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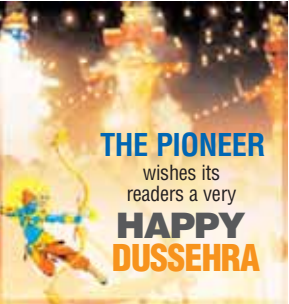


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INDIA, US TO BEGIN MILITARY EXERCISE
New Delhi: India and the US will kickstart a 15-day mega military exercise in Alaska from Friday to further deepen bilateral military cooperation.

BITCOIN COULD CAUSE NEXT FINANCIAL CRASH
New Delhi: Bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies could cause next financial crash, according to a top Bank of England official, *Daily Mail* reported.

CBSE OK'S OFFLINE X-XII TERM-1 BOARD EXAMS
New Delhi: The first-term board examinations for Classes X and XII will be conducted offline in November-December and the date-sheet for the same will be announced on October 18, the Central Board of Secondary Education said on Thursday.

INFERNO IN KAOHSIUNG CITY KILLS AT LEAST 46
Taipei: A building fire that raged out of control for hours overnight in a major city in southern Taiwan left 46 people dead and at least 41 others injured. Flames and smoke billowed from the lower floors of the building as firefighters tried to douse the blaze.

Rift widens in Punjab unit, Capt accused of aiding BJP's 'plans'

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH/NEW DELHI

The extension of the Border Security Force's (BSF) jurisdiction in States sharing the International Borders (IB) has resulted in turning the intense infighting within the Punjab Congress, uglier. So much so that, on Thursday, one of the State Cabinet Ministers directly accused party stalwart and former Chief Minister Amarinder Singh of being behind the BJP-led Centre's latest move.

"Earlier, when he went to Delhi and met Union Home Minister Amit Shah, paddy procurement was delayed by 10 days and now when he has gone to Delhi again, the BSF's jurisdiction has been increased. What is Captain sahib trying to prove? I always said he is with the BJP," former Olympian and Cabinet Minister in the Charanjit Singh Channi dispensation, Pargat Singh, a known Navjot Singh Sidhu loyalist, told media persons.



Pargat said the development reeks of a design to implement Governor's Rule in Punjab by branding it as a disturbed State.

Sulking Sidhu falls in line

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

A truce seems to have been struck as a sulking Punjab Congress president Navjot Sidhu on Thursday met the party central leadership and emerged to say that he had expressed his "concerns regarding Punjab and Punjab Congress to the party high-command. I have full faith in Congress president, Priyanka

and Rahul. Whatever decision they'll take, it'll be for the betterment of Congress and Punjab," he said. Sidhu had tendered his resignation over differences over some inductions in the Channi Cabinet. "Sidhu will work as Punjab Congress president and set up an organisational structure. An announcement will be made on Friday," Congress' Punjab in-charge Harish Rawat said.

Bid to standardise BSF's role in States along IB

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Centre's decision to expand the operational jurisdiction of the Border Security Force (BSF) from 15 km to 50 km in Assam, Punjab and West Bengal, and reduce it from 80 km to 50 km in Gujarat is aimed at standardising the Central paramilitary's role in the States with International Borders (IB) as

also to break the nexus of the local police with the smuggling syndicates patronised by the local politicians.

Officials said the move is also expected to lead to fair investigation in smuggling cases, including through drones which have been reported to be dropping arms and narcotics 30-35 km inside the areas from the international boundary. In addition to these, illegal immi-

gration from the bordering countries and their nexus with the terror groups is also a major concern for the Centre.

With the latest decision, a BSF officer of the rank corresponding to that of the lowest rank is now empowered under the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC), to exercise and discharge powers and duties without an order from a Magistrate and without a warrant.

Varun tweets Atal's pro-farmer speech

Wise words from big-hearted leader, writes BJP MP

PNS ■ NEW DELHI



Government against intimidating and repressing farmers. "Daman ke tarike chod dijiye, darane ki koshish mat kijiye...kisan darne wala nahi.", Vajpayee is heard saying in his speech in Hindi as an Opposition leader in 1980.

"I want to warn the Government against intimidating these farmers. Don't try to scare us. These farmers are not going to be scared. We don't want to use the farmers' movements for politics, we support their genuine demands and if the Government will try to scare us, or misuse the laws, or disregard the peaceful movement of farmers, then we will also become a part of this farmers' protest in their support," said Vajpayee in the video posted by Varun.

Continuing with his open defiance of the BJP's official line on the farmers' protest, party's Member of Parliament in the Lok Sabha Varun Gandhi on Thursday sought to sent out a "message" to Prime Minister Narendra Modi by posting on social media a 41-year-old speech of the late party patriarch Atal Bihari Vajpayee staunchly backing farmers' demands and saying "oppression of farmers will not be tolerated".

Varun tweeted a video of the speech of Vajpayee with an accompanying text "wise words from a big-hearted leader".

In an apparent message to the top BJP leadership, the BJP MP posted the short and sharp clip of former Prime Minister who seeks to warn the

Several States hit by power crisis

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh in the northern region, Andhra Pradesh in the southern region, Bihar and Jharkhand in the eastern region and Gujarat in the western region are being adversely affected by the existing power crisis even as the Centre has gone all out to ensure States are not badly hit. There was no outage reported in Delhi, though, on Thursday.

According to the grid regulator, Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO), which regulates and maintains all India data of electricity demand and supply on a day to day basis, Rajasthan, Punjab and Haryana are the worst affected, registering considerable supply deficits.

Bihar and Jharkhand too are registering supply deficits of 5.12 mega units and 4.92 mega units respectively and resorting to eight to 10 hours of power cuts these days.

India to shout success of jab drive from rooftops

100-cr mark likely by Oct 19; doses sent to neighbours

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

As India inches closer to the ambitious 100-crore Covid-19 vaccination mark, the Government has lined up a series of events including announcements from seaports, railway stations, bus stations, metro stations and airports to mark the massive success of the nationwide inoculation drive that was initiated on January 16.

In the meantime, after a pause of almost six months, India-made Coronavirus vaccines have been sent to Nepal, Bangladesh, Myanmar and Iran according to the Government's decision to resume their supplies, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said on Thursday.

MEA spokesperson Arindam Bagchi said the



People at Dadar market on the eve of Dussehra festival, amid the ongoing coronavirus pandemic in Mumbai on Thursday

PTI

Government has decided to send the supplies to countries in the neighbourhood initially.

Confident that there is enough stock of vaccines for domestic purposes, the Union Health Ministry expects India to reach the 100-crore milestone by October 19 or 20. Prime Minister Narendra Modi may also address the nation to thank healthcare workers for their immense contribution to India's vaccine drive.

To celebrate the milestone,

the BJP has asked its Ministers, MPs, MLAs, and party functionaries to attend events across the country.

The focus of the mega outreach plan would be States that will go to polls next year, including Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat and Punjab. The mega celebration will involve front-line workers, healthcare staff and Covid warriors, who died of the infection while playing a pivotal role in achieving the target of 100 crore doses.

Allow Chhath in Delhi as Covid under control, Kejriwal urges L-G

Development after protest by Delhi BJP against ban

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal on Thursday urged Lieutenant Governor Anil Bajjal to allow Chhath puja celebrations in the national Capital. In his letter to the L-G, Kejriwal asked him to call a meeting of the Delhi Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) as soon as possible to allow Chhath puja celebrations as the Covid-19 situation in the national Capital is under control.

The development comes amid a sharp attack on the Kejriwal Government and protests by the Delhi BJP against the Chhath ban. In the protest outside the CM's house, Manoj Tiwari, Member of



Parliament, (MP) had got injured. Tiwari, popularly known as "Poorvanchali" said when spa, swimming pools can be re-opened then why people cannot perform Chhath puja.

In his letter to the L-G, Kejriwal said the Covid situation in Delhi has been under control for the last three months and he believes that the permission to celebrate Chhath should be given with suitable protocols in view of the pandemic.

SIT takes Min's son to recreate sequence of events in Lakhimpur

Ashish, 3 others arrested in case taken to scene of killings

PNS ■ LUCKNOW



SIT recreate the sequence of events leading to the incident in UP's Tikonia village as part of their ongoing investigation in Lakhimpur Kheri killings on Thursday PTI

The investigators took Ashish, his friend Das, bodyguard Latif and driver Shekhar Bharti to the site of the incident on Tikonia-Banbirpur road

under tight security and the entire area was cordoned off. During the exercise, a team of Forensic Science Laboratory, Lucknow, was also present

along with the SIT. Personnel of Rapid Action Force (RAF) were also deployed along with the Provincial Armed Constabulary (PAC) jawans on the spot.

The accused were questioned about their presence on the spot even though they knew that the farmers were protesting there. The SIT arranged for three SUVs and also mannequins to recreate how the speeding vehicles mowed down farmers on that fateful day.

Ashish alias 'Monu' was arrested in the case on October 9 after 12 hours of questioning, and a court accepted his police custody from October 12 to 15. Bharti was arrested on October 12, while Das and Latif alias Kale were arrested on October 13.

PIA suspends flights to Af after threat from Taliban

PTI ■ ISLAMABAD

Pakistan's national flag carrier on Thursday suspended flight operations to Afghanistan due to what it called "security concerns", hours after the Taliban Government threatened to ban the airline unless it reduced the fare on the Kabul-Islamabad route to previous levels.

A spokesperson for the Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) confirmed the development, saying Kabul operations of the airline will remain suspended until further notice.

There are currently two airline carriers — PIA and Afghanistan's Kam Air — which operates chartered flights to Kabul with high fares.

Order on Aryan's bail plea on Oct 20

Consuming drugs for last few years, NCB tells court

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

A Special Court under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act (NDPS Act) on Thursday reserved its order on a bail application filed by Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan's eldest son Aryan Khan in the mid-sea drug bust case for October 20, after the prosecution opposed the plea alleging that the prime accused was a regular consumer of drugs for the past few years and that he was part of the conspiracy.

Opposing Aryan's bail application, Additional



Solicitor General (ASG) Anil Singh told the special court that the prime accused had admitted that the seized drug was meant for his and friend's consumption and that the latter could not escape liability on the ground that no recovery was made from him.

India gets re-elected to UNHRC

PTI ■ UNITED NATIONS

India was re-elected to the UN Human Rights Council for the 2022-24 term on Thursday and vowed to continue to work for the promotion and protection of Human Rights through "Samman, Samvad and Sahyog".

"India gets re-elected to the @UN_HRC (2022-24) for a 6th term with overwhelming majority. Heartfelt gratitude to the @UN membership for reposing its faith in India.

"We will continue to work for promotion and protection of Human Rights through #Samman #Samvad #Sahyog #Samman #Samvad #Sahyog, India's Permanent Mission to the UN tweeted.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, Ramesh Chand Dogra S/o Sh. Des Raj R/o House No. 709, Sector 22-A, Chandigarh declare that my son Amit Dogra and his wife Aarti Sharma both are out of my control. I debar them from all my moveable/ immovable properties. Anybody dealing with them will do so at his/her own risk & responsibility.

I, Nafe Singh S/o Kali Ram, R/o Arjun Nagar, Kaithal, Informs that, my Son Dinesh and his wife Rupinder Kaur, are out of my and my Family's Control. I disown them both from my Movable and Immovable Property. We will not responsible for their any matter in future.

I, Balwant Singh S/o Karnail Singh R/o flat No. 204-A, GHS 109, Sector-20, Panchkula, my son Rapsy Singh Dhalla and his wife Anita Kumari are out of our control. I disown all of them from all my movable / immovable property, Anybody dealing with them at own risk.

I, Kehar Singh S/o Sh. Jaimal Singh R/o Village Kachwa Tehsil and District Karnal declare that my son Sachin and his wife Pooja are out of my control. I disown them from my movable and immovable property. Anyone deal with them at their own risk.

I, Dhanpat S/o Late Sh. RanSingh R/o Vill - Mohana, Sonipat Declare that my two Sons 1. Satyender and his wife priyanka 2. Ravinder and his wife Ashu both are out of my control. So I disown them from my all moveable/immovable property any body deal with them at own risk.

I, Raj Rani W/O Late Devi Dyal R/O House No. 345, Balmiki Mohalla, Sector 45, Buraill, Chandigarh declare that my son Krishan Pal and daughter in law Mandep Kaur are out of my control. I disown both of them from my all movable and immovable properties. Any person who deal with them will do it at his/her own risk and responsibility.

I, Rohrshas Kumar S/o Sita Ram R/o Village Bakal, Tehsil Pundri Distt. Kaithal (Haryana) declare that my daughter Sangeta Devi is out of my control. I disown her from my all moveable/ immovable properties. I and my family members are not responsible for any act/dealing done by her. All concerned please note.

I, JC 731340W Sub. G. Viju Kumar S/o S. Gnanamuthan R/O Qtr. No. 201/2, Bhagat Road, FAEA, Jalandhar Cantt., Punjab declare that my son VL Allen is student of Class IX-D, in Army Public School, Jalandhar Cantt, that in his School record his father's name is erroneously mentioned as Viju Kumar, whereas in his birth certificate & other documents my name is correctly mentioned as G.Viju Kumar.

I, Swaran Devi Rajpal spouse of Jagdish Kumar Rajpal resident of H.No. L-69 St L-1 W.No. 6 G.T.B. Nagar Lalhери Road Khanna Teh-Khanna Distt. Ludhiana (Punjab) have changed my name from Swaran Devi Rajpal to Swarn Devi as per affidavit dated 11-10-2021

I, Swaran Singh S/o Pritam Singh R/o # 739 Gura Nanak Pura Rajpura (Patiala) my daughter Navneet Kaur is the holder of Lic Policy No 16462441 that my daughter know by Navneet Kaur and Pooja Rani. Both name is one and the same person.

I, Raman Kumar S/O Dalip Chand And Resident Of Ward Number-4, Mohalla Bhaini Ka, Bhadaur, District Barnala, Punjab - 148102 Specify that Earlier I Used My First Name As Raman Kumar And From Future I Shall Use My First Name As Raman And Surname As Kumar. All Concerned Please Note.

ਮੈਂ ਜ਼ਰਦੀਯੋਂ ਜਿੰਦ ਪੁਰੁ ਮੀਸ ਜਿੰਦ ਨਿਗਲੀ ਧਾਂਬ ਜ਼ਰਦੀਯੋਂਗਲਪੁਰ, ਜ਼ਿਲਾ ਰੋਹਤਕ ਅਤੁਨੇ ਪੁਰੁ ਧੋਗੇਭਾ ਕੁਸ਼ਾਰ ਕੋ ਸੇਰੇ ਕਚਨੇ ਜੁਨੁਨੇ ਸੇ ਗ਼ਰਹ ਨੇਨੇ ਧਰ ਅਪਨੀ ਚਲ ਅਰਥ ਜ਼ਮਜ਼ੀਲਿ ਸੇ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਤਾ ਹੂੰ। ਇਸਕੇ ਫ਼ਾਰਾ ਕਿਸੇ ਗਧ ਕਾਯੋਂ ਧ ਰੇਨੁ ਦੇਨੇ ਕੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਮੈਂ ਕ ਮੇਰਾ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਗਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਗਾ।

ਮੈਂ ਬੀਰੀਅ ਮਹੀਯੋਂ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਬੱਲੀ ਦਾਸ ਵਾਸੀ ਮਕਾਨ ਨੰਬਰ 216 ਸੀ, ਅਜੀਤ ਨਗਰ, ਕਪੂਰਥਲਾ ਆਪਣੇ ਲੜਕੇ ਮੁਕੇਸ਼ ਮਾਹਵ, ਨੂੰ ਅਸਾ, ਪੁੱਤਰੇ ਮਹੀ, ਪੁੱਤਰੀਆਂ ਸ਼ਾਂਦਿਨਾ ਅਤੇ ਟਵਿੰਕਲ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਤਮਾਮ ਚੱਲ ਅਤੇ ਅੱਦਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਲੈਣ ਦੇਣ ਕਰਨ ਵਾਲਾ ਖੁਦ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

ਮੈਂ, ਗੁਰਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ਼ੇਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਾਸੀ 38/3101, ਭਾਰਗੋ ਭੰਪ, ਜਲੰਧਰ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ ਕਿ ਮੇਰਾ ਲੜਕਾ ਗੁਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਤੇ ਇਸ ਦੇ ਪਤਨੀ ਲਿੰਡੀ ਉਦਭ ਜਸਮੀਤ ਕੌਰ ਜੋ ਕਿ ਮੇਰੇ ਕਹਿਣੇ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਹਰ ਹਨ। ਮੈਂ ਇਹਨਾਂ ਦੋਨਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਆਪਣੀ ਚੱਲ-ਅੱਦਲ ਜਾਇਦਾਦ ਤੋਂ ਬੇਦਖਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹਾਂ। ਇਹਨਾਂ ਦੋਨਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਕਿਸੇ ਕਿਸਮ ਦੇ ਕਾਰ-ਵਿਵਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਮੈਂ ਅਤੇ ਮੇਰਾ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਵੇਗਾ।

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Monika alias Monika Goel W/o Sh. Deepak Mahajan R/O House No. 3097, Sector 24-D, Chandigarh have changed my name to Monika Mahajan vide affidavit Number KC 0005230801 dated 08.10.2021 at Chandigarh for all future purposes.

I, Meenakashi W/o Amit Bhardwaj R/o H.No 165/1 Tagore Nagar, Dagana Road, PS Model Town Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab Have changed my name from Meenakashi to Meenakshi. Concerned Note.

I, Sapna Rani W/o Sh.Jaspreet Singh Dhalwal R/O 1777, Mohalla Ariyayan Wala, Manimajra, UT Chandigarh do have change my Name from Sapna Rani to Sapna Dhalwal.

I, Sharabsh R/o #747/18, Ashri Gate, Bajran Mohalla, Jind (Haryana) have changed my name from Sharabsh to Sharabh Sharma.

I, Ankush R/o Near Jai Surya School, Vijay Nagar, Jind (Haryana) have changed my name from Ankush to Ankush Sharma.

I, Ayesha Sharma D/o Ashwini Kumar Sharma Ex-Indian Navy No. 191234-Z EX-MCAA-II, R/O 443-A Diamond Avenue, Majitha Road, Amritsar have changed my name to Ashima Sharma.

I, Neetu Singh W/o Sh. Hardik Chawla, R/o H. No. 30-B, Narain Singh Park, Near Ram Lal Chowk, Model Town, Panipat I have changed my name after marriage from Neetu Singh to Neetu Chawla, for all future purpose.

I, Harbir Singh S/o Late Sh. Ram Singh R/o H.No.4/Type IV Maharishi Dayanand University, District Rohtak hereby inform that I have changed my name from Harbir Singh to Harbir Singh Dahiya. In future, I will be known as Harbir Singh Dahiya. All Concerned note this.

I, Harbir Singh S/o Late Sh. Ram Singh R/o H.No.4/Type IV Maharishi Dayanand University, District Rohtak hereby inform that I have changed my name from Harbir Singh to Harbir Singh Dahiya. In future, I will be known as Harbir Singh Dahiya. All Concerned note this.

I, Vijay Kumar S/o Dhanna Ram Chhabra R/o # 403, GH-36, Mansa Devi complex Sector 5 Panchkula have changed my name to Vijay Kumar Chhabra.

I, Pooja W/o Vijay Kumar Chhabra R/o # 403, GH-36, Mansa Devi complex Sector 5 Panchkula have changed my name to Pooja Chhabra.

I, Binay Dubey S/o Janardhan Dubey R/o B6/1534, Shivpuri-B, Yamuna Nagar have changed my name to Binay Janardan Dubey.

I, Neera Dubey W/o Binay Janardan Dubey R/o B6/1534, Shivpuri-B, Yamuna Nagar have changed my name to Neera Binay Dubey.

I am Naresh Kumar son Shri Ramkanwar R/O Vill. Muthral, Sonipat has changed my name from Naresh Antil to Naresh Kumar, so in future I should be known as Naresh Kumar.

I, Anupama Vashisth W/O Ashwani vashisth R/O Ho. No. 712 Green Park Ranjit Avenue Bulara Tehsil And District Ludhiana I Have Change My Name Anupama Sharma To Anupama Vashisth.

I, Mandep Singh S/O Surjit Singh R/O Village Behlohpur Tehsil samrala district Ludhiana Mandep Singh To Mandep Singh Laspat Please Noted.

I, Baldev Kumar Bajaj S/O Sh. Sant Lal R/O H. No. 3025 St.No. 9 Santokh Nagar New shiv Puri Ludhiana Declare That Baldev Kumar Bajaj And Baldev Bajaj are One And The Same Person.

I, Subodh Kumar Sehrawat S/o Sh. Ved Parkash Verma R/O H.No.1862, Rathdhana Road, Sehrawat Hospital, Sonipat Declare that Subodh Kumar And Subodh Kumar Sehrawat both name are one and same person.

I, Manisha Gautam W/o Dharmender Kumar r/o G-7, Ward-4, Poultry Area, Nilokheri (Karnal) declare that Manisha Gautam alias Manisha are the two names of same woman i.e. myself. I known with both these names.

I, Priyanka Jayantkumar Rajwanshi W/o Sunil Sharma R/O 535, Panchkula heights, Peer muchhalla, Zirakpur, SAS Nagar Mohali Punjab have changed my name to Priyanka Rajwanshi.

I, Bhawna D/o Late Subhash Chander Raman No. 160423Z R/O Village Paldi Tehsil Iserana Distt. Panipat. In my father army record update my Name from Bhawna Malik to Bhawna for all purposes.

I, No 13989736P Ex Hav (MACP-III Nb Sub) Yash Pal Sharma R/O Village Kaul Pur Khurd PO Hardo Khundpur Tehsil Mukerian Distt. Hoshiarpur have changed the name of my son from Prasant Sharma to Parshant Sharma. Concerned Note.

I, No 1570148P Rank Ex L/Hav Kulwant Singh S/o Sh. Ramasra (Records Bombay Engineer Group) R/o VPO Badla Teh. Dasuya Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed the name of my son from Sukhjoot Singh to Sukhjot Singh and date of birth from 31/10/2003 to 31/10/2002.

I, No 1570148P Rank Ex L/Hav Kulwant Singh S/o Sh. Ramasra (Records Bombay Engineer Group) R/o VPO Badla Teh. Dasuya Distt. Hoshiarpur Punjab have changed the name of my wife from Smt. Santosh Kaur to Smt. Santosh Kumari and date of birth from 04/02/1973 to 30/04/1970.

I Sarabjit Kaur W/O Sukhdev Singh, Resident of VPO. Passnawal, Distt.Gurdaspur have changed my name as Sarbjit Kaur. Concerned note.

I, Jatinder S/o Hari Singh R/o VPO Bagthahla, Tehsil Thanesar, District Kurukshetra, have changed my name from Jatinder to Jitender Singh.

I, Sucheta D/o Jai Prakash Malik R/o H.No.1443/18, Railway road Hansi Distt Hisar have changed my name from Sucheta to Sucheta Malik.

I, Rajiv Kumar S/o Ashok Kumar R/o # 1453 Sector 15, Panchkula Haryana 134113 have changed my minor daughter's name from Navisha to Navisha Bhardwaj.

I Bir Singh S/O Raghbhir Singh R/O Vpo Kotla Gujran Distt Amritsar Have Changed My Name From Bir Singh To Raghbhir Singh

I Parmjit Kaur W/O Angrej Singh R/O Vpo Dassuwal Po Mahaneke Teh Patti Distt Tarn Taran Have Changed My Name From Parmjit Kaur To Paramjeet Kaur

I Kanwaljit Singh Jhand s/o Gian Singh r/o Village Taragarh Distt Amritsar have change my name from Kanwaljit Singh Jhand to Kanwaljit Singh.

I, Nachhaktar Singh S/o Banta Singh R/o Near Nirankary Bhavan, VPO Goindwal Sahib, Tehsil Khadar Sahib Distt. Tarn Tarn Punjab have changed my name to Nachhattar Singh.

I, Daljit Singh S/o Darshan Singh R/o Panjwar Khurd, District Tarn Taran have changed my name to Daljeet Singh.

I, Harpreet Kaur Alias Harjit Kaur W/o Balwinder Singh R/o Kotli Bhan Singh, Batala, District Gurdaspur have changed my name to Harpreet Kaur.

I, Parmjit Kaur W/o Balwinder Singh R/o Village Ballianwala District Tarn Taran have changed my name to Paramjeet Kaur.

I, Pana Lal S/o Girdhari Lal R/o 181-C, Bazar Patwarkhanna, Mohan Nagar, Verka, Amritsar have changed my name to Panna Lal.

I, Amandeep Kaur Dhalwal W/o Manprinderjit Singh Chahal, VPO Kanganwal Teh Ahmedgarh Distt Malerkotla, have changed my name to Amandeep Kaur Chahal.

I, Neha W/o Rahul Chaniya R/o # 4727/3, Sector 38 West, Chandigarh. I have changed the name of my daughter from Kirti to Laisha.

I, Avrinder Kaur D/o Shiv Singh R/o Village Barsalpur SAS Nagar Punjab. I have changed my name from Avrinder Kaur to A vleen Kaur.

I, Monica Syal w/o Rakesh Kumar S/o # 3274 Sector 19-D Chandigarh have changed my name to Monika.

I, Rakesh Syal S/o Desh Raj Syal # 520 Top Floor Sector 20-A Chandigarh have changed my name to Rakesh Kumar Syal.

I, Pardeep S/o Mohan Lal R/o # 1574-A, Sector 20-B Chandigarh, have changed my name to Pardeep Dean.

I, Suman Devi Alias Veena Rani W/o Naresh Kumar, Village Bhatton, Tehsil Nangal, Distt. Ropar, declare that my real and actual name is Veena Rani.

I, Micky Kalsi D/O Sh. Mehar Chand Kalsi, Resident Of House No. 66, Sector 21, Panchkula, Haryana Have Changed My Name From Micky Kalsi To Ankita Kalsi.

I, Munish Dhiman S/o Sh. Rameshwar Dass R/o H. No.765, First Floor, Sector-6, Karnal Haryana have changed my name from Munish to Munish Dhiman.

I, Jasmine Kaur Sachdeva D/o Kuldip Singh R/o.53, New Tej Nagar Street No.2, Sultanwind Road Amritsar Have Changed my name from Jasmine kaur Sachdeva to Jasmine kaur all concerned may please note.

I, Kuldeep Singh Sachdeva S/o Surjit Singh R/o.53, New Tej Nagar Street No.2, Sultanwind Road Amritsar have Changed my name from Kuldip Singh Sachdeva to Kuldip Singh. All concerned may please note.

I, Ram Lal S/O Kehar Singh R/O Village Gangotri, Tehsil Asnandh, Distt Karnal Declared Have Changed My Minor Son Name From Lokesh To Lokesh Turan.

I, Mandep W/O Inderjit Singh R/O H. No. 230, Charan Bagh, Tehsil & District Patiala have changed my name from Mandep to Mandep Kaur.

I, P Dhana Laxmi Mother Of No. 15629780H L/NK Polaki Phalguna Rao Resident of Village Vemulada PO Talagam Tehsil Tekkali District Srikakulam (Andhra Pradesh). In my Son Service record my Name wrongly recorded as P Dhana Laxmi instead of Polaki Dhana Laxmi vide affidavit No. AT871201 dated 06 Oct 2021 before notary public Pathankot.

I, P Nageswara Rao Father of No. 15629780H L/NK Polaki Phalguna Rao Resident of Village Vemulada PO Talagam Tehsil Tekkali District Srikakulam (Andhra Pradesh). In my Son Service record my Name wrongly recorded as P Nageswara Rao instead of Polaki Nageswara Rao vide affidavit No. AL497958 dated 12 Oct 2021 before notary public Pathankot.

I Poonkodi spouse of No. 15205174A Hav, S. Suresh resident of Malaiyampattu, PO Pungampadi, Tehsil Arni, District Thiruvannamalai (Tamilnadu). In my Husband service record my name wrongly recorded as Poonkodi instead of S.Poongodi vide affidavit No. AT871455 dated 13 Oct 2021 before Notary Public Pathankot.

I, Rita Gupta wife of Suraj Kumar Gupta resident of Ward No. 09 Mohalla quadri Tehsil & District Gurdaspur. Declare that I have Changed my Name from Rita Gupta to Chhaya Gupta after Marriage. Please Note.

I, Meena Kalia spouse of No. GO 4524Y Rank AE (Civil) Ashok Kumar resident of Street No.1, Basant Colony Pathankot, Presently serving at 101 RCC (GREF) C/o 56 APO. In my husband service Record my name recorded as Meena & After Marriage surname Kalia added to my Name as Meena Kalia. vide affidavit No. AT871144 dated 06 Oct 2021 before Executive Magistrate Pathankot & in Aadhar Card & Bank Passbook her Name is written as Meena Kalia, So Kindly Note.

I Army Service JC-703275L Rank Sub AA, Sanjiv Kumar of Unit 163 Military Hospital R/o Near Girl High Secondary School Village Gurha Khurdn, Post Office Madhopur, Tehsil & District Pathankot (Punjab), Pin- 145024. In my Army Service record my daughter name is wrongly recorded as Tania Sethi instead of Taniya Sethi So Kindly Correc it.

I Army Service JC-703275L Rank Sub AA, Sanjiv Kumar of Unit 163 Military Hospital R/o Near Girl High Secondary School Village Gurha Khurdn, Post Office Madhopur, Tehsil & District Pathankot (Punjab), Pin- 145024. In my Army Service record my Wife Name is wrongly recorded as Geeta Sethi instead of Geeta Rani Sethi. So kindly Correct it.

I Amit Kumar Badhwar S/o Om Parkash R/O Mashingan, Patiala have changed my name to Amit Kumar.

I Devinder Singh S/o Gurdas Singh R/o Village Phantwan Teh Kharar Distt SAS Nagar have changed my name to Davinder Singh.

I, Kulwant Kaur widow of No. JC110349A, Late Ex-Sub. (Hony Lt.) Chanan Singh resident of VPO-Shutrana (Dera Bhindrandi), Tehsil Patran, Distt. Patiala (Pb.) have changed my son's Name and DOB from Amarjit Singh & DOB 30-10-1982 to Amarijeet Singh & DOB 31-10-1986 in my husband's service record.

I Soma Dinda W/o Army No. 15479874m Rank: Ld Name: Niranjn Nayak Son Of Sh. Kalicharan Nayak R/O Village- Ghantua Po Ghantua District Balasore State Odisha Pin Code 756023 Have Changed My Name Sanjukta Dalai To Sanjukta Nayak.

I, No. 2694988Y, Hav, Narayan Kathat resident of At New 21 Grenadier C/o 56 Apo Declare that I am My Mobin Kathat Date of birth 02/02/1997 Wrong in my Service Record. But exact & Correct Date of birth 25/01/2000 of my Son mention Correction in my Service Record.

I, Manish Yadav, Son of No./JC - 570244W, Nb Sub, Manoj Kumar Yadav, Unit 7 Mahar Regt C/o 56 Apo, Permanent Address at Village Gajokhar, Tehsil Pindra District Varanasi State U.P have Changed my name from Manish Kumar Yadav to Manish Yadav vide affidavit dated 14 October 2021 before at Notary Ferozepur.

I Mohan Kanwar w/o Matadin Singh R/o H No 34 Gali No.16 Bhaichara chowk, Hisar hereby declare that I have changed my name from Mohan Kanwar to Mohani for future purpose.

I, Sohnan Lal Ternach S/O Brij Lal Ternach R/O New Anandpur Road, Green Field Lane-2, Shastri Nagar, Teh/Distt Pathankot Have Changed My Name From Sohan Lal Ternach To Sohan Lal.

I, Mehak Arora D/o Kalia Ram R/O H.No. 41, Street No. 6, Mohalla Rattanpura, Phagwara, Kapurthala, Punjab Have Changed My Name To Mehak.

I Balraj Kumar S/O Bhagat Ram R/O W.No.17 Kirti Nagar Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Minor Daughter's Name Angel Loi To Kangel Loi.

I Suman Malhotra W/O Navneet Chopra R/O House Number-62/1 Bhagwan Dass Da Karkhana Nai Abadi Hoshiarpur Punjab Have Changed My Name To Suman Chopra, After Marriage.

I Jaspal Kumar Son Of Sohan Lal R/O Vpo. Samundra Tehsil Garhshankar District Hoshiarpur 144532 Punjab Have Changed My Name From Jaspal Kumar To Jaspal Verma.

I Nandini W/O Kuldeep Kumar Kakkar R/O Zira (Ferozepur) Have Changed My Name To Nandani Kakkar.

I Bhagwan Singh Dadyal S/O Shavinder Singh R/O H No.B-XI-403, Street 9L Faridkot Distt. Faridkot (Pb) 151203 Have Changed My Name To Bhagwan Singh.

I Chamkaur Singh Verma S/O Pal Singh R/O Vpo. Bhinder Kalan Distt. Moga Have Changed My Name To Chamkaur Singh.

I, Gurdep Kaur W/o Jasbir Singh R/O Bhagwanpura Alias Khatriwala Teh Samana District Patiala Punjab Have Changed My Name From Gurdep Kaur To Gurdeep Kaur.

I Dharndeeep Singh Brar S/o Sukhjith Singh R/o #507, Rasta Kotbhai, Bajigar Basti, Chhattiana (Sri Muktsar Sahib) have Changed My Name To Dharmdeep Singh.

I Harbhajan Singh S/O Gurdial Singh R/O H.No 56, Mai Godri Sahib Faridkot Have Changed My Name To Harbhajan Singh Brar.

I, Ramandeep S/o Surinder Pal Village Gujraton Post Office Domeli Tehsil Phagwara and Distt. Kapurthala, Punjab have changed my name from Ramandeep to Raman Deep concern note.

I Sarbjit Singh S/o Gurnam Singh Village Chaina (Faridkot) Change My Name Sarbjcet Singh.

I Gurdeep Singh S/O Major Singh R/O H.No 56, Mai Godri Sahib Faridkot Have Changed My Name To Harbhajan Singh Brar.

I Darshan Singh S/O Niranjan Singh R/O Dogar Basti St 11R Faridkot Have Changed My Name To Darshan Singh Sandhu.

I Bhagwant Singh S/o Prem Singh Vpo. Bhadaur Barnala have changed my name to Bhagwant Singh Baraich.

I Sarbjcet Kaur W/o Bhagwant Singh Baraich Vpo. Bhadaur Barnala have changed my name to Sarbjcet Kaur Baraich.

I, Gurjant Singh S/o Karnail Singh R/O Vill: Nathawal (Ludhiana) changed my name to Gurjant Singh Buttar.

I, Kamlesh Rani W/o Ajmer Singh Suman R/o H.No.124, Backside Nanda Aot (Near Dhanjal Workshop) G.T Road, Khanna (Ludhiana) have changed my name to Kamla Devi.

I, Reena W/o Suraj Parkash R/o Vpo. Nagar Teh-Phillaur (Jalandhar) changed my name to Reena Bathla.

I, Simmi D/o Sohan Lal R/o Vpo. Mau Sahib Teh- Phillaur (Jalandhar) changed my name to Simmi Rani.

I Kulwant Kaur daughter of Keemti Singh wife of Sandeep Kumar Resident of #10106 F, Fur Sunny Enclave Sector 125 Kharar Tehsil Kharar District SAS Nagar (Mohali) Punjab Pin 140301 India have changed my name to Poonam Rani.

I Mondser Singh Blann Alias Monder Singh s/o Harnek Singh resident of Village Nandgarh Kotra PO Ramanivas District Bathinda Punjab India have changed my name to Mander Singh.

I Navreet daughter of Inderjeet Singh resident of Kamboj Nagar Ferozepur city have changed my name to Navreet Kamboj.

I Sunil Kumar s/o Bhagwan Dass R/o Malout Road Bypass Sri Muktsar Sahib have changed my name to Sunil Soni.

I Ram Parvesh Gupta s/o Jawala Parshad r/o Aare Wali Gali Near Bus Stand Sri Muktsar Sahib have changed my name Ram Parkash Gupta to Ram Parvesh Gupta.

I Ramandeep Kaur Brar w/o Satnam Singh Bal r/o Bhabra Azam Shahwala District Ferozepur have changed my name to Ramandeep Kaur Bal.

I Balvinder Kaur w/o Narender Singh Kakkar r/o Railway Quarter No. 655 Burt Road Ferozepur City Have Changed My name to Balvinder Kaur Kakkar.

I Lovepreet Singh s/o Rachpial Singh r/o Village Rode Wala, PO Khai Pheme Ki District Ferozepur have changed my name to Lovepreet Singh Sandhu.

I Simple Kumar s/o Ram Chand r/o Bhagchari District Sri Muktsar Sahib have changed my name to Simple Kumar Kashyap.

I Nirjan Singh S/O Sajjan Singh R/O Village Chand Baja (Faridkot) Have Changed My Name To Niranjan Singh.

I Harpreet Singh S/O Ghitler Singh R/O Village Dhurkot Tabli Wala (Moga) Have Changed My Name To Harpreet Singh Dhillon.

I Harmesh Kumar alias Ramesh Kumar S/o Goma Ram R/o Vill. Fatechpur Garhi Tehsil Rajpura (Patiala) Lic Policy No. 162822608 Both Name Are One & The Same Person.

I Satish Kumar S/O Kishan Dass, Village Jahanpur, Tehsil Mukerian, Distt. Hoshiarpur Have Changed My Daughter Name From Palavi To Palvi.

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Justice Mohammad Rafiq takes oath as Chief Justice of Himachal HC

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Justice Mohammad Rafiq was sworn in as the Chief Justice of Himachal Pradesh High Court here on Thursday. He was administered the oath of office by Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar in a ceremony held at Raj Bhawan.

The ceremony took place at the Darbar Hall of Raj Bhawan, where Chief Secretary Ram Subhag Singh conducted the proceedings of the oath ceremony and read out the notification issued by the Union Ministry of Law and Justice regarding transfer of Justice Mohammad Rafiq as Chief Justice of the High Court of Himachal Pradesh. Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur and his

wife Dr Sadhna Thakur were also present on the occasion.

Earlier, Justice Rafiq was the Chief Justice of Madhya Pradesh High Court. He was the Chief Justice of Meghalaya High Court from November 13, 2019 to April 26, 2020. Justice Rafiq was administered the oath of office

of the Chief Justice of Orissa High Court on April 27, 2020, on being transferred from the Meghalaya High Court. He was administered the oath of office of the Chief Justice of Madhya Pradesh High Court on January 3 on being transferred from the Orissa High Court.

Punjab CM digitally launches inter-state basmati movement portal

To check influx of paddy-parmal from outside State

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SIMPLIFYLANDLAWS

PUNJAB CM DIRECTS CHIEF SECY TO FORM PANEL

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab Chief Minister Charanjit Singh Channi on Thursday called for an immediate systematic change in the archaic land laws to safeguard the proprietary ownership rights of people.

He said this initiative would go a long way to streamline the existing procedure of girdawari, mutation, Jamabandi besides division thus saving the people from sheer exploitation through illegal/fraudulent practices to divest them from their proprietary rights.

Chairing a meeting of all Deputy Commissioners here, Channi directed the Chief Secretary to constitute a committee in consultation with the Financial Commissioner (Revenue) comprising Deputy Commissioner, District Revenue Officer, Tehsildar, Kanoongo and Patwari to suggest reforms in the State land laws so as to simplify them. He also asked the Chief Secretary to bring a detailed proposal to abolish the system of girdawari so as to ensure ownership

rights only vests in the legitimate/genuine owner as several States have already done away with this system.

Giving a stern warning to the Deputy Commissioners to stamp out corruption from public life, Channi said it has to be eradicated without showing any complacency. The Chief Minister also asked the DCs to ensure their punctuality in offices from 9 am and even work beyond 5 pm to effectively deliver the goods to the satisfaction of the general public.

He said no one would be allowed to function from their camp offices, asking the DCs to ensure prompt redressal of public grievances and keep their meetings with field officers after 5 pm so that they could exclusively concentrate on the administrative functioning and reserve any two days in a week for field visits to supervise the ongoing development activities.

Attributing clean, responsive and transparent administration as the hallmark of his government, Channi asked the



Deputy Commissioners to organise Suwidha Camps to clear the backlog of social security pensions including old age, disabled, destitute, and widows besides ashirwad shagan. He also directed them to hold these camps on October 20 and 21 besides October 29 and 30 at tehsil, block and district level. Likewise, the next schedule for such Suwidha Camps to be organised would be soon notified by the CMO.

To speed up the ongoing development works and welfare schemes, the Chief Minister also asked the DCs to have meetings with the MLAs to redress their various concerns

related to their respective constituencies on priority. He also asked them to depute field staff to get the prescribed forms filled from all the eligible beneficiaries to waive off pending electricity bills having load upto 2 kw by reaching out to them.

Likewise, he also underscored the need to ensure timely clearance of driving licenses, birth and death certificates, disabled certificates. Channi also warned the DCs to keep a check over the functioning of their subordinate staff in the districts so as to curb the practice of putting unwarranted objections on the files so as to harass the general public.

On the time bound implementation of Basera Scheme and allotment of 5 marla plots to the houseless, the Chief Minister asked the DCs to complete the entire exercise for the allotment for granting proprietary rights to the slum dwellers occupying State Government's land in the slums of urban areas and 5 marla plots to the eligible beneficiaries in the villages in next two weeks so that the property cards (sanads) could be given to them on the auspicious occasion of Diwali by lighting earthen lamps (diyas).

He also asked them to develop at least four play

grounds in each block with the facilities of Gym and other sports equipment to encourage our youth to go for sports in a big way in order to utilise their unbounded energy in a constructive manner.

Coming down heavily on the prevailing system of corruption especially in the registry offices, he specifically asked the DCs not to allow Tehsildar to undertake registration beyond office hours after 5:00 PM, adding he said to ensure the availability of Revenue Officials in their offices from 9am to 5pm in field and only charge the prescribed fee for the registry. The Chief Minister also told the DCs not to unnecessarily delay the registry on frivolous grounds. The DCs would have to ensure that none from general public is forced to bribe for getting their works done like approval of building plans of their houses, driving and arms licenses from the field offices and asked them to put in place a mechanism to check corruption with heavy hand to ensure clean, responsive and trans-

parent governance, which should apparently visible on the ground.

Making a firm resolve to resolve the problems of drug trafficking and mining, the Chief Minister solicited whole-hearted support and cooperation to get the culprits nabbed who are involved in such malpractices with the help of local representatives in both urban and rural areas.

Underlining the significance of health and education being the core sectors, the Chief Minister asked the Deputy Commissioners to often make surprise visits to ensure the punctuality of the Doctors/Paramedics and teachers. Any employee found absent or delinquent in performing his/her duties should be immediately placed under suspension. He also asked the Chief Secretary to issue detailed instructions to all the HODs not to reinstate such erring employees without taking the concerned Deputy Commissioner in confidence.

In a bid to protect the properties of NRIs, the Chief Minister reiterated his

Government's firm commitment that requisite legal framework should be strengthened so that the NRIs are not dispossessed of their properties in the state by illegal/fraudulent practices in connivance with unscrupulous elements. He also asked the District Administrations to prevail upon the NRIs to adopt some schools/hospitals/educational institutions with a sense of belongingness towards their motherland under the State Government scheme, in which matching grant is given.

The Chief Minister also asked the Deputy Commissioners to personally visit the Mandis within their jurisdiction to ensure seamless and prompt procurement and lifting of Paddy besides timely payment to the farmers so that none of any farmer is harassed.

Prominent amongst others who attended the meeting included Chief Secretary Anirudh Tiwari, Principal Secretary to CM Hussan Lal, Special Principal Secretaries to CM Rahul Tewari and Kamal Kishor Yadav.

Complete drainage work at earliest in State, directs Haryana CM

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Thursday directed the officers concerned to ensure drainage of water from the waterlogged areas at the earliest so that farmers can sow the next crop in time.

Presiding over a review meeting held through video conferencing here, the Chief Minister directed the Deputy Commissioners to complete this work within the stipulated time frame. He also directed the Deputy Commissioners to ensure adequate availability of manure too. Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala and Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Minister, JP Dalal were also present in the meeting.

Khattar said if required,

adequate arrangements should be made for more pumps so that water could be drained from the fields in time. After drainage, the water should be used for recharging purposes instead of wasting it in the drain, this will also improve the water level, he said.

The Chief Minister also directed the Deputy Commissioners to hold review meetings of departments, corporations, societies and committees regularly within the stipulated time period. He further asked them to send daily reports after doing physical verification of the incidents of stubble burning.

He said electric pumps should be used for drainage. He also further directed the Electricity Department to give connections on a priority basis

and ensure a 24-hour power supply so that drainage can be done within the set time frame.

During the meeting, the Chief Minister was apprised that in view of the problems being faced by the farmers in some areas, 'Meri Fasal Mera Byora' portal has been opened and farmers can register on this portal till October 17. Khattar directed the DCs that farmers should not face any problem during the procurement of paddy. He also asked them to ensure adequate availability of gunny, lifting and labor etc in the mandis.

The Chief Minister further directed the officers concerned to give the benefit of Bhavantar Yojna for Bajra crop on priority basis to the smallholding farmers. The amount of Bhavantar compensation

should be transferred in the accounts of the farmers at the earliest, he added.

SET UP COMMITTEE FOR STUBBLE MANAGEMENT

The Chief Minister on Thursday directed the Deputy Commissioners to set up a committee for the management of paddy crop residue in the State. He said these Committees should be formed at the local level so that they can make proper arrangements for stubble management. He also directed them to make such a scheme so that farmers can get economic benefits for stubble.

On the issue of blockades around the Singhu and Tikri border in Sonipat due to ongoing farmers' agitation against three central farm laws, the Chief Minister directed the officers to ensure repairing of the link roads around the Singhu and Tikri border at the earliest. He also said the roads damaged due to rain should be repaired at the earliest.



Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar presided over the review meeting of Deputy Commissioners through video conferencing in Chandigarh on Thursday
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Deputy CM: Haryana making efforts to formulate uniform industrialisation policy

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala on Thursday said the BJP-JJP Government is making strenuous efforts to formulate a policy for uniform industrialisation across the State.

"The Government is taking steps towards exporting 140 products in 140 blocks of the State and, for this the Government has taken an initiative in the name of 'Padma' initiative, under which 'One Block-One Product' is being encouraged," Dushyant said while holding a meeting with senior officers of Industries and Commerce, Revenue and Disaster Management, MSME, Development and Panchayat Department and other departments regarding the 'Padma' initiative.

The Deputy Chief Minister, who also holds the portfolio of Industries and Commerce and Development and Panchayats, directed the officers to study the policies of other States to promote rural industry before finalising the 'Padma' initiative programme.

He said in many villages of the State such quality products are being prepared by skilled people which can fetch them good prices at national and international level markets, but due to lack of knowledge, they are forced to sell at local level at a very low price.

Dushyant informed that it is the intention of the State Government to form a cluster in each block for the best products produced by the people of that block, where plots can be made available to the people for setting up MSMEs industries.

The facilities like electricity, water, road, bank, common service centre will be provided in this cluster, he added.

He added it is the endeavour of the State Government to cooperate in exporting the products of these small entrepreneurs with the help of big companies so that they can get good prices for their products.

Such families whose annual income in Parivar Pehchan Patra would be up to Rs 1.80 lakh would automatically be provided BPL cards.

Along with this, for those people who do not have an age certificate, a medical board will be formed at the district level.

Certificates will be issued after verification of age in the board, he said.

The Chief Minister said that a target has been set to increase the income of families whose annual income is less than Rs one lakh during the next year to Rs 1.80 lakh.

Emphasis is being laid on the skill development of youth in the state, for which Skill Development University has been established. Under this, skill training is being imparted in about 800 courses.

The State Government is working to empower the poorest of the society financially by delivering benefits of Antyodaya family welfare schemes, Khattar added.

With the Antyodaya Mission of Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay, we are aiming to remove social and economic inequalities so that a simple and comfortable life can be provided to every person in society, he added.

The Chief Minister further said that the State Government and BJP has created a portal on which people who wish to serve the public can get themselves registered.

He informed that so far, 800 people have registered themselves to become volunteers on this portal.

Punjab, Haryana Guvs greet people on eve of Dussehra

PNS ■ CHANDIGARH

Punjab Governor Banwarilal Purohit and Haryana Governor Bandaru Dattatreya on Thursday greeted people on the eve of Dussehra, saying the festival symbolises the triumph of good over evil and shows us the way of ideal and virtuous living.

In his message, the Punjab Governor said the festival surpassed communal barriers and provided an opportunity to the people to reinforce their bonds of brotherhood, amity and goodwill. "Our nation has an age-old tradition of celebrating Dussehra that symbolises the triumph of good over evil and shows us the way of ideal and virtuous living to carve out a healthy and harmonious society," Purohit said.

The Punjab Governor also exhorted people that during the festivities one must observe Covid-19 guidelines and ensure a clean and green Dussehra this year.

Extending his warm greetings to the people of the State

on Dussehra eve, Haryana Governor Dattatreya urged them to celebrate the festival by following coronavirus guidelines. He said Dussehra symbolises the victory of truth over falsehood, and good over evil. The burning of Ravana's effigy not only indicates the victory of good over evil but also reinforces the need to eliminate social evils and create an atmosphere of fraternity and peace, said Dattatreya. "We all should take a pledge to follow the path of truth, non-violence, and great ideals shown by Lord Ram. It will help us to enhance social harmony and build an ideal nation and society," he added.

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar also extended greetings to the people on the eve of Dussehra. In a message released here, Khattar said that Dussehra is a symbol of victory of good over evil. "This festival is an inspiration to all of us to bury all evils and embrace the path of virtues and goodness," he said. The chief minister urged the people to celebrate the pious festival with gaiety while adhering to the social distancing norms amid the pandemic. He hoped that the festival would bring peace and prosperity to the people of the State.



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States face power cuts as supply deficits rise

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh in the northern region, Andhra Pradesh in the southern region, Bihar and Jharkhand in the eastern region and Gujarat in the western region are being adversely affected by the existing power crisis even as the Centre has gone all out to ensure States are not badly hit. There was no outage reported in Delhi, though, on Thursday.

According to the grid regulator, Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO), which regulates and maintains all India data of electricity demand and supply on a day to day basis, Rajasthan, Punjab and Haryana are the worst affected, registering considerable supply deficits. Bihar and Jharkhand too are registering supply deficits of 5.12 mega units and 4.92 mega units respectively and resorting to eight to 10 hours of power cuts these days.

Rajasthan witnessed 17.89 mega unit shortfall on October 13; Punjab 5.25 mega unit; Haryana 8.73 mega unit and Uttar Pradesh 1.92 mega unit. Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh regions witnessed a supply deficit of upto 3.45 mega units. There was no outage in Delhi. On Thursday, the maximum demand was recorded 4179



mega watt in Delhi which was met by the discoms. Gujarat faced a shortfall of 3.83 mega units on October 13 and Andhra Pradesh witnessed a shortfall of 3.84 mega units.

The Ministry of Power on Thursday claimed that the coal-based capacity under outage due to coal shortage has reduced. "Power System Operation Corporation Limited (POSOCO) has reported that the total capacity of units under outage due to low coal stocks has reduced from 11 GW on 12th Oct to 5 GW on 14th October," it said.

Union Coal Minister Pralhad Joshi continued his visits to different coal mines to take first-hand stock of on-ground situation. After Dipka mines in Chhattisgarh, he visited the Ashoka mines of the Central Coalfields Ltd (CCL) at Piparwar in Chattr district of Jharkhand and held discussions

with officials of CCL and Eastern Coalfields Ltd (ECL) on the prevailing situation.

Increased economic activity after the second wave of the coronavirus pandemic has driven up demand for coal, leading to a supply shortage, forcing northern states such as Bihar, Rajasthan and Jharkhand to cut power for up to 14 hours a day.

According to the POSOCO, the power supply in India fell about 830 mega units short of demand during the first 13 days of October, largely due to a coal shortage, a deficit of 1.6 per cent. The October shortfall was already the biggest in absolute terms for a single month since November 2018, even with 19 days of October still left.

After meeting with the CCL and ECLs officials on Thursday, the minister said the power plants in the country will continue to receive the required amount of coal. "We are witnessing an improvement now," he said, asked about the current situation. The minister said that closure of some mines, and inundation of a few others due to monsoon led to the crisis but there is no need to panic as the situation is improving. "We can produce two million tonnes of coal per day," he said, asserting the need for producing more coal.

Rajnath hails Indira, says led country in times of war

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

In an apparent reference to her role in the 1971 war with Pakistan that led to the creation Bangladesh, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday praised former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi saying she not only led the country for a number of years but also during the times of war.

A couple of days ago, Rajnath had kicked off a row by asserting that freedom fighter Savarkar filed mercy petitions to the British after being told to do so by Mahatma Gandhi, prompting certain opposition

leaders to counter him.

In an address at a Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) seminar on the role of women in the armed forces, the defence minister also talked about Rani Laxmi Bai and former president Pratibha Patil, and said India has a positive experience in harnessing women's power in national development.

"There are a number of examples of women taking up arms to protect their country and the rights of the people through history. Rani Laxmi Bai is amongst the most revered and respected amongst

them," he said.

"India's former prime minister Indira Gandhi not only led the country for a number of years, she also did so during the times of war. And more recently, Pratibha Patil was the president of India and the supreme commander of the Indian armed forces," the defence minister added.

"If Saraswati is our goddess of knowledge, wisdom and learning, mother Durga remains associated with protection, strength, destruction and war," he said.

"Women have been serving with pride in the Indian

Military Nursing Service for over 100 years now. The Indian Army had commenced commissioning women officers in 1992. It has now moved to inducting women officers in most of the branches of the Army," he said.

"Women are now being accepted for permanent commission and shall be commanding Army units and battalions in the near future," he added. Singh said women will be able to join the premier tri-service pre-commissioning training institute, the National Defence Academy, from next year.

Referring to women's role in the Navy, he said from humble beginnings in the Air Traffic Control in 1993, the women officers graduated to being pilots of maritime reconnaissance aircraft in 2016 and are now being appointed onboard warships since last year.

"The Indian Coast Guard has been employing women officers in combat roles, which include pilots, observers and aviation support services. In the Indian Air Force, women are inducted in all roles, including combat and support roles," Singh said.



Defence Minister Rajnath Singh meets 106-year-old BJP worker Narayan aka Bhulai Bhai at Uttar Pradesh Sadan, in New Delhi, on Thursday

Punya Srivastava appointed Additional Secretary in PMO

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Punya Salila Srivastava, a 1993 batch AGMUT cadre officer, was on Thursday appointed as Additional Secretary in the Prime Minister's Office.

She was Additional Secretary in the Union Home Ministry and was holding the charge of spokesperson of the Ministry, especially during Covid times.

Meanwhile, 1994 batch Tamil Nadu cadre officer Amuda Periyasamy, Additional Secretary, has been repatriated



from PMO to her parent cadre. Srivastava's appointment comes a couple of days after former I&B Secretary Amit Khare was appointed as Advisor to the Prime Minister.

Health Minister Mandaviya visits Manmohan Singh at AIIMS

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Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on Thursday met former Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, admitted to the AIIMS here after complaining of weakness following a fever, and enquired about his health even as Prime Minister Narendra Modi wished his predecessor a speedy recovery. "I pray for the good health and speedy recovery of Dr Mannohan Singh ji," PM Modi tweeted.

Former Congress chief Rahul Gandhi also visited AIIMS to enquire about the health of the former PM and wished him a speedy recovery. Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal also prayed for his speedy recovery

Union minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, former Union minister Ashwani Kumar, Congress leader Mukul Wasnik and Shiv Sena leader and Rajya Sabha member Priyanka Chaturvedi also wished Singh a speedy recovery. Among others, former Punjab chief minister Amarinder Singh, Congress leader Abhishek Singhvi and NCP's Nawab Malik also prayed for the ex-prime minister's good health.

Singh was Wednesday admitted to the AIIMS owing to weakness and exhaustion. The senior Congress leader, who turned 89 last month, had been undergoing treatment for fever at home for the last couple of days.

Rajnath conducts final breakthrough blast of Sela tunnel in AP

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Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday virtually conducted the final breakthrough blast of the Sela tunnel — the world's largest bi-lane tunnel at an altitude of more than 13,000 feet — in Arunachal Pradesh and flagged of a 20,000-km-long motorcycle expedition of the Border Roads Organisation (BRO). The virtual breakthrough blast and the flagging-off were conducted by the Minister at the National War Memorial here.

The tunnel will not only strengthen national security, but also augment the transportation facilities for the local people and consequently, boost their socio-

economic conditions, he said.

"This tunnel, which has been made with state-of-the-art features, will prove to be the life-line for not just Tawang, but the entire state of Arunachal Pradesh," Singh said.

The tunnel goes through Sela Pass and is expected to cut down the distance to the China border through Tawang district in Arunachal Pradesh by 10 km. The construction work of the tunnel is expected to be over by June 2022.

"The breakthrough blast of the Sela main tunnel shows your (BRO's) hard work and your commitment towards the country's security and socio-economic development," the defence minister said.

Modi to inaugurate 7 Defence firms carved out of OFB today

New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will deliver a video address at an event organised by the Defence Ministry to dedicate seven new defence companies, carved out of the erstwhile Ordnance Factory Board, to the nation on the auspicious occasion of Vijayadashami on Friday, the PMO said on Thursday.

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He also flagged off a motorcycle expedition of the BRO. Singh said 75 personnel of the BRO and the Army will participate in the motorcycle expedition that will cover a distance of 20,000 km passing through many states and Union territories. The Sela tunnel would cut

down the travel time between the Army's 4 Corps headquarters at Tezpur in Assam and Tawang by at least an hour. Moreover, it would ensure that National Highway 13, especially the 171-km stretch between Bomdila and Tawang, remains accessible in all weather conditions.



Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh presides over breakthrough blast of Sela Main Tunnel via video conferencing, at an event organised by BRO India, in New Delhi, Thursday. Chief of Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat and Defence Secretary Ajay Kumar are also seen

CBSE to hold term-1 Class 10, 12 exams offline in Nov-Dec; date sheet on Oct 18

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The first-term board examinations for Classes 10 and 12 will be conducted offline in November-December and the date-sheet for the same will be announced on October 18, the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) said on Thursday.

The board said the exams will be objective-type and the duration of the tests will be 90 minutes. The exams will start from 11.30 am instead of 10.30 am, keeping in view the winter season. Bifurcating the academic session, holding two term-end exams and rationalising the

syllabus were part of the special assessment scheme for Classes 10 and 12 board exams in 2021-22 announced by the CBSE in July in view of the COVID-19 pandemic.

"After the conduct of the term-1 exams, the results in the form of marks scored will be declared. No student will be placed in the pass, compartment and essential repeat categories after the first term. The final results will be announced after the first and the second-term examination," CBSE Examination Controller Sanyam Bhardwaj said.

"Practical exams or internal assessment will be completed in

schools before the first-term exams are over. The marks allotted will be 50 per cent of the total marks and mentioned in the syllabus. The schools will be informed separately about the full scheme so that they can make the necessary preparations," he added.



Bhardwaj further said the second-term examination would be conducted in March-April, 2022 and whether it will be objective or subjective-type will depend on the Covid situation in the country.

Actor Norah Fatehi appears before ED in money laundering case

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Actor Norah Fatehi on Thursday appeared before the Enforcement Directorate (ED) here for recording her statement in connection with a money laundering case worth over Rs 200 crore against alleged conman Sukesh Chandrasekar.

Fatehi, 29, appeared before the investigating officer of the case at the ED's office here.

Her statement is being recorded under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA) in connection with a money laundering case filed against Chandrasekar and his actor wife Leena Maria Paul, sources said.

The ED had earlier questioned actor Jacqueline

Fernandes in this case. She is expected to depose again before the agency.

Both the actors are understood to be cooperating with the agency in taking the money laundering probe forward as they themselves had been allegedly conned in the racket run by Chandrasekar and his wife.

Chandrasekar and his wife were recently arrested by the ED following an order from the PMLA court while they were already lodged in jail after they were arrested by the Delhi Police on charges of cheating some people including some high-profile individuals including former Fortis Healthcare promoter Shivinder Mohan Singh's wife Aditi Singh.

In August, the ED had searched some of

Chandrasekar's premises and seized a sea-facing bungalow in Chennai, Rs 82.5 lakh cash and over a dozen luxurious cars.

The agency had claimed in a statement that Chandrasekar is a "known conman" and is being probed by the Delhi Police in a case of alleged criminal conspiracy, cheating and extortion to the tune of about Rs 200 crore.

"Chandrasekar is the mastermind of this fraud. He has been part of the crime world since the age of 17. He has multiple FIRs against him and is presently lodged in Rohini jail (in connection with the Delhi Police case)," the ED had said.

Despite being in the jail, it said, Chandrasekar "did not stop conning" people, the ED said.

India reports surge of 18,987 new Covid cases

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

With restrictions easing during the festive season, India's Covid-19 cases and deaths are again surging. As per the Union Health Ministry's data, India on Thursday registered 3000 cases more than what it did on Wednesday.

In the last 24 hours, it added 18,987 cases and 246 deaths while it was 15,823 infections and 226 deaths on

Wednesday, when the country saw the lowest daily rise in Covid cases since early March.

The Ministry has been consistently warning the people not to let their guard down as virus can take ugly shape in view of easing of restrictions in crowded places amidst celebration of festivities.

The active Covid cases in India comprise 0.61 per cent of the total infections, the lowest since March 2020 -- the active

caseload at present is 2,07,653, lowest in 214 days, said the Ministry in a statement.

India's total Covid infection tally has reached 3,40,01,743 while the death count has increased to 4,51,189. A total of 13,25,399 tests were conducted, taking the number of cumulative tests conducted so far to 58,63,63,442.

The national COVID-19 recovery rate was recorded at 98.06 per cent, highest since March 2020. At least 22,844 recoveries in the last 24 hours took the total number of recoveries to 3,33,42,901 in India.

The daily positivity rate - number of positive cases identified per 100 - stands at 1.19 per cent, less than 3 per cent for last 44 days. The weekly positivity rate stands at 1.46 per cent in India. A total of 13,01,083 tests were conducted on Wednesday, taking the number of cumulative tests conducted so far for detection of Covid-19 in the country to 58,76,64,525.

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The employment and earning generating "Hunar Haats" for artisans and craftsmen may soon be linked with the popular marketing websites like Amazon and flipkart and will also be increasingly focussing on the artisans belonging to socially backward Muslims.

Continuing improvisation in the "Hunar Haats", the Union Ministry for minority affairs will be setting "Vishwakarma Vatika" in the Haats across the country to promote traditional skills of artisans and craftsmen where they will also be displaying live how India's traditional and indigenous handmade products are made.

Database of artisans is being prepared from across the country to rope-in them from the lowest-rung to the

Haats.

According to the ministry, backward castes among Muslim artisans would be given space in "Vishwakarma Vatika" to showcase their products and sell them directly or through Government e Marketing ((GeM).

Sections of Muslim community such as Kahar, Kewat-Mallah, Kumhar, Kunjda, Gujjar, Gaddi-Ghosi, Qureshi, Jogi, Mali, Teli, Darji, Nut, Banjara, Badhyi, Chudidar, Momin-Julaha, Mansuri, Dhuniya, Rangrej, Lohar, Halwayi, Hajjam, Dhobi, Bhishti, Mochi, Raj-Mistri etc will benefit by this improvisations of Haats, said the Ministry.

According to sources, government is in talks with the marketing sites like Amazon and flipcart to sell products of the artisans.

Talking to media persons here, Union Minister for

Minority Affairs Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi said here that the first of "Vishwakarma Vatika", in "Hunar Haat" will come up at Rampur, Uttar Pradesh,

which will be inaugurated by Union Minister for Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Dharmendra Pradhan on 16th October.

Union Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs and Culture Arjun Ram Meghwal would also be present on the

occasion.

Proficient craftsmen, sculptors, stonemasons, blacksmiths, carpenters, potter and other artisans from across the country, will give live demo of hundreds of India's traditional art and craft at one place in these "Vishwakarma Vatika", Naqvi said.

The minister said that about 700 artisans and craftsmen from more than 30 States and UTs including Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Delhi,

Nagaland, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Bihar, Andhra Pradesh, Jharkhand, Goa, Punjab, Uttarakhand, Ladakh, Karnataka, Gujarat, Haryana, Jammu-Kashmir, West Bengal, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Tamil Nadu and Kerala have brought their indigenous products made with wood, brass, bamboo, glass, cloth, paper, clay etc at "Hunar Haat", being organised at Rampur.

Naqvi said that besides "Vocal for Local", the upcoming "Hunar Haats" will also be based on the theme of "Best from Waste". Exquisite products made from used and discarded items in households such as Plastic, paper, ply, wood, glass, ceramic, jute, cotton, wool as well as banana stems, sugarcane pulp, paddy and wheat straw-stems, husk, Tur, rubber, iron, brass, etc will be available in "Hunar Haat" for sale and display.



LAKHIMPUR KILLINGS

Fair probe not possible till Min sacked: Tikait

Aligarh (UP): Voicing dissatisfaction over the probe into the Lakhimpur violence case after the "red-carpet arrest" of MoS Home Ajay Mishra's son, BKU leader Rakesh Tikait on Thursday said a fair investigation is not possible till the minister is removed from his post.

He said the "red-carpet arrest" of Ashish Mishra has fuelled anger among protesting farmers.

Alleging that the investigating agency is going soft on Mishra's interrogation, Tikait termed the probe a 'guldaston wali puch-tach' (investigation where bouquets are being presented).

Ashish Mishra, alleged to be in one of the cars that mowed down the protesters in Lakhimpur Kheri on October 3, was arrested after 12 hours of questioning last week. A court here had granted three-day custody of Ashish to police.

"The red carpet arrest of the minister's son who is the main accused in the incident has fuelled anger among the protesting farmers," the BKU leader told newsmen here.

"The whole world understands that no justice can be given if the minister whose son is

being investigated continues to hold his chair. We are completely dissatisfied by the manner in which investigations are being conducted," Tikait said at a function in Tappal town.

He claimed that the minister was influencing the SIT investigation.

The BKU leader reiterated that the protest against the Lakhimpur violence would intensify if Ajay Mishra was not removed from his post.

The farmers' unions have already given a call for burning the effigies of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home minister Amit Shah on Dussehra, a six-hour nationwide 'rail roko' agitation on October 26 and a 'kisan mahapanchayat' in the state capital on October 26.

"Everybody knows that nothing would come out of the 'red-carpet arrest' of the union minister's son. How can anybody expect anything when the police who are questioning Ashish Mishra also present bouquets to the MoS," Tikait said.

When asked about the arrest of Ankit Das, a friend of Ashish Mishra, he claimed, "More false witnesses will be produced and some will even take responsibility on their head under the influence of Ajay Mishra in the region." **PTI**

AIADMK: A golden jubilee sans fervour and enthusiasm

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ CHENNAI

The All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK) which is formed on 17th October 1972 by matinee idol late M G Ramachandran is entering a crucial phase of its history this Sunday. The year 2022 marks the Golden Jubilee of the party that ruled Tamil Nadu for a total of 25 years (1977-1987, 1991-1996, 2001-2006 and 2011-2016) since its birth in 1972. The AIADMK won all these elections under the leadership of party founder MGR or his chosen heir Jayalalithaa. With the demise of Jayalalithaa in 2016, the AIADM has become like a rudderless ship and was wiped out in the 2019 Lok Sabha election as well as the 2021 Assembly election.

The general view among political commentators in the State is that AIADMK does not have a leader who could match the stature and charisma of MGR or Jayalalithaa. Adding to the woes of the party is the turf war between Leader of the Opposition Edappadi Palaniswami and coordinator of the steering committee O Panneerselvam, sulking over the denial of the post of the LoP to him.

Adding to the woes of the party cadre is V K Sasikala, former aide to Jayalalithaa, who is struggling hard to take control of the party. She is being helped by TTV Dhinakaran, her nephew who had floated the AMMK when he was eased out of the AIADMK. The aunt-nephew duo has taken control of the TV channel Jaya TV and party mouthpiece Namathu MGR through a silent opera-

tion. With Palaniswami, Panneerselvam, Sasikala, and Dhinakaran pulling the party in different directions, skeptics have started doubting whether the AIADMK would remain as a single entity when it is time for the golden jubilee celebration.

That the party does not have any strategists or strategy was proved when it "squandered" two Rajya Sabha seats in 2021 by fielding two sitting members who had more than three years of tenure to complete their term for the Assembly election. Both of them won the assembly election and resigned their Rajya Sabha seats. When the polls to the vacant seats were held the DMK walked away with both the seats. "This itself shows that the party is bereft of quality leaders and ideas," said a senior party leader who had been sidelined by Palaniswamy and Panneerselvam

Chances of Panneerselvam joining hands with Sasikala are not being ruled out by party insiders themselves. In Tamil Nadu what matters most is not ideology but caste. Sasikala and Panneerselvam belong to Thevar sect (a segment of Mukkalathor caste) while Palaniswamy belongs to the Gounder community. Though Jayalalithaa was an Iyengar, she had the total support of the Thevars, a dominant caste in southern Tamil Nadu.

The recent polls to the local bodies in the newly carved out nine districts saw AIADMK getting routed. It will be a tough task for the AIADMK to stage a comeback in time for the 2024 Lok Sabha polls.

3 NSCN-K YA ultras nabbed near Indo-Myanmar border

New Delhi: Three hardcore militants of the banned NSCN-K (YA) outfit were nabbed from Mon town of Nagaland in an intelligence-led counter-insurgency operation by the Assam Rifles after the ultras crossed over to India from Myanmar, sources in the security establishment said on Thursday.

All the three militants apprehended are residents of Myanmar and they sneaked into the Indian side with the purpose of carrying out a string of attacks, they said.

The militants identified as Yunah Konyak, Tonpho Konyak alias Aton and Songam Konyak were caught by troops of the 35 Assam Rifles in the operation on Monday in the border town with support from local police, the sources said.

While Yunah is a resident of Thela village in Myanmar, Tonpho is from Kamka village and Songam is from the Langkho area of the neighbouring country, they said.

The Indian and Myanmar security forces have been coordinating with each other in keeping a strict vigil over the India-Myanmar border. In October last year, Army Chief Gen MM Naravane, accompanied by Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla, paid a crucial visit to Myanmar during which India decided to supply an attack submarine to the Myanmar Navy besides agreeing to further deepen overall military and defence ties.

It is learnt that the overall coordination and cooperation between the India and Myanmar armies on the management of the Indo-Myanmar border has improved following the visit by the Chief of Army Staff. **PTI**

2 soldiers critically hurt in Poonch

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

Two Indian soldiers including a Junior Commissioned Officer (JCO) received critical injuries in a second major strike in the last four days by the heavily armed terrorists in the general area of Nar Khas forest in Mendhar sub division of Poonch late Thursday evening. Five Indian soldiers were martyred in the Dera ki Gali area of Surankote on October 11.

Following heavy exchange of firing in the area the vehicular movement on the Rajouri-Poonch National Highway has been halted to prevent any loss of life and injury to commuters. Defence PRO Lt-Col Devender Anand in a statement said, "In an ongoing Counter Terrorist operation in the general area Nar Khas Forest, Mendhar Sub Division, District Poonch there has been exchange of fire between army troops and terrorists during evening hours on Thursday. During the ensuing exchange of fire one JCO and one soldier have been critically injured. The operations are under progress".

It is believed a heavily armed group of terrorists are well entrenched in the thickly forested belt and targeting the patrol parties to inflict injuries. On the other hand, the Army jawans have been combing the area without knowing the exact location of the hiding terrorists. It is also learnt, "the terrorists have been surviving inside the forest belt on the basis of support extended to them by a handful of over ground workers and local guides working with the terrorist outfits in the forward area of Poonch".

Trinamool, Left, Cong in WB oppose Centre's move to expand BSF jurisdiction

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

The Trinamool Congress, Left and Congress have vehemently protested against the Centre's decision to expand the jurisdiction of Border Security Force to 50 kms saying it is a direct infringement of State's rights. The BSF hitherto enjoyed a jurisdiction of 15 km from the international border.

"Law and order is a State subject and that cannot be infringed upon by the Centre ... the Constitution is clear on that ... this move by the Centre to expand BSF's jurisdiction will amount to meddling in law and order matters of the State which is unacceptable," said senior TMC leader and Bengal minister Firhad Hakim.

The Trinbamool Congress Government strongly opposes this high handed decision taken by the Centre ... it is arbitrary and amounts to an infringement on the rights of the state... What was the sudden need to enhance the BSF's jurisdiction without informing the State Government ... is it because they want to compensate for their electoral defeat in Bengal?" TMC spokesperson Kunal Ghosh said.

By amending the BSF Act the Centre has provided the BSF with additional teeth to carry out its works unhindered by the police and without the help from the State police. It can undertake search, seizure and arrest suspects within 50 km inside the border in the States of Bengal, Assam and Punjab.

With Bengal sharing a long

border with Bangladesh a "territorial expansion" for the BSF can mean a "substantial loss" of jurisdiction for the State Police worth a whopping 110,850 square km. This is exclusive of the border distance shared by Nepal and Bhutan. Bengal-Bangladesh has a distance of 2,217 km.

Reacting strongly to the development TMC MP Saugato Roy said that the "State Government is concerned with the development because the Home Ministry under Amit Shah has an unimpressive track record."

Left leaders like Sujan Chakrabarty too opposed the decision attacking the BJP Government for "its expansionist" policies and the Trinamool Congress for "creating a situation where the BJP is feeling encouraged and emboldened to take such actions ... this deplorable."

Congress Lok Sabha leader and PCC president Adhir Chowdhury said that the move would fire resentment in days to come.

He tweeted: "The expansion of BSF area of jurisdiction up to 50 km from border of some states amounts to brazen infringement upon the territory of states. HMO India (ministry of home affairs), you should not indulge in any 'Chherkhani' (meddling) else will face the consequences."

However, the BJP leadership defended the central move saying New Delhi had to take the decision as the State police had failed to block terror transit points and stop arms and drug smuggling.

Kerala logs 9,246 new Covid cases

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ KOCHI

Kerala's see-saw battle with Covid-19 continued on Thursday, a closed holiday in the State on account of Vijaya Dasami as the number of new persons diagnosed with the pandemic came down slightly.

According to Veena George, the State's Health Minister, 9246 persons were diagnosed with Covid-19 out of the 88,733 samples tested during the last 24 hours. With the logging of 96 persons during the last 24 hours, death toll till date in the State reached 26,667.

In yet another setback to the administration, Government doctors will begin their indefinite non-cooperation agitation from Friday demanding better working conditions, liberal rest and recovery period and restoration of risk allowance and pay which were 'drastically' reduced by the Government since the pandemic struck the State in January 2020.

Pune airport to remain shut for 14 days from October 16

New Delhi: The Lohegaon airport in Pune will remain closed for 14 days from October 16 as the Indian Air Force (IAF) has taken the runway for resurfacing work, while a chopper firm will operate sorties to and from Mumbai – the nearest operational airport during this period.

"This is to inform all passengers that as per information received from Indian Air Force (IAF), due to runway resurfacing works, all flights from Pune Airport will not operate for 14 days from 16 October 2021 to 29 October 2021," the airport tweeted on its official handle. All commercial flights operating from the airport will remain suspended from October 16 to 29 due to the closure.

The Lohegaon Airport will have a second shut down within 13 years. The existing airport at Lohegaon is owned by the IAF which had earlier said that shutting down the airstrip was "inescapable", as the runway's condition was rapidly deteriorating and needed re-carpeting.

India, US to begin 15-day military exercise in Alaska from today

New Delhi: India and the US will kickstart a 15-day mega military exercise in Alaska from Friday to further deepen bilateral military cooperation.

The 17th edition of the exercise "Yudh Abhyas" will be conducted at Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson in Alaska from October 15 to 29, the Indian Army said on Thursday.

The Indian contingent at the exercise will comprise 350 personnel of an infantry battalion group of the Indian Army.

The previous edition of the exercise took place at Mahajan Field Firing Ranges in Bikaner in February.

"This exercise is another step in the growing military cooperation between the two countries. The exercise aims at enhancing understanding, cooperation and interoperability between two armies," the Army said.

It said the exercise will focus on "combined arms

manoeuvres in cold climatic conditions and is primarily aimed at sharing tactical level drills and learning best practices from each other".

The Indo-US defence ties have been on an upswing in the last few years.

In June 2016, the US had designated India a "Major Defence Partner".

The two countries have also signed key defence and security pacts over the past few years, including the Logistics Exchange Memorandum of Agreement (LEMOA) in 2016 that allows their militaries to use each other's bases for repair and replenishment of supplies as well as provides for deeper cooperation.

The two sides also signed COMCASA (Communications Compatibility and Security Agreement) in 2018 that provides for interoperability between the two militaries and provides for the sale of high-end technology from the US to India. **PTI**

Anti-drone technology developed, transferred to industries: DRDO chief

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ JAMMU

DRDO has developed counter-drone technology and transferred it to industries, which have taken orders from the armed forces and security forces of the country, a senior official of the organisation said on Thursday. "DRDO has developed anti-drone technology. It has all the necessary elements required to counter drones, whether it is detection, tracking or surveillance and even a process called software and hardware," Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) chief G Satheesh Reddy said.

He was speaking to reporters on the sidelines of the foundation stone-laying ceremony of the DRDO-sponsored Kalam Centre for Science and Technology (KCST) at the Central University of Jammu in Samba. Reddy said the technology has been transferred to multiple industries, which have taken orders from the armed forces and security forces of the country.

"They are providing it to them. They will be delivering it to them (security and armed forces) to tackle the drones that are coming in (from across the border)," he added. Reddy said the capability of the anti-drone

system has been demonstrated multiple times, adding, "It was deployed on the Independence Day and the Republic Day also." Earlier, Reddy laid the foundation stone of Kalam Centre for Science and Technology (KCST) at the sprawling campus of Central University of Jammu.

Work on the ambitious project is scheduled to be over in two and a half years. Once completed the centre will emerge as a focussed research centre and prominent work centre in the country.

Speaking on the occasion The Chairman, DRDO Dr. G. Satheesh Reddy emphasised the importance of two verticals in KCST i.e. Computational System Security and Sensors in the present scenario.

He also mentioned that the protection of Cyber-Physical System and Data Security during the routing is of utmost importance and emphasized the need for skill development in computational security. Further, he mentioned that sensors developed in this research centre should come as a product with state-of-art technology.

Prof. Ashok Aima Vice Chancellor Central University of Jammu thanked Chairman DRDO for this venture which opens up a new chapter in CUJ. He said such collaboration of

CUJ with DRDO would unfold in time to come to a new institutional collaboration by synchronizing experience and expertise to create a new pathway for research and innovations in this region.

The Governing Council unanimously sanctioned 3 research projects of Rs. 30 Crore under Computational System Security vertical. Vice-Chancellor congratulated PI's of the projects and Coordinators of Research Verticals Dr. Yashwant Singh, HoD Computer Science & IT, Dr. Vinay Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of Physics and Astronomical Sciences and Prof. B.S. Bhau Director KCST for this achievement.

The foundation stone laying ceremony was also attended by Hari Babu Srivastava, Director General (TM), Dr. Sudhir Kamath, Director General (MED & CoS), Amit Sharma, Advisor Cyber (Govt. of India), Dr. Shiv Kumar, Director, ER & IPR, Kailash Kumar Pathak, Director, DFTM, U Jeya Santhi, Director, SAG, Rajesh Pillai, Scientist G, SAG, J.S. Rawat, SSPL, Renu Sharma, Scientist F, DFTM, Dipak Gupta, Scientist E, Office of Advisor (Cyber), and other distinguished scientists of DRDO headquarter and SAG and SSPL DRDO Labs.

Villagers worship Ravana in some parts of UP

PTI ■ ALIGARH

Dussehra is celebrated all over country as a symbol of the victory of good deeds represented by Lord Rama over evils symbolised by Ravana.

But in the sasani town of Hathras, Tribal communities of Aligarh and village Bisrikh of Gautam Budh Nagar worship Ravan even today. Entire village is worshipper of Ravana and they have dedicated a temple to Ravana wherein Ravana is deity. They observe this day (Dussehra) in mourning. Bisrikh is located at only 29 Km away from Aligarh Border.

It is being claimed that the village is linked to historic era. Father of Ravana, Vishvasarva was born there and the village too derived its name from him. Villagers believe that Ravana was his ancestor, so they observe grief and mourn on Dussehra. Located at 65 km from National Capital, the village Bisrikh comes in limelight during Dussehra every year.

Sanjay Singh, a resident of Bisrikh told "our village is a historic one. He told that Ravana of the epic era was from here. Thousands of villagers believe that Ravana was their ancestor. Residents of village have constructed a very beautiful temple and Ravana is worshiped in its ritually".

Another resident of Bisrikh, Reeta Devi says that Ravana was most scholarist person of his era. He was

ditched by his own brothers who passed his tactics and strategies to Rama otherwise he would not had been killed. She says that Ravana was treasure house of knowledge, we worship him as god of knowledge.

Like Bisrikh, the tribal communities celebrate the Maha Puja of Ravan in several villages in Aligarh like Akkrabad, Dhanipur, Utasani and Kutubpur. The tribal population has been worshipping Ravana as its Deity and symbol of intellectual prosperity since ages.

Ramesh, a resident of Akkrabad said "Ravana is deity of around 55 Tribal Communities like Gihara , Gond Aharia , Bhilla, bha-haliya, Kanjar and Praja Communities and they have been celebrating Ravan as God. We never celebrate Dushehra, we condemn the burning of effige of Ravan on the day of Dushehra. Gihara community want that government should take care of their religious feeling."

Ravana is also worshiped by one section of Kanyakubja Braamans in Sasni town and their adjoining villages , which is 16 km from Aligarh. Here also devotees of Ravana mourn the killing of Ravana on Dussehra. Here Ravan is personified as a symbol of prosperity and regarded as a survivor by Kanyakubja Bharamans, a Bharamans sub cast to which Ravan is believed to belong.

Maharashtra reports 2,384 new Covid cases

Mumbai: Maharashtra reported 2,384 new Covid-19 cases on Thursday, up 165 from a day ago, while 35 more patients succumbed to the infection in the state, down from nearly 50 the previous day, said an official from the health department.

With the latest additions, the state's case-load increased to 65,86,280, while death toll rose to 1,39,705, he said. The State has been reporting an upward trend in new cases since Monday. There were 1,736 Covid-19 cases on Monday, which increased to 2,069 on Tuesday, while Wednesday saw 2,219 fresh infections. However, fresh deaths reported a drop from 49 on Wednesday to 35 in the last 24 hours. The official said 2,343 patients were discharged from hospitals in the last 24 hours, pushing the count of recovered cases to 64,13,418. Maharashtra now has 29,560 coronavirus patients under treatment. The state has 2,26,249 people in home quarantine and another 1,070 in institutional quarantine, he said.

The official said Maharashtra's Covid-19 recovery rate stands at 97.38 per cent, while the fatality rate is 2.12 per cent. The cumulative number of coronavirus tests conducted in the state climbed to 6,06,83,524 after 1,36,952 samples were examined in the last 24 hours, he said. Among districts, Mumbai reported the



highest new infections at 558 besides five deaths, taking the state capital's cumulative infection figure to 7,50,494 and the toll to 16,172, he said.

Among the eight regions of Maharashtra, the Mumbai region reported the highest 998 new Covid-19 cases, followed by 689 from the Pune region. The Nashik region reported 429 new cases, Kolhapur 153, Latur 64, Aurangabad 36, Nagpur 12 and the Akola region three, he said. According to the official, among the 35 fresh fatalities, the highest 10 were reported from the Mumbai region, followed by seven each from Pune and Nashik regions. **PTI**



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PAPER WITH PASSION

Burning sensation

Innovative ways to deal with stubble burning instead of cash incentives are needed

It is the second week of October and the annual problem of stubble burning has resurfaced around Delhi. The Central Pollution Control Board says the air quality in Delhi has already reduced over the last week. The air quality index (AQI) on October 13 was 171. It falls under the 'moderate' category of 101-200 AQI. The index has jumped from the 'satisfactory' since the last week of September and crossed three digits to 125 on October 7. Between now and the end of November every year, Punjab, Haryana, western Uttar Pradesh record a high number of stubble burnings. This year, however, the burning is delayed; NASA images show a lesser number of fires in Punjab and Haryana. In Ghaziabad and Gautam Budh Nagar of UP, however, instances of stubble burning are increasing. The response of the UP administration is simply to lodge an FIR against persons involved in the crop residue burning and impose fines ranging from ₹2,500 to ₹15,000. That hardly deters the farmers who feel their losses will be more if they don't burn the stubble and get the field ready for the next crop in the small window available for doing so. The solution lies not in punitive measures and ordinances and laws but in innovation. Certain steps that Delhi, Punjab and Haryana are taking this year may show the way.



The crux of the problem is that around 20 million tonnes of paddy straw was generated in the monsoon harvest. There is a 55-day window to clear it for the winter wheat crop. The straw cannot be used as fodder and burning it is the easiest and cheapest method. However, that badly pollutes the air, in and around Delhi. Governments have introduced effective machines to remove the stubble but the farmers find them expensive. Innovation has now come into the picture. The Delhi Government has started using the Pusa Decomposer this month. Developed by the Indian Agriculture Research Institute (IARI), it is a low-cost microbial bio-enzyme that decomposes crop residues, including stubble. Thousands of farmers in Punjab and Haryana have registered with a firm to use the decomposer. A Bengaluru-based start-up has tied up with the IARI to simplify the use of the decomposer. It provides the mixture in capsule form that can be transformed into a ready-to-use powder that can be mixed with water and sprayed instantly. There are other experiments that States are undertaking. Farmers are being persuaded to diversify into Basmati paddy that can be used as fodder. Scientists are exploring microbial solutions that can dissolve the stubble and convert it into soil nutrients. Trials are underway to generate bio-CNG and bioethanol from the stubble. Paper and sugar mills are being incentivised to install boilers that use stubble as fuel. It is time the innovation leads the anti-stubble war instead of impractical solutions like giving farmers a cash incentive of ₹100 per quintal for not burning stubble.

PICTALK



Street vendors sell effigies by the roadside ahead of Dussehra, in Delhi

Ranjan Dimri | The Pioneer

Not there yet

The TMC has brighter prospects after winning West Bengal, but Delhi is still far away

In July, when after her resounding success in Bengal elections Mamata Banerjee told the media in Delhi that she was a mere cog in the anti-BJP wheel even a nitwit knew she was testing waters. Three months later, the Trinamool Congress mouthpiece *Jago Bangla* projected her as the woman behind the Opposition wheel who could take down Narendra Modi in 2024 general elections — dismissing Rahul Gandhi's claim to it all. But can she do in Delhi what she did in Kolkata? The TMC has no doubts that with the help of team PK — read Prashant Kishor — she will succeed where Jyoti Basu and Pranab Mukherjee failed. No doubt the TMC think tank is walking on a presumptive trajectory. According to them, in the absence of Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee, Banerjee has emerged as the undisputed leader of Bengal with 42 parliamentary seats. Bengal is the third largest State after Uttar Pradesh (80) and Maharashtra (48) in terms of the MPs. The TMC is convinced that her thumping success in Bengal and Rahul Gandhi's repetitive failure elsewhere to jack up a decomposing Congress keeps her ahead of the grand old outfit.

However, the proverbial "pros" notwithstanding, the bacterial "cons" may erode Didi's prospects because winning Bengal and grabbing Delhi are different ball games. First of all, she has to offer a viable Bengal Model for PM Modi's Gujarat Model. Industry is her Achilles Heels. Despite her having "convened" yearly global business summits with huge fanfare, the resultant investment is in the vicinity of a regulation zero. Back from one such summit meeting in Kolkata, a mighty big industry captain from Gujarat privately told his board of directors that investing in Bengal was equivalent to putting necks on railway tracks. Didi must be running her ploys in Singur and Nandigram that brought her to power but that remain the cause of her biggest woes as a Chief Minister. Secondly, though Banerjee has blasted Modi for selling out national assets and cutting down Government jobs, her own Government is responsible for eating up more than 5.5 lakh posts. Unlike Jyoti Basu, who commanded respect by his politics, trustworthiness, untainted image and age, the contemporary heartland politicians with their own ambitions and personal ego may not accept Mamata's suzerainty. Hence Delhi is very much visible from Kolkata but it is still far away. *Dilli abhi door hai, Didi!*

Beijing not really the bigger fish

The aggressive behaviour of China has antagonised many countries. North Korea and Pakistan apart, it is difficult to think of a Chinese ally



PRAFULL GORADIA

It is true that Xi Jinping's China is by now sufficiently worked up, for whatever reasons. It also is increasingly apparent that China has to be stopped in its tracks, if the world is not to plunge into a devastating war. Had Europe, Britain and France in particular, done likewise in 1936, WWII would have probably been averted. Notwithstanding Germany being bound by the Treaty of Versailles in 1919, forced to downsize its military and remain peaceful, its Fuhrer Adolf Hitler ordered his troops to seize the demilitarised Rhineland — formerly German territory — in 1936, in complete violation of the Treaty. No European power did or even said anything. Germany's generals, who were then reluctant to precipitate another armed conflict, began having faith in their Fuhrer's supposed strategic calibre.

In 1938, just two years after Rhineland, Britain's Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain and France's PM Edouard Daladier promptly accepted Hitler's invitation to a conference in Munich to settle the Sudetenland issue. This Czechoslovakian province was substantially German-speaking. The Fuhrer wanted it for the greater glory of his fatherland. The visiting leaders promptly conceded this demand without so much as even consulting the Czechoslovaks. Chamberlain publicly eulogised the success of this conference as having achieved "peace in our time". This conclusively convinced the Germans that their Fuhrer knew what he was doing.

The inevitable happened thereafter. Austria was the next to be gobbled, as part of greater Germany, without a shot. In September next year, Poland was overrun in less than six weeks, with France capitulating in a similar duration in 1940. Had the French and British resisted Nazi Germany, which was militarily less prepared in 1936, Hitler would possibly have lost power or stayed away from such military adventures.

China is much better prepared, economically and militarily. It has progressed leaps and bounds, particularly after Deng



Xiao Ping. But how far would it have gone had the American gates for its goods not opened up? China's goods are not products of its own technology, but the result of very diligent copying, politely called 'reverse engineering'. The cheap cost of Chinese goods can be attributed to virtually free grants of land and throwaway interest rates for term loans to local entrepreneurs and of course, low wages to its workers, at least in the early phase of China's meteoric rise.

This is in contrast to Japan's manufactures — automobiles, electronic goods, computers, watches, et al. These are not only original but also largely unsurpassed by other countries. Militarily too, unlike Japan, China does not have a sufficient tradition. Strangely, the People's Liberation Army (PLA; China's armed forces) belongs to the Communist Party of China and *not* to the country. Moreover, China's armed forces are not made up of volunteers but mostly conscripts. It is one thing for anyone to be prepared to give his life for his country; it is difficult to fight with the same spirit for a political party, which can rise and fall, like the Congress in India, for instance. Else, there can be factional



STRANGELY, THE PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY BELONGS TO THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHINA AND NOT TO THE COUNTRY. AS A SOLDIER, IT IS DIFFICULT TO FIGHT WITH THE SAME SPIRIT FOR A POLITICAL PARTY

feuds too within a party, which partly explains a vast number of Chinese soldiers losing their lives in most skirmishes and small battles they have been involved in, over the last few decades. Also, more crucially, the Chinese armed forces have not been involved in fighting since 1979 when they invaded Vietnam, a war where the yellow giant took a beating.

Battle experience is more important than training, in order to be a soldier. A battle hardened soldier is far more dependable than a well-trained recruit. Anyone who has not faced bullets is unpredictable in a combat situation, as to how he would react when the shooting begins. Today's PLA may not have a single soldier who has faced actual combat.

In the meantime, the aggressive behaviour displayed by China's political leadership has antagonised many countries. North Korea and Pakistan apart, it is difficult to think of a Chinese ally. While North Korea's army is large and marches excellently in military parades, it has not felt a bullet since 1953, which is 68 years hence. In contrast, the Indian army was originally founded by the British, who were amongst the best trained armed forces

other than the German ones. The country has fought five wars, as well as continual insurgencies in eastern India and Kashmir.

China is presumably militarily as mighty as most people worry. Taiwan is a major issue with the current leadership in Beijing. The South China Sea is another flashpoint. The Himalayas in India's north are potentially the third one. There are Japan and Taiwan, which for their size have excellent air forces. There is Australia further south. All that is necessary is for the USA to open its treasury of advanced weaponry. The rest of the allies are strong enough to halt the yellow giant from going any farther, if not actually force it to take a few steps back in its aggressiveness.

This is also imperative because China's much-hyped rise has already happened. In other words, China is no longer rising but has risen. The window of opportunity to grab global hegemony is closing. And that makes the situation as dangerous as it was in 1914.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FIGHTING THE TINY-MIGHTY DEMON

Sir — As the matter stands, we are making a pertinent move to get rid of the COVID-19 pandemic as the number of deaths and the number of cases are reducing day by day. We are taking resolute actions to reduce the caseload and the people's cooperation is needed in this direction. As the COVID-19 hangs over the Dussehra celebrations, we must not fall prey to the eyeing 'rakshasa' in the form of the virus. Celebrations are a necessary part of social living as they spread an ethos of joy and togetherness. However, reckless celebrations can lead to consequences that we would not want.

We are all waiting for the D-Day with baited breath when the nation will announce the clearance of the outbreak. The Genie will be out of the bottle and Coronavirus will take its place. Once bottled, it will be thrown deep into the sea never to be found again. Until then, we must celebrate the triumph of good over evil in a safe and planned way.

Jayanthi Subramaniam | Coimbatore

A BLAST FROM THE ARCHIVES

Sir — Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's claim that Vinayak Damodar Savarkar submitted mercy petitions to the British at Mahatma Gandhi's behest is not corroborated by historical facts. It was a vain attempt at whitewashing Savarkar's reputation as part of the project to rewrite history to present Hindu Right's past in a good light. Rajnath Singh's claim was a distortion of facts; it is demolished by the fact that the mercy petitions submitted by Savarkar in 1911 and 1913 preceded Mahatma Gandhi's return from South Africa and his joining the freedom movement in 1915. The mercy petitions predated Mahatma Gandhi's article.

The words in his petitions were not worthy of being called a freedom fighter. He pledged loyalty to the British crown and appealed to its 'manifold beneficence' to secure his release from the Andaman Cellular Jail. It cannot be helped if the Hindutva brigade suffers from a sense of inferiority due to its non-participation in

A humble man with wisdom



The nation celebrates the birth anniversary of Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, former President of India who was famously known as the "Missile Man of India, on Oct 15. To acknowledge the efforts of Dr Kalam and the stupendous role he played as a teacher throughout his scientific and political careers, the day is celebrated as 'World Students' Day'. He was a great scientist, a writer, an impeccable teacher, and a man of exceptional qualities. He described educa-

tion as the means of progress and believed that education alone can remove poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition from our life. He always believed that a strong society can be built only when the students are made proficient in their subjects.

Dr. Kalam, who won the highest civilian award the Bharat Ratna, considered himself a teacher and felt very pleased when he addressed students. He emphasised that students should have an aim in life, grasp knowledge from everywhere, work hard towards their goal and never accept defeat. Dr Kalam's strong commitment to education made him excel in his academics and multifaceted career. He always inspired the youth of the country to think and do new things. His ideas will keep inspiring the youth for generations to come. He will always be remembered as an eminent scientist, an incredible teacher, and a great man who inspired millions through his philosophy of simple living and high thinking.

Krishna K Vepakomma | Hyderabad

the freedom struggle and worse, its collaboration with the British colonials in India. At this rate, the BJP may soon project and celebrate Savarkar as India's foremost freedom fighter, relegating the true freedom fighters who refused to cower before the might of the British Empire.

G David Milton | Maruthancode

AN IRRITATING NEIGHBOUR

Sir — Outlandishly, India's contiguous neighbour China's expansionist shenanigans are far from over with as many as 13 rounds of military talks between the two sides coming to naught. Ironically, China comes to the table every time with new conditions for de-escalation on Ladakh borders. As if this was not enough, Beijing, in a bid to dishearten Indian delegations for the confabulations on Sunday, has also taken an irrational exception to a visit by India's Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu to Arunachal Pradesh on Wednesday.

In a reaction, External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Arindam Bagchi has also read the Chinese side the Riot Act, asserting that Arunachal Pradesh is an integral and inalienable part of India and, hence, Indian leaders keep visiting the State at will or when an occasion demands. He further reminded that the unilateral attempts by the Chinese side to alter the status quo on the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in the Western side of India-China border against the bilateral agreements, are responsible for the ongoing imbroglio. Ironically, in a 'pot calling the kettle black' scenario, the Western Command of China's People's Liberation Army's (PLA) has blamed that India insisted on 'unreasonable and unrealistic demands to add difficulties to the negotiations'.

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Congress leader

— P Chidambaram



US Secretary of State

— Antony Blinken

I gravitate towards stories that trigger conversations. Even as an entertainer, I want my work to get people thinking.



Actor

— Rajkumar Rao



Should've been a lot easier after the start we got...Dew came in and all, but we're in the final and we're delighted.

KKR captain

— Eoin Morgan



The State Government is in constant touch with the Centre to increase the supply of coal so that power generation can run smoothly.

Rajasthan Chief Minister

— Ashok Gehlot



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PLI SCHEMES: NOT A LONG-TERM ANSWER

Straightening out our manufacturing inefficiencies is the key to boost growth



HIMA BINDU KOTA

The COVID-19 pandemic has created awareness of the vulnerabilities of supply chains and shortage in essential products not only in India but worldwide. This has led to renewed sense of economic nationalism with Governments pushing domestic companies to produce and employ more. The Union Government's latest ₹26,058 crore package to boost production of automobiles, auto parts and drones is part of the strategy to make India a manufacturing hub. Known as Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme, this an element of the much larger Atma Nirbhar Bharat initiative to make India self-reliant in key products across sectors that are critical and important for India's future growth, by reducing its dependency on imports and developing globally as an export hub. Particularly designed to improve manufacturing capacities in both sunrise and strategic sectors, this scheme aims to reduce import bills, enhance cost competitiveness, and generate employment across skill categories. By achieving these objectives, India wants to expand



the contribution of its manufacturing sector to the GDP, from 17 per cent to 25 percent. The scheme also intends to encourage foreign investors who may want to inject capital into or establish business relationships with companies that have access to PLI incentives. As many as 13 sectors have been identified as intended beneficiaries of the PLI scheme. Taking the example of mobile manufacturing and electronic components industry, a total of 16 applications worth ₹35,541 crore have been approved so far. Five of them were from the global champions category, another five companies were from the domestic champions category and the remaining six companies were from the electronic components category. These companies together invested approximately ₹1,300 crores under this scheme in the first six months of operation inspite of tough times prevailing at the time, and added upto 22,000 jobs. This, in a way, fulfils the very reason for which the scheme was conceived.

Samsung, Foxconn, Hon Hai, Rising Star, Wistron and Pegatron are some of the global electronics giants who have started their operations under the scheme. As contract manufacturers for Apple iPhones, their presence will enhance the manufacturing base in India immensely. There are high expectations from domestic companies alike. After getting approval under PLI scheme, it is anticipated that Indian companies shall expand significantly by increasing their manufacturing operations and gain recognition as national champion companies in mobile phone production. There is an expectation that there would be high demand for mobile phones in future. This is evident from the latest mobile export figures of ₹4,600 crore for the quarter ending April-June 2021. This was a growth of 250 per cent over the previous period. The imports also nose-dived by 80 percent to ₹600 crore from ₹3,200 crore. These figures would jump immensely when Pegatron commences production this year. In this context, the PLI scheme is anticipated to head to a production of approximately ₹10.5 lakh crore with over 60 per cent of this to be exported. This scheme was extended from FY 2025 to FY 2026 at the request of the industry and allows applicants to pick FY 2022 as the base year. With the additional investment of ₹11,000 crore, over the next five years, direct employment would increase by two lakh and indirect employment by three times. Overall, the PLI Scheme bodes well for the mobile phone industry. However, the same cannot be said about other industries like solar manufacturing. These schemes are at best short-term in nature and cannot be regarded as replacement for straightening out manufacturing inefficiencies and business complexity. Both the industry and the Government should work together during this time period to develop competitiveness and quality.

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India towards the space and beyond

Opening space programmes to private players is a breakthrough act and the world is watching keenly to see how feasible it will be to set up shop here



ANIL PRAKASH

With the Government of India opening up 'Space', the private sector is all set for their time under the sun. For over five decades, ISRO has been the mainstay for all space related activities under the Department of Space (DOS) which is directly overseen by the Prime Minister. It has to its credit various successful missions from being the world first space agency to find water on the moon to having the world's largest constellation of remote-sensing satellites and two satellite navigation systems namely, GAGAN and NAVIC.

Currently the Indian Space industry accounts for a mere \$7 billion in the rising \$360-billion global space market. Despite its huge and undisputed achievements, ISRO, by its own admission, has been falling short in meeting the ever-increasing demands for space-based applications and services within India. Almost every sector starting from agriculture, fishing, transport, weather department, oil and gas, and urban development are dependent on space and satellite technologies for their businesses.

The move to open India's space programmes to private players is a breakthrough act and the world is watching keenly to see how feasible it will be for them to come in with their facilities and services and set up shop here. The private industry, which was unable to compete due to their limited roles earlier, can now participate in the entire gamut of space activities not just as a vendor but as partners. ISRO infrastructure, scientific and technical resources, and even data for space programmes are accessible to the private industry. The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) is set to act as a facilitator and a regulator; it will be an interface between ISRO and private players to facilitate the best use of resources.

The space start-up segment in India looks vibrant and is doing extraordinary work in upstream, in-orbit and downstream segments. A multitude of private players and young start-ups encouraged with new age investors having a better risk appetite and patience for projects with long gestation period, are setting up ventures from launch facilities, satellite thrusters, mm Wave and optical communication Links, Satellite manufacturing, earth observation applications, Space Situational Awareness (SSA), Collision detection, Debris mitigation and de-orbiting et cetera.

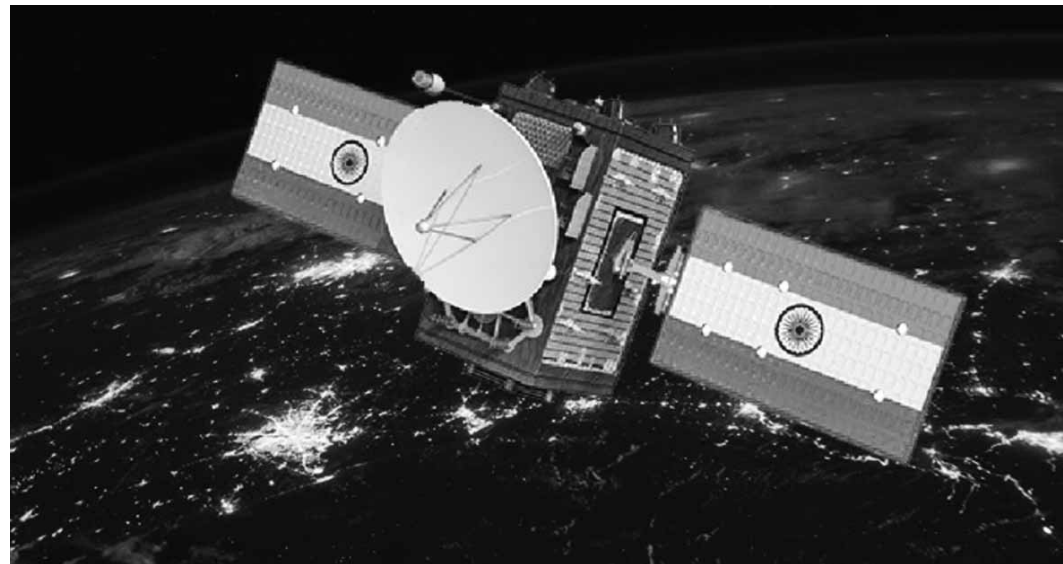
The entry of large organisations has enabled start-ups and MSMEs to play a critical role in the value chain. Currently, there are around 500 firms directly and indirectly engaged with space technologies and a score of start-ups are engaged with the Government.

As a nation India has immense entrepreneurial spirit which has never been more pronounced than the recent difficult times of pandemic and with youngest sets of founders creating disruptive technology and business models in the field of



THE ENTRY OF LARGE ORGANISATIONS HAS ENABLED THE STARTUPS TO PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE IN THE VALUE CHAIN. CURRENTLY, THERE ARE AROUND 500 FIRMS DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY ENGAGED WITH SPACE TECHNOLOGIES AND A SCORE OF STARTUPS ARE ENGAGED WITH THE GOVERNMENT

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micro-satellites, advanced rocket propulsion, launch vehicles, AI, Robotics, deep intelligence, etc., this segment is ready to find its wings given the right conditions. However, despite having 60 years of experience and expertise in space missions and satellite communications, India lacks on many fronts.

The start-ups lack resources and technology to handle independent space programmes. And even though the private sector firms can now use ISRO's infrastructure and resources, there is no clarity on the processes involved, the time frame for the sanctions and permissions etc. An easier facilitation center to deal and help the Start-ups in a time bound manner will go a long way in helping in this.

Lack of enabling policies makes the start-ups move to other geographies to set shop -- regulatory and financial barriers create uncertainty for young businesses which is detrimental in this large-investment and slow ROI segment. These barriers force the young entrepreneurs to look for environment that offers easier prospects.

Access to satellite spectrum is a basic issue across the industry and is a critical to the success of this segment. Presently there is no clarity on the availability of satcom spectrum. Without policy level certainty on spectrum allocation the young start-ups will find it very difficult to conduct routine telemetry, telecommand and payload data operations.

There are three distinct authorisations/licenses that are required, viz., GMPCS, VSAT, INSAT MSS and the license categories under the Universal Licensing do not offer any clarity for satellite services for the business in the upstream and

downstream sectors. It is time for India to consider start-up-friendly licensing regime like the short-term experimental licensing by ISRO for their tie ups with the Universities for their Satellite Missions.

The Department of Space's current combined role as licensor, market regulator and satellite operator, is causing a conflict of interest with private satellite builders and satcom service providers. Further there is DOT, DOS, WPC, INSPACE, and NSIL creating multiple layers permissions and asks, hampering the ease of doing business scenario for the sector. A clear delineation of functions is necessary for the commercial units to not seek places elsewhere to start their entity.

The new rules allow foreign companies to set-up facilities in India and enables 100 per cent FDI in the space sector which is a positive move and could give rise to several joint ventures. This paves the way for collaborative development of satellites, huge investment, job creation leading to enhanced GDP growth.

Currently, too many layers of taxes at various levels including GST, revenue share, multiple DOT, DOS charges and withholding tax, etc., has led to almost one third of the entrepreneurs actively looking at relocating out of India to reduce compliance and tax burdens. Countries like Singapore, Hong Kong and Malaysia offer a far more structured and rationalised tax structure than India and it makes more business sense for the entrepreneurs to shift base there.

There are several accelerator programmes run by the Government to promote the start-up ecosystem. India is the third largest start-up ecosystem in the

world after the US and China and this is one more chance for the segment to grab their chance at succeeding.

There are challenges ahead, there is no doubt. India has 140 incubators and accelerators compared to China and the US which have over 2,400 and 1,500 incubators and accelerators, respectively. There is an urgent need to simplify regulation around registrations, bankruptcy laws, grants, investments etc to get entrepreneurs back into the system.

ISRO and the Government have a crucial role to play in resolving the policy gaps and loopholes by assuring the star-tups and private sector of a lucrative market for their products and services. A large-scale market opportunity awaits the private players in the upstream sector to engage in the manufacturing design and development of high-tech spacecrafts and in proliferation of the satcom applications in downstream sector. Regulators and relevant authorities need to work closely with emerging start-ups to bring about much needed reforms and incentives that allow industry to operate locally for the country to benefit from their success.

Space is a global phenomenon and India must not allow itself to miss the opportunity to be at the top of this frontier. Policies must be harmonised with the global best practices. Developments and standards need to be on par with the rest of the world.

The industry has the wherewithal to grow and contribute significantly both in terms of technological development and GDP growth, thus becoming a true partner to the Government on India's journey towards space and beyond.

POINT COUNTERPOINT

I HAVE URGED THE HON'BLE L-G TO ALLOW CHHATH PUJA IN DELHI AS CORONA IS UNDER CONTROL NOW.
—DELHI CHIEF MINISTER
ARVIND KEJRIWAL



STUBBORNNESS YIELDED TO FAITH. DID YOU NOT KNOW IT WHILE PUTTING A BAN ON CHHATH PUJA, MR CHIEF MINISTER?
—BJP LEADER
MANOJ TIWARI

Climate negotiations need an innovative approach

Over the past several decades, key indicators of the climate system are changing at rates unprecedented in at least the last 2,000 years



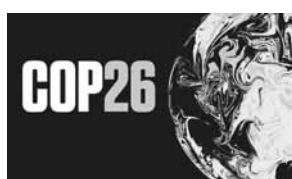
VK BAHUGUNA

The climate change negotiations are held periodically under the banner of United Nations Forum for Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) among participating countries through Conferences of Parties (CoP). The next CoP is the 26th and scheduled to be held in Glasgow in November. Former British Cabinet Minister Alok Sharma, chairperson for CoP 26, has exhorted the countries to agree for ambitious emission reduction targets that will lead to net zero emission by 2050. He had red-flagged the sixth report of Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report published in 2021. World leaders will arrive in Glasgow like a jamboree and with several thousand negotiators, Government and business

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representatives in tow for twelve days of talks.

One of the important features of this year's CoP will be taking stock of the Nationally Determined Contributions of the countries they were asked to bring after five years since the Paris agreement. One of the issues will be to see how the countries are going to fare in controlling the rise in atmospheric temperature to 1.5 degree Celsius. The participants in CoP 26 will have to agree to step-up phasing out coal, curtail deforestation, speed up the switch to electric vehicles and encourage investment in renewables. Apart from mobilising finances for climate change adaptations, it will be necessary to build warning systems and resilient infrastructure and agriculture



to avoid loss of homes, livelihoods and even lives.

The sixth report of IPCC indicates longer term changes in the Earth's climate. The report clearly proves that during 2015 to 2021 each subsequent year has been hotter than the previous one and 2021 is proving to be the sixth hottest year ever recorded. The report states that global warming has constantly increased during the previous four decades compared to the 80 years before. The report vividly describes the human activities responsible for this

rise in temperature and consequent climatic vagaries being noticed every year with increasing intensity resulting in acute hardship to the poor and disadvantaged sections of the world population.

It would be interesting to quote the sixth assessment report of the IPCC for larger public demonstration and stern warning to the policy makers. It says: "Observed changes in the atmosphere, oceans, cryosphere and biosphere provide unequivocal evidence of a world that has warmed. Over the past several decades, key indicators of the climate system are increasingly at levels unseen in centuries to millennia, and are changing at rates unprecedented in at least the last 2,000 years."

Specifically, global mean surface temperature has increased by 1.09 C between the pre-industrial baseline period 1850-1900 and the most recent decade of 2011-20. This was more likely than not the warmest in roughly 125,000 years. Similarly, the rainfall pattern will change to extremities in volume and intensity resulting in excessive rainfall within few days and then prolong draughts in all over the world. As for sea ice, between the decades of 1979-88 and 2010-19, the average monthly August-October Arctic sea ice area shrunk by around one quarter with a loss of around two million square kilometres of ice.

In a nutshell, this assessment of IPCC is a grim reminder for the world lead-

ers to have a time-bound action plan for the next five to 10 years to achieve the targets set by the Paris agreement for 2030. In this regard, the United States after returning to the negotiating table, must shoulder the responsibility to lead the developed world.

The negotiators must draw lessons from 'Carbix' a company co-founded by an Indian, Vinit Dighe, and J. Sammy in Quincy, Massachusetts, USA. They develop reactors to harness carbon dioxide from emission streams generated by waste to energy plants, geo-thermal plants, water desalination and natural gas plants. They target cement manufacturing which alone contribute to eight percent carbon emission. They use the emissions

to produce minerals like calcium carbonate and limestone while at the same time remaining carbon negative.

It is like catching the emissions and converting them into valuable minerals. There is a huge scope for a permanent carbon sequestration market. It would be appropriate if Environment Minister Bhupendra Yadav invites the Indian innovator who is breaking new ground on climate change innovation but also effectively control pollutants and use pollution as a raw material for mineral production.

China warns against ‘manipulation’ of WHO virus probe

Beijing: China's Foreign Ministry on Thursday warned against what it called possible "political manipulation" of a renewed probe by the World Health Organization into the origins of the coronavirus, while saying it would support the international body's efforts.

The WHO on Wednesday released a proposed list of 25 experts to advise it on next steps in the search for the

virus's origins after its earlier efforts were attacked for going too easy on China, where the first human cases were detected in late 2019.

Beijing was accused of withholding raw data on early cases during a visit by a WHO team in February and has since resisted calls for further investigation, saying the US and others were politicising the matter.

Foreign Ministry spokesper-

son Zhao Lijian said China would "continue to support and participate in global scientific tracing and firmly oppose any forms of political manipulation."

"We hope that all parties concerned, including the WHO secretariat and the advisory group, will effectively uphold an objective and responsible scientific attitude," Zhao told reporters at a daily

briefing.

The experts proposed by the UN health agency include some who were on the original team that went to the central Chinese city of Wuhan to investigate the origins of Covid-19.

The findings of the original WHO-led team were inconclusive, and the experts released a report concluding it was "extremely unlikely" that

the coronavirus leaked from a Wuhan lab, prompting criticism from outside scientists that the theory had not been properly vetted.

WHO Director-General Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus later acknowledged it had been "premature" to dismiss the lab theory.

Beijing has repeatedly questioned whether the virus did indeed originate in China,

and has called for investigations into US military laboratories without providing any solid evidence.

China has largely stamped out cases of local transmission of Covid-19 infections through mask wearing, quarantining and electronic case tracing, along with sometimes draconian measures including lockdowns and mandatory mass testing.

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US, Israel exploring ‘Plan B’ for Iran

Washington: The United States and Israel said on Wednesday they are exploring a "Plan B" for dealing with Iran if the Islamic Republic does not return in good faith to negotiations to salvage the languishing landmark 2015 nuclear deal.

Secretary of State Antony Blinken and Israeli Foreign Minister Yair Lapid said discussions between their two countries have begun on "other options" should Iran reject an offer to come back into compliance with the agreement if the U.S. rejoins it.

They did not elaborate on what those options might be, but there are a wide range of non-diplomatic options that could be considered, ranging from stepped up sanctions to covert or military actions. A Biden administration priority has been to revive the deal and abandoning that goal would be a blow to its foreign policy objectives.

The remarks were a rare acknowledgment by the U.S. that it is looking at what to do in the event diplomacy with Iran fails. Israel has never been

a party to the nuclear deal, which former President Donald Trump withdrew from in 2018, and its former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu was a vocal opponent of the agreement negotiated by the Obama administration.

Blinken and Lapid made the remarks at a joint news conference at the State Department with the foreign minister of the United Arab Emirates at which all three agreed to try to expand on the so-called "Abraham Accords," the Trump-era agreements that normalized relations between Israel and the UAE and other Arab States. Their comments came as Iran has hinted it's ready to return to indirect negotiations with the U.S. in Vienna but has not committed to a date. Iran has also continued to blow through limits on its nuclear activities that had been constrained by the deal.

Blinken reiterated that the window for Iran to return to the agreement is closing but again declined to give a date at which it would be too late. "Time is running short," he said.

At UN court, Armenia accuses Azerbaijan of ethnic hatred

The Hague: Armenia accused neighbouring Azerbaijan of systematically promoting ethnic hatred against Armenia citizens, as the two nations that fought a six-week war last year faced off at a UN court on Thursday.

Armenian representative Yeghishe Kirakosyan made the accusation as a hearing opened at the International Court of Justice into a request by Armenia for judges to impose urgent interim measures to prevent Azerbaijan breaching an international convention to stamp out ethnic discrimination.

The case stems from long-standing enmity that boiled over into last year's war over the disputed region of Nagorno-Karabakh that left more than 6,600 people dead. The region is within Azerbaijan but had been under the control of ethnic Armenian forces backed by Armenia since the end of a separatist war in 1994.

Kirakosyan said Armenia

wasn't asking the court to rule on the root causes of the war, but "seeks to prevent and remedy the cycle of violence and hatred perpetrated against ethnic Armenians."

Lawyers representing Azerbaijan were scheduled to address the court later Thursday.

Azerbaijan also has filed a similar case alleging discrimination against its citizens by Armenia and also has requested the world court to impose interim measures. Hearings in the Azerbaijan case are scheduled to start next Monday. Rulings on both requests will likely be issued in coming weeks.

Both nations' cases alleging breaches of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination will likely take years to reach their conclusion at the Hague-based court.

Last year's conflict ended

John Kerry says UN climate talks may miss target

Washington: Crucial UN climate talks next month likely will end short of the global target for cutting coal, gas and oil emissions, US climate envoy John Kerry says, after nearly a year of climate diplomacy that helped win deeper cuts from allies but has so far failed to move some of the world's biggest polluters to act fast enough.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Kerry credited the United States, the European Union, Japan and others that over the past year have pledged bigger, faster cuts in climate-wrecking fossil fuel emissions ahead of the talks in Glasgow, Scotland, under nudging from Kerry and the Biden administration.

He expressed hope enough nations would join in over the next couple of years. "By the time Glasgow's over, we're going to know who is doing their fair share, and who isn't," he said.

China launches its first solar exploration satellite

Beijing: China on Thursday sent its first solar exploration satellite into space from the Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center in northern Shanxi Province.

The satellite was launched aboard a Long March-2D rocket and entered its planned orbit successfully.

Ten small satellites including an orbital atmospheric density detection experimental satellite and a commercial meteorological detection constellation experimental satellite were also sent into space using the same carrier rocket, state-run Xinhua news agency reported. It was the 391st flight mission of the Long March carrier rocket series.

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China set to send 3 astronauts on longest crewed mission yet

AP ■ BEIJING

China is preparing to send three astronauts to live on its space station for six months — a new milestone for a program that has advanced rapidly in recent years.

It will be China's longest-ever crewed space mission and set a record for the most time spent in space by Chinese astronauts. The Shenzhou-13 spaceship is expected to be launched into space on a Long March-2F rocket early Saturday morning from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center on the edge of the Gobi Desert in northwestern China.

The first crew who served a 90-day mission aboard the main Tianhe core module of the space station returned in mid-September.

The new crew has two vet-

erans of space travel. Pilot Zhai Zhigang, 55, performed China's first spacewalk. Wang Yaping, 41 and the only woman on the mission, carried out experiments and led a science class in real-time while traveling on one of China's earlier experimental space stations. Ye Guangfu, 41, will be traveling into space for the first time.

The mission is expected to continue the work of the initial crew, who conducted two spacewalks, deployed a 10-meter (33-foot) mechanical arm, and held a video call with Chinese leader Xi Jinping.

China Manned Space Agency Deputy Director Lin Xiqiang said the rocket was fueled and ready to fly. "All systems conducting the Shenzhou-13 mission have undergone a comprehensive rehearsal. The flight crew is in good condition and our pre-launch preparations are in order," Lin said at a Thursday briefing.

The crew's scheduled activities include up to three spacewalks to install equipment in preparation for expanding the station, verifying living conditions in the module and conducting experiments in space medicine and other areas, Lin said.

Lanka Navy arrests 23 Indian fishermen

Colombo: The Sri Lankan Navy has arrested 23 Indian fishermen and seized two trawlers for allegedly poaching in the country's territorial waters, an official statement said on Thursday.

The Navy arrested the fishermen off the coast of Vettlaikeni in the northern province's point Pedro area.

"Taking into account the impact of foreign fishermen poaching in Sri Lankan waters on the local fishing community and the sustainability of fishery resources of Sri Lanka, the Navy is conducting regular patrols as well as operations to curb illegal fishing activities in island waters," the Navy said in a statement.

The operation also led to the seizure of fishing gear from those vessels, used for illegal fishing practise known as 'bottom trawling', and a stock of fish caught by the same fishing method. In March, the Navy seized five fishing vessels and 54 Indian nationals for poaching in Sri Lankan waters. The Navy said, due to the Covid, the seizure of foreign fishing vessels became limited and the arrestees were repatriated.

PTI

5 killed in Beirut during protest over judge in blast probe

Beirut: Lebanon's interior minister says five people have been killed in armed clashes in Beirut that erupted Thursday during protests against the lead investigator into last year's massive blast at the city's port.

Bassam Mawlawi told reporters Thursday that many of those injured were shot by snipers from buildings. He called the events, "a very dangerous sign." The protest was organized by the militant Shiite group Hezbollah and its ally, the Shiite Amal Movement.

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Syrian allies vow response to Israeli strike, also blame US

Damascus: Syria's defense ministry said on Thursday that one of its soldiers has been killed and three injured in an overnight Israeli airstrike on a telecommunication tower in the central province of Homs.

A military official said the strike shortly before midnight in the Palmyra region hit the tower and some posts around it. The official did not identify the targets further. Syrian air defenses were activated to respond to the incoming missiles, which the defense ministry said originated from the Tanf region in southeast Syria.

In a rare acknowledgment, their bases had been struck, Iran-backed groups in Syria vowed retaliation. The

groups said they will "have a harsh response" to the Israeli strikes in Palmyra.

The groups also blamed the United States for the strikes, which originated from Tanf, where the U.S. has a small outpost in the area that straddles the Baghdad-Damascus highway.

The groups said the strikes hit service and youth centers, causing a number of casualties, between dead and wounded.

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NORTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE
The Sr. Divisional Engineer/Cord, Northern Railway, DRM Office, Delhi Division, State Entry Road, New Delhi-110055, for and on behalf of the President of India invites sealed open electronic-tenders for the under noted works :-

S. No.	Name of work	Approximate Cost of work	Completion period	Date of opening
1.	Hiring of GPS Trackers for monitoring of track inspection/patrolling over Delhi division for a period of two years. (Cost is exclusive of GST)	Rs. 71,44,564.07/-	24 Months	09.11.2021

Note :- 1. The e-tender is to be submit through railway website '<http://ireps.gov.in>'. The tenders can be opened on website **Up to 15:00 hrs. on 09.11.2021** and shall be opened thereafter **After No. 128-W/SR.DEN/C/NIT No. 4/21-22/WD Cl. 14.10.2021** **2352/2021**

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Last page of original sale deed duly registered vide Registration No. 10,639, Book No. 1, Volume No. 3071, at Pages 37 to 47, Registered on 22.10.2007, in the office of Sub- Registrar VIII, New Delhi in respect of Property Bearing No. 179, Ground Floor, Jagriti Enclave, Delhi-110092 executed in favour of Smt. Meenu Jain belonging to Mr. Pawan Jain S/o Padam Chand Jain, R/o 29, Rishabh Vihar, Karkardooma, East Delhi-110092 got lost on 15.09.2021. NCR has been lodged vide LR no. 766769/2021, in Crime Branch, Delhi dated 29.09.2021. Whosoever finds the same within 07 days from the date of publication shall communicate to Mr. Pawan Jain S/o Padam Chand Jain R/o 29, Rishabh Vihar, Karkardooma, East Delhi-110092. Contact no. : 9810200459.

ICICI Bank
Branch Office: ICICI Bank Limited, 3 rd Floor Shal Tower, New Rohtak Road, Karol Bagh. Delhi- 110005
PUBLIC NOTICE - TENDER CUM AUCTION FOR SALE OF SECURED ASSET
[See proviso to rule 8(6)]
Notice for sale of immovable assets
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immoveable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.
Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the Physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of ICICI Bank Ltd. will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" as per the brief particulars given hereunder;

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower(s) /Co-Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Loan Account No.	Details of the Secured asset(s) with known encumbrances, if any	Amount Outstanding	Reserve Price Earnest Money Deposit	Date and Time of Property Inspection	Date & Time of Auction
(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
1.	Somya Jain (Borrower) LBNOD00002007549	C-3/125, Tower- C3, 12th Floor, Aravali Heights, Sector 24, Dharuhera, Rewari, Area-1555 Sq. Ft.	Rs. 69,70,108/- as on October 5, 2021.	Rs. 36,00,000/- Rs. 3,60,000/-	October 22 2021 From 12 Noon to 3.00 PM	November 08, 2021 From 11. 00 AM Onwards
2.	Dharmendra Kumar (Borrower) Sumita Singh (Co Borrowers) LBNOD00002029333	C-4/121, Tower- 12th Floor, Aravali Heights, Sector 24, Dharuhera, Rewari, Area- 1548 sq. Ft.	Rs. 66,83,838/- as on October 5, 2021.	Rs.25,00,000/- Rs.2,50,000/-	October 22 2021 From 12 Noon to 3.00 PM	November 08, 2021 From 11.30 AM Onwards
3.	Dharmendra Kumar (Borrower) / Sumita Singh (Co Borrowers) LBNOD00002030018	D-5/134, Tower - D5, 13th Floor, Aravali Heights, Sector 24, Dharuhera, Rewari, Area - 1207 sq. Ft.	Rs. 59,76,138/- as on October 5, 2021.	Rs.28,00,000/- Rs.2,80,000/-	October 22, 2021 From 12 Noon to 3.00 PM	November 08, 2021 From 12:00 Noon Onwards
4.	Mange Ram Jain (Borrower) / Anamika Jain (Co Borrowers) LBNOD00002011506	D-2/134, Tower- D2, 13th Floor, Aravali Heights, Sector 24, Dharuhera, Rewari, Area-1207 Sq. Ft	Rs. 53,16,335/- as on October 5, 2021.	Rs.19,00,000/- Rs.1,90,000/-	October 22, 2021 From 12 Noon to 3.00 PM	November 08, 2021 From 12:30 PM Onwards
5.	Mange Ram Jain (Borrower) /Anamika Jain (Co Borrowers) LBNOD00002029715	D-2/131, Tower - D2, 13th Floor, Aravali Heights, Sector 24, Dharuhera, Rewari, Area- 1207 Sq. Ft.	Rs. 51,81,418/- as on October 5, 2021.	Rs.28,00,000/- Rs.2,80,000/-	October 22, 2021 From 12 Noon to 3.00 PM	November 08, 2021 From 12-30 PM Onwards

The online auction will be conducted on website (URL Link-<https://disposalhub.com/>) of our auction agency **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited**. The Mortgagors/ noticee are given a last chance to pay the total dues with further interest till **November 06, 2021 before 05:00 P.M.** else these secured assets will be sold as per above schedule.

The Prospective Bidder(s) must submit the Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) Demand Draft (DD) (Refer Column E) at **ICICI Bank Limited, 3rd Floor Shal Tower, New Rohtak Road, Karol bagh Delhi-110005**, and thereafter they need to submit their offer through the above mentioned website only on or before **November 06, 2021 before 05:00 P.M** along with scan image of Bank acknowledged DD towards proof of payment of EMD. Kindly note, in case prospective bidder(s) are unable to submit their offer through the website then signed copy of tender documents may be submitted at **ICICI Bank Limited, 3rd Floor Shal Tower, New Rohtak Road, Karol bagh Delhi-110005** on or before **November 06, 2021 before 05:00 P.M.** Earnest Money Deposit DD/PO should be from a Nationalized/ Scheduled Bank in favour of "**ICICI Bank Limited**" payable at Delhi For any further clarifications with regards to inspection, terms and conditions of the auction or submission of tenders, kindly contact **ICICI Bank Limited on 8657476284** or **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited on 9710029933/ 9810029926/ 01244233933**

Please note that Marketing agencies 1. **M/s NexXen Solutions Private Limited**. 2. **Augeo Asset Management Pvt Ltd.** have also been engaged for facilitating the sale of this property.

Date: October 14, 2021
Place: Delhi/ NCR
Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

WESTERN RAILWAY
CORRIGENDUM NO. 3 TO TENDERS NOTICE NO. WTR/17/2021/08 DT.30.08.2021

Tender No.	Item description
WTR/17/2021/6017	6.2 mm thick CGRSP to RDSO drg. T-6618
WTR/17/2021/6018	CMS Crossing 1 in 12, 52 Kg. to RDSO drg T-4734
WTR/17/2021/6019	CMS Crossing 60 Kg. 1 in 8.5 to RDSO drg T-4967
WTR/17/2021/6020	CMS Crossing 52 Kg.1 in 8.5 to RDSO drg T-4867
WTR/17/2021/6022	6.2 mm thickCGRSP to RDSO drg. T-8327
Item to be modified	Tender document Section- B
From	Existing
To	Revised Section-B Para-14.9 - Statutory Variation,16.1 & 16.2 -(Other Taxes/Duties)

Note: Above corrigendum uploaded on website www.ireps.gov.in
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CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866
Website: www.ujvn.com
पत्रांक: 758 **e-Tender Notice (NCB)** दिनांक: 13.10.2021
Office of the Executive Engineer (E&M), Asan Barrage, Jal Shakti Bhawan, Dhakrani, Dehradun invites online bid from interested parties. Brief summary of tender is given below:
1. Tender No. :- NCB/04/EE (E&M)/Asan : Barrage/2021-22 Upgradation of SCADA system
2. Tender No. :- NCB/05/EE (E&M)/Asan Barrage/2021-22 : Protective coating on spillway gates & HR gates
Estimated cost: Rs. 13.07 Lakh +GST & 159.43 Lakh +GST respectively
Date of availability of bid document on website: 16.10.2021
Last date for submission of bids on website: 17.11.2021 upto 1700 Hrs
For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal "<https://uktenders.gov.in>" **Executive Engineer (E&M)**
"Avoid wasteful use of Electricity"

APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION


General public is hereby informed that an unidentified dead body of male **Age: Approx 45 years, Complexion: Wheatish, Height: 5'4", Built: Normal, was wearing Light Blue colour Shirt and Dark Blue colour Pant, ID Mark: Mole at face**, was found in DDU Complex, Hari Nagar, Delhi. In this regard a **DD No. 37A, dated 11.09.2021, has been registered at P.S. Hari Nagar, Delhi.** Any person having any information or clue about the deceased may kindly inform to the undersigned on the following address or telephone nos.

SHO
P.S. Hari Nagar, Delhi
DP/586/WD/2021 Ph.: 011-28125719, 8750871128

SOUTH EAST CENTRAL RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE FOR ENGINEERING WORK
Sri. No. (1) E-Tender No. DRM-ENGG-BSP-T-108-21-22. Date : 06.10.2021
Work : Provision of bituminous road from BK-52 to Bridge No. 87 between NIQ-JTI. Toilet with water supply in CSM/ Sm's panel room at BHTK, Cover shed over LHS at BK-11 in KLTR - KGB section and one room with attached toilet for lady RPF staff in PND under the jurisdiction of ADEN/ Pendra of Bilaspur Division.
Tender Value : ₹ 1,44,93,501.91/-
Completion Period : 12 Months.
Sri. No. (2) E-Tender No. DRM-ENGG-BSP-T-109-21-22. Date : 06.10.2021
Work : Creation of siding facilities for working of heavy duty rail Grinding Machine (RGM) at Khongsara and Harri stations and Provision of RCC drain in yards under the jurisdiction of ADEN/ Pendra of Bilaspur division.
Tender Value : ₹ 2,62,62,886.29/-
Completion Period : 12 Months.
Sri. No. (3) E-Tender No. DRM-ENGG-BSP-T-110-21-22. Date : 06.10.2021
Work : Provision of Bridge protection work of bridge no. 45 (5x40' UP and 3x40' ARCH DN) at km 792/3-9 between Khongsara - Bhanwartank station under the jurisdiction of ADEN/ Pendra of Bilaspur Division.
Tender Value : ₹ 1,68,61,708.79/-
Completion Period : 12 Months.
Start Date of Submission of Tender: From 11.00 hours. on **01-11-2021. Last Date of Submission of Tender:** Upto 11.00 hours. on **15-11-2021.**
The complete information of above e-Tender Notices is available over website <https://www.ireps.gov.in>. Bids other than e-bids shall not be accepted against above Tenders.
Divl. Railway Manager (Engg.)
CPR/10/205 S.E.C. Railway, Bilaspur.
[Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/SoutheastCentralRailway) [Twitter](https://www.twitter.com/seccrail)

SEARCH FOR MISSING


General Public is hereby informed that one person namely **Kishan Mishra S/o Ashok Mishra, R/o H. No. 2088/1-D, Gali No. 19, Prem Nagar, Anand Parbat, Delhi** has been missing since 05.10.2021 at 11:30 AM from his house. In this regard a case vides **DD No. 02-A** dated **06.10.2021** has been Lodged at PS. Anand Parbat, Delhi.

The description of missing person is as under : **Age :** 27 yrs., **Built:** Medium, **Height :** 5'6", **Face :** Long, **Complexion :** Fair, **Wearing :** Yellow colour T-Shirt and light blue colour pant, black shoes in feet and not mentally fit.

If anyone having any clue/information, kindly inform to the following:-
SHO
P.S., Anand Parbat, Delhi
Ph : 011-28762468
28764807

SEARCH FOR MISSING PERSON


General public is hereby informed that this person **Namely:** Dharampal, **S/o Lal Mai, R/o H. No. 1757, Gali Khatikan, Himmat Garh, Delhi, Age: 40 Years, Height: 5'2", Face: Long, Built: thin, Complexion: Fair Wearing:** White Shirt, Black Pant and Plastic slippers in his feet, has been missing since 29.08.2021 from the area of P.S. Hauz Qazi, Delhi.

In this regard a DD No.83A, dated 29.09.2021 has been lodged at P.S. Hauz Qazi, 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
Website: <http://cbi.nic.in>
Fax: 011-24368639
Ph: 011-24368638, 24368641

SHO
PS. Hauz Qazi, Delhi
Ph. 011-23210414, 23212482
DP/1024/CD/2021

CHANDANI CHOWK KI MOONG DAL KACHORI

WHAT YOU NEED

For the kachori:

- Whole wheat flour: 30 gm
- Jowar atta: 30 gm
- Salt as per taste
- Baking soda: ¼ tsp
- Oleev's olive pomace oil: 1.5 tsp

For the filling:

- Yellow moong dal: 30 gm
- Ginger: 1-inch clove
- Green chili: 1
- Pinch of asafoetida
- Coriander powder: 1 tsp
- Cumin powder: ½ tsp
- Red chili powder: ½ tsp
- Fennel seeds: ¼ tsp
- Lime juice: 1 tsp
- Salt as per taste

METHOD

For the kachori's dough:

- Sieve whole wheat flour, jowar atta, salt, baking soda and add the Oleev's olive pomace oil.
- Knead into a soft dough using water as desired and keep it aside covered with muslin cloth.



CHANGE OF NAME

I, Sucheta Dahiya wife of Pankaj and mother of POROS KHARB resident of H.No.-534, Gali No.-06, Ram Gopal Colony, Rohtak have changed my minor son name from POROS KHARB to ANGAD

PD(9092)C



For the filling:

- Soak the moong dal for about an hour. Drain and coarsely grind along with ginger and green chili.
- Heat some oil in a pan and add coarse dal, ginger,

chili, asafoetida, coriander powder, cumin seeds, red chili powder and fennel seeds.

- Cook until the moisture has dried up, add lemon juice and mix well.
- Roll out small puris of dough and stuff moong dal filling and flatten slightly using palms.
- Bake/air fry the prepared kachoris and serve hot with mint chutney.

Courtesy: Nutritionist Nnami Agarwal

सार्वजनिक सूचना
जब साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि "Sunder Kumar S/o Late Sh. Banarsi Das, 2539/142 Street No. 31, Kot Mangal Singh Luchiana declare that Transfer Deed Regd. Vaska No. 1649 D/ 06.07.2009 Sub Registrar Kharar Distt. SAS Nagar Property Measuring 4-1/2 MLS Situated at Village Desu Majra, Tehsil Kharar, Distt. SAS Nagar (Mohali) Transfer From Mani Singh of infavour of Kuldip Singh has been lost on dt. 06.10.2021 has been lost if anybody found so contact 9815388400

PUBLIC NOTICE
I Subham S/o Harsarop R/o Village Dhakwala Rodan Tehsil and Distt Karnal declared a registry Vaska no. 2549/1 dated 04.07.2000 (Veena Ahuja ch W/o Sriram Ahuja) and 2586/1 dated 05.07.2000 (Ashok Rana S/o Narayan Singh) and original allotment letter (Dated 28.07.1986) named (Veena Ahuja W/o Sriram Ahuja) that both registries and original allotment latter are lost in district court Karnal on dated 08.10.2021. A DDR NO.132310532107118 also registered at police station karnal civil lines. If found those documents I will not misuse above said documents.

PUBLIC NOTICE
It is notified for the information of the General Public and all concerned with the Property No. 2118 UG Sector-3, Housing Board Colony at Kurukshetra, which is in the name of Sh. Ravinder Mohan Datta S/o Sh. Brij Mohan Datta, R/o H.No. 2118, Sector-3, Housing Board Colony Kurukshetra as per Conveyance Deed JMD No. 5507 Page No. 13 dated 18.12.2008. It has been recorded by applicant that Sh. Ravinder Mohan Datta S/o Sh. Brij Mohan Datta, who was the owner of this property, has been expired on dt. 13.10.2018 and Smt. Mohini Bala W/o Late Ravinder Mohan Datta, has been transferred said property in her name on the basis of intestate death of Late Sh. Ravinder Mohan Datta S/o Sh. Brij Mohan Datta. R/o H.No. 2118, Sector-3, Housing Board Colony Kurukshetra. If anybody, has any objection for the transfer of the said Property in favour of the applicants, they may furnish their objection in the office of the undersigned within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which this Property, shall be transferred accordingly and no further claim whatsoever shall be entertained later on.

Estate Manager, Housing Board Haryana, Kurukshetra

Field General Manager

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Circle Office - Capri Global Capital Limited 2nd Floor, 38 Pusa Road Rajendra Place, New Delhi-110005

APPENDIX IV POSSESSION NOTICE (for immovable property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of Capri Global Capital Limited (CGCL) under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, Demand Notice(s) issued by the Authorised Officer of the company to the Borrower(s) / Guarantor(s) mentioned herein below to repay the amount mentioned in the notice within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice. The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrower(s)/Guarantor(s) and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of the Section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement rules, 2002. The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets. The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of CGCL for an amount as mentioned herein under with interest thereon.

S. Name of the Borrower(s) / N. Guarantor(s)

Description of Secured Asset (Immovable Property)

Demand Notice Date & Amount

Date of Possession

1. (Loan Account No. LNMEAMB000031108 of our Ambala Branch)

All, Piece and Parcel of Land admeasuring 254 Sq Yds, Village Tyotra/243, as per Jamabandi No. 225, Khatooni No. 337-3407, kitta 35, situated at Ayat No. 17, khasra No. 5 Min, Shahabad Markanda, Kurukshetra, Haryana Alongwith Construction Thereon Present And Future Both.

Rs. 21,54,892/-

Om Prakash, Kusum (Co-Borrower)

Place : Kurukshetra Date : 15-10-2021

Sd/- (Authorised Officer) For Capri Global Capital Limited (CGCL).

Public Notice

It is informed to General Public that Sultian Singh S/o Badan Singh R/o Rohtak is owner of the property i.e. Plot measuring 45Sq. Sq. Yards Situated at Dary Mohalla Rohtak. In chain of Title One of the Original Sale deed 5217 dated 14-09-1998 in favour of Hari Ram S/o Mangla Ram had been lost. If anybody has any Objection then files Replies along with the proof of ownership with in 7 Days before the undersigned After Lapsation of Stipulated period no Claim will be accepted regarding the above said Property Vipul Kapoor, Advocate Chamber no. 246 Distt. Court Rohtak. Mobile 9896205220.

Vipul Kapoor, Advocate

नगर निगम, रोहतक

सर्व साधारण को सूचित किया जाता है कि नगर निगम, रोहतक को कर शाखा के सम्पत्तिक के रिकॉर्ड में प्रपर्टी आर्वाइव नं. 73C114U80 बाई नं. 14 श्री श्रीमती Manjeet Kaur and Gurnam Singh के नाम से दर्ज है, अब नगर निगम के रिकॉर्ड में इस आर्वाइव नं. में प्रपर्टी हिसका नाम श्री श्रीमती Gurnam Singh S/o Sunder Singh अपने नाम तब्दील करवाना चाहते हैं, यदि किसी भी अनसमझा को इंगे नाम तब्दील करने में कोई भी आपत्ति है तो 30 दिन के अन्दर-अन्दर नगर निगम कार्यालय में अपनी आपत्ति दर्ज करवाये, अन्यथा यह सार्वजनिक उसके नाम तब्दील कर दी जायेगी। निस्विके लिए नगर निगम, रोहतक को उन्सदायी नहीं होगा।

क्रमांक: MCR/ZTO/908, दिनांक-12-10-2021

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given in the public interest that Pardeep Singh S/o Rajinder Singh resident of Village Doodhcheri, Tehsil Morinda, Distt. Ropar Kharsa No. 301/242, 25 Village Doodhcheri applied for retail outlet. As per the instructions of Punjab Government Notification No. 12/23/2019-3BR3/1402253 dated 24.01.2019, relaxation of the rules has been sought for this pump. According to the instructions, if no objection is received by the public after the public notice which has validity of 45 days, then the rules may be exempted by the higher authorities of the department. If anyone wants to file an objection, within 45 days, he or she can send request letter to the Executive Engineer, Const. Divn. No. 1, PWD B&R Br. SAS Nagar either in writing or through e-mail-pwdmohalici@gmail.com or submit a complaint online at https://www.pwdpunjab.gov.in.

Sr.No. Item

1. Name of the person who is desiring to give comments

2. Address of the person

3. Details of the application for access permission against which comments are being given (name of applicant and other details like site address etc.)

(a) Application No.

(b) Name of Applicant (who applied to access permission)

(c) Details of Application

4. Whether the specific permission, if given, shall cause any damage to Highways? If yes, please give details.

5. Whether specific permission, if given, shall adversely affect safety and convenience of the traffic on the Highways? If yes, please give the details.

6. Whether specific permission, if given, shall adversely affect hygiene or cause nuisance and pollution on the Highways? If yes, please give the details.

Sd/- Executive Engineer Const. Divn. No. 1, PWD B&R Br. SAS Nagar

Chandigarh Housing Board

A CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION UNDERTAKING

8, Jan Marg, Sector 9-D, Chandigarh, Ph: 0172 - 4601826

PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject- Transfer/Mutation of Allotment/ Registration of D.U.No. 262-2 Category HIG(L) in Sector 45-A, Chandigarh in the name of Smt. Ranjana Singh W/o Late Sh. Ajit Singh on the basis on Registered WILL of allottee/ transferee Sh. Ajit Singh S/o Sh. Bachan Singh.

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Public Notice



FIANS ■ DUBAI

MS Dhoni's experienced Chennai Super Kings will lock horns with resurgent Kolkata Knight Riders, led by Eoin Morgan, in the high-octane grand finale of IPL 2021 at Dubai International Stadium, here on Friday.

It will be a record ninth final appearance in 12 editions for Chennai, who have won three titles in 2010, 2011, and 2018 while KKR, who have won the trophy in 2012 and 2014 under the captaincy of Gautam Gambhir, will play their third final. It will also be a repeat of the 2012 IPL final, where both teams faced each other.

CSK beat Delhi Capitals by four wickets in Qualifier 1 in Dubai and became the first team to reach IPL 2021 final and Kolkata also defeated the same team by three wickets in Qualifier 2 on Wednesday to set up the blockbuster final showdown against MS Dhoni's team.

The summit clash on Friday will also be a battle between the two best white-ball captains MS Dhoni and Eoin Morgan, who might be short of runs but have been smart in their tactics on the field.

The final showdown!

HEAD TO HEAD (CSK VS KKR)

Matches:	24	◆ Beat Sunrisers Hyderabad by 6 wickets at Sharjah
Chennai Super Kings won:	16	◆ Lost to Rajasthan Royals by 7 wickets at Abu Dhabi
Kolkata Knight Riders won:	8	◆ Lost to Delhi Capitals by 3 wickets at Dubai

THIS SEASON'S MATCHES

- ◆ Chennai Super Kings beat Kolkata Knight Riders by 18 runs at Mumbai
- ◆ Chennai Super Kings beat Kolkata Knight Riders by 2 wickets at Abu Dhabi

FOR THE RECORD

- ◆ Kolkata Knight Riders never loss a final match in IPL. They reached finals on two previous occasions, and won the title both times. They beat Chennai Super Kings in the final in 2012 and defeated Punjab Kings in the 2014 final.
- ◆ Chennai Super Kings have won three times in eight previous finals. Their last title came in 2018.
- ◆ Chennai Super Kings have won four and lost one in last five matches played against Kolkata Knight Riders.

ROAD TO THE FINAL: CHENNAI SUPER KINGS:

- ◆ Lost to Delhi Capitals by 7 wickets at Mumbai
- ◆ Beat Punjab Kings by 6 wickets at Mumbai
- ◆ Beat Rajasthan Royals by 45 runs at Mumbai
- ◆ Beat Kolkata Knight Riders by 18 runs at Mumbai
- ◆ Beat Royal Challengers Bangalore by 69 runs at Mumbai
- ◆ Beat Sunrisers Hyderabad by 7 wickets at Delhi
- ◆ Lost to Mumbai Indians by 4 wickets at Delhi
- ◆ Beat Mumbai Indians by 20 runs at Dubai
- ◆ Beat Royal Challengers Bangalore by 6 wickets at Sharjah
- ◆ Beat Kolkata Knight Riders by 2 wickets at Abu Dhabi

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- ◆ Lost to Delhi Capitals by 3 wickets at Dubai
- ◆ Lost to Punjab Kings by 6 wickets at Dubai
- ◆ Beat Delhi Capitals by 4 wickets at Dubai (Qualifier 1)

KOLKATA KNIGHT RIDERS

- ◆ Beat Sunrisers Hyderabad by 10 runs at Chennai
- ◆ Lost to Mumbai Indians by 10 runs at Chennai
- ◆ Lost to Royal Challengers Bangalore by 38 runs at Chennai
- ◆ Lost to Chennai Super Kings by 18 runs at Mumbai
- ◆ Lost to Rajasthan Royals by 6 wickets at Mumbai
- ◆ Beat Punjab Kings by 5 wickets at Ahmedabad
- ◆ Lost to Delhi Capitals by 7 wickets at Ahmedabad
- ◆ Beat Royal Challengers Bangalore by 9 wickets at Abu Dhabi
- ◆ Beat Mumbai Indians by 7 wickets at Abu Dhabi
- ◆ Lost to Chennai Super Kings by 2 wickets at Abu Dhabi
- ◆ Beat Delhi Capitals by 3 wickets at Sharjah
- ◆ Lost to Punjab Kings by 5 wickets at Dubai
- ◆ Beat Sunrisers Hyderabad by 6 wickets at Dubai
- ◆ Beat Rajasthan Royals by 86 runs at Sharjah
- ◆ Beat Royal Challengers Bangalore by 4 wickets at Sharjah (Eliminator)
- ◆ Beat Delhi Capitals by 3 wickets at Sharjah (Qualifier 2)

FAISEL FEATURES


Openers Faf du Plessis and Ruturaj Gaikwad along with Moeen Ali, Ravindra Jadeja have done exceedingly well with the bat

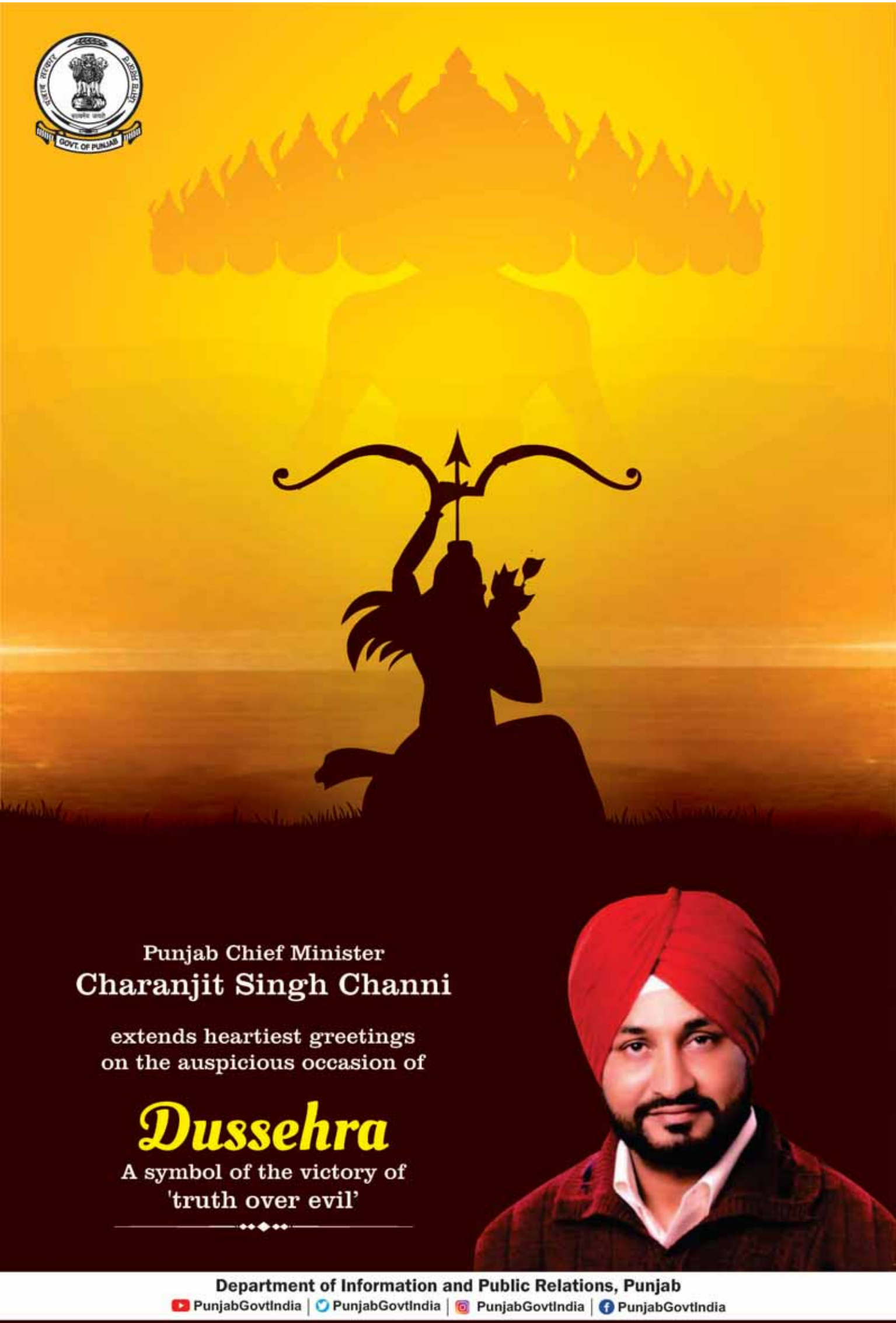
Narine, can decide the outcome of the final.

However, the final match will be played on a better pitch in Dubai in comparison to a slow and

sluggish tack of Sharjah. And the likes of Ambati Rayudu, Robin Uthappa and MS dhoni in middle overs can heave a sigh of relief.

AXIS BANK LIMITED						
PUBLIC NOTICE FOR E-AUCTION OF PLEDGED ASSETS BEING GOLD ORNAMENTS						
THE BORROWERS, IN SPECIFIC AND THE PUBLIC IN GENERAL ARE HERE BY NOTIFIED THAT PUBLIC AUCTION OF THE GOLD ORNAMENTS PLEDGE IN THE BELOW ACCOUNTS IS PROPOSED TO BE CONDUCTED BY THE AXIS BANK AT THE BELOW MENTIONED BRANCH. THE BELOW MENTIONED BORROWERS HAS AVAILED THE CREDIT FACILITY FROM THE AXIS BANK LIMITED AGAINST THE PLEDGE OF GOLD ORNAMENTS ("GOLD LOAN FACILITY") IN FAVOUR OF THE BANK TOWARDS THE SECURITY. THE DEMAND NOTICES WERE ISSUED TO THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS CALLING UP THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS TO PAY THEIR OUTSTANDING AMOUNT TOWARDS THE GOLD LOAN FACILITY AVAILED, AS THE BORROWERS/GUARANTORS HAVE FAILED TO REPLY THE OUTSTANDING LOAN AMOUNT, THE BANK IS CONSTRAINED TO INVOKE THE PLEDGE AND PROPOSED TO CONDUCT AN E-AUCTION SALE OF PLEDGED GOLD ORNAMENTS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED IN SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY HEREUNDER ON 25.10.2021 AT 12.30 PM TO 3.30 PM ON "AS IN WHERE IS", "AS IS WHAT IS", "WHATEVER THERE IS" AND "NO RECOURSE BASIS". DETAILS OF BORROWERS AND OUTSTANDING AMOUNT						
SR. NO.	BRANCH NAME	CUSTOMER NAME	LOAN A/C NO.	AMOUNT OUTSTANDING	DATE OF RECALL	GROSS WEIGHT
BRANCH NAME: ADDADAKHA [PB]						
1.	ADDADAKHA [PB]	RAJ KUMAR	921060051795452	41324	25-Jun-21	13.8
BRANCH NAME: AHMEDGARH SRR PB						
2.	AHMEDGARH SRR PB	KIRANDEEP KAUR	919060045557823	131985	27-Oct-20	NO GDR
3.	AHMEDGARH SRR PB	SHAMSHAD KHAN	921060051406299	69174	25-Jun-21	20.31
BRANCH NAME: AMRITSAR [PB]						
4.	AMRITSAR [PB]	SONALI KHANNA	920060050526997	901955	16-Apr-21	289.4
5.	AMRITSAR [PB]	MANDIP SINGH	920060049922359	413713	30-Apr-21	141.5
6.	AMRITSAR [PB]	GURINDER SINGH	920060052663685	204457	26-Jul-21	66.6
7.	AMRITSAR [PB]	PRINCEPAL SINGH	920060045991409	156000	22-Jun-21	42.1
8.	AMRITSAR [PB]	MANDIP SINGH	920060049917658	153527	30-Apr-21	51.4
9.	AMRITSAR [PB]	PRINCEPAL SINGH	920060051826599	74736	22-Jun-21	10
10.	AMRITSAR [PB]	JAGJIVAN SINGH	920060051921065	181106	16-Sep-21	55.4
BRANCH NAME: BAGRIAN KAP PB						
11.	BAGRIAN KAP PB	MANPREET SINGH	920060036166513	244119	Recall Linked NPA-27-Jul-21	108.9
BRANCH NAME: BANGA [PB]						
12.	BANGA [PB]	SUMAN BALA W/O NIRMALJIT	918060089709546	144885	26-Nov-19	50
13.	BANGA [PB]	SUMAN BALA W/O NIRMALJIT	918060110572325	67606	28-Jan-20	21.28
BRANCH NAME: BATHINDA [PB]						
14.	BATHINDA [PB]	GURPREET KAUR PANNU	920060008705650	159128	7-Jun-21	76.7
15.	BATHINDA [PB]	BAJ SINGH	920060050073101	153531	20-May-21	53
16.	BATHINDA [PB]	ASHISH JOSHI	920060050515564	127634	22-Jun-21	26
17.	BATHINDA [PB]	KASHMIR SINGH	920060016994134	52414	11-Jun-21	25.2
18.	BATHINDA [PB]	GULZAR KHAN	920060050073499	156702	27-Nov-20	54.7
19.	BATHINDA [PB]	VINAY KUMAR	920060052564999	84628	25-Mar-21	26.4
20.	BATHINDA [PB]	HARPREET KAUR	920060053774148	76381	25-Mar-21	26.8
BRANCH NAME: BIKHIWIND [PB]						
21.	BIKHIWIND [PB]	AMARJEET KAUR	919060077905294	106209	2-Dec-20	53
BRANCH NAME: DERABASSI [PB]						
22.	DERABASSI [PB]	KIRAN BALA	919060010133463	93415	27-Oct-20	NO GDR
23.	DERABASSI [PB]	MAIKAL KUMAR	918060110319748	96061	26-Jan-20	22.7
24.	DERABASSI [PB]	MEWA SINGH	918060096709739	92268	26-Nov-19	20.95
BRANCH NAME: DEVGARH [PB]						
25.	DEVGARH [PB]	BHUPINDER SINGH S/O MOHAN SINGH	920060052405544	107400	7-Jun-21	35.2
26.	DEVGARH [PB]	GURBINDER SINGH	920060008945997	62500	Recall Linked NPA-6-Apr-21	29.7
BRANCH NAME: FATEGARH CHURIAN [PB]						
27.	FATEGARH CHURIAN [PB]	PREM KUMAR	921060052116034	50545	25-Jun-21	14.9
28.	FATEGARH CHURIAN [PB]	LAKHBIR SINGH	919060071271175	48554	2-Dec-20	24.43
BRANCH NAME: GEHRI MANDI [PB]						
29.	GEHRI MANDI [PB]	PANKAJ SETH	919060067128779	245202	2-Dec-20	186.1
BRANCH NAME: JALALABAD JLB PB						
30.	JALALABAD JLB PB	SHIMLA RANI	919060032403238	199688	28-Sep-20	95.7
31.	JALALABAD JLB PB	DINESH KUMAR	920060011215805	91261	Recall Linked NPA-6-Apr-21	45.7
32.	JALALABAD JLB PB	HARJINDER SINGH	918060067722125	93360	25-Nov-19	18.9
33.	JALANDHAR [PB]	ANUREET KAUR BHAMRA	920060050302221	1519327	22-Jun-21	49.8
34.	JALANDHAR [PB]	AMIT GOYAL	921060053757427	769719	22-Jun-21	154.1
35.	JALANDHAR [PB]	GURDEV SINGH	921060050109454	84167	11-Jun-21	26.6
36.	JALANDHAR [PB]	PARAMJIT KAUR	920060049840079	56254	7-May-21	32
BRANCH NAME: JHABAL KALAN [PB]						
37.	JHABAL KALAN [PB]	TAJINDER PAL SINGH	920060037588402	125962	16-Sep-21	66.8
38.	JHABAL KALAN [PB]	MANDEEP SINGH	919060068187526	72108	2-Dec-20	67.7
BRANCH NAME: KAPURTHALA [PB]						
39.	KAPURTHALA [PB]	JAGDIP SINGH	919060052813660	58086	28-Sep-20	25.8
BRANCH NAME: LUDHIANA [PB]						
40.	LUDHIANA [PB]	VIKAS SYAL	920060052400824	350024	22-Jun-21	24
41.	LUDHIANA [PB]	VIKAS KUMAR GARG	920060048404317	203360	12-Aug-21	49.7
42.	LUDHIANA [PB]	VIKAS KUMAR GARG	920060048413081	157895	12-Aug-21	24.6
43.	LUDHIANA [PB]	VIKAS KUMAR GARG	920060049667159	152266	2-Dec-20	55.8
44.	LUDHIANA [PB]	PARDEEP KUMAR	920060050937335	205532	22-Jun-21	10.9
45.	LUDHIANA [PB]	AMIT	921060053814803	88307	22-Jun-21	26.5
46.	LUDHIANA [PB]	MANBIR SINGH	921060050864768	70944	22-Jun-21	10.7
47.	LUDHIANA [PB]	ANIBHA KUMARI	920060054160465	60218	30-Apr-21	21.6
BRANCH NAME: MAKHU FZR PB						
48.	MAKHU FZR PB	SUKHWANT SINGH	921060051785659	68459	25-Jun-21	11.6
BRANCH NAME: MALERKOTLA [PB]						
49.	MALERKOTLA [PB]	JAGTAR SINGH S/O SURJIT SINGH	920060049757469	252406	25-Mar-21	88.5
50.	MALERKOTLA [PB]	VEERPAL KAUR	920060050314923	66655	12-Aug-21	22.1
51.	MALERKOTLA [PB]	KARAMJIT KAUR	920060050997278	170150	22-Jun-21	38.8
52.	MALERKOTLA [PB]	BAGG MOHAMMAD	920060051175343	70570	26-Dec-20	24.1
BRANCH NAME: MOGA [PB]						
53.	MOGA [PB]	LAKHWINDER SINGH S/O GHULLA SINGH	920060050861119	151868	15-Mar-21	46.9
BRANCH NAME: MUKTSAR [PB]						
54.	MUKTSAR [PB]	GURBAJ SINGH S/O SURINDER SINGH	919060039202940	282851	27-Oct-20	136.5
BRANCH NAME: NANGAL NNG PB						
55.	NANGAL NNG PB	ASHOK KUMAR	919060056318134	61753	28-Sep-20	17.8
BRANCH NAME: MUNDIAN KALAN, LUDHIANA [PB]						
56.	MUNDIAN KALAN, LUDHIANA [PB]	PANKAJ KUMAR JHA	919060059209183	110623	28-Sep-20	36.2
BRANCH NAME: NABHA [PB]						
57.	NABHA [PB]	BALDEV SINGH	919060094606565	195133	21-Jan-21	19.9
BRANCH NAME: PATHANKOT [PB]						
58.	PATHANKOT [PB]	ASHWANI KUMAR	920060050325017	270874	2-Dec-20	13.7
BRANCH NAME: PATIALA [PB]						
59.	PATIALA [PB]	SHASHI KANT	920060049088747	65477	25-Mar-21	22.3
60.	PATIALA [PB]	SHASHI KANT	920060032230056	33678	30-Apr-21	12.3
BRANCH NAME: PATRAN PIA PB						
61.	PATRAN PIA PB	SATWINDER SINGH	920060053088476	99000	Recall Linked NPA-21-Aug-21	35
BRANCH NAME: PATTI [PB]						
62.	PATTI [PB]	SUKHDEV SINGH	920060010333184	35458	30-Mar-21	18.7
BRANCH NAME: PHILLAUR [PB]						
63.	PHILLAUR [PB]	PRABH SIMRANJIT SINGH	919060029555063	110549	27-Oct-20	38.88
BRANCH NAME: PHULLANWAL [PB]						
64.	PHULLANWAL [PB]	INDERJEET SINGH UBHI	920060041499837	173751	27-Jul-21	67.4
BRANCH NAME: PUTLIGHAR AMR PB						
65.	PUTLIGHAR AMR PB	JAGJIVAN SINGH	920060049585620	128075	16-Sep-21	48
BRANCH NAME: SANGRUR [PB]						
66.	SANGRUR [PB]	SATYA DEV MITTAL	920060020074037	72600	Recall Linked NPA-6-Apr-21	30.2
BRANCH NAME: SUDHAR [PB]						
67.	SUDHAR [PB]	AMRITPAL SINGH	919060067222965	152750	26-Feb-20	44.21
BRANCH NAME: SUDHAR [PB]						
68.	SUDHAR [PB]	GURJOT SINGH	919060096730073	58964	Recall Linked NPA-14 Dec 20	22
BRANCH NAME: TALWARA HOSHI PB						
69.	TALWARA HOSHI PB	INDERJEET SINGH	920060036433949	227500	Recall Linked NPA-11-Jan 21	82.32
BRANCH NAME: TARN TARAN [PB]						
70.	TARN TARAN [PB]	SACHDEV SINGH	918060032144275	89021	25-Nov-19	18.4
BRANCH NAME: ZIRA BRANCH C5777 PB						
71.	ZIRA BRANCH C5777 PB	ROHIT BANSAL	921060053038850	204610	14-Jun-21	60
BRANCH NAME: PALAMPUR PAAM HP						
73.	PALAMPUR PAAM HP	SUNIL KUMAR	918060096556069	100017	26-Nov-19	31.9
BRANCH NAME: RAMPUR HP						
74.	RAMPUR HP	MANISH MITTAL	921060051574239	141936	25-Jun-21	40.32
75.	RAMPUR HP	VED PRAKASH	918060078627240	142742	25-Nov-19	51.51
76.	RAMPUR HP	RAM MILAN	919060020873517	74156	27-Oct-20	29.64
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