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## SC raps UP for Lakhimpur inaction

Court asks why  
prime accused not  
arrested, orders to  
preserve evidence

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court on Friday slammed the Uttar Pradesh Government over the "lenient" way its police and administration have acted against the persons accused in the Lakhimpur Kheri violence case and wondered if a common man accused in a case of brutal murder would have received such treatment.

Expressing displeasure on the steps taken by the Yogi Government, the court questioned why the prime accused has not been arrested and directed the preservation of evidence. The SC also talked about transferring the probe to another agency, saying "proof of the pudding is in the eating".

The apex court also expressed unhappiness with the media for wrong reporting in the case and said "somebody is exceeding the limit of freedom of speech".

Coming down heavily on the State Government, the bench headed by Chief Justice NV Ramana said, "The law must take its course against all accused and the Government has to take all remedial steps in this regard to inspire confidence" in the investigation of



Union Minister of State for Home Ajay Mishra speaks to the media outside BJP office in Lucknow on Friday

"brutal murder of eight persons".

Senior lawyer Harish Salve, appearing for the State, assured the bench that "between today and tomorrow whatever is the shortfall (in the probe) will be filled up because the message has gone".

In its order, the bench said, "The learned counsel explained various steps which have been taken by the State Government and the status report has also been filed to that effect. But we are not satisfied with the actions of the State....The counsel assures us that he will take all necessary steps to satisfy this court on the next date of hearing and he will also consider alternatives of conducting the investigation by any other agency. In view of that we are not inclined to go into details of this aspect. List this matter immediately after the vacation. Meanwhile, the learned

counsel assured us that he will communicate to the concerned highest police officer in the State to take all necessary steps to protect the evidence and other materials related to the incident".

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## No arrest will be made without evidence: Yogi

It's the ruling  
of HC: CM

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Brushing aside the demand for the arrest of Union Minister Ajay Mishra's son in Lakhimpur Kheri violence case and the Supreme Court's scathing remarks against the State Government for such apathy, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath on Friday said that without any evidence the police



will not arrest anyone just on the basis of allegations.

"You cannot make arrest on the sheer basis of allegations. You should have evidence. Until we get that, we are not going to arrest anyone," Yogi said during his interview to a

private news channel.

The Chief Minister categorically said that so far no evidence has come to the fore against Ashish in the Lakhimpur Kheri incident.

The CM said that it is also the ruling of the Allahabad High Court that there should be sufficient evidence before arrests are made. "We will not arrest anyone on mere allegations. Previously, we have arrested high-profile leaders, including BJP MLA and Opposition leaders."

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## Indian, Chinese troops face off in Tawang

IANAS ■ NEW DELHI

Around 200 troops of China's People's Liberation Army entered into Indian territory last week leading to a face-off with the Indian Army at the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in Arunachal Pradesh, sources said.

It happened during a routine patrol close to the LAC near Yangtse in Tawang Sector.

The Indian troops intercepted around 200 PLA soldiers, who had crossed over into the Indian side from Tibet and attempted to damage unoccupied bunkers.

This led to a face-off which was amicably resolved by the commanders at the local level. They met to disengage and de-escalate the situation.

Top Government sources said the face-off between the two sides lasted for a few hours and was resolved as per the existing protocols. There was no damage caused to the Indian defences during the engagement.

Sources also stated that the India-China border has not been formally demarcated and hence there is a difference in perception of the LAC between the two countries.

"Peace and tranquility in these areas of differing per-

Indian patrol intercepted 200 PLA soldiers; issue resolved



ceptions has been possible by adherence to existing agreements and protocols between the two countries," the source said.

Both sides undertake patrolling activities up to their line of perception.

Whenever patrols of both sides physically meet, the situation is managed according to established protocols and mechanisms agreed by both sides. "Physical engagement can last for a few hours prior to disengaging as per mutual understanding," said the source, adding that in last week's incident there was no damage to defences.

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## CAPSULE

### RBI KEEPS INTEREST RATES UNCHANGED

Mumbai: The Reserve Bank of India expectedly kept interest rates unchanged at a record low on Friday but signalled the start of tapering pandemic-era stimulus measures on economic recovery taking roots. P9

### MARIA, DMITRY WIN NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

Oslo: The 2021 Nobel Peace Prize was awarded on Friday to journalists Maria Ressa of the Philippines and Dmitry Muratov of Russia. The Norwegian Nobel Committee cited their fight for freedom of expression, stressing that it is vital in promoting peace. P8

### BILL SOON TO RAISE SPEED TO 140KM/HOUR

New Delhi: Union Minister Nitin Gadkari on Friday said that he is in favour of increasing the maximum speed limit on expressways to 140 km per hour, and added that a Bill will soon be introduced in Parliament to revise the speed limits for vehicles for different categories of roads.

### DELHI AIRPORT TO RESUME T1 OP FROM OCTOBER 31

New Delhi: The Delhi airport will resume flight operations at its T1 terminal from October 31 onwards after almost 18 months of closure.

## No jab, no entry! Delhi Govt staff given Oct 15 deadline for shots

Employees need to take at least one dose against Covid

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Government on Friday announced that employees and teachers who have not received even the first dose of the Covid vaccine will not be allowed to attend their workplace.

The Delhi Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) in an order stated that effective from October 16 all unvaccinated Delhi Government employees will be treated as on leave till they get the jab.

All employees working in departments/autonomous bodies/PSUs/local bodies/educational institutions under Government of NCT of Delhi, should get vaccinated by October 15. It includes frontline workers, healthcare workers as



well as teachers and other staff working in schools/colleges.

"The aforesaid Government employees/ frontline workers/healthcare workers / teachers and other staff

Ensure no staff allowed without at least 1 Covid vax dose: Delhi Govt to pvt schools

New Delhi: The Delhi Government has directed all private schools to ensure that their teaching and non-teaching staff are not allowed to

working in schools and colleges, who do not get vaccinated (at least first dose) by October 15 shall not be allowed to attend their respective offices/health care institutions/educational institutions with effect from October 16, till they have obtained the first dose vaccination," the order read.

The order, issued by Delhi Chief Secretary and DDMA executive committee chairperson Vijay Dev, stated that the Central Government "may consider issuing similar directions in respect of its employees working in Delhi." Also, the heads of departments concerned will verify vaccinated employees through Aarogya Setu app or vaccination certificate, it stated.

attend school if they have not received the first dose of Covid-19, and treat their absence as being 'on leave', according to officials.

## Tatas back in Air India cockpit

AI returns to it after 68 yrs as Tatas win bid for ₹18,000 cr

RAJESH KUMAR ■ NEW DELHI

After a gap of 68 years, debt-laden national carrier Air India returned to its founder Tata Sons, ending a decades-long move for its divestment.

The Centre on Friday announced that Tata Sons has emerged as the winner in the Air India bidding with an offer of ₹18,000 crore for acquiring 100 per cent shareholding. The Government has assured that there will be no sacking of the employees for a year.

"A Special Purpose Vehicles of Tata Sons — the holding company of conglomerate Talace Pvt Limited — has emerged as a successful bidder," Tuhin Kanta Pandey, Secretary to the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM), said.

Minutes after the winning bid for Air India was announced, Tata Sons chairman Emeritus Ratan Tata tweeted,



Men talk in front of Air India building in Mumbai on Friday

AP

"Welcome Back, Air India."

"The Tata Group winning the bid for Air India is great news. While admittedly it will take considerable effort to rebuild Air India, it will hopefully provide a very strong market opportunity to the Tata Group in the aviation industry," Ratan Tata said.

Along with the assets, the new owner will also take on around ₹15,300 crore of debt. The remaining ₹2,700 crore will be paid to the Government

in cash. This was higher than SpiceJet CMD Ajay Singh-led consortia's enterprise value (EV) bid at ₹15,100 crore with debt to be retained at ₹12,835 crore and a cash component of ₹2,265 crore.

For Tata Group, Air India adds a third airline brand to its stable, considering the conglomerate already holds a majority interest in AirAsia India and Vistara. Three airlines are likely to be integrated first. The DIPAM Secretary said

as on August 31, 2021, Air India has a total debt of ₹61,562 crore, out of that ₹15,300 will be taken over by the bidder. So, ₹46,262 crore will be transferred to Air India Assets Holding Limited (AIAHL), he added. AIAHL is a SPV formed by the Government. The transaction is expected to close by the end of December 2021, he said.

On an emotional and nostalgic note, Ratan Tata said Air India under the leadership of JRD Tata had at one time gained the reputation of being one of the most prestigious airlines in the world.

"Tatas will have the opportunity of regaining the image and reputation enjoyed in earlier years. JRD Tata would have been overjoyed if he was in our midst today," he said.

Jehangir Ratanji Dadabhai (JRD) Tata founded the airline in 1932. It was called Tata Airlines then. In 1946, the aviation division of Tata Sons was listed as Air India and in 1948, Air India International was launched with flights to Europe. In 1953, Air India was nationalised. Tata also thanked the Central Government for its recent policy of opening up select industries to the private sector.

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## 46 killed as ISIS fdayeen attacks Shia mosque in Af

AP ■ KABUL

An Islamic State suicide bomber struck at a mosque packed with Shia Muslim worshippers in northern Afghanistan on Friday, killing at least 46 people and wounding dozens in the latest security challenge to the Taliban as they transition from insurgency to governance.

In its claim of responsibility, the region's IS affiliate identified the bomber as a Uygher Muslim, saying the attack targeted both Shias and the Taliban for their purported willingness to expel Uyghers to meet demands from China. The statement was carried by the IS-linked Aamaq news agency.

The blast tore through a crowded mosque in the city of Kunduz during Friday noon



People view the damage inside of a mosque following a bombing in Kunduz province in northern Afghanistan on Friday

AP

prayers, the highlight of the Muslim religious week. It was the latest in a series of IS bombings and shootings that have targeted Afghanistan's

new Taliban rulers, as well as religious institutions and minority Shias since US and NATO troops left in August.

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## Uphaar tragedy: Sushil, Gopal Ansal held guilty for evidence tampering

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Delhi court on Friday convicted real estate barons Sushil and Gopal Ansal for tampering with evidence in the 1997 case of the Uphaar Cinema fire which claimed 59 lives.

Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Pankaj Sharma also held former court staff Dinesh Chand Sharma and two others — PP Batra and Anoop Singh — guilty in the case and said the misconception of all the accused persons that they will get away with their nefarious design from punishment has been exposed to the world at large.

The judge held that the guilt of the Ansal brothers, Sharma, Batra, and Singh was

"proved beyond any reasonable doubt" for the offence of criminal conspiracy, causing disappearance of evidence of offence and criminal breach of trust by the public servant.

The court said that the convicts destructed critical documents which were capable of proving their complicity in the main case, "making this time the justice dispensation system as the victim."

"They tampered/obliterated/defaced some hand-picked documents of the said case through a meticulous planning in order to escape punishment by scuttling trial process and as such fiddled with our judicial system with great impunity," the judge said.

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## UPSC picks 31 private sector specialists for senior posts

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Thirty-one private sector specialists on Thursday were selected as joint secretaries, directors and deputy secretaries in Central Government departments.

Based on the examination conducted by Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), those selected include three joint secretaries, 19 directors and nine deputy secretaries.

Minister of State for Personnel Jitendra Singh said it is a major step to place the right talent for the right role. Three joint secretaries would be joining Finance Ministry, Commerce and Industry Ministry and Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Ministry.

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## Bail plea of SRK's son Aryan rejected

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

Five days after they were arrested in the mid-sea drug bust case, a Mumbai Esplanade Court on Friday rejected the bail pleas of Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan and two others on the grounds of maintainability.

Accepting the NCB's contention that only a special court had jurisdiction to hear the matter and not the Magistrate, Chief Metropolitan Magistrate (CMM) RM Nerlikar rejected the bail applications of Aryan, Arbaaz Merchant and Munmun Dhamecha, who were among the eight persons arrested from the Goa-bound Cordelia Cruises' Empress ship on October 3.

Aryan and two others will have to apply for bail before the Special NDPS court on Monday.



Bollywood actor Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan being taken to Arthur Road jail from Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) office in Mumbai on Friday

PTI

The rejection of bail applications of Aryan and two others came a day after a Mumbai Magistrate's court remanded him and seven others in the drug bust case to 14 days' judicial custody.

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YES BANK FRAUD CASE

CBI chargesheets former MD & CEO of Yes Bank Wife Bindu Kapoor also chargesheeted

TN RAGHUNATHA ■ MUMBAI

The CBI on Friday filed a charge-sheet against then Managing Director and CEO of Yes Bank Ltd Rana Kapoor and others including his wife Bindu Kapoor and promoter of a private company Gautam Thapar in a multi hundred crore fraud case.

Having registered offences in the Yes Bank Ltd fraud case on March 12, 2020 and investigated the case, the CBI – in its charge-sheet filed in the Court of Special Judge for CBI Cases, Mumbai --named Rana Kapoor, then MD and CEO of Yes Bank Ltd, Gautam Thapar, promoter of Avantha Group Company, M/s Avantha Reality Ltd and Bindu Rana Kapoor (Director of M/s Bliss Abode Pvt Ltd.) and M/s Bliss Abode Pvt Ltd as the accused in the case.

The CBI's allegation is that Rana Kapoor, in his capacity as MD and CEO of Yes Bank, had abused his official position and acquired a Delhi Lutyens property at a very less price than the actual market value.

The CBI also alleged in its charge-sheet that the property was mortgaged to Yes Bank Ltd. against a loan of Rs. 400 crore (approx.) given to a group company (private) promoted by the said Promoter, charge-sheeted in this case.

The CBI further contented that the actual value of the property was Rs. 550 crore (approx.) which was acquired by then MD & CEO of Yes Bank at a value of Rs. 378 crore (approx.) and the proceeds of the sale was not used fully to liquidate the existing loan, later declared NPA by the Bank. The property was allegedly purchased in the name of a company where wife of said then MD & CEO of Yes Bank, was the Director & authorized signatory.

The CBI also alleged that against this favour, then MD & CEO of Yes Bank Ltd. extended additional loan of Rs. 1360 crore (approx.) to other companies of said Promoter/Director during & after the acquisition of the said property. It also contended that these loans were never utilized for the purpose for which they were given and the borrowers were allowed to divert the funds for ever-greening of the existing loans of the group companies.

It may be recalled that the CBI had earlier on June 25, 2020, filed against Rana Kapoor, M/s Dewan Housing Finance Ltd, its promoters Kapil Rajesh Wadhawan, Dheeraj Rajesh Wadhawan and M/s DOIT Urban Ventures (India) Pvt. Ltd (DUVPL), its promoter Ms. Roshni Kapoor and others in

the in the Rs.3,700-crore Yes Bank fraud case.

The CBI filed the charge sheet in connection with a case of cheating and criminal conspiracy registered on March 7, 2020 against Kapoor and his family members for allegedly colluding with DHFL's promoter Kapil Wadhwan and his family members.

The CBI in all booked 12 accused including Promoter/Director of M/s Yes Bank Limited, Mumbai based private companies and other Directors of private companies and unknown others under sections 120 of IPC (conspiracy) and sections 7,12 and 13(2) r/w 13(1)(d) of PC Act 1988 and substantive offences on the allegations of fraud against Yes Bank.

The CBI is investigating the "conspiracy" between Kapoor and Kapil Wadhwan over a financial assistance extended to DHFL through Yes Bank in lieu of substantial undue benefit. The CBI registered a case against DHFL, its promoter Kapil Wadhawan and Rana Kapoor for alleged cheating and criminal conspiracy under relevant sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and the Prevention of Corruption Act. The move came in the wake of a recommendation made by the board of Yes Bank had recommended a CBI probe, in December 2019.

Situation in Af still unfolding, hard to take 'very definitive position' due to lack of clarity: Jaishankar

New Delhi: It is hard to take a "very definitive position" on Afghanistan as the situation there is still unfolding and there are "live issues" such as whether there will be an inclusive government in Kabul and whether Afghan soil will not be used for terrorism in other countries, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said on Friday.

In an interactive session at the India Today conclave, when referred to the spate of targeted killings in Kashmir and whether there could be an impact of the Afghan developments on India's internal situation, Jaishankar said he would not like to draw some connections with Afghanistan without any evidence.

About the possibility of resumption of dialogue with Pakistan, he said the prospect does not look good and asserted that there is no other situation in the world where a country actually runs "this kind of scale of terrorism" against the neighbours.

"...When do you see Pakistan becoming a normal country. And for me, a normal country is a country that does not sponsor terrorism against its neighbours. Right now the prospects do not look good," he said.

Asked about Islamabad's support to various terror groups operating from Afghan soil, the external affairs minister said the role of Pakistan in what happened in Afghanistan is not a secret and it is very public now.

On the growing perception that the Pakistan spy agency succeeded in its design in Afghanistan and what happened in Kabul was a strategic setback for India, Jaishankar said New Delhi has to deal with whatever the situation is.

At the same time, he added that "sometimes, we all tend to make very sweeping sort of statements or judgements or assessments. I think the picture is a little more complex, more granular than that".

"It has been less than two months since the Taliban took

Afghanistan and it is quite obvious that things are far from settled even in Kabul. I would urge some patience, some deliberations and some caution," he said.

To a question on whether India is adopting a wait and watch approach on engagement with the Taliban after Indian envoy to Qatar Deepak Mittal's meeting with Taliban leader Sher Mohammad Abbas Stanekzai in Doha in late August, Jaishankar did not give a direct reply and generally replied that he would prefer to make due diligence on issues of policy making.

He said there could be things happening which he may not be able to speak about and that India's primary contact has been in Doha. "That's where it is," he said.

On the overall situation, Jaishankar said it is still unfolding and India is responding to the evolving situation as it is hard to take a "very definitive position" beyond that because of lack of clarity.

IAF's prompt actions in eastern Ladakh testament to its combat readiness, says IAF chief

Hindon (UP):The IAF's prompt actions in response to developments in eastern Ladakh last year were a testament to its combat readiness and its ongoing capability enhancement programme is aimed at achieving desired results "swiftly and decisively" across domains, Chief of Air Staff Air Chief Marshal V R Chaudhari said on Friday.

In an address on the occasion of the 89th Air Force Day, he also strongly called for upgrading the training modules for air warriors and asked senior officials to invest time and efforts in "nurturing and empowering" their subordinates and young officers and to consider it as their primary task.

Referring to the tri-services integration, Air Chief Marshal Chaudhari also "assured," the nation of the Indian Air Force's "unwavering commitment" towards delivering joint capa-

bility and generating integrated response options as a part of a coherent national strategy.

Chief of Defence Staff Gen Bipin Rawat, Army Chief Gen M M Naravane, Navy Chief Admiral Karambir Singh, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief Western Air Command, Air Marshal Amit Dev, several top senior officials of the three services and defence attachés of various countries were among those present at the event.

The IAF also carried out a spectacular air display showcasing its vintage aircraft and modern fleet on the occasion. A total of 75 aircraft took part in the air show, also marking 75th year of India's Independence.

President Ram Nath Kovind, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh extended greetings to the IAF on the occasion.

Min's son skips summons...

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These inputs, however, have been contradicted by the Union Minister who claimed that his son was at home and would appear before the police to reply to their queries on Saturday morning.

"My son was summoned yesterday, but due to health reasons, he could not report to the

police. He will report tomorrow," Mishra told reporters outside Lucknow airport on Friday.

The Kheri police has already arrested two accused in connection with Lakhimpur Kheri violence. The arrested persons have been identified as Luvkush and Ashish Pandey.

Indian, Chinese...

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It is stated that this is a "routine business" happening "when-ever patrols meet, wherever there's differing perceptions on the Line of Actual Control. Both sides patrol. Just that in this instance, the patrols happened to meet," the source added.

India and China have been

engaged in border disputes for the last 16 months at the Line of Actual control in Eastern Ladakh.

Twelve rounds of commander-level talks have taken place so far for the disengagement and the 13th round is scheduled to happen in mid October.

No arrest will...

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"These arrests were made only after proper investigation. In this case, too, arrests will be made after we have sufficient evidence to arrest a person," he said.

On the violence of Lakhimpur Kheri, Adityanath said that the Government has ordered a probe into the violence and there is no place of violence in democracy. "Whoever it is, the law is the same for all. The law will treat everyone equally," he said.

The UP CM said that the law will take its own course and no work will be done in Uttar Pradesh under anyone's pressure. An SIT, as well as a judicial commission, has been constituted by the Government in this case, he said. "The arrests of the wanted people have started. There have been many arrests yesterday. Action is going on even today. Fair and strict action will be taken in this entire matter," he said.

"We have registered an FIR on the basis of farmers' appli-

cation. FIR has also been lodged on the complaint of BJP leaders. This Government is working in a transparent manner," the CM said.

Hitting out at the Opposition leaders who are making a bee-line to Kheri, Adityanath said that these Opposition leaders are not messengers of goodwill. These leaders are trying to create a chasm. We won't allow that to happen. The families of the victims themselves said that they are satisfied with the Government," he said and added Congress' sympathy for farmers is nothing but crocodile tears as Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel is unable to handle his State and some farmers in Chhattisgarh were killed by the police.

The CM also said, "I want to ask Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka that when the country was suffering from corona why they did not go out and meet people. At that time of crisis, only Central and State Governments were with them".

Bail plea of SRK's...

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Aryan and five other accused, including Arbaaz Merchant -- who were earlier lodged at the NCB's make-shift lockup -- will have to spend their weekend at the Arthur Road Central Jail, while the two women accused Mumun Dhamecha and Nupur Sarika are being lodged at Byculla Women's Jail.

Twenty-three-year-old Aryan and seven others were initially detained on Saturday night and later arrested on Sunday, after the NCB officials busted a rave party and seized 13 grams of cocaine, 5 grams of MD (mephedrone), 21 grams of charas, 22 pills of MDMA (ecstasy) and Rs 1.33 lakh in cash from Goa-bound cruise ship off the Mumbai coast here.

The NCB has so far arrest-

ed 17 persons, including eight persons arrested initially, in connection with the busting of a rave party.

The rejection of Aryan's bail application came after his lawyer Satish Maneshinde contested the maintainability grounds and also objected to the NCB's contention that Aryan would tamper with the contention that his client, if granted bail, would tamper with the evidence.

"I am a 23 yr old with no prior antecedents. I am from a respectable family, my parents, Siblings are here. I hold an Indian passport. I have roots in society, cannot abscond. There is no question of tampering of evidence or accused. The electronic evidence is taken, the other accused are in custody," Maneshinde told the court on behalf of Aryan.

RS Deputy chairman addresses 7th G20 Speaker's Summit at Rome

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh on Friday addressed the 7th G20 Speaker's Summit (P-20) at Rome on the subject 'Sustainability and Food Security after the Pandemic'.

Speaking on the occasion, Harivansh said that Covid has given us an opportunity to introspect on ensuring food and nutrition for all during these challenging times.

While acknowledging the tireless efforts of millions of farmers and farmer-friendly policies of the Government, Harivansh said that the agri-

cultural sector in India remained resilient even during the worst phases of pandemic. Owing to this, India has recorded highest ever food-grain production of 308 million tonnes.

Harivansh further said that even during the difficult Covid times, India not only continued its national food and nutrition programs, but also augmented them with additional measures to ensure affordable food for all.

stated that in order to support the farm sector during Covid, India has initiated world's largest direct benefit transfer mechanism to provide

cash assistance to over 113.7 million farmers.

Implementation of such a scheme at scale was enabled by Unique Identification System - Aadhaar - a technological intervention to provide government assistance.

"The rise in frequency and intensity of natural disasters like floods, draughts due to climate change is likely to increase water shortages, loss of agricultural land and livestock, among other challenges.

This urgently warrants an introspection to develop resilient and sustainable food supply chain" said Harivansh.

SC raps...

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The bench, also comprising Justices Surya Kant and Hima Kohli, hoped that the State Government will take "necessary steps because of the sensitivity of the issue." "We are not making any comments.

Secondly, CBI is also not a solution for the reasons, you know the reasons...We are also not interested in the CBI because of the persons who are...So it's better you find out some other mode. We will take up immediately after the vacation. But that does not mean that they should keep their hand off. They have to do. They must act...," the bench said.

The top court questioned the soft approach of the police towards the accused (Ashish

Mishra) named in the FIR after Salve said that a notice seeking his presence has been sent and he has sought some time. "He was to come today and he has asked for time. We have asked him to show up at 11 a.m. tomorrow. If he does not appear tomorrow, the rigour of the law will be brought into play against him," Salve said.

"Mr Salve, these are very serious charges. We are not on the merits of whatever it is... If you see the FIR which is filed by the counsel (of UP), this is an offence under Section 302 (murder) of the IPC apart from other sections. Is it the same way we treat other accused in other cases also. We send notice and say please come, please stay...," the bench quipped.

Salve said he asked the same thing to them and they

said that the post mortem report did not show any bullet wound that is why, they give him a notice for appearance under the CrPC and if the bullet wound had been there, then the course would have been different.

The CJJ said, " We expect that there is a responsible Government and responsible police officers and the system, and when there is serious allegation of death (section 302), gunshot injuries, then the question is can the other accused in the country be treated the same way. Please come. Please tell us..."

The police have found two cartridges and it might be a case that the accused had a bad aim and he missed it and this is "extremely serious," Salve said. The bench retorted: "If it is extremely serious then the way it's proceeding it seems it is not serious."

25 killed in...

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The worshippers targeted Friday were Hazaras, who have long suffered from double discrimination as an ethnic minority and as followers of Shiite Islam in a majority Sunni country.

The Islamic State group has been behind a rise in attacks, including against the Taliban, since the departure of US and NATO forces from Afghanistan at the end of August. IS and the Taliban, who seized control of the country with the exit of the foreign troops, are strategic rivals. IS militants have targeted Taliban positions and attempted to recruit members from their ranks.

In the past, the Taliban managed to contain the IS threat in tandem with US and Afghan airstrikes. Without these, it remains unclear whether the Taliban can suppress what appears to be a growing IS footprint. The militants, once confined to the east, have penetrated the capital of Kabul and other provinces with new attacks.

This comes at a critical moment, as the Taliban attempt to consolidate power and transform their guerrilla fighters into a structured police and security force.

Tatas back in...

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Pandey said they received two financial bids on September 15. The panel of Ministers cleared the winning bid. Tata is the winning bid. He further said the process of Air India sale began in July 2017 and the government has received seven expressions of interest by December 2020. The DIPAM secretary said. Both bidders had quoted above the reserve price.

The DIPAM secretary said a group of Ministers comprising Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, union commerce minister Piyush Goyal and Union civil aviation minister Jyotiraditya Scindia has cleared the winning bid for Air India on October 4. The Government will divest its 100 per cent stake in Air India, Air India Express and 50 percent stake in ground handling company AISATS.

Civil Aviation Secretary Rajiv Bansal said the winning bidder will not retrench an employee for a minimum period of one year and if retrenched after a year, they will have to be offered VRS (voluntary retirement scheme). Gratuity and Provident Fund (PF) benefits will be provided to all employees, he added.

UPSC picks...

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"As a major step to place the right talent for the right role, #DoPT announces 31 lateral entry recruitments, after due selection process by UPSC, as Joint Secretary/Director/Deputy Secretary in different ministries/departments of government of India," Singh tweeted.

The Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) had requested the commission on December 14, 2020, and February 12, 2021, to select suitable people to join the Government at the level of joint secretary, director or deputy secretary in various ministries and departments of the government of India on contract or deputation basis.

The UPSC launched online recruitment application for joint secretary and director level posts on February 6 and for deputy secretary level posts on March 20. In response, a total of 295 applications for joint secretary level posts, 1,247 applications for director level posts and 489 applications for deputy secretary level posts were received.

Of these, 231 candidates were shortlisted for the interviews which were conducted from September 27 to October 8.The UPSC finally recommended 31 candidates for the appointment as joint secretaries, directors and deputy secretaries.

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# ‘Less paddy straw likely this year’



STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

Attempts to reduce paddy straw generation are yielding positive results, with the total paddy area and straw generation going down compared to last year, the Centre for Air Quality Management (CAQM) claimed on Friday.

The total paddy area in the States of Haryana, Punjab, and eight NCR districts of Uttar Pradesh has dropped by 7.72 per cent during the current year as compared to last year.

"Similarly, total paddy straw generation from the non-basmati variety is likely to be reduced by 12.42 per cent during the current year as compared to the previous year," a release from the CAQM said.

Both Central and State governments of Haryana, Punjab, and Uttar Pradesh have been taking measures to diversify crops as well as to

reduce the use of PUSA-44 variety of paddy.

"Burning of paddy straw from the non-basmati variety of crops is the prime concern. Crop diversification and moving away from PUSA-44 variety with short duration High Yielding Varieties are part of the framework and action plan for control of stubble burning," the release said.

As per data received from the State Governments of these States, the total amount of paddy straw generated this year is likely to come down by 1.31 million tonnes (from 20.05 million tonnes in 2020 to 18.74 million tonnes in 2021) in Punjab; by 0.8 million tonnes (from 7.6 million tonnes in 2020 to 6.8 million tonnes in 2021) in Haryana, and by 0.09 million tonnes (from 0.75 million tonnes in 2020 to 0.67 million tonnes in 2021) in the eight NCR districts

of Uttar Pradesh. The total quantity of straw generated by the respective States was 28.4 million tonnes in 2020, which is now expected to come down to 26.21 million tonnes in 2021.

The decrease in the non-basmati variety is expected to be even higher.

Paddy straw generation specifically from the non-basmati variety of crops is expected to decrease from 17.82 million tonnes in 2020 to 16.07 million tonnes in 2021 in Punjab and from 3.5 million tonnes in 2020 to 2.9 million tonnes in 2021 in Haryana.

The CAQM in Delhi and the NCR through a comprehensive framework, had directed the respective State Governments to promote short duration and early maturing varieties of crops since they can be managed quite efficiently

## Slight dip in air quality in Delhi

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The System of Air Quality and Weather Forecasting And Research (SAFAR) said on Friday that the Air Quality Index (AQI) in the national Capital was 105 for PM10 and 51 for PM2.5. As the PM10 went over 100, SAFAR, a unit of the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) issued a moderate health advisory which means that usually sensitive people should consider reducing prolonged or heavy exertion and heavy outdoor work. The PM2.5 level was satisfactory.

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal also tweeted on the air quality : "8 Oct (Note that slight deterioration has started)- AQI - 167 (0 to 50 - Good, 51 to 100 -

Satisfactory, 101 to 200 - Moderate) PM10 - 187 (0 to 50 - Good, 51 to 100 - Satisfactory, 101 to 250 - Moderate) PM2.5 - 70 (0 to 30 - Good, 31 to 60 - Satisfactory, 61 to 90 - Moderate."

As per the latest update at 9.18 a.m., the other pollutants nitrogen dioxide (NO2) and ozone (O3) were recorded at 12 and 51, respectively. The data for carbon monoxide (CO) was not available.

SAFAR has issued no advisory for Saturday with PM10 to likely be at 123.

In the last 24 hours, the maximum temperature was recorded at 34 degrees Celsius, a zero degree departure from normal, and the minimum was at 23.4 degrees Celsius, three notches below normal.

and provide a much wider window for paddy straw management. As per recommendations of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, the CAQM had actively pursued with State Governments for promotion of the same.

# Min 1 vax dose must for staff: Govt to pvt schools

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Government has directed all private schools to ensure that their teaching and non-teaching staff are not allowed to attend school if they have not received the first dose of Covid-19, and treat their absence as being 'on leave', according to officials.

The Directorate of Education has asked all private schools to ensure that all teachers and school staff, including transportation staff, who have not received their jabs so far should be vaccinated by October 15, a senior DoE official said.

"Further, teachers and school staff who have not got themselves vaccinated, may not be allowed to attend school and their absence may be treated as on leave," the official said.

It is necessary to take all effective measures to prevent the spread of Covid-19 as the country is threatened by the pandemic, the official said.

"In view of this, it is imperative that all private schools functioning in Delhi should ensure the vaccination of all their teachers, staff and other supporting staff immediately," the official added.

Last week, the DoE had directed all Government schools to ensure that unvac-



inated teachers and non-teaching staffers will not be allowed to attend school. There are over 1,500 Government and aided schools in the national Capital.

The Delhi Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) on Friday notified that all Delhi government employees and teachers not having at least one shot of COVID-19 vaccine will not be allowed to attend their offices and workplaces from October 16.

All such unvaccinated Delhi government employees, including teachers and front-

line workers, will be treated as "on leave" till they get the jab, it said.

Welcoming the development, Delhi Parents Association (DPA) said if not vaccinated, teachers can play a role of Covid-19 spreaders. "We welcome this decision as no one can risk the life of school-going kids as they (teaching, non-teaching staff) can play a role of spreaders. Moreover till date no vaccine is available for kids below 18. "All the school staff should be vaccinated with both the doses," said DPA President Aparajita Gautam.

# Student shot by fellow student on varsity campus



**Gurugram:** In a shocking incident, a medical student was murdered by his fellow law student at an SGT Medical University campus in Gurugram on Friday.

The deceased was identified as Vineet, a native of Uttar Pradesh.

The incident took place around 12.30 p.m when the victim was present on the SGT

University campus located in Budeda on Gurugram-Farrukhnagar road.

The accused, identified as Lucky a law final year student, a native of Najafgarh, who is absconding after committing the crime.

An eyewitness disclosed that the murder took place at the parking lot of the university campus. The accused, came

to the university, approached him and soon picked up an argument with the victim and in a fit of rage, the accused shot him a single bullet in his stomach from a close range and fled the spot on his bullet motorcycle.

The private security guards of the university prevented the accused from fleeing the scene while the victim student was

rushed to the university hospital where he succumbed to his injuries.

Preliminary investigations suggest that Lucky, Himani a B.sc student of the university and Vineet were friends.

Vineet used some abusive words about Lucky while speaking over the phone to Himani, which eventually led to a fight resulting in Lucky killing the former.

Soon after the incident, DCP (west) Deepak Saharan and ACP (Udyog vihar) reached the spot to conduct a further probe of the incident.

"The motive behind the incident will be revealed only after a detailed probe. The victim died due to gunshot injuries. How did the accused enter the university campus along with the gun will be ascertained during the probe," said Deputy Commissioner of Police (west), Deepak Saharan.

However, the police beefed up security inside and around the University campus to avoid any wanted incident.



Indian Air Force (IAF) personnel march past as IAF helicopters perform an air display during the 89th foundation day of the force, at Hindan Airbase in Ghaziabad on Friday

## Two arrested with 420 kg firecrackers in Delhi

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi Police has arrested two people and seized over 420 kg illegal firecrackers when the duo was transporting it in a vehicle in north Delhi's Sadar Bazaar area.

In order to combat air pollution, the authorities have recently ordered a complete ban on the sale and bursting of firecrackers in the national Capital till January 1, 2022.

The accused have been identified as Udit (26), a resident of Paharganj, and Nagmani (33), a resident of Bihar.

According to Sagar Singh Kalsi, the Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), North district, the duo was arrested on late Tuesday night.

"The vehicle was stopped by patrolling police personnel and it was found loaded with illegal firecrackers weighing about 421.5 kg. Nagmani, the driver, and Udit, who procured the firecrackers for sale, were inside the vehicle," said the DCP.

"Udit told interrogators that he drives an auto-rickshaw. He thought of making quick money by selling crackers during the festive season and was planning to sell them from his home," said the DCP.

"He had procured the firecrackers from a person in Palwal. A case under relevant sections of Indian Penal Code (IPC) has been registered at Sadar Bazar police station," said police.

## CHIT FUND SCHEME Man held for cheating people of ₹5 crore

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of Delhi Police has arrested a 52-year-old man for allegedly duping people to the tune of nearly ₹ 5 crore on the pretext of getting them high returns on investing in his chit fund scheme. The accused has been identified as Pramod Kumar Sethi, a resident of West Patel Nagar. Police said that he has duped more than 17 victims so far, they said.

According to R K Singh, the Additional Commissioner of Police, EOW, an First Information Report (FIR) was registered against the accused in 2016 after victims alleged that Sethi was running a chit fund company and induced the public to invest in his scheme on the assurance of giving handsome monthly returns against their periodic investment.

"After assurances, these victims invested their money in the form of monthly installments in his chit fund scheme. But in 2015, Sethi stopped his chit fund scheme and neither did he pay their share in the collective corpus against the subscription nor returned their invested money," said the additional CP.

"The accused has caused wrongful gain to himself and wrongful loss to the victims to

**A team under the supervision of ACP Virender Thakran arrested the accused on Oct 5 after ascertaining his criminal culpability and making a foolproof case against the accused**

the tune of ₹4.88 crore. During the course of the investigation, the notebooks and photocopies of worksheets maintained by accused containing the details of chit fund scheme, investors and their subscription amount were seized and sent to Forensic Science Laboratory (FSL) for forensic examination. It was confirmed from the FSL that the entries were made by the accused in the notebooks and copy of worksheets," said the additional CP.

"A team under the supervision of ACP Virender Thakran arrested the accused on October 5 after ascertaining his criminal culpability and making a foolproof case against the accused," said the additional CP.

"Sethi targeted the victims who were personally known to him and induced them to invest in his chit fund scheme on assured monthly returns.

"After collecting a lot of money from the victims, he stopped the scheme and despite requests, he refused to refund the invested amount on one pretext or another," the additional CP added.

## Delhi airport set to reopen terminal 1

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Delhi International Airport Limited (DIAL) Friday announced that the operations at Terminal 1 will resume with effect from October 31.

After 18 months of closure, the flight operations at Terminal 1 will resume with IndiGo and SpiceJet.

"The first flight scheduled from T1 after its reopening would be an Indigo flight which will depart for Mumbai at 0105 hours," DIAL said.

"Delhi Airport is all set to reopen for domestic flight operations at T1 after nearly 18 months of shutdown. With the resumption of the third terminal, Delhi Airport will be functional completely. We would like to assure passengers that at Delhi airport, they would be in a safe and healthy environment. We have implemented several measures at the airport to ensure passenger safety without compromising their comfort and experience.

Our teams have worked round-the-clock to sanitize the vast terminal. DIAL will continue its awareness drive by educating and encouraging passengers to maintain social distance while at the airport," said Vihed Kumar Jaipuriar, CEO-DIAL.

6 CUSS kiosks will be available for passengers for web check-in before entering the terminal i.e. in the Departure Forecourt Arrangements have been made for thermal scanning of passengers as per Government guidelines

## Govt has completed distribution of 89% ex-gratia amount: CM

100% DISTRIBUTION TO BE COMPLETED BY WEDNESDAY

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

While 89 per cent of the Covid -19 victims' families have received ex-gratia of ₹50,000, there will be no requirement for death certificates and surviving member certificates from families, Delhi Government said on Friday.

The remaining set of victims' families will also get this amount by Wednesday.

Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal chaired a high level meeting scheme and commended the officers for working round the clock to help the bereaved families.

He also directed the officials to complete the disbursal of the monthly pension of

2,500 rupees to all the beneficiaries within a week as well.

Earlier, CM Kejriwal had expressed strong displeasure over the pendency in implementation of the Mukhyamantri Covid-19 Parivar Aarthik Sahayata Yojana in the high-level review meeting over the scheme. Back then he directed the officers to disburse the amount to the families of Covid-19 victims at the earliest.

According to Delhi Government officials, 14,605 applications have been verified online and by visiting homes. Out of these verified applications, a one-time assistance amount of ₹50 thousand has been transferred to the bank account of 13,005 people. "There are 2,196 families which have voluntarily backed out of the scheme," an official present during the meeting said.

## Namaz under police presence as G'gram residents chant Aarti

**Gurugram:** A 'namaz' row erupted again as members of Hindu organisations and residents of Sector-47 including women reached a community namaz site (open ground) at Gurugram's Sector 47 and raised slogans and chanted 'Aarti' during Friday prayers.

However, Friday prayers were offered at a site in Sector 47 amid heavy police deployment.

Though the situation remained peaceful, a group of 50-70 residents from nearby sectors and members of the Hindu outfit arrived at the time of namaz to voice their opposition to prayers being offered in an open space, citing "security" and traffic concerns.

It was around 12:30 pm when the members of the Hindu organisation and sector-47 residents reached at community namaz site of Sector 47.

Tahir Khan, who works at a carpenter shop said he had been coming to the site for over two years but had witnessed objections only during the last 2-3 weeks.

"Only for the past 2-3 weeks, some people come here and disrupt prayers and ask us to vacate the area. We are all wearing masks, follow covid norms and praying in peace," Tahir said.



## MLOs re-designated as District Transport Officers

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

The Motor Licensing Officers (MLOs) in Delhi has now been given district level officer status but their pay scale and other conditions of service would remain the same, Delhi transport department said on Friday.

The Transport Minister of Delhi Kailash Gahlot said "I congratulate all the rechristened DTOs and senior officials of the Transport department

for making this happen. All our (then) MLOs have been instrumental in public service delivery of Transport department and had stepped up to the huge change in their duties when we launched FACELESS services, even working extra hours. This is a huge responsibility that is being bestowed upon the entire cadre of MLOs and MVIs and I'm confident that they will set an example for the entire department."

The MLOs will be known

**DISTRICT-LEVEL OFFICERS TO EMPHASISE MORE ON ROAD SAFETY AND POLLUTION CONTROL**

as District Transport Officer (DTOs) will now be authorized to perform all transport-related duties at the district level. "The DTOs will work under the direction and control of Zonal Deputy Commissioners of the Transport Department.

The jurisdiction of the DTOs will be co-terminus with the revenue districts, and they will work hand-in-hand with the District Magistrate (DM) concerned for better coordination in field functioning," the transport department said.

These DTOs will also be responsible to discharge all field functions of the Transport Department. This includes public services such as Registration and DL related activities, Enforcement.



# Modi speaks to Japan's new PM

Discusses robust cooperation in Indo-Pacific

**New Delhi:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday spoke with Japan's newly elected Prime Minister Fumio Kishida and discussed the robust cooperation between India and Japan in the Indo-Pacific region. Japan's parliament had elected Kishida prime minister on Monday.

In a tweet Modi said, "Spoke with HE Fumio Kishida to congratulate him for assuming charge as the Prime Minister of Japan. I look forward to working with him to further strengthen India-Japan Special Strategic and Global Partnership and to enhance cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region."

The prime minister conveyed his congratulations and best wishes to Kishida for assuming charge as the premier of Japan, the Prime Minister's



Office (PMO) said in a statement.

Both leaders expressed satisfaction at the rapid progress in the Special Strategic and Global Partnership between India and Japan, and agreed on the potential to further enhance cooperation in a variety of areas, including in high-technology and futuristic sectors, it said.

Prime Minister Modi invited Japanese companies to benefit from India's economic reforms through greater invest-

ment, the PMO said.

The leaders also discussed the increasing alignment of perspectives, and robust cooperation, between India and Japan in the Indo-Pacific region, it said.

They reviewed the progress of cooperation under the Quad framework in this regard, the statement said.

Prime Minister Modi also invited Kishida to visit India at his earliest convenience for a bilateral summit meeting.

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# ED attaches ₹1.74 cr bank balances in bank fraud case

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The Enforcement Directorate (ED) has provisionally attached bank balances to the tune of ₹1.74 crore under Prevention of Money Laundering Act in its ongoing investigations regarding siphoning of funds from Bhushan Power & Steel Limited and others in a case involving bank fraud.

Earlier, a prosecution complaint had also been filed by the ED in the case against 25 accused and assets worth ₹4420.16 crore have already been attached, taking the total attached proceeds of crime in the case to ₹4421.90 crores.

The ED had initiated money laundering investigation on the basis of FIR dated April 5, 2019 filed by CBI under various sections of the Indian Penal Code and relevant provisions of Prevention of Corruption Act against BPSL and others for a criminal conspiracy amongst themselves

and with unknown public servants of banks and others to cheat Banks/ Financial Institutions/ Govt. exchequer.

"Investigation by ED revealed that Mahender Kumar Khandelwal (erstwhile Resolution Professional of Bhushan Power & Steel Ltd.) in association and connivance with others by way of criminal activity related to scheduled offences had acquired proceeds of crime amounting to Rs 1,73,63,488 by way of commission from a coal supplier of BPSL," the ED said in a statement.

The said modus operandi resulted in illegal siphoning of funds out of loans advanced to BPSL by various banks by routing the same through different bank accounts belonging to their family members/close relatives. The said proceeds of crime were projected as trading commission in the hands of family members/close relatives, who have denied having provided any goods or services to the said coal supplier, he said.

# MURDER OF A MAN

# CBI arrests 2 in Bengal post-election violence

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The CBI on Friday said it has arrested two persons, including a minor, in a case relating to murder of a man during post-poll violence in West Bengal.

The agency nabbed Rajendra Sharma and the minor in connection with the killing of Palash Mondal reported on June 14 in Nadia district.

The agency had booked 10 accused and unidentified people for allegedly breaking into the house of Mondal with firearms, dagger, tube well pipes and iron rod.

The CBI had registered the case on August 25 on the orders of Calcutta High Court and took over the investigation of the case, earlier registered at Police Station Kotwali, District Nadia.

"They allegedly ransacked the house of the complainant and dragged out her husband. One of the accused allegedly

fired at the head of the complainant's husband following which he collapsed. The victim was taken to Shaktinagar District Hospital where he was declared dead," the CBI said in a statement.

A chargesheet in the case was filed by the CBI on September 10 against 15 accused including the said arrested accused.

The arrested persons were produced before the Competent Court. The court remanded Sharma to four days police custody and other (minor) was sent to remand home. Further investigation is continuing in the case.

The agency also filed a chargesheet against three accused persons in a separate case related to violence. Sk Mijanur, Sk Fatenu alias Fate and Sk Emdadul Islam were charge-sheeted by the CBI in a separate case of murder.

This case was registered on August 30 and the CBI took over the investigation of the



case, earlier registered at Police Station Nandigram, in Purba Midnapore.

In its chargesheet filed before a Haldia court, the CBI alleged that the accused persons had attacked the complainant's uncle and seriously wounded him.

"The victim was initially admitted at Nandigram Hospital and later shifted to P G Hospital in Kolkata where the victim died," the agency said.

# 'Jab must as Covid-induced antibody not strong enough'

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Those who have been naturally infected due to Covid-19 should get vaccinated as infection alone can offer very little long-term protection against subsequent infections, a team of scientists led by faculty at Yale School of Public Health and the University of North Carolina at Charlotte has said.

"Reinfection can reasonably happen in three months or less," said Jeffrey Townsend, the Elihu Professor of Biostatistics at the Yale School of Public Health and the study's lead

author. "Therefore, those who have been naturally infected should get vaccinated. Previous infection alone can offer very little long-term protection against subsequent infections."

The study, published in the journal The Lancet Microbe, is the first to determine the likelihood of reinfection following natural infection and without vaccination.

Townsend and his team analyzed known reinfection and immunological data from the close viral relatives of SARS-CoV-2 that cause "common colds," along with

immunological data from SARS-CoV-1 and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome. Leveraging evolutionary principles, the team was able to model the risk of Covid-19 reinfection over time.

Reinfections can, and have, happened even shortly after recovery, the researchers said. And they will become increasingly common as immunity wanes and new SARS-CoV-2 variants arise.

"We tend to think about immunity as being immune or not immune. Our study cautions that we instead should be

more focused on the risk of reinfection through time," said Alex Dornburg, assistant professor of bioinformatics and genomics at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, who co-led the study. "As new variants arise, previous immune responses become less effective at combating the virus. Those who were naturally infected early in the pandemic are increasingly likely to become reinfected in the near future."

The team's data-driven model reveals striking similarities to the reinfection risks over

time between SARS-CoV-2 and endemic coronaviruses.

"Just like common colds, from one year to the next you may get reinfected with the same virus," Townsend said. "The difference is that, during its emergence in this pandemic, Covid-19 has proven to be much more deadly."

"However, our findings underscore its important role in informing decision-making, and provide a crucial steppingstone toward robust knowledge of our prospects of resistance to SARS-CoV-2 reinfection," he said.

# SC: Aadhaar be also taken into account for provisional allotment

**New Delhi:** The Supreme Court on Friday said the Aadhaar card would be one of the documents to be taken into account by the Faridabad municipal corporation for making provisional allotment under the rehabilitation scheme to eligible applicants of Khorli village where unauthorised structures, which came under the Aravali forest area, were removed.

As an interim arrangement, the apex court directed the civic body to process the applications if it is accompanied by an Aadhaar card to make provisional allotment subject to verification of the

applicant.

A bench of Justices A M Khanwilkar and Dinesh Maheshwari made clear that provisional allotment of EWS (Economically Weaker Section) flats would not create any right in favour of the person until he establishes his eligibility as mandated under the rehabilitation scheme.

"For the time being, as an interim arrangement, we direct the corporation to process the applications, if accompanied by an Aadhaar card, for the purpose of making provisional allotment, subject to verification of the applicant and about the unauthorised structure

demolished during the demolition action," the bench said.

The bench said the remarks after hearing the advocates, appearing for the civic body and some petitioners who have raised the issue of rehabilitation, on the question of the nature of proof to be submitted along with the application under the rehabilitation scheme. The top court said the Aadhaar card would be in addition to other documents which are prescribed under the scheme. "Aadhaar can also be one of the documents to be taken into account for provisional allotment," the bench said.

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# SC refuses to entertain plea by pre-schools for moratorium on loan repayment

**New Delhi:** The Supreme Court on Friday refused to entertain a plea seeking direction to the Centre and RBI that those running play schools be granted "interest free moratorium period for term loans" and that their EMI be deferred till the corona situation subsides.

A bench comprising Justices L Nageswara Rao and B R Gavai, however, granted

liberty to the petitioner to approach the RBI with his representation

"How can the court grant the relief you are asking for in this petition. You make a representation they will decide but don't file petitions like this. It's not within the realm of this court to provide what you are asking for and the relaxations you are seeking," the bench said.

At this juncture, advocate Rohit Pandey, appearing for the petitioner, sought liberty to approach the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) with his representation.

The top court then granted liberty to the petitioner that he may approach the RBI.

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# Hybrid mode not working, courts have to function physically, says apex court

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

The hybrid mode of hearing cases is not working, the Supreme Court observed on Friday and said that normalcy has to return and courts have to function physically as virtual hearing of cases can't become a norm. "Sitting here in the court and looking at the screens is not giving us hap-

piness," said a bench comprising Justices L Nageswara Rao and B R Gavai. The bench said it wants the courts to open for the public and justice accessible for all the citizens.

"We have tried hybrid mode, it's not working. People are not coming to the courts. Normalcy has to return and the courts have to function

physically," it said. The top court, which issued notice in the matter, was hearing a plea filed by NGO National Federation of Societies for Fast Justice and eminent citizens like Julio Ribeiro, Shailesh R Gandhi, seeking to declare virtual court hearing as a fundamental right for the litigants.

The bench asked the peti-

tioners to submit the suggestions and said it would consider on the next date after four weeks as to how this can be taken up.

At the outset, senior advocate Monoj Swarup, appearing for the petitioners, submitted that hybrid mode be kept open as a part for access to justice for all citizens. The bench said, "Have you

seen the standard operating procedure (SOP) issued by us (SC) last night? We have to set aside the SOP then."

Swarup said this petition is on behalf of citizens who are coming to the court.

The bench said that these distinguished citizens should be told about fundamental principles of open court and open justice.

# Poor oral health may impact Covid severity

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

During Covid-19 infection ensure adequate oral health hygiene, researchers have advised reasoning that the oral cavity is a potential reservoir for respiratory pathogens. Those with cardiovascular diseases should be more cautious, they said in a study after examining Egyptian cardiac patients.

The study will be presented at ACC Middle East 2021, a hybrid meeting held in partnership by the American College of Cardiology, Egyptian Society of Cardiology and the ACC Egypt Chapter on Oct. 14-15, 2021.

The oral cavity is a potential reservoir for respiratory pathogens. Previous trials have

linked poor oral hygiene with increased inflammation and cardiovascular disease. According to the researchers, Covid-19 severity has also been linked to an inflammatory response.

"Oral tissues could act as a reservoir for SARS-CoV-2, developing a high viral load in the oral cavity. Therefore, we recommended maintenance of oral health and improving oral hygiene measures, especially during Covid-19 infection," said Ahmed Mustafa Basuoni, MD, cardiology consultant at Cairo University and lead author of the study.

"Simple measures like practicing proper oral hygiene, raising awareness of oral health importance either in relation to

Covid-19 infection or systemic diseases by using media and community medicine, regular dental visits, especially in patients with CVD, and using [antimicrobial] mouthwashes [could help in] preventing or decreasing the severity of Covid-19 disease."

The study included 86 Egyptian heart disease patients with a confirmed Covid-19 PCR test. Using a question-


naire, researchers from Cairo University assessed oral health and Covid-19 severity. An oral health score was used to determine the effect of oral health on Covid-19. Data on CRP levels and Covid-19 PCR tests were collected via the questionnaire and confirmed via medical records. CRP levels are used to determine when there is inflammation in the body.

According to the

researchers, the correlation between oral health and Covid-19 severity showed a significant inverse relationship, as did the correlation between oral health with recovery period and CRP values. Poor oral health was correlated to increased values of CRP and delayed recovery, especially in patients with cardiac diseases.

"Oral health should be a part of routine history taking and examination in cardiac patients," Basuoni said. "Lifestyle measures should be instructed to all cardiac patients regarding good oral hygiene with regular dental visits. We need to give more space in research for these risk factors which can be easily modified," he added.



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

SR. NO	NAME AND ADDRESS OF BORROWER & LOAN ACCOUNT NUMBER	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	DETAILS OF PROPERTY POSSESSED	DATE OF PHYSICAL POSSESSION
A	B	C	D	E	F
1.	Loan A/c No. X0HEDEHE00001319799 1. Shiv Kumar 4463, Gali No.10 Jai Mata Market Budh Nagar, Tri Nagar, New Delhi-110035 2. Kusum, 4463 Gali No.10 Jai Mata Market Budh Nagar, Tri Nagar, New Delhi-110035	05-10-2020	Rs. 1,03,24,601.74/- as on 28.02.2020	Entire First Floor Without Roof/ Terrace Rights Of Property Bearing No. 370 Built Up On Area Measuring 116 Sq.yds Of Khassa No. 541/197 Situated In The Area Of Village Chowkri Mubarkabad Known As Onkar Nagar As Onkar Nagar -B, Tri Nagar, Delhi. Boundaries : East : Property No. 371, West : Property No. 369, North : Gali 10Ft South : Road 40' Ft	04-10-2021

Dated: 09-10-2021  
Place: Delhi.

sd- Authorized Officer  
CHOLAMANDALAM INVESTMENT AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED

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**E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**  
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable 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) Rule, 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 is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 17/11/2021 for recovery of Rs. 89,64,729/- (Rupees Eighty Nine Lakh Sixty Four Lakh Seven Hundred Twenty Nine Only) dues as on 04.10.2021 with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from 1. Mr. Hitesh Agarwal and 2. Mrs. Khushboo Garg in Loan No. HTR005602473530/ PHR005602405672. Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details:-**SCHEDULE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**  
Residential Ground Floor Dwelling Unit called 'Town House' having its covered area of 76.50 Sq. Mtrs. (823 Sq. Ft.) bearing No. U-23/35 together with impartible and undivided prorate share of land in Plot No. 35, Road No. U-23, measuring 125.07 Sq. Mtrs. in the Residential Colony Known as DLF City, Phase-III, (Earlier known as DLF Gurgaon Enclave Complex), situated in and around Village Nathupur, Tehsil & Distt. Gurgaon (Haryana) and bounded as under:-  
East: Property No. U-23/36 West: Property No. U-23/34  
North: Road South: Property No. U-22/19For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. <https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail> and the Bank's approved service provider M/S C1 India Private Limited at their web portal <https://www.banksauctions.com>  
The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal <https://www.banksauctions.com>. For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact Mr. Anuj Trivedi (Mobile. No. +91-9911324506) Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.Date : 09-10-2021  
Place: Delhisd/-  
Authorized Officer,  
Axis Bank Ltd.

**Public Notice**  
This is to inform general public that Mrs. Varsha is owner of entire third floor with roof right of property no. A-64, area 45 sq. yds., rectangle no. 35, Kila no. 15, Radhey Shyam park extension, Village Khureji khas Delhi vide Sale Deed dated. 16.12.2015 Document no. 7168 executed by Mr. Mangal Singh Now, Mrs. Varsha is intending to sell the above said property/Floor to Mr. Mukesh Kumar Vaishnav & Mrs. Seema Kumari who are mortgaging the above said property/ floor with Fullerton India Home Finance Co. Ltd. & in case anyone has any objection, the same may be raised within 07 days of this publication to Mr. Muneesh Dhawan/ Mr. Sudhir Jain (Advocates), Law Veritas, Unit no 907, 9th Floor, GD-TTL Tower, (B-08), Netaji Subhash Place, Delhi-110034 or contact at 9066707172/ 9818228636 (M).

**GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA**  
**Public Works Division,**  
**Osmanabad**  
**E-Tender**  
**Notice No.06/2021-22**

Online Tenders invited by the Executive Engineer, Public Works Division, Osmanabad (Phone No. 02472-222882/83) B-1 from eligible contractors.  
**Website:-**  
**<http://mahatenders.gov.in>**  
**& [www.mahapwd.com](http://www.mahapwd.com)**  
**Sd/-**  
**(V.N. Gapat)**  
**Executive Engineer**  
**Public Works**  
**Division, Osmanabad**  
**DGIPR: C2247/21-22**



**LAKHIMPUR KHERI VIOLENCE**

# Akhilesh demands Ajay Mishra's resignation

Visits Bahraich to meet family of farmer killed in incident

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Samajwadi Party president Akhilesh Yadav demanded resignation of Union Minister of State for Home, Ajay Mishra Teni, for his alleged involvement in violence in Lakhimpur Kheri where nine people, including four farmers, were killed.

He also expressed apprehension that the Minister's son Ashish Mishra, who is named as accused in murder case, could have fled to Nepal.

"We would not compromise on anything less than the resignation of the Union Minister," Akhilesh Yadav told media persons in Bahraich, where he went to meet the family members of a farmer killed in Lakhimpur Kheri violence. On the Minister's son Ashish Mishra, who is the named as accused, the SP leader said, "The Union Minister has an old relationship with Nepal and his son could be hiding there."

In Bahraich, Akhilesh Yadav met the family of Daljit Singh in Mahurania village who was killed in Kheri on October 3. He said the sole demand of the farmer's family was securi-



ty and it was the duty of the government to ensure the safety and security of the family members of the deceased farmer.

"After information has come that Ashish fled to Nepal, now the Indian government will have to intervene. Now we hope that the Indian government will also intervene and bring the accused minister's son from Nepal," he said.

"The working style of the Bharatiya Janata Party government is different. If someone from the BJP commits a crime, the government will save him. The criminal who is in BJP will be respected and they will be presented bouquets. A sum-

mon is just an excuse. Police will welcome him by giving a bouquet," he alleged.

"Have we not seen in Uttar Pradesh the policemen, who were accused of murder of a businessman in Gorakhpur hotel, are absconding? There are many such examples. Don't know how many were shot on the knee by the police. In these cases, the Uttar Pradesh government can be questioned".

Akhilesh Yadav said the Samajwadi Party would continue to fight for the justice of farmers and hoped that the Supreme Court would take cognisance so that families of the victims got justice.

# Yogi takes swipe at Akhilesh on ties with uncle

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath once again hit out at Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav. Speaking at an event organised by a news channel in Gorakhpur on Friday, Yogi took a jibe at the estranged relationship between Akhilesh Yadav and his uncle Shivpal Singh Yadav.

"The way in which Shivpal was humiliated and thrown out (of SP) is very painful. At least he should have been respected as an uncle," Yogi Adityanath said.

Taking another swipe at Akhilesh, Yogi said, "Akhilesh, who wakes up at 12 O'clock, will first sit with friends and then go for cycling, after which he is not left with much time for politics. He is a big boy of a big father. He (Akhilesh) must have bought islands in Australia, he should go and have fun there, I will be happy that a person from UP has become a non-resident Indian."

Earlier this week, Pragatisheel Samajwadi Party (Lohia) chief Shivpal Singh Yadav had said that he was not willing to wait for an indefinite

period over the decision by Akhilesh Yadav on alliance with his party. He had said there had been no reply from the Samajwadi Party president on an alliance between them, even as the two leaders had talked about mending ties on different occasions.

Losing hope of an alliance with SP for 2022 UP polls, Shivpal Yadav is now working on a separate 'Samajik Parivartan Yatra', beginning October 15 from Vrindavan area of Mathura.

Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav is also embarking on a 'Samajwadi Vijay Yatra' from October 12.

Attacking the opposition parties, the chief minister said that those "who were supporting Taliban were doing the work of inciting riots in UP".

On All India Majlis-e-Ittehad-ul-Muslimeen's Asaduddin Owaisi speaking on UP, Yogi Adityanath said, "Owaisi saheb should also say something about Kashmir. These are the same people who support the Taliban on the killings in Kabul and remain silent on Kashmir."

# To protest against Yogi jibe, Priyanka sweeps Dalit area

PNS ■ LUCKNOW

To make a symbolic protest against the statement of Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra made a surprise visit to a Dalit hamlet in Lucknow on Friday and took up broom to clean the locality.

"Sweeping with brooms is a symbol of self-respect and simplicity and crores of women and sweepers sweep with brooms every day," commented Priyanka while indirectly reacting to the chief minister's statement.

She suddenly reached Lavkush Nagar, a Dalit settlement in Indira Nagar, at around 4 pm on Friday and swept Valmiki Ashram there.

Earlier, after pictures of Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra sweeping the floor at Sitapur Guest House went viral, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath took a jibe at the Congress leader.

"Janata unko isi layak banana chahti hai (people want to make her capable of doing such tasks)," Yogi said during an exclusive conversation with a news channel in Gorakhpur.

A Congress spokesperson alleged that Uttar Pradesh Chief



Minister Yogi Adityanath had made fun of Priyanka for sweeping the floor with a broom and this showed the Bharatiya Janata party's anti-Dalit mindset. He said that it seemed that BJP was scared of the 'Durga Avatar' of Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and now she would sweep away the BJP from the state.

UP Congress president Ajay Kumar Lallu said that Mahatma Gandhi also took a broom and gave a satyagraha and responded to the British, which was history. "Not only UP, women and Dalits of the whole country make this sac-

rifice every day," he said.

Attacking Yogi Adityanath, he said that the chief minister's anti-women, anti-Dalit face had come in front of the people of UP.

Sources said that annoyed with the development, an inquiry had been ordered on how Priyanka was allowed to clean the guest house and even a video of it went viral.

Meanwhile, the Congress has shifted its focus on the 'Pratigya Rally' in Varanasi, which is to be addressed by Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Sunday.

# Amid disagreement among ruling allies, Manipur buzzing with activity ahead of polls

IANS ■ ARRAY IMPHAL

With disagreement brewing between the ruling allies months ahead of the elections to the 60-seat Manipur Assembly, hectic political and administrative activities have begun in the BJP-ruled State with both political parties and Election Commission readying themselves for the electoral battle.

Manipur is one of the four BJP-ruled States in the north-eastern region comprising eight states. The others are Assam, Tripura and Arunachal Pradesh, while the allies of the saffron party are ruling in the remaining northeastern states.

BJP President J.P. Nadda will visit Manipur on Saturday and Sunday and hold a series of meetings with the party leaders and BJP allies -- the National People's Party (NPP) and the Naga People's Front (NPF).

On October 2, Nadda had held a meeting with Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, state minister Biswajit Singh, and state party chief A. Sharda

Devi in Delhi.

Home Minister Amit Shah, BJP national General Secretary (organisation) B.L. Santhosh, Union Minister Bhupender Yadav and party spokesperson Sambit Patra were also present in the meeting.

According to BJP sources in Imphal, Singh and other state leaders have apprised the central leaders about the current political situation in the state.

The sources told IANS that the central leaders also asked the Chief Minister and other party leaders to prepare a roadmap for winning the upcoming Assembly polls, which are expected to be held along with the elections in Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Uttarakhand and Goa early next year.

In a setback for the ruling alliance, the NPP led by Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma recently announced that it would go alone in the polls, which is expected to be held in February-March before the end of the Manipur Assembly terms on March 19.

# Pandal projects Didi as Durga

SAUGAR SENGUPTA ■ KOLKATA

Delhi still may be some distance away for Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee-- who is being projected by her party Trinamool Congress as a strong contender for the Prime Minister's post opposite Narendra Modi--but her admirers have already started projecting her as a Goddess so to say.

The organizers of a North Kolkata Puja committee have installed the idol of the Chief Minister as Mother Goddess Durga. Considering the "service" rendered by her to the people of Bengal, Banerjee will be worshipped by the committee members of Baguiati Nazrul Park Unnayan Samiti.

Here the Chief Minister has ten hands a la the Mother Goddess with each hand representing a popular scheme welfare scheme that her Government has undertaken in the past more than a decade of her rule.

"If you ask me about the meaning the 10 hands of the idol (of the Chief Minister) I would say they represent her schemes that have benefited crores of people of the State and have even earned international accolades ... such schemes

are Kanyashree, Rupashree, Sabuj Saathi (an eco friendly scheme entailing distribution of



free cycles to school goers), Laxmir Bhandar (that provides a monthly allowance Rs 500 to all the women of the State) and so on," said IK Bagui a senior member of the Committee.

The idol is made of fibre glass.

"We are too small a fry to pay Didi back for what she does for us ... the whole State ... She works day and night for the people of Bengal ... So this time we thought 'why not pay a small tribute to her greatness!" said

another senior member.

Cut to South Kolkata. Like the previous years Banerjee --- who has written a song and lent music to it in adoration of the Mother Goddess --- continued to inaugurate various Durga Puja pandals around Kolkata.

While inaugurating pandals at Shiv Mandir and Tridhara Sanmilani in South Kolkata the Chief Minister said "I do not personally go out during the Pujas as there is huge rush and it would be very dif-

ficult for the police to maintain security protocols and ensure order for the common people ... So I inaugurate the Pujas well in advance and then retire into my home from where I carry out my routine work."

Meanwhile, the police administration of Kolkata and other parts of the State was alerted by intelligence agencies to maintain utmost vigil during the Pujas when lakhs of people would be on the roads hopping pandals.

# Kudankulam back in news as DMK wants spent fuel not be stored at plant site

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ CHENNAI

Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant is back in the news after a brief hiatus for wrong reasons. The ruling DMK Government in Tamil Nadu has expressed its apprehension and fear over the move of the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd (NPCIL), the apex body controlling the nuclear power reactor in the country, to set up storage facility for Spent Nuclear Fuel from the Nuclear Power Plants at Kudankulam in the project site itself. Spent Nuclear Fuel is dangerous, radio active and with potential to cause long term damage to vast regions and the population in the eventuality of a mishap.

In a letter addressed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the DMK's parliamentary party leader T R Balu has said that the move to set up storage facility for spent fuel from Units 1 to 4 of the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant was against the Supreme Court guidelines and order in this regard and wanted the Union Government to find out a site far away from the reactor site or from populated areas.

He quoted the Supreme Court ruling in a case which stated that storing of spent nuclear fuel at nuclear power plant sites will in the long run pose a dangerous long term health and environmental risk.

# Last rites of slain teachers performed in Jammu, Srinagar

MOHIT KANDHARI ■ JAMMU

The last rites of Supinder Kour and Deepak Chand the slain school Principal and a Government teacher, killed by 'unidentified' terrorists inside the school premises in Eidgah area of Srinagar, were performed in Srinagar and Jammu amidst protest demonstrations against the perpetrators of terrorist violence on Friday.

Meanwhile, a massive crackdown has been launched by the Jammu and Kashmir police on ground zero to track down the perpetrators of terrorist violence. Large number of overground workers and suspects were picked up for questioning by the police.

In another related development, a forum of Kashmiri Pandit employees have written a letter to the chief secretary of J&K, requesting him to exempt employees of the minority community from duties till the situation returns to normalcy.

In Jammu a teachers welfare body demanded martyrs status for both the slain teachers and adequate security cover for all the employees serving in different parts of Kashmir valley under PM's package.

Before the cremation ceremonies were performed peaceful demonstrations were held seeking severe punishment for those behind the ghastly terror attack.

Large gatherings of people from different walks of life were witnessed at both these places.

In Jammu, emotionally charged relatives and close door neighbours shouted slogans against Pakistan while a separate protest demonstration was organised by the Jammu and Kashmir Peoples Forum against the merciless killings of these teachers.


In Srinagar, hundreds of members of the community assembled at the residence of Kour in Aloochoi Bagh area and

took out a protest march from there, carrying her mortal remains on a stretcher.

In Jammu, the mortal

remains of Deepak Chand arrived past midnight after completing the legal formalities.

Large number of close relatives along with Chand's mother Kanta Devi and wife Anuradha were inconsolable.



**JAIPUR DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
Indira Circle, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur-302004  
No.: JDA/EE&TA to Dir.Engg.-II/2021-22/D-107
Date : 08.10.2021

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**NIB No.: EE & TA to Dir. Engg.-II/23/2021-22**

Bids are invited for works given below in various zones as per details given :-

S. No.	Zone	UBN No.	Cost of Work (Lacs)	A&F	Nature of Work	Last Date
1.	EE-12A	JDA2122WSOB00344	292.96	209/ 2021-22	Construction of Internal Roads in Hatoj Kardhani and Hatoj Kardhani Vistar	01.11.2021
2.	EE-12A	JDA2122WSOB00345	457.95	208/ 2021-22	Civil Development Works in Amrut Kunj II	01.11.2021
3.	EE-13	JDA2122WSOB00346	220.65	229/ 2020-21	Renewal and Construction of Various Roads in Bassi Constituency	01.11.2021
4.	EE-Housing-I	JDA2122WLOB00352	1026.00	107/ 2009-10	Concessionaire for Govt. Funded Vacant Houses into ARHCs for a Period of 25 Years	17.11.2021

Details are available at Procurement Portal website [www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in](http://www.sppp.rajasthan.gov.in), [www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in](http://www.eproc.rajasthan.gov.in) and [www.jda.urban.rajjasthan.gov.in](http://www.jda.urban.rajjasthan.gov.in)  
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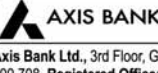
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SR. No.	NAME OF BOARD/CORP./AUTH	NAME OF WORK NOTICE TENDER	OPENING DATE CLOSING DATE (TIME)	AMOUNT / EMD (APPROX.) IN RUPEES	WEBSITE OF THE BOARD CORP./AUTH	NODAL OFFICER/CONTACT DETAILS/EMAIL
1	UHBVN	EMPANELMENT OF CONTRACTORS FOR 1 YEAR FOR SUPPLY & ERECTION OF MATERIAL FOR AUGMENTATION OF 33 KV S/TLN. & LINES, SHIFTING, CONST. OF NEW 33 KV LINES ON TURKEY/ LABOUR BASIS.	06.10.2021 29.10.2021	0.50 LACS	<a href="http://www.uhbvn.org.in">www.uhbvn.org.in</a>	01722570431 cepcd@uhbvn.org.in

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KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES ( IF ANY )	Not Known
RESERVE PRICE (IN RS.)	Rs. 20,64,000/- (Rs. Twenty Lakh Sixty Four Thousand Only)
EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (IN RS.)	Rs. 2,06,400/- (Rs. Two Lakh Six Thousand Four Hundred Only) through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis bank Ltd.' payable at Delhi.
BID INCREMENTAL AMOUNT	Rs. 10,000/- (Rs Ten Thousand only)
LAST DATE, TIME AND VENUE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS / TENDER WITH EMD	Till 11 <sup>th</sup> November, 2021 latest by 05:00 P.M. Axis House, Tower-2, 2nd Floor, I-14, Sector-128, Noida Expressway, Jaypee Greens Wishtown, Noida-201301, U.P. addressed to Mr. Anuj Trivedi
DATE, TIME, AND VENUE FOR PUBLIC E-AUCTION	On 12 <sup>th</sup> November, 2021, between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon, with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal <a href="https://www.bankauctions.com">https://www.bankauctions.com</a> e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available in the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above

**SCHEDULE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**  
Flat No. T15-201 on Second Floor of Tower 15, having a super area of 1225 Sq. Ft. (113.805 Sq. Mtrs.) situated in Group Housing Project known as Park Floors, Sector-76, Faridabad Haryana, alongwith the proportionate, undivided, impartible share only in the land underneath the said building in which the said unit is located, together with the right to use and access all common areas, paths, passages, benefits, and advantages, appurtenant whatsoever to the said unit or any part thereof and to hold the same unto and to the use of the Vendee Situated within the revenue estate of Village Fajipur Majra, Nimka, Sub Tehsil Tiagaon, Distt. Faridabad, Haryana  
Boundaries:  
East: As per Sale Deed      West: As per Sale Deed  
North: As per Sale Deed      South: As per Sale Deed  
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. <https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail> and the Bank's approved service provider M/S C1 India Private Limited at their web portal <https://www.bankauctions.com>.  
The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s C1 India Private Limited at their web portal <https://www.bankauctions.com>.  
For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact Mr. Anuj Trivedi (Mobile. No. 9911324506) Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Date : 09-10-2021  
Place: Delhi  
Sd/-,  
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PAPER WITH PASSION

## Staying safe

The nation must continue to be serious about COVID and not let its guard down

The time to think is over. It is time to act sensibly and avoid the third wave of the Coronavirus pandemic. It is time to wear masks, fully covering the mouth and nose. The festive season began on Thursday with the first day of Navratras. It will last till the new year. The three-month period has several events that can turn super-spreaders. Social, cultural and religious groups are ready with their demands for permission to celebrate certain festivals. Political parties are advising restraint, but vote bank policies can sway them any time. The Governments at the Centre and in the States have so far shown a strong resolve to break the infection cycle this time. They are also running against time in trying to fully vaccinate the eligible population in the country. A relief of sorts is the revelation by a survey that more people are losing their inhibitions about vaccination. Social media platform LocalCircles says vaccine hesitancy is at its lowest at seven per cent. The survey responses show that the vaccine-hesitant do not plan to take the jab till they are convinced that the currently available vaccines provide enough protection from the current and future variants of COVID-19. There is no logic to remain hesitant, but the least that such people can do is strictly follow the safety precautions. There is clear evidence that vaccination will not prevent infection but can certainly reduce its intensity and the unvaccinated only have the precautions as a fallback.



The Centre asserts it can tackle the third wave if it becomes unavoidable. It apparently has an adequate medical infrastructure in terms of beds, separate hospitals, oxygen, drugs and doctors to tackle a daily surge of 4.5-5 lakh fresh cases. It is a worst-case scenario no doubt, but people must realise that the country is officially still not rid of the second wave of the pandemic. At the national level, there is a consistent pattern of daily decline in cases. However, the virus is proving difficult to control in some pockets of the country. The COVID-19 positivity percentage is over 10 in 34 districts of the country. Thirteen of these districts are in Kerala and 18 in the Northeast. The rest of the country is opening up fast now. Schools have reopened, economic activity is back to normal, domestic travel has re-commenced. Many States have unlocked places of worship though some, like Tamil Nadu, are keeping them closed during weekends to avoid crowding. Unlike India, several countries are still experiencing a bad pandemic situation, but the Government plans to open up the country for foreign tourists from October 15. It must have its logic for doing so. The Government may want to have a rethink considering that people still do not follow elementary rules like wearing masks. The last day of the 'Mahalaya' ceremony on Wednesday, for instance, saw thousands assembling on river banks, completely careless about the safety of self and others.



IAF's aerobatic team, Sarang, performs to mark the 89th foundation day of the force, at Hindon airbase in Ghaziabad PTI

## Cruise control

Kids born to influential parents have an equal right to be judged fairly, or punished

Dealing with celebrities and their kin is often a double-edged sword, especially when it comes to journalism. On the one hand, it garners eyeballs and mileage in terms of attention and, on the other, if not handled deftly, it can open up a can of worms. Captioning this case through the pedigree of an alleged offender does get the reader's attention. That it may not be in the best traditions of healthy journalism is another matter. What an adult does, cannot be laid at the doorstep of his parentage, irrespective of the merits of the case. On Friday afternoon, Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan's bail plea was rejected in the cruise ship drug raid case. Aryan is an adult, responsible for his own conduct. The law of the land will deal with him appropriately, depending on the merits of the case. Why then bring in the parentage? Aryan is in the limelight for many wrong reasons. In case the chap is not guilty, he should be allowed to walk free honourably. However, if he is guilty (the



panchnama does quote him as saying, 'I am going to have a blast...have a good time', with six gm of charas), he should be awarded punishment like anybody else, without giving any leverage to his lineage.

In fact, erring children born to super influential parents should meet with even harsher punishment to set an example. The law enforcers, media and the society, on their part, should also make sure that they do not indulge in witch-hunting. While a few grams of drugs on the cruise liner is hitting the headlines, the drug seizure of ₹21,000 crore from the Mundra port in Gujarat was conveniently forgotten by the media and swept under the carpet early enough. Undue hype only makes life miserable for the accused and the NCB, besides weakening the case. Rhea Chakraborty's case is still fresh in our memories. On a different note, certain psychologists point out that SRK's repeated brag about his success after a hard struggle and mega stardom may impress people like Karan Johar but it could be irritating to many. In that case, there would be a propensity to bring him down a peg or two. Therefore, a section of the media may be overtaken by this desire to show a mirror and possibly establish how the brag itself could be misplaced.

# How Congress tied down Bengal's hands



PRAFULL GORADIA

Starting with the Congress, and later the Communists, political parties for decades didn't allow West Bengal to realise its full potential

Nearly a century ago, Gopal Krishna Gokhale said: "What Bengal thinks today, India thinks tomorrow." What a flattering compliment to a State where I grew up and spent 38 years. Even after Partition, West Bengal maintained its position among Indian provinces. Then began a pour-in of hapless refugees from East Bengal, Pakistan's eastern wing. Chief Minister Bidhan Roy was a capable, honest and visionary leader but Jawaharlal Nehru did not allow him to handle the inflow of refugees.

Nehru wrote him letter after letter. To quote from them: "I have your letter of August 4 about the influx from East Bengal. I realise your difficulties and naturally we should do what we can to help you. But as I told you long ago, there is no reasonable solution to the problem if there is a large influx from East Bengal. That is why I think that it was a very wrong thing for some of the Hindu leaders of East Bengal to come to West Bengal."

I have been quite certain right from the beginning that everything should be done to prevent Hindus in East Bengal from migrating to West Bengal. If that happened on a mass scale, it would be a disaster of the first magnitude. Running away is never a solution to a problem. If, as you suggest, things have gone too far already, then naturally we shall all do what we can, but I shudder at the prospect and the magnitude of the human misery that will come in its train. To the last, I shall try to check migration even if there is war."

These are samples of double standards of the Nehru dynasty. Because when it came to Punjab, many more were coming in, many dead, in bleeding trains. At the time, rumours were afloat that Master Tara Singh, a Sikh leader, had threatened Nehru that if he came in the way of Punjabi refugees, the PM may be killed. Otherwise, why have one policy for Punjabis and another for Bengalis? Bengali Muslims were not leaving in significant numbers; here it was largely a one-way traffic.

That was the time when



Hindu Bengalis referred to their Muslim brethren as *becharas* to be pitied and not disapproved of them even for voting for Partition almost 100 per cent. Their leader, very popular with the peasantry, Fazlul Haque, had proposed the Pakistan Resolution at Lahore on March 23, 1940, at the Muslim League session. It is true many Hindus discriminated against Muslims. A frequent complaint was that though they invited Muslims to wedding dinners, the latter were made to sit separately and had to wash their empty plates at the end of the meal.

One complaint I have personally heard from a member of the Bramachari family. The situation was that their village had become impossible to live in and the entire family had to flee to, say, Calcutta overnight. How to deal with his six-month-old sister (who may cry at night) was the question. After discussion, the family decided to strangle her. Thankfully, an elderly aunt got an idea, "let's give her a little *afeem* so that she sleeps through the night".

There was no spare farmland for the incoming peasants. So they were sent to Dandakaranya in Madhya Pradesh,

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which had been cleared for them. The refugees had been used to a lot more fertile land and, therefore, most of them could not adjust to the part-stony forest land and they returned to West Bengal's refugee camps. The result of overcrowding in Calcutta was unwelcome. Several streets, like Park Street which reminded one of London, became unkempt and ordinary. Yet Bidhan Roy, the medical physician-cum-Chief Minister, battled on to develop West Bengal. He built two small cities, Kalyani and Durgapur, to create space for new industries. His only fault was to be subservient to Nehru, but then he was not a grassroots politician. The number one physician in India, his private patient fee then was ₹64, unheard of in Bombay and Madras of those days.

Roy was followed by Congressman Prafulla Sen, who was clean and honest. He lasted three years when in 1967, the general elections were called. The Congress was replaced by a United Front Government headed by Ajoy Mukharjee, a former Congressman often referred to as the Gandhi of Bengal. Once, fed up with the recalcitrance of Deputy CM Jyoti

Basu and their Communist Ministers, Ajoy babu sat on a dharna. Asked by a journalist as to how he can protest against his own Ministry, his reply in Bengali was: "I am not *mukho* (chief) *montri*, nor *murkho* (foolish) *montri* but a *thutto* (broken arms) Jagannath." The reply sounds very effective in Bengali. With the Communists dictating terms, West Bengal was hurtling down. Naxals added poison to the bitterness.

West Bengal, for 33 years or more, had to suffer the Communist policy of keeping people on the frontiers of poverty so that they do not rebel but, at the same time, do not get strong enough for organising a revolution. The only unusual step they took was to make peace with sharecroppers, who were partners with land owners. West Bengal shifted to three crops a year; the yields went up and the tillers were happier. West Bengal has become a farming-cum-trading State rather than just number one industrial State in 1947.

(The writer is a well-known columnist, an author and a former member of the Rajya Sabha. The views expressed are personal.)

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS

Sir — Mental health is a critical topic in the modern era. The World Mental Health Day encourages us to be more conscious of not only the physical but also our own mental health as well. Good health does not refer to merely the absence of any disease but it centres around complete physical, social and mental well-being. Most people know that exercise is good for your body but did you know how good it is for your mental health as well? Regular exercise can really help you deal with anxiety and depression. Mental wellbeing plays a vital role in an individual's life as well as the society's as a whole.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, our lives have changed considerably. Our movements have been restricted, social life has been halted and we have started living in a digital workspace which has increased our stress and depression levels. People have lost their loved ones and their jobs while many are still struggling with the side-effects of the infection or post-illness trauma. As the Mental Illness Awareness Week is underway, we must take a step to put our mental and emotional health on the pedestal for not just a few days, but for as long as we want to live happily.

Somya Agrawal | Ujjain

### A BID TO SENSITISE PEOPLE

Sir — Selfless acts of those who save lives of road accident victims will now be rewarded with a cash prize for their humane attitude amidst the ever-growing instances of accidents. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways must be lauded for this initiative of rewarding the samaritans. This can augur well to reduce India's staggering road mishap toll. India has a bad distinction of having the highest number of road accidents, ranking third among 20 nations. The fatalities ratio is much higher as compared to the US and Japan.

The National Crime Records Bureau data reveal that of the 1,33,715 lives lost in 2020, 1,20,716 cases were due to negligence. These numbers are alarming since mobility was disrupted during the pandemic. In spite of an amendment to the Motor Vehicle

## The Valley is 'not' beautiful



We are disturbed and distressed that innocent civilians have been killed in Kashmir; we deplore and condemn the senseless killings of members of minority communities; no cause can justify or condone that. Among those killed were ordinary people like you and me — a pharmacist, a street food vendor, a taxi driver and school teachers. The targeted killings by the Resistance Front (TRF) militants were obviously meant to convey the message that they will resist the influx of those who fled Kashmir in the 1990s and 'outsiders' and 'non-locals'

Act to sensitise police forces and hospitals, altruism is affected on account of harassment and legal complications. Reduction in mortality demand concerted action on several fronts like scientific road designs, standards, zero tolerance enforcement, safety awareness etc. The Samaritan plan can work well only if district committees readily recognise their contribution aided by the police, hospitals and the other authorities concerned.

Vijay Singh Adhikari | Nainital

### PUT CRACKERS TO 'FIRE'

Sir — Both the States and the courts have their own responsibilities and limitations. It is unfortunate some progressive-thinking court orders are ridiculed for being "anti-sentimental". Similarly, people of Delhi and Rajasthan are sore with their Governments for banning firecrackers for a specific period. The Delhi Government has banned the storage, sale and use of firecrackers. Bursting of crackers, the ensuing emission of pollutants into the air and the

into the Valley as they fear it could change its demographic profile. The fear of demographic change may have been fueled by the website launched to facilitate and expedite the return of Kashmiri Pandits to the Valley.

It cannot be claimed that everything is hunky dory in Kashmir following the abrogation of Article 370 and the bifurcation of the State into two Union Territories. Clearly, the Union Ministers' mega outreach programmes and Union Government's promise of huge investment in infrastructural development have not brought normality to the troubled region. By restoring statehood and special status, granting more autonomy commensurate with legitimate political aspirations, promising the preservation of Kashmir's distinct culture and identity, demilitarising the region to the extent possible and strengthening secularism, the Union Government can militate against militancy and win the hearts and minds of the people of Kashmir.

G David Milton | Maruthancode

enormous damage they can do to the respiratory system is known only too well.

An interesting explanation offered by the Rajasthan Government is the "effect on immunity" by the smoke of firecrackers. As is known, immunity plays a large role in the prevention of COVID-19, as well as recovery. The Supreme Court's prohibition on sale of firecrackers through the famous 2018 judgment has still not been imbibed by the common people. The court had, instead, allowed green crackers. People of Delhi and the rest of NCR will vouch for the terrible "gas chambers" their cities turn into around Diwali. This year's Delhi Government order has cleared the air — no storage, no sale, no use of firecrackers. It is always possible that clandestine black marketing of firecrackers may happen; but the intention of the courts and the Governments cannot be sidetracked.

Ganapathi Bhat | Nagpur

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## SOUND BITE

I have told Tesla that it should manufacture electric cars in India, and also export cars from here.

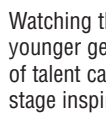


Union Minister — Nitin Gadkari



I thank the Chancellor (Angela Merkel) for the decisive role she has had in designing the future of Europe.

Italian Prime Minister — Mario Draghi



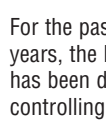
Watching this younger generation of talent capture the stage inspires me to reinvent, unlearn and relearn.

Actor — Shilpa Shetty Kundra



I think we will see a really strong England side come out here as we would want as players and as Australian fans.

Australian Test skipper — Tim Paine



For the past two years, the MHA has been directly controlling the security situation in the Valley. And look what it has led us to!

PDP spokesman — Suhail Bukhari



FIRST COLUMN

COMING TO GRIPS WITH HUMAN REALITY

The super-miniscule existence of humans is something ‘super’ in its own way



VINAYSHIL GAUTAM

Life is a complex process. Living through it requires many skills, all of which are perhaps not even listed. The human life span is less than 50 man-years for effective work. This itself would be a generous figure if one factors in the time spent in sleeping, rejuvenation, looking after daily needs, etc. To calculate this for all the human groups inhabiting the planet is a daunting task. People learn what they can in what their circumstances and talent enable. This can only go so far. The time spent in earning a livelihood and ‘keeping the body and soul together’ is yet to reach the calculation table. The reality of the planet Earth runs into numbers which are demanding to comprehend. Life has existed in some form for billions of years on this planet. It evolved gradually from the living cells to amphibian life to separation of creatures that lived on the land and water. The present version of Homo Sapiens has traces, in some parts of the planet going back to 70000 years or more.



In the meanwhile, land movements took place, volcanic eruptions and more shaped the geography of what is today the plant Earth. Pushing of the weaker landmass against a more stable earth structures like the Tibetan plateau caused mountains to rise. Rivers flowed and river valley cultures, emerged over thousands upon thousands of years. The history of the world as taught and learnt in curricula around the globe, in the best of cases, do not even cross 10,000 years. Clearly there is so little that we know of how the Homo Sapiens arrived to be where they are on this planet. Planet Earth itself is a very small speck in the solar system of a galaxy. Our galaxy is one of many. A galaxy is a gravitationally bound system of stars, stellar remnants, inter stellar gas, dust and dark matter. To comprehend the figure, it is important to recognise that in 2021, data from NASA’s space probe was used to revise the previous estimate to roughly 200 billion galaxies. This was only with reference to the observable universe. Most of the galaxies are approximately 3000 to 300000 light years in diameter. Most galaxies are ‘gravitationally organised into groups, clusters and super clusters’. The speed at which the so called stars of this galaxy system move is even more complex to comprehend. Galaxy of Milky Way ‘includes the solar system with the name describing the galaxy’s appearance from Earth.

It is estimated to contain 100 to 400 billion stars and at least that number of planets. The solar system is located at a radius of about 27000 light years from the galactic centre.’ The above description would be enough to flag the super microscopic reality of a human existence on this planet. Yet, this super miniscule existence is something ‘super’ in its own way. It has life and an intelligence which is somewhat evolved. It is important to keep the above in mind to have a sense of proportion about the significance and value of human life. It is important to understand how precious a super tiny life expression can be. It is important to get a sense of proportion and depth to our thinking and endeavours. All measurement is not just a measurement through figures. It is also a measurement by experience. It is also a measurement by potential. There are several narratives available of the powers some evolved Homo Sapiens succeeded in achieving. All this needs to be built into our curriculum planning and so-called school, college and beyond, education.

(The writer is a well-known management consultant. The views expressed are personal.)

# Pollution levels are the worst in India

Stubble burning by farmers is not defiance but a low-cost straw disposal method that also reduces the turnaround time. The solution lies in this fact



RAJESH KUMAR

As India’s air pollution levels have expanded geographically over time and increased so much in Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh that an average person is now losing an additional 2.5 to 2.9 years of life expectancy, a data of ministry of agriculture showed that 95,278 incidents of stubble burning have been reported so far since this January. The cases have declined during the monsoon period.

The data showed that 10,765 incidents reported in January; 10,111 in February; 10,646 in March; 39,254 in April; 21,970 in May; 2,036 in June; 273 in July; 68 in August and 155 in September. Maharashtra has reported 2,516 incidents in January, 2,308 in February, 1,713 in March, 915 in April and 519 in May. Madhya Pradesh has reported 416 incidents in January, 226 in February, 5,183 in March, 20,690 in April and 2,367 in May. Chhattisgarh has reported 2,230 incidents in January, 1,710 in February, 526 in March, 230 in April, 214 in May and 783 in June.

Bihar reported 2,618 incidents in April and 378 in June. Haryana reported 132 incidents in January, 234 in February, 1,934 in April, 1752 in May. Uttar Pradesh reported 828 incidents in January, 1,269 in February, 447 in March, 7,227 in April and 2,369 in May. Punjab reported 1,183 in April, 9,940 in May and 328 in June.

As per the data, Punjab witnessed an increase of 44.5 per cent incidents of stubble burning in 2020 despite getting 46 per cent of the total funds from the central government for checking crop burning residue. Punjab saw 76,590 incidents of fire in 2020 as compared to 52,991 instances in 2019 which indicates an increase of 44.5 per cent as compared to the earlier year. Haryana in the year 2020, the total active fire events reported was 5,000 while in 2019, it was 6,652 which indicates a decrease of 25 per cent.

The stubble burning in Delhi and its neighbouring states-Haryana, Punjab and Western Uttar Pradesh has not started yet. Stubble burning is essentially a common practice followed by farmers in order to get their fields ready for sowing wheat. This usually happens ahead of the winter season. After the paddy is harvested, there is very little time for farmers to sow wheat, which makes it an urgent task for farmers. While some alleviating measures have been taken by governments, these are never enough as every year Delhi witnesses unusual levels of smog during the months of October and November. This makes it important for the government to diagnose and address the fundamental issues which arm twist the farmers to burn paddy straw every year.

Paddy stubble burning in Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, and Uttar Pradesh is a fact, but farmers have no choice. They



POLLUTION IN DELHI AND THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION IS INVARIABLY BLAMED ON STUBBLE BURNING BY FARMERS OF NEIGHBOURING STATES, ALTHOUGH STUBBLE IS ONLY ONE OF THE MANY SOURCES OF DELHI’S AIR POLLUTION. OTHERS INCLUDE DUST, INDUSTRIAL AND VEHICULAR EMISSIONS, AND INCINERATION

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are compelled to burn paddy stubble in the short time they have. These farmers work on a paddy-wheat cycle. Since wheat is a rabi crop, farmers are compelled to harvest paddy and sell it as well as make sure the field is ready for the next round of sowing. This process takes around 15 days. The straw was once removed manually during the harvest and used as cattle feed or to make cardboard, but now most farmers rent a combine harvester which leaves up to 80 per cent of the residue in the field. Farmers say they donot have the time or money to store the straw or plough the stubble back into the ground. For these farmers, burning the paddy straw is an easy way out.

This act of farmers is not defiance. Instead, the burning process is a low-cost straw-disposal method that also reduces the turnaround time for them. However, the resultant smoke travels all the way to the national capital due to the winds. This smoke adds to the already existing suspended particulate matter (SPM) and other things that clogs lungs.

Every year, pollution in Delhi and the National Capital Region is invariably blamed on crop stubble burning by farmers from neighbouring states-Haryana, Punjab and West Uttar Pradesh. Although their stubble is only one of many sources of Delhi’s air pollution. Others include dust, industrial and vehicular emissions, and incineration. Weather plays a role too. Farmers burn stubble twice a year - in summer and at the onset of winter. The first time they do it,

the warm breeze disperses it quickly. But the second time, in October and November, plummeting temperatures and low wind speed spread the smoke far and wide.

According to the government data, stubble burning is a potential source of Green House Gases (GHGs) and other chemically and radioactive important trace gases and aerosols such as CH<sub>4</sub>, CO, N<sub>2</sub>O, NO<sub>x</sub> and other hydrocarbons. It is estimated that upon burning, Carbon (C) present in rice straw is emitted as CO<sub>2</sub> (70 per cent of Carbon present), CO (seven per cent) and CH<sub>4</sub> (0.66 per cent) while 2.09 per cent of Nitrogen (N) in straw is emitted as N<sub>2</sub>O. Besides, burning of crop residue also emits large amounts of particulates that are composed of a wide variety of organic and inorganic species. Many of the pollutants found in large quantities in biomass smoke are known or suspected carcinogens and could lead to various air borne/lung diseases. Besides, it is estimated that burning of one tonne of paddy straw accounts for loss of 5.5 kg Nitrogen, 2.3 kg phosphorus, 25 kg potassium and 1.2 kg sulphur besides, organic carbon.

In Delhi, the PM<sub>10</sub> (Particulate Matter-10 describes particles that can be inhaled, with diameters that are generally 10 micrometres and smaller) and PM<sub>25</sub> levels are 4-5 times higher than the national average, according to a detailed study carried out by IIT-Kanpur, and submitted to the Delhi Pollution Control Committee and Department of Environment way back in 2016.

Industries alone further add to almost 90 per cent of Sulphur Dioxide to Delhi’s pollution. And Carbon Monoxide is contributed at the rate of almost 83 per cent just by the vehicles.

According to the University of Chicago’s Air Quality Life Index (AQLI) report, in India, home to 22 of the world’s 30 most polluted cities, toxic air kills more than one million people each year. According to the report, more than 480 million people or about 40 per cent of its population living in the Indo-Gangetic plains in the north where pollution levels regularly exceed those found anywhere else in the world by an order of magnitude. Residents of northern India are on track to lose more than nine years of life expectancy if pollution levels of that of 2019 persist as the region experiences the most extreme levels of air pollution in the world, it said. In 2019, India’s average particulate matter concentration was 70.3 microgram per cubic metre (?g/m<sup>3</sup>), the highest in the world and seven times the World Health Organisation’s (WHO’s) guideline of 10 ?g/m<sup>3</sup>, the report said.

The smoggy air cloaking India’s cities often contains dangerously high levels of fine particulate matter, known as PM<sub>2.5</sub>. These pollutants have been linked to lung and heart disease and are known to impair cognitive functions and the immune system. PM<sub>2.5</sub> air pollution caused around 54,000 premature deaths in New Delhi in 2020, according to an analysis by Greenpeace Southeast Asia.

## POINT COUNTERPOINT

WE CAN’T STAY SILENT IF FARMERS ARE KILLED IN A PLANNED WAY... I ALSO UNDERSTAND MY DUTY.  
—PUNJAB CHIEF MINISTER CHARANJIT SINGH CHANNI



THE PUNJAB CHIEF MINISTER IS NOT EVEN ABLE TO DECIDE ON HIS OWN DGP. HIS JOB IS ONLY TO SPREAD NEGATIVITY.  
—UP CHIEF MINISTER YOGI ADITYANATH

# America’s first teenagers?

The archaeologists have found thousands of footprints at White Sands in New Mexico, which has left them with two challenging mysteries

It’s been the biggest shock in archaeology for a long time. British and American archaeologists have found solid evidence that human beings — we could call them ‘the forerunners’ — were in the Americas around 6,000 years before the earliest previously accepted date.

What the archaeologists found, at White Sands in New Mexico, was thousands of actual footprints, which definitely beats some chipped stones that might or might not be ancient spear points. Moreover, the lead author of the report in the journal ‘Science’, Prof. Matthew Bennett of Bournemouth University in England, thinks most of the footprints were just kids.

“These were America’s



GWYNNE DYER

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first teenagers,” he told ‘The Observer’, “and they were hanging out together as they do today. The only thing missing then was a smartphone.” What the forerunners have given us, is a couple of challenging mysteries. The smaller one is how they got there.

They presumably started by crossing the now-submerged land bridge between Siberia and Alaska. That was the easy bit. But a solid wall of glaciers more than a kilometre high blocked the land route south through Canada from Alaska 22,000 years ago. How did they get around that? Maybe they had dugout canoes (though big trees were rare in the Ice-Age Arctic), but it would have been a very long way down a rocky, ice-clad



coast (2,500 km.) with nothing to eat but the fish you can catch. By comparison the ‘Clovis’ people, who we used to think were the first humans in the Americas, had it easy. But the bigger mystery is this: if there were already human beings in New Mexico 22,000 years ago, where did they go for the next 6,000 years? How could there not be other evidence of their presence in other places?

From the arrival of the Clovis people onwards, evidence of human presence in the Americas is widespread and continuous. Further research has found that some similar people may have been in the two continents as long as 16,000 years ago.

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You can’t carbon-date footprints in the mud, but you can date the ditch grass seeds that are trapped in the mud (now turned into rock) in the layers just above and below those footprints. The archae-

ologists tested the date every way they knew, and every time the answer came out the same: the footprints are between 23,000 and 21,000 years old.

Okay, then. Time to ask the question we’d all rather avoid. Could the forerunners be one or more groups that did an end-run around the glaciers 22,000 years ago, thrived for a little while in the Americas, and then for some reason died out? No evidence for a human presence over the next 6,000 years strongly suggests that the forerunners just weren’t there any more. No mass extinction of American megafauna (large prey animals) arrive the Clovis hunters arrive sixty centuries later makes it almost certain.

When human hunter-

gatherers first settled a continent or ocean island where the big prey animals had not co-evolved with human beings and did not fear them, there was always a mass extinction: Australia 46,000 years ago, the Americas around 10-12,000 years ago, New Zealand only 700 years ago. If it didn’t happen any earlier than that in the Americas, then the forerunners were probably long gone.

Or maybe, they were still hanging on somewhere in small numbers until the Clovis people arrived, probably with better weapons, and swept them aside. That’s what Dr Andrea Manica, a geneticist at Cambridge University, thinks. He told the BBC that the genetics “clearly shows a split of Native Americans

from Asians approximately 15-16,000 years ago.”

The forerunners are not represented in that genetic lineage, and Manica suggests that “the initial colonists of the Americas were replaced when the ice corridor formed and another wave of colonists came in. We have no idea how that happened.” Yes, we do. We just don’t like to think about it.

The world’s prehistory is filled with examples of more powerful groups driving out or wiping out less powerful groups. Often the men and the boy children would be killed while the women would be kept, but the forerunners (if they were still around to meet the new bosses) weren’t even that lucky. Sixty centuries, and nothing to show for it.





FINLAND SUSPENDS MODERNA SHOTS

**Copenhagen:** Finland has joined other Nordic countries in suspending or discouraging the use of Moderna's Covid-19 vaccine in certain age groups because of an increased risk of heart inflammation, a rare side effect associated with the shot.

MOROCCAN KING APPOINTS NEW GOVT

**Rabat:** Morocco's King Mohammed VI appointed a new Government on Thursday made up of a coalition of liberal and conservative parties and led by a billionaire businessman. The cabinet of Prime Minister Aziz Akhannouch of the Rally of the National Independents party is made up of 24 Ministers, including seven women.

BIDEN TO RESTORE 3 NATIONAL MONUMENTS

**Washington:** President Joe Biden will restore two sprawling national monuments in Utah that have been at the center of a long-running public lands dispute, and a separate marine conservation area in New England that recently has been used for commercial fishing. Environmental protections at all three monuments had been stripped by former President Donald Trump.

BABIS FRONT-RUNNER IN CZECH ELECTIONS

**Prague:** Czechs begin voting on Friday in a Parliamentary election with polls showing Prime Minister Andrej Babis, a populist billionaire, has a good chance of keeping his job despite a new scandal over his financial dealings. Two days of balloting are being held to fill 200 seats in the lower house of Parliament, the main legislative body in the eastern European country that's a member of the EU and NATO.

NIGERIAN FORCES FREE OVER 180 HOSTAGES

**Lagos:** In one of the largest liberations of kidnap victims, at least 187 people including babies have been freed in the country's troubled north, police announced.

TRUMP HOTEL LOST \$70M DURING PRESIDENCY

**New York:** Former President Donald Trump's company lost more than \$70 million operating his Washington, DC, hotel while in office, forcing him at one point to get a reprieve from a major bank on payments on a loan.

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पंडित दीनदयाल उपाध्याय मेडिकल कॉलेज, वृक्ष में अनुयायि विधि सं. 269.00 लाख के Ophthalmology Equipments के उपचार हेतु दरखास्ती के इच्छुक जो RTPP Rules-2013 के अनुसार निविदादिपत्र पंजीकृत अर्जपत्र व सुदृढ वित्तीय स्थिति वाले जोही दाता/संयोजक हो, से दो बोली में बोली प्रस्ताव तथा उत्तरीकी बोली प्रस्ताव एवं वित्तीय जोही प्रस्ताव द्वारा ई-प्रोक्वेस्ट प्रक्रिया से निविदा आमंत्रित की जाती है।  
ऑनलाइन बोली फाईल काउन्सिलर परामर्श कर की दिनांक 30.09.2021 तक रात्रि रात्रि 04 बजे से सेवा फार्म ब्यालेट कर की अंतिम दिनांक 29.10.2021 को रात्रि रात्रि 05 बजे तक है। बोली से संबंधित अन्य संपूर्ण विवरण वेबसाइट <https://eproc.raajasthan.gov.in>, [app.raajasthan.gov.in](http://app.raajasthan.gov.in) एवं [www.education.raajasthan.gov.in/mccmchuru](http://www.education.raajasthan.gov.in/mccmchuru) पर अवलोकन हेतु उपलब्ध है।  
हरा/अ-प्रधानाचार्य एवं नियंत्रक, पं. दीनदयाल उपाध्याय मेडिकल कॉलेज, वृक्ष  
DIPR/C/10263/2021

**AXIS BANK**  
Retail Lending and Payment Group (Local Office Branch): Axis House, Tower-2, 2nd Floor, I-14, Sector-128, Noida Expressway, Jaypee Greens Wisthoun, Noida-201301, U.P.  
Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC, 1, TTC Industrial Area, Muglaan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai 404 708, Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor App. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge Ahmedabad 380006.  
**E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY**  
E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable 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) Rule, 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 is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is" on 11/11/2021 for recovery of Rs. 1,49,61,473/- (Rupees One Crore Forty Nine Lakh Sixty One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Three Only) dues as on 01.10.2021 with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from Mr. V. Vijay Kumar Pal and 2 Mr. Meht Sahu in Loan No. PHR01/26029/15291. Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details.  
**KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES (IF ANY)** Not Known  
**RESERVE PRICE (IN RS.)** Rs. 83,21,438/- (Rs. Eighty Three Lakh Twenty One Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Eight Only)  
**EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (IN RS.)** Rs. 8,32,143.80/- (Rs. Eight Lakh Thirty Two Thousand One Hundred Forty three and Eighty Paise Only) through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis bank Ltd.' payable at Delhi.  
**BID INCREMENTAL AMOUNT** Rs. 10,00,00/- (Rs Ten Thousand only)  
**LAST DATE, TIME AND VENUE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS / TENDER WITH EMD:** Till 09<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, latest by 05:00 P.M. Axis House, Tower-2, 2nd Floor, I-14, Sector-128, Noida Expressway, Jaypee Greens Wisthoun, Noida-201301, U.P. addressed to Mr. Santosh Singh  
On 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2021, between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon, with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal <https://www.bankauctions.com> e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available in the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above  
**DATE, TIME, AND VENUE FOR PUBLIC E-AUCTION**  
**SCHEDULE DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**  
Residential Property at House No 784, (Ground and First Floor), area measuring 250 Sq.Yrds. consist of 9 rooms in Sector 08, Urban Estate, Tenshi Ballabhgan Faridabad Haryana along with share and interest in the land laid underneath the building in which said property is located and in the common areas and facilities provided in the building/ scheme/ complex and bounded as under:  
East: As Per Sale Deed West: As Per Sale Deed North: As Per Sale Deed South: As Per Sale Deed  
For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. <https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail> and the Bank's approved service provider M/S C1 India Private Limited at their web portal <https://www.bankauctions.com> The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s.C1 India Private Limited at their web portal <https://www.bankauctions.com>.  
For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact Mr. Santosh Singh (Mobile. No. +91-999682667)  
Authorized officer of the Bank during office hours from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Sd/-  
Authorized Officer, Axis Bank Ltd.

# ICC judges seek UN clarification on Af rulers

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International Criminal Court judges decided on Friday to ask the United Nations Secretary-General for information on who represents Afghanistan at international bodies following the Taliban's sweep to power in August. The request is intended to clarify the status of Afghanistan's new leadership as judges prepare to rule on a request by the global court's new prosecutor last month for permission to resume an investigation into alleged war crimes and crimes against humanity linked to Afghanistan's conflict since 2002.

In a written ruling, judges said that "for several reasons including the fast pace of relevant developments, and the short time elapsed since they

materialized, there is still a large margin of uncertainty as to the legal implications of those events, including for the purposes of international law and international relations."

The judges also asked the court's Assembly of States Parties for the same clarification. Afghanistan is a member, or state party, of the court.

In a statement, the court said that the judges also reminded Prosecutor Karim Khan that he can request authorisation to "pursue necessary investigative steps for the purpose of preserving evidence where there is a unique opportunity to obtain important evidence or there is a significant risk that such evidence may not be subsequently available."

Judges authorised an investigation in March last year covering offenses allegedly

committed by Afghan Government forces, the Taliban, American troops and US foreign intelligence operatives dating back to 2002. The probe was put on the back burner when Afghanistan's government asked to take over the case. The ICC is a court of last resort, set up in 2002 to prosecute alleged atrocities in countries that cannot or will not bring perpetrators to justice — known as the principle of complementarity.

## Wendy Sherman discusses with Pak FM Af situation

**Islamabad:** Pakistan and the US on Friday discussed regional security issues, including the situation in Afghanistan, and bilateral economic cooperation as America's Deputy Secretary of State Wendy Sherman held talks with the country's Foreign Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi.

In a tweet, Sherman said that she met Qureshi "to discuss Afghanistan's future and the important and long-standing US-Pakistan relationship." "We look forward to continuing to address pressing regional and global challenges," she said. **PTI**

## Ex-Taliban commander, who held US scribe captive, charged with killing American troops

**New York:** A former Taliban commander, who had kidnapped an American journalist and kept him captive in Pakistan for several months before he managed to escape over a decade ago, has been charged in a superseding indictment with killing US troops in 2008.

Haji Najibullah, 45, who also went by the name of Najibullah Naim, was previously charged with crimes related to the 2008 kidnapping of an American journalist and two Afghan nationals. **PTI**

# Ressa, Muratov win Nobel Peace Prize



A combo of file images of Novaya Gazeta editor Dmitry Muratov, left, and of Rappler CEO and Executive Editor Maria Ressa

**Manila:** Journalists Maria Ressa of the Philippines and Dmitry Muratov of Russia won the 2021 Nobel Peace Prize on Friday for their fight for freedom of expression in countries where reporters have faced persistent attacks, harassment and even murder. "Free, independent and fact-based journalism serves to protect against abuse of power, lies and war propaganda," said Berit Reiss-Andersen, chair of the Norwegian Nobel Committee, explaining why the prize went to two journalists.

"Without freedom of expression and freedom of the press, it will be difficult to successfully promote fraternity between nations, disarmament and a better world order to succeed in our time," she said.

The Nobel committee noted that Ressa in 2012 co-founded Rappler, a news website that has focused critical attention on President Rodrigo Duterte's "controversial, murderous anti-drug campaign" in the Philippines. **AP**

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**Metro Railway, Kolkata**  
**India's First Metro**  
E-Tender Notice No.: 05/21-22, dt. 08.10.2021 for procurement of stores. Principal CMM, Metro Railway, Kolkata invites E-Tenders for following items have already been uploaded in [www.reps.gov.in](http://www.reps.gov.in) with all details. Manual bid will not be accepted.  

Tender No.	Brief Description	Quantity	Closing date & time
01205024B	Third rail current collector assembly complete	1) 168 nos., 2) 168 nos.	18.10.2021 at 14.00 hrs.
02215206	Different types of XLPE cable	1) 121000 mtrs., 2) 43000 mtrs., 3) 10000 mtrs.	22.10.2021 at 14.00 hrs.
02215248	Automatic Smart Card recharge machine	1) 15 nos., 2) 15 nos., 3) 15 nos., 4) 15 nos.	28.10.2021 at 14.00 hrs.
02205325A	Smart energy meter with AMC	1) 226 nos., 2) 54 nos., 3) 6 nos., 4) 15 nos., 5) 286 nos., 6) 286 nos.	02.11.2021 at 14.00 hrs.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
1. We M/s. S.R. Overseas holding a Registration Certificate No. 9-0246/DEU/ PART/300/5/ 8240/ 2008 dated 15.09.2008 under the Emigration Act, 1983 for export of manpower are intending to lock our overseas manpower recruitment business with effect from 07.10.2021.  
2. In the event if there is any claim against company or Proprietor/ Managing Partner/ Managing Director, the same may be preferred within 30 days of publication of this Notice. Copies of the complaint may also be sent to Protector General of Emigrants, Ministry of External Affairs, Akbar Bhawan, Satya Marg, Chankyapuri, New Delhi-110021.  
**S.R. Overseas**  
WZ-29A2, Keshopur Village (Near Bank of India), Vikaspur, New Delhi-110018

**Office of the Superintending Engineer**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Circle, Public Works Department, Almora**  
Phone/Fax: 05962-230295 Email: [sepwdalm@rediffmail.com](mailto:sepwdalm@rediffmail.com)  
Letter No. : 7635/ Nivida-01/2021 Dated : 07/10/2021  
**NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING (E-Tendering)**  
**Short Term E-TENDER NOTICE**  
The superintending Engineer, 1st Circle, Public Works Department, Almora invites tender through E-Tendering (Single Bid System) on behalf of Honourable Governor of Uttarakhand for following works. All other information will be available from dated 14/10/2021 & onwards on website <http://www.uktenders.gov.in>  

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Cost of Tender Form	Earnest Money (Rupee in lakh)	Validity of Tender	Time of Completion	Contractor's Category of Registration for tendering
1	Protection work at Vulnerable Places Prone to Accident in Various Motor Road of the Construction Division PWD Almora under Central Road Infrastructure Fund.	Rs. 4000 + 18% GST	Rs. 2.40 Lakh	60 Days	6 Months	Class "B" & Higher in Road work in Central Govt./ Any state Govt./ Any Govt. Undertaking and Eligibility of the Conditions prescribed for the Road Furnitures, Reflective Sheeting and Road Marking as per Engineer in Chief Letter No. 380 /02- गुणितो (अधि) /2017-20 दिनांक 31 / 07 / 2020
2	Road safety work in km 1 to 21 of Baijnath-Bageshwar Motor Road (SH-11) by fixing crash barriers and warning sign boards under Central Road Infrastructure Fund.	Rs. 4000 + 18% GST	Rs. 1.85 Lakh	60 Days	6 Months	Class "C" & Higher in Road work in Central Govt./ Any state Govt./ Any Govt. Undertaking and Eligibility of the Conditions prescribed for the Road Furnitures, Reflective Sheeting and Road Marking as per Engineer in Chief Letter No. 380 /02- गुणितो (अधि) /2017-20 दिनांक 31 / 07 / 2020

DHFL National Office Address : HDIL Towers, B-wing, 6th Floor, Anant Kanekar Marg, Station Road, Bandra (East), Mumbai - 400051. Branch Address : Dhiraj Baug, Building "A" Ground & 1st Floor, Beside Axis Bank, Opp. Monalisa Building, Agra Road, Hari Niwas Circle, Naupada, Thane (West) 400602. Changing Rules Changing Lives			
DEMAND NOTICE			
Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement Of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with Rule 3 (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. The undersigned is the Authorised Officer of Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Ltd. (DHFL) Under Securitisation And Reconstruction Of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (the said Act), in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(2) of the said Act read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, the Authorised Officer has issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the said Act, calling upon the following Borrower(s) (the "said Borrower(s)"), to repay the amounts mentioned in the respective Demand Notice(s) issued to them that are also given below. In connection with above, Notice is hereby given, once again, to the said Borrower(s) to pay to DHFL, within 60 days from the publication of this Notice, the amounts indicated herein below, together with further interest as detailed in the said Demand Notice(s), from the date(s) mentioned below till the date of payment and/or realization of the loan agreement read with the relevant documents/writings, if any, executed by the said Borrower(s). As security for due repayment of the loan, the following assets have been mortgaged to DHFL by the said Borrower(s) respectively.			
Name of the Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount with NPA date	Description of secured asset (Immovable property)	
(LC No. 00044570 of Delhi - Safdurlung Branch) Pratap Rao (Borrower) Shampa Roy (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1508060 / ( ₹ Fifteen lakh Eight Thousand Sixty ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	Flat No-1,ugf(front Side),plot No-R-232 -a & R-232-b Kh No-61/77/1, Gali No-2 Purn Nagar, Palam Colony Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110045	
(LC No. 00004983 of New Delhi Branch) Prabhu Dayal Singh (Borrower) Jyoti Rani (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1173231 / ( ₹ Eleven lakh Seventy Three Thousand Two Hundred Thirty One ) NPA ( 09-02-2021 )	Flat No-GF-6, Ground Floor, Rear RH5, D-8/5, Df Ankur Vihar, Loni,DLF ankur vihar,vill-01/1, Pargana, Ghaziabad,UP Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201010	
(LC No. 00002158 of Raj Nagar Branch) Dilbagh Singh (Borrower) Kulvinder Kaur (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1238000 / ( ₹ Twelve lakh Thirty Eight Thousand ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	Plot No. 1/6500, Second Floor, Azad Gali No.1 East Rohtash Nagar, Old No. 1254/1 -b, Kh No. 240, Vill Sikdarpur Shahdara, Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110051	
(LC No. 00042290 of Delhi - Pitampura Branch) Udai Kumar Pathak (Borrower) Jyoti Pathak (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1577584 / ( ₹ Fifteen lakh Seventy Seven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Four ) NPA ( 11-03-2021 )	prop no-1A-18, 2nd floor without ofr kh no. 21 & 16 TA block-vill- Bindapur Uttam Nagar New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110059	
(LC No. 00001645 of Delhi Rajouri Garden Branch) Neha Gupta (Borrower) Raj Puroshotham Potthangi (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 2166026 / ( ₹ Twenty one lakh Sixty Six Thousand Twenty Six ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	P.No.C-53 & 54-First Floor Front Side Kh.No. 107/25, Vill mahlaba, Block-C, Sank Nagar, Uttam Nagar New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110059	
(LC No. 00043565 of Delhi - Safdurlung Branch) Om Parkash Grover (Borrower) Gulshan Grover (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1192649 / ( ₹ Eleven lakh Ninety Two Thousand Six Hundred Forty Nine ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	Plot No.177/ B, 1st Floor, Tilak Nagar, New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110018	
(LC No. 00000423 of Dwaraka Branch) Santosh Kumar Jha (Borrower) Anita Jha (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 9317841 / ( ₹ Thirteen lakh Seventeen Thousand Eight Hundred Forty One ) NPA ( 11-05-2019 )	Flat No E 10/ G-1 & G-2 Ground Fir (without Roof Right)ing, Kh No-362 SF Ved Vihar, Vill-sadullab Loni, Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201002	
(LC No. 00000971 of Karkarduma Noida Branch) Nilesh Kumar (Borrower) Pammil Kumar (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1166672 / ( ₹ Eleven lakh Sixty Six Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Two ) NPA ( 09-02-2021 )	Wz-309, Kharsa No-177, Badliyal Pushkar Chok,old Lal Dora Village Palam South West Delhi New Delhi - 110045	
(LC No. 00004420 of New Delhi Branch) Ashok Kumar (Borrower) Sunita Goyal (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1101592 / ( ₹ Eleven lakh One Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Two ) NPA ( 10-04-2020 )	Property No. 8, 10 Entire Building Part Of Kharsa No-583 &584 Dev Road Krishna Park Khanpur Delhi New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110062	
(LC No. 00002108 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Ashok Kumar (Borrower) Sunita (Co Borrower 1)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1300391 / ( ₹ Thirteen lakh Three Hundred Ninety One ) NPA ( 10-04-2020 )	Property No. 8- 10, Kharsa No. 583 & 584 Kirti Nagar, Delhi New Delhi, Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110062	
(LC No. 00001029 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Manthan Overseas Pvt Ltd (Borrower) Sheel Pasricha (Co Borrower 1) Raj Kumar Pasricha (Co Borrower 2)	24-05-2021 / ₹ 1196246 / ( ₹ Eleven lakh Ninety Six Thousand Two Hundred Forty Six ) NPA ( 11-05-2020 )	Kharsa Number 722 & Part Of Kharsa No. 723, Dehradun Presently Property Number 16, Rajpur Road Dokaipatti Dehradun Dehradun Uttaranchal - 248001	
(LC No. 00002264 of Noida Branch) Rashid Malik (Borrower) Amir Malik (Co Borrower 1)	28-06-2021 / ₹ 3339961 / ( ₹ Thirty Three lakh Thirty Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty One ) NPA ( 12-05-2021 )	Plot No. 12/132 Ground Floor Without Roof Rights, Block-C-12, Yamuna Vihar, Shahdara Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110053	
(LC No. 00002267 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Vikram (Borrower) Kavita Singh (Co Borrower 1)	28-06-2021 / ₹ 648176 / ( ₹ Six lakh Forty Eight Thousand One Hundred Seventy Six ) NPA ( 12-05-2021 )	Plot No. 142, Kharsa No. 300d, Gali No. 16, gagan Vihar Colony, Nr- Harsh Vihar Jail, Bhopura, Ghaziabad,up Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201005	
(LC No. 00001995 of Raj Nagar Branch) Suvender Kumar (Borrower) Virendra Kumar (Co Borrower 1)	28-06-2021 / ₹ 1077455 / ( ₹ Ten lakh Seventy Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Five ) NPA ( 12-05-2021 )	Flat No- F-2,plot No-36,first Floor Rhs, Kharsa No-736 Village Barampur Bhopura Loni, Ghaziabad Ghaziabad,up Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201001	
(LC No. 00044209 of Delhi - Safdurlung Branch) Paramejit Singh (Borrower) Karamjeet Kaur (Co Borrower 1)	28-06-2021 / ₹ 2436650 / ( ₹ Twenty four lakh Thirty Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty ) NPA ( 12-05-2021 )	Plot No-55, First Floor,mustafino-09, Kh No. 1/2, Gali No-08, Village Khajura, Block-nw, Vishnu Garden, New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110018	
(LC No. 00041478 of Delhi - Pitampura Branch) Ranjeet Kumar (Borrower) Meena (Co Borrower 1)	28-06-2021 / ₹ 1067910 / ( ₹ Ten lakh Sixty Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Ten ) NPA ( 12-05-2021 )	Plot No-6 FF Kh No-1274, Shiw Apartment Jindal Palam, Vill Loni Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Up, Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201001	
(LC No. 00043037 of Noida -sector 2 Branch) Anil Kumar (Borrower) Sangeeta Sharma (Co Borrower 1)	28-06-2021 / ₹ 2168657 / ( ₹ Twenty one lakh Sixty Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Seven ) NPA ( 12-05-2021 )	Plot No- A/24, Second Floor Front LHS, Block-A, DLF Anarkali, Sector-15, Kh No-1007 B, 10th Floor, Tower: F, Ace Platinum, Plot No-gh-121 Sector Jetai Greater Noida, Ghaziabad Nagar Uttar Pradesh - 201301	
(LC No. 00001013 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Rajender Sharma (Borrower) Rina Devi (Co Borrower 1)	28-06-2021 / ₹ 1043221 / ( ₹ Ten lakh Forty Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty One ) NPA ( 12-05-2021 )	Plot No. 11/32 Entire First Floor Without Without Roof Rights, Gali No-11, Kh No. 61/2/184 Vill Ghonioli Shankar Nagar Extn S hahdara Delhi New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110051	
(LC No. 00001983 of Greater Noida Branch) Santosh Kumar Mandal (Borrower) Sarita (Co Borrower 1)	28-06-2021 / ₹ 1345045 / ( ₹ Thirteen lakh Forty Five Thousand Forty Five ) NPA ( 12-05-2021 )	House on Kharsa No-256 New Anand Vihar Colony, Vill Sadullab, Loni, Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201002	
(LC No. 00001318 of Bandrup Branch) Shiva Singh (Borrower) Harpal Singh (Co Borrower 1)	24-07-2021 / ₹ 6592002 / ( ₹ Six lakh Ninety Two Thousand Two ) NPA ( 09-02-2021 )	Flat No-408, 4th Floor, Wing, A/5, Karam Residency, Shahapur, Thane Thane Maharashtra - 421601	
(LC No. 00001860 of Hariwarid Branch) Manoj Chhokra (Borrower) Neetu Chhokra Co Borrower 1)	0-07-2021 / ₹ 1923314 / ( ₹ Nineteen lakh Twenty Three Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen ) NPA ( 09-02-2021 )	Bhukhand No- 119, Kharsa No- 445 MI, Tehsil Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad Mehdood, Pargana- Roorkhee, Hariwarid Hariwarid Uttaranchal - 249402	
(LC No. 00042221 of Gurgaon - Sohna Road Branch) Shuchita Gupta (Borrower)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 3908903 / ( ₹ Thirty Nine lakh Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Three ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	Flat No. 71, G Block No. F, SIF Ved Vihar Loni Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201011	
(LC No. PTM31216 of Delhi - Pitampura Branch) Anita Kaur (Borrower)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 3529149 / ( ₹ Thirty Five lakh Twenty Nine Thousand One Hundred Forty Nine ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	/FLAT No.F-1/6, MALVIYA NAGAR NEW DELHI New Delhi Delhi - 110017	
(LC No. 00000998 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Ram (Borrower) Munesh (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 3468379 / ( ₹ Thirty four lakh Sixty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Nine ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No.- C-10/26, Block-C, Pocket-10, Ground Floor (except One Shop On GF), Sector-15, Rohini, Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110085	
(LC No. 00000722 of Delhi Janakpuri Branch) Manoj Chhokra (Borrower) Neetu Chhokra Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 3452018 / ( ₹ Thirty four lakh Fifty Two Thousand Eighteen ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Property No. 200-202-204, Second Floor Without Roof Right, Kharsa No. 29, Gali No. 10 & 12, Krishni Puri Tilak Nagar, New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110018	
(LC No. 00004601 of New Delhi Branch) Kumar Saurav (Borrower) Amit Kumar (Co Borrower 1) Sijendra Kumar (Co Borrower 2)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 3433217 / ( ₹ Thirty four lakh Thirty Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	lat No. 1007 B, 10th Floor, Tower: F, Ace Platinum, Plot No-gh-121 Sector Jetai Greater Noida, Ghaziabad Nagar Uttar Pradesh - 201301	
(LC No. 00001355 of Raj Nagar Branch) Shwatee Kumar (Borrower) Shankar Kumar (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 3331040 / ( ₹ Thirty three lakh Thirty One Thousand Forty ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Prop. No.- R2 /67 Upper Ground Floor Kharsa No. 15/13 Mahavir Enclave Village Mirzapur Palam New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110045	
(LC No. 00002206 of Rohini Branch) Saurabh Kumar (Borrower) Gaurav Kumar (Co Borrower 1) Pushpa (Co Borrower 2)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 3168012 / ( ₹ Thirty one lakh Sixty Thousand Twelve ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Prop No. Wz-350/7/5, Kharsa No. 40/20 Plot No-109, Sector-13, Kirti Nagar, New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110016	
(LC No. 00001642 of Raj Nagar Branch) Soniya Vashya (Borrower) Vikram Singh (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2928027 / ( ₹ Twenty nine lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Twenty Seven ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Property 141-d 2nd Floor,kharsa No-433/1 Village Kikoli, bhagwan Nagar Ashram Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110016	
(LC No. 00002102 of Noida Branch) Raghu Nandan Choudhary (Borrower) Keshav Kishor (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2813884 / ( ₹ Twenty eight lakh Thirteen Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Four ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Property No.-b-14 Back Side First Floor Without Roof, Blk-b Kh No-259/258/217/4 & 262/258/217/4 Gidwari Road Vill Bharsa Adarsh Nagar New Delhi Delhi - 110033	
(LC No. 00044742 of Delhi - Safdurlung Branch) Kalpana Singh (Borrower) Roshan Kumar Singh (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2685699 / ( ₹ Twenty six lakh Ninety Five Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Nine ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Bearing Nob-5, F Kharsa No 1193, Min O-7-8, Ghadgaon, 1st Floor, Sector-14, Kirti Nagar, New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110037	
(LC No. 00000130 of Raj Nagar Branch) Shashi Bhushan (Borrower) Sonia Sharma (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2437339 / ( ₹ Twenty four lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Nine ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Flat No. 181- A, Ground Floor Janta Flat, Pocket-1, Dilshad Garden Delhi Delhi New Delhi - 110018	
(LC No. 00000624 of Cannaught Place Branch) Kamal Sharma (Borrower) Vikas Sharma (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2334551 / ( ₹ Twenty three lakh Thirty Four Thousand Five Hundred Fifty One ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No. 10, 3rd Floor With Roof/block-b Pocket No. 8, Sector-3 Rohini Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110085	
(LC No. 00001242 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Lal Singh (Borrower) Neelkant Dew (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2258097 / ( ₹ Twenty two lakh Twenty Eight Thousand Ninety Seven ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No. 121-122, 1st Floor,Block-1 Pocket 2, Rohini, Delhi New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110085	
(LC No. 00042153 of Delhi - Pitampura Branch) Sushil Kumar Bhagat (Borrower) Deepa Anand (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2251457 / ( ₹ Twenty two lakh Fifty One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Three ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No. 26 & 27, Ff (Hs) Gali No. 40, Ashok Park,kh No. 261/268 West Sagarpur,village, Narela, Delhi New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110046	
(LC No. 00002220 of Noida Branch) Juli Khan (Borrower) Aftarrujmi (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2236847 / ( ₹ Twenty two lakh Thirty Six Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Seven ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No-212 2nd Floor,1st,Marigold Nbcc Town-1,kh No- 3000&3002, Delhi- Saharanpur Highway, Village Khehra, Ghaziabad Ghaziabad,UP Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201010	
(LC No. 00001237 of Noida Branch) Indu Bala (Borrower) Rohit Goyal (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2200793 / ( ₹ Twenty two lakh Seven Hundred Thre ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No-1009 Ground Floor Pocket Gh-587 Paschim Vihar New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110063	
(LC No. 00001932 of Greater Noida Branch) Shri Ram (Borrower) Kamlawati Devi (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2156375 / ( ₹ Twenty one lakh Fifty Six Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Five ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No- C-1/10, Flat No F-302 Mig Flat, Area 209 Sgf, Df, Loni Ankur Vihar, Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201012	
(LC No. 00000053 of Azadpur N S P Branch) Lal Singh (Borrower) Jaswant Kaur (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 2096211 / ( ₹ Twenty lakh Twenty Two Thousand Eleven ) NPA ( 11-04-2021 )	R-142, 2nd Floor, Without Roof Rights Vill- Dilshad Garden, Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110059	
(LC No. 00043645 of Delhi - Safdurlung Branch) Mohit Taneja (Borrower) Amit Taneja (Co Borrower 1) Uma Taneja (Co Borrower 2) Gurpreet Singh (Guarantor 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1834248 / ( ₹ Eighteen lakh Thirty Four Thousand Two Hundred Forty Eight ) NPA ( 11-04-2021 )	Plot No.11 1st Floor (l.h.s) Kh No. 80/5 Roop Vihar Om Vihar Phase V Village Hasteal Nagar New Delhi New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110059	
(LC No. GUR333921 of Gurgaon - Sohna Road Branch) Ramprasad Yadav (Borrower)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1701526 / ( ₹ Seventeen lakh One Thousand Five Hundred Twenty Six ) NPA ( 11-04-2021 )	H/FLAT No.33/38, FLOOR NO. SECOND, OLD RAJINDER NAGAR, VILLAGE. DELHI NEW DELHI DELHI - 110060	
(LC No. 00001698 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Laxmi Singh (Borrower) Aditya Singh (Co Borrower 1) Anjali Singh (Co Borrower 2) Pritam Singh(Guarantor 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1675474 / ( ₹ Sixteen lakh Seventy Five Thousand Four Hundred Ten ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No. 120, 2nd Floor, 1st Floor, Side With Roof/kharsa No-43/16/2 & 17/1 Gali No.14 Village Palam, Raj Nagar, New Delhi North West Delhi Delhi - 110017	
(LC No. 00001645 of Delhi - Pitampura Branch) Durga Prasad (Borrower) Bhagwati (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1666034 / ( ₹ Sixteen lakh Sixty Six Thousand Thirty Four ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Rt No. 320, 1st Floor, 1st Floor, Gali No8, Kh. No. 320/vill Nasirpur, Geetnari Park, West Sagarpur New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110046	
(LC No. 00000876 of Greater Noida Branch) Reshma Mathur (Borrower) Anuj Mathur (Co Borrower 1) Mdm Shipping And Logistics Pvt Ltd (Co Borrower 2)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1651795 / ( ₹ Sixteen lakh Fifty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Five ) NPA ( 11-04-2021 )	Flat No-906, 9th Floor Floor Plot No - 21, Loni Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad, Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201010	
(LC No. 00000796 of Cannaught Place Branch) Ramesh Kumar (Borrower) Binota Roy (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1545139 / ( ₹ Fifteen lakh Forty Five Thousand One Hundred Thirty Nine ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Property No. 1544, 3rd Floor (Rhs) Kharsa No. 93 Gali No.13 Bindpuraj Kalkaji, New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110019	
(LC No. 00000315 of New Delhi Branch) Naresh Kumar Lahiri (Borrower) Sushma (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 14690312 / ( ₹ Fourteen lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Twelve ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No- M2, U, G, Rear Rhs Park Square,4/5 sec-2, Rajendra Nagar, Sahibabad Ghaziabad New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110031	
(LC No. 00000440 of Raj Nagar Branch) Chander Pal (Borrower) Mala Kumari (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1461942 / ( ₹ Fourteen lakh Sixty One Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Two ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No- S-60, Flat No- G-3, U G F (Rear Lhs), Block-C Shalimar Garden Ext-2 Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201010	
(LC No. 00001987 of Raj Nagar Branch) Chander Pal (Borrower) Sanjana (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1345241 / ( ₹ Thirteen lakh Forty Five Thousand Two Hundred Forty Two ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Property No. Rz-86, Third Floor Rear Side Chandra Nagar, New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110019	
(LC No. CPL36246 of Delhi - Cp Branch) Sumit Kumar (Borrower)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1334222 / ( ₹ Thirteen lakh Thirty Three Thousand Four Hundred Twenty Two ) NPA ( 10-04-2020 )	H/FLAT NO.M1905, FLOOR NO. 19TH PLOT NO. GH07 A, TOWER M RG LUXURY HOMES, SECTOR 16, VILL. GREATER NOIDA GREATER NOIDA Uttar Pradesh-201308	
(LC No. 00001225 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Deepak Ania (Borrower) Sonu Ania (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1263018 / ( ₹ Twelve lakh Sixty Three Thousand Eighteen ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	Flat No. Sh-2/27, Jf Sium Dept. (mcd) Flat Ground Floor, Bk-sh-2, Mdcti Mottar Delhi New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110031	
(LC No. 00003593 of New Delhi Branch) Ramesh (Borrower) Karan Chandra Arya (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1259132 / ( ₹ Twelve lakh Fifty Nine Thousand One Hundred Thirty Two ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Flat No 800 Second Floor D D A Janta Flat Pocket B Sector 16 B Dwarika New Delhi Delhi Delhi - 110075	
(LC No. PTM32163 of Delhi - Pitampura Branch) Kapil (Borrower)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1226731 / ( ₹ Twelve lakh Twenty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty One ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	H/FLAT NO.190, FLOOR NO. THIRD OMICRON-N GREATER NOIDA Uttar Pradesh - 201308	
(LC No. 00001760 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Ravinder Kumar Sharma (Borrower) Anshu Sharma (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1180246 / ( ₹ Eleven lakh Eighty Thousand Two Hundred Forty Six ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Property No. 1-17, Open Plot Khar No. 4 & 5, Kh No. 710, 845/44/22 Village Udhampur, Kanti Nagar New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110059	
(LC No. 00001208 of Raj Nagar Branch) Reshma Mathur (Borrower) Anuj Mathur (Co Borrower 1) Mdm Shipping And Logistics Pvt Ltd (Co Borrower 2)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1172036 / ( ₹ Eleven lakh Seventy Two Thousand Thirty Six ) NPA ( 11-04-2021 )	Flat No-906 9th Floor Plot No-21 Hindon Heights Sector-4 Vaishali Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201010	
(LC No. 00001960 of Gurgaon Branch) Nandan Singh (Borrower) Shashi Rawat (Co Borrower 1) Pushpa Rawat (Co Borrower 2) Anoop Singh(Guarantor 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1061341 / ( ₹ Ten lakh Sixty One Thousand Three Hundred Forty Five ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Rz-231, 3rd Flr (Rnt Side) Street No-6, Kh No. 67/11 Village Palam, Sadh Nagar New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110045	
(LC No. 00001819 of Netaji Subhash Place Branch) Matloob Hasan (Borrower) Ifrana (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1052915 / ( ₹ Ten lakh Fifty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Fifteen ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Flat No-1 Ground Floor Front Lhs Plot No-417 Kh-No-1342/2 Khanna Nagar Loni,ghaziabad Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh -201012	
(LC No. 00000320 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Sanjay Mishra (Borrower)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1008962 / ( ₹ Ten lakh Eighty Two Thousand Six Hundred Sixty Two ) NPA ( 10-12-2020 )	Plot No-a-22, Ground Floor Bk Rhs Flat(Ne), Block-C, Sector-12, Vill- Ghadgaon, Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201012	
(LC No. 00000540 of New Delhi Branch) Anil Kumar Das (Borrower) Rukmini (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 862654 / ( ₹ Eighty lakh Sixty Two Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Four ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Flat No. 185, 4th Floor Janta Category Pocket-11, Sector-4-6, Narela Narela New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110015	
(LC No. 0000129 of Raj Nagar Branch) Shashi Bhushan (Borrower) Sonia Sharma (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 851275 / ( ₹ Eighty lakh Fifty One Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Five ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Flat No. 765, Ground Floor Pocket D, Dilshad Garden Delhi Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110095	
(LC No. 0000443 of Rohini Branch) Rajeev (Borrower) Abhiteendra Kumar Singh (Co Borrower 1)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 675686 / ( ₹ Six lakh Seventy Five Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Six ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Plot No- C-22, 2nd Floor C First floor (Lhs Front Porch) Vill- Bk-10, Loni Ghaziabad Ghaziabad Uttar Pradesh - 201002	
(LC No. 00002530 of Noida 1 Rajendra Place Branch) Sandeep Sharma (Borrower)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 220830 / ( ₹ Two lakh Twenty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty Two ) NPA ( 11-04-2021 )	Plot No-83-a, First Floor Front Side Kh.109/14, Gali No.19, Bharat Vihar, rajpur village Palam New Delhi New Delhi Delhi - 110059	
(LC No. 00001589 of Agra Branch) Rajesh Shrivastava (Borrower) Rajni Shrivastava (Co Borrower 1) Jatin Chhatwaj (Co Borrower 2)	20-07-2021 / ₹ 1801971 / ( ₹ Eighteen lakh One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy Two ) NPA ( 09-06-2021 )	Housecourt Of Plot No.19khasra.136 Bhamrapuri Colony Maruti City Road Mauza Khari Agra Agra Uttar Pradesh - 282001	
If the said Borrowers shall fail to make payment to DHFL as aforesaid, DHFL shall proceed against the above secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act and the applicable Rules, entirely at the risks of the said Borrowers to the costs and consequences. The said Borrowers are prohibited under the Act from transferring the aforesaid assets, whether by way of sale, lease or otherwise without the prior written consent of DHFL. Any such contravention or abets contravention of the provisions of the said Act or Rules made there under, shall be liable for imprisonment and/or penalty as provided under the Act.			
Date: 09-10-2021		(Authorised Officer)	
Place: DELHI		Dewan Housing Finance Corporation Limited	



# RBI keeps interest rates unchanged at record low



PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Reserve Bank of India expectedly kept interest rates unchanged at a record low on Friday but signalled the start of tapering pandemic-era stimulus measures on economic recovery taking roots.

The six-member Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) kept the key lending rate or the repo rate unchanged at 4 per cent while the reverse repo rate or the borrowing rate was maintained at 3.35 per cent. It voted 5-1 to retain the accommodative stance, RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das said in an online broadcast.

He indicated the central bank's willingness to make "gradual" adjustments to the excess liquidity in the monetary system which currently stands at over ₹ 9 lakh crore.

Importantly, the GSAP programme to purchase government securities from the market has been stopped for now to ensure that there is no

further infusion of liquidity, he said and stressed that the step is not a reversal of its accommodative policy stance. RBI will be ready to resume bond purchases if needed, he added.

RBI had bought ₹2.2 lakh crore worth bonds through Government Securities Acquisition Programme or GSAP in the previous two quarters.

While it maintained GDP growth projection at 9.5 per cent for the current fiscal ending March 2022, the central bank cut the forecast for the headline inflation to 5.3 per cent from 5.7 per cent based on the current moderation in the liquidity trajectory.

"Aggregate demand is improving but slack still remains," Das said. "Output is still below pre-pandemic level and the recovery remains uneven and dependent upon continued policy support."

The existing 14-day VRRR auction will be stepped up with the auction amount set to increase by ₹ 1-2 lakh crore over the next 2 months, reaching up to ₹6 lakh crore by December. Further, RBI may consider the introduction of a 28-day VRRR, if necessary, to further calibrate the liquidity levels.

## India Inc welcomes RBI's decision to keep interest rates on hold

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

The RBI's decision to keep interest rates unchanged while continuing its accommodative stance is a prudent step in view of the uneven path of recovery momentum, India Inc said on Friday.

The central bank expectedly kept interest rates unchanged at a record low on Friday but signalled the start of tapering pandemic-era stimulus measures on economic recovery taking roots.

Chandrajit Banerjee, Director General, CII said even as encouraging signs of improvement have been noted across several pockets of growth lately, "we are in consonance with RBI's reading that the current growth recovery process would need continued policy support even as the inflation trajectory has turned out to be more favourable than expected".

PHDCCI said accom-

modative policy stance by RBI will enhance consumption and strengthen economic recovery.

"The status quo for the key policy rates by RBI would strengthen the economic recovery with enhanced consumption and production possibilities," said Pradeep Multani, President, PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

He said the accommodative policy stance at this juncture would further boost the sentiments of businesses and pave the way for a double-digit GDP growth in the current year 2021-22. ASSOCHAM too said RBI has wisely responded to India-specific needs for continuation of supportive interest rates for an economy which is near the shore and not quite on it. "RBI's assessment is largely on course and the GDP growth for the FY22 might even reach the double-digit, given the unfolding of pent-up demand, as is being witnessed," it said.

## RBI cuts inflation projection to 5.3% for FY'22

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Friday projected substantial softening in retail inflation in the near term on the back of easing food prices and favourable base effect.

The Consumer Price Index (CPI)-based inflation is now projected to be at 5.3 per cent for 2021-22 with risks evenly balanced.

In its August policy, the central bank had estimated inflation to be at 5.7 per cent due to supply side constraints, high crude oil and raw materials cost.

"The CPI headline momentum is moderating with the easing of food prices which, combined with favourable base effects, could bring about a substantial softening in inflation in the near-term," RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das said while unveiling the bi-monthly monetary policy.

On a quarterly basis, the

CPI for Q2 has been projected at 5.1 per cent: Q3 at 4.5 per cent and Q4 at 5.8 per cent. CPI inflation for Q1:2022-23 is projected at 5.2 per cent.

Headline inflation continues to be significantly influenced by very high inflation in select items such as edible oils, petrol and diesel, LPG and medicines, he said.

"Efforts to contain cost-push pressures through a calibrated reversal of the indirect taxes on fuel could contribute to a more sustained lowering of inflation and an anchoring of inflation expectations," Das noted.

On the other hand, a very low seasonal build-up in vegetable prices, declining cereal prices, a sharp deflation in gold prices and muted housing inflation have helped to contain inflationary pressures.

Going forward, he said, several evolving factors provide comfort on the food price front.

## Sensex scales 60,000 after RBI retains accommodative stance

PTI ■ MUMBAI

The Sensex soared past the 60,000-level while the Nifty finished at an all-time high on Friday after the Reserve Bank kept the key interest rates unchanged but maintained its accommodative stance to bolster economic recovery.

Market heavyweight Reliance Industries led the gains, while IT stocks too saw heavy buying ahead of TCS' results.

The 30-share BSE Sensex jumped 381.23 points or 0.64 per cent to close at 60,059.06, just shy of its lifetime high.

The NSE Nifty rose 104.85 points or 0.59 per cent to its fresh closing peak of 17,895.20.

Reliance Industries was the top gainer in the Sensex pack, rallying 3.84 per cent, followed by Infosys, Tech Mahindra, HCL Tech, TCS, Tata Steel and L&T.

In contrast, HUL, NTPC, Kotak Bank, Maruti Suzuki, Dr Reddy's and Titan were among the laggards, shedding up to 1.16 per cent.

Rate-sensitive banking and realty indices ended in the red, but auto closed with gains.

On a weekly basis, the Sensex rallied 1,293.48 points or 2.20 per cent, and the Nifty soared 363.15 points or 2.07 per cent.

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## New dawn for Air India: Scindia on airline's sale to Tata Group

PTI ■ NEW DELHI

Air India's sale to the Tata Group marks a new dawn for the airline, Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia said on Friday as he hoped that the carrier would continue to bring people closer through successful operations. Earlier in the day, the government announced that Talace Private Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tata Sons, has beaten a consortium led by SpiceJet promoter Ajay Singh by offering ₹18,000 crore to win the bid to acquire debt-laden Air India. "Air India's return to the Tata group marks a new dawn for the airline! My best wishes to the new management, and congratulations to DIPAM Secretary and the Civil Aviation Ministry for successfully concluding the difficult task of paving a new runway for the airline to take off," Scindia wrote on Twitter.

## Prices of edible oils falls due to reduction on import duties: Govt

PNS ■ NEW DELHI

Contrary to the Government's claim that prices of edible oils except mustard oil, pulses and vegetables have declined, the retail prices of these items are still high in the markets during the festive season across India.

The edible oils are being sold between ₹180 and ₹210 a kg in the retail markets. Similarly, prices of vegetables are still high in the retail markets. Even fruits like apple, papaya, pear ( babugosha), sweet lime are cheaper than vegetables in some metros. As per the ministry of consumer affairs' price monitoring division which collects data of retail and wholesale prices of commodities on Friday.

## BRIEFS

### PETROL, DIESEL PRICE HIKED AGAIN

**New Delhi:** Petrol price on Friday was hiked by 30 paise a litre and diesel by 35 paise per litre as domestic fuel prices witnessed possibly the largest rally in rates. The price of petrol in Delhi rose to its highest-ever level of ₹103.54 a litre and to ₹109.54 per litre in Mumbai, according to a price notification of state-owned fuel retailers. Diesel rates too touched a record high of ₹ 92.12 in Delhi and inched closer to the ₹100-a-litre mark in Mumbai. It currently costs ₹99.92 a litre in Mumbai.

### CHANGING CONSUMER BEHAVIOUR TAPPED

**New Delhi:** There is a changing consumer behaviour with a significant rise in preference for hygiene-health oriented products followed by smart features such as Wi-Fi and app-based appliances. Keeping that in mind, Panasonic India has expanded its home appliance segment with the launch of 43 new models of refrigerator and 24 new models of washing machine at affordable prices. Panasonic India Consumer Sales Division head Fumiyasu Fujimori said, "The concept of 'home as the new hub' is here to stay."

### EMPLOYEES' WELL-BEING A PRIORITY

**New Delhi:** Renault India & its alliance entity Renault Nissan Technology and Business Centre India (RNTBCI) have partnered with MediBuddy to enable MediBuddy Gold for its 7,000 employees to avail new-age healthcare solutions. While Debashis Neogi, MD - RNTBCI, said, "Our employees are our biggest asset", country CEO & MD, Renault India Operations, Venkatram Mamillapalle said, "The first and foremost priority for us at Renault is the health, safety and well-being of all our employees"

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
My Clients Radhey Shyam Paharia S/o Shiv Singh & his wife Seema W/o Radhey Shyam Paharia R/o M-298,1st Floor,GuruHarkishan Nagar,Paschim Vihar,ND-87 have debarred & disowned their son Vikas Paharia & his wife Sonu Paharia from their movable,immovable properties due to their misbehavior to my clients.My Clients have also severed all their relation with them. If anybody deals with them in any manner they do so at their own risk.  
Ramesh Chander Anand (Adv), Ch-68 Western Wing,Tis Hazari

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Due to unavoidable reasons tender No. 13/EE(G)/CPH/ 2021-22 for "Annual maintenance of the coolers and pumps of 4\*69 MVA Generator Transformers at Chibro Powerhouse" is being extended as below:  
**Last date for downloading of tender:** 14-10-2021 (Up to 14:00 Hrs.)  
**Last dated for submission of tender:** 16-10-2021 (Up to 17:00 Hrs.)  
**Date of opening of tender:** 18-10-2021 (At 11:00 Hrs.)  
Other terms & condition will remain same. For fuller & further details, kindly visit our website [www.ujvnl.com](http://www.ujvnl.com).  
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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
WHEREAS Amrit Lal Chawla was the owner of Residential Plot bearing no. 42A, admeasuring 100 Sq. Mt., situated at Ramesh Nagar, New Delhi.  
WHEREAS the said Amrit Lal Chawla has died intestate on 29.02.2019.  
WHEREAS Ms. Ravita Chawla, Ms. Jyoti Bhalla and Ms. Kanika Chawla Budhiraja daughters of the said Late Amrit Lal Chawla intend to apply for the transfer of the said property in their favour being the only legal heirs of the said Amrit Lal Chawla.  
If any person is having any objection against the transfer of said property Residential Plot bearing no. 42A, admeasuring 100 Sq. Mt., situated at Ramesh Nagar, New Delhi in favour of Ms. Ravita Chawla, Ms. Jyoti Bhalla and Ms. Kanika Chawla Budhiraja daughters of the said Late Amrit Lal Chawla, he/she /they can submit objection in writing to the office of the undersigned, along with supporting documents within 07 days from the date of publication of this notice failing which the concerned Authority may sanction the mutation of the property as per the records & may not entertain subsequent claim, there-upon.  
**Mr. Subash Bhat (Advocate)**  
Trinity Legal Partners, C-401, The Courtyard, Nirvana Country, Sector 50, Gurgaon-122018, Haryana  
E: subash.bhat@trinitylegalpartners.com

**In the Court of Sh. Shrirish Aggarwal**  
Administrative Civil Judge-cum-ARC (Central), Delhi-110054.  
Petition No. SC-110/2021 N.D.O.H 17.12.2021  
**Shri Abhishek Lakra**  
Vs.  
**The State & Ors.**  
To  
Sh. Abhishek Lakra S/o Ravinder Lakra, R/o Khasra No. 14/5/1, Gali No.-11, Ground Floor, Bhagal Colony, West Sant Nagar, Burari, Delhi-110084  
.....Petitioner

**FOR SUCCESSION CERTIFICATE UNDER INDIAN SUCCESSION ACT. 1925**  
To  
All Concerned  
Whereas in the above noted petition the applicant/petitioner has applied for succession Certificate to the Hon'ble Court Under Section-372 of the Indian succession Act, 1925 in respect of the debt and securities amount of **Rs. xxxx** As per record to be standing in the name of **Late Smt. Florencia Mini** deceased.  
Whereas the 17.12.2021 at 10'0 clock in the forenoon has been fixed for hearing or the application notice is hereby given to this concerned.  
Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 04.10.2021  
(Shrish Aggarwal)  
ACJ/ARC(Central) : Delhi

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**Extract of Statement of Un-Audited Results for the Quarter and Half-Year Ended 30.09.2021**  
(Amount in lakhs)

S. No.	Particulars	Quarter ended			Year ended
		30.09.2021 Un-Audited	30.06.2021 Un-Audited	30.09.2020 Un-Audited	31.03.2021 (Audited)
1.	Total Income from Operations	26.82	26.75	3.78	160.96
2.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period (before Tax, Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	20.12	16.77	(2.55)	134.13
3.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period before tax(after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	20.12	16.77	(2.55)	134.13
4.	Net Profit/(Loss) for the period after tax(after Exceptional and/or Extraordinary items)	20.12	16.77	(2.55)	134.14
5.	Total Comprehensive Income for the period [Comprising Profit/(Loss) for the period (after tax) and other Comprehensive Income(after tax)]	20.12	16.77	(2.55)	134.14
6.	Equity Share Capital (Face Value of Rs. 10/- per share)	1,056.00	1,056.00	1,056.00	1,056.00
7.	Reserve (excluding revaluation reserves as shown in the balance sheet of previous year)	-	-	-	(69.95)
8.	Earning Per Share (of Rs.10/- each) (for continuing and discontinued operations) Basic & Diluted	0.19	0.16	(0.02)	1.27

**Notes :-**  
1 The above is an extract of the detailed format of Un-Audited Financial Results filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI(Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The financial results were reviewed by the Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors at their respective meetings held on 07<sup>th</sup> October, 2021. Financial Results are available on the website of the Stock Exchange at [www.bseindia.com](http://www.bseindia.com) and on Company's website [www.integratelesoftware.com](http://www.integratelesoftware.com)

**For Integra Telecommunication and Software Limited**  
Sd/-  
Ramaswamy Narayan Iyer  
Managing Director  
DIN:03045662

**Place: Mumbai**  
**Date: 07.10.2021**

**GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**  
**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER MAHANADI GODAWARI BASIN RAIPUR (C.G.)**  
**e-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTICE**  
**eProcurement Portal: <https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>**  
**(1st Call)**  
**System Tender No. 83560/NIT No. : 03/SAC/2021-22, Dhamtari, Dated: 06.10.2021**  
Online Tenders are Invited for The Following Works up to 27.10.2021 at 17:30 Hour (IST):-  
**Name of Work : RENOVATION OF HEAD WORK, HEAD SLUICE. EARTH WORK FROM R.D. 0 TO 3900 M OF L.B.C, R.D 0 TO 4500 M OF R.B.C., R.D. 0 TO 1350 M OF PARSPANI MINOR. AND C.C. LINING 1830 M OF L.B.C. 3150 M OF R.B.C. 630 M OF PARSPANI MINOR. CONSTRUCTION OF 13 NO. STRUCTURE (07 NO. V.R.B., 2 NO. FALL CUM V.R.B. 1 NO. D.C., 2 NO. FALL, 1 NO.H.R), 22, NOS, OUTLETS OF MOHMALLA TANK SCHEME IN BLOCK NAGRI OF DHAMTARI DISTRICT.**  
**Probable Amount : Rs. 275.27 Lakhs of Contract**  
The details can be viewed and downloaded online directly from the Government of Chhattisgarh Integrated e-Procurement Portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) from **Date 13.10.2021, at 17:31 Hours (IST) onwards.**  
**NOTE:-** All eligible/interested contractors/bidders are mandated to get enrolled on the Integrated e-procurement portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) and get approval on specific vendor class from PWD under Centralized Contractor/Supplier Registration in order to download the tender documents and participate in the subsequent bidding process.  
**Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**  
**Water Resources Division Dhamtari for Chief Engineer, Mahanadi Godawari Basin Water Resources Department Raipur (C.G)**  
**R.O. No:- 643066**  
**R.O. Date:- 07/10/2021**

**SEARCH FOR MISSING BOY**  
General Public is hereby informed that one boy (depicted in the photo) namely Shatrughan Mithun S/o Hammam Giri Goswami R/o Village Bara, PS-Pamgarh Distt. Bilaspur, Chhattishgarh Aged-15 Years has been reported Missing since 06.12.14 from Safdarjung Hospital, New Delhi vide **FIR No.963/14 u/s 363 IPC Dated 06.12.14** registered at Police Station S.J Enclave, New Delhi. His physical description is as under:-  
**Complexion:** Shallow, **Height:** 5'5", **Face:** Long, **Built:** Medium, **Hair:** Black, **ID:** Plaster in left leg & Mentally unsound, **Clothing:** Blue coloured shirt & sweater, Pant  
Any person having any information/Clue about this missing boy, may inform SHO, S.J Enclave, New Delhi at E-mail : [cic@cbi.gov.in](mailto:cic@cbi.gov.in) or website : <http://cbi.nic.in> Sd/-  
Tele No. : 011-24368638 or 24368641 SHO, S.J Enclave, New Delhi  
FAX No. : 011-24368639 Tel.: 011-24106346, 24106345  
DP/865/SW/2021 Mob.: 9899277779

  
**Shatrughan Mithun**

**GOVERNMENT OF CHHATTISGARH, WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT**  
**OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ENGINEER MAHANADI GODAWARI BASIN RAIPUR (C.G.)**  
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**System Tender No.: 84759 /NIT No.: 04/SAC/2021-22, Gariaband, Dated: 06.10.2021**  
Online Tenders are Invited for The Following Works up to 27.10.2021 at 17:30 Hour (IST):-  
Name Of Work : RENOVATION OF HEAD WORK, EARTHWORK OF BUND FROM R.D. 0 TO 1380 M AND C.C. LINING FROM R.D. 0 TO 750 M.R.D.1920 TO 2700 M AND R.D. 3210 TO 4020 M OF MAIN CANAL, R.D. 0 TO 840 M OF MINOR 1, R.D. 0 TO 1050 M MINOR 2, R.D. 0 TO 930 M OF MINOR 3, R.D. 0 TO 1410 M OF MINOR 4, R.D. 0 TO 930 M OF SUB MINOR OF MINOR 4, CONSTRUCTION OF 5 NO. STRUCTURE (03 NO.V.R.B.,2 NO.D.C.), AND 20 NO.OUTLETS OF MAROUDA TANK SCHEME IN BLOCK GARIYABAND OF GARIYABAND DISTRICT.  
**Probable Amount : Rs. 311.19 Lakhs of Contract**  
The details can be viewed and downloaded online directly from the Government of Chhattisgarh Integrated e-Procurement Portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) from Date 13.10.2021, at 17:31 Hours (IST) onwards.  
**NOTE:-** All eligible/interested contractors/bidders are mandated to get enrolled on the Integrated e-procurement portal (<https://eproc.cgstate.gov.in>) and get approval on specific vendor class from PWD under Centralized Contractor/Supplier Registration in order to download the tender documents and participate in the subsequent bidding process.  
**Sd/- EXECUTIVE ENGINEER**  
**Water Resources Division, Gariaband for Chief Engineer, Mahanadi Godawari Basin**  
**R.O.No.: 64329/12**  
**R.O. Date:- 07/10/2021**

**कार्यालय कार्यपालन अभियंता, लोक स्वास्थ्य यांत्रिकी खण्ड ,धमतरी (छोगो)**  
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इस कार्यालय द्वारा जल जीवन मिशन अन्तर्गत आमंत्रित निविदा सूचना क्रमांक-146 से 161 तक धमतरी विनांक-01.10.2021 (जी.क्रमांक-64240) को आमंत्रित की गई निविदा की निविदा क्रमांक में आंशिक संशोधन किया जाता है :-  
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धमतरी (छोगो)

**R.o.No. - 64327/6**  
**R.o. Date - 07/10/2021**

**APPEAL FOR IDENTIFICATION**  
  
General public is hereby informed that this person **Name:** Unknown, **S/o:** Unknown, **R/o:** Unknown, **Age:** 29 Years, **Sex:** Male, **Height:** 5'7", **Complexion:** Wheatish, **Face:** Round, **Built:** Thin, **Wearing:** Blue Colour Jeans, was found injured by Road Accident, at GT Road, Near Subzi Mandi and admitted to Jag Pravesh Chandra Hospital, Shastri Nagar, Delhi and during treatment Doctor Declared him dead on 02.10.2021.  
In this regard a FIR No. 322/21, dated 02.10.2021, U/s 279/304A IPC has been registered at P.S. Shahdara, Delhi. The Dead Body has been preserved at GTB Hospital Mortuary, Delhi for 72 hours for identification.  
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 about his known and relatives or clue about this person may kindly inform to the following. **SHO P.S. Shahdara, Delhi**  
**DP/591/SHD/2021 Ph.: 8595833162, 7065036027**

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Tender No: NIT-46/EE(M)/MB-II/21-22,  
Name of work: Repairing of compressed air system at Dharasu Power House  
Estimated cost: Rs. 769900.00 Only (Taxes extra)  
Date of availability of bid document on website:- 09.10.2021  
Last date for submission of tender:- 06.11.2021 up to 11:00 Hrs.  
For fuller & further details, kindly visit our website. The tender documents can be downloaded from the Nigam's website "www.ujvnl.com"  
**Executive Engineer (Maintenance)**  
"Avoid wasteful use of Electricity"



**PRIYANSHU CHATTERJEE** : **JOAQUIN PHOENIX**



With the advent of the new normal, there have been numerous changes to the world as we know it. And the fashion industry was not to be left behind. Trell, a social commerce platform

increase its reach and engage new customers from the current tech-savvy generation. I have been looking forward to having a more interactive format for my show, and that is precisely what Trel provides precisely this opportunity."

The elements borrowed from Morris' work, 'Strawberry Thief', include the geometrical abstractions, symmetry, and embroideries. Much like Morris, these

On its part, Trell extended the benefits of the collaboration with its users by conducting an online video audition. Two creators, Karishma Rawat and Tarini Shah, were shortlisted and were awarded with an opportunity to walk the ramp for Chauhan at Lakmé Fashion Week.

Karishma, a beauty and fashion creator on Trell, says that she is raring to go and delightfully expresses, "From writing on blog-post, to the days of curating aesthetic OOTDs, to

creating videos online and now walking the ramp for Chauhan at Lakmé Fashion Week, my journey as a content creator has certainly been thrilling! Since we are done with filming the show, I have to say that it felt great to walk the ramp for one of the finest designers around. I am so glad to be part of the Trell family where I have been nurtured with a great online ecosystem for my growth!"

To view Samant's one-of-a-kind collection, download and sign-up on the Trell app. The show will be streamed on the app's Trell.live page.



TRAVEL BUG

CALL OF THE MOUNTAINS

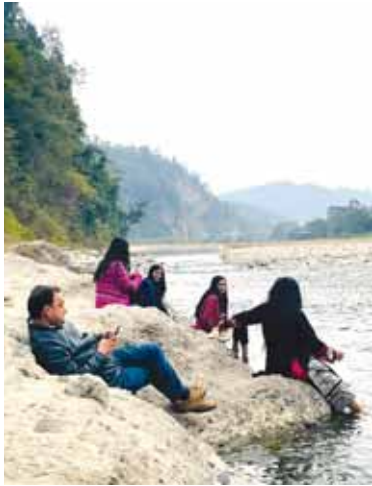


Keeping an acrophile in the plains for too long is nothing short of torture. SAIMI SATTAR hits the winding road while she works and frames how you can ace both

This is the kind of traffic that I don't mind being stuck in," I thought as some trouts gracefully swam past. I was far away, precisely a little over 270 km away from the dust, grime and crowds of Delhi and, in Ramnagar. Sitting on a boulder, my feet or rather my legs up to my knees dangling into the river, I debated on the life-altering decisions of what to eat for lunch. Looking back at the morning, a sense of satisfaction spread over and expressed itself in a smile. I had a fruitful start to the day, where after an early breakfast, I sat down to complete some pending office work. I had a clear agenda in my mind which ensured that none of the distractions came in the way of accomplishing my task. I had to head to the river which was flowing past the resort where I was staying. A glance over the laptop, rather than making me day dream, renewed my zeal to conclude work as the remainder of the party frolicking in the clear waters could be seen and heard clearly.

Going back in time, this was the fifth and second last day of my workation. Keeping a mountain lover (one who considers herself an honorary pahadi), who often has the urge to just get up and go to the hills, confined at home had been close to self-inflicted fourth-degree torture during the days and months that followed the outbreak of the pandemic. Needless to say, I was itching to step out of the capital to breathe in the crisp and clear mountain air. So when my cousin suggested that we could go on a holiday, and do so safely, I grabbed the opportunity. Of course, there was the niggling issue of files to be edited and cleared ... but then, these could be accomplished from anywhere as long as there was internet. I smiled smugly.

That's how I found myself on a tree-



lined road to Nainital, soothing music wafting out of the car stereo, which added to the general feeling of finally being carefree. We had decided to drive down as opposed to using public transport, like a train till the railhead of Kathgodam, as this was naturally safer in pandemic times. It was due to its proximity that Nainital was zeroed in on as the destination of choice despite all of us having frequented it n-number of times since childhood.

However, at the same time, we wanted to choose a resort which was not in an area with too many hotels (and people) and one which adhered to safety norms in totality. It naturally meant taking a road that was less-trod but then, as Frost said, it did make all the difference.

We reached Nainital post-lunch and were happy to note that the staff and servers were adhering to all safety norms possible at evening tea.

Heading out soon thereafter, we found ourselves close to the Naini Lake, the centrepiece of the hill station. For those who haven't been here, much of everything in this hill station revolves around this water body. Visitors go boating in it, stand around the area to click selfies as the mountains seem to be rising from the middle of the lake, shop at Mall Road or the Tibetan market (both of which skirt the lake), eat roasted peanuts, candyfloss and the like

- TIPS FOR A WORKATION

❑

Set aside a dedicated time for deadlines and ensure that the office team is aware of the same.

❑

During that period, ignore social media and don't chit chat (or get carried away by the view) to ensure that the task at hand is completed.

❑

Sometimes, it might mean that the rest of the party will head out for activities while you finish your work.

❑

Don't force the others to adjust to your deadlines. Try and work out a way which suits everyone.

❑

It will involve a lot of balancing but ultimately you have to take the call about which activity/excursion you can miss. Tough ... but has to be done.

while taking in the sight of water reflecting the numerous lights giving it the appearance of a star-studded sky.

There was a sizeable presence of police personnel to ensure that people did not crowd around any one place and the visitors kept their masks on while in a public area. While strolling around the walkway, the place appeared to be so familiar — as I had been visiting it since I was a little shy of three years — yet so overwhelmingly different with everyone donning masks.

Despite the changed times, we did manage to pick up some interesting knick-knacks primarily from the Tibetan Market, popularly referred to as "flats". A marked change was the way shopkeepers welcomed the shoppers with the proverbial open arms. The lockdown and the subsequent reduction in the number of travellers, which had practically gone down to a trickle, meant that their business had hit rock bottom.

During the two days that we were in Nainital my days took the shape of working in the mornings post breakfast till lunch and heading out in late afternoon/early evening.

On the third day, we headed to Ramnagar which is dotted with sundry resorts in all price brackets. Since all six of us have been certified as hydrophiles by friends and acquaintances, the choice of heading out to Garjiya — the place

from where one can access the Kosi river — was not rocket science.

However, one side of the river coastline was dotted with plastics wrappers ranging from chips, gutka and more. There is something to be said about our indifference to ensuring that we leave our natural habitat in the pristine state that we find it in. Disgusted with the state of affairs, we walked across the suspension bridge to proceed to the other side which is a little less-frequented by humans and were rewarded. Cleaner waters and ample place to sit on the rocks without worrying about stepping onto something unsavoury were the premiums that we cherished. While we dangled our feet in the river — notwithstanding the cold — a small black and orange-coloured crab crawled out and darted across the boulders. It was too swift for us to capture it in our phones ... or maybe we were a little too excited and fearful that the crab would dig its infamous claws into our feet. Sooner than we could have wished, the nip in the air started turning a little more intense as, evening approached and we decided to call it a day.

But we hadn't had enough of the river and so the next day we decided to shift into a property which has the unique USP of being located just above it. All that it takes is a short descent on an iron ladder to reach the pebbled beach and a less than two-minute walk to reach a place where you can dip your toes in the water. And that is how I found myself on the penultimate morning sitting amidst fish shoals.

However, we'd already had some excitement that day. Earlier, in the morning, when we checked into the place — which consists of several wooden structures spread over a sprawling area — we had chosen the riverfront rooms. As had become my routine, I decided to put my laptop to good use and sat outside in the small verandah in front of our room on the first floor of the ground+1 place. I hadn't worked for very long when a cry of "monkey" emanated from the youngsters sitting inside the room. The simian had been spotted thanks to the huge glass windows in the room which had been incorporated in the design for a better view of the river flowing below. I darted inside and shut the door but the monkey was friendly and decided to engage in a conversation from the other side of the glass.

As night approached, we could hear the strains of live music wafting through the air and headed out. A singer belted out a mix of the latest and golden oldies from Bollywood while we sat in enclosures which had adequate provisions for a bonfire while ensuring social distancing. In the one next to us, an extended family of 22 with people from all age groups celebrated the anniversary of its grandparents. The bonhomie and the fun emanating from the enclosure was infectious.

We had one more memorable sighting before we retired for the night. As we climbed the spiral staircase we spotted a herd consisting of four neelgais and a young calf, their eyes glinting in the moonlight, crossing the river. Certainly, this was turning out to be a more eventful trip than we had bargained for.

The next morning, as we piled our luggage into the vehicle, I whispered softly, "This is the way I want to work," hoping that the breeze would carry my wish to heaven and make it come true.

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# Bharat gives RCB seven-wicket win



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Last-ball six by K S Bharat powered Royal Challengers Bangalore to a seven-wicket win over Delhi Capitals in a thrilling finish to their Indian Premier League match that shifted this way and that here on Friday.

Bharat smashed an unbeaten 78 off 52 balls while Glenn Maxwell blazed away to 51 in 33 deliveries as RCB chased down a target of 165 with the former's heroics.

Needing 15 to win from the final over, Maxwell started it with a boundary but pacer Avesh Khan came back with a couple of excellent deliveries, including a yorker.

However, Bharat had the last laugh as he smoked Khan's full toss over long-on for a six to seal the game

in his team's favour.

A wide off the fifth delivery from Khan helped RCB's cause.

Pacer Anrich Nortje had bowled a brilliant penultimate over, conceding just four runs even as Bharat and Maxwell were on the lookout for runs with 19 needed off the last two overs.

The match-winning 111-run fourth-wicket partnership between Bharat and Maxwell gave RCB a rather unexpected win over Delhi Capitals, who finished on top of the league standings despite the loss in the final game.

Avesh, who bowled superbly save for the final over, finished with 0 for 31 in 4 overs while Nortje was brilliant, ending up with figures of 2/24 in 4 overs.

Axar Patel bowled his four overs for 39 runs with 1 wicket while ace off-

spinner R Ashwin just bowled one over for 11 runs. Pacer Kagiso Rabada went wicket-less in his 4 overs.

The Virat Kohli-led RCB will finish third in the standings with 18 points and take on Kolkata Knight Riders (fourth place) in the Eliminator on Monday.

Wicketkeeper Bharat, who has been pushed up and down the order by the RCB think-tank, underlined his value with this knock, often displaying his big-hitting abilities too.

A maiden IPL half-century for Bharat ahead of the play-offs would probably be a good sign for the Bangalore team which has tried several batters at the crucial No.3 spot.

His partnership with Maxwell, who lived a charmed life as he survived a few dropped catches, kept RCB in the hunt in the face of a soaring required

IPL points table			
	M	P	NRR
DC	14	20	+0.481
CSK	14	18	+0.455
RCB	14	18	-0.140
KKR	14	14	+0.587
PBKS	14	12	-0.001
MI	14	14	+0.116
RR	14	10	-0.993
SRH	14	6	-0.545

run-rate.

The flamboyant Aussie was not afraid to go for his shots and found the boundary at will.

The chase began rather poorly for RCB as Devdutt Padikkal's attempted ramp shot landed safely in the hands of Ashwin in the deep off the first ball he faced from Nortje.

Kohli did not stay for too long, falling for only 4. He became Nortje's second scalp, skyking a catch to Kagiso Rabada while attempting a big hit on the leg side.

Earlier, RCB rallied to stop Delhi Capitals at 164 for five thanks to a spirited effort from the bowlers, especially Mohammed Siraj (2 for 25 in four overs).

The table-toppers frittered away a strong 88-run opening partnership provided by Shikhar Dhawan (43) and Prithvi Shaw (48) with the other batsmen unable to build on it.

Shimron Hetmyer (29) hit two big sixes to go with two boundaries and ensured the Capitals go past the 150-mark after the batters appeared to struggle in the middle overs.

For RCB, Siraj bowled well to finish with 2 for 25 from his four overs while Harshal Patel, Yuzvendra Chahal and Dan Christian picked up a wicket each.

# MI FAIL TO QUALIFY FOR IPL PLAY-OFFS DESPITE WIN



PTI ■ ABU DHABI

Defending champions Mumbai Indians beat Sunrisers Hyderabad by 42 runs in a high-scoring game here on Friday but their spirited effort was not enough to take them to the IPL play-offs.

After amassing 235 for nine, MI needed to limit SRH to 65 or less to qualify for the play-offs ahead of KKR but expectedly that did not happen. SRH ended with 193 for eight with stand in captain Manish Pandey making an unbeaten 69 off 41 balls.

It is for the first time in three seasons that five-time champions MI have not entered the last four after lifting the trophy in the past two editions.

MI needed a miracle and the script unfolded in their favour, at least in the first innings, when they opted to bat and posted a mammoth score.

Ishan Kishan (84 off 32) and Suryakumar Yadav (82 off 40) struck whirlwind fifties as MI meant business from the onset.

But it was not to be for MI as they failed to restrict SRH to their desired target, even though they won the match comfortably.

Even though MI and KKR ended their round-robin engagements on 14 points from as many games, the Kolkata outfit leapfrogged Rohit Sharma's side on net run rate.

Delhi Capitals and Chennai Super Kings will face each other in

the Qualifier 1 on Sunday, while KKR will be up against Royal Challengers Bangalore in the eliminator on October 11.

Chasing 236, Jason Roy (34 off 21) and Abhishek Sharma (33 off 16) got SRH off to a flier, stitching 64 runs in 5.2 overs.

But SRH lost their plot soon after the dismissal of the openers with Jimmy Neesham striking twice -- first accounting for Sharma and then Abdul Samad.

Pandey (69 off 41; 7x4s, 2x6s) and Priyan Garg (29) shared 56 runs for the fifth wicket before Jasprit Bumrah dislodged the stand.

Pandey played a captain's knock and kept SRH in the hunt, albeit mathematically, reaching his 50 off 30 balls.

It was always going to be an uphill task for SRH to get 70 runs off 24 balls and it turned out to be so with Pandey remaining unbeaten.

Earlier, MI openers -- Kishan and skipper Rohit Sharma (18 off 13) meant business and showed the intent from the onset.

Kishan, especially, was in bel-ligerent mood as he went hammer and tongs and didn't spare a single SRH bowler to bring up his fifty in just 16 balls, the fastest half century this season.

It was raining boundaries and sixes for Kishan in every over as MI raced to 78 runs in the first five overs.

It looked like child's play for Kishan as he clobbered Rashid over the deep midwicket to bring up the team's 100 in 7.1 overs. Kishan finally departed in the 10th over when he top edged an Umran Malik delivery to Wriddhiman Saha behind the stumps.

### 600TH SIX IN IPL

- Rajasthan Royals' opening batsman Lokesh Rahul smashed the 600th six in the 14th edition of IPL
- As many as 94 batsmen hit 619 sixes so far with Punjab Kings' Lokesh Rahul topped the list with 30 sixes in 13 innings
- Royal Challengers Bangalore's Glenn Maxwell is on second spot with 21 sixes in 12 innings. Chennai Super Kings' Faf du Plessis and Ruturaj Gaikwad shared the third spot with 20 sixes each
- As far as teams are concerned, CSK have hit the most of the total sixes that the tournament has seen thus far. Nine players contributed exactly 100 sixes of the 619 sixes in IPL 2021
- Rajasthan Royals batsmen have hit sixes than any other team with 16 players have hit sixes. Fifteen batsmen hit sixes for Sunrisers Hyderabad
- Delhi Capitals' nine players hit 48 sixes in 14 matches which is fewest among the eight teams

### SIXES BY EACH TEAM

Team	M	Sixes	Players	Most Sixes
Chennai Super Kings	14	100	9	Faf du Plessis/Ruturaj Gaikwad (20 sixes each)
Punjab Kings	14	93	13	Lokesh Rahul (30 sixes)
Rajasthan Royals	14	90	16	Sanju Samson (17 sixes)
Kolkata Knight Riders	14	80	10	Nitish Rana (15 sixes)
Royal Challengers	13	74	10	Glenn Maxwell (21 sixes)
Mumbai Indians	13	68	12	Kieron Pollard (16 sixes)
Sunrisers Hyderabad	13	66	15	Jonny Bairstow (15 sixes)
Delhi Capitals	13	48	9	Prithvi Shaw/Shikhar Dhawan (12 sixes each)
Total		54	619	94 Lokesh Rahul (30 sixes)

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## Honorary PhD in Sports conferred on Harbhajan Singh



PTI ■ DUBAI

French University Ecole Supérieure Robert de Sorbon has conferred former India spinner Harbhajan Singh with a honorary PhD in Sports during a convocation ceremony here.

Harbhajan couldn't attend the ceremony in person as he is currently in a bio-secure environment as part of Kolkata Knight Riders' campaign in the IPL.

The university awards honorary doctorate degree to eminent personalities in various walks of life, which also includes achievements in the sporting arena.

"If any institution accords respect, you accept that with utmost humility. If I have been conferred with honorary sports doctorate by the university, it is because I played cricket and people have showered their love and affection for that. I am honoured to be conferred with the degree," the 41-year-old Harbhajan said.

Harbhajan's name was recommended to the French University by noted industrialist Dr Harcharan Singh Ranauta, vice-president of Indian Federation of United Nations Associations (IFUNA).

Harbhajan also thanked the jury which selected him.

"I would like to thank Dr John Thomas Parade, president Sorbon, Dr Vivek Choudhury, chairman, Sorbon International Convocation Committee (Celebrity), Dr Mukesh Tyagi, Sorbon International Convocation Committee, for finding me worthy enough."

## SINGLES

**PAK INCLUDE SARFARAZ IN T20 WORLD CUP**

Karachi: Pakistan on Friday made three changes to their squad for the T20 World Cup, bringing in former captain Sarfraz Ahmed, Fakhar Zaman and Haider Ali at the expense of Azam Khan, Mohammad Haseeb and Khushdil Shah. Former spinner Saqlain Mushtaq has been named interim head coach following the resignation of Misbah-ul-Haq. As announced earlier, former Australia batter Matthew Hayden and former South Africa pacer Vernon Philander will be the team's batting and bowling consultants for the mega event. The cut-off for making squad changes is October 10. Many former Pakistan cricketers, including Rashid Latif and Shoaib Akhtar, wanted wholesale changes in the squad announced on September 4.

**AMANDEEP DRALL TIED FIFTH AFTER FIRST DAY**

**Tourrettes (France):** Indian golfer Amandeep Drall enjoyed another fine start as she carded 1-under 71 and was tied 5th at the end of the first day at the Terre Blanche Ladies Open on the Ladies European Access Series Tour. Another Indian in the field, Vani Kapoor (77), was tied 52nd. Amandeep, a multiple winner on the domestic Hero Women's Pro Golf Tour, had four birdies against three bogeys. Her four birdies came in a stretch between sixth and 11th. Sweden's Linn Grant who was ranked fourth in the World Amateur Golf Ranking before turning professional in August, held a two-shot lead at the end of day one after she fired an opening round of 68.

## Solid start for Shubhankar in Madrid



PTI ■ MADRID

Indian golfer Shubhankar Sharma carded a solid 4-under 67, laced with five birdies, in the opening round to be tied 21st at the ACCIONA Open de Espana here.

Sharma, who has time and again shown glimpses of fine form but also

given away some advantage after that, was looking good once again, stumbled to just one late bogey on the sixth, which was his 15th hole.

India's other star, Gaganjeet Bhullar, who became a father recently, opened with 4-over 75 and needs a good second round to make the cut.

Ross McGowan produced a course record 61 and led the way after round one but world number one Jon Rahm was just two shots back on home soil.

Englishman McGowan claimed his first European Tour win in the Spanish capital 12 years ago at the Madrid Masters but had to wait 11 years to seal a second at last season's Italian Open.

Home favourite Sebastian Garcia Rodriguez was his nearest challenger but all eyes were on Rahm, who was at eight under as he seeks a third consecutive victory at his home open.

## Novice Alwin Sunder at pole; Ravikumar, Sethu top practice

IAANS ■ CHENNAI

Local collegian, Alwin Sunder (AS Motorsports), grabbed the pole position in the Novice category following a double in the first round in August, overcame a shaky start in the qualifying session when he went off the track on the out-lap, but gathered himself to post the fastest lap



of two minutes, 08.098secs after deftly negotiating traffic.

Mumbai's Kayan Zubin Patel (Sparks Racing) posted the second-best lap of 02:08.545 while team-mate Allwin Xavier (Thrissur) completed the front row clocking 02:08.772. In all, 38

riders out of 43 qualified to start Saturday's race.

Meanwhile, TVS Racing's Deepak Ravikumar (01:52.567) and Jagan Kumar (01:52.627) were among the quickest riders in the free practice session in the premier Pro stock 301-400cc

category with championship leader Rajini Krishnan (RACR Castrol Power Racing) just behind the lead pair, clocking 01:52.647.

Later, Idemitsu Honda SK6' Racing's Rajiv Sethu set the pace in the Pro-stock 165cc category during the free practice session by topping the timesheets with a hot lap of 01:56.344, ahead of TVS Racing pair of defending champion Jagan Kumar (01:56.405) and KY Ahamed (01:57.070). The close competition between Honda and TVS riders has produced several nail-biting finishes and this weekend's double-header promises more of the same.

## Great chance for us, Indian women's hockey team on playing Pro League

IAANS ■ BENGALURU

The Indian women's hockey team captain Rani Rampal on Friday hoped that the experience gained from playing against the best teams in the FIH Hockey Pro League will help her team in the same way as it did the mens team. The Indian women's team was on Friday included in the Pro League for the upcoming Season 3 along with Spain as a replacement for Australia and New Zealand who had pulled out because of the Covid-19 restrictions imposed by their respective governments.

The other players too expressed their excitement over playing the top league which kicks off on October 13 with the first match between Olympic and World Champions, the Netherlands and Belgium.

Rani said, "This is great news for us. We have seen how much the exposure at the FIH Hockey Pro League helped our male counter-



parts from the Indian team. They got to play the best teams in the world, and I believe that helped them take their game to the next level. Likewise, the Indian women's team is also looking forward to making the most of this opportunity. The entire team is excited."

Goalkeeper Savita, on the other hand, stated that this exposure will help increase the talent pool in the Indian team. "We have some very talented junior players coming into the core group. Playing regular

matches against top teams in the FIH Hockey Pro League will help the team try a different combination of players ahead of important tournaments like the Asian Games in 2022 and the FIH Women's World Cup in July 2022. We believe this experience in the Pro League will help us improve our game further," said Savita, who recently won the FIH Woman Goalkeeper of the Year award.

Two-time Olympian Monika too joined her teammates in reflecting their enthusiasm to play the FIH Hockey Pro League this season. "We never got to play top teams like the Netherlands as often as we would have liked to. Before our first match at the Tokyo Olympics against the World No.1 team, we had played them just once more than three or four years ago. But being part of the Pro League this season will give us the perfect opportunity to

test our abilities against top teams. We are looking are all very happy to be included for this season and hope to make the opportunity count," she was quoted as saying in a release by Hockey India.

Youngster Sharmila Devi, who won the FIH Rising Star of the Year, also stated that this will be a great opportunity for young players like her in the team.

"Playing top teams of the world will provide youngsters like me great exposure. Something we wanted to work on before the Asian Games was to perform under pressure. The FIH Hockey Pro League will be a great experience in that aspect and we are very excited about it," she said. The Indian women's team will open its FIH Pro League campaign with a double-header against the Netherlands on February 19 and 20, 2022 in an away fixture.

## FIFA plans to postpone Club World Cup until 2022

AP ■ LONDON

FIFA plans to postpone the Club World Cup until early next year due to hosting challenges linked to the pandemic, people familiar with the planning said. Coronavirus restrictions led to Japan withdrawing from staging the seven-team tournament this December, and South Africa then abandoned a bid due to the need to get more of the country vaccinated.

FIFA is now exploring staging the event in January or February, the people told The Associated Press. They spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss ongoing talks.

Qatar is an option — like in February when Bayern Munich won the delayed 2020 edition in Doha — to help the Gulf nation test venues for the men's national teams' World Cup that starts in November 2022.

FIFA is already due to stage the Arab Cup competition in December in Qatar as part of World Cup preparations. The Club World Cup could attract a more global fanbase, with Chelsea qualified as Champions League winners.

It will disrupt a Premier League weekend for the west London club, as would have been the case if the tournament was contested as planned in December.

**QUEEN ELIZABETH LAUNCHES BATON RELAY**

**London:** Queen Elizabeth II held her first major engagement at Buckingham Palace since the onset of the coronavirus pandemic a year and a half ago, as she presided Thursday over the launch of the baton relay for next year's Commonwealth Games in the central England city of Birmingham. The 95-year-old monarch handed the baton for what are often referred to as the "friendly games" to four-time Paralympic gold medalist Kadeena Cox, who is fresh from winning two events in Tokyo. Cox, 30, took the baton on a brief journey around the nearby Queen Victoria Memorial in central London before handing it to another competitor. "It's really special," she said. "I fall into this category where I'm very diverse - I'm a female, disabled, Black athlete. For me I think that's what the Commonwealth represents and especially being in Birmingham which is such a diverse place."

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