possibility of him joining the Trinamool Congress. "I was already with her (Mamata). There is no need for me to join the party," he told the media.

Swamy who has often praised Mamata on social media met her at TMC general secretary Abhishek Banerjee's official residence in the national Capital. After meeting the Trinamool Congress chief, Swamy said they discussed the political scenario in Bengal.



Prime Minister Narendra Modi meets West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee in New Delhi on Wednesday PTI

## CAPSULE

### ISIS THREAT TO GAMBHIR: SECURITY AT RESIDENCE

**New Delhi:** Security has been beefed up outside the residence of BJP MP Gautam Gambhir here after he received an alleged death threat from "ISIS Kashmir", officials said on Wednesday.

### 3 TERRORISTS KILLED IN ENCOUNTER

**Srinagar:** Three unidentified terrorists were killed in an encounter with security forces in Rambagh area of the city on Wednesday, officials said.

### NITI AAYOG FLOATS IDEA OF FULL-STOCK DIGITAL BANKS

**New Delhi:** Government think-tank Niti Aayog proposed setting up of full-stack 'digital banks', which would principally rely on the internet and other proximate channels to offer their services and not physical branches, to mitigate the financial deepening challenges being faced in the country.

### NO BABIES IN PARLIAMENT: UK LAWMAKERS OUTRAGED

**London:** Several British politicians demanded a change in parliamentary rules on Wednesday after a lawmaker was told she couldn't bring her 3-month-old baby into the House of Commons.

## Delhi schools, colleges to reopen from Nov 29 as air quality improves

CNG, electric, emergency service trucks to be allowed to enter Delhi from November 27

**STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI**

With a significant improvement in the Capital's air quality, the Delhi Government on Wednesday decided to resume physical classes in schools, colleges and all educational institutions and reopen Government offices from November 29.

Addressing the media, Environment Minister Gopal Rai said CNG and electric trucks, along with the emergency service trucks, will be allowed to enter Delhi from November 27.

To encourage Delhi Government employees to use public transports instead of personal vehicles, Rai said the AAP Government in Delhi



will provide shuttle bus service from the Delhi Secretariat to ITO and Indraprastha metro stations.

"There are colonies and areas like Nimri Colony, Gulabi Bagh, Timarpur, where a majority of Delhi Government employees come from. In all such places, the Kejriwal Government has decided to start special buses to facilitate

the employees' commute," said Rai.

Stressing his Government commitment to fight air pollution in all possible ways, Rai said violation of 14-point guidelines by construction and demolition sites will lead to immediate termination of work and a penalty.

"Since the last three days, there have been improvements

in Delhi's pollution levels. If we look at the average air quality index from before Diwali, Delhi has reached those levels again. The pollution levels had been steadily rising after Diwali. Considering that, multiple restrictions were put in place, apart from the routine processes. Today, we held a review meeting with the higher officials of Delhi, and many important decisions were taken.

"We are reopening things, but our fight against pollution will continue. Therefore, it is necessary for everyone to cooperate, because together we can reduce this pollution further so that Delhi can have better air. So far 1,221 sites have been inspected. Out of which construction work was stopped at 105 places. Close monitoring is being done daily by the government. Conditions will definitely improve. But the Government will not shy away from taking any tough step if needed," he said.

## CBI charges 2 naval commanders in submarine retrofitting leak info case

**PNS ■ NEW DELHI**

In its third chargesheet in connection with the submarine retrofitting information leak case, the CBI has charged two Naval commanders Jagdeesh and Abhishek Shaw.

In the latest chargesheet in the case, the CBI has also named Commander Ajit Pandey and retired Naval officer commodore Randeep Singh for the alleged leak of information related to advance payment for INS Sindhuratna-MRLC (Medium Refit Life Certification) project, sources said.

Earlier, the agency had filed two chargesheets against six persons and Hyderabad-based firm Allen Reinforced Plastics Limited (ARPL). The third chargesheet came after the agency completed the probe against Commander Jagdish, who was arrested on September 21.

The agency has also named Commander Abhishek Shaw in



the chargesheet filed on Saturday, they said.

Several accused, including retired officers commodore Randeep Singh and Commander SJ Singh, serving officer Commander Ajit Pandey, Commander Jagdish and the executive director of Hyderabad-based Allen Reinforced Plastics Ltd, have already been granted default bail in the matter, they said.

While the CBI admitted the Officials Secrets Act (OSA) probe was on against the accused persons, but it did not mention it in the chargesheet, leading to the grant of default bail to the accused persons.

An accused becomes eligible for default bail if the investigating agency does not file a chargesheet within the stipulated period of 60 days in cases relating to the Prevention of Corruption Act or 90 days for offences under the Indian Penal Code.

The CBI had conducted searches against retired naval officers Commodore Randeep Singh and Commander Satwinder Jeet Singh, a day after registering the case on September 2 after getting information that the latter was going to share crucial details related to a meeting in the Navy on the procurement.

## Covaxin shows 50% effectiveness against symptomatic Covid cases in real-world assessment: Lancet

**PNS ■ NEW DELHI**

Two doses of Covaxin, also known as BBV152, are 50 per cent effective against the symptomatic disease as per the first real-world assessment of India's indigenous vaccine against the deadly infection, published in The Lancet Infectious Diseases journal.

The number is significantly lower than the 77.8 per cent efficacy that Bharat Biotech, manufacturer of the Covaxin, had claimed on the basis of the interim phase 3 trial results of the vaccine. It was released earlier in November.

The latest study published in The Lancet assessed 2,714 hospital workers at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in Delhi, from April 15-May 15, who were symptomatic and underwent RT-PCR test for Covid-19



detection.

Researchers noted that the Delta variant was the dominant strain in India during the study period, accounting for approximately 80 per cent of all confirmed Covid-19 cases.

Covaxin, developed by the Hyderabad-based pharma firm in collaboration with the National Institute of Virology, Indian Council of Medical Research (NIV-ICMR), Pune, is an inactivated whole virus vaccine administered in a two-dose regimen, 28 days apart.

## Govt extends 5 kg foodgrains/month for free under PMGKAY till March

### 80 crore people to be benefited

**PNS ■ NEW DELHI**

In view of the upcoming Assembly polls in five States, the Narendra Modi Government on Wednesday approved a proposal to extend distribution of 5kg foodgrains per month for free under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) to over 80 crore ration card holders for four months from December 2021 to March 2022.

The decision to extend the scheme was taken by the Union Cabinet on Wednesday. The phase V of the scheme will cost an additional ₹53,344.52 crore to the exchequer.

Free foodgrains under the



PMGKAY scheme, which was announced in March last year to provide relief to poor people during the Covid pandemic, is over and above the normal quota provided under the National Food Security Act (NFSA) at a highly subsidised rate of ₹2-3 per kilogram.

Briefing about the decision,

I&B Minister Anurag Thakur said the Cabinet has extended the PMGKAY programme by four months till March 2022. This will cost an additional ₹53,344 crore to the exchequer, he said, adding that the total cost of PMGKAY would reach about ₹2.6 lakh crore, including all five phases of this ongoing programme.

The scheme provides 5 kg of rice or wheat per person and 1 kg of dal to each family holding a ration card.

Earlier, Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal wrote to Modi requesting him to extend the Central Government's quota of free ration supply until May 2022.

In the wake of economic disruptions caused by the unprecedented outbreak of Covid-19 in the country last year, the Government had in

March 2020 announced the distribution of additional free-of-cost foodgrains (rice/wheat) to about 80 crore National Food Security Act (NFSA) beneficiaries.

The Phase-I and Phase-II of this scheme were operational from April to June 2020 and July to November 2020, respectively. The Phase-III of the scheme was operational from May to June 2021, while Phase-IV of the scheme is currently operational for July-November, 2021.

"The PMGKAY scheme for Phase V from December 2021 till March 2022 would entail an estimated additional food subsidy of ₹53,344.52 crore," an official statement said. The total outgo in terms of foodgrains for PMGKAY Phase V is likely to be about 163 lakh tonnes.

## Cabinet approves Bill to repeal all three farm laws

**PNS ■ NEW DELHI**

In line with Prime Minister's Narendra Modi's announcement, the Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the Bill to repeal the three controversial farm laws.

"The Cabinet has completed the formalities to repeal the three farm laws," I&B Minister Anurag Thakur told reporters. "In the upcoming session of Parliament, it will be our priority to take back these three laws," he said. The Winter Session will begin on November 29 and conclude on December 23.

The Bill titled the Farm Laws Repeal Bill, 2021, will seek the rollback of the three laws, namely, Farmer's Produce Trade and Commerce (Promotion and Facilitation)



Act, The Farmers (Empowerment and Protection) Agreement of Price Assurance and Farm Services Act and The Essential Commodities (Amendment) Act.



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## Public Notice

I, **Subhash S/O** Sh. Chotu Ram House No- 76 Abheypur Panchkula Haryana Declare That My Son Rajesh Is Out Of My Control, So I Disown Him From My Moveable/Immoveable Properties.

I, **Naresh Dahiya S/O** Sh. Partap Kishan R/o Village Fatehpur, Sonipat Present address R/O H.No. 2/85, Arya Nagar Sonipat declare that my Son Neeraj ( Monu) is out of my control. So I disown him from my all moveable /immoveable property. Any body deal with him at own risk.

I, **Subhash Chander Sethi S/O** Bhag Mal Sethi R/O 291/6, Kila, Near Habijabadi Ram Natak Club, Panipat declare that my son Sumit Sethi alias Monu and his wife Shiwani are out of my control. So I disown him from my moveable/ Immoveable property. Anybody dealing with him at own risk.

I, **Pradeep kumar S/O** Sh. Labh Singh R/O House No. 1404 Sector 11 Panchkula. That Saksham Kumar is my real son. His name written in Bhavan Vidayalya School Sector 15 record Saksham is incorrect, his correct name is Saksham Kumar

I, **Raj Rani W/O** Late Om ParKash R/O # 650 Sector- 2, Panchkula Haryana my son Anil Kumar and his wife Jyoti are out of my control. I disown them from all my movable / immovable property, Anybody dealing with them at his / her own risk.

I, **Dharamveer Panchal S/O** Babu Ram r/o Gali No. 5, Didar Nagar, Thanesar, Kurukshetra, have disown my son Jagmal and his Poonam, from all my movable immovable properties, as they are out of my control.

I, **Manti Devi** widow Prem Singh r/o Village Dheru Majra Tehsil Thanesar (Kurukshetra), have disown my son Jaibhagwan and his wife Manjeet Kaur from all my movable immovable properties, as they are out of my control.

I, **No.104678300N Ex Sepoy Jagdish S/O** Sh. Om Prakash R/O Viht & PO Ritauli, Tehsil & Distt. Rohtak (Haryana) have changed my son name from Yogesh Kumar to Yogesh (As per my son Aadhaar Card, Birth/Matric Certificate) In future my son may be known/written and called as Yogesh for all work purposes, concerned note please make it correct in my Army records. Vide Affidavit dated 24 Nov 2021 before Notary Rohtak.

**We Pritpal Sharma S/O** Maiya Dasa & Smt. Geeta Sharma W/O Pritpal Sharma R/O 42, Akbarpur, Naraingarh, Ambala declare that my Son Gagan and his wife Perna are out of my Control. So I Disown from my all Moveable Immoveable Properties.

**We Vakil Ansari S/O** Jamir Ansari & Tara Bunisa W/O Vakil Ansari R/O #2083, Small Flats, Dhanas, Chandigarh disown our son Anul Hak from all our moveable/immovable properties. He is out of our control. If anybody deals with him will do their own risk.

I, **Harpreet Singh S/O** S. Gurdev Singh R/O VPO Latala district Ludhiana Declare That My son Reminder jti Singh And My minor Mandep Kaur And His Minor Daughter Are Out Of My Control. So I Disown Him From My All movable and immovable properties.

I, **Gurpreet Singh** Son Of Jwo Amar Singh Saini Resident Of Vpo Ismallabadd, Near Kamla Rice Mill, District Kurukshetra Haryana have changed my name from Gurpreet Singh To Gurpreet Singh Saini Vide Affidavit No. AS663719 Dated 22/11/2021.

I, **No Jc 812507p Naib Sub** Sukhjinder Singh S/O Gurmit Singh R/O Vpo - Miani Teh.Dasuya (Hoshiarpur) Punjab Declare That My Father Gurmit Singh May Please Be Amended From D.O.B. 3 - 9-1931 To 28-7-1955 & My Mother Manjit Kaur Amended From D.O.B. 7-8-1934 To 15-7-1961.

I, **Ratna W/O** Late R Mugam R/O Bandhu Nagar, Ambala Cantt declare that my Son Krishan and his wife Versha are out of my Control. So I Disown them from my all Moveable Immoveable Properties.

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## Change of Name

I, **Gaganpreet Kaur D/O** Balbir Singh W.No.10 H.No 33 Garhdiwala Tehsil Dasuya, Distt Hoshiarpur (Punjab) declare that my name written Gaganpreet Kaur Sahota in my Passport No U6173730 issued by the Passport office Jalandhar but in other documents my name is Gaganpreet Kaur. Gaganpreet Kaur and Gaganpreet Kaur Sahota is the same and one person known by two names.

I, **Reena Devi W/O** Mukesh Kumar R/o Village Budheri, P.O Bherthal, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt. Yamuna Nagar have changed my name to Reena Rani.

I, **Bhumesh S/O** Ashwani Kumar R/O # 1134, Sector 36-C, Chandigarh, have changed my name to Bhumesh Sharma.

I, **Ritu** wife of Tilak Raj Resident H.No. 1922/B2, Gurudwara road, Pinjore Tehsil Kalka Distt. Panchkula Haryana have changed my name from Ritu to Ritu Gupta.

I, **Parvati Harnam Kaur W/O** Rajpal Singh R/O H. No.613, Sec-16, U.E. Karnal have changed my name from Parvati Harnam Kaur to Harnam Kaur. Please note for future.

I, **Sunil Sharma S/O** Sh. Bal Kishan Sharma R/O H.No. 280 Gali No. 4 Moti Nagar, Karnal declare that I have Change my name from Sunil Kumar Sharma to Sunil Sharma, Now in future my name is known as Sunil Sharma.

I, **Pooja (Ganga)** (existing Name of Spouse as per next of kin) is legally wedded spouse of Army No.JC-406344H Rank : N/SUB, Name Deshraj Lohiya, R/O. Azad Marg, Ambah, District Morena, M.P. 476111 at present 18 Guards, C/o. 56 APO, Kapurthala, Punjab India, That I have changed my name from Pooja (Ganga) To Puja Lohiya.

I, **Hoshiar Singh Siwach S/O** Sh. Bhalle Ram R/O H. No. 235, Urban Estate 2 Hisar (Haryana) hereby declare that I have changed my name from Hoshiar Singh Siwach To Hoshiar Singh Siwach for all future purposes.

I, **Kapil Dev Pathak S/O** Faqir Chand R/O Ward No. 3, Village Luthre, P.O. Heeran, Tehsil Haroli, Una (Himachal Pradesh) declare that Kapil Dev Pathak and Kapil Dev, both names are mine. In future know me with both names. All concerned please note.

I, **Meena Sharma W/O** Sh Vishnu Mohan Sharma R/O H No- 452 Sector-11 Panchkula Declare That Meenu Mohan Sharma And Meena Sharma is One And Same Person.

I, **Harjit Singh** Father of Roondeep Singh holder of Indian Passport No. U 0103464 issued at Vancouver on 12.07.2019, permanent resident of Village Kohali, Teh. Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur (Punjab)- 143514 And presently residing at 92, Saddle Brook Circke, NE Calgary, AB, T3J0K3, CANADA declare that I have changed the name of my son from Roondeep Singh to Roondeep Dhalwail with immediate effect.

I, **Rakesh Kumar S/O** Waryam Singh VPO Nangal Tehsil/Distt Pathankot have changed my son's name Dharub to Dharuv Thapa.

I, **Palwinder Singh S/O** Gulzar Singh R/O Vill. Tarpai, Kotla Sultan Singh, Teh. Majitha, Distt. Amritsar, Punjab have changed my name from Palvinder Singh to Palwinder Singh

I, **Gurwar Singh** alias Gurver Singh alias Gurwar Mandhana r/o Village Dubari Tehsil Ladwa, District Kurukshetra, have declare that I am known by three names: Gurwar Singh, Gurver Singh, Gurwar Mandhan.

I, **Joga Singh S/O** Jetha Singh r/o Village Hansala, Tehsil Thanesar, Distric Kurukshetra, have changed my son's name From Arman to Armaan Singh Sodhi.

I, **Sukhjinder Singh S/O** Baldev Singh r/o H.No. 294, Sector 7, U.E. Kurukshetra, have changed my son's name from Arman to Armaan Singh Sodhi.

I, **Meena W/O** Angrej Singh r/o Village Bodhanpur Kalsa PO Pathera, Tehsil Indri District Karnal, have changed my name to Meena Devi.

I, **Sapna W/O** Tarun Dhringa r/o H.No. 1656, Sector 5, Urban Estate, Kurukshetra, have changed my name to Sapna Dhringa.

I, **Gurbax Singh S/O** S. Hajara Singh R/O 172-B Bhagya Home Raho Road Near Jain Nagar Basti Jodhewal Ludhiana Declare That Gurbax Singh And Gurbaksh Singh Sidhu Are One And The Same Person.

I, **Manjinder Kaur W/O** Sukhjit singh Sahota R/O H. No. 23 St. No. 5 New Inder Vihar Colony Bahadur ke Road Ludhiana I Have Change My Name From Manjinder Kaur To Manjinder Kaur Sahota.

I, **Durga Din S/O** Bharat Parjapati R/O H. No. 1348/19 St. No. 8 Ward No. 55 Near Mata Gujri Gurdwara Rishi Nagar Haibowal khurd Ludhiana I Have Change My Name From Durga Din To Rajesh.

I, **Ramesh Pal** is son of Smt Maya Devi widow of No. 6362043 Ex Nk Rakesh Kumar presently residing at Vill - Malikpur, PO - Thumber, Teh - Barara, Distt - Ambala (Haryana) have changed my name from Ramesh Pal to Sushil Kumar (Proposed/ adopted new name) Date of Birth 10-02-1968 vide Affidavit dated 23.11.2021 before Ambala.

I, **Tarsh Kumar**, is son of Smt Maya Devi widow of No. 6362043 Ex Nk Rakesh Kumar presently residing at Vill - Malikpur, PO - Thumber, Teh - Barara, Distt - Ambala (Haryana) have changed my name from Tarsh Kumar to Nareesh Kumar (Proposed/ adopt- ed new name) Date of Birth 05-05-1970 vide Affidavit dated 23.11.2021 before Ambala.

I, **Bharat Bhushan Anand** Alias Bharat Bhushan S/o Late Hem Raj Anand R/o 1378, Triveni Road, Near Police Post No. 4, Nahau House, Ambala City Declare that Bharat Bhushan Anand Alias Bharat Bhushan both are one and the same person.

I, **Pooja M Mathapati W/O** No. 15235045P Rank Nk, Mahantayya Mathapati of Unit 40 Arty Div C/o 56 APO.Have Changed my Name from Pooja M Mathapati To Pooja Mahantayya Mathapati.

I, **Rajeshri Uttam** Darekar Spouse of Chavan Mahadev Balabhim Presently Residing at Village Borle, P.O Jawaia, Tehsil Jamkhed, Distt. Ahmednagar, Pin 413201 India Have Changed my Name from Rajeshri Uttam Darekar To Chavan Rajeshri Mahadev Vide affidavit dated 24.11.2021 Before Ambala Cantt.

I, **Saraswati Desai** spouse of No JC770593F Rank Sub Nya Desai Vitall Jayavant R/O VPO Dhalgaon, Teh Kavathe Mahankal, Distt Sangli, State MH 416403 hereby declare that I have changed my Date of Birth from 23/10/1983 to 16/10/1983 vide affidavit dated 24/11/2021 before Session Court, Hisar.

I, **Kawaljeet Kaur W/O** Amrit Pal Singh R/O #77, Lal Dwara Colony, Yamanunagar, Tehsil Jagadhri, Distt.Yamanunagar (Haryana) India have changed my name from Kawaljeet Kaur to Kawaljit Kaur.

I, **Ram Kumar S/O** Mai Ram R/O # 5158-B Sector 38 West, Chandigarh have changed my name to Ram Kumar Dabra.

I, **Kartik S/O** Ram Kumar Dabra R/o # 5158/B Sector 38 West, Chandigarh have changed my name to Kartik Dabra.

I, **Yadav Jagdish** Chandra Muniraj S/O Muniraj Yadav # 1205, Sector 46-B, Chandigarh, have changed my name to Jagdish Chandra Yadav.

I, **Manpreet Kaur** alias Narinder Kaur Kamboj W/o Sh. Sarbjheet Singh Kamboj R/o Village Dhudianwali, Tehsil Rania, District Sirsa have changed my name to Narinder Kaur. Concerned note.

I, **Samsher Singh S/O** Raj Singh R/O Vill Bhoe Block Tarsikka Tehsil Baba Bakala Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Samsher Singh To Shamsher Singh

I, **Sangeeta Kumar W/O** Jeewan R/o 1335, Gali Kamboj Wali, Old Lakkad Mandi, Amritsar have changed my name to Sangeeta.

I, **Gurdeep Kaur** Chauhan W/O Darshan Singh R/o Village Nihalgarh Po. Shadi Hari Teh Sunam distt Sangrur have changed my name to Gurdeep Kaur.

I, **Kamalpreet Singh** Chauhan S/O Darshan Singh R/o Village Nihalgarh Po. Shadi Hari Teh Sunam distt Sangrur have changed my name to Kamalpreet Singh.

I, **Darshan Singh** Chauhan S/O Gurnam Singh R/o Village Nihalgarh Po. Shadi Hari Teh Sunam distt Sangrur have changed my name to Darshan Singh.

I, **Ashish Kumar Pannu S/O** Satbir Singh Pannu R/O HN. 59 - P, sec-4 part-2, Karnal declare that my son name have been changed from Vansh to Vansh Pannu.

I, **Savita W/o** Deepak Kumar R/O H.No. 124, Purana Bhattha, Mathura Colony. Patiala(Punjab) have changed my name from Savita to Pooja Malhotra.

I, **Kanta Devi W/o** Ram Ji Dass R/O H.No. 44, St.No. 3, Badi Bara Dari, Patiala (Punjab) have changed my name from Kanta Devi to Kanta.

I, **R Malas**, Spouse of JC-775948L, Nb/Sub, Ramesh V, Of Unit 229 Fd WKSP COY (607 EME BN) and presently resident at West Street, North Salaigramam, Post Salaigramam, Distt. Sivaganga Pin 630710 Declare That in my Husband Army service record my date of birth is wrongly mentioned as 16-Nov-1975 but by my actual and correct date of birth of is 30-Jan-1977 Vide Affidavit Dated 24 November 2021 before at Notray Ferozepur.

I, **Krishna Kumari w/o** ranjit Kumar R/o h.no 42/19 Krishna nagar jaura phatak distt. Amritsar have changed my name krishna Kumari to Savita rani

I, **Deepankar Arora S/O** Rakesh Kumar R/O.2568/16, Gali Pehalwana Wali Bazar Bhagtan Wala Amritsar have Changed my name to Deepanker Arora

I, **Rakesh Arora S/O** Sh. Baldev Raj R/O.H.No.2568/16, Gali Pehalwana Wali Bazar Bhagtan Wala Amritsar Have Changed my name to Rakesh Kumar

I, **Kamini Sharma W/O** Gourav Marwaha R/O 14, Vikas Colony Opp. Khalsa College Amritsar have Changed my name to Kamini Marwaha.

I, **Paramjit Kaur W/O** Narinder Paul R/O B-6, Bmbb Colony, Chandigarh Road Jamalpur, Ludhiana have corection in my name spelling Paramjit Kaur to Paramjeet Kaur.

I, **Harpreet Singh S/O** Bhajan Singh R/O Vill.Tashpur, Po. Rampur Jagir, Tehsil Sultanpur, Lodhi, Distt.Kapurthala, Punjab Have Changed My Name From Harpreet Singh To Harpreet Singh Dhillon.

I, **Shilpa Anand W/O** Abhishek Chadha R/O H.No.103, Urban Estate Phagwara, Distt. Kapurthala Have Changed My Name From Shilpa Anand To Shilpa Chadha After Marriage.

I, **Kartar S/O** Bawa R/O Vill. Chakrala, Po.Mustafapur, Distt. Jalandhar Have Changed My Name To Kartar Singh.

I, **Baljit Kaur W/O** Kuldip Singh Tiwana R/O VPO. Rahimpur, Distt. Jalandhar, Punjab have changed my name to Baljit Kaur Tiwana.

I, **Shakuntia W/O** Inder Pal R/O H.No. WH-6A, Basti Adaa, Jalandhar have changed my name from Shakuntia to Shakuntla Rani.

I, **Hardeep Kaur** Sran D/O Darshan Singh R/O Vill. Saharna, Near Gurudwara, Mansa have changed my name from Hardeep Kaur Sran to Hardeep Kaur.

I, **Gurminder Kaur** alias Amandeep Kaur W/o Avtar Singh R/O Vill.Sajanwal, Po. Sindhar, Teh. Shahkot, Distt. Jalandhar-144629, Punjab have changed my name to Amandeep Kaur.

I, **Pulkit Dhir S/O** Virander Kumar Dhir R/O H.No.450, Shiv Nagar, Sodol Road, Jalandhar, Punjab Have Changed My Name From Pulkit Dhir To Punya Dhir.

I service No 15436775W Hav Sonu Kumar S/O Rajbir Singh, unit Military Hospital Jaipur and R/o Vill Datta Teh Hansi Distt Hesar declare that I have changed my son name from Manseet to Shaurya. authority: affidavit No HBW2021K69 dt 23 Nov 2021.

I, **Harpreet Kaur D/O** Parkash Singh R/O Village Jandali, Po Hariapur District Fatehgarh Sahib Declared In My 10th Class Certificate My Father's Name Wrongly Recorded As Prakash Singh. But His Correct Name Is Parkash Singh. Both Names Belongs To Same Person.

I, **Neelam W/O** Khem Raj Gautam R/O Ward no.3, Main Gali, College Colony Dera Bassi, Tehsil Dera Bassi, Mohali have changed my name from Neelam to Neelam Gautam.

I, **Khem Raj S/O** Manohar Lal R/O Ward no.3, Main Gali, College Colony Dera Bassi , Tehsil Dera Bassi, Mohali have changed my name from Khem Raj to Khem Raj Gautam.

I, **Vimlesh Sharm W/O** Shri Niwas Sharma R/O Flat No.100 A5 Gulmohar City Extension, Derabassi, Punjab Have Changed My Name To Bimalesh Sharma

I, **Deep Gurdeep S/O** Mithu Singh R/O Village Joga Tehsil & Distt Mansa Have Changed My Name From Deep Gurdeep Singh To Deep Gurdeep.

I, **Rekha Devi W/O** Jaswant R/O Village Balbhera Tehsil Guhla Distt Kailthal Have Changed My Name From Rekha Devi To Rekha Rani.

I, **No.15343681M Rank** L/NK Name Gurpreet Singh son of Sh. Davinder Singh serving in 62 Engr. Regt. 56 APO R/O H.No.233, Street No.8, Aman Nagar, Post Office DCW, Police Station Anji Mandi, Tehsil & District Patiala declare that my father's correct name is Davinder Singh but in my service record it is wrongly mentioned as Devinder Singh. Please make it correct.

I **Daljeet Singh S/O** Gurnam Singh R/O Delux Colony Vpo Rayya Teh-Baba Bakala Disst Amritsar I have changed my name Daljeet Singh to Daljit Singh.

I **Ranjit Singh R/O** Phide Kalan, Faridkot have changed my name to Ranjeet Singh.

I **Harjeet Lal S/O** Ruldu Ram R/O Tibbi Sahib Road Jaitu (Faridkot) have changed my name to Harjit Lal.

I, **Manpreet Kaur** Grewal W/O Satnam Singh R/O Village Kohar Singh Wala Guruharsahai, District Ferozepur have changed my name to Manpreet Kaur.

I, **Kuldeep Singh S/O** Subeg Singh R/O Village Nihala Kiicha, District Ferozepur have changed my name to Kuldeep Singh Nagpal.

I, **Jyoti Bala W/O** Vinayak Chopra R/O H-No 63, Street No-1, Dhawan colony Ferozepur city have changed my name Jyoti Chopra.

I **Daljeet Kaur** Sran D/O Jasmal Singh W/O Kulveer Singh R/O Village Dhab Guru Ki (Faridkot) Have Changed My Name To Daljeet Kaur.

I **Neetu Aggarwal W/O** Lavneet Aggarwal, R/O S.B.B. College Road, Kotkapura, Distt Faridkot Has Changed My Given Name Neetu And My Surname Aggarwal.

I **Prabhjot Kaur W/O** Narinder Singh Brar R/O Vpo Ghania Wala, Distt Faridkot (Punjab) Have Changed My Name To Prabhjot Kaur Brar After Marriage.

I **Rakha S/O** Chetu Ram R/O Vpo. Piplanwala District Hoshiarpur Punjab Have Changed My Name To Rakha Ram.

I **Monika Manohar** Arora W/O Manohar Arora R/O 658, Basant Avenue, Amritsar Have Changed My Name To Monika Arora.

I **Suman W/O** Virender Kumar R/O H.No.3943 St.No.11 New Madhopuri Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Suman Kumari.

I **Vineet Loomba S/O** Vijay Kumar Loomba R/O H.No.48 St.No.4 Near Guru Kirpa Diary Dashmshesh Nagar-A Patiala Have Changed My Name To Vineet Kumar Loomba.

I **Sarabjeet Kaur W/O** Jagdev Singh R/O Bhamban Kalan, Mundian Kalan, Ludhiana Have Changed My Name To Sarabjit Kaur.

I **Jhirmal Singh S/O** Joginder Singh R/O H.No.-98 Near Dharamshala Patti Diala Vill. Kapure Distt. Moga Have Changed My Name To Jhirmal Singh Sandhu.

I **Jasvir Singh S/O** Jalour Singh R/O Vpo. Dala Distt. Moga Have Changed My Name To Jasveer Singh.

I **Jalor Singh S/O** Arjan Singh R/O Vpo. Dala Distt. Moga Have Changed My Name To Jalour Singh.

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**Public Notice**  
I, Rohtash S/O Hawa Singh R/O H.N 803P Sector-8, Urban Estate, Jind, Haryana, Declare my Allotment Letter No. 553 Dated 13-01-2009, Re-Allotment No. 4236-37 Dated 25-06-2009, Re-Allotment Letter No. 31191 dated 31-08-2010 has been lost between HBC Jind to Bus Stand Jind on Dated 15-11-2016. A D.D.R No.132300622100562 also registered at Police Station, Civil Line Jind. No claim will be entertained after 15 days of this publication.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
I Sanchi Arora, My Sebi Investment Adviser No. is INA100009983, Now I am Surrendering this registration. If anyone has any grievances, they can lodge the grievances at scores.gov.in

**PUBLIC NOTICE (TRANSFER IN CASE OF DEATH)**  
It is for the information of General Public as well as concerned that H. No.1240(SF), Housing Board Colony, Sector 5, Handal was allotted/ transferred via this office memo No. 1243 dated 19-10-2021 to Sh. Ratiram S/O Sh. Khatunam R/O Kheri Sanwal, PO Dhani Phogat, Teh & Distt Charkhi Dadri and he has been expired on 08.03.2018.Hisar son of the deceased has submitted transfer documents for transfer of said Flat in his favour due to death of allottee.If any person regarding transfer of said flat in favour Sh. Bhupender Late S/O Sh. Ratiram has any objection/claim he/she should file objection/claim in writing in person to this office within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. If no objection is presumed within stipulated period it will be deemed that there is no objection/claim regarding this transfer and further action for transfer of said house will be taken by this office. Estate Manager,Housing Board Haryana, Hisar.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
I, Mrs. Nirmal Gupta W/o Surrender Kumar Gupta R/O 13 Industrial Area Sonapat have lost the death certificate of Mrs. Manjit Bajaj alias Parkash Bajaj who was expired on 15.07.1979, original sanctioned building plan, original general power of attorney dated 10.06.1990 executed by Mr. Mahinder Nath Bajaj S/o Mr. Shankar Das Bajaj Ms. Gita Bajaj alias Anjali S/o Mr. Mahinder Nath Bajaj, Ms. Uma Bajaj alias Suman Bajaj in favor of Mr. Vinod Khanna S/o Mr. Hira Lal Khanna and original general power of attorney dated 17.10.1990 executed by Mr. Anil Bajaj son of Mr. Mohinder Nath Bajaj in favor of Mr. Vinod Khanna S/o Mr. Hira Lal Khanna both in respect of property bearing No.2 Road no. 47, Punjabi Bagh, Village Madhi, Delhi, and the same are not traceable. An FIR has been lodged vide LR no. 132939712102392 dated 20.11.2021 in this effect.Finder please contact 9215007777

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सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि नगर निगम, रोहतक के कार खाका के सम्पत्तिकर के रिक्वाड में प्रोपर्टी आई.डी. नं. 68C375U27 बर्ड नं 14 श्री/श्रीमती Late Fateh Chand के नाम से दर्ज है, अब नगर निगम के रिक्वाड में इस आईडी नं. 11 श्री/श्रीमती Late Fateh Chand के नाम से दर्ज है। अब नगर निगम के रिक्वाड में इस आई.डी. नं. में प्राची जिकना नाम Gulshan Kumar S/O Mukand Lal अपने नाम बदली करवाना चाहते हैं। यदि किसी भी जमादार को इनके नाम बदली करने में कोई भी आपत्ति है तो 30 दिन के अन्दर-अन्दर नगर निगम कार्यालय में अपनी आपत्ति दर्ज करायें, अन्यथा वह मसविदा उसके नाम तबदील कर दी जायेगी। जिसके लिए नगर निगम, रोहतक कोई उत्तरदायी नहीं होगा।  
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# Patiala MP Preneet Kaur issued show cause notice

## After she indicates joining husband Amarinder Singh’s party

MONIKA MALIK ■ CHANDIGARH

Days after Congress MP from Patiala Preneet Kaur gave enough indications that she would soon be the part of her husband Capt Amarinder Singh’s Punjab Lok Congress, the party high command on Wednesday issued her a show cause notice for “anti-party” activities, seeking explanation on her stand while within week’s time.

The notice, issued by the All India Congress Committee’s state party affairs in-charge Harish Choudhary, also made it clear that in case she failed to explain her stand within a period of seven days “otherwise the party will be forced to take necessary disciplinary action”.

Notably, coming as a set-

back for the ruling Congress party in Punjab, its Patiala MP Preneet Kaur, on Sunday, had indicated that she may join the new political party, floated by her husband and Punjab’s former Chief Minister Capt Amarinder.

“Capt Amarinder Singh has always stood by the commitment he makes. Main apne parivaar de naal haan (I am with my family),” said Preneet while talking with the media at an event in Samana on Sunday. Preneet, who has not yet resigned from the Congress party to join her husband’s new political outfit, has been actively participating in many meetings and events in Patiala.

In fact, Capt Amarinder has also, at many times, pooh-poohed media queries regard-

ing Preneet joining his new political venture.

Capt Amarinder is currently working on his party and, at the same time, warming up with the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). As of now, Capt Amarinder is the lone soldier in his new outfit. His staunch supporters and loyalists in the Congress have adopted a wait and watch policy.

The former Chief Minister had announced that his Punjab Lok Congress would contest all 117 assembly seats in the state. At the same time, Capt Amarinder has repeatedly made it clear that he was “looking forward” to arrive at a seat-sharing arrangement with the BJP, after the Prime Minister announced to repeal the controversial farm laws.



Sources informed The Pioneer that the former Chief Minister was in the process of identifying the potential leaders, especially in the ruling Congress, who could shift their loyalties to his party.

Capt Amarinder, as of now, is waiting for the registration of his political party, and soon after he would kickstart his campaign. The sources claimed

that many leaders are ready to cross over to his camp, but are waiting for the right time.

Choudhary, in the notice, observed that the party high command have been “continuously receiving reports from Congress workers, MLAs, leaders from Patiala and the media about your anti-party activities” from the last many days.

“This information and news has been coming ever since your husband Capt Amarinder Singh ji resigned from the party and floated his own party: Punjab Lok Congress. We are also made aware of your open announcements in the media about siding with your husband’s party,” said Choudhary in the letter addressed to Preneet, asking her to explain her stand on the issue.

Less than a fortnight ago, Preneet, along with Patiala’s mayor Sanjeev Sharma Bittu and councillors, had met Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi — the first after Capt Amarinder’s exit from the Congress, reportedly to discuss development issues reading Patiala, including expediting the Dairy Shifting Project.

The development also assumed significance as the show cause notice came a day before Capt Amarinder’s close aide — Patiala Mayor Sanjeev Sharma — is scheduled to prove his majority in the Municipal Corporation on Thursday.

The move came after councillors of over 40 wards, having the support of some top Congress leaders, submitted a no-confidence motion against

the Mayor demanding to convene a meeting of the General House.

Before that, Choudhary and Cabinet Minister Brahm Mohindra held a meeting with these councillors. A parallel meeting was held at Preneet Kaur’s New Moti Bagh Palace in Patiala where over 18 councillors were reportedly present.

Notably, Patiala Mayor Bittu had announced open support for Capt Amarinder and his new party. Bittu, in a recent public gathering, also raised slogans of ‘Captain Zindabad’, following which the crowd too reciprocated and reposed their faith in Capt Amarinder.

After that, senior Congress leadership, including Choudhary, reached Patiala, amidst possibilities that Bittu

would be removed from the post of Patiala Mayor. However, the party decided to wait.

**RAGA’S AIDE, CONG NAWANSHAHR MLA’S WIFE JOINS BJP**

The wife of Congress MLA from Nawanshahr and Congress national vice-president Rahul Gandhi’s close aide Aditi Singh on Wednesday joined the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). Aditi Singh, ‘rebel’ Congress MLA from Rae Bareilly in Uttar Pradesh, has gone against the party diktat on many occasions. Only recently, she had criticized the Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra for opposing and questioning the controversial farm bills.

# Punjab Police averts another likely terrorist attack

## Highly radicalised operative held with hand grenades, pistols

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab Police on Wednesday claimed to have foiled another possible terrorist attack in the border State with the arrest of a “highly radicalised operative”, identified as Ranjit Singh of Sohla village in Tarn Taran, allegedly linked with foreign-based terrorist entities.

The police have also recovered two Chinese made P-86 hand grenades and two pistols along with live cartridges besides a black coloured Royal Enfield motorcycle bearing Punjab’s registration number from his possession, said the state Director General of Police (DGP) Punjab Iqbal Preet Singh Sahota.

The DGP said that acting on intelligence inputs about the presence of Ranjit Singh in the area of Amritsar, special teams from State Special Operations Cell (SSOC), Amritsar, were sent to the specified area to spot the suspect and Ranjit Singh was apprehended.

The development came at a time when Punjab has been witnessing huge inflow of hand grenades and tiffin bombs along with other weapons. Recently, the state has also seen a couple of grenade blasts including at CIA Nawanshahr and Cantonnement area in Pathankot besides the recovery of an unexploded hand grenade from Zira area.

DGP Sahota said that, during investigation, Ranjit Singh

revealed that he had formed a group named “KauM De Rakhe” to collect funds on the pretext of social work and through this group, he got in touch with various radical and terrorist elements based in UK and other countries through social media and extended his help to form sleeper cells under the garb of his social work.

Ranjit Singh further disclosed that recently he had received a consignment of arms and explosives, and was planning to carry out a terror strike to create an atmosphere of fear and lawlessness in the border state, said the DGP.

The DGP added that Ranjit Singh was also part of a group, which had vandalised statues of folk dancers installed at the heritage street leading to Golden Temple Amritsar on January 15, 2020. Ranjit Singh was arrested by the police in a statue vandalising case and was presently on bail, he added.

The state ADGP, Internal Security, RN Dhoke said that further efforts are being made to ascertain the identity of the UK end, who had arranged the consignment and also his other Indian associates.

Meanwhile, a case, dated November 23, 2021, has been registered under sections 25 of the Arms Act, sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Explosive Substances Amendment Act and sections 120 and 120-B of the Indian Penal Act at Police Station SSOC Amritsar.

# Khattar directs depts to list all services under Right To Service by Dec 25

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Wednesday directed the administrative secretaries to include the services of their departments which have not been listed under the Right to Service Act till December 25, which is observed as the Good Governance Day.

“The Departments where some services are still offline should expedite the process of bringing them in the online mode. Similarly, under Rule-5 of the Right to Service Act-2014, all departments and commissions should upload forms and other related documents of their concerned services on the website of the department or commission,” said the Chief Minister while



reviewing the progress of action being taken by various departments under the Right to Service Act.

He said that all the departments should also review their

Antyodaya Saral ranking and work towards improving them.

The Right to Service Act has been enacted by the State Government with the objective

of providing benefits of government services and welfare schemes in a time bound manner. With the spirit of service to the public as ‘Paramo Dharma’, all the departments should ensure to give the benefit of these services within the stipulated time period, so that the real purpose of implementation of these services and schemes is realized, Khattar said.

The Chief Minister also said that in order to make the life of the people simpler, the services and schemes related to various departments have been identified and listed under the RT’S Act. The Government has notified 546 services related to 31 departments, out of which 297 services are being availed through Antyodaya Saral Portal.

# Appointment of brother of SFJ office-bearer as Genco chairman stirs hornet’s nest

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Congress-led Punjab Government has embroiled in another controversy erupted with the appointment of Balwinder Singh Kotlabama — the brother of Sikhs for Justice (SFJ) office-bearer — as the chairman of Punjab Genco Limited, which comes under the Department of New and Renewable Source of Energy.

Balwinder Singh, and considered close to state Cabinet Minister Tripti Rajinder Singh Bajwa, is the kin of the US-based ‘banned’ pro-Khalistan outfit Sikhs for Justice’s member Avtar Singh Pannu. Avtar

Singh, the coordinator of the SFJ in the United States (US), is said to be number two in the pro-Kahlistani organisation after its chief Gurbatwant Singh Pannu. He is also on the radar of Indian agencies for his pro-Khalistan activities.

Sikhs for Justice (SFJ) has been declared as an ‘Unlawful Association’ by the Indian Government under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA).

Balwinder’s appointment has now sparked a massive uproar with the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and the Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) describing it as an “open terror appeasement”. It assumed sig-

nificance as it came days after Punjab Congress president Navjot Singh Sidhu heaped praises on Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan, saying that he was like his elder brother.

“Chief Minister should answer to the people on this,” said SAD president Sukhbir Singh Badal.

Blasting the Congress Government in Punjab for “appeasing anti-national and disruptive forces, BJP national general secretary Tarun Chugh said that it was reprehensible the way Channi Government has been buckling under pressure of anti-national forces.

“It looked perfectly in tune with Punjab Pradesh Congress Committee president Navjot Sidhu heaping praise on Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan who has been sending drones, drugs, and ISI agents to India,” said Chugh, adding that the Charanjit Singh Channi government has brought shame to the State by appointing a person who has links with the banned pro-Khalistan elements.

Demanding immediate removal of Kotlabama from the post, Chugh said that the Congress’ support to such anti-national forces would be opposed tooth and nail by the BJP.

# Channi announces to increase annual grant of Punjabi University Patiala

From ₹114 cr to ₹240 cr

PNS ■ PATIALA

Announcing the implementation of ‘Punjab Education Model’ across the State besides strengthening basic infrastructure of Government educational institutions by pulling them out of the financial crisis, Punjab Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi on Wednesday declared to take over Punjabi University, Patiala’s ₹ 150 crore financial liability besides announcing ₹ 240 crore annual grant.

Channi, who paid his maiden visit to the Punjabi University, addressed the teachers, employees, and the students. He declared that the monthly grant-in-aid to the university has been increased to the level of ₹20 crore which earlier stood at ₹9.50 crore.

Lauding the efforts of the Punjabi University to ensure development of Punjabi language besides quality higher education to students from poor economic background, Channi said that the previous governments, especially some Chief Ministers, didn’t undertake any step to assist the University in tiding over the



crisis. “It is for this very reason that the university – a proud flag-bearer of Punjabi mother tongue – has got entangled in a financial mess of the worst kind,” he added.

The Chief Minister said that during his tenure as the Technical Education Minister, he burnt midnight oil to help wriggle the University, which is second in the world to be named after a language, out of the financial crisis. “However, the then Chief Minister didn’t pay any heed. Now that I am the Chief Minister, I am undertaking initiatives to improve the educational infrastructure in the State,” said Channi adding that

having studied in the government schools, colleges, and the universities, he is fully conversant of the ground-level issues affecting the government educational institutions which explains

why he has taken up cudgels to ensure revival of the university.

Listing other measures, Channi said that the State Government is undertaking herculean efforts to boost the Punjabi language and it is in keeping with this thinking that Punjabi Language Act has been strictly implemented in the State. He also disclosed that all out efforts are afoot to ensure that the government and private education is within the reach of common man.

The state Finance Minister Manpreet Singh Badal said that a history of sorts has been scripted by the Chief Minister who has brought the two-decade-old issue to a closure within two months of assuming reins of the State, and has acted as the saviour of the institution which was established to propagate Punjabi language.

# Khattar scheduled to meet PM today; farmers’ issues on agenda

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Days after Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the repeal three controversial farm laws, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar is scheduled to meet him on Thursday in New Delhi.

This will be the Prime Minister’s first meeting with Khattar after the decision of repealing three farm laws. The Union Cabinet had on Wednesday also approved a bill to repeal the three farm laws.

The meeting between the two leaders assume significance as Haryana has been badly hit due to the year-long farmers’ agitation against agricultural laws. Even after PM’s announcement, the Samyukta Kisan Morcha (SKM) had decided to continue their agitation and also urged farmers to gather in large numbers at all protest sites on the first anniversary of the agitation against the legislation on November 26.

The protest demonstrations on November 26 on Ghazipur-Singhu border and tractor rally on November 29 will take place as planned by the SKM. The farmers’ leaders have also demanded a discus-

sion over Minimum Support Price (MSP), withdrawal of cases registered against farmers and compensation for deceased farmers’ kin.

Recently, Haryana BJP’s coalition partner Jannayak Janata Party (JJP) leader Digvijay Chautala had also come out in support of the protesting farmers and urged the Central Government to provide financial assistance to the families of the farmers who died during the protest.

Sources said that besides welcoming the Prime Minister’s announcement to repeal the three farm laws, the Chief Minister will also discuss the demands raised by the farmers’ leaders related to compensation and withdrawal of cases in Haryana.

The Chief Minister is also likely to meet senior BJP leaders during his Delhi visit. He will be returning on Thursday as the State cabinet is scheduled to be held at 3 pm.

Notably, the protesting farmers had been camping at three border points of Delhi – Singhu, Tikri (along Haryana), and Ghazipur (along Uttar Pradesh) demanding a repeal of the three farm laws enacted by the Central Government in September last year.

# Hry CM launches online service for ex-gratia assistance for kin of Covid victims

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar has launched an online service at Antyodaya SARAL Portal for providing ex-gratia assistance of ₹ 50,000 per deceased, to next of kin of the deceased, who died due to Covid-19 in the State.

“Now, applicants can submit their claim application online alongwith two specified documents namely copy of death certificate and copy of report diagnosing the deceased as Covid-19 positive, in the State,” said an official spokesman.

He said that the service has been developed in integration with ‘Pariwar Pehchan Patra. All applications of the claims will be settled within 30 days of submission of required documents and assistance shall be disbursed through Aadhaar linked Direct Benefit Transfer procedures.

The scheme will be within purview of Haryana Right to Service Act, 2014. Deputy Commissioner cum Chairman District Disaster Management Authority of the district, in which the deceased was residing, will release the ex-gratia to the beneficiary after due verification, he said. Notably, 10053 people have died due to COVID-19 in Haryana till date.

# Haryana BJP gearing up for polling to urban local bodies: Dhankar

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana BJP chief OP Dhankar on Wednesday said that the party is gearing up for the urban local bodies election in the State.

“The elections to 56 urban local bodies (municipalities/municipal councils) in Haryana are due to be conducted by the State Election Commission. The election to Municipal Corporation of Faridabad and Manesar are also likely to be held soon,” said Dhankar after holding a meeting of BJP’s election management committee for urban local bodies here.

Dhankar while talking to the mediapersons said that duties have been assigned to the members of the committee to oversee preparations for the polls and the next meeting will be held in December. The election management committee for urban local bodies polls comprises Cabinet Minister Mool Chand Sharma, MP Sanjay Bhatia, former Ministers Manish Grover and Kavita Jain among other party leaders.

The state BJP chief said that local issues will be the focus during the urban local bodies election. We have discussed the local issues with the elected mayors of BJP as well. The members of the committee have given feedback to us about the issues in

the local bodies, where polling is due to be held, he added.

On a question whether repealing three farm laws would benefit the BJP in the upcoming polls, Dhankar said that the issue should not be linked to elections in any way. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has also talked about this and the decision should not be linked to elections, he said.

Notably, the Bharatiya Kisan Union (BKU) had earlier announced to oppose the candidates supported by the BJP and JJP in the upcoming panchayat and urban local body elections in Haryana.

About polling to panchayati raj institutions in the state, the state BJP chief said due to legal hurdles, the elections to panchayati raj institutions are unlikely to be held soon. The case is subjudice, he said.

The elections to local bodies and PRIs in Haryana assume significance for the ruling BJP as the party had recently tasted defeat in bypoll to Ellenabad assembly seat in Sirsa district.

The ruling BJP-JJP alliance had failed to wrest Ellenabad seat from Indian National Lok Dal, whose candidate Abhay Chauatala had registered victory over BJP’s nominee Gobind Kanda by a slender margin of 6739 votes. The contentious three farm laws was the key issue in the bypoll.

# SAD announces 84 of its 97 candidates for Punjab Assembly polls

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

A day after Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) and Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP) swapped two seats, the Akali Dal on Wednesday announced RD Sharma as its candidate from Ludhiana (North) constituency for the ensuing 2022 Punjab assembly elections. With the announcement, the SAD has announced a total of 84 candidates, out of total 97 seats in its share.

Its ally, BSP, is contesting 20 seats. Notably, SAD severed its two-decade-old alliance with the BJP over the issue of central farm laws, and

entered into a pre-poll arrangement with the Bahujan Samaj Party.

Sharma, a three-time councillor from Ludhiana has also remained the deputy mayor of the city’s municipal corporation. At present, his mother is the councillor from the ward that Sharma represented. He joined the SAD after quitting the BJP along with former minister Anil Joshi in August.

SAD, only a day before, had swapped the Ludhiana (North) seat with alliance partner BSP along with Mohali, and in its place, it has given Raikot and Dinanagar to its ally.



# Pak allows India to send wheat to Af via its land



PNS ■ NEW DELHI / ISLAMABAD

Two days after Prime Minister Imran Khan announced that Indian humanitarian aid of 50,000 metric ton of wheat can be transported to Afghanistan through his country, Islamabad on Wednesday formally conveyed the decision to New Delhi in this regard. Pakistan also said it has allowed transportation of life-saving medicines from India to Afghanistan via Attari-Wagah border on an "exceptional basis for humanitarian purposes."

The decision came weeks after India urged Pakistan to allow the land route to ferry humanitarian aid. So far, Pakistan allows only Afghanistan to ferry goods to India through road but exports from Indian through land is not permitted.

Meanwhile, India on Wednesday reaffirmed the need for an inclusive negotiated political settlement to the Afghan crisis and said the territory of Afghanistan should not be used to the detriment of any other country.

Making this assertion here, Foreign Secretary Harsh Shringla said New Delhi is in

touch with all countries concerned over is in touch with all countries concerned on the Afghan issue, noting that it will have to see how best to protect its interests and "make the best" of a difficult situation. He made these observations in a virtual interactive session at the Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC).

As regards permission to India to ferry aid, "The decision of the government of Pakistan to this effect was formally conveyed to the Charge d' Affaires of India at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs," the Foreign Office (FO) said in a statement in Islamabad on Wednesday.

The FO said wheat and medicines to Afghanistan would be allowed to enter through "Wagah Border on an exceptional basis for humanitarian purposes."

Last month, India announced 50,000 metric tonnes of wheat for Afghanistan as humanitarian assistance and requested Pakistan to ship the food grain via the Wagah border.

India has contributed to the humanitarian requirements of the Afghan people. This included providing more than 1 million metric tonnes

of wheat to Afghanistan over the past decade.

Last year too India assisted Afghanistan with 75,000 metric tonnes of wheat, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar had said at the United Nations High-Level Meeting on the Humanitarian situation in Afghanistan in September.

Imran Khan on Monday announced the decision as soon as modalities are finalised with the Indian side. He said this while approving a humanitarian assistance package for Afghanistan.

He visited the new Afghanistan Inter-Ministerial Coordination Cell (AICC) in Islamabad and chaired the first apex committee meeting of the cell. The meeting was also attended by Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi, Pakistan Army chief General Qamar Javed Bajwa and National Security Adviser (NSA) Moeed Yousaf.

An official statement at the meeting also said "Pakistan will also facilitate the return of Afghan patients who had gone to India for medical treatment and are stuck there, the Prime Minister announced."

# Resumption of regular international flights likely by end of year: DGCA



PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Regular international flight operations, which have remained suspended owing to the Covid-19 pandemic, is expected to return to normal soon. Civil Aviation Ministry Secretary Rajiv Bansal on Wednesday said that international passenger flight services are expected to be normalised soon and possibly by the end of this year.

As per the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), the international flight operations have been suspended till November 30. The government has been allowing commercial international flights on a case-to-case basis.

Scheduled international passenger flights to and from India were suspended in March 2020 due to the covid-19 pandemic. However, the restrictions will not apply to international all-cargo operations and flights specifically approved by Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA), a circular added.

Currently, India has formed air-bubble pacts with

around 28 countries, including the US, the UK, the UAE, Kenya, Bhutan and France. Under an air-bubble pact between two countries, special international flights can be operated by their airlines between their territories with specific restrictions.

After the first wave of COVID-19 subsided, a lot of countries opened their borders for tourists from India, especially Dubai, Maldives and Seychelles. However, we the arrival of second-wave and increasing cases, almost every country put India on a red list of international arrivals. Things, now, are again going back to normal and with India managing to reduce infection rate drastically, international travellers from India holding tourist visas are being allowed by many countries. With the vaccination meted out and countries allowing international travel, there is a great relief.

On the other hand, domestic air passenger traffic has seen an uptick, almost reaching pre-Covid levels. On November 23, over 3.59 lakh

domestic air passengers travelled via 2743 flights across India. Last weekend, 3.94 lakh domestic air passengers travelled, which is highest since the pandemic.

Last week, Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia said the government was evaluating the process for normalising international operations and asserted that it wants to return to normalcy while keeping in mind the coronavirus pandemic situation in certain parts of the world.

Speaking about its loss-making carrier Air India, Bansal said it is likely to be handed over to the Tata group by the end of the year. "We are making efforts to handover all operations of Air India by the end of December". Air India has been incurring a monthly loss of more than ₹600 crore, he noted. On October 25, the Government signed the share purchase agreement with Tata Sons for the sale of the airline for ₹18,000 crore. The amount includes payment of ₹2,700 crore in cash and take over ₹15,300 crore of the carrier's debt.

# States slacken Covid testing momentum

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI



At a time when States should have been closely monitoring prevalence of severe acute respiratory infection (SARI) & influenza-like illness (ILI)/ respiratory distress symptoms for early hotspot identification as winter sets in and pollution level increases, many of them have slowed the pace of conducting Covid-19 tests.

Fearing that this poor pace could undermine the actual infection spread within the community, the Centre has taken exception to this disturbing and casual approach, particularly in the backdrop of multiple surges in the Covid-19 cases in a majority of countries in recent times and a few developed nations reporting even fourth and fifth wave despite high levels of Covid vaccination.

The Union Health Ministry on Wednesday wrote to at least 13 states including the populated one like Maharashtra, Kerala, Punjab, Rajasthan, West Bengal and those in Northeast such as Nagaland, Sikkim, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram to increase the pace of testing. The other three States are Goa, Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh.

The Ministry said that in the absence of sustained levels of sufficient testing, it is very difficult to determine the true level of infection spread in a geography.

"Nagaland has reported 342 average daily tests as of the week ending 22nd November. This is in a stark contrast to a high of 1,250 average daily tests conducted in the week of August 23-29. It is also worrying to note that the state has recorded a positivity of 1.5 per cent in the

week ending 22nd November, having stagnated over the past 4 weeks, with an abysmally low share of RT-PCR tests i.e., 8.2 per cent," the Ministry cited the status to the States.

"Further, worrying trends with regards to tests, tests per million, positivity rate and higher dependence on Rapid Antigen tests have been observed in various districts of the State... The positivity in districts such as Mokukchong and Peren has been above 2.5 per cent, with RT-PCR share falling below a decent proportion of the total tests."

The Ministry has directed these states to maintain the momentum and build on the progress made so far to bring the pandemic situation under control.

"While there has been a significant decline in the new cases with 10,195, average daily cases reported in the week ending 22nd November, it has been observed that there has also been a decline in weekly testing rates," wrote Union Health Secretary Rajesh Bhushan to these states and territories.

The letter said in the absence of sustained levels of sufficient testing, it is very difficult to determine the true level of infection spread. "With a majority of countries seeing multiple surges in Covid cases in recent times and a few developed countries facing even fourth and fifth waves despite high levels of Covid vaccination, there is a need for continued vigil given the unpredictable and contagious nature of the disease..."

# Naravane praises Bangladesh's efforts to deny space to terrorist groups

PNS ■ NEW DELHI



Army Chief General M M Naravane on Wednesday lauded the people of Bangladesh for standing up for their right to liberty and independence in 1971. He also appreciated Bangladesh's efforts to deny space to terrorist groups who are trying to carry out subversive activities against India.

In a message played out during an event here on Wednesday to mark 50 years of India-Bangladesh ties, he also asserted that "the historic Land Boundary Agreement" (LBA) between the two countries has shown how an issue related to border can be "resolved with mutual negotiations and a constructive outlook".

This, at a time when "certain countries" have been trying

to "alter the status quo by force, and bypassing traditional rules and protocols, with complete disregard to territorial integrity of others," Naravane said, without naming any country.

The LBA epitomises the 3Ms — "mutual respect, mutual trust and mutual commitment — to a rules-based order," the Army chief said. He also said the two countries share an important strategic space in the Indian subcontinent with a land boundary spanning over 4,000 km.

Marking a new high in bilateral ties, India and

Bangladesh in 2015 had sealed a historic deal to settle the old land boundary dispute through exchange of territories, removing a major irritant in bilateral ties.

"We are conscious of Bangladesh's efforts to deny space to terror groups that are carrying out subversive activities against India," the Army chief said. In turn, India "continues to prevent any terror outfit" from using Indian soil to undermine the interests of Bangladesh, he said.

The event was attended by Bangladesh High Commissioner Muhammad Imran, former Army chief of Bangladesh and 1971 war veteran Lt General (retd) Harun-Rashid, a few 1971 India-Pakistan war veterans from Indian armed forces, and a number of senior defence officials, among others.

# Rahul seeks credible data on Covid deaths

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Former Congress chief Rahul Gandhi on Wednesday demanded that the government provide credible data on Covid deaths in the country and pay a compensation of ₹4 lakh each to families of those who lost their lives due to coronavirus. Stepping up its campaign against the BJP in Gujarat, which goes to polls late next year, the Congress leader also attacked the "Gujarat model" which the BJP has projected as the best in the country. Rahul Gandhi shared a video in which families, who lost their dear ones due to Covid in Gujarat, alleged that they did not receive timely help from the government. "The Congress party has two demands that credible data on Covid deaths be disclosed and compensation of Rs four lakh be given to the families of those who lost their kin due to Covid-19. The Government will have to ease the pain of people and they should get com-

pensation," he said in a tweet in Hindi, using the hashtag "#4LakhDenaHoga".

In the 4.31 minute video as part of "Congress Nyay campaign", Rahul said the Gujarat model is much talked about but the families whom they talked to said that during Covid times they neither got a hospital bed nor a ventilator.

"When you had to help them in the hospital, you were not there and when they lost Rs 10-15 lakh in hospital and also their family members, you were still not there to provide compensation. What type of Government is this," he asked.

The former Congress chief said while the Gujarat government claims that only 10,000 people died due to Covid, the truth is that three lakh people have died due to Covid. He claimed that Congress workers have gone house to house to ascertain this. "The official tally says 10,000 people died due to Covid, but the truth is three lakh," he claimed.

# CRPF enhances ex-gratia payment for its personnel

PNS ■ NEW DELHI



The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) has enhanced the ex gratia payment from ₹21.5 lakh to ₹35 lakh for troops killed in combat action and from ₹16.5 lakh to ₹25 lakh for casualties due to other causes like accident, suicide or illness while in service. The ex-gratia amount is payable to the next of kin of the deceased personnel.

The decision to enhance the ex gratia payment was taken during the annual governing body meeting of the paramilitary force held in September, a senior official said on Wednesday.

These ex-gratia payments will be drawn from the voluntary contribution made by the personnel of the force under two heads — risk fund and central welfare fund.

The officials said a similar

decision is being taken in other Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) or paramilitary forces on the directions of the Union Home Ministry.

The CRPF has also enhanced the financial assistance given to the family members of its deceased personnel for the wedding of the daughter or the sister of the slain trooper. The financial assistance has been enhanced from

₹50,000 to ₹1 lakh, they said.

The CRPF is the world's biggest paramilitary force with about 3.25 lakh personnel in its ranks and is designated as the lead internal security force for counter-terrorist and anti-Naxal operations. It is extensively deployed for counter-terrorist operations in Jammu and Kashmir and anti-insurgency role Naxal-hit States and the Northeast.

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# Anaemia among women, kids remains a concern

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

From a replacement-level fertility rate, rise in women operating bank accounts from 53 per cent to 79 per cent at all-India level to disturbing anaemia prevalence as well as obesity and C-section deliver-

ies, the latest round of the National Family Health Survey (NFHS 5) has presented extreme picture of India's health status across the States.

In spite of the substantial increase in the composition of iron folic acid (IFA) tablets by pregnant women for 180 days or more, anaemia among chil-

dren and women continues to be a cause of concern. More than half of them, including pregnant women, are anemic nationwide, as per the survey.

In the key indicators of the survey, exclusive breastfeeding to children under age six months has shown an improvement in all-India level from 55 per cent in 2015-16 to 64 per cent in 2019-21.

The child nutrition indicators have also shown a slight improvement at the all-India level as stunting has declined from 38 per cent to 36 per cent and underweight from 36 per cent to 32 per cent at the all-India level. In all phase-II States/UTs, the situation has improved in respect of child nutrition, but the change is not significant as drastic changes in respect of these indicators are unlikely in a short span period.

The survey has found that the institutional births have increased substantially from 79 per cent to 89 per cent at the all-India Level. However, the institutional delivery is 100 per cent in Puducherry and Tamil Nadu and more than 90 per cent in 7 States/UTs out of 12 Phase II States/UTs.

SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED

General public is hereby informed that one person Namely **Gajender Singh S/o Sh. Bijender Singh** R/o H.No. 617, Sultanpur, New Delhi has been missing from his house since 21.10.2021. In this regard, a case **DD No. 64-A dated 05.11.2021 has been registered at P.S. Fatehpur Beri, New Delhi.** The description of the missing person is as under.

Age: 25 years, Height: 5'10", Complexion: Shallow Face: Round, Build: Medium, Wearing: Blue colour Jeans Red Colour jacket. Other Id: The person is mentally unsound. Sincere efforts have been made by the local police to trace out him but no clue has come to light so far. If anyone has any information about the missing person then please inform P.S.Fatehpur Beri, Delhi at following Tel No./e-mail: **cic@cbi.gov.in** and Website: **http://cbi.nic.in**  
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# ‘Cost-effective meditation can help reverse grey matter loss’

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI



A simple, easy to follow, cost-effective meditation routine, when practised daily for several months, can help reverse grey matter loss in patients with mild cognitive impairment (MCI) or those with mild Alzheimer's disease — a neurological progressive degenerative condition — researchers have claimed.

Dr Amitabha Ghosh, Director and Head Department of Neurology, Apollo Multispeciality Hospital Kolkata, together with Dr S Bapi Raju [Cognitive Science lab at IIIT Hyderabad], in collaboration with other researchers had allocated patients with MCI or mild Alzheimer's disease to meditation or control groups.

The meditation group practised 30 minutes of silent, sitting meditation daily for 6 months. They did MRI scans at baseline and after 6 months all patients also underwent neuropsychological assessment. The meditation group showed significantly increased grey

matter over the frontal brain regions that are responsible for control of attention and goal-directed decision-making and reduced grey matter posteriorly.

"The left hippocampus (memory) and the right thalamus also showed an increase in grey matter volume. The team found a trend towards improved attention among the meditators," said the researchers. The study supported under the SATYAM program by the Department of Science & Technology is published in journal 'Frontiers in Human Neuroscience'.

However, the researchers said that the meditation research in MCI and Alzheimer's disease is still very young.

"Much of our waking state is spent on mind wandering. Excessive mind wandering, especially when loaded with persistent negative thoughts, damages the brain, predisposing one to early aging or even Alzheimer's disease. Meditation teaches non-judgmental and non-reactive awareness of appearing thoughts and improves one's ability to disengage and focus on intended goals," Dr Ghosh explained.



# Teachers’ killers among 3 terrorists neutralised

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

Three terrorists, including one of the commanders of The Resistance Front (TRF), believed to be involved in the killing of two minority school teachers, were gunned down by the jawans of the Jammu and Kashmir police in a brief encounter near Rambagh area of Srinagar late Wednesday evening.

According to the preliminary reports the terrorists were travelling in a private car when they were intercepted by the police teams in the middle of the road. In the brief exchange of fire all three terrorists were neutralised.

The vehicular movement also remained suspended till

the time police authorities cleared the area. Several local residents stepped out of their homes and shouted pro-Azadi slogans while the security forces shifted the dead bodies to the police control room for an identification parade.

Inspector General of Police, Kashmir range Vijay Kumar told a Delhi based news agency, "one of the three terrorists killed in the encounter has been identified as Mehran. The identities of two others was yet to be established". Kumar said Mehran, a 'C' category terrorist, was involved in the killing of a school principal and a teacher in the month of October in Srinagar.

Highly placed sources in the Jammu and Kashmir police

also revealed the name of TRF terrorist commander Mehran Yaseen Shalla had surfaced during a high level security review meeting chaired by the Union Home Minister. While briefing the Union Home Minister senior police officers had named Mehran as one of the TRF commanders behind the targeted killings. Directions were given to the security forces to identify and neutralise perpetrators of terrorist violence involved in the targeted killings of minorities in the Kashmir valley.

Till the time of filing the report the police had not released any official statement as the identities of two other slain terrorists were yet to be ascertained.

## CBI PROBE INTO SSC RECRUITMENT SCAM

# HC interim relief for Bengal Govt

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

Much to the relief of the Mamata Banerjee Government, a Division Bench of the Calcutta High Court on Wednesday granted an interim stay on the CBI investigation — into the School Service Commission recruitment scam — ordered earlier by a single bench of the same Court.

Granting an interim stay of three weeks the Division Bench directed the SSC to submit before it all the documents related to the matter in a sealed envelope which would be kept with the Registrar General of the Court.

Earlier in a damning order the single bench of Justice Abhijit Banerjee had ordered a CBI investigation into the alleged irregularities in the appointment of the Group C

and D (non-teaching) staff in the Government aided schools that function under the West Bengal Board of Secondary Education.

The appointments were made upon purported recommendations coming from unspecified sources in the SSC. While the Commission later said that no such recommendation had been made after May 4, 2019 the WBSEE which had directed the schools to provide appointment letters to the recruited persons said in an affidavit that it had done so following the stated recommendations vouching to produce such letters before the Court if asked to.

Subsequently the Court directed a CBI investigation into the irregularities asking the investigating agency to probe the money trail too if that had

taken place. While the case related to the appointment of 25 people, the subsequent revelations suggested that more than 500 such people could have been appointed through the backdoor.

The SSC is already under the court scanner regarding another recruitment scandal related to the appointment of teaching staff. Justice Banerjee in his order had earlier directed the CBI to constitute a committee headed by an officer “not below the rank of a Joint Director with officers not below the rank of DIG to initiate the enquiry,” adding it was expected that “no person will be left out of the enquiry ... the CBI should also enquire ... as to whether there is any money trail in issuance of such recommendation letters and subsequent issuance of appoint-

ment letters...”

Meanwhile, a moribund Left Front descended on the streets of Kolkata after many months with hundreds of its cadres storming the SSC headquarters seeking removal of the top officials of the Commission and sacking of the State Education Minister.

Following a two-hour skirmish a dozen of Left supporters were injured and at least 250 members of CPI(M)'s students and youth arms Students Federation of India and Democratic Youth Federation of India were arrested and the streets they had blockaded cleared by the police. Presently the SFI and the DYFI cadres were protesting in front of the Bidhannagar and Rajarhat Police Stations seeking the release of the arrested people.

# Do more Corona tests, Centre tells Bengal

PNS ■ KOLKATA

With Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee out in Delhi State ministers and senior officials on Wednesday preferred to maintain a studied silence on the Centre's letter asking the State Government to augment weekly corona tests in view of the increasing number of cases in many parts of the world.

“A letter has come from Delhi and a decision would be taken at an appropriate time,” a senior official of the State Health Department said adding the State Government had been following guidelines given by the Centre from time to time.

A Minister on the other hand said Bengal was one of the pioneer states in maintaining steady vaccination record despite non-cooperation from the Centre adding New Delhi had “no right to lecture the States without itself doing nothing on the issue.”

Earlier, the Centre wrote letters to thirteen states including Bengal expressing its concern over the decline in the number weekly testing for corona virus.

A letter from the Union Health Secretary Rajesh Bhushan said that there should be high testing rates considering the fact that international traveling had increased in the recent weeks.

“A decrease in testing would undermine the actual infection spread within the community,” the letter said.

Pointing out to the fact that many other countries were “seeing multiple surges in Covid cases ...” the letter reminded how a few developed countries were facing even fourth and fifth waves despite high levels of vaccination suggesting there was need for continued vigil.

## BSF lodges protest with Pak for border violation

**Jammu:** Indian border guards on Wednesday lodged a strong protest with their Pakistani counterparts during a commandant level border meeting held at the Octroi post along the International border in RS Pura sector of Jammu frontier. According to a Public Relations Officer of BSF, Jammu frontier, “A strong protest was lodged by BSF regarding violation of IB by Pakistan based drones and also apprised the Pak commander to refrain from such activities”.

The BSF delegation was led by Ajay Suryavanshi, Commandant and the Pakistan delegation was led by Wing commander Lt. Col Aquil of 13 Wing Chenab Rangers.

“During the meeting commanders of both border guarding forces discussed various issues including maintenance of border pillars and latest infrastructure activities on the border, Pakistan Drone operations and other activities”, BSF PRO said in a written statement.

During the meeting both the commanders also agreed to resolve all the operational matters and border issues with a mutual understanding. “The meeting was held in a cordial & constructive atmosphere and both commanders agreed to work for maintaining a peaceful atmosphere on the border”, spokesman added.

# Fadnavis meets Raj Thackeray, sparks buzz about BJP-MNS ties for BMC polls

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Amid speculation about the changing political equations in the metropolis ahead of the crucial February 2022 Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC) elections, Maharashtra's former chief minister and senior BJP leader Devendra Fadnavis met MNS chief Raj Thackeray at the latter's new residence “Shiv Thirth” at Dadar in north-central Mumbai on Wednesday afternoon.

Fadnavis, who was accompanied by his banker-wife Amruta, spent nearly two hours at “Shiv Thirth” interacting with the MNS chief and his wife Sharmila over lunch.

As the speculation over the import of the luncheon meeting between Raj and senior BJP leader, MNS Spokesperson Sandeep Deshpande said that Thackerays had invited the Fadnavis couple to their new house for lunch. Notwithstanding the clarification issued by Deshpande, the speculation was rift that the BJP and MNS may try to forge an alliance for the

crucial BMC polls scheduled to be held in February 2022.

For many years since they formed an alliance in the late eighties, the Shiv Sena used to rule the BMC in alliance with the BJP. However, after the Shiv Sena broke its alliance with the BJP at the state and national levels and formed the government in alliance with the NCP and Congress in the state in the last week of November 2019, the saffron alliance broke at the BMC. Currently, the Shiv Sena rules the BMC on its own.

It may be recalled that the BMC polls held in 2017 had thrown up a hung house. The Shiv Sena had emerged as the single largest party with 84 seats in the 227-member BMC, followed by BJP- 82, Congress- 31, NCP- 9, MNS- 7 and others-- 14. During the first two and a half years in power, the Shiv Sena increased its strength to 94, by inducting among others seven corporators from the Raj Thackeray-led NCP.

However, after it aligned with the NCP and Congress in the state in November 2019, the ruling Shiv Sena

has been enjoying the support of the two parties for the past two years

Given that all the three constituents of the ruling Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA) nurse the ambition of expanding their base in Mumbai, it is not clear as yet whether the Shiv Sena, NCP and Congress will contest the 2022 BMC polls as an alliance.

Despite the fact that it had won as many as 92 seats in the 227-member civic body in the 2017 polls, the BJP – which is the principal Opposition party in the state – will have a tough time in the 2022 BMC polls. No wonder, ahead of the 2022 civic polls, the BJP is cosying up to the MNS, which had won seven seats in the 2017 polls.

BJP leaders Ashish Shelar and Prasad Lad had earlier met the MNS chief at the latter's residence.

On his part, the MNS spokesperson reiterated that not much should be read into the MNS chief's meeting with Fadnavis. He said that every legendary cricketer Sachin Tendulkar had met Raj Thackeray at the latter's residence a few days back.

## Construction of 3.61 lakh houses under PMAY(U) approved

**New Delhi:** The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs ( MoHUA) has approved the construction of 3.61 lakh houses in 17 States and Union Territories under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Urban), taking the total number of houses sanctioned under the scheme to 1.14 crore. This includes construction of 19,535 units, for urban migrants/poor, involving Technology Innovation Grant of ₹39.11 crore in Tamil Nadu and Telangana.

The approval was given by the Central Sanctioning and Monitoring Committee (CSMC) chaired by Union Housing and Urban Affairs Secretary Durga Shanker Mishra on Tuesday. These houses would be constructed under Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP), Beneficiary-Led Construction (BLC), In-Situ Slum Redevelopment (ISSR) verticals of PMAY-U. In the statement, the Ministry said that out of the 1.14 crore sanctioned houses, over 89 lakh have been grounded for construction and 52.5 lakh completed and delivered to the beneficiaries. It stated that the secretary has asked states and union territories to resolve the issues without delay so that construction of houses can be expedited.

The total investment under the Mission is ₹7.52 lakh crore, with a central assistance of ₹1.85 lakh crore, the ministry said, adding that so far, ₹1.13 lakh crore has already been released. In the meeting, Mishra also laid renewed emphasis to accelerate housing construction and completion across the country within stipulated time under PMAY-U so that the goal of 'Housing for All' by 2022 can be achieved, the statement stated. At the CSMC meeting, an e-Finance module was also launched by the HUA Secretary.

The e-Finance module has been integrated with all modules of the PMAY-U MIS system and designed, developed with in PMAY-U MIS System with the objective to provide unique platform to all stakeholders for disbursement of funds through direct benefit transfer mode and to validate beneficiaries, it also stated.

## MSRTC EMPLOYEES’ STRIKE

# Maha announces hefty hikes in employees’ basic pay

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

In an effort to end nearly a month-long agitation by the employees of the State run Maharashtra State Road Transport Corporation (MSRTC), State Transport Minister Anil Parab on Wednesday announced hefty hikes in the employees' basic salaries ranging from ₹2,500 per month to ₹7,000 per month, pending a decision on inclusion of the MSRTC employees in its state government's payt rolls.

After holding day-long discussions with the leaders of the agitating MSRTC employee, Parab made a formal announcement about the hikes in the basic salaries of the agitating employees.

Talking to media persons after holding talks with the representatives of agitating MSRTC employees, Parab said: “The hikes announced in the basic salaries of employees

works out to nearly 41 per cent which is the highest-ever salary increase in the history of the MSRTC employees. The high-level committee is expected to give its reports within 12 weeks”.

“As far as the inclusion of the MSRTC employees in the state government's employment roll, we will accept whatever the Bombay High Court suggests in the matter. If the HC-appointed three-member high-level committee recommends the inclusion of the MSRTC employees in the rolls of state government, we will do so,” Parab said.

The Minister appealed to the striking employees to resume work by 8 am on Thursday.

As per the decision to effect hikes in the basis salaries of the MSRTC employees, the employees with one to 10 years' experience will get a monthly hike of ₹5,000 hike in their basic salaries.

For instance, those who have hitherto been getting a basic salary of ₹12,080 will now get ₹17,395 per month. Similarly, those with a basic salary of ₹17,070 will now get a basic salary of ₹24,584 per month.

In the case of employees with an experience ranging from 10 to 20 years, there will be ₹4,000 increase in the basic salaries.

As a consequence, their basic salaries will go up from ₹23,040 to ₹28,800 per month.

The employees with an experience of more than 20 years will get an increase of Rs 2,500 in basic salary every month.

As a result, the employees who are currently earning a basic of 26,000 per month and total salary of ₹37,440 will henceforth get a total salary of ₹41,040. Similarly, those getting a basic of ₹36,000 and total salary of 53,280 will now basic

salary of Rs 39,500 basic and a total salary of Rs 56,880 per month.

Parab said that the MSRTC had suffered huge revenue losses during the Covid-19 period and the State Government had extended a financial assistance of ₹2,700 crore. “Owing to some reasons, the disbursement of salaries to the MSRRRC was getting delayed earlier. Henceforth the MSRTC will get salaries within 10th of every month,” the Minister said.

It may be recalled that the MSRTC workers went on an indefinite strike from October 28 to press for their various demands. The striking employees intensified their agitation from November 9 when all the MSRTC depots were shut down.

Before holding talks with the striking MSRTC employees, Parab had met chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray, Ajit Pawar and NCP chief Sharad Pawar.

# Andhra seeks ₹1,000 crore interim grant for flood relief

**Amaravati:** Pegging the overall damage caused by the recent heavy rains and floods at ₹6,054.29 crore, the Andhra Pradesh Government on Wednesday requested the Centre to immediately release ₹1,000 crore as interim relief towards flood relief and restoration works.

Chief Minister Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy wrote an identical letter to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home Minister Amit Shah, detailing the havoc caused by heavy rains and floods between November 13 and 20, mainly in Anantapuramu, Kadapa, Chittoor and SPS Nellore districts.

“Despite arranging teams well in advance and serious efforts by the government to save the lives of people, 40, including a State Disaster Response Force constable, died and 25 others were reported missing. As many as 324 relief

camps have been arranged, accommodating 69,616 persons in the affected districts and they are still continuing,” the Chief Minister said.

He said several high-ways, irrigation tanks and canals have breached in Kadapa, Chittoor, Anantapuramu and SPS Nellore districts.

“The worst affected were the farmers as crops (like paddy, Bengal gram, cotton, black gram, groundnut and sugarcane) ready for harvesting were damaged,” Jagan added.

Agricultural crops in 1.42 lakh hectares suffered damage, with the estimated monetary loss being ₹1,353.82 crore. Horticultural crops in 42,299 hectares, worth ₹48.06 crore, were damaged.

Roads and irrigation systems were the worst hit, with the deluge causing a loss of ₹1,756.43 crore and ₹556.96 crore respectively, the Chief

Minister pointed out in the letter. Civic infrastructure like roads, pipelines, drains, school buildings and community centres in municipalities suffered a loss of ₹1,252 crore.

Panchayat Raj roads to a length of 2,254.32 km were battered, inflicting a loss of Rs 381.65 crore.

Rural Water Supply schemes worth Rs 453.33 crore were also damaged, the Chief Minister said. Hundreds of electricity feeders, substations and distribution lines were also damaged, causing a loss of ₹252 crore.

“Heavy rains caused inundation of low-lying areas and disrupted normal life. The gravity was such that 17 teams of NDRF and SDRF and two helicopters had to be deployed for undertaking search and rescue operations. In all, 1,402 villages in 196 mandals and four towns were affected,” the Chief Minister said.



Women farmers harvest cauliflower on the outskirts of Jammu on Wednesday





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PAPER WITH PASSION

## Woes continue

The Taliban may get aid but not recognition unless they start recognising women's rights

The Taliban are making it difficult for the world community to recognise their interim Government in Afghanistan. Their fresh diktat against women being the latest reason. They have a Ministry that seeks to regulate and control the lives of Afghan women – Ministry for the Propagation of Virtue and the Prevention of Vice. The Ministry has banned women from appearing in television dramas and entertainment shows. Women news presenters have to wear headscarves. These are part of the eight directives in the first tranche of restrictions imposed on the media. Films in opposition to Islamic law and "Afghan values" cannot be broadcast. Foreign films that promote "foreign values" are banned. Comedy shows cannot insult anybody. Shows depicting the "prophets and companions" are disallowed. Cynics would say the people have escaped with only a few restrictions because last time the Taliban were around, they had totally banned television and other forms of media. However, it is the Taliban's attitude to women that needs to be repeatedly highlighted. However much they profess to have moderated and modernised themselves, it is sadly true that at their core, they have not changed a bit since their rein between 1996-2001. That it is the Ministry on virtue and vice that deals with women's issues is a dead giveaway. Is that why the Taliban also did not find the need for a minister for women and child welfare?



It was only three months ago, on August 17, two days after the Taliban grabbed power, that Beheshta Arghand became the first-ever female television host to conduct a sit-in interview with a Taliban leader. There would be no second time as the Taliban's moderate make-up wore off fast. Women employees in the private and public sectors have since been asked to go home. Women-oriented jobs are under review. Girls were told they could attend segregated classes in universities. Some women, used to relative freedom in the last two decades, tried to protest but they were beaten and even whipped by Taliban enforcers. Contrary to the Taliban assurances that women's rights would be respected, women are being increasingly left out of the public sphere. The world should know that women would be worse off in the rural areas where the Taliban fighters and tribal heads hold sway and who alone have decided for decades how women ought to live. Many of the far-flung provinces have different rules for women depending on how radical the local Taliban chiefs are. Women's groups want the international community to leverage financial aid to Afghanistan to improve the women's lot. But that is a Catch-22 situation because the lack of aid can lead to mass hunger and deaths in the country. The United Nations has collected over \$600 million as distress aid. With the onset of winter, the supply of food and medicine is crucial. Ironically, most of the aid workers are women and one wonders if the Taliban have anything to say about that.

### PICTALK



An anti-smog gun sprays water droplets to curb air pollution, in Gurugram

PTI

## Gaining muscle

The TMC has been successful in nagging the BJP unlike the Congress ahead of the Assembly polls

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has started cementing her aspirations of a national footprint for the Trinamool Congress in the coming months, especially in the first quarter of 2022. Both Mamata and her nephew Abhishek, an official of the party's national organ, had declared soon after crushing the BJP in the State Assembly election that the Trinamool wouldn't contest a number of upcoming Assembly elections not just to mark presence but also to win the States and form a Government there, the Chief Minister has now declared that the "march to the Centre cannot be possible without the support of States". The Trinamool Congress supremo sent out this message after a number of prominent leaders from different political parties joined the TMC recently. Ever since her party bagged an undisputed victory against the BJP in Bengal, the TMC has been on the front foot against the ruling party at the Centre. It has courageously been staking its claim to the Chief Minister's chair even as far as in Goa. It's been signing up and roping in newer regional leaders, mostly at the cost of the Congress and possible dent in the fortunes of the BJP.



In the latest addition to its political and electoral arsenal, Ashok Tanwar, who had quit the Congress a couple of years back, has joined the TMC in New Delhi in Banerjee's presence. Tanwar, a former Haryana Congress chief, was considered to have had Rahul Gandhi's ears but later fell out with the party over his rivalry with other State leaders, including former Chief Minister Bhupinder Singh Hooda. Tanwar had floated Apna Bharat Morcha after quitting the Congress but has now come out in strong support of the TMC supremo and has been throwing his weight in support of her party "across the entire country" and against the "misgovernance of the BJP". Tanwar's entry is sure to have given a shot in the arm to the TMC in Haryana, which is a State, apart from Punjab and regions in Uttar Pradesh, that played a major role in the farmers' unflinching demand against the BJP-led Union Government for the withdrawal of the three farm laws. However, that threat staring in the face of the BJP is still not over, what with the Bharatiya Kisan Union leader Rakesh Tikait warning the Centre of a prolonged agitation if it didn't agree of "all the demands" of the protesting farmers, including those involving the Minimum Support Price and punishing the Union State Minister Teni for the Lakhimpur Kheri incident.

# The legacy of the division of India

Hindus and Muslims derive their inspiration from different sources of history. Very often, the hero of one is a foe of the other



PRAFULL GORADIA

There were two sides to the coin of Partition. One was that the Muslim community was well behind the Hindus as well as the other minorities. They were about a third in population or one-third in numbers compared to the Hindus. Therefore, if Independent India adopted a universal adult franchise, they would be out-numbered by lengths. Secondly, the Muslims were less educated. As a matter of long-term strategy, Islam had played down education from its early days of the seventh century. For the last thousand years, Hejaz as well as Caliphs had prohibited *ijtihad* (reinterpretation or change) and enforced *taqlid* (orthodoxy). The less educated a person, the fewer the questions he/she is likely to think up and ask. Thus, ensuring the perpetuity of the religion. Incidentally, women's education was restricted to reading the Quran, especially the prayers.

When the British came to India, instead of using English, the clergy exhorted their followers to avoid the study of English and Western science. Sir William Hunter has made a lucid analysis of how and where the Muslim students fell back in the 19th century and even earlier. Then came the decision of Lt Governor of UP to make English the court language, Hindi and Persian was abolished. Such measures, although rational, put the Muslims back. Their fear was of diluting their identity which was dearer to them than their development.

The other difficulty was that very few Muslims took to business and industry; the only exceptions were the Khojas, the Memons and the Bohras, all based in Bombay. The Muslim elites of the rest of India were land based, whether agricultural, farming vegetables or cultivating orchards but had very few factories. In short, cultivating the Hindus had the economic lead. Timur Kuran, Professor at the University of Duke, has explained at length the financial disadvantage of Islamic communities. He has focused on West Asia and how Islamic ordainments have kept the common folk econom-



ically back. Imagine West Asia without petroleum! And imagine a business without banking and lending without interest!

The Viceroy had called an all-India election in December 1945 to January 1946. By that time, Jinnah's speech preceding the passing of the Pakistan resolution on, March 23, 1940, at the Lahore session of the Muslim League was humming to virtually all Muslim ears in India. Incidentally, Jinnah deliberately made Fazlur Rahman of Bengal sign the resolution. Rahman was a popular, prominent peasant leader of the eastern wing of what eventually became Pakistan and now Bangladesh. His Two Nation Theory is very briefly stated here: the Hindus and Muslims have different religious philosophies, social customs and literatures. They neither intermarry nor inter-dine and, indeed, they belong to two different civilisations which are based mainly on conflicting ideas and conceptions. Their views on life and of life are different. It is also quite clear that Hindus and Muslims derive their inspiration from different sources of history. They have different epics, different heroes in different episodes. Very often the hero of one is a foe of the other and likewise, their victories and defeats overlap.



MUSLIM INDIA CANNOT ACCEPT ANY CONSTITUTION WHICH MUST NECESSARILY RESULT IN HINDU MAJORITY. IF HINDUS AND MUSLIMS ARE BROUGHT UNDER A DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM, IT CAN ONLY MEAN HINDU RAJ

History has presented to us many examples, such as the union of Great Britain and Ireland. We know that the history of the last 1,200 years has failed to achieve unity and we have witnessed, during the ages, India was always divided into Hindu India and Muslim India. The termination of the British regime will be a worse disaster. Muslim India cannot accept any Constitution which must necessarily result in a Hindu majority Government. If Hindus and Muslims are brought together under a democratic system, it can only mean Hindu Raj. Muslims are not a minority; Muslims are a nation according to any definition and they must have their homelands, their territory and their State.

Indeed, Jinnah argued as if one is prepared to ignore the other. As Dr Rafiq Zakaria has put it: all throughout his younger years, Jinnah showed no interest in Muslims. He was, then, all for the Congress; its non-communal, nationalistic principle which enthused him.

When he was a young man, Jinnah worked for Hindu-Muslim unity and made every attempt to see that the Congress and the League presented a united front. He assured the British that they need not be unduly perturbed

as its terms of the Lucknow Pact if implemented would help them as well. He welcomed the declaration made by the British Government on August 20, 1917, which assured Indians that "the policy of His Majesty's Government, with which the Government of India are in complete accord, is that of the increasing association of self-governing institutions with a view to the progressive realisation of responsible Government in India as an integral part of the British Empire." To give effect to it, the new Secretary of State Edward Montague visited India in the winter of that year. He along with Viceroy Lord Chelmsford conferred with the leaders of different schools of political thought to try and find a consensus on the future constitutional advance. Of all the politicians whom Montague met, he was most impressed by Jinnah. He recorded this in his diary: "Young, perfectly mannered, impressive looking, armed to the teeth with dialectics, and insistent upon the whole of his scheme..."

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

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### FITNESS SHOULD BE GIVEN DUE IMPORTANCE

Sir — I strongly believe that every individual has the right to healthy living. Healthy living is not a privilege, but a right. Sadly, however, in our country, healthy living is more like a right in the pocket of people who are able and willing to pay for it. Therefore, a chain of health clubs needs to be opened and made accessible — to make fitness a part of every Indian's lifestyle. To provide easy access to superior quality and affordable fitness regimens that will be an integral part of every Indian.

Unlike the US, we do not have special cycling lanes; our offices are not equipped with lockers and shower-rooms that we can freshen up after walking or cycling our way to work. Also, the Indian weather does not permit exercise all year around — the summers are bad, the rainy season has its own woes and the winter is practically nonexistent. Such scenarios don't leave much scope for exercise. We haven't given due importance to fitness and working out and it's high time that we realised the benefit of a brisk walk or a jog in the morning so that we wake up fresh and sleep well.

MR Jayanthi Subramaniam | Mumbai

### WHERE DID WE REACH AFTER 26/11?

Sir — Even though Mumbai's lauded as a business hub, the 26/11 terror attack tells a different story. No commercial Capital of a country would be so ill equipped as to not be able to detect and prevent such attacks on time. While some may argue that Manhattan was a victim of 9/11, too, I point out that Mumbai has been a soft target since times immemorial. Terror has sneaked up on us not once but thrice — the 1992 riots, 2006 blasts and 2008 attacks; all caught Mumbai unawares. In short, for Mumbai to truly become India's commercial hub, the quality of life, quality of infrastructure, quality of security and attitude — all need improvement.

The 26/11 attacks saw the world in a state of disbelief at one of the most audacious acts of terrorism ever committed. Although we have lived with terrorism

## Tigers are shy, but they kill



A 10-year-old tigress called Maya attacked and killed a 45-year-old Swati Dumane, a forest guard at the Tadoba Andheri Tiger Reserve (TATR) in Maharashtra. The guard was on beat duty for the All India Tiger Estimation survey at the TATR. Generally, tigers are nocturnal hunters. Attack on Swati took place early — at around 8 am. The slain Swati and three of her colleagues are said to have waited, for half an hour or so, for Maya to move away after spotting her a mere 200 metres away. When the tigress did not

budge, the workers, instead of returning to their base, explored a detour only to be ambushed by the big cat.

Tigers are introverted and moody animals. They do not hunt human beings for food. Also, tigers are wary of possible injuries that can incapacitate them. The big cats love hunting — for food and sport. However, injured tigers are frustrated: such tigers can attack humans without provocation. Intrusion of a tiger's territory can be lethal for human beings. Though a tourist crowd can instigate a tiger, generally they are not known to turn hostile in such situations. It is not known whether the tigress was separated from her cubs because these big cats are known to be provoked at the slightest pretext. It is unknown whether guards like Swati, who dangerously venture into the forest, sport some type of protective gear. It is appropriate for them to be armed with some type of weapons or tranquilliser guns to save themselves.

Ganapathi Bhat | Akola

for decades, the attacks were frightening as we learned what that these terror outfits were capable of. However, over the last few years, India has significantly improved its intelligence network and anti-terror measures. It's the need of the hour to save the youth from being influenced and brain-washed by these outfits. Every Indian can contribute to national security just by staying vigilant.

CK Ramani | Pune

### THE GOVT SHOULD RECONSIDER THE CAA, TOO

Sir — The repeal of the three farm laws has inclined many people into thinking that the repeal of the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) is not beyond the realms of possibility. The anti-CAA movement could not (and did not have to) go ahead despite gathering momentum each day in the face of the COVID-19 outbreak, the Government's preoccupation with the fight against the pandemic including national lockdowns and its lukewarm approach to its implementa-

tion due to the unprecedented public health crisis and opposition to the legislation from unanticipated quarters. Even though no rules have been framed to implement the law, the CAA is ominously still there on the statute book.

The Government cannot be unaware of what the implementation of the CAA will signal to the outside world — India's retreat from secularism. No amount of rationalisation can justify CAA's enactment or validate its discriminatory provisions. The CAA is wholly unacceptable and it has to go for the simple reason that it does not jibe with secularism and the equality of religions guaranteed in the Constitution. The legacy of the freedom movement and the Constitution do not discriminate between the religions that 'originated' in India and that did not.

G David Milton | Maruthancode

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## SOUNDBITE

In Prime Minister Narendra Modi's rule, there is nothing left that hasn't been made expensive.

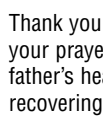


Congress leader —Rahul Gandhi



There is also a time for the Government to step back, so Australians can move forward.

Australian Prime Minister —Scott Morrison



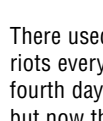
Thank you all for your prayers for my father's health. He is recovering well and looking forward to interacting with all of you soon.

Actor —Shruti Haasan



As long as I keep batting well and keep contributing to the team's total, I am happy.

Indian batsman —Cheteshwar Pujara



There used to be riots every third or fourth day in UP, but now the State has a 'riot-free' identity.


Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister —Yogi Adityanath



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UNIFORM CODE FOR EDUCATIONAL BODIES

In private colleges, there are no uniform rules in salary structure or promotions



BIJU DHARMAPALAN

The so-called quality maintained by private schools is only in physical infrastructure and English communication promotion and not at the intellectual level. Good quality education can be provided even in open spaces. The digital revolution in education that happened during the pandemic has made the physical structure of schools irrelevant. It is the willpower and dedication of teachers that matter. However, teachers are not paid well in most private schools and the COVID situation has made things worse for them as they have to do extra duty without additional pay. Across the country, private school teachers are the lowest-paid. There is no job security also as any time managements can dismiss teachers if they are not complying with the management rules. The situation in the higher education sector is no different. During the pandemic time, hundreds of teachers were made to resign from private colleges and universities. Even otherwise in private colleges, there are no uniform rules in salary structure or promotions. Many private institutions are recruiting people who do not meet required qualifications. These private institutions just need a workforce that would just obey them. There are also private aided colleges that take hefty donations for the recruitment process. Teachers working in all private higher education centers are not satisfied and their dissatisfaction is transferred to the students through their teaching. Recently, the Kerala legislative assembly passed a landmark Kerala Self-Financing College Teaching and Non-Teaching Employees (Appointment and Conditions of Service) Bill, 2021, that puts in place a law to guarantee service conditions for employees in private colleges. The legislation, which had been recommended by the Kerala State Higher Education Council, is being viewed as one that would standardize rules to ensure service conditions for those employed in the unaided sector. Even though this is a progressive step in removing the perils of higher education, one area of concern is the special privilege mooted for minority institutions. In Kerala, most of the private colleges are managed by minority communities and over-exploitation of teachers happens in these centers. As per the privileges enjoyed by the minority institutions, government cannot completely control them. The private medical and dental colleges run by these agencies rarely provide a full stipend for students as per government norms. In some cases, PG students have to return the stipend that is credited into their account, fearing backlashes by management. The staff members from the management side, usually from the same community, get undue favours and members from other communities are harassed mentally and curtail their professional advancement. The unhealthy atmosphere prevailing among the teachers is transferred to students and the whole system gets vitiated.

When an educational institution is managed by the fees and donations from students and teachers belonging to other communities, how can an institution claim special minority status? If they want to enjoy that status they should teach students from their community alone, and also recruit teachers from the same community. Even in private government-aided educational institutions managed by minority communities (even non-minority also) teachers are recruited after taking lakhs of rupees as donations. This is an open secret and none of the political parties have the courage to take on these managements, fearing backlash in elections. In such a situation we have to appreciate the effort taken by the government of Kerala. However, it would be hard to see how the government will implement the new bill effectively in institutions enjoying minority status. It is high time we develop a nation-wide common law controlling the functioning of private schools and colleges, for education is common for everyone, irrespective of class, gender, or racial discrimination.

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# Interests of Indian fishermen in danger



ASHWANI MAHAJAN

If the problems of overfishing and depleting marine resources continue, it can badly impact the catch by small fishermen and their livelihood

For some time, a round of negotiations has been going on in the WTO, in which an agreement is expected to be made aiming to ending subsidies to curb alleged illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing. These talks are said to be the part of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which seek to end subsidies for illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing while ensuring special and differential treatment for developing and least developed countries. But if this agreement is reached, it may adversely affect the livelihood of small fishermen in India and other developing and underdeveloped countries.


It is true that the world is facing the problem of overfishing and depleting marine resources. If this situation continues, this can impact catch by small fishermen and their livelihood. The idea of the United Nations that overfishing will affect sustainable development is always justified. But the big question is, who is responsible for overfishing in the ocean? At least the small fishermen of India or other developing countries having very low fishing capacity are nowhere to blame for this.

Fishing is done in two ways. One, by small fishermen who catch fish in their boats; and second by trawlers and large ships of large companies. Over the past few decades, the evidence of fishing by large ships and trawlers in a mechanized manner by large companies has increased significantly.

Small fishermen in India do not catch fish in the ocean during the rainy season. Know why? Because it is the breeding season for fish. But the big trawlers do not mind fishing during the same period. However, since the big trawlers come under the organized sector, the small fishermen will be considered as illegal, unreported and unregulated; and the subsidy given to them by the governments will end but the big trawlers and ships will continue to be entitled to catch fish from the sea by mechanical processes and also the government subsidies. In such a situation, the livelihood of small fishermen of India and other developing countries will be adversely affected while big companies will benefit at their cost.

Unfortunately, under pressure from developed countries and big corporates, in the WTO, the exercise is going on to push the agreement on this subject. Director General of the World Trade Organization, Dr. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, says that completing these negotiations on fisheries subsidy is the top priority of WTO, not only for fisheries but also for the WTO system. And this is being done under the guise of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

It is noteworthy that after the grant of fishing licenses to large trawlers in India in the early 1990s, due to excessive fishing by them, the availability of fish from the sea was getting depleted. As a



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result, the livelihood of small fishermen was getting adversely affected. At that time there were major agitations to highlight this problem of fishermen, including those led by Swadeshi Jagran Manch and Fr Thomas Kochery, due to which the then government had to stop the renewal of licenses to large trawlers.

After some time, the trawlers again started getting permission. Once again, the demand for re-banning of trawlers by environmentalists is gaining momentum. A committee of the Government of India is working towards regulating these trawlers. Environmentalists say that banning these trawlers is the appropriate solution to the problem of overfishing. Although these trawlers have not been outrightly banned, many states including Kerala and Orissa have been banning trawlers in monsoon (rainy season) on the demand of traditional fishermen so that the breeding of fish is not affected.

It is being argued that the agreement on fishing subsidy will ensure the availability of fish and the protection of marine resources for the future generations. In this regard, if at all any international organization can ban subsidies for fishing, it is the World Trade Organization. The exercise to make rules in this regard has been going on since the year 2001, with the start of Doha Rounds of Negotiations. However, the interesting thing is that though all the remaining provisions of the Doha development Round, under have already been rejected outright by the developed countries, surprisingly,

ly, exercise is going on to end the fishing subsidy.

It is true that today 34 percent overfishing is taking place, whereas in 1974 it was only 10 percent. Due to overfishing, the availability of fish is gradually reducing, due to which the livelihood of the people living in the coastal areas is getting adversely affected and their poverty is increasing. Today, about 40 million people in the world depend on the fishing, so the security of their lives is linked with the protection of marine resources.

Although the current negotiations are focused on eliminating subsidies for illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing, these efforts are being strongly opposed by developing countries. Developing countries, including India, believe that ending subsidies on fishing will adversely affect the livelihood and rights of their small fishermen. Although it has been said in the resolution that special and differential treatment for developing and less developed countries is part of the proposals, but it seems that the small fishermen of developing countries will suffer the most from this agreement.

Surprisingly, while everything was stand still during, these talks continued unabated. Therefore, due to restrictions on movements, views of small countries whose missions are not in Geneva could not be appropriately incorporated in this document. For this reason, also, there is anger in this context amongst developing countries. Recently, when the Director General of the World Trade Organization came to India, India had clearly stated that although

due to the irrational subsidies given by various countries for fishing, India's small fishermen have been suffering the most, due to overfishing by developed countries. Therefore, it is necessary to eliminate the subsidy being given to big vessels in these developed countries. Therefore, India has clearly stated in this context, that the draft text is not balanced. In this regard, special treatment will be required for developing countries and this agreement can be balanced only by incorporating India's suggestions.

India's demand is that developed countries stop subsidizing fisheries that go beyond their natural geographical boundaries. Industrial fishing countries are not ready to concede this. India wants that the provision of subsidies should continue to protect the interests of its poor and small fishermen. There is no illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing in India. India maintains that since the creation of the WTO, developed countries received special concessions, and their agricultural subsidies continued unabated, while the rights of developing countries were restricted. That mistake should not be repeated in this agreement on fisheries subsidies.

Today, the need of the hour is that India and other developing and least developed countries should face this bigotry of rich countries and there should be no unbalanced and irrational agreement in respect of fisheries subsidies, so that we can protect the interests of our small and poor fishermen.

# Farm laws to be repealed in upcoming Parliament session

The burning question, however, remains: Why were these legislations enacted in the first place if they were to be repealed without implementation?



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During the protracted farmers agitation against the three farm laws, a view was advanced especially by those in support of the impugned legislation that it is not easy to suspend operation of a parliamentary enactment or that it is not constitutionally permissible to repeal a law by issuing an ordinance. Such an argument, besides ex facie specious, stands completely annihilated with the announcement of the Prime Minister to repeal them.

Article 73 of the Constitution says that the executive power of the Union is co-extensive with the legislative powers of parliament. The Government, in exercise of its executive power, can suspend, amend or repeal an Act

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of parliament as long as it commands parliamentary majority. Any subsequent statute may repeal any Act in whole or in part, either expressly or impliedly by enacting a new legislation. Clause 6 of the General clauses Act, 1897 provides that any Act or Regulation can be repealed by the legislature. Unless a different intention appears, the repealing Act cannot revive anything not in force or existing at the time at which the repeal takes effect; or affect the previous operation of any enactment so repealed or anything duly done or suffered thereunder; etc.

The executive power of the Union extends (a) to the matters with respect to which Parliament has power to make laws; and (b) to the exercise of

course of time or in case there is a ground swell of public opinion against them.

The three farm laws were originally promulgated as ordinances by the government and later replaced by the duly passed Acts of parliament. Since the winter session of parliament will convene in a week, it is not an edifying parliamentary practice to promulgate an Ordinance for the repeal. The Government will bring a Bill to repeal the three laws during the ensuing session. There will be a fierce debate and the opposition would leave no stone unturned to show that they were right in their opposition to the original Bills and the government palpably wrong. The government, in turn, would say that they were unable to convince

the misguided agitating farmers. Once passed by both the Houses of parliament, and assented to by the President, the three laws would stand repealed.

The burning question, however, remains: why were these legislations enacted in the first place if they were to be repealed without implementation? It needs to be borne in mind that in a robust democracy, public opinion, likened to a rope of multiple fibers capable of taming even an elephant, matters. It is for the government to discern whether the opposition is orchestrated by vested interest or it is genuine, broad-based and the real voice of all the farmers of the country.

The Union Government could not have remained

impervious to the farmers' agitation for long especially when elections are round the corner in the largely affected States. But it is also a fact that agro-economists continue to be divided over the proposed repeal. Many nonpartisan experts consider it a setback to agrarian reforms. Incontestably, the fear of losing the impending election is a great deterrent to reforms, regardless of the general perception of bold, visionary and transformative leadership.

It is in this context that the practice of referring the contentious legislation to the committees holds good as the committees crystallise different shades of opinions and help build consensus and unity out of plurality. The National Commission Bill and the

National Commission for Allied and Healthcare Professionals Bill were referred to the Standing Committee, and based on the recommendations of the Committee, new Bills were introduced and passed by Parliament. So were many other legislations. The great hurry in which the farm laws were passed during the Covid-19 time without referring the Bills to the standing committee only added fuel to the fire. The lesson is clear and unmistakable that in a parliamentary democratic set up it is not possible to impose laws on an utterly hostile community despite the best of intention and the promise of long-term national gains, without due consultation, consensus and credible parliamentary scrutiny.

# China slams US for inviting Taiwan for ‘Summit for Democracy’

**Beijing:** Furious over the Biden administration's invitation to Taiwan to take part in the “Summit for Democracy”, China on Wednesday warned the US that it will get “hurt” by giving Taipei the world stage as Beijing slammed the summit itself saying the event was aimed at pursuing Washington’s “geopolitical games”.

Taiwan, a self-ruling island as its own territory to be annexed by force if necessary, is among 110 invitees to the Washington-led Summit for Democracy to be held December 9-10, the US State Department announced on Wednesday.

President Joe Biden is to host the summit bringing together leaders from governments and civil society and China was omitted from the list of invitees, the Hong Kong-based South China Morning Post reported.

Invitees from the Asia-Pacific region also include India, Japan, South Korea, Australia, Pakistan and the Philippines.

Most European countries are also invited, including Serbia, but not Bosnia and Herzegovina or Hungary. China for a some time has been attacking the democracy summit, saying that the US cannot hold a patent for it and the event is aimed at dividing the world.

But Beijing appears to have been surprised by the invitation to Taiwan to take part in the democracy meeting as it came in the backdrop of the recent virtual summit between Chinese President Xi Jinping and his US counterpart Biden.

Sharply criticising the US move, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhao Lijian told a media briefing here that China “firmly opposes the invita-

tion to Taiwan by the US authorities for Taiwan to take part in the Summit for Democracy.”

“There is only one China in the world and the government of the People's Republic of China (PRC) is the sole legal government representing China,” he said.

Taiwan is an inalienable part of China and the One China principle is a widely-recognised norm of international relations, Zhao emphasised.

“Taiwan has no other international status in the international law than being part of China,” he said.

“We solemnly urge the US to abide by the One China principle, stop providing a platform for Taiwan independence forces, and stop emboldening them. Giving them the stage only makes the US hurt and puts it in a difficult situation. Playing with fire the pro-independence forces (of Taiwan) only getting themselves burnt,” he said.

He also attacked the Democracy summit, saying that the aim of the US in holding the meeting is to divide the world.

“Democracy is a common value of humanity and not a patent of a few countries. What the US did was that the so-called democracy is just an excuse for the US to pursue its geopolitical goals, suppress other countries, divide the world and serve its own selfish interests of maintaining its hegemony in the world,” Zhao said.

“In the name of democracy, the US is creating bed politics and stoking confrontation. This is a revisit to the Cold War mentality. It is questioned and opposed by people holding fair views in the world,” he said.

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# Germany set for new Govt that will end Merkel's rule

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The three parties negotiating to form Germany's next Government will finalise and present their coalition agreement on Wednesday, two of the prospective partners said. The deal paves the way for center-left leader Olaf Scholz to replace longtime Chancellor Angela Merkel in the coming weeks.

The center-left Social Democrats have been negotiating with the environmentalist Green party and the pro-business Free Democrats since narrowly winning a national election on Sept. 26. The latter two parties said the agreement will be presented on Wednesday afternoon.

If party members sign off on it, the three-way alliance — which has never yet been tried in a national government — will replace the current “grand coalition” of the country's traditional big parties. The Social Democrats have served as the junior partner to Merkel's center-right Christian Democrats.

Merkel, who didn't run for a fifth term, is expected to be succeeded by Scholz, 63, who has been her finance minister and vice chancellor since 2018.

The three would-be governing parties have said they hope parliament will elect Scholz as chancellor in the week beginning Dec. 6. Before that can happen, the coalition deal requires approval from a ballot of the Greens roughly 125,000-strong membership and from conventions of the other two parties.

News of the deal came as Merkel led what was likely to be her last Cabinet meeting. Scholz presented the 67-year-old, who has led Germany since 2005, with a bouquet of flowers.

The negotiations over the three-way alliance were relatively harmonious and speedy compared to previous coalition talks. But the political transition, with Merkel as a lame-duck caretaker, has hampered Germany's response to the latest rise in coronavirus

cases.

Few details have emerged from the closed-doors talks, including how the parties will divide up the ministerial portfolios. The alliance is a potentially uneasy mixture because it brings together two traditionally left-leaning parties with one, the Free Democrats, that has tended to ally with the center-right.

A preliminary agreement last month indicated that Germany would bring forward its deadline for ending the use of coal-fueled power from 2038 to 2030, while expanding the rollout of renewable energy generation. At the Free Democrats' insistence, the prospective partners said they won't raise taxes or loosen curbs on running up debt, making financing a central issue.

Merkel's Christian Democrats are currently preoccupied with a leadership contest over who will become their next leader and revive the party's fortunes after it suffered its worst-ever election result.

# Pakistani cultural capital is now world's most polluted city

**Lahore:** A thick cloud of smog that enveloped Pakistan's cultural capital on Wednesday has earned it the ignominious title of the world's most polluted city, according to a Swiss air quality monitoring company.

Platform IQAir said that Lahore now stands at the top of its polluted cities ranking — with an air quality index of 203 on the US AQI scale, versus runner-up Delhi, India, with 183. That standing was at 0949 GMT; the two cities had traded places at least once over the course of the morning.

Increasing smog and particle-laden air has sickened thousands of people with respiratory and other illnesses, forcing

many to stay at home on particularly dirty days like Wednesday.

Dhaka, Bangladesh came in third, with an index of 169, and Kolkata, India at fourth, with a reading of 168. Lahore stood at third place a day earlier.

Lahore was once known as the city of gardens, which were ubiquitous during the Mughal era of the 16th to 19th centuries. Intense urbanisation and surging population growth have left little room for greenery across the city, Pakistan's second largest after the capital Karachi.

Doctors are advising people to wear face masks to avoid respiratory related diseases. AP

# No babies in Parl: UK lawmakers outraged by infant ban

**London:** Several British politicians demanded a change in parliamentary rules on Wednesday after a lawmaker was told she couldn't bring her 3-month-old baby into the House of Commons.

Labour Party legislator Stella Creasy said she had received a letter from Commons authorities after she took her son Pip to a debate.

She said she had previously taken both Pip and her older daughter to Parliament without problems, but had been told the rules had changed in September.

Members of Parliament are now advised that they “should not take your seat in the chamber when accompanied by your child.” Creasy said the rule undermined efforts to make politics more family-friendly.

“There are barriers to getting mums involved in politics, and I think that damages our political debate,” she told the BBC.

Deputy Prime Minister Dominic Raab, a Conservative, said he has “a lot of sympathy” for Creasy, but said the decision is for the House authorities to make.

“I think we do need to make sure our profession is brought into the modern world, the 21st century, and can allow parents to juggle the jobs they do with the family time that they need,” Raab said.

Green Party lawmaker Caroline Lucas said the baby ban was “absurd.” She said babies were “far less disruptive than many braying backbenchers.”

House of Commons Speaker Lindsay Hoyle said he had asked Parliament's procedure committee to review the rules, and noted that there were “differing views on this matter.”

“The advice given yesterday ... correctly reflects the current rules. However, rules have to be seen in context and they change with the times,” he said.

“It is extremely important that parents of babies and young children are able to participate fully in the work of this House.” AP

# Putin tests experimental nasal vaccine against Covid-19

**Moscow:** Russian President Vladimir Putin said on Wednesday he has taken an experimental nasal vaccine against the coronavirus, three days after he received his booster shot, as Russia faces its worst surge of infections and deaths since the pandemic began.

Putin was vaccinated with Sputnik V, Russia's domestically developed Covid-19 vaccine, in the spring. On Sunday, he said he received a booster shot of Sputnik Light, the one-dose version of the jab, and said he wanted to take part in testing the nasal version of Sputnik V.

Denis Logunov, deputy director of Russia's state-funded Gamaleya Center that developed Sputnik V, told Putin on Sunday the nasal vaccine is yet to be tested on members of the public and is currently being studied “off-label mostly, as usual, we're testing it on staff members, monitoring.”

In accordance with established scientific protocols, the vaccine

will need to go through several trial phases, including those involving thousands of people, to establish that it is safe and effective to use.

Putin told a Government meeting Wednesday that “exactly six months after vaccination my titers of protective (antibodies) have dropped, and specialists recommended the procedure of revaccination, which I did.”

He said he didn't experience any unpleasant effects after taking the nasal vaccine. In recent weeks, Russia has been swept by its highest ever Covid-19 surge, with officials regularly registering record-high numbers of new infections and deaths.

The surge came amid low vaccination rates and lax public attitudes toward taking precautions. Fewer than 40 per cent of Russia's nearly 146 million people have been fully vaccinated, even though the country approved a domestically developed Covid-19 vaccine months before most of the world. AP

# Declining marriage numbers add to China's demographic conundrum

**Beijing:** Fewer people are getting married in China in addition to the falling birth rates, hastening the demographic crisis in the world's most populous country, according to official data.

The number of marriage registrations in China has fallen for seven consecutive years and hit a 17-year low last year, figures from the recently released China Statistical Yearbook 2021 showed.

A total of 5.87 million couples got married in China in the first three quarters of 2021, down slightly from the same period of last year, according to the data released by the Ministry of Civil Affairs.

It is expected that the number of marriage registrations in China will continue to decline in 2021, state-run China Daily reported on Wednesday.

This is in addition to the falling birth rates. The birth-rate in China last year was 0.852 per cent, falling below one percent for the first time since 1978, figures from the China Statistical Yearbook 2021 book revealed.

As the demographic crisis deepened, China has permitted all couples to have two children in 2016, scrapping the draconian decades-old one-child policy and revised it this year permitting three children, which however drew a poor response.

The decision to permit the third child came after the latest once-in-a-decade census showed that China's population grew at the slowest pace to 1.412 billion amid official projections that the decline may begin as early as next year. Outlining the reasons for the falling marriage registrations, He Yafu, a demographic expert identified decline in the number of young people in China as one of the reasons.

The population of the post-80s, post-90s and post-2000s in China has been on the decline, he

said, citing the National Bureau of Statistics.

Also, the desire of young people to get married has generally fallen due to reasons such as high work pressure and great improvement in women's education level and economic independence, he told the China Daily.

Another major reason is the unbalanced ratio of male and female population. In China, men outnumber women by 34.9 million as per the seventh National Census.

Among them, there are 17.52 million more men in their 20s than women of marriageable age.

In addition, the high cost of living, including soaring housing prices, is also a big obstacle to young people wanting to get married and have children, he said.

In China, marriage and childbirth are closely linked, and the proportion of children born out of wedlock is low, He said.

So the decline in marriage registration is bound to have a negative impact on the birth rate, he said.

Thus, remedial measures should be stepped up, He said. Local Governments' reduction of housing costs for the young is one example. To encourage young people to get married and have children, marriage and maternity leave should also be extended, He said.

The falling fertility rate, relatively early retirement age and the three-child policy have become a major concern for China as the country is greying faster than earlier predictions.

The number of people aged 60 or above has already touched 264 million, accounting for 18.7 per cent of the total population.

The average annual elderly population growth has been about 6.3 million for 21 years, according to the latest census. PTI

# Ethiopia says PM, a Nobel Peace laureate, is at battlefield

**Nairobi:** Ethiopia's Nobel Peace Prize-winning Prime Minister has gone to the battlefield to take charge in a year-long war as rival fighters approach the capital, his Government announced Wednesday.


State media showed no images of Abiy Ahmed, a 45-year-old former soldier, and his spokeswoman Billene Seyoum dismissed a request for details on his location as “incredible.”

He arrived at the front Tuesday, according to a government spokesman.

Tens of thousands of people have died in the war between Ethiopian federal and allied troops and fighters from the country's Tigray region. The prospect of the ancient nation breaking apart has alarmed both Ethiopians and observers who fear what would happen to the often turbulent Horn of Africa at large.

Countries including France, Germany and Turkey have told their citizens to leave immediately.

Abiy's trajectory from winning the Nobel just two years ago to now potentially heading into battle has shocked many. AP

**Jal Shakti, Public Health Engineering, Department.**

**Standard Bidding Document**  
**For**  
**Empanelment of eligible contractors at Provincial level and fixing of item rates for Shopian district for Execution of**  
**Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) works.**  
**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**  
**e- NIT No.:-CE/PHE/KMR/JSD/19 OF 2021-22, Dated: 06-11-2021**

For and on behalf of Lt. Governor of UT of J&K, Chief Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Department, Kashmir invites e-tenders from reputed and resourceful Contractors/ Firms/Companies/Joint Venture of all classes registered in JKPWD/CPWD/Railways or any other state Government for **“Empanelment of eligible contractors at Provincial level and fixing of item rates for Shopian district for execution of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) works”**, details of which are given below. The bidding process shall be completed online in two covers viz. **Cover 1**” consisting of Pre-Qualification Bidding, tender fee, earnest money, General Terms and Conditions and Technical Specifications. **Cover 2**” shall consist of Financial Bid in the prescribed BOQ.

**Sr No 1 Particular of the work :-** Empanelment of eligible contractors at Provincial level and fixing of item rates for Shopian District for execution of Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) works. These works are broadly consisting of :-  
**a.** Construction of water supply schemes by way of filtration plants, pump houses, service reservoir, Overhead tanks, laying of distribution mains.  
**b.** Drilling of production tube well.  
**c.** SITC of pumping units along with associated electro-mechanical works for harnessing of tube well.  
**d.** Retrofitting of electro-mechanical equipment's at various Water Supply Schemes  
**Estimate Cost (Lacs) :-** Work/scheme wise details given in Section II of tender document, **Cost of document/tender fee (In Rs) :-** 1000/-, **Earnest money (Lacs) :-** \_\_\_\_\_, **Bid Validity :-** 180 days, **Time of Completion of work (days) :-** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Particular of the work :-** Group IV, **Estimated Cost (Lacs) :-** Above 1 crores upto 3 crores, **Cost of document/tender fee (In Rs) :-** \_\_\_\_\_, **Earnest money (Lacs) :-** 0.75, **Bid Validity :-** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Time of Completion of work (days) :-** 120  
**Position of funds: Approved Under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)**  
The tender inviting authority is Chief Engineer, Kashmir, Jal Shakti (PHE) Department.  
The awarding authority is District Jal Jeevan Mission (DJJM).  
**Note :-** In view of the fact, that this NIT for item rate contract has been framed for the first time in the Department, a helpdesk shall be established at the Direction office level as well as district level for encouraging and facilitating the intending bidders for participation in the instant NIT to ensure wide participation across all the Districts.  
**Key/critical Dates:**  
**i.** Publish Date :- 08.11.2021  
**ii.** Document Download/sale start Date :- 08.11.2021  
**iii.** Clarification start date :- 08.11.2021  
**iv.** Bid submission start date :- 12.11.2021  
**v.** Clarification end date :- 26.11.2021  
**vi.** Pre-bid Meeting date :- 22.11.2021  
**vii.** Document Download/sale end Date :- 26.11.2021  
**viii.** Bid submission end date :- 26.11.2021  
**ix.** Date and time of Bid opening :- 29.11.2021  
**1.** Bid documents can be assessed and downloaded from the website <http://jktenders.gov.in>  
**2.** The pre-bid meeting will be held in the office chamber of the Chief Engineer, Kashmir, PHE Department, through virtual/online mode.  
**3.** The Bids shall be deposited on the website <http://jktenders.gov.in>  
**4.** The complete bidding process will be online <http://jktenders.gov.in>.  
**5.** The Financial bids of the bidders shall be opened online in the office of the Chief Engineer, Kashmir, Jal Shakti (PHE) Department.  
**6.** Bids must be accompanied by bid security and cost of Tender Document as specified in column 6 & 7 of the table and shall be payable at Srinagar.  
**A. Bid Security** to be pledged in favour of FA/CAO, Kashmir, Jal Shakti PHE Department. **Bid Security** will have to be in form of CDR/ FDR/BG of any scheduled Bank and shall have to be valid for at least one year after last date of submission of Bid. The Bid of bidders having bid security less than as specified above will be rejected.  
**B. The cost of downloaded tender documents** should be in form of DD /TR/e challan in favour of FA/CAO, Kashmir, Jal Shakti (PHE) Department.  
**7.** The hard copies of cost of tender document in shape of DD/TR/e-challan, Earnest money in shape of CDR/FDR/BG and other relevant documents shall be obtained from the bidder who is declared as L1 after opening of financial cover.  
**8.** The bid shall remain open for acceptance for a period of **180 days** from the date of opening of price bids. If any bidder/tenderer withdraws his bid/tender before the said period or makes any modifications in the terms and conditions of the bid, the bid earnest money shall stand forfeited and the bid shall be declared non-responsive.  
**9.** Other details can be seen in the bidding documents from the website <http://jktenders.gov.in>.  
**10.** Queries by email if any should be made at [kmrphed@gmail.com](mailto:kmrphed@gmail.com)/[phecejmu@gmail.com](mailto:phecejmu@gmail.com)

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**Estimated cost :-** Rs. 7.99,940/- GST Extra  
**Date of availability of bid document on website :-** 25.11.2021  
**Last date for submission of tender :-** 15.12.2021 up to 16:00 Hrs.  
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# उत्तराखण्ड चाय विकास बोर्ड, धारनौला, अल्मोड़ा चाय बागान सिंचाई हेतु सेवा प्रस्ताव आमंत्रण (Request for Proposal)

उत्तराखण्ड चाय विकास बोर्ड द्वारा प्रधानमंत्री कृषि सिंचाई योजना के मानकों/ दिशा-निर्देशों के अंतर्गत अपने चाय बागानों में ड्रिप एवं सिंक्रलर के माध्यम से सिंचाई कार्य किया जाना प्रस्तावित है, जिस हेतु इच्छुक अनुभवी/ अधिकृत फर्म व कम्पनियों से ऑनलाइन प्रस्ताव उत्तराखण्ड शासन की वेबसाइट [www.uktenders.gov.in](http://www.uktenders.gov.in) पर दिनांक 09.12.2021 को सायं 5.00 बजे तक आमंत्रित किये जाते हैं। प्रस्ताव शुल्क रु. 3,000.00+18% जी.एस.टी. का बैंक ड्राफ्ट निदेशक, उत्तराखण्ड चाय विकास बोर्ड, अल्मोड़ा के नाम देय एवं धरोहर धनराशि हेतु रु. 75,000 का बैंक ड्राफ्ट/ एफ.डी.आर. निदेशक, उत्तराखण्ड चाय विकास बोर्ड, अल्मोड़ा के पक्ष में हो, जमा करना होगा।

इच्छुक अनुभवी/ अधिकृत फर्म व कम्पनियों द्वारा वेबसाइट में उल्लेखित प्रस्ताव के क्रम में अपने समस्त प्रपत्र वेब साईट में अपलोड करते हुए प्रस्ताव शुल्क व धरोहर धनराशि एवं अन्य प्रपत्रों की एक-एक प्रति, सीलबंद लिफाफे में (जिसमें Request for Proposal उल्लेखित हो) दिनांक 10.12.2021 को अपराह्न 1.00 बजे तक रजिस्टर्ड डाक अथवा स्वयं उपस्थित होकर अनिवार्य रूप से जमा की जानी होगी, उक्त प्रस्ताव उसी तिथि को अपराह्न 2.00 बजे उपस्थित फर्म व कम्पनी के स्वामी/ प्रतिनिधियों के समुच्च अग्रहोस्ताक्षरी या मनोनीत अधिकारी द्वारा निदेशक उत्तराखण्ड चाय विकास बोर्ड के कार्यालय धारनौला, अल्मोड़ा में ऑनलाईन खोले जायेंगे। प्रथम भाग में टैक्नीकल बिड खोली जायेगी, जो फर्म/ कम्पनियां टैक्नीकल बिड में सफल/ क्वालीफाई करेगे उन्हीं फर्म व कम्पनियों की वित्तीय बिड खोली जायेगी। प्रस्ताव के प्रस्तुतीकरण (Presentation) हेतु अलग से तिथि निर्धारित कर सम्बन्धित फर्मों को पत्र से अगगत कराया जायेगा।

निदेशक, उत्तराखण्ड चाय विकास बोर्ड, अल्मोड़ा

पत्रांक : 490/4-स्टोर/निविदा सूचना/2021-22 दि. 24.11.2021

फोन नं: 05962-237746, 230606

## NOTICE INVITING E-TENDERS

The Executive Engineer, Civil Division No. VIII, Irrigation & Flood Control Deptt., Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Sector- 15, Rohini, Delhi invites online E-tenders (Open Tender) DBO basis on behalf of the President of India from those bidder (proprietorship firms, partnership firms, companies, corporations, non indian (Overseas) firms/companies, consortia or joint ventures) who meet requisite eligibility criteria as prescribed in the NIT.

1. NIT No.:- EE/CD-VIII/NIT/W.B.2021-22/01

N.O.W.:- Rejuvenation of Mungeshpur water body in Kh. No. 22/34 in Distt. North West by installation of 150 KLD STP, Pooth Khurd Water body Kh. No. 157 in Distt. North West by installation of 400 KLD STP, Nizampur Rasidpur water body Kh. No. 505 in Distt. North West by installation of 150 KLD STP, Sultanpur Dabas water body Kh. No.96/1/1 in Distt. North West by installation of 400 KLD STP, Khara Khurd B water body Kh. No. 268 & 63/4/50/25/2 in Distt. North by installation of 150 KLD STP, Bakkarwala water body Kh. No. 91/2 in Distt. North West by installation of 150 KLD STP using ecologically sensitive and sustainable technology with O& M for 5 years on DBO basis.

H.O.A:- Rejuvenation of water bodies

Estimated Cost:- Rs 9,43,58,535

Earnest Money:- Rs 18,87,171

Period of completion:- 365 Days; Last date and time of submission of tender: upto 3:00 P.M. on 20.12.2021 (ID. No. 2021\_IFC\_211085\_1)

- All the documents as stipulated in the NIT/bid documents should be submitted in the Office of Executive Engineer, Civil Division-VIII, I&FC Deptt., Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Sector-15, Rohini, Delhi-110085 before the last date and time of submission of technical bids.
- The details of above mentioned work(s) can be seen and downloaded from the website <http://govtprocurement.delhi.gov.in>
- Tenders submitted through e-procurement portal shall only be considered and no manual tender shall be accepted.

DIP/SHABDARTH/0441/21-22

EXECUTIVE ENGINEER:CD-VIII



# Indian GDP to grow 7.8 pc in Q2: Report

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Official data print on the GDP will show a 7.8 per cent expansion on a year-on-year basis for the September 2021 quarter, according to a report.

Real GDP will grow 9.4 per cent in FY22 and decelerate to 7.5 per cent for FY23 as the base effects result in the higher growth in the ongoing fiscal wear-off, according to the report by economists at HDFC Bank released on Wednesday. In FY21, the GDP had contracted 7.3 per cent due to the pandemic. For FY22, the RBI expects GDP to clock a growth of 9.5 per cent, which will slow to 7.8 per cent in FY23. The GDP had expanded by over 20 per cent for the first

# GDP to grow 7.8 pc in Q2: Report

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Official data for the second quarter is set to be released on November 30.

The report by HDFC Bank said some part of the expected 7.8 per cent GDP growth in the second quarter will be due to a low base from a year when the economy contracted by 7.4 per cent but there is likely to be a sequential improvement in GDP growth in Q2FY22.

On a sequential basis, GDP is expected to grow 9.75 per cent in Q2 from a contraction of 16.9 per cent in the second wave-hit previous quarter, reflecting a revival in economic activity.

“With support from pent-up demand and easing of mobility restrictions in the

country, economic activity (as captured by a number of high frequency indicators) moved above pre-second wave levels in early

August and has remained robust since then,” the report said.

Agriculture, forestry and fishing growth will come at four per cent in Q2FY22, industry will be at 6.3 per cent and services at 8.6 per cent, it added.

When looked at from a gross value added (GVA) basis, the September 2021 quarter growth will come at 7.3 per cent, the bank estimated, explaining that the gap between GDP and GVA is likely to be driven by higher tax revenue collection and lower subsidy pay-outs in this quarter.

# Markets tumble in late sell-off

PTI ■ MUMBAI

Equity benchmarks resumed their decline on Wednesday after a day's gap, succumbing to a last-hour sell-off triggered by losses mainly in market heavyweights Reliance, Infosys and HDFC.

After trading in the green for most part of the session, the 30-share BSE Sensex settled 323.34 points or 0.55 per cent lower at 58,340.99 -- marking its fifth decline in the last six days.

Likewise, the NSE Nifty fell 88.30 points or 0.5 per cent to end at 17,415.05.

On the Sensex chart, Maruti, Infosys, Tech Mahindra, ITC, Reliance Industries, L&T, UltraTech Cement and HDFC were the major losers, dropping as much as 2.62 per cent. On the other hand, Kotak Bank, NTPC, ICICI Bank, Bajaj Finance, PowerGrid and HCL Tech were among the gainers, climbing up

to 1.45 per cent. Of the Sensex constituents, 22 shares ended in the red. “Unable to hold onto its gains, domestic indices edged lower in today's tumultuous session amid mixed sentiments across global peers. Despite surging inflation, the Euro-zone business activity jumped to 55.8 in November from 54.2 in October, instilling hope in investors.

“On the domestic front, gains in banking and financial stocks were offset by losses in oil & gas and auto sectors. The banking sector was in the radar today as the government proposed to privatise two banks along with making banking amendments for the winter session to facilitate PSB privatisation” said Vinod Nair, Head of Research at Geojit Financial Services.

Sectorally, BSE IT index fell 1.24 per cent, followed by auto, capital goods, FMCG and energy.

# Rupee snaps 3-day losing streak

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Indian rupee recovered its initial losses and settled 2 paise up at 74.40 against the greenback on Wednesday as exporters' dollar sales helped offset elevated crude oil prices. Investors also awaited the minutes of the latest Federal Reserve meeting, forex traders said. At the interbank forex market, the local unit opened on a weak note at 74.53 against the US dollar and witnessed an intra-day high of 74.31 and a low of 74.54. Snapping its three-day losing run, the domestic currency finally ended at 74.40, registering a gain of just 2 paise over its previous close of 74.42.

# ‘Concept of Aadhaar data vault fallacious’

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

National Health Authority CEO and senior member of founding team of Aadhaar R S Sharma on Wednesday criticised some of the restrictions imposed by the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) over use of the unique ID due to apprehensions around privacy. Sharma, who was the first Director General of the UIDAI, said that the concept of data vault is fallacious which is adversely impacting the purpose of Aadhaar. “Aadhaar Act says Aadhaar information should be safely kept. Aadhaar number is not an identity. It (data vault) is like putting all the numbers on the currency notes into some safe vault saying that these numbers will not be disclosed. This is a fallacious way. Once you start with a fallacious foundation then everything

# Legal assistance services for homebuyers

**New Delhi:** Online real estate portal Housing.com has announced the launch of its legal assistance services for homebuyers. REA India-owned Housing.com has partnered with leading online legal assistance startups LegalKart, Lawrato, Vidhikarya and Vakil Search to assist homebuyers or investors in their property buying journey. Consumer surveys have shown that this is a major pain point for consumers and this offering will go a long way in addressing that need.

# Union Bank of India, Capri Global tie up for co-lending to MSMEs

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Union Bank of India has entered into a co-lending partnership with Capri Global Capital, under which they will disburse loans to MSMEs. Capri Global Capital Ltd (CGCL) is a non banking financial company focused on lending to MSMEs and the affordable housing finance segment. The co-lending agreement aims to enhance last-mile finance and MSMEs by offering secured loans between Rs 10 lakh to Rs 1 crore, the public sector lender said in a statement. Through this collaboration, Union Bank of India and CGCL aim to disburse MSME loans initially across 100 plus touch points across India, it said.

# Niti Aayog floats idea of full-stack digital banks

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Government think-tank Niti Aayog on Wednesday proposed setting up of full-stack ‘digital banks’, which would principally rely on the internet and other proximate channels to offer their services and not physical branches, to mitigate the financial deepening challenges being faced in the country. The Aayog, in a discussion paper titled ‘Digital Banks: A Proposal for Licensing & Regulatory Regime for India’, makes a case and offers a template and roadmap for a digital bank licensing and regulatory regime for the country.

Digital banks or DBs are banks as defined in the

Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (B R Act), the paper said.

“In other words, these entities will issue deposits, make loans and offer the full suite of services that the B R Act empowers them to. As the name suggests however, DBs will principally rely on the internet and other proximate channels to offer their services and not physical branches,” it said. The paper noted that India's public digital infrastructure, especially UPI, has successfully demonstrated how to challenge established incumbents. UPI transactions measured have surpassed ₹ 4 lakh crore in value. Aadhaar authentications have passed 55 lakh crore.

# Traders across the country stage protests against Amazon

IA NS ■ NEW DELHI

In view of some scary incidents in the country's e-commerce business in the recent past, the US giant Amazon has facilitated the sale of - marijuana illegally through its portal and banned chemicals in making bombs. And now the incident of selling poison through the e-commerce portal of Amazon has shocked the Country. Making a strong protest against such activities of the Amazon, the Confederation of All India Traders (CAIT) Wednesday held protests in more than 1,200 cities in over 500 districts of different states of the country.

The protesters demonstrated the anger and resent-

ment of the trading community by holding dharna and demonstration and warned Amazon that either they should make their business model according to the law and rules, otherwise prepare to tie their sack bed from India.

Now the violation of laws and rules in e-commerce business will not be tolerated, CAIT said, adding that if no concrete action is taken immediately in this matter, then the traders of the country will organise -- ‘Bharat Vyapar Bandh’ to raise their voice.

The CAIT also said that Amazon's love & affection towards the sale of marijuana is evident from the fact that it has asked the US government to legalise the sale of marijuana.

# RBI imposes penalties on TCPSL, ATPL

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Reserve Bank has imposed penalties on Tata Communications Payment Solutions Limited (TCPSL) and Appniti Technologies Private Limited (ATPL) for deficiencies in regulatory compliance. A penalty of ₹2 crore has been imposed on TCPSL and ₹54.93 lakh on ATPL, the central bank said in a statement on Wednesday.

“It was observed that TCPSL was non-compliant with the directions issued by RBI on White Label ATM deployment targets and network requirement. ATPL was non-compliant with the directions issued by RBI on main-

tenance of escrow account balance and net-worth requirement,” it said. The RBI had issued notice to these two authorised Payment System Operators (PSOs). After reviewing their written responses and oral submissions made during the personal hearing, the RBI concluded that the charges of non-compliance with certain directions were substantiated and warranted the imposition of monetary penalty. The central bank, however, added that the penalties are based on “deficiencies in regulatory compliance” and are not intended to pronounce upon the validity of any transaction or agreement entered into by the entities with their customers.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given to the General Public on behalf of ICICI Bank Ltd. that Mr. Brij Kishan Gupta is owner of 1/5 share of under mention property by virtue of conveyance deed dated 06.05.2020 registration No. 1959, and therein remaining 1/5 share of the said property as legal heir on the basis of SMC dated 12.11.2021, after demise of his mother late Mrs. Pushpa Gurati who was also the owner of retaining 1/5 share on the basis of above mentioned conveyance deed, of Flat No. 661, on 6th Floor, Category-B, in Block No.6, situated in the layout plan of Karungu Co-operative Group Housing Society Ltd. Known as Karungu Apartment, built on Plot No. 71 / P Extension, Patparganj, Delhi. All persons including other legal heirs, if any are hereby informed that above mentioned owner want to sell the said property to Mr. Amit Gupta who is taking Loan from ICICI Bank Ltd. for purchase of the said property, if anybody has any objections upon the ownership of Mr. Brij Kishan Gurati its sale, Mortgagee litigation, and any kind of objections kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address within 07 days of the present.

**Kumar & Associates (Advocates & Consultants)**  
230, Ind Road-23, Shivali Marg, New Nagar, N. Delhi-11. Ph:- 011-4112527-28. kumarassociatesadvocates@gmail.com

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
This is to inform the General Public that Mrs. Aparna Thayarajan D/o Bhawani Thayarajan has approached Jahaz CGHS Ltd. for transfer of flat No. 118 in her name as she was appointed/nominated as her legal heir/nominee by her Grand Mother Late Mrs. Visalam Natarajan who was bonafide member of the Jahaz CGHS Ltd. Who had since died on 7.3.21. The flat no. 118 had been allotted to her name. The M.C. of Jahaz CGHS Ltd. has now decided to transfer the said flat in her name, The Share Certificate and possession letter also has been lost. If any one has any objection for transfer flat in her name should intimate the Jahaz CGHS Ltd. New Delhi-87 within 30 days from the publication of the advertisement.

**For Jahaz CGHS Ltd. (President)**

**MAX Healthcare**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**DESTRUCTION OF MEDICAL RECORD OF PATIENTS**

Notice is hereby given that Max Super Speciality Hospital Patparganj (A Unit of Max Balaji Medical and Diagnostic Research Centre) will be destroying medical records related to the treatment and/or test performed of its patients at the Hospital pertaining to the period January/ 2013 to December-2016. Any patient who wishes to acquire Certified True Copy of his/her Medical Records pertaining to above stated period may request in writing to the contact person mentioned in the table below, between 10AM to 5PM (Monday to Saturday). All such request applications must reach the concerned person as mentioned in the below, within 3 (three) month from the date of publication of this notice. The request for medical records should be submitted in the prescribed format along with the self-attested copy of the photo identity proof of the patient. The patient can also authorize any other person to apply for and/or collect the Medical Records on his/her behalf with a valid authority letter/power of attorney for the same along with the self-attested copy of the photo identity and signature proof of the Patient and authorized person. In case of deceased patients, the attendant recorded in the Medical Records may apply/authorize someone to apply for the same. Please note that standard charges shall be applicable for supplying such records.

Name & Address of the Hospital	Contact Person's detail
Max Super Speciality Hospital, Patparganj (A Unit of Max Balaji Medical and Diagnostic Research Centre)	Ms. Rasalamma Jacob Email: Rasalamma.jacob@maxhealthcare.com Mobile: 9971685759 Office: 011-43032437
<b>For Max Super Speciality Hospital, Patparganj</b> (A Unit of Max Balaji Medical and Diagnostic Research Centre)	<b>Sd/-</b> <b>Authorized Signatory</b> Date: 25/11/2021

**कार्यालय वरिष्ठ प्रबन्धक मेगा फूड पार्क, बहेड़ी उ०प्र० राज्य औद्योगिक विकास प्राधिकरण, ए-1/4 हरखनपुर, कानपुर**

**अल्पकालीन ई-निविदा सूचना**

एलट द्वारा सूचित किया जाता है कि प्राधिकरण के विभिन्न जनपदों में स्थित औद्योगिक क्षेत्रों में विद्युत विकास और अनुसंधान एवं रख-रखाव कार्य हेतु सरकारी विभागों/सार्वजनिक उपक्रमों/ निगमों/ प्राधिकरणों/ एजेंसियों/ नगर निगमों में अहं ए/श्रेणी में विद्युत लाईसेन्सीकरण, डीएसए/आयसी निविदा/ सावरीसी डेकेदारों से अल्पकालीन ई-निविदाएं आमंत्रित की जाती हैं। जो निविदांक 27.11.2021 को पूर्वाह्न 11:00 बजे से दिनांक 04.12.2021 को अपराह्न 5:00 बजे तक अपलोड की जा सकती हैं। निम्न निम्नांक 06.12.2021 को पूर्वाह्न 11:00 बजे खोला जायेगा। निविदादालाओं द्वारा शपथ पत्रों की मूल प्रतियां निम्नांक 09.12.2021 को सायं 5:00 बजे तक कार्यालय में जमा की जा सकती हैं। ई-निविदा के माध्यम से आमंत्रित की जाने वाली निविदा सम्बन्धी विवरण निम्नतः है—

क्रमांक	कार्य का नाम	कार्य की अनुमानित लागत राशि (रु०/लाख में)
1.	Annual Maintenance Contract of Street lights and High Mast Lighting System at I.A. Firozabad & Etah.	13.15
2.	Annual Maintenance Contract of Street lights and High Mast Lighting System at I.A. Kosi Kanan, Kosi Kotwan & Mathura Site-B Distt. Mathura.	20.21

नोट:—

- निविदादाता अपनी निविदाओं में समस्त कर एवं जी०एस०टी० सहित दरें अंकित करें। अलग से कोई कर देय नहीं होगा।
- विद्युत कार्य हेतु निविदादाताओं को निविदा अपलोड करते समय “विद्युत सुरक्षा विभाग” उ०प्र० शासन, लखनऊ में श्रेणी क, अनुमोदित लाईसेन्स अपलोड करना अनिवार्य होगा, अन्यथा निविदा को **Consider** नहीं किया जायेगा।

निविदा सम्बन्धी विस्तृत जानकारी प्राधिकरण की website: [www.upsida.co.in](http://www.upsida.co.in) पर स्थित ई-लिंक एवं यू०पीएस की website: <http://etender.up.nic.in> पर देखी जा सकती है।

वरिष्ठ प्रबन्धक मेगा फूड पार्क, बहेड़ी उ०प्र०रा०औ०वि०प्र०, कानपुर

**SEARCH FOR MISSING**

  
**Rajesh Devi**

General Public is hereby informed that a female (depicted in the photo), **Namely: Rajesh Devi W/o Sh. Shishpal R/o H.No. A-99, Rama Vihar, Delhi** has been missing since 29.09.2021 from her house. In this regard a case vide DD No 93A dated 03.10.2021 has been lodged at Police Station Aman Vihar, Delhi. Her physical description is as under:—

**Age: 55 Years, Height: 4'8", Complexion: Shallow, Face: Round, Built: Strong, Identification: Mentally Disturb, Wearing: Green Colour Suit & Green Colour Lower.**

Any person having any information/ Clue about this missing female, may inform SHO, Aman Vihar, Delhi at E-mail **Id-cic@cbi.gov.in** or website: **<http://cbi.nic.in>**

**Phone: SHO**  
**011-24368638, 24368641 P.S. Aman Vihar, Delhi**  
**Fax No. 011-24368639 Rohini Distt., Delhi**  
**DP/1182/RD/2021 Ph. No. 011-27581812, 27581233**

**SEARCH FOR MISSING/KIDNAPPED**

  
**Chandni**

General Public is hereby informed that a girl namely **Chandni, D/o- Manjeet, R/o Wz-590, Tihar Village, Delhi. Age : 14 years, Height : 5'1", Complexion-Fair, Face-Round, Wearing-Black high Neck Top & Black Jeans and Black Colour Shoes** in her feet has been reported missing/kidnapped from the area of PS-Rajouri Garden, Delhi, since **19.11.2021**. In this regard a case vide **FIR No. 978/2021, u/s 363 IPC dated 19.11.2021** has been lodged at P.S. Rajouri Garden, Delhi.

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

**E-mail : [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) SHO**  
**011-24368638, 24368641 P.S. Aman Vihar, Delhi**  
**Fax : 011-23011334 Rohini Distt., Delhi**  
**DP/636/WD/2021 Ph. : 011-25448885, 25453990**

**कार्यालय कार्यपालन अभियंता, लोक स्वास्थ्य यांत्रिकी खण्ड कोण्डगांव जिला-कोण्डगांव (छ०ग०)**

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**—: ई-प्रोक्यूरमेंट निविदा सूचना :—**

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सं० क्र०	निविदा क्रमांक एवं दिनांक	सिस्टम निविदा क्रमांक	कार्य का नाम	कार्य की अनुमानित लागत (रु० लाख में)
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01	80 / 16.11.2021	87281	संबलपुर रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	160.44
02	81 / 16.11.2021	87282	खर्वावा रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	73.34
03	82 / 16.11.2021	87283	माकडी रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	151.69
04	83 / 16.11.2021	87284	पल्ली रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	145.70
05	84 / 16.11.2021	87285	बोटीकनेरा रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	105.70
06	85 / 16.11.2021	87286	मालाकोट रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	135.82
07	86 / 16.11.2021	87287	मुलमूला रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	108.03
08	87 / 16.11.2021	87288	मिरोला रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	94.56
09	88 / 16.11.2021	87289	चिलपूटी रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	137.87
10	89 / 16.11.2021	87290	महानगर रेड्रोफिटिंग नलजल प्रदाय योजना	129.64

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**R.O. Date 23/11/2021**

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**SYMBOLIC POSSESSION NOTICE**

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The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of ICICI Bank Limited under the Securitisation, Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) rules 2002, issued demand notices upon the borrowers mentioned below, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

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


Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Loan Account Number	Description of Property/ Date of Symbolic Possession	Date of Demand Notice/ Amount in Demand Notice (Rs.)	Name of Branch
1.	Lakshmi Devi/ Amit Kumar/ LBGHZ00004250132	Flat No 654, 6th Floor Ganga Tower Mahagun Puram Nh 24 Village Mehrauli Ghaziabad/ November 20, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs. 24,97,259/-	Delhi/ NCR
2.	Sunny Dutta/ Neena Datta / LBNOD00004581656	Flat No C 1023, Floor No 10, Block C, Gaursons Cascades, Village Noor Nagar, Ghaziabad/ November 20, 2021	June 25, 2021 Rs. 26,91,952/-	Delhi/ NCR
3.	Ashish Bajaj/ Lata Bajaj/ LBGUR00004931301	Flat No-b-1404 Tower-B 14th Floor, Skytech Mattrot Sector-76, Plot. No Gh-01/D, Gautam Budha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh/ November 22, 2021	June 23, 2021 Rs. 52,52,643/-	Delhi/ NCR
4.	Arvind Kumar/ Subhash Dhama/ LBNOD00000350615	Plot No 6/211, Sector No 6 Vaishali, Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad/ November 22, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs. 9,88,114/-	Delhi/ NCR
5.	Vaid Awana/ Nisha Awana/ LBDEL00001413319	Flat No. 84- A, Block-r Sec-62, Noida/ November 22, 2021	July 06, 2021 Rs. 10,39,998/-	Delhi/ NCR
6.	Ajay Srivastava/ Shobha Srivastava/ LBNOD00001925644	Flat No-1603, 15th Floor, Tower-12 A, Lotus Zing Plot No Gh-01/A Sector 168, Noida, Uttar Pradesh/ November 22, 2021	June 25, 2021 Rs. 35,75,810/-	Delhi/ NCR
7.	Ashish Bajaj/ Lata Bajaj/ LBGUR00004916868	Flat No G-1604, Tower-G 16th Floor, Skytech Mattrot Plot No Gh-01/D Sector-76, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh/ November 22, 2021	June 23, 2021 Rs. 53,25,673/-	Delhi/ NCR
8.	M/s Quaint Media Consultant Private Limited/ Basant Kumar Jha/ Tejashree Amar Jadhavi/ LBNOD00004776306	Flat No-603 & 604, 6th Floor, Tower A, Logix Technova Sector 132 Plot No-A 4, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh/ November 22, 2021	March 25, 2021 Rs. 1,09,44,131/-	Delhi/ NCR
9.	Saurabh Gupta/ Avaniash Kumar Dixit/ LBNOD00002137034	FLAT NO-1804, 18th Floor, Tower-F, "Pan Oasis", Plot No Gh-02, Sector-70 Noida- 201301/ November 22, 2021	June 25, 2021 Rs. 69,96,258/-	Delhi/ NCR

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

**Date : November 25, 2021**  
**Place: Delhi/ NCR**

**Authorized Officer**  
**ICICI Bank Limited**

**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**

  
General public is hereby informed that one male namely **Unknown S/o Unknown R/o Unknown**. Age about 50-55 years, Height 5'1", Complexion Wheatish, Long Face, Thin Built, Wearing Black Jacket, Blue Checkdar Shirt & Grey Lower was found dead at K.M. Pole No.3/29, 3/31, Hallan Chowk, Old Seelampur, Delhi on 21.11.2021. In this regard a DD No. 5-A dated 21.11.2021 U/s 174 Cr.Pc has been lodged at PS Old Delhi Railway Station, Delhi. The Dead Body has been preserved at GTB Hospital Mortuary.

Any person having any information or clue about this deceased male may kindly inform to the undersigned at the address or telephone nos. given below.

**SHO**  
**PS Old Delhi Railway Station, Delhi**  
**Ph. 011-23961522, 9968318499**

DP/389/RLY/2021

**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**

  
General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of a male namely **Unknown, S/o: Unknown, R/o: Unknown was found dead on 15.11.2021 at Lothiyarn Road Near GPO Chatta Rail Pull, Kashmere Gate, Delhi.** In this regard DD No. 17 A, u/s 174 CrPC dated 15.11.2021 has been lodged at Police Station, Kashmere Gate, Delhi. Identification of unidentified dead body of male is as under:

**Name: Unknown, Age: Approx. 50 Years, Height: 5'5", Face: Long, Complexion: Wheatish, Built: Normal, Wearing: Mehndi Colour Sweater and Blue Colour Lower.**

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

**SHO**  
**Police Station Kashmere Gate, Delhi**  
**DP/1730/N/2021 (UIDB) Ph.: 011-23967889, 8750870123**

**SEARCH FOR MISSING PERSON**

  
General public is hereby informed that this person **Name: Shivanand Manjhi, S/o Parmanand Manjhi, R/o Sec. 63, Chot pur Colony, Noida, UP. Age: 26 Years, Height: 168 cm, Complexion: Fair, Face: Round, Built: Medium, Wearing: White Shirt, Brown Color Pant and Black shoes** in feet, has been missing since 28.09.2021 from HDFC Bank, E-Block, GK-II, in the area of PS. C.R. Park, New Delhi.

In this regard a DD No. 53A, dated 29.09.2021 has been lodged at P.S. CR Park, New Delhi.

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

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

**E-Mail: [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) SHO**  
**Website: <http://cbi.nic.in> P.S. CR Park, New Delhi**  
**Fax: 011-24368639 Ph.: 011-26271374, 8750870830**  
**Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641 DP/788/SD/2021**





**Bollywood**  
'Rajkummar Rao and Janhvi Kapoor's is a partnership to look forward to.'  
—Karan Johar

# A NEW ECONOMY

‘We wanted to take people back to that time (of demonetisation) and remind them that we all got past this together’, director RISHAB SETH and producer VISHESH BHATT define the thought behind their recent drama-comedy, *Cash*, in a tête-à-tête with KHUSHBU KIRTI

With the recent release of the film *Cash*, my mind was transported to the time of demonetisation in 2016, and how we had toiled in long lines in front of ATMS under scorching heat. The memory might be a bitter-sweet experience etched in our brains forever, but *Cash* definitely held my attention with its relatable and humorous take on it.

*Cash*, starring Amol Parashar, Smriti Kalra, Swanand Kirkire, Kevin Dave, and Gulshan Grover, started streaming on Disney+Hotstar. The light-hearted dramedy that centers around the period of demonetisation and entrepreneurship in India, is directed by Rishab Seth and produced by Vishesh Bhatt.

Read on for excerpts from a heart-to-heart with Vishesh and Rishab.

**■Demonetisation was a very serious event, something that has been lodged in the recent history of India. What is your vision of the film? What do you wish to convey?**

**Rishab:** Demonetisation was, obviously, a very important event in our recent history that we’ve all dealt with — I think we all have memories of that period — which we, sort of, wanted to laugh at to create some kind of catharsis or nostalgia. Many might say it was a terrible time, many people feel that it was a very petulant move by the government. Ah, so, we never really wanted to pass judgement on it and our stance on it, even today, remains very neutral. But, we thought that there is an opportunity here to take people back to that time and remind them that we all got past this together and these are the things that unfolded around us. And when you go back in time — even if you thought that it was dark time then — you can always, in retrospect, laugh it off. So, I think the

idea here was to use collective consciousness and evoke laughter instead of pain.

**Vishesh:** Like Rishab added, it was an important event and every important event always has certain serious takeaways, but the subject itself, or any serious event, for that matter, can have a humorous take-away, too. Personally, we have to take things in a stride. Humour is an important part of life and I feel more than demonetisation, this is a journey of a serious entrepreneur and how strong the resilience of the medium and small enterprises in India, even today, during the pandemic is. They are extremely agile, take up challenges and manage to survive. We wanted to give that kind of a message that India is able to withstand the obstacles that come their way. It is, in a manner, inspirational, and also relevant to the time of the pandemic. So, we mixed the themes up. We wanted to highlight the new digital economy. Thus, this is a positive, upwards-looking, kind-of a narrative.

**■Was there a personal incident/tragedy related to it that you know of? That you have built the story on?**

**Rishab:** I know that there were neighbours giving money to their house helps to deposit it to their banks and so, a lot of what is happening in the film has been derived from real life incidents but the thing is, it had turned into a bit of a circus, hadn’t it? (everyone chuckles)

So even if you don’t know someone personally, someone knew someone who had to do something sketchy at the time to find some kind of solution to save their black money. And you will see reflections of that in the film, too.

**■Because there are so many innovative ways of money laundering shown in the film that one wonders what the**



**inspiration behind the same was.**

**Vishesh:** So this term, ‘money laundering’ which came in — I think what demonetisation did is — it made people, who had just general petty expenses as cash, try to figure out what black or white even mean. For most of the country, it was a term that political figures or quintessential villains would have and when demonetisation came about, people were like, ‘okay, cash by itself is a problem’. After that, there were debates over what really would fall under black or white cash. We have a digital economy now, it was completely new, then. So this ‘cash’ was termed as toxic.

**Rishab:** Even people who did not have illegal money with them at that time, that is, unaccounted for money, some had cash withdrawal systems sitting at home, you know? And even they had to go stand in the line and they thought, ‘what does this

ultimately entail?’ ‘Does this cash have any real value or not?’

**Vishesh:** Exactly. People got scared. Their savings would become zero.

**Rishab:** However, I must add, Vishesh and I were trying to make a film about entrepreneurship even before the demonetisation happened. A film about entrepreneurship, ambitions and dreams, specifically because Vishesh’s company stands for youth-oriented content. It so happened that we got this idea and we married entrepreneurship with demonetisation. It is not just about scams that we all have heard of, it’s actually about a guy who uses adversity and turns it into opportunity — that’s the core of the film.

**■The shift to home viewing through OTT, has it given an impetus to stories based on real events? Whether it’s entrepreneurship or demonetisation.**

**Vishesh:** What OTT has done is that it has opened a billion screens. It is another huge outlet where story-tellers can express themselves. The limitations have now been removed. You can make the screenplay that is correct for the story and talk to various audiences. The quality is more and more focussed onto who you are talking to.

**Rishab:** In a nutshell, I think, OTT has created a level-playing field and I don’t think that is only true for films and shows based on reality but it also has openings for all types and all genres. For a theatrical film, you’re beholding a larger audience, you’re trying to find a greater commonality through taste and that comes with big compulsions. Whereas, in OTT, you can choose or target a more specific audience. Theatre is costly, for both the parties — the viewers and the film-makers.

**■I had a word with Amol, Smriti and Kavin and they showered nothing but praises on both of you.**

**I think bringing new faces to the screen is something OTT platforms have supported a ton. Care to weigh in?**

**Vishesh:** Very kind of them (hehe). And, yes, OTT has definitely given Vishesh Films, and even the new banner I’m coming up with, more strength to take narratives with upcoming super-talented people, actors, musicians and technicians. The music that we’ve done in this film is largely by newcomers. In theatre, these things could turn risky but in OTT, there is a larger openness which allows us to bring newer talents to the forefront. Now, it is not a mandate to tell the narrative from the point of view of senior actors or try to retro-fit them into a story. Now, we have the space to bring in a younger story and cast a correct fit/face. They no longer have to carry big banners or names to get cast, but just the skill. I hope this golden phase and trend continues.

**Rishab:** I think star power is undeniable. There are stars in this country who have this magic around them, they’ve created that image. You know, I do want to watch an Aamir Khan film or a Ranbir Kapoor starrer. But we’re dealing with about 20 odd people, I mean we’re talking about those who wield that kind of power. But luckily, I’ve seen a shift in the past 10 years where the audience is just very happy consuming good content and they can look beyond the external faces. If the content is good, they take

home as good an experience.

So, opportunities are more now. Where we can make films with fresher talent without having to rely entirely on big stars to carry your film. There are more stories than there are stars. So, we have to find a way to tell these stories and we’re now getting more opportunities to do so.

**■The actors completely adored the script, they said it was a perfectly written one. Can you give a background on that? What were some challenges you faced?**

**Rishab:** Actually, we had a lot of fun, you know. There was a ton of anecdotal stuff available in newspapers and news articles, and stories from friends. The challenge was basically that we wanted to present everything in a comic light. The question we kept asking ourselves was ‘how do we make this funny and entertaining?’ It was a great and fun process.

**Vishesh:** There was an ocean of information and experiences that we all discussed. There was a wealth of data and we knew what was our take was our take on it. So, according to me, the challenge was to filter out. To streamline it, put it in an entertaining manner, have fun with it and communicate it without getting too indulgent or boring was the task at hand. Humour weaved in something that is engaging and fast-paced was the main challenge.

**■Very excited for the film. What is one thing audience should look for when it releases?**

**Rishab:** Um, this is two hours of pure fun. I would suggest you to watch it with your friends, enjoy it, revel in the nostalgia and just come out feeling good.

**Vishesh:** Agreed, comedy is community experience. Watch it with company, while having popcorn and perhaps, chilled beer. Everyone has a different interpretation of humour, so people might have different experiences.

**Rishab:** But I would like to mention, that this is not the comedy, hopefully, where we would advice people to leave their brains at home. So, keep your brains intact, watch it and enjoy the experience.

**Vishesh:** Adding to it, I’d like to request the audience to watch and support films with fresh talent and new narratives. If you want quality, you want new and fresh content, you have to support it yourself to see the change you’re asking for.

Born in 1986 in Mumbai, India, Archana Phadke is a is an alumna of the Berlinale Talent campus and a National award winner. Her short film as a Director, *Uski Baarish* (2013) was screened at various international film festivals including Clermont-Ferrand International Film Festival, Aspen Shorts Fest, Toronto International Film Festival (KIDS), Seattle International Film Festival and 34 others. She has produced and edited, feature-length documentary *Placebo*. Placebo was an Indo-Finnish co-production that premiered at the International Documentary Film Festival of Amsterdam (IDFA), 2014, where it won the jury nomination for Best Film in First Appearance Category. She has co-edited the film *Raghu Rai, An Unframed Portrait* — winner of IDFA Europe fund and winner of Best International Pitch at Asian Side of the Doc and premiered at IDFA 2017 (mid-length competition).

Her debut as a director of the feature-length documentary, *About Love*, premiered at the Sheffield Doc fest in June 2019, where it won the New Talent Award. The film also won the Best film Asian Perspective award at DMZ Docs 2019, and Best film at the Hainan Island International Film Festival.

*About Love* is in the news since it is up for viewing on MUBI, the globally curated film streaming platform. The film is a story which underlines the place of a woman in Indian society. You can say that the film is super feminist, but in a non-preachy way. But it reflects the reality that exists in society today.

For the film, Phadke trains the camera on her household, making what’s extremely personal at times, public. The film revolves around the daily happening, and conversations of three couples living alongside the director. Keep reading for excerpts of the interview with Phadke.

It’s always a very difficult decision. I was filming there for around two and a half years and everyday I was wondering whether I was doing the right thing. Exposing my family to the world was a very difficult decision to take because I was able to capture not just the comfortable but the uncomfortable moments also of family life. It was quite a difficult process for me.

**■Would your family members play nice in front of the camera?**

Like every documentary, this is one of the first processes that one goes through — that you have to break that act in front of the camera. Sometimes it takes days, sometimes it takes months, sometimes it takes years for that to happen. But I was very fortunate that this never happened to me and this is probably because I was the one shooting them. When this was going on, they did not know this was going to be a film. But when this kept going on for an year or two, they were wondering, ‘Oh, she is still shooting us maybe she is just collecting random footage.’ Fortunately they never ever put up an act in front of the camera. They were always themselves in both comfortable as well as uncomfortable situations. I actually shot my grandfather’s death on camera which was quite difficult for me to show. But both my family and I were honest, with respect to everything shown in the film.

**■How long did filming take?**

I started shooting the film in June 2015 but the film premiered in the 2019 edition of the Sheffield Doc Fest. Initially my lens was trained on my grandparents, but my brother actually decided to get married halfway through shooting and that’s when I decided to make that a part of my story as well. But then I expanded the scope of my story and I started shooting my parents as well. It became an interesting landscape — three generations of couples and how love changes over time. And, oh, just for context, my *bhabhi* and my brother had a love

## All About Love

Award-winning documentary filmmaker ARCHANA PHADKE, in a conversation with CHRISTY VARGHESE, reveals what made her train the camera on her family for her directorial debut



marriage. They met in IIM Lucknow. He was just following the example set by his ancestors; my grandparents and my parents also had a love marriage.

**■While you were behind the camera, you were also an integral part of the household. You can’t help unknowingly influence what happens in front of the camera, we get it. But did you ever knowingly influence the course of the film?**

I made certain rules. When I would start filming, I would anticipate the flavour of what it was going to be. So, I would make certain rules as a filmmaker which were sacred and unbreakable since that would not be good for the film. I wanted complete honesty in the film where I would not drive the narrative. I also knew that for a film like this the essence is important, which is why I was shooting for three and a half years, whereas I could have easily wrapped up shooting in three months since it was my family and I had easy access to them. But I knew that to get into the depth of the characters, I would have to spend a lot of time. So, I took my time to do it, but I did not make anything happen at all.

**■While everyone is aware of the**

shooting, I wasn’t sure this would turn out to be a film.

**■What is it about love that fascinates you?**

You can call me a total romantic. I have grown up on all these Yash Chopra films, and I absolutely adore them. I don’t think those type of films are made anywhere, where the romance is evidently there. I am talking about films like *Chandni* and *Dil Toh Paagal Hai*. That is the essence I am trying to capture, not through a Bollywood film but through life itself. It is so difficult to understand love, through my film I have come to makes sense of so many things about love. As an artist, it is natural to try and try again to understand the mysteries of life; love being one of them. I am trying to understand past notions I had of love while growing up.

**■We are sure you had some solid ideas about this film when you started shooting. Did the final product match what you had in mind?**

Well I did have some ideas in mind but documentary films are all about observing.

There is a very cool saying which one can read as you enter SRFTI (Satyajit Ray Film & Television Institute), “In fiction films, the director is God and in documentaries, God is the director.”

At certain points during the film, you have to be ready to receive, instead of trying to implement your notions. That is the magic of documentary cinema, it springs a surprise every now and then. You cannot be in control all the time, at times you have to let go of control and watch the magic unfold.

**■Do you have any other projects, or thoughts about any projects in the pipeline?**

Yes, of course! I am writing for two projects, one is a feature-fiction that revolves around farmer suicides. I hope I am able to make the project a reality within the next year.



## JERSEY IS SHAHID KAPOOR’S BEST

At the trailer launch of his upcoming film *Jersey*, SHAHID KAPOOR opened up about his film *Kabir Singh*’s success at the box office.

“I went like a beggar to everybody who has made these 200-250 crore films. It was completely new to me. Having spent 15-16 years in the industry, I never had such a huge grosser. So, when it finally happened, I didn’t know where to go,” he confessed.

“Credit goes to Gowtam Tinnanuri, the director, for still working with me, waiting for me. I’m so happy I did this and can safely say this is my best film yet,” Kapoor added.

### fairtalk



‘My daughter is growing up and she is growing every day. She has become a very responsible child and understands the fact that I go to work, her father goes to work and that’s what grown-up people do — they go out and make a living for themselves. It is important to understand that as a grown-up, you have to go out there and work to earn your place in the society.’

### dailytalk



‘Even now, almost after 70 years, the Jews who survived make sure that nobody in the world forgets what the Germans did to them. Somehow, the Britishers for 100+ years colonised half of the world and I think they were worse than what the Nazis had done. But they are the ones with very good PR machinery, and that’s the reason even today nobody talks about any of the massacres.’

## LAWRENCE ADDS TO PAY DISPARITY DEBATE

JENNIFER LAWRENCE reveals there was a pay disparity between her and DiCaprio in the film, *Don’t Look Up*.

“Look, Leo brings in more box office than I do. I’m fortunate and happy with my deal,” she states.

“But in other situations, I’ve seen it’s uncomfortable to inquire about equal pay. If you do question something that appears unequal, you’re told it’s not gender disparity but they can’t tell you what exactly it is,” Lawrence shares.





# BEING VOCAL FOR LOCAL

Taste the unique flavours of tribal cuisine at the Tribes India Aadi Mahotsav at Dilli Haat. The event puts the spotlight on some exquisite GI-tagged products

One of the most interesting aspects of tribal life is the array of authentic dishes, unique to the different tribes. Authentic tribal cuisine is a major attraction of the ongoing Tribes India Aadi Mahotsav at Dilli Haat in New Delhi. The National Tribal Festival, an annual affair, showcases interesting dishes from across the country. Crowds visiting Dilli Haat have been thronging to the Aadi Vyanjan section, where food stalls from across the country, from states such as Sikkim, Uttarakhand, Telangana, Tamil Nadu, Nagaland and Chhattisgarh have been put up.

Tribal communities have a close connection with nature; their simplicity and reverence towards nature is carried over to the food. The same reverence is reflected in their cuisine; the tribals consider their food to be sacred. Tribal cuisine is not only interesting, but also nutritious and balanced. Be it the *daal baati churma* from Rajasthan or the *litti chokha* or Thapdi roti from Jharkhand, or the kadhi from Uttarakhand, tribal food is simple, nutritious and edible. There seems to be a preference of different types of millets among the tribals, hence dishes made out of major and minor millets are available such as ragi pakodas and *madwa* rotis from Jharkhand, ragi idlis and dosas from Tamil Nadu.

Over the past few days it has been observed that some dishes attracted more attention than the others. Chapda chutney or red ant chutney had many takers. Chapda



chutney, made from red ants, is said to be not only tasty but also helps keep diseases at bay. Mahua dishes also garnered much interest. Mahua trees are commonly available all over the forests of central and western India.

One can also enjoy other exotic, tasty foods such as dhuska (deep fried snack made of powdered rice), banjara biryani, thapdi roti, herbal teas and arakku coffee from different parts of the country.

GI products came to a special focus in the ongoing Tribes India Aadi Mahotsav, when Bhaskar Khulbe, Advisor to the Prime Minister of India visited the Aadi Mahotsav.

GI products occupy a prominent place in this edition of the Aadi Mahotsav, and more than 50



such identified products are displayed in stalls across the venue by the tribals. Many visitors have been visiting these stalls with much interest. Apart from this seven new GI-tagged products from Uttarakhand consisting of Aipan craft, Tamta product, Ringal craft, Thulma, Bhutiya Daan Carpet, Chyura oil and Munshiyari rajma, was launched at Aadi Mahotsav taking the tally of TRIFED promoted tribal GI products to 66.

Speaking on the occasion, Khulbe remarked, "I am pleased to

note that TRIFED has actively taken up the cause to promote GI Tagged products and transform into a brand, thus empowering tribal artisans. This Aadi Mahotsav is an excellent way to bring all tribal artisans from across the country in a single place. I urge all Delhiites to visit this unique fair."

The GI products featured at the Tribes India Aadi Mahotsav include renowned, exquisite items such as Rajasthan's blue pottery, the Kota Dariya fabric, Madhya Pradesh's Chanderi and Maheshwari silk, Bagh print, Odisha's Pattachitra, Karnataka's Bidriware, Banarasi silk from Uttar Pradesh, Darjeeling tea from West Bengal, Kala Jeera from Himachal Pradesh, the extremely spicy Naga chilli, and the large cardamom from the North-east.

Geographical indication tagging has acquired a greater significance ever since the focus has shifted towards Vocal for Local and building an Aatmanirbhar Bharat. TRIFED, Ministry of Tribal Affairs has been facilitating the promotion of GI Tagged products along with tribal products and transform them into a brand, symbolising empowerment of tribal artisans. These initiatives are aimed help recognise and promote age-old tribal traditions and methods that in danger of being lost due to urbanization and industrialization.

The Geographical Indication technology, which has been recognized by the World Trade Organization, is used to denote the geographical territory from where

a product, be it an agricultural produce, natural product or manufactured, and also conveys assurance of qualities or attributes that are unique to that specific geographic region. India became a signatory to this convention, when, as a member of the WTO, it enacted the Geographical Indications (Registration and Protection Act), 1999, which came into effect from September 15, 2003.

The Aadi Mahotsav festival is TRIFED's attempt to familiarise the people with the rich and diverse craft, culture and cuisine of tribal communities across the country in one place.

Besides these GI products, one can also find other ethnic tribal handicrafts and products and organic items — from the natural and immunity-boosting tribal produce such as virgin coconut oil, organic haldi, dry amla, wild honey, black pepper, ragi, *triphal*, and lentil mixes such as moong dal, urad dal, white beans, and dalia to artefacts such as paintings be it in the Warli style or Patachitra; from jewellery handcrafted in the Dokra style to bead necklaces from the Wancho and Konyak tribes of the North-East.

The Aadi Mahotsav - A Celebration of the Spirit of Tribal Crafts, Culture and Commerce is on at Dilli Haat, INA, New Delhi till the 30th November, 2021 from 11 am to 9 pm.

Visit Aadi Mahotsav and support the "Vocal for Local" movement and help in building a self-reliant India!

## Working for the people

Rajasthan's Water and Groundwater Minister Dr Mahesh Joshi says that his focus would be on uninterrupted, regular and adequate supply to the public

Water Supply and Ground Water Minister Dr Mahesh Joshi has said that the department's full focus will be on uninterrupted, regular and adequate supply of clean drinking water to the public in the state. Along with this, vigorous efforts will be made at every level with the help of common people to prevent wastage of water.

Dr Joshi was interacting with the media persons after taking charge as the new Water Supply and Ground Water Minister of the State at the Government Secretariat on Wednesday. Appealing to the common people to save water, he said that water is priceless, people should understand its value and make maximum use of it their habit.

### Work will be done according to the needs of the people

The Minister said that the time is changing rapidly and with this the priorities of the people have also changed, in such a situation, departmental projects and programs will be speeded up according to the needs of the people in daily life. He said that in the last three years, historical works of public interest have been done in all the departments including the water supply department in the state. During this, despite the circumstances arising due to Corona, the works of other drinking water projects including Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) have been taken forward in the state. Work in JJM has progressed very rapidly in the recent past. Under the department, the work of all the projects including JJM will be speeded up with the thought that the money being spent on them should be fully

benefited by the common man.

**Stop wastage of drinking water**  
Dr Joshi said that at many places water gets wasted due to leakage in the pipeline. For this, wherever the pipelines have become obsolete in the state, they will be replaced and work will be done with a concrete strategy to prevent wastage of drinking water. He said that the entire team of the department would leave no stone unturned in the service of the public with the co-ordination of administrative officers, engineers and technical and subordinate personnel.

Dr Joshi was welcomed by senior officers under the leadership of Additional Chief Secretary, Water Supply and Ground Water Department, Sudhanshu Pant by presenting a bunch of flowers. Dignitaries including Dr. Joshi's son Mr. Rohit Joshi and other well wishers, fans and supporters were also present on this occasion.

Dr Joshi's Joint Secretary of Government of Water Supply Department — First Pratap Singh, Joint Secretary, then Pushpa Satyani, Chief Engineer (Urban and NRW) CM Chouhan, Chief Engineer (Administration), Rakesh Luhadia, Chief Engineer (JJM), Dinesh Goyal, Chief Engineer (Special Projects) Dalip Kumar Gaur, Chief Engineer (Technical), Sandeep Sharma, Additional Chief Engineer (Rural) Devraj Solanki, Additional Chief Engineer (Urban), Amitabh Sharma, WSSO Director, Hukamchand Verma, Additional Chief Engineer (Jaipur-II), Manish Beniwal and Additional Chief Engineer (Jaipur-I) Arun Srivastava.

# Railways to increase its freight basket DDA meeting updates

PHDCCI-Rajasthan chapter organised a Webinar on "Freight Incentives by Railways for Industries with North Western Railways" on November 24.

In his welcome address Shri Digvijay Dhabriya, Chair, PHDCCI-Rajasthan Chapter informed that PHD Chamber has been taking numerous initiative and pol-

icy advocacy measures for improving Ease of Doing Business, Reduction in cost of Doing Business and providing a level playing field for the industry so that Indian Economy can grow and achieve the target of USD 5 trillion given by our Hon'ble Prime Minister. He observed that logistic cost in India is over 14 per cent as com-

pare to 3-4 per cent in China adversely affecting the industry and exports from India. There is a need to reduce to logistic cost and transportation through Railway network can help reducing the freight cost with the proactive approach and incentive schemes offered by Railways.

Speaking as Chief Guest Narendra,

Divisional Railway Manager, North Western Railway outlined the various measures being taken by Railways for increasing its freight basket with focus on service and providing competitive freight solutions to trade and industry with the ultimate objective of facilitating growth of Indian economy.

Delhi Development Authority held its meeting on November 24 through video conferencing under the chairmanship of Anil Baijal, Lt Governor of Delhi and the chairman of DDA attended by Manish Kumar Gupta, IAS, Vice Chairman, DDA, and other members of the Authority including Vijender Gupta MLA, Sonm Nath Bhatti MLA, O P Sharma MLA, Adesh Kumar Gupta Municipal Councillor, North Delhi Municipal Corporation and Kailash Sankla, Municipal Councillor, South Delhi Municipal Corporation.

Following major decisions were taken:

**Launching of Housing Scheme:** The Authority has approved launching of Online Special Housing Scheme for approximately 15,000 flats of different categories at various locations such as Dwarka, Narela, Rohini, Jasola etc. DDA will soon share the further details of the scheme on its website and leading Newspapers / Social media. The scheme has the following main features:-

The flats offered under this scheme are those which remain unsold in previous Housing schemes of DDA.

The flats are being offered at the old rates/cost in relaxation of the costing policy of DDA which is updated every finan-

cial year based on the appreciation/depreciation of land cost/building as the case may be.

The flats at Narela sub-city are being offered after taking several remedial measures in terms of improvement of infrastructure, security and connectivity on the basis of suggestions/feedback of the allottees/residents of the area.

The allottees will be eligible for subsidy under PMAY scheme of the central govt. if they avail home loan from the bank/financial institution.

The entire process from application to allotment and possession is being done through online mode.



## Back to the old ways

With 40 token sanitiser machines installed in all metro stations, the smart token-system has been restored by Kolkata Metro

Tokens are going to be re-introduced in North-South and East-West Metro from today. For that, elaborate

arrangements have already been made to restore the old token system in the Metro. For the safety of Metro commuters, 40 token

sanitiser machines have already been installed at all stations.

Collected tokens will be sanitised in these machines with

the help of ultra-violet ray for about four minutes at each North-South and East-West Metro station. After U-V sanitization, these tokens will again be issued.

In each of the big stations two token sanitiser machines will be kept for use. In each of the small stations one token sanitiser machine will be kept.

## Lady Irwin College to host National Conference on Learning

Department of Education, Lady Irwin College, a constituent college of University of Delhi, is organising the National Conference on Learning (NCL 2021) through virtual mode on November 26, 2021. The theme of the conference is gender and education.

Education plays a crucial role in spreading awareness and providing advocacy to all sections of society. This conference on 'Gender & Education' explores gender related issues and considers a broader vision of how investing in education can promote gender equality, gender equity as well as sensitivity and empathy.

The conference will start with the inaugural session at 9:30 am. The welcome address will be delivered by the Director of the College, Dr Anupa Siddhu. The chief guest of the conference is Prof Dr Asha Shukla, Vice-Chancellor of Dr B R Ambedkar Social Science University, Indore, who will reflect on 'Gender & Education'. The guest of honour, is Dr Poonam Aggarwal, NCERT. The guest speaker, Anuradha Krishnan, gender resource person, will also give valuable input on the theme. After that, tribute will be paid to Ms Kamla Bhasin (Indian feminist).

Educationalists, researchers, teacher educators from various universities and colleges will participate and give their presentations on the subthemes.

## SAIL's iron ore mines receive national awards

Two iron ore mines of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL), Kiriburu Iron Ore Mines and Meghahatuburu Iron Ore Mines, received five-star rated awards for sustainable mining practices and all round performance in the Iron Ore category at the 5<sup>th</sup> National Conclave on Mines & Minerals held in New



Delhi on November 23. The Union Minister of Coal, Mines and Parliamentary Affairs Shri Pralhad Joshi presented the awards to Soma

Mondal, Chairman, SAIL, in a glittering award ceremony. She was accompanied by Kamlesh Rai, Chief General Manager, Kiriburu Iron Ore Mines and Shri RP Selvam, Chief General Manager, Meghahatuburu Iron Ore Mines while receiving the awards.

SAIL's Kiriburu Iron Ore Mines was awarded for the year

2017-18 and 2018-19 while Meghahatuburu Iron Ore Mines was awarded for the year 2018-19 and 2019-20. Both these SAIL mines are under the Jharkhand Group of Mines of SAIL, Bokaro Steel Plant.

SAIL fulfils its entire requirement of iron ore from its captive iron mines.

## A helping hand

POWERGRID provides financial aid to Uttarakhand State Disaster Management Authority



restoration work shall be looked after by the Uttarakhand State Disaster Management Authority.

Minister of Power and New and Renewable Energy, RK Singh handed over a joint cheque amounting to ₹22.31 crores to

Dhan Singh Rawat, Minister of State for Disaster Management, Uttarakhand on behalf of Power Sector CPSE's in the presence of the Uttarakhand's CM, Pushkar Singh Dhami, Minister of State for Power, Krishan Pal and other senior dignitaries from the Ministry of Power. The event was attended virtually by K Sreekanth, CMD, POWERGRID and other senior officials of POWERGRID.

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## World-class handball court inaugurated in Odisha

Inaugurated by Odisha CM on November 18, Keonjhar Handball Ground, located in Kendujhargarh Municipality, is first of its kind with provision of outdoor synthetic court in Odisha. The synthetic handball court has been built as per international standards (as per IHF - International Handball Federation). Additionally, the handball ground campus, with an area of around 1.6 acres, has been developed with best-in-class landscaping and provision of play areas.

Dual handball courts (with a synthetic pro-cushion surface), covering an area of 0.5 acres, were built with a seating capacity of around 200. The material used for preparation of the synthetic court has been certified under 'category 4-medium-fast' by the International



Tennis Federation (ITF).

The ground is armed with the ability to ensure play at night, with the installation of sports standard 'high mast lights'. In addition to the world-class handball courts, the campus has been developed for multi-disciplinary public use with the provision of walking pathways, acupressure track, children's play area, open-air gym, gymnasium, yoga platform, toilet block, seating arena and drinking water.

## Northern Railway GM meets Delhi MPs

Ashutosh Gangal, the general manager of Northern Railway held a meeting with ministers and MPs of constituencies that come under the jurisdiction of Delhi division in New Delhi. This is in accordance with the directives given by the Minister of Railways, Ashwini Vaishnav, advising GMs of Zonal Railways to increase public outreach to get feedback for providing better service to the nation. Railway related issues in each constituency falling under Northern Railway were discussed with the public representatives to find solutions for the benefit of the passengers.

Dimpy Garg, the divisional Railway Manager, Delhi Division presented a report regarding the completed, ongoing & planned works relating to passenger amenities, infrastructure and services at stations and trains over 22 constituencies in the states of UP, Haryana, Punjab and Delhi NCR, serviced by Delhi Division.

Gen VK Singh (ret'd), the Union Minister of State, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways and Civil Aviation, MPs from Lok Sabha — Dr Harsh Vardhan, Dr Satya Pal Singh, Rajendra Agarwal, Ramesh Bidhuri, Ramesh Chander Kaushik, Sunita Duggal, Sanjay Bhatia, Brijendra Singh, Pradeep Kumar Choudhary and MPs



from Rajya Sabha — Sardar Balvinder Singh Bhunder, Ram Chander Jangra and Narayan Das Gupta put forward their views in the meeting.

The MPs highly appreciated the good work done by Northern Railway in their constituencies. They collectively thanked the Railways for helping the nation overcome the adversities of the corona pandemic in the last two years. They also put forward various demands, requirements and aspirations of the rail users of their respective areas. They also volunteered to help wherever there was any co-ordination required with the state administration for timely completion of the projects.

Gangal, assured the MPs that Northern Railway would resolve the public grievances and issues put forward by them as early as possible. He further said that Northern Railway would always remain committed to the passengers and rail users.

## Lieutenant General Pradeep Chandran Nair awarded by President

Lieutenant General Pradeep Chandran Nair, Yudd Seva Medal (YSM), the 21<sup>st</sup> Director General of the Assam Rifles received the prestigious Ati Vishisht Seva Medal (AVSM) from the President of India Shri Ram Nath Kovind at an investiture ceremony held at New Delhi on November 22. He has been bestowed with this prestigious award for his successful command as the Inspector General of Assam Rifles (North) in Nagaland. He has also been decorated with the Yudd Seva Medal during his Command of a Brigade in Manipur and has also been



commended with the Chief of Army Staff Commendation Card on three occasions.

Lieutenant General Nair, AVSM, YSM holds vast combat experience in the North East. He Commanded his battalion (18 SIKH) in Assam, has been a brigade commander in Manipur. His vast experience in the North East especially as the Inspector General of Assam Rifles (North) has brought in peace and tranquility in the region as well as controlled the insurgency. In his present appointment as the Director General of Assam Rifles, the Northeast region is to benefit tremendously.

## NRWWO president inaugurates refreshment counter at Central Hospital

Shikha Gangal, the president of Northern Railway Women's Welfare Organisation (NRWWO) inaugurated a beverage/refreshment

counter run by NRWWO at Central Hospital, New Delhi on November 18.

On this occasion the vice-president of NRWWO, Anjali Gulati, the treasurer,

Anjana Kumar, and other members of the committee and Medical Director of Northern Railway, Central Hospital, New Delhi, Dr Amita Jain, doctors and railway personnel were also present.

The NRWWO is a voluntary organisation, which runs various welfare activities for the benefit of railway workers and their families.

With the inauguration of the beverage/refreshment counter operated by NRWWO there has been a further increase in the facility of beverages/catering facilities to the patients and their relatives/relatives visiting this hospital.


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**Admission Notice 2021-22**

Applications are invited for Certificate Course in Operation Theatre Attendant, Hospital & Home Based Care Attendant, Emergency-cum Ambulance Attendant & Home Based Care Helper for filling up of Vacant Seats at Institute Level on 26.11.2021 & counseling will be held in S.Sukhjinder Singh Institute of Nursing, Gurdaspur at 10.00 a.m. on 29.11.2021. Desirous candidates are advised to bring their all original testimonials for admission. Admission will be made on the merit basis. E-mail: sssingsp@gmail.com (M) 9316093494, 9501753308, Land Line: 01874-243242

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Before Secretary, CHB Exercising the Powers of the Estate Officer, UT Chandigarh.  
Subject : Mutation/Transfer of Ownership right in respect of Dwelling Unit No. 266-1 (First Floor) of LIG Category in Sector 41-A, Chandigarh on the basis of Sale Deed in the name of Sh. Manwar S/o Sh. Sukam Singh from the name of allottee/transferee Smt. Neema Joshi W/o Sh. Jagdish Chander Joshi.  
It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that the Dwelling Unit No. 266-1 (First Floor) of LIG Category in Sector 41-A, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/transferee Smt. Neema Joshi W/o Sh. Jagdish Chander Joshi. Now, Smt. Neema Joshi W/o Sh. Jagdish Chander Joshi has sold the above said dwelling unit to Sh. Manwar S/o Sh. Sukam Singh vide sale Deed Executed and registered in office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh on 23.11.2015. Sh. Manwar S/o Sh. Sukam Singh has requested this office for transfer the above said dwelling unit in his name on the basis on sale deed.  
If any body has any objection upon the mutation of the said property in favour of applicant, he/she/they may submit the objection in writing to the undersigned within 15 days of the publication of this notice, failing which, the ownership of the said dwelling unit shall be transferred in favour of above said claimant(s).  
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It is hereby notified for the information of the general public and all concerned that the Dwelling Unit No. 3106-B (Second floor) of LIG Category in Sector 52, Chandigarh stands in the name of allottee/transferee Smt. Anita Sharma W/o Sh. Sudarshan Kumar Sharma. Now, Smt. Anita Sharma W/o Sh. Sudarshan Sharma has sold the above said dwelling unit to Sh. Parminder Singh Sodhi S/o Sh. Harpal Singh Sodhi vide Sale Deed Executed and registered in office of Sub-Registrar Chandigarh on 16-11-2021. Sh. Parminder Singh Sodhi S/o Sh. Harpal Singh Sodhi has requested this office for transfer the above said dwelling unit in his name on the basis of sale deed.  
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**SBI Celebrates YONO ANNIVERSARY**  
Chandigarh: State Bank of India commemorated the 4th anniversary of YONO, the digital app of the BANK on 24.11.2021, which was launched in November 2017 by the Bank. SBI YONO stands for You Only Need One. This is a digital banking app, a one stop solution for banking, lifestyle, insurance, investment and shopping needs. Various actions can be done through this app including applying for loans, opening a savings account instantly or even shopping online. SBI YONO provides the largest range of products and services on the move. This app is designed for a unified and seamless experience. Awareness about the features of SBI YONO Digital Banking App was publicized. YONO already has registered 40 million plus users on the App and is targeted to 50 million by the end of the current FY. Some of the Key features and benefits of SBI YONO App are Instant Account opening, Complete paperless transactions, Unified app for lifestyle expense and banking, Fund transfer via UPI, Smart spending-spend analysis, Pre-Approved Personal Loan (PAPL), exclusive discounts, offers and special deals, purchase all financial discount products from a single app, transfer funds in just four clicks and Get overdraft facility against fixed deposits.  
**Bhartiya Nagrik Parishad**  
The voice of Empowered Women Empowered India was raised in the symposium under A floral Tribute to Adishakti - "Save the daughter - reference female feticide" ; Release of the book "The Tenth Riddle" on the topic. A seminar was organized by the Bhartiya Nagrik Parishad at Hotel Gomti on the topic "Save the girl child - context - female feticide" with a floral tribute to Adishakti. The book "The Tenth Riddle" by renowned young writer Sapan Saxena was also released on the occasion by Shri Kaushal Kishore, Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs, GOI.  
Chief guest of the seminar, Shri Kaushal Kishor, Hon'ble Union Minister of State (Housing and Urban Development) said that female feticide is a serious problem and it is the social responsibility of all that we should take some concrete steps to solve it. He said that the Central Government has started a campaign of Beti Bachao-Beti Padhao for women empowerment, which is yielding fruitful results. He appreciated the awareness campaign being run by the Indian Council of Citizens for this.



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
It is hereby notified for the information of general public and all the concerned that following applicant applied for issue of NOC/Permission for execution of Sale Deed before the Managing Committee of the Society, as per notification issued by Finance Deptt. Chandigarh Administration.  
Name of Original Allottee 1st Transferee Name of Applicant/2nd Transferee Flat No. Category Remarks  
Sh. Ziauddin Sh. Anoop Singh Sh. Anil Kumar S/o Sh. Nand Lal/1359 "A" Sales Basis  
If anybody has any objection upon the transfer of the Title, Right or interest in the above mentioned flat of the applicant, then, he/she/they may submit the objections in writing alongwith relevant documents to the undersigned within 30 days of the publication of this notice failing which the ownership of the above said flat shall be transferred in favour of the applicant and no further claim in any manner whatsoever shall be entertained later on.  
**President**




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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
It is hereby notified for the General Public that the following person(s) have applied for permission for the Sale/Purchase of Dwelling Unit in their names under Regulation of the Chandigarh Housing Board (Allotment, Management and Sale of Tenements) Regulations 1979 :-  

SR. NO.	NAME OF THE PURCHASER	NAME OF THE SELLER	D.U.NO.	CATEGORY	SECTOR
1.	Smt. Poonam Rani D/o Sh. Avatar Singh W/o Sh. Uday Partap Singh.	Smt. Sudesh Kumari W/o Sh. Rajinder Malhotra.	3358	LIG(U)	40-D, Chandigarh
2.	Sh. Kamal Sharma S/o Sh. Shayan Lal Sharma.	Smt. Suvara Anand W/o Late Sh. Ashok Anand.	3451	MIG-II	46-C, Chandigarh
3.	Sh. Sudhir Malik S/o Sh. Balwan Singh.	Smt. Kavita Rani W/o Sh. Rajesh Kumar.	2072-E	One Bed Room Flat In Block No.24 and Parking in Block No.24	63, Chandigarh

  
In case anybody has any objection for the Sale /Purchase in respect of above said dwelling units, he/she may submit the objection, if any, in writing within 15 days of the publication of this notice before the undersigned alongwith documentary evidence, if any.  
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**HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**No. PW-DPD-CB-Tender/2021-22:**  
The Executive Engineer Dharampur Division, HPPWD Dharampur Distt. Mandi (H.P) on behalf of Governor of HP invite the item rate bids in electronics tendering system from the eligible class of contractors registered with HPPWD for the work as detailed in the table  

Sr. No	Name of Work	Estimated cost	Earnest Money	Starting Date of download ing bid	Last date of bid submission	Time limit
1	C/O Ayurvedic Helath centre at Kujbalhi in Tehsil Dharampur Distt. Mandi (H.P) (SH: C/O Building portion, water supply & Sanitary installation, septic tank & Site development)	45,76,419/-	77,000/-	02/12/2021	09/12/2021	12 months
2	C/O Balance work of 60.837 meter span box girder bridge over Jhangli Khad on lalana to Bhoor at RD 0/430 (SH: C/O Super structure)	2,84,6632/-	55000/-	02/12/2021	09/12/2021	4 months

  
The bidder are advised to note other details of tender from the department website [www.hptender.gov.in](http://www.hptender.gov.in)  
**Executive Engineer,**  
**Dharampur Division,**  
**HP.PWD, Dharampur, Distt: Mandi (H.P).**  
**RO NO. 5147/21-22 Dt. 24-11-2021**




**HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**\*\*\* Notice Inviting Tender \*\*\***  
Sealed item rate tender on form No. 6 & 8 are hereby invited by the Executive Engineer, HP PWD Division Tanda at Nagrota Bagwan on behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh for the following work from the approved and eligible contractors enlisted in HP PWD (B & R) whose registration stood renewed as per revised rules so as to reach in his office on or before on 10.12.2021 up to 11:00 A.M. And the same shall be opened on the same day at 11:30 A.M. in the presence of intending contractors or their authorized representatives. The tender form can be obtained from his office on cash payment (non refundable) on 09.12.2021 up to 4:00 P.M and the application for issue of tender form shall be received on 08.12.2021 up to 12:00 noon. The applications for issue of tender forms accompanied with enlistment letter or renewal letter and the earnest money in the shape of National Saving Certificates/Saving Account of the Post Office /Time Deposit account/FDR in Himachal Pradesh duly pledged in favour of Executive Engineer, HP PWD Division Tanda at Nagrota Bagwan.  
The conditional tender and the tender received without earnest money will summarily be rejected. The offer of the tender shall be kept open for 120 days.  

Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Time limit
1	Annual repair & maintenance of Dehra Aila Gabla Andrar road Km 4/000 to 9/000 & Radh to Haliwari road Km 0/000 to 4/525 in Distt Kangra (HP) (Bush cutting & maintenance of shoulder & road side drains white washing).	Rs 2,49,986/-	5000/-	One month
2	Special repair to Auditorium Building at Dr R.P. Govt. Medical College Tanda in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: -Providing and laying interlocking paver block, cement concrete pavement, WS & SI )	Rs 2,86,285/-	5750/-	One month
3	Restoration of rain damages on Yol Rajiana 53 Miles road in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: -Construction of road side drain in Km 0/120 to 10/375).	Rs 2,34,392/-	4700/-	Three month
4	Construction of link road to Charjan Di Dehri to Hayrat road Km 0/000 to 4/600 in Distt Kangra (HP)(SH: - Construction of retaining wall at RD 0/250 to 0/265)	Rs 4,02,832/-	8100/-	Three months
5	Construction of link road from Salawa to Than road in Distt Kangra (HP)(SH: -Providing and laying Tarring in Km 1/000 to 1/600).	Rs 4,98,245/-	10000/-	Two months
6	Construction of link road from Salawa to Than road in Distt Kangra (HP)(SH: -Providing and laying Tarring in Km 1/700 to 2/300).	Rs 4,98,245/-	10000/-	Two months
7	Restoration of rain damages on Kufri Patalka road in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: -C/O retaining wall at RD 0/515 to 0/530 )	Rs 2,66,596/-	5350/-	Three months
8	Construction & M/Tarring of link road to Harizan Basti Gadiara in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: -Providing and laying wearing & Tarring in Km 0/000 to 0/400).	Rs 4,99,497/-	10,000/-	Two months

  
1. The contractor/firm should be registered as or dealer GST No.  
2. The intending contractor / firm have to produce the copy of latest enlistment and renewal enlisted in HPPWD.  
3. If any of the date mentioned above happened to be Gazetted Holidays the same shall be processed on next working day.  
4. The Executive Engineer reserve s the right to accept/reject any tender/application or all tenders without assigning any reason.  
5. The Contractor will have to submit affidavit along with application for issue of tender that he has not more than two works in hand.  
6. Next tender will be issued only after completion of previous works in hand.  
**Executive Engineer**  
**H.P.P.W.D. Tanda Division**  
**at Nagrota Bagwan**  
**HIM SUCHANA AVAM & JAN SAMPARK**  
(On behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh)  
**RO NO. 5125/21-22 Dt. 24-11-2021**



**HIMACHAL PRADESH PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

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Sr. No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Time limit
1	Construction of link road from Salawa to Than road in Distt Kangra (HP)(SH: -Providing and laying Tarring in Km 2/400 to 2/850).	Rs 3,43,054/-	6900/-	Three months
2	Construction of Thana Bargr an Bushal road Km 0/000 to 5/000 in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: -Providing and laying cement concrete pavement at various reaches between Km 1/000 to 3/000)	Rs 4,97,253/-	9950/-	Three months
3	Construction of link road Bari Da Lahar in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: - Providing and laying cement concrete pavement in Km 0/300 to 0/450).	Rs 4,97,253/-	9950/-	Three months
4	Steel Truss Bridge over Naura Khad on link road to village in G.P. Jassour at RD 0/278 in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: - Cross Berms & Along and approach slab)	Rs 4,92,551/-	9900/-	Three months
5	Special repair of Govt. Degree College at Nagrota Bagwan in Distt Kangra (HP)(SH: -Renewing of tiles, cement concrete work, P/L Tile flooring and glass panes & structural steel work etc.).	Rs 3,97,537/-	7950/-	Two months
6	Annual maintenance Plan 2021 -22 on various roads under HP PWD sub division Baroh in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: -Providing and laying Hot Thermoplastic paint strips).	Rs 4,99,950/-	10000/-	One month
7	Construction of link road from Kandlu to Malahru in Distt Kangra (HP) (SH: -Providing and laying cement concrete pavement at Km 0/100 to 0/280).	Rs 4,89,111/-	9800/-	Three months
8	A/R & M/O Samloti Sarotari road Km 0/000 to 4/500 in Distt Kangra (SH: - Providing and applying Thermoplastic paint strips)	Rs 2,30,373/-	4650/-	One month

  
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2. The intending contractor / firm have to produce the copy of latest enlistment and renewal enlisted in HPPWD.  
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4. The Executive Engineer reserve s the right to accept/reject any tender/application or all tenders without assigning any reason.  
5. The Contractor will have to submit affidavit along with application for issue of tender that he has not more than two works in hand.  
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**Executive Engineer**  
**H.P.P.W.D. Tanda Division**  
**at Nagrota Bagwan**  
**HIMSUCHANA AVAM & JAN SAMPARK**  
(On behalf of Governor of Himachal Pradesh)  
**RO NO. 5128/21-22 Dt. 24-11-2021**




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**MISSING DEED NOTICE**

This is to notify all concerned that Geeta Rani w/o Sh. Ravinder Kumar has applied for (CC firm) on Property Bearing Plot No. 10 Municipal House Tax No. 1434-1435609, Situated at B-4, Nai Basti, Ambala City, measuring 13.67 Sq. yd. owned vide Sale Deed No. 780 dated 09/05/2013 from HDPC Bank Ltd That in Old Chain Original sale deed No. 172 dated 09/07/2009 in favour of Atul Kumar S/o Sri Ram Thakral is lost and not found. Hence if any concern Bank person having any claim/objection he/she may kindly contact within 14 days to Geeta Rani Resident of H.No. 24/95, Maya Bans, Ambala City Haryana Mob 9034062728



**MISSING DEED NOTICE**

This is to notify all concerned that Smt. Parbati Barsal w/o Sh. Dinesh Kumar Barsal has applied for (CC firm) on House No. 888 L.G. Property ID No. 2277330371, Situated at Housing Board Colony, Ambala Cantt. measuring 39.72 Sq. yd. owned vide Sale Deed No. 2131 dated 14/02/1996 from HDPC Bank Ltd That in Old Chain Original conveyance deed No. 1556 dated 22/01/1997, in favour of Pawan Kumar S/o Sh. Bhanu Lal through GFA Sh. Dinesh Kumar S/o Sh. Meghendra Doss is lost and not found. Hence if any concern Bank person having any claim/objection he/she may kindly contact to Advocate Parminder Singh House No. 352 Line No. 8/0, Sector-C, Defence Colony, Ambala cantt. 133001. Mob. 9959524490



**AU SMALL FINANCE BANK LIMITED**  
(A SCHEDULED COMMERCIAL BANK)  
Regd. Office: 19-A, Dhuleswar Garden, Ajmer Road, Jaipur - 302001 (CIN:L36911RJ1996PLC011381)

**Demand Notice Under Section 13(2) of Securitisation Act of 2002**  
As the loan account became NPA therefore the Authorized officer under section 13(2) of "The Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002" had issued 60 days demand notice to the borrowers/co-borrowers/Mortgagors/Guarantors (collectively referred as "Borrowers") as given in the table. According to the notice if the borrowers do not deposit the entire amount within 60 days, the amount will be recovered from auction of the mortgage properties/secured assets as given below. Therefore you the borrowers are informed to deposit the entire loan amount along with future interest and expenses within 60 days from the date of demand notice, otherwise under the provisions of 13(4) and 14 of the said Act, the Authorized officer is free to take possession for sale of the mortgage properties/secured assets as given below.  
Borrowers to note that after receipt of this notice, in terms of Section 13(13) of the Act, 2002, you are prohibited and restrained from transferring any of the secured assets by way of sale, lease or otherwise, without prior written consent of the secured creditor. The Borrowers attention are attracted towards Section 13(8) (r/w Rule 3(5) of The Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 Act that the borrowers shall be entitled to redeem their secured asset upon the payment of the complete outstanding dues as mentioned below before the publication of auction notice, which thereafter shall cease to exist.  

Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower /Mortgagor/Guarantor/ Loan A/c No.	Date and Amount of Demand Notice Under Sec. 13(2)	Description of Mortgaged Property
(A/C No.) L9001060122843853 Bharat (Borrower) Chetan (Co-Borrower), Sunita Rani (Co-Borrower)	13-Oct-21 Rs. 675929/- Rs. Six Lac Seventy-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Nine only As on 13-Oct-21	Property situated at Municipal Corporation Mohalla Sainiyan, Hissar, Haryana Admeasuring 34.3 Sqyds
(A/C No.) L9001061122569426 Sharma Garments (Borrower) Manish Kumar (Co-Borrower), Anil Kumar (Co-Borrower), Ajay Sharma (Co-Borrower)	13-Oct-21 Rs. 309414/- Rs. Three Lac Nine Thousand Four Hundred Fourteen only As on 13-Oct-21	Property situated at Freehold - Municipal Limit Semi Urban And Rural Nayi Abadi Near Sambhu Dayal Rewari, Haryana Admeasuring 150 Sqyds
(A/C No.) L9001060123623328 Krishna Agencies (Borrower) Virender Singh (Co-Borrower), Shanti Devi (Co-Borrower)	13-Oct-21 Rs. 667706/- Rs. Six Lac Sixty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Six only As on 13-Oct-21	Property situated at Freehold - Municipal Limit Semi Urban And Rural Ward No 08 O Near Sobha Sagar Talab Malitit Mahendragarh Narnaul, Haryana Admeasuring 150 Sqyds

  
Place: Haryana 24-Nov-2021 Authorised Officer AU Small Finance Bank Limited




**यूनियन बैंक ऑफ इंडिया Union Bank of India**

**BRANCH : SUBHASH MANDI, KURUKSHETRA, HARYANA**

**POSSESSION NOTICE (For Immovable property)**  
Notice is hereby given under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(4) read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement, Rules 2002) issued a demand notice under section 13(2) on the dates mentioned against each account and stated hereinafter calling upon them to repay the amount within 60 days from the date of notice/ receipt of notice.  
The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the symbolic possession of the property/ies described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rule, on the dates mentioned against Term Loan and overdraft account. The Borrowers / Guarantors/ Mortgagor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property/ies and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of Union Bank of India for the amounts and interest thereon, given below:  

Name of the account	Name of the borrower (s)/Guarantor(s)	Description of property Mortgaged	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession Notice	Amount Outstanding as on date of notice
M/s Krishan Pal & Sons	Borrower: (1). M/s Krishan Pal & Sons Prop.	Commercial Shop no. 80, measuring 188.89 Sq. Yds. Situated at New Grain Market, Thanesar, Kurukshetra in the name of Sh. Krishan Pal S/o Sh. Lal Singh and Sh. Dharmender S/o Sh. Lekhpant R/o Village Palwal, Tehsil Thanesar, District Kurukshetra	07.07.2021	20.11.2021	Rs. 34,61,688.24 (Rs. Thirty Four Lakh Sixty One Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Eight Paise Twenty Four only) as on 31.05.2021 plus future interest and other charges until payment in full

  
bounded as under : North : Shop No. 79, East Mandi fud then road, South: Shop No. 81, West : Mandi Fud then Road  
**PLACE: Kurukshetra • DATE: 23.11.2021** Authorized officer, Union Bank of India



**इंडियन बैंक Indian Bank**

**Zonal Office, Karnal Sector 12, Karnal- 132001.**  
**FAX: 0184-2266359, Phone: 0184-2266358, 2266264**  
**E-mail: zokarnal@indianbank.co.in**  
**POSSESSION NOTICE (Under Rule 8(1) of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002)**  
Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of the Indian bank under the securitization and reconstruction of financial assets and enforcement of securities interest act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 8 and 9 of the security interest (enforcement) rules, 2002 issued a demand notice on the dates mentioned against each account calling upon the respective borrowers/guarantors to repay the amount at mentioned against each account within 60 days from the date of notices/date of receipt of said notices  
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/ her under section 13(4) of the said act read with rule 8 and 9 of the said rules, on the dates mentioned against each account. The borrowers/guarantors/mortgagors in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealing with the property will be subject to the charge of the Indian bank for an amount of and interest thereon, given below:  

Name of the Branch / Borrower/ Guarantor	Description of the Immovable Property	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession Notice	Amount Outstanding
(1) Branch Office : Rohtak 1. Shri Suresnder S/o Sh. S. Satyavir Singh (Borrower/ Mortgagor) 2. Smt. Sunil W/o Sh. Pritam Kumar (Borrower/ Mortgagor) 3. Sudesh Devi S/o Sh. Suresnder (Guarantor) All three are resident of Address 1: H No- 1245/28, Gandhi Nagar, Arjun Nagar, Opp. Arpan School, Rohtak-124001 (Haryana)	Equitable mortgage of all that part and parcel of the residential House in the name of Smt. Sunil Devi W/o Sh. Pritam Kumar & Sh. Suresnder Singh S/o Sh. Satyavir Singh situated at H No- 1245/28, Opp. Arpan School, Arjun Nagar, Gandhi Nagar, Rohtak- 124001 (Haryana) measuring 50 sq yards vide Sale Deed No 7011 dated 07/09/2011 with in M.C Limit, Rohtak and Bounded as under:- North: 22'0" House of Sh. Joginder Singh Chugh South: 22'0" Gali 10' Wide, East: 22'6" open space of M.C & road 38' Wide, West: 22'0" House of Sh. Shtam Sunder.	02.04.2021	23.11.2021	Rs. 93,98,144.12/- (Rupees Thirty nine lakhs thirty eight thousand one hundred forty four and paise twelve only) Plus charges & interest thereon w.e.f. 01/04/2021
(2) Branch Office : Rohtak 1. M/S Tushar Medicine Point through Proprietor - Shri Suresnder Singh S/o Sh. Satyavir (Borrower)	Commercial /Residential property in the name of Sh. Ranbir Singh Sonak S/o Sh. T.R. Sonak & Smt. Babita Sonak W/o Sh. Ranbir Singh Sonak, executed Vide Sale deed No 9559/1 dated 04/12/2009 Admeasuring 125.25Sq yards, Plot No 13, Commercial Building situated at Subhash Nagar, Near Raj Talkies, Delhi Road, Rohtak with in M.C Limits Rohtak and Bounded as under:- North: 41'0" Rasta 20ft. Wide, South: School, Mahila Ashram 41'0" Plot of Smt Bina Rakheja, East: 27'6" Road, West: Road, Arjun Nagar, 27'6" Remaining Plot of Saroj Bala.	13.05.2021	23.11.2021	Rs. 1,37,80,744/- (Rupees One Crore Thirty Seven Lakhs Eighty thousand seven Hundred Seventy four only) Plus charges & interest thereon w.e.f. 12/05/2021
(3) Branch Office : Rohtak 1. M/s Pooja Furniture (Prop. Shri Raj Kumar) (Borrower) 2. Shri Raj Kumar S/o Sh. Ram (Borrower/ Mortgagor) 3. Shri Mayank Pasrija S/o Shri Raj Kumar (Guarantor) All three are resident of Address 1: H No- 551/13, Gurunanak Pura, Rohtak- 124001	Commercial /Residential property in the name of Sh. Raj Kumar S/o Sh. Ram Lubhaya measuring 90 sq yards constructed on New House No. 551/13, Old House No. 34-8/3 Part, Gurunanak Pura, Rohtak Property is bounded as under:- North: 43'-07" House of Sh. Raj Kumar and Sh. Subhash, South: 43'-07" House of Sh. Kishan Lal, East: 18'-10" House of Sh. Mange Ram Bajaj & Gali 4'0" Wide, West: 18'-10" House of Sh. Kishan Lal.	12.05.2021	23.11.2021	Rs. 9,87,870.47/- (in words rupees nine lacs eighty seven thousand eight hundred seventy and forty seven paise only) as on 31.03.2021 and charges & interest thereon w.e.f. 01/04/2021
(4) Branch Office : Rohtak 1. Smt. Sumitra w/o Sh. Pardeep (Borrower/ Mortgagor) R/o H.No. 2134/4, Shiv Nagar, Rohtak- 124001 2. Sh. Pardeep s/o Sh. Om Parkash (Borrower/Mortgagor) R/o H.No. 2134/4, Shiv Nagar, Rohtak- 124001 3. Sh. Sudhakar s/o Sh. Bengali Mandai (Guarantor) R/o H. No. 27-A, Sainik Colony, Rohtak-124001 (Haryana)	Equitable mortgage of all that part and parcel of the property consisting of Commercial Residential Property in the name of Sh. Raj Kumar S/o Sh. Ram Lubhaya measuring 90 sq yards constructed on New House No. 551/13, Old House No. 34-8/3 Part, Gurunanak Pura, Rohtak Property is bounded as under:- North: 43'-07" House of Sh. Raj Kumar and Sh. Subhash, South: 43'-07" House of Sh. Kishan Lal, East: 18'-10" House of Sh. Mange Ram Bajaj & Gali 4'0" Wide, West: 18'-10" House of Sh. Kishan Lal.	12.05.2021	23.11.2021	Rs. 9,87,870.47/- (in words rupees nine lacs eighty seven thousand eight hundred seventy and forty seven paise only) as on 31.03.2021 and charges & interest thereon w.e.f. 01/04/2021
(5) Branch Office : Rohtak 1. M/s Butana Dairy Farm through Proprietor Sh. Lakshay R/o V.P.O. Butana, Rohtak, Haryana 2. Sh. Lakshay Singh S/o Sh. Dalbir Singh, 1852, Sector 3, Rohtak 3. Sh. Dalbir Singh S/o Badan Singh R/o H.No. 1852, Sector 2-3 Part Rohtak. 4. Smt. Ved kaur w/o Sh. Badan Singh R/o 348/1, Adarsh Nagar, ward No.6 Gohana District Sonapat 5. Sh. Jarnail Singh S/o Sh. Badan Singh R/o 345, Adarsh Nagar, Ward No.6, Gohana District Sonapat 6. Smt. Meenakshi w/o Sh. Dalbir Singh R/o H.No. 1852, Sector 3, Rohtak	Equitable mortgage of all that part and parcel of the property consisting of Residential House in the name of Smt. Minakshi w/o Sh. Dalbir, admeasuring 278.58 sq.Yds. Situated at H.No. 1852, Sector 3 HUDA, Near Little Shri Ram School, Rohtak within M.C Limits Rohtak and bounded as under:- North : Road 18.0 meter Wide, 9.57 meter (width), South: H.No. 1845 of Sh. Manjit Phogat, 9.57m, East: H.No. 1851 of Sh. B.S Dalal, 24.34m (Length), West: H.N.O. 1853 of Sh. Gulab Singh Tomar 24.34m.	03/04/2021	23.11.2021	Rs. 58,71,093/- (Rs. Fifty Eight Lakhs Seventy One Thousand Ninety Three Only) as on with interest upto 03/04/2021 plus interest and other charges upto date thereon w.e.f. 04/04/2021
(6) Branch Office : Rohtak 1. M/s Yash Earthmovers (Proprietor Shamsar) Address 608/21 AZAD GARH NEAR BUS STAND, Rohtak, H				