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# Navy espionage racket busted

Serving, 2 retd Navy officers and 2 pvt men held for leaking sub project info

 $T^{\text{he CBI has busted a major}}_{\text{espionage racket involving serving and retired Navy offi-}$ cials who were passing on sensitive information related to a submarine modernisation project to private persons in lieu of bribes.

The agency had conducted searches at 19 locations in Delhi, Noida, Mumbai and Hyderabad and arrested five persons, including a serving and two retired officials of Navy besides two private persons for allegedly leaking the sensitive information

All the five accused are currently undergoing judicial custody.

The CBI conducted the searches following leads from the Intelligence agencies, sources said without revealing the names of the accused as a number of other suspects continue to be under surveillance.

The accused have been booked under the provisions of the Prevention of Corruption Act, the Officials Secrets Act and Sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), including criminal conspiracy.



The Commander rank serving Navy officer was arrested from Mumbai. However, the leaks reportedly took place in Delhi

Following the arrests the Navy initiated a high-level probe headed by a Vice Admiral and a Rear Admiral. The Navy was also co-operating with the CBI in the probe, sources said here on Tuesday.

Even as further investigations are on after the arrests last month, sources said here the serving officer was allegedly passing on information regarding the Kilo class submarine programme to two retired officers, including a Commodore rank officer. These submarines

are of Russian origin. The CBI is also questioning some other serving officers, sources said, adding the possibility of the information leaked to some foreign countries was also being looked into. More arrests in the case are not ruled out as the CBI is also

keeping a close watch on some

retired officials, sources said.

The probe agency is also going through the hardware and data accessed by the arrested officer. The role of foreign intelligence agencies was also under the scanner, it was learnt.

The Russian-origin submarines are undergoing major refits in India and are the backbone of the Navy's submarine arm. Kilo class submarines, designed and built in Russia, are among the world's most common conventional submarines and are currently in service in the navies of several countries.

In India, these submarines are categorised under the Sindhughosh class. To date, the Government has acquired 10 such submarines, all of which have gone through extensive modernisation, some details of which remain classified. At present, the Navy has 15 conventional submarines powered by diesel engines.

# Govt prematurely retires five CBI officers for graft

### **First time spl** rule invoked

In probably for the first time in the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), the Centre has invoked Rule 56 (j) of the Fundamental Rules of service to prematurely retire five of the agency's cadre officers and one law officer.

Among those booted out one Assistant Superintendent of Police and four Deputy Superintendent of Police and one Senior Public Prosecutor for being allegedly corrupt and non-performing. "As part of zero tolerance

for corruption and for ensuring the integrity and performance of duty of the officials in the CBI, a decision has been taken to prematurely retire six officials, including a senior public prosecutor," a senior CBI official said. The CBI, however, did not

reveal the names of the sacked

Last month, the CBI had



arrested its own Sub-Inspector Abhishek Tiwari for allegedly taking an iPhone 12 Pro, which costs over ₹1 lakh, as bribe for accessing a confidential report on a corruption case in which former Maharashtra Minister Anil Deshmukh is an accused.

Tiwari and Deshmukh's lawyer, Anand Daga, were arrested by the CBI for allegedly trying to influence the probe against the former Minister who had to step down from the position after he was accused of corruption by former Mumbai Police chief Param Bir Singh.

The iPhone 12 Pro was seized from Tiwari and sent for forensic analysis. The CBI had then alleged Tiwari had been ʻillegal gratification' from the former Minister's lawyer regularly.

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# I've nothing to do with pay-off charge: Aryan

### **Bombay HC to** continue bail plea hearing today

TN RAGHUNATHA MUMBAI

A fter Aryan Khan distanced himself from "panch witness" Prabhakar Sail's pay-off charge and counter-allegations by NCB Zonal Director Sameer Wankhede, his lawyer and former Attorney General of India Mukul Rohatgi on Tuesday argued forcefully before the Bombay High Court that since there was no recovery of drugs from his client, Aryan had been "wrongly arrested".

During an inconclusive hearing on bail applications of Aryan and other accused in the mid-sea drug bust case, Rohatgi tore into the submissions made by the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) in the case by telling among other things to the court that "statements recorded by the NCB officers under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985, were not admissible in court and that since there was no recovery of drugs from his client, Aryan had been wrongly arrested in the case.

The hearing on the bail pleas of Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan's eldest son Aryan and other accused will



Former Attorney General of India Mukul Rohatgi representing Aryan Khan, in the drugs-on-cruise case, arrives at Bombay High court in Mumbai on Tuesday

resume before Justice NW Sambre of the High Court at 2.30 pm on Wednesday.

Rohatgi contested the WhatsApp chats that his client had others had on two counts, saying that they were "old chats and do not pertain to the cruise or conspiracy" and that WhatsApp chats were of no consequence since there was no panchnama of the mobile phone seized from Aryan. He argued that his client was not admitting to consumption or use of drugs and "the only thing is conscious possession that is also small quantity".

Earlier, ahead of the start of the hearing on Aryan's bail plea, the NCB claimed in its reply filed before that Aryan had

international linkages, was an influential person and could derail the probe and tamper with evidence. It told the court that the manner in which "panch witness" Prabhakar Sail's affidavit was "clandestinely distributed and widely publicised" in the media was an example of mala fide attempt to derail the probe.

In his two-page reply, Aryan distanced himself from Sail's affidavit and prayed the court should decide his bail application on merits "uninfluenced by allegations and counter allegations by others". He also told the court in his affidavit that he had no allegation against anyone in the prosecution.

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### CAPSULE

FOUR OF FAMILY DIE IN HOUSE FIRE IN DELHI New Delhi: Four members of a family died on Tuesday after a fire broke out on the third floor of a building in East Delhi's Old Seemapuri area, officials said The incident took place when the victims were asleep

#### **RJD'S GOA UNIT** 'MERGES' WITH JD(U) New Delhi: The Janata Dal (United) said on Tuesday that

merged with it, with the party indicating that it may contest the upcoming Assembly polls in the State. The JD(U) said in a statement that Goa R.ID chief Ahamad Kadar along with other office-bearers of the State unit joined it at a ceremony here.

#### REVIEW OF COVAXIN SHOT UNDERWAY: WHO Geneva: A World Health

Organization technical advisory group was reviewing data on Covaxin shot against Covid-19 on Tuesday with a decision or its emergency use listing likely soon, a spokesperson said.

PM MODI TO VISIT KEDARNATH ON NOV 5 Dehradun: Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit Kedarnath on November 5, a day ahead of the closure of the Himalayan temple for winters, to

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# Rising Covid cases in Delhi Govt to offer Bengal alarm Centre

### State asked to increase vax, testing rates

ARCHANA JYOTI ■ NEW DELHI

The Centre has raised red flags over rising cases in West Bengal, particularly in Kolkata, post Durga puja. It has shot off a letter to the State Government to increase testing and vaccination rates.

The Centre expressed concern that the State has reported 20,936 new cases and 343 new deaths in the last 30 days, accounting for 3.4 per cent of the country's new cases and 4.7 per cent of new deaths in the last 30 days

West Bengal's biggest festi-val Durga Puja was celebrated recently amid relaxed Covid-19 restriction. Markets and Durga Pandals were crowded as was witnessed in Kerala during Onam. The southern State too had reported a sudden spike in Covid cases after festivities.

"One of the primary districts of concern is Kolkata,"



Union Health Secretary Rajesh Bhushan said in the letter to his counterpart Narayan Swaroop Nigam in West Bengal as he noted the district has reported high quantum of average daily new cases in the week ending October 21 along with more than 25 per cent increase over the past week (from 217 cases in the week ending October 14 to 272 cases in the week end-

ing October 21). The Union Health Secretary also expressed concern at the rise in positivity rate in the district. Kolkata has also reported an almost 27 per cent increase in positivity rate

in the past week (from 5.6 per cent in the week ending October 14 to 7.1 per cent in the week ending October 21). The weekly testing trends in this district are also showing a downward trend. This calls for more proactive action on the testing front, Rajesh Bhushan said.

Ringing the alarm bell, the senior health official warned that the current trends, if left unchecked, may lead to a situation where there is strain on the health infrastructure and health workforce.

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# free pilgrimage to Ayodhya: Kejriwal

### **AAP** chief pledges his party is voted to power in UP

PRABHA SHANKER LUCKNOW/NEW DELHI

Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal during his visit to Ram Janmabhumi and Hanumangarhi in Ayodhya on the second day of his two-day tour to Ayodhya announced on Tuesday that the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) Government would organise free-of-cost pilgrimage to Ayodhya for Delhiites from October 27. He said the Delhi

Government already has a scheme offering free teerth yatras to residents. "If we form a Government in UP, we will also provide free travel to the people of UP to different religious places, including the Ayodhya," he said.

Kejriwal earlier had taken



Delhi CM and AAP convener Arvind Kejriwal during a visit to Hanumangarh temple in Ayodhya on Tuesday

part in Saryu Arti in Ayodhya

on Monday.
"We have called a special Cabinet meeting in which we are going to include Ayodhya as a religious place to provide free of cost visit for Delhi residents. Under the Delhi Government scheme Mukhymantri Teerth Yatra Yojana, we cover Vaishnav Devi, Shirdi Sai, Rameshwaram, Dwarika Puri,

Mathura Vrindavan," he said. Continued on Page 2

# **Party time! Capt to** unveil plan today MONIKA MALIK ■ CHANDIGARH

As Punjab's former Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh would come face to face with the media on Wednesday, the poll-bound State is likely political upheaval.
Punjab's all major political

parties, especially the ruling Congress and the Bharativa Janata Party (BJP), are keeping a close watch on the former Chief Minister's next move as it is expected that Amarinder would formally bid goodbye to the Congress, and announce the new political party.

After his unceremonious

exit as the State's Chief Minister in September following a long spell of a bitter power tussle with his bete noire Navjot Singh Sidhu, Amarinder had announced that he would not stay in the Congress and would float his political outfit. At the same time, Amarinder had hinted at the possible alliance with the saffron party if the issue of farm laws was resolved "in the farmers' interest".

Amarinder had also stated that he would not just be looking at an alliance with the "like-minded parties such as

Amarinder had hinted at floating his party, possible alliance with BIP



breakaway Akali groups" for the 2022 Punjab polls, but also those within the Congress, who have been treated unfair-

ly by the top brass.
Punjab's political circles are abuzz since Tuesday morning after Amarinder's media adviser Raveen Thukral sent out invites and announced on Twitter that the former Chief Minister would be holding a press conference in Chandigarh

on Wednesday.

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# Natural disasters cost China \$238 bn, India \$87 bn in 2020

### **Asia suffered** its hottest year on record in **2020: Report**

PNS NEW DELHI

hina has recorded the high-Cest loss, at \$238 billion, followed by India at \$87 billion last year due to natural disasters such as tropical cyclones, floods and droughts.

The "State of the Climate in Asia 2020" released by the Meteorological World Organization's (WMO) on Tuesday said Asia suffered its hottest year on record in 2020 as the mean temperature pushed 1.39 degrees celsius above the 1981-2010 average, which places 2020 as the warmest year on record in all data sets used for this assessment.

mates ranges between 1.29 degrees celsius and 1.55 degrees celsius. The land surface temperature, sea-surface temperature and ocean heat content in

approximately 50 million people, including over 5,000 lives lost in the region, displaced millions of others and cost hundreds of billions of dollars, while wreaking a heavy toll on infrastructure and ecosystems. Climate and weather events had major and diverse impacts on population movements and

"The spread of the esti-

the region show long-term warming trends larger than the global average," it added.

The report said in 2020 floods and storms affected

on the vulnerability of people





on the move in Asia throughout the year

India and China suffered the most in absolute value from extreme events \$26.3 bil-

lion and \$23.1 billion, respectively. Japan, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Bangladesh and the Republic of Korea too suffered severe damage. Japan has recorded loss at \$83bn and South Korea on \$24bn due to natural disasters last year.

For some countries, the impact was significant when

translated into percentage of gross domestic product (GDP), which was the case for India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Bangladesh and Pakistan, where damages exceed 0.5 per cent of GDP.

But when the size of the economy is considered, the average annual losses are expected to be as high as 7.9 per cent of gross domestic product for Tajikistan, 5.9 for Cambodia and 5.8 for Laos. Intense cyclones, monsoon

rains and floods hit highly exposed and densely populated areas in South Asia and East Asia and led to the displacement of millions of people in China, Bangladesh, India, Japan, Pakistan, Nepal and Vietnam. Cyclone Amphan, one of the strongest cyclones ever recorded, hit densely pop-ulated coastal areas in

Bangladesh and India during the rapid spread of Covid-19 in May 2020 displacing 2.4 million people in India and 2.5 million people in Bangladesh, the report said

The report further said in

Asia, progress on food security and nutrition has slowed down and is not on track to achieve the Sustainable Development Goal targets of ending hunger and all forms of malnutrition by 2030. In 2020, 48.8 million people in South-East Asia, 305.7 million in South Asia and 42.3 million in West Asia are estimated to

have been undernourished. Asia accounts for more than half of the global total. Most children under 5 years of age with stunting or wasting in the region are found in South Asia (54.3 million and 25.0 million, respectively, in 2020).

### for independent investigation into **Pegasus today**

**SC** verdict on plea

PNS NEW DELHI

The Supreme Court is sched-■ uled to pronounce a verdict on Wednesday on a batch of pleas seeking an independent probe into the Pegasus snooping matter. An SC bench of Chief

Justice NV Ramana and Justices Surya Kant and Hima Kohli had reserved its order on September 13, saying it only wanted to know whether the Centre used the Pegasus spy-ware through illegal methods to allegedly snoop on citizens. The apex court had observed orally that it would set

up a technical expert committee to enquire into the matter.

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# Akhilesh replies to cycle of corruption barb with flower of loot dig at BJP

**Lucknow:** In a riposte to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's "cycle of corruption" barb directed at the previous SP Government in Uttar Pradesh, Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav on Tuesday mocked the BJP's election symbol 'lotus' by calling it the "flower of loot".

Yadav, in a tweet in Hindi, said, "Earlier, thousands of crores of rupees were put in the bank accounts of the poor by previous governments, but now the 'flower of lies' is deceiving people round the clock by becoming the 'flower of loot'."

"Today, the priority of the BJP Government at the Centre and in UP is to pickpocket the poor and snatch the basic facilities," the former chief minister added.

His remarks came a day after Modi had accused the previous government in UP of neglecting health facilities in the state and only

In Siddharthnagar on Monday, Modi picked on the previous Samajwadi Party government in the state -- not mentioning

Yadav's party by name but mocking its election symbol, a bicycle.

"Corruption in medicines, ambulances appointments, transfers and postings. In this entire game, some dynasts in UP flourished," he charged.

"The cycle of corruption ran 24 hours but the ordinary families in Purvanchal and UP got crushed," he had said.

A few hours later, Yadav accused the BJP government of launching projects when the ction was only months away.

"The BJP is feeding the flower of lies in the quagmire of deceit," he had said while hitting

out at the saffron party.
On Tuesday, the SP chief tweeted a picture of a hoarding featuring him with a slo-

"main aa raha hun" (I am coming back) Yadav who launched "Samajik Parivartan Yatra" early this month has been claiming that the party along with its some regional allies would throw the BJP out of power in the 2022



Activists of All Assam Minority Students' Union make a human chain to protest against the Assam Government's proposal to cut more than 5,000 sal trees, at Doboka in Hojai district on Tuesday. The Government is planning to cut these trees for a four-lane road project

## PM Modi to visit Kedarnath on Nov 5

Narendra Modi will visit Kedarnath on November 5, a day ahead of the closure of the Himalayan temple for winters, to inaugurate and lay the foundation stone of Kedarpuri reconstruction projects worth over Rs 400 crore.

It will be his second visit to the state within a month. He had visited AIIMS, Rishikesh, on October 7 to inaugurate an oxygen plant there.
Confirming Modi's visit

to Kedarnath next month, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami said besides offering prayers at the Himalayan temple, the prime minister will lay inaugurate and the foundation stone of Kedarpuri reconstruction pro-

He will also unveil a statof Adi Shankaracharya, Dhami said. has

Kedarnath several times after becoming Prime Minister in



2014. He could not come to Kedarnath last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Prime Minister Modi has been closely monitoring Kedarpuri reconstruction pro-

The portals of Kedarnath are scheduled to be closed for winter on November 6 on the occasion of Bhaiyya Dooj. *PTI* 

# Covid bared world inequity

PIONEER NEWS SERVICE ■ NEW DELHI

ovid-19 not only left the countries finacially drained but also "exposed a broken world that is inequitable, unaccountable, and divided", resulting in its failure to put an end to the pandemic that has so far killed 4.95 million globally, according to a report by a World Health Organisation (WHO) panel on Tuesday.

The report was launched by the Global

Preparedness Monitoring Board (GPMB), an independent body set up by the WHO and the World Bank in 2018 to prepare for pandemics,

It stated that from the time the pandemic began, almost two years ago, the world continues to "struggle" to mitigate its impact. While in the first year, countries "collectively failed" to take serious preparations and act rapidly, in the second they exhibited "profound inequality" as the world leaders failed to interconnect, making "the world more interdependent than

The world continues to be "fragmented by

growing nationalism, geopolitical tensions, and deep inequalities", said the report. "As of October 2021, as many as 17 million people will have died due to Covid-19. More than 1.5 million children around the world have lost a parent or a grandparent... Behind each death, there is a human story, a loss of potential, and an enormous gap left in a community... While this disaster should have brought us together, instead we are divided, fragmented, and living in worlds apart," said Elhadj As Sy, Co-Chair at

GPMB, in the report. Although the speed of vaccine development is a matter of pride, but "we must feel deep shame over multiple tragedies — vaccine hoarding, the devastating oxygen shortages in lowincome countries, the generation of children deprived of education, the shattering of fragile economies and health systems", he added.

"We must reject pessimism, recognise our common humanity and growing interdependence, and create a global health ecosystem that serves everyone. Together we must move from

### Govt prematurely...

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Tiwari allegedly shared copies of different documents like memorandum of proceedings, sealing-unsealing memorandum, statements and seizure memos related to the investigation of the case against Deshmukh with Ananda Daga through WhatsApp on many occasions

The Central Bureau of Investigation has arrested a Superintendent of Customs (Prevention) G Ch S Suresh Kumar and an Inspector of Customs (Prevention) Krishan Pal in a bribery case.

A case was registered against a Superintendent of Customs (Prevention), an Inspector (Prevention), and a Havildar, Customs Commissionerate, Hyderabad on a complaint alleging that the accused had demanded a bribe of Rs 20,000 from the complainant for not cancelling his bail order and for not arresting him. The bribe was later reduced to Rs10,000. It was further alleged that the complainant was earlier arrested in a customs case of gold smuggling and later got bail with a condition that he would appear before Customs office on every second and fourth Monday and to sign in a register. The CBI laid a trap and caught the accused while demanding and accepting the bribe of Rs 10,000 from the complainant. Searches were conducted at four places including at Hyderabad in the office and residential premises of the accused, which led to recovery of certain documents.

The arrested accused were produced before the Principal Special Judge for CBI cases, Hyderabad on Tuesday and remanded to judicial custody.

### I've nothing to do...

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Even during his arguments made on behalf of Aryan, Rohatgi told the court: "Kindly keep me away from that controversy. I am making it clear I have nothing against any NCB officer. I have no grievance".

Contesting the arrest of Aryan, Rohatgi quoted the Tofan case and told the court, "The statements made to NDPS officers are inadmissible. Since there is no recovery, I submit I am wrongly arrested"

On the WhatsApp chats on which the NCB is relaying to nail Aryan, Rohatgi read out the remand application and told the Judge: Please see that section 35 (of the NDPS Act) is a culpable mental state, it is not an offence. There is no seizure of the mobile phone also" "So there is no seizure of my mobile

phone? What about the WhatsApp chats," the Judge asked. In response, Rohatgi said: "No, there is no panchnama for seizure of phones. And WhatsApp chats do not pertain to the cruise or conspiracy, those are old chats" On the consumption of drugs by

Aryan, Rohatgi told the court: "I am not admitting to consumption or use. The only thing is conscious possession and that is also a small quantity' Rohatgi went on to add: "These are

young boys. They can be sent to rehab and they need not undergo trial". He also referred to newspapers that the Social Justice and Empowerment Ministry had recently recommended that the National Fund to Control Drug Abuse be used to carry out de-addiction programmes, rather than just policing activities.

On the conspiracy charge, Rohatgi told the court: "At best, you may link me with my friend Arbaz Merchant and accused no 17 (Aachit Kumar) and that too only after the recovery. But I am not linked with anyone else. Conspiracy is when all 20 have met prior and have a meeting of minds".

Rohtagi told the court that he was arguing a case which was actually not there against his client. "My case is not about possession or consumption. In the US and some parts of the world, cannabis is legal. ...With this compendium of facts, what I am saying is that there is no case. There is no consumption, no possession. Why has this boy been sent to jail for 20 days," Rohatgi asked.

Twenty-three-year-old Aryan and seven others were initially detained on the night of October 2 and later arrested on October 3, 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 Cordelia Cruises' Empress ship, off the Mumbai coast.

The total number of arrests in the sensational drug bust case is 20. Those arrested include: a foreign national Okara Quazma and a local person Shivraj Harihan.

Aryan and other accused have been booked for offences under Section 8(c), 20(b), 27, 28, 29 and 35 under the NDPS

## SC verdict on plea for independent investigation...

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It had said it would pass an interim order on the pleas seeking an independent probe into the grievances of the alleged surveillance of certain eminent Indians by hacking their phones using Israeli firm NSO's spyware, Pegasus. The court's observations on constituting the committee assume significance in view of the Centre's statement that it would set up an expert panel on its own to look into the entire

The apex court had said it would pronounce order in a few days and asked Solicitor General Tushar Mehta, appearing for the Centre, to mention the case if the Government had a re-think about filing a detailed affidavit.

The bench had said that it only wanted to know from the Centre, which expressed unwillingness to file a detailed

# affidavit citing national security, whether Pegasus was used to allegedly spy on individuals and if it was done lawfully.

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It has been learnt that the party top brass

has called all constituencies in-charges to discuss what it calls 'possible tie-ups' ahead of the State Assembly polls. The meeting is expected to be attended by the entire top leaders including Sate president Ashwani Sharma

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# Delhi Govt to offer free pilgrimage to Ayodhya...

From Page 1 Kejriwal said under the

scheme the beneficiaries are provided free travel and return to destination in AC coaches of trains, food, lodging in air condition rooms.

Earlier, he visited the Bajrangbali temple in Hanumangarhi and ramlalla in Kejriwal said he prayed to God to bless the countrymen with happiness, progress, peace, and development. "I had announced to start

the scheme from tomorrow and we will implement the

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scheme in UP after being voted ruption and poor law and to power. Several crores of order," a party insider said. to power. Several crores of people will be benefited by this scheme. Yogiji, why do you have an objection to it?; he said.

Kejriwal's move flummoxed the senior leaders of BIP and also other political parties. "In Ayodhya, Kejriwal gave cautious statements during his prove himself as Rambhakt. He opted for a soft way to corner the BJP unlike his party's UP in-charge Sanjay Singh who Yogi Adityanath Government

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"It has been observed that cases surge exponentially in instances where basic public Tracking, Treatment, Covid appropriate behaviour and Vaccination) is not followed rigorously," he said.

With the ongoing festive season, it is crucial to emphasise the importance of Covid safe festivities in order to maintain the collective gains made in the battle against this pandemic so far. The State must ensure strict adherence to Covid appropriate behaviour and focus on 2nd dose coverage of all eligible beneficiaries, said the Union Health Secretary. There are fears that as Northern India gears up to celebrate Diwali, the festival of lights, there are chances that many districts in the country might witness a surge in Covid-19 cases, another official said citing uptick in infections.

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# **Party time! Capt to** unveil plan today

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"Former Punjab CM @capt\_amarinder will address a Press Conference in Chandigarh tomorrow (Wednesday, Oct 27) at 11 am. The event will be telecast live on his Facebook Page. Do tune in," he tweeted. Sources told The Pioneer that Amarinder

is likely to formally announce his resignation from the grand old party, and launch his new party which may include "Congress" in its name. It has been learnt that the name could be "Punjab Lok Congress". Amarinder's close aides are also claiming

that some Congress leaders, including MLAs, would also be joining the former Chief Minister in his next inning. Congress MP from Patiala, and Amarinder's wife Preneet Kaur could also be accompanying her husband.

no party MLA would be joining Amarinder. A senior party MLA from Patiala district, who did not wish to be named, maintained that no Congress legislator from Patiala segment, which is Amarinder's bastion, would join him, what to talk about others.

Amarinder held detailed deliberations and consultations with his supporters in the Congress. Interestingly, he was camping in Delhi the previous week

Meanwhile, Punjab Deputy Chief Minister and senior Congress leader Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa, who had rebelled against Amarinder and has been targeting him over his friendship with Pakistani journalist Aroosa Alam, on Tuesday said the former Chief Minister is committing a "big mistake" by floating the party.

"No one can be stopped from charting his own political course, to stay in the party (Congress) or leave it...Whether he is doing it because the BJP has asked him to or of his own accord, it will be a big mistake," said Randhawa.

At the same time, Randhawa claimed that the former Chief Minister's exit will not dent the Congress in any way, and "if he had so much sway, then he would have continued as CM". Another party leader and Sidhu's wife Dr Navjot Kaur Sidhu also lashed out at Amarinder claiming that no party MLA would join him; and joining the Shiromani Akali Dal could be

"Don't think any Congress MLA will leave

with him (Singh). However, if he gives any favour to someone, they might. But people get attached to their party, one man alone doesn't form a party. Those attached to the Congress won't go," said Dr Navjot Kaur.

She said though Amarinder was given "all freedom" by the party, he never openly met any Minister or legislator. "Who will trust him? It would've been best for him had he joined the SAD. It would've laid people's suspicion to rest, and he would've been able to win a few seats,"

Hitting out at his "rivals", Amarinder on Tuesday accused them of "harassing" his supporters in Patiala.

"From personal attacks, they've now stooped to threats and harassment of my supporters in Patiala and elsewhere. Let me tell my rivals they can't defeat me with such low-level political games. They will neither win votes nor people's hearts with such tactics," he said.

'Those who have stood by me have done so because they believe in and want to continue working for Punjab's peace and development. They will not be scared away by such petty acts of intimidation or persecution. We will continue to fight for Punjab's future," he added. This is not for the first time that Amarinder would be announcing his new political party. In 1992 also, he broke away from the Shiromani Akali Dal and formed a splinter group named Shiromani Akali Dal (Panthic) which later merged with the Congress in 1998 after his party's crushing defeat in Vidhan Sabha election in which he himself was defeated from his own constituency where he got only 856 votes. After joining Congress, he went on to serve

as the Punjab Pradesh Congress Committee president on three occasions - from 1999 to 2002, 2010 to 2013 and 2015 to 2017. He also served as Punjab Chief Minister on two occasions - from 2002-2007, and 2017-2021.

A day after Amarinder is expected to spell out his future political plans, Punjab BJP has called a key meeting of its State leaders on Thursday to discuss the poll strategy.

and general secretary.

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#### COUNTRYWIDE PROTESTS OVER LAKHIMPUR KHERI KILLINGS

# Farmers seek arrest, sacking of Min Mishra

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Farmers protested at hundreds of places all over India on Tuesday to demand the arrest and sacking of Union Minister Ajay Mishra 'Teni', whose son is an accused in the Lakhimpur Kheri violence case in which nine people, including four farmers and a journalist were killed, the Samyukt Kisan Morcha (SKM) said in a

It said the farmers also completed 11 months of the 'anti-agri law" protests on Tuesday. The umbrella body of farmer unions added that protests were held in Haryana, Punjab, Uttar Pradesh, Ďelhi,

Bihar, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, West Bengal and Andhra Pradesh.

Today, responding to SKM's call, protests were organised at hundreds of places all over India, to demand the immediate arrest and sacking of Ajay Mishra Teni, the 'sutradhaar' of the Lakhimpur Kheri massacre. The protests took various forms including marches, motorcycle rallies, sit-ins etc," it said in the state-

The SKM hailed the farmers agitating at Delhi borders for the last 11 months against the Centre's three farm laws. "In these largest such protests anywhere in the world, farmers

have been demanding that their livelihoods be protected from corporate loot in unregulated markets.

Farmers have been asking for a repeal of the three antifarmer pro-corporate laws thrust upon them undemocratically and unconstitutionally, and for a law that guarantees MSP for all farmers," it

It added that farmers will not go home until their demands are fulfilled. The 'Shaheed Kisan Asthi Kalash Yatras' held to pay homage to the victims of the Lakhimpur Kheri violence travelled through several districts across

# Project to curb air pollution from dispersed sources soon

**STAFF REPORTER** ■ NEW DELHI

Aproject to control air pol-lution from dispersed sources focusing on winters will be implemented in Delhi, the Commission for Air Quality Management (CAQM) in the NCR and adjoining areas said on Tuesday. The CAQM in association

with the NGO, Air Pollution Group (A-PAG) had initiated a pilot project with the South Delhi Municipal Corporation (SDMC) in December 2020. "The pilot project has now been completed. The project identified a total of 17,290 issues in 104 wards of the SDMC and successfully resolved 95 per cent of the issues," the CAQM said. "Based on the outcomes of the pilot, the project for control of air pollution from non-point dis-persed sources will now be



replicated and up-scaled in the NMC, EDMC and the NDMC area from October 27," it added.

According to CAQM officials, the pilot project was successful in identifying about 17,290 issues in 104 wards of South DMC, out of which 10,900 (63 per cent) of the issues pertain to the SDMC and the rest 6,400 (37 per cent) issues have been assigned to other agencies. "Under this pilot project, SDMC has successfully resolved 95 per cent of the issues pertaining to its own jurisdiction," it added.

The major pollution sources addressed under this pilot project are: garbage dump sites, overflowing dhalaos, burning of garbage, construc-tion & demolition sites, debris dumped on public land, road dust from unpaved roads, barren lands, industrial emissions, vehicular pollution etc.

"Viewing the need for tech-nological advancement as the most crucial step towards transforming the whole complaint redressal process, SDMC with technological support of A-PAG brought enhancements to the SDMC's 311 Live Dashboard and upgraded it into an advanced 'Smart City 311 App' for efficient and effect tive monitoring of dispersed sources of air pollution," it

AAP to launch mega fogging campaign in Capital today

AP Chief Spokesperson Saurabh Bhardwaj said that party MLAs and councillors will start a mega fogging cam-paign from October 27 after the BJP- ruled municipal corporations failed to contain cases of vector borne diseases.

Bhardwaj said that party workers will take charge of protecting public health in Delhi. "The BJP has not taken a single step to keep dengue in check. Fogging is done only around 5-7 per cent areas of the state. Anti-malaria inspectors have not even gone to the ground to observe the situation. In this situation, AAP workers will take the onus of protecting the people of Delhi.

In this drive, every ward, gali, mohalla will be covered, he



Shri Saurabh Bhardwa took a dig at the BJP-ruled MCD and said, "As everyone aware, in the past 1-2 months, all the AAP MLAs, leaders, councillors and others have held the 'Aapka Vidhayak, Aapke Dwaar' program under which people's problems were addressed through a local meeting. 2,532 such local meetings have been organised where people freely raised their concerns and it is evident that around 85-90 per cent of their problems concern the MCD.

### **HEALTH IN YOUR HANDS**

### **Symposium** organised by DU

**STAFF REPORTER** NEW DELHI

In association with School of Learning, Delhi University, Peoples' Foundation organised a national level symposiumon "Health in your Hands "awareness Generation for behavior and lifestyle changes and early treatment of Lifestyle Disorders. The symposium was aimed to inspire people of new generation with a vision to promote holistic health, wellness as well as awareness for alternative and complementary medicines. In the interactive session with doctors and professionals, VN Jha, President, Peoples' Foundation, expressed that now the world is realising the basic mantra of living healthy with true happiness.

# Four of a family die in blaze

STAFF REPORTER ■ NEW DELHI

In a tragic incident, four members of a family died after a fire broke out on the third floor of a building in East Delhi's Old Seemapuri area on early hours of Tuesday. Police said that the incident took place when the victims were

The deceased have been identified as Horilal (59), his wife Reena (55), their son Ashu (24) and daughter Rohini (18). The family members were sleeping on the third floor of the house, while their 22-yearold son Akshay had a narrow escape as he was sleeping on the second floor.

According to Atul Kumar Thakur, the Director, Delhi Fire Service (DFS), a call about the fire was received at around 4 AM following which four fire tenders with 16 fire-fighters were rushed to the spot.



"Domestic articles in a room on the third floor of the house caught fire, resulting in the death of four people. The victims were found dead on the

The building comprised ground plus three floors and situated in an area of about 25 square yards," said Garg adding that it was a minor fire.

The fire official, however, has ruled out any incident of short-circuit and based on their preliminary inquiry, they suspect that either a mosquito coil or an 'agarbatti' (incense stick) kept in the room could have sparked the fire which spread to the clothes kept on the table and later to the cur-

## Delhi court denies bail Sanyukt Hindu Sangharsh to MCD employee in murder case

Delhi court has refused Abail to a 58-year-old Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) employee in an alleged murder case, considering the nature and gravity of accusations against him.

As per the Delhi Police, the incident happened on the intervening night of September 5 and 6, 2021 in front of Valmiki Temple in Delhi's Shahdara area, where two men sustained severe injuries and were declared 'brought dead' to the

The police contended that accused Sewa Ram, along with his family members, indiscriminately attacked the vic-

tims with the knife which resulted in the victim succumbing to injuries.

Additional Sessions Judge Ravinder Bedi refused relief to the accused considering the nature and gravity of the accusation against him, coupled with the fact that there is a likelihood of him threatening the witnesses which, the judge claimed could endanger "the course of justice".

"I find no grounds for grant of bail to the applicant is made out. Bail application of accused Sewa Ram stands dismissed," the judge said in an order dated Óctober 25.

Ram, along with three others, was arrested on October 2.

# Samiti demands restriction on offering Namaz in public places

Gurugram: A five-member delegation of the Samyukt Hindu Sangharsh Samiti, Haryana, met the Deputy Commissioner Gurugram, Yash Garg on Tuesday and demanded action on the demand letter given by the organisation on October 4 regarding offering Friday prayer in public places over the

last two months. The organisation demanded that Friday prayers should be allowed only at designated places. Mahavir Bharadwaj, the president of the organisation said that no one can be allowed to create a tense atmosphere by offering Namaz in public places and to violate the rights of the general public.

"Two years ago, during

The organisation demanded that **Friday prayers** should be allowed only at designated places

Ramzan, which was ideologically fixed for one month by the government at 35-36 places, only 18 places, were identified where the prayers can be offered. So it is necessary to stop it at any cost and Samyukta Hindu Sangharsh Samiti Haryana will take necessary action in the public interest for this," Bhardwaj said in a statement.









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# Sonia emphasises on discipline, unity in party

26th October, 2021 24, Akbar Road, New Delhi

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 $W^{\mathrm{ith}}$  its leaders in States like Punjab, Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan washing dirty linen in public, Congress president Sonia Gandhi on Tuesday made it clear that strengthening the organisation must override "personal ambitions" and emphasised the "paramount need for discipline and unity" for both collective and individual success.

At the same time, she lamented that there is a "lack of clarity and cohesion" on policv issues even among state leaders and expressed concern that the messages on key matters were not percolating down to the grassroot cadres.

Sonia set the tone while chairing a meeting of party leaders to evolve a strategy for Assembly elections in five States early next year.

The party also announced it will undertake a massive nationwide membership drive starting November 1 and will also wage an "ideological battle" against the "subjugation of democracy" through training programmes

Sonia said the party wishes to focus on training its cadres to counter BJP's "false propaganda" and will work out modalities for the upcoming training programmes.

Former party chief Rahul Gandhi along with Congress general secretaries, in-charges and pradesh presidents attended the meeting that also comes amid growing factionalism within the party's state units.

"The fight to defend our democracy, our constitution and the Congress party's ideology begins with being fully prepared to identify and counter false propaganda. We must fight the diabolical campaign of BJP/RSS ideologically. We must do so with conviction and expose their lies before the people if we are to

win this battle," she said.

The meeting to chalk out a strategy ahead of assembly elections in Uttar Pradesh, Punjab, Goa, Uttarakhand and Manipur also comes ahead of the party's new membership drive starting November 1. "I would like to re-emphasise the paramount need for discipline and unity. What should matter to each and every one of us is the strengthening of the organisation. This must override personal ambitions. In this lies both collective and individual success," Sonia Gandhi said in her opening remarks.

On the assembly elections, Sonia said party's campaign must be founded upon concrete policies and programmes emanating from widespread discussions with all sections of

Noting that new members are the "lifeblood" of any political movement, Sonia said the young men and women across the nation seek a movement to give voice to their aspirations and it is the Congress' duty to provide them with a platform. She also called upon party leaders to go house to house to enrol members in a transparent fash-

Noting that AICC releases important and detailed statements almost every day on issues facing the nation, Sonia said, "but it is my experience that they do not percolate down to our grass root cadres at the block and district level". "There are policy issues on which I find a lack of clarity and cohesion even amongst our state-level leaders", she added.

Attacking the Modi government, the Congress chief said, "We must redouble our fight for those who are the victims of this government's worst excesses: our farmers and farm labourers, our youth fighting for jobs and opportunities, small and medium scale businesses, our brothers, our sisters with particular focus on the deprived.

The party also announced a massive agitation on inflation called 'Jan Jagran Abhiyan' from

# Chorus grows for Goa CM's sacking after Malik's charges

The Congress and the Aam Admi Party (AAP) on Tuesday latched on to former Goa Governor and incumbent Meghalaya Governor Satya Pal Malik's reported comments alleging corruption by the BJP-led State Government during the Covid pandemic and  $demande\bar{d}\ a\ time-bound$ investigation under the supervision of a sitting Supreme Court judge into the charges.

Congress' spokesperson Randeep Surjewala and AICC Goa incharge Dinesh Gundurao demanded that the Modi Government dismiss Pramod Sawant as the Chief Minister. They said Malik, Governor of Meghalaya and ex-governor of Goa (Oct 2019 - August 2020) and Jammu and Kashmir (August 2018 to October 2019), accepted what the Congress had been saying that there was "corruption in everything Goa government was handling".

AAP demanded "immediate" removal of Pramod Sawant as Chief Minister and also demanded a judicial probe into the allegations of corruption levelled by Malik, now the governor of Meghalaya, against the BJP government in Goa under Sawant. "Perhaps for the first time in independent India's history, a sitting governor appointed by the Centre has exposed a sitting BJP chief minister's corruption," AAP leader Raghav Chadha said at a Press conference.

Malik had told Prime Minister Narendra Modi about the corruption, but no action was initiated, Surjewala said,

transferred from Goa to Meghalaya. Surjewala said that in a TV interview, Malik had made a "shocking revelation" that, on the day when lock-down was announced, the Goa government had not allowed stores selling basic essentials to open but allowed one company to sell them door to door as it had "given money" to the Goa govern-

Surjewala said that Malik has acknowledged that after the Congress informed him about it, he in turn informed the Prime Minister, but instead of removing a "corrupt BJP Government", he transferred the Governor. Malik has further alleged that the Goa Government had allowed mining trucks to illegally operate during the coronavirus pandemic, which turned out to be a spreader of Covid in Goa, Surjewala said.

The Enforcement Directorate, Central Bureau of Investigation, Serious Fraud Investigation Office and other agencies should be directed to file a case against the Goa chief minister and all others involved in corruption, they

Chadha took a dig at Prime Minister. "He (Modi) is the same person who had once said 'Na Khaoonga, Na Khane Doonga' (would not take bribes, nor let anyone do so). "Now their Chief Ministers get a free pass to make money through loot and corruption as much as they can. The people of Goa will not tolerate the corruption of the Chief Minister of the State and his Government anymore," Chadha said.

November 14-29. Addressing a has been resolved by the party press conference after the meetto undertake a massive meming, Congress' chief spokesperbership drive from November 1 son Randeep Surjewala said it

# Security experts to discuss Chinese threat at IPRD session

As China flexes its muscles in the Indo-Pacific region, top security experts will discuss its geopolitical ramifications in the three-day Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue (IPRD)

starting Wednesday.

The online seminar organised by the Navy will also review both opportunities and challenges that arise within the strategically important region. The conference comes at a time when the Quad nations including India, US, Australia and Japan recently held a series of Malabar series of naval exercises in the Indo-Pacific. Prime Minister Narendra Modi also participated in the first in person summit of Quad heads of State summit in the US last month.

This year's IPRD will focus on eight specific sub-themes under the broad theme of 'Evolution in Maritime Strategy during the 21st Century: Imperatives, Challenges, and, Way Ahead".

Panel-discussions on these sub-themes would be spread over eight sessions on three successive days thereby providing ample scope for varied perspectives to be considered. The aim is to encourage a free flow of ideas and views.

The eight sub-themes are Evolving Maritime Strategies within the Indo-Pacific: Convergences, Divergences, Expectations Apprehensions,

Adaptive Strategies to Address the Impact of Climate Change upon Maritime Security, Port-led Regional Maritime Connectivity and Development Strategies and Cooperative Maritime Domain Awareness Strategies.

The other topics are Impact of the Increasing Recourse to Lawfare upon a Rules-based Indo-Pacific Maritime Order, Strategies to Promote Regional Public-Private Maritime Partnerships, Energy-Insecurity and Mitigating Strategies and Strategies to

# India, UK holding series of military drills to boost defence ties

In an effort to further strengthen their defence ties, India and the UK are carrying out a series of complex military drills as part of the first ever tri-services wargames in the Arabian Sea.

The UK's Carrier Strike Group (CSG), led by its largest warship HMS Queen Elizabeth and several other frontline ships of the two navies, are participating in the week-long 'Konkan Shakti' exercise that began on October 21, officials said.

A carrier battle group or carrier strike group is a mega naval fleet comprising an aircraft carrier, accompanied by a large number of destroyers, frigates and other ships. The UK is only the third country after the US and Russia with which India is conducting a tri-services exercise. The Indian Navy's MiG

29-K jets, the Royal Navy's F-35B aircraft and Indian Air Force's SU-30 and Jaguar fighters were among the key assets deployed for the exercise, officials said.

Navy spokesperson Commander Vivek Madhwal said the sea phase of the

commenced off the Konkan coast in the Arabian Sea on Sunday after the completion of an exhaustive harbour

The British High Commission said personnel of all three services from both countries were participating in the tri-service exercise and described it as the "most ambitious conducted by the two countries to date".

It said the exercise is another step in deepening bilateral defence and security ties and boosting strategic cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region. The high commission said the exercise provides an opportunity for the armed forces of two outwardlooking, confident democracies to work in synergy and uphold our shared commitment to peace and security.

"The CSG's engagement with India showcases the deepening comprehensive strategic partnership. Both the Indian and the Royal Navy are blue-water, multicarrier navies, which places us in a very exclusive club," said First Sea Lord Admiral and Chief of Naval Staff of the UK Admiral Tony Radakin.

Address the Manned-Unmanned Conundrum at Sea. The sessions will be pre-

ceded by addresses by Defence

Petroleum and Natural Gas

officials said here on Tuesday,

Giving these details, navy

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the first edition of the annual Dialogue was held in 2018.

It is the apex international annual conference of the Indian Navy, and is the principal man-Minister Rajnath Singh and ifestation of the navy's engage-Minister S Jaishankar and ment at the strategic-level. The National Maritime

Foundation is the navy's knowledge partner and chief organiser of each edition of this annual event.

## Panel of experts looking into Delta coronavirus subvariant: Min

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solution.

Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said on Tuesday that a Government panel of experts was looking into a Delta coronavirus subvariant, AY.4.2, that is believed to have triggered an increase in

the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) cases in the United Kingdom. A few cases have been reported from Indore in India also.

"A team is investigating the new Covid-19 variant AY.4.2 ... ICMR and NCDC teams study and analyse the

NPPA fixes ceiling prices for 12

anti-diabetic generic medicines



different variants. It would be wrong to say how contagious it is now," Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said during a press conference in New Delhi today. INSACOG, a consortium

of labs that is engaged in

sequencing coronavirus vari-

ants, have said that there is no the AY.4.2 subvariant. The UK health security agency said last week that it was investigating AY.4.2 as it was possibly more transmissible

than Delta, though there was no evidence that it caused more severe disease or rendered vaccines ineffective. On being asked, Mandiviya also said that pricing of Cadila's

Covid vaccine ZyCov-D is under discussion. The Minister said that

Covaxin will be given to kids with co-morbidities and more data has been sought from the company.
"This vaccine will be given

to kids with co-morbidities and more detailed analysis is needed," the Minister added.

# Safety harness, helmet must for kids riding pillion on 2-wheelers

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The Centre on Tuesday proa safety harness and helmet for children riding pillion on twowheelers. The new rules will cover children up to the age of four years and are accompanied by a maximum 40-km per hour speed limit for the vehicle. Any violation of the speed limit will attract a fine of ₹1,000 and a three-month suspension of the driver's licence.

The new rules have been proposed via an amendment to the Central Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989. The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, headed by Nitin Gadkari, issued the draft rules for public comments earlier this month. Once finalised, the rules will come into effect a year later.

Road Ministry sources said they expect the public consulin 30 days and the final rules to come into effect by the end of 2022. State governments will the norms in their respective jurisdictions

The safety harness to be orn by the child will have to be adjustable and come with a pair of straps that form shoulder loops that secure the child to the driver. The harness will have to meet specifications prescribed by the Bureau of Indian Standards, including being light weight, adjustable, waterproof and durable. The material will have to be heavy nylon or multifilament nylon material with high density foam and be designed to hold a weight of up to 30 kg.

The driver will also have to ensure that the child pillion passenger aged between nine months and four years wears a crash helmet or a bicycle helmet.

## Modi: A generation of selfless BJP workers played stellar role in gaining support of people

Minister

Hardeep Puri.

 $S_{\text{selfless BJP workers have}}$ ing peoples' support for the party, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Tuesday asked people to contribute to a section 'Kamal Pushp' in his NaMo app that highlights party members who have worked life-long for the party's growth across the country.

Modi shared 'inspiring' stories about 'Karyakartas' from the Jana Sangh days to the present. He tweeted the snippets of the work done by leaders like Pandit Devendra Shastri from Uttarakhand and S Mallikarjunaiah from Karnataka.

"A freedom fighter from Uttarakhand, Pandit Devendra Shastri ii was a beacon of principled politics all his life...," said Prime Minister about the BIP worker from Uttarakhand as he introduced another worker from Karnataka saying "Mallikarjunaiah ji toiled all his life through selfless hard work, to popularise BJP in Karnataka. Read to know



Saying that an exemplary role played by generations of BJP workers is a key reason behind the party earning people's support, Prime Minister urged people to contribute to a section, Kamal Pushp, in his app that features some "inspiring" party members.
"With the blessings of the

people, BJP has got the opportunity to serve across several States and at the Centre. A key reason behind this trust of people is the stellar role played by generations of Karyakartas who have devoted their lives to the Party and nation building," Modi tweeted.

'The NaMo App has a very interesting section known as 'Kamal Pushp' that gives you the opportunity to share and know about inspiring Party Karyakartas from the Jana Sangh days to the present, who toiled to popularise our ideology. Do contribute and enrich this section," he

### more about this inspiring BJP worker on Kamal Pushp modsaid in his tweets. Rijiju to meet State Law

## Ministers next month to augment judicial infra

courts functioning from premises that have insufficient space or are in a dilapidated condition without basic amenities, Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju will meet State Law Ministers next month to make a fresh push to improve judicial infrastruc-

posed meeting days after Chief Justice of India N V said

"Judicial infrastructure is one of the agenda items for the

meeting ... It is my responsibility to take the State Governments on board," Rijiju told reporters here on Tuesday. The infrastructure for high courts and lower courts

is the domain of the State Governments. 'We are faced with certain

hard facts like several courts do not have proper facilities. Some courts function out of dilapidated buildings. Judicial infrastructure is important for improving access to justice," the

# **More wait for Covaxinated** passengers to enter US

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C tarting November 8, foreign Onationals traveling to the United States will be required to be fully vaccinated and to provide proof of Covid-19 vaccination status prior to boarding an airplane to fly to the US, with only limited exceptions. This means those who got Covaxin will have to wait to enter the US.

The travel advisory by the US Department of State also said that both US citizens and foreign nationals who are fully vaccinated should travel with proof of their vaccination status to provide to their airline prior to departure to the United States. The updated travel



**Fully vaccinated** will still have a three-day window for Covid-19 testing with negative results

ful permanent residents (LPRs), and foreign nationals. The advisory said that unvaccinated travellers

whether US citizens, LPRs, or the small number of excepted unvaccinated foreign nationals will now need to show documentation of a negative viral test from a sample taken within one day of travel to the

# New Delhi: With several an ad-hoc and unplanned

ture in the country. Rijiju announced the pro-

that

region as a whole has missed The majority of these the End TB strategy's 2020 deaths occur among young must significantly increase preguidelines also include new Ramana iudicial infrastructure was individuals between the age of protocols around testing. milestones and may also miss ventive, diagnostic, and treatthe 2022 coverage targets unless 15 and 45, when they are ecoment services, as well as social Meanwhile, the fully vacimportant for improving quick remedial action is done. nomically most active, resulting protection measures, such as cinated will still have a threeaccess to justice but it was bafof vaccination, they too will be With the next UN High-Level in significant economic and addressing undernutrition day window for Covid-19 testfling to note that its Meeting scheduled for 2023, it social repercussions," the among TB-vulnerable populaing with negative results, but if subject to the one-day testing improvement and mainte-United States. is critical that progress is eval-Minister said, noting that the they are not able to show proof requirement. That includes all nance was being carried out in

initiated a successful step by fixing the ceiling prices of 12 antidiabetic generic medicines." These include glimepiride tablets of strength 1 mg, with ceiling price at ₹3.6 per tablet, 'End TB' to miss target

Battling Covid-19, South Asia Region may miss 'End

TB' strategy's 2022 milestone,

Dr Bharati Pravin Pawar,

Union Minister of State for

Health said as she noted that

TB case notifications have

dropped by 20-40 per cent, and

outreach operations aimed at

increasing case detection, pre-

ventive treatment, and psy-

chosocial support, have been

"Despite great progress, the

disrupted.

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The drug price regulator in a tweet said, "To make it possible for every Indian to afford medical treatment against diseases like diabetes, NPPA has

The National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA)

has fixed the ceiling prices for

12 anti-diabetic generic medi-

cines, including glimepiride

tablets, glucose injection and intermediate acting insulin

diate acting (NPH) solution insulin injection of strength 40

uated and response is adjusted

accordingly, she said at the

opening session of the 'WHO

SEAR High-Level Meeting for

Renewed TB Response on

six regions, the South-East Asia

Region has the highest count of

tuberculosis sickness, she point-

ed out that the contagious dis-

ease has been a major cause of

death for decades and has now

surpassed HIV/AIDS and

malaria as the world's leading

cause of infectious illness death.

Undelining that among the

Tuesday.

The ceiling price of 1 ml paise, while that of 1ml of insulin (soluble) injection of IU/ml has a ceiling price of ₹ 15.09, and that of 1 ml of premix insulin 30:70 injection (regular NPH) injection of strength 40 IU/ml is also ₹15.09.

Similarly, ceiling price of metformin immediate release tablet of strength 500 mg has been fixed at ₹1.51 per tablet, while that of 750 mg strength is at ₹3.05 per tablet and 1,000 mg strength at ₹3.61

per tablet. For metformin control release tablet of strength 1000 mg, the ceiling price is ₹3.66 per tablet, NPPA said, adding the same for 750 mg strength is ₹2.4 per tablet and ₹1.92 per tablet for metformin control release tablet of strength 500 mg.

strength 40IU/ml is ₹15.09. Similarly, 1 ml of interme-

while that for 2 mg is ₹ 5.72 per

glucose injection of 25% strength has been fixed at 17

as Covid hogs focus economic cost of tuberculosis is

enormous in terms of lives, money and lost workdays. The world has witnessed the emergence of COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, which has devastated human lives, economies, and health systems. In just a few months, the pandemic has reversed years of progress made in the fight against Tuberculosis.

demic has also allowed a huge set of learnings that would help in TB elimination efforts. She also said that SEAR

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# **NCB** targeting Bollywood, **CM** will inform PM: Malik

Seeking not to let Narcotics SControl Bureau (NCB) and its Mumbai zonal chief Sameer Wankhede go off the hook, Maharashtra Minister Nawab Malik said here on Tuesday that Chief Minister Uddhavc Thackeray would write to Prime Minister Narendra Modi over the manner in which the NCB was wilfully "targeting" Bollywood and "tarnishing" its image on drug-related matters.

Talking to media persons after meeting Uddhav and State Home Minister Dilip Walse-Patil, Malik said that he had requested the Home Minister to set up an inquiry by a Special Investigation Team (SIT) on the fallout of the raid on Goa-bound Cordelia Cruises' Empress ship, off the Mumbai coast here and subsequent arrest of Bollywood superstar Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan and seven others on October 3.

Malik said that the chief minister expressed his concerns on how Bollywood's image was eing maligned globally. "After Hollywood, Bollywood is the most important film industry. It employs thousands

to 4 per cent to the national GDP. The CM will write to the PM highlighting the matter".

Malik said that an FIR would be registered in the case involving the extortion allegations against an absconding accused Kiran Gosavi made by "panch witness" in the mid-sea bust case Prabhakar Sail through an affidavit dated October 23. "See how the system functions. Here's a panch witness (Sail) who did so many things at the behest of an absconding accused and signed on 10 blank papers as instructed by the NCB officials".

"I am confident that once an FIR is registered, the entire truth about how people like Gosavi extort money will come out," the minister

Meanwhile, Marathi film actress Kranti Redkar-Wankhede, and Yasmeen Wankhede, the wife and sister, respectively of NCB Mumbai Zonal Director Sameer Wankhede came down heavily on Malik.

Addressing a joint news conference, Kranti and Yasmeen accused Malik of misusing his ministerial office and indulging in 'kitchen politics'. They rubbished allegations and dared the minister to prove them in a court of law.

They lamented that despite getting police protection, their families were being trolled on social media in a foul manner and that they were getting death threats from all over India. "But, we are not at all scared," they said.

In a related development, BJP activist Mohit (Kamboj) Bharatiya lodged a defamation complaint against Malik, charging him with spreading lies against Wankhede and misusing his ministerial position. Sail's sensational affidavit dated

October 23 had caused considerable

embarrassment to the anti-drug agency, prompting NCB Deputy Director-General, South West Region Mutha Ashok Jain to issue a statement saying among other things: "....As some of the contents of the affidavit relate to the vigilance matters, I am hereby forwarding the affidavit to the Director General of Narcotic Control Bureau and requesting for further action. On Monday, the NCB ordered a vigilance inquiry against Wankhede based on the allegations made by Sail against the former.

# Army may call off longest counter-terror operation

The Indian Army is likely to call off one of its longest counter terrorist operations going on in the thickly forested area of Mendhar tehsil in Poonch since October 11.

Massive searches were going on in the area for the last couple of days but ground reports suggested the Indian army has not found any footprints of the terrorists who were involved in the killing of nine soldiers in two different incidents of fire fight in the area between October 11 and 14.

"As of now the searches are going on and are expected to culminate by Tuesday evening. Post this the cordon will remain intact but an ongoing operation will be called off soon", a senior officer supervising the operations on ground zero told The Pioneer.

In the last 24 hours, the security forces have recovered one AK rifle, a few rounds of ammunition, blankets and some medicines from a natural cave possibly used by the terrorists in recent days. Five soldiers including one

JCO were killed in action in Dera wali gali in Surankote area of Poonch on October 14. Two days later, dead bodies of two riflemen



Security personnel take position during an encounter with militants at Nar Khas area of Mendhar, in Poonch on Tuesday

were recovered from the Nar Khas forest area of Mendhar tehsil in Poonch and two more dead bodies were recovered on Saturday,

Following these fatal injuries the operations were intensified in the forest area and the elite para commandos were entrusted with the responsibility to eliminate the hiding terrorists.

Between October 16 and October 25 fresh firing was reported in the forested area but the tercould not

In January 2009, the Indian Army had called off a similar operation on the ninth day in Bhati Dhar area of Poonch.

Three Indian soldiers were killed in action while four terrorists were reportedly neutralised during the operations. The Army, however, could not retrieve the dead bodies of the terrorists.

New session for freshers in engineering colleges from November 30

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The All India Council for Technical The All India Council to Tuesday

Education (AICTE) on Tuesday announced that the academic session for freshers in engineering colleges and technical institutions will begin from November 30.

The classes for existing students of technical colleges are already continuing since October 1. According to the revised academic calendar, the induction programme for first-year students will begin from November 15, while the classes will commence from November 30.

This schedule is not applicable for the institutions who have already completed the admission process and started the classes as per the earlier schedule. However, if such institutes admit new students against vacancies, then the new schedule of cancellation and fee refund shall be applicable," AICTE Member Secretary Rajive Kumar said. The last date for cancellation of seats for technicourses with refund has been extended up to November 25.

New students can take lateral entry admission to second-year courses till October 30, as per the calendar.

# Bodies of more trekkers to reach Bengal soon

SAUGAR SENGUPTA KOLKATA

blanket of gloom tended to have Adescended on parts of Bengal including Kolkata following the death of 11 trekkers who perished in the last week's inclement weather in

While five bodies were flown in on Monday the mortal remains of the remaining victims would soon be brought back to the State, State Government which was in constant touch with the Uttarakhand authori-

According to sources some more trekkers were still missing and "we are in touch with the Uttarakhand Government to trace the victims," said an official adding Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee had asked the administration to bring back the victims as early as possible.

The 150 tourists who were stuck up in the mountain state would also be brought back at the earliest, they

According to sources those who perished while in their expedition to Harsil-Chitkul route were Sadhan Basak (63), Shibayan Das (28), Pritam Roy (22), Sagar De (27), Chandra Sekhar Das (34) and Sarit Sekhar Das (35). They were from Thakurpukur, Kalighat and other areas around

Shibayan Das from Kalighat had left for Chitkul-Harsil route on October 11. He had called his brother, Subhojit, on October 14 to say he would climb to a higher altitude the next day. "He was to climb with other unknown trekkers and was supposed to return to lower areas by October 22 ... but who knew an avalanche would come and take them away," he said.

Meanwhile bodies of another five trekkers have been recovered from the higher altitudes of Bageshwar, local district administration said on Tuesday adding the bodies would be sent back to Kolkata after postmortem. Tuesday's retrieval of bodies take the total number of dead to 16, sources said.

### Indo-Pak match: Raj teacher sacked over 'we won' post

Jaipur: A private schoolteacher in Rajasthan's Udaipur was sacked and a case registered against her after she posted a celebratory WhatsApp status fol-lowing Pakistan's victory over India in their cricket world cup match Sunday. Nafeesa Áttari, a teacher at

had put out a picture of Pakistani players with the caption, "Jeeeet gayeeee... We After screenshots of her

Neerja Modi School Udaipur,

WhatsApp status went viral on social media, the school management terminated her. Yes, we have taken a decision to terminate the teacher,"

said school chairman Mahendra

Sojatia after a meeting of the

Soiatia Charitable Trust, which

runs the school.

# A unique Kerala touch for India's new aircraft carrier Vikrant

KUMAR CHELLAPPAN ■ KOCHI

 $I^{
m NS}$  Vikrant, the indigenously built aircraft carrier of the Indian Navy, which is undergoing sea trials off Kochi coast in Arabian Sea has an official seal of Kerala affixed to the giant vessel. The ship, completely built at Cochin Shipyard Ltd has many officers and sailors belonging to the State of Kerala. But what stands about the 'pride of the nation' is that unique Malayali touch which has gone unnoticed.

It was Captain Bhaskar Krishnan Kunhi, senior pilot of Cochin Port Trust, who took Vikrant for its first ever outing to the deep seas as part of the first sea trial held from August 4 and navigated it back to the Naval Base. It is the pilot who navigates the ship through the sensitive and complex ship channels from the Port to the deep seas and bring it back without any hiccups. "It is like driving a Rolls Royce car through the narrow lanes congested with two-wheelers, auto rickshaws and heavy vehicles. The channel is always getting deposited



Captain Bhaskar Kunhi (Left extreme) with colleagues at Kochi Port Trust

File Picture

with clay and alluvial soil despite non-stop dredging," a senior official of the Cochin Port Trust told The He said only a pilot well versed

with the tricky and deceiving ship channel could lead such an operation. "He was assisted by four to five powerful tugs to pull the aircraft carrier to the sea and back. The pilot hands over the control of the vessel once it enters the high seas which is usually at a distance of 20 to 25 km from the shore," said the Port Trust official.

Once the ship enters the high seas, the maneuverability becomes smooth. The tugs leave the ship once it reaches the safe zone and returns to the Port Trust. They go Port once it completes the trials and return to Kochi. The pilot should know the channel, speed of the waves, details

back to usher the vessel back to the

like the depth of the channel and undercurrents like the back of his hand for a smooth navigation "In December 2020, when

Maersk Edinburgh, the 366.5 meter long and 48.2 meter wide giant vessel, called on Kochi Port it was Captain Bhaskar Krishnan Kunhi who was entrusted with the task which he executed perfectly. It was the biggest ship to call on Kochi Port till date," said the official. The 262 meter long and 62 meter wide aircraft carrier with a height of 59 meter was designed by the elite Directorate of Naval Design ad built completely at the public sector Cochin Shipyard Ltd.

Captain Kunhi has more than three decades of experience as chief of various cargo vessels and has sailed in all the oceans in the world. Later on he switched over to navigation which was his forte.

### **LAKHIMPUR VIOLENCE**

# SC directs UP to grant protection to witnesses

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Tuesday directed the Uttar Pradesh Government to grant protection to the witnesses of Lakhimpur Kheri violence in which eight people including four farmers were killed during a farmers protest. The bench headed by Chief Justice N V Ramana asked the UP Government, represented by senior advocates Harish Salve and Garima Prasad, to record the statements of other relevant witnesses before judicial magistrates under Section 164 of the CrPC.

"We direct the District Judge concerned to entrust the task of recording of evidence under Section 164 of the CrPC to the nearest judicial magistrates available," said the bench which also comprised Justices Surva Kant and Hima Kohli, Statements under Section 164 of the CrPC (Code of Criminal Procedure) are recorded before a judicial magistrate and they have evidentiary value.

The bench asked Salve to convey its concerns to forensic labs and experts on preparation of reports on electronic evidence of the incident and also directed the state government to file its report on two complaints including the one related to the lynching of a journalist.

The state is directed to file separate replies in the cases," the bench said and fixed the plea for further hearing on November 8. During the hearing, the bench raised the question over the number of eye witnesses made by the prosecution in the case and said, "The case is that thousands of farmers were going on and a rally

was going on.
Only 23 witnesses are eye witnesses?" Salve said that out of 68 witnesses, statements of 30 witnesses have been recorded under Section 164 of the CrPC and some more testimonies will be recorded. "Of these 30 witnesses, 23 claim to be eyewitnesses. A lot of witnesses are formal witnesses of recovery and all", Salve said. He also submitted several digital evidences have been recovered and sent for examination

Gehlot attacks BJP over inflation, fuel price hike

# Navi Mumbai man | Minor found to be gets 7 years in jail



was on Tuesday sentenced to seven years in jail under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act for raping a 14-yearold girl.

District and Sessions Judge HM Patwardhan also fined Shahrukh Mehboob Shaikh (24) a sum of Rs

2,000, an official said. Additional Public Prosecutor Vijay Munde said Shaikh, on August 25, 2016, abducted the victim when she was on the way to her friend's home and then raped her. After she narrated the ordeal to her parents, a case was filed with APMC police station, Munde said, adding that 10 witnesses were examined during the course of trial.

# seven months for raping teen girl pregnant; alleged rapist held

Kota (Rajasthan): A 27-year-old man has been held for allegedly repeatedly raping a minor girl, who was diagnosed with seven months of pregnancy after she complained of ache in abdomen, police said on Tuesday.

The 16-year-old victim and the accused are neighbours in a village that falls under Khatoli police station here, they said.

According to the complaint, the man had been raping the girl, a Class 9 student, since April this vear.

The victim's mother and brother were away and her father would be in the fields when the accused would exploit

On October 18, the girl suffered from abdomen ache and her parents took her to a local hospital, where the doctors found that she was seven months pregnant, prompting her parents to report to police.On October 17, a case was lodged under Section 376 (rape) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), the Protection Of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act and the ST/SC Act against the accused. Since then, the 27-yearold had been on the run.

A special team, formed by Superintendent of Police (SP) Kavendra Singh Sagar under ASP Praveen Jain arrested the accused in the matter on Monday night and initiated further investigation into the case.

The girl told police that her mother went to Jaipur for her treatment on April 12 this year, Station House Officer (SHO) Rameshwar Prasad said. Her brother accompanied

her mother, she said. Her father would be in the

fields working till evening every day and she would be alone at home in the day time, she added. The survivor has alleged

that the accused threatened her of dire consequences if she told anyone about having been

# 2 suspected cases of AY.4.2 variant in K'taka sent for genome sequencing: Min

Bengaluru: Two suspected cases of AY.4.2 variant of the novel coronavirus have been identified and the samples have been sent to a laboratory for the genome sequencing, Karnataka Health Minister K Sudhakar said on Tuesday.

There are two suspected cases of AY.4.2 variant of viruses and I have instructed my department to send the samples for genomic sequencing for confirmation," Sudhakar told reporters here.

Health department offi-cials said the samples have been sent to the National Centre for Biological Sciences (NCBS) in Bengaluru for testing. They also said both the affected persons are from Bengaluru and are asympto-

They said the AY.4.2 is said to be a Delta variant of the novel coronavirus, which is spreading rapidly in the United Speaking about

Karnataka's preparedness, Sudhakar said the state has started genome sequencing and have set up six-seven (genome) labs in the state.

The Minister said whenever a new variant emerges the state can immediately get the advice of the experts and discuss with the Indian Council for Medical Research (ICMR).

Regarding the new variant creating fresh trouble in the UK, he said he will speak to the chairperson of the Technical Advisory Committee on Covid-19 on it. He also said that studies are underway to find out what variant it is.

Sudhakar claimed those who have received two doses of the Covid-19 vaccine need not be afraid of the virus as it will have little effect on them.

The Minister said there was no need to panic as the State Government has taken enough steps to check the spread of the disease.

### Kerala logs 7,163 new corona cases

Thiruvananthapuram: Kerala on Tuesday recorded 7,163 fresh coronavirus cases, and 482 related deaths which raised the caseload to 49,19,952 and toll to 29,355.

Of the 482 deaths, 90 were reported in the last few days, 341 were those which were not confirmed until June 18 last year due to lack of adequate documentation and 51 were designated as COVID deaths after receiving appeals based on the new guidelines of the Centre and Supreme Court directions, a Dtate Government release said.

With 6,960 more people recovering from the virus since Monday, the total recoveries touched 48,24,745 and the active cases dropped to 74,456, the release said.

As many as 79,122 samples were tested in the last 24 hours. Among the 14 districts, Thrissur recorded the highest with 974 cases, followed by Thiruvananthapuram (808) and Kottayam (762).



Crowded Sindhi Camp bus stand with candidates for Rajasthan Public Service Commission, RAS (preliminary) exam 2021, in

its ideological fountainhead RSS, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot on Tuesday asked whether they have an answer to the problem of rising inflation and fuel prices that has badly hit the people of the

country.

Gehlot alleged that the leaders of the saffron outfits have become "arrogant" after winning Lok Sabha elections and warned them of people's

Addressing public meetings ahead of bypolls in Dhariawad (Pratapgarh) and Vallabhnagar (Udaipur) assembly constituencies, the Congress leader said that the BJP made several promises ahead of the 2014 Lok Sabha elections "but no one talks about them now", and accused the saffron outfits of mislead-

"People of the BJP and the RSS are roaming from village to village and misleading peo-

why inflation is increasing in your rule (at the Centre). Do they have an answer? Petrol, diesel and LPG prices are increasing day by day," he

"Whatever promises were made seven years ago, even if (PM Narendra) Modi made them, these people do not mention them," he said in the first meeting at Lasadia in Dhariawad constituency.
He alleged that people have

been suffering due to inflation since the BJP came to power at the Centre. Pointing to the political crisis faced by his government last

year, Gehlot said efforts were made to topple his government "by the people of BJP" but he had the blessings of

The love that the people of the state have for me, the trust they have in me, that is why the people of the State made me the chief minister for the third

clock for Dalits, the backwards and tribals, and I am doing so," he said. He said that it was the Congress party that gave

democracy to India and no one can compete with it. In another meeting in Jhallara area, Gehlot said that people are supreme in democracy and

their voice must be heard. He said that even former prime ministers Indira Gandhi and Atal Bihari Vajpayee had to face electoral defeat.

Gehlot highlighted the contribution of Congress and former Prime Ministers Jawahar Lal Nehru, Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi in "strengthening democracy and empowering the nation".

He said that democracy is intact in the country because of the Congress party. Gehlot also targeted the

Central Government over the farmers' agitation. In the rallies, the chief

Gehlot addressed public meetings at four places in the two assembly constituencies. Polling in Dhariawad (Pratapgarh) and Vallabhnagar (Udaipur) will take place on

maintain distance, wear masks

and follow other guidelines in

view of the coronavirus pan-

demic. He said that the coron-

avirus has not gone yet.

October 30 and counting of votes will be held on November 2. The bypolls have been necessitated due to the demise of the BJP MLA from Dhariawad, Gautam Lal Meena, and the Congress MLA from Vallabhnagar, Gajendra Singh Shaktawat. In the 200-member

Assembly, the ruling Congress at present has 106 MLAs, BJP -71, Rashtriya Loktantrik Party (RLP) -3, CPI(M) and Bharatiya Tribal Party (BTP)-2 each, Rashtriya Lok Dal-1 and 13 are independent legis-



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# **Intolerance**

It doesn't behove the State to meddle in fine arts, nor to patronise the hooligans who do

The Indian cinema industry is worth about ₹200 billion. It produces the maximum number of films in the world. Over 3.6 billion tickets, nearly thrice the population of the country, are sold every year. And yet, this colossal industry can be held to ransom by small, fringe groups whenever it suits them. Bigotry and intolerance of certain sections of the population have always been the bane of Indian cinema. Over the years it has come into its own as a feral activity, immune to law, reason and public decency, in that order. Often, it quickly deteriorates into physical threats and violence. It is encouraged by the ruling ideology of the time. The trigger can be anything: even the simplest of cinematic liberties. The latest incident in the series is Bajrang Dal workers throwing ink on director Prakash Jha in Bhopal and vandalising a film set for his upcoming web series, Ashram 3. They deemed that the web series contained obscene



scenes and hurt Hindu sentiments. They even damaged vehicles and beat up crew members. There is no question of a discussion with them about rationality, creativity, freedom of expression, democracy, secular instincts, and so on. It is beyond their remit. It is a base surge of political emotion that they respond to. India has seen similar protests going back years and even decades.

In 2000, Shiv Sena workers destroyed Deepa Mehta's set for the film, Water, in Varanasi on the vague ground that it was "anti-Hindu". She packed up from India and finished the film in Sri Lanka

instead. Previously, she had borne the brunt of the Shiv Sena about the theme of her film, Fire, with the late Balasaheb Thackeray bristling with misplaced indignation. The protests by a Rajput fan club over Sanjay Leela Bhansali's Padmavat in 2017 are well recorded. Their claims were outlandish and naturally untrue. More recently, the BJP and RSS workers forced the cancellation of the shooting of a Malayalam film, Neeyaam Nadhi, in Kerala because they did not like a scene that showed a girl, coming out of a temple, getting attracted to a youth from a different religion. Left to themselves, these so-called protests would have died a natural death but they gain a life of their own because of media publicity and social media outreach. The problem is when the State becomes an actor, too. In the Prakash Jha case, no less than the Home Minister of Madhya Pradesh has issued a diktat saying filmmakers will have to show the script to the local administration for seeking approval for the shoot. That means bureaucrats will now decide what is objectionable and what is not, and the fate of the film shoot will hang on their verdict. If films are to be censored even as they are shot, there will not be any role left for the censor board. Is the State comfortable representing the protesters or obviating the need for protests by its interference?



Students perform on the occasion of Bal Mahotsav, in Gurugram

# World opens up

With more countries allowing travel, there's a need to be on guard against importing AY.4.2

■hile most countries have either completely exited the second wave or are almost getting there — with India among the most notable countries bucking the trend — the aviation, tourism and hospitality sectors are still groggily finding their feet. These sectors in particular, as well as the entire gamut of the services sector in general, had borne the severest brunt in the immediate aftermath



of the COVID-19 outbreak. However, the final quarter of 2021 heralds good tidings for these industries, global business establishments, weary-at-home executives and Hodophiles. With an increasing number of countries easing travel restrictions, the list of destinations where vaccinated Indians can travel is steadily expanding. While Singapore recently relaxed the curbs, Thailand had in September reopened its doors under the 'Phuket sandbox' programme. Both these countries announced the removal of India and five other South Asian countries from their travel restriction list. The US, which had imposed extraordinary

travel restrictions first in early 2020, has also announced that it would lift the curbs on India, China and much of Europe effective November 8. Similarly, fully vaccinated Indians are faced with no guarantine requirement in Nepal. Indians vaccinated with Covishield are eligible to travel to Italy, too.

In a fresh set of guidelines effective October 24, the UK Government has said that travellers vaccinated in over 100 countries and territories, including India, will be treated the same as returning fully vaccinated UK residents. However, the Government as well as frequent fliers would be best advised not to take these developments at face value and hop on to the first flight leaving the country. With over 100 crore Indians having been inoculated with at least one dose of the vaccines, a false sense of security seems to have enveloped our fellow countrymen, as was evident by the multitudes of crowds thronging public places during the recently concluded Dussehra festival and the ongoing festive season before Diwali which will last at least till the New Year celebrations subside. We must take care of our health individually, of our family's, and of our society; only then can the nation become healthy and successful in its endeavour to halt the third wave of COVID-19 before it hits us with brute force. And, most certainly, we don't want to import the AY.4.2 variant owing to reckless wanderlust.

# Innocent lives target of wanton bloodlust



The Government needs to focus more on eradicating fundamentalism rather than on finding a political solution to the festering issue

he picturesque charm of deciduous trees shedding leaves has come with bloodstains in the Kashmir Valley this fall. This autumn has scratched open the painful memories of the 1990s when scores of Kashmiri Pandits were forced to flee their homes following incessant targeted killings. Since the start of this month, terror outfits have already brazenly killed 11 civilians and five Army personnel in what carries an unmistakable stamp of the Taliban knocking at the heavenon-earth's doors. After all, this cold-blooded manslaughter has the potential to spread the same dread as the Taliban did when they shot their "enemies" and hanged their bodies from cranes.

The mindless killing started with 68-year-old Makhan Lal

Bindroo, a prominent Kashmiri Pandit businessman. He had survived the 1990s' massacre, only to be found by a wanton terrorist's bullet this time round. But the blood-spilling didn't stop.

The same day, terrorists shot Virendra Paswan at Lal Chowk, taxi union president Mohammad Shafi Lone in Bandipora and school teachers Surender Kaur and Deepak Chand. On October 16, Shagir Ahmad and Arvind Kumar Shah were shot in Srinagar. Three labourers from Bihar were also shot at, of which Raja Rishi Dev and Juginder Rishi Dev later succumbed. These Taliban-style killings shook the nation. After this, the Government issued an advisory to take all non-Kashmiris under police or Army protection. Terror outfits like the Lashkar,

Jaish-e-Mohammed, Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan are sending out a chilling message by selectively killing Hindus and Muslims opposed to the idea of an Islamic State. The situation is far worse this time than in the 1990s as the larger nefarious design now is to see Kashmir as an Islamic State, chiefly on the lines of the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan. There already was speculation that Pakistan would use the Taliban against India's interests. For its part, the Pakistan Army has joined nds with groups separated from the Tehreek-e-Taliban and aligned them with the army. Imran Khan has been largely successful in his

machinations to divert their attention towards Kashmir. The problem so far could

be gauged through the political and constitutional prism but the Taliban influence has now turned it into one of religious fundamentalism and extremism. Now the biggest challenge facing the Government is that it has to fight religious bigotry, extremism and fundamentalism in Kashmir. A major hindrance in this fight is the propensity of certain promi-nent Kashmiri leaders to speak the same language as Pakistan.

Since the abrogation of Article 370, the Government's tall claims towards restoring peace seem to be falling flat and the suspicion that the Taliban is knocking at the gates of India is strengthening as shown by the selective targeting of the minorities. In India's 70-year history, all Governments have tried to resolve the imbroglio politically: Nehru thought the way out was to have Article 370 in Kashmir and Modi thinks the solution lies in removing it. However, the fundamental source of the problem — religious fundamentalism and the lofty notions of an Islamic State — escaped everyone's attention. The result is the burgeoning madrasas operated by the Tehrik-e-Islam and funded by terror outfits like the Lashkar



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and Jaish-e-Mohammed. It won't be an exaggeration to say that these madrasas spawn an army of terrorists. The proof is that 99 per cent of the terrorists killed in encounters belonged to Kashmir.

These terrorists are now planning to force the minority Hindus to flee Kashmir. In 1990, they banished Kashmiri Pandits from Kashmir but the Government didn't do anything worthwhile. Even today, the condition of Kashmiri Pandits in the Valley is as pathetic as that of minority Hindus in Pakistan, Bangladesh and Indonesia. The intention of the terrorists is that if they are able to completely expel Hindus from Kashmir, they can lure Kashmiris to their side in the name of Islam with the ultimate aim of sabotaging Kashmir's peace and bring the Taliban rule to Kashmir. The terrorists also hope that the Taliban will help dissociate Kashmir from India with the help of Pakistan and China, just as it made the US and the former Soviet Union flee Afghanistan. But their illusion prevents them from realising that Kashmir is an integral part of India.

However, no Government has yet recognised the elements of religious fanaticism and hysteria in Kashmir, nor attacked its sources; on the

other hand, the terrorists are openly asking people to either become a fanatic or leave Kashmir. "If you don't, get ready to meet the same fate as the murdered civilians", seems to be their message. If the Government really wants to crush Talibani terrorism and jihadi fundamentalism emanating from Pakistan, it will have to eliminate religious fundamentalism and its sources by creating a religious balance in

Kashmir. It has become imperative for the Government to convey in the strongest terms to terrorists that Kashmir is an integral part of India and every citizen of Kashmir is an Indian. Also, the Government needs to develop a composite culture by settling non-Muslims and Kashmiri Pandits in the Valley and guaranteeing the security for all Kashmiri citizens to crush the religious hysteria. If the Government tries to find a solution on the basis of political, constitutional and human rights, the Valley might soon become a Taliban valley. The Government needs to think beyond the political and constitutional agenda.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### **SPORTSMANSHIP SHOULD PREVAIL**

Sir — If on the one hand there exists the philistine saffron ecosystem bizarrely targeting Mohammad Shami, as if he had intentionally bowled poorly against Pakistan in the T20 World Cup match, when the fact remains that India lost due to collective failure; on the other there also resides Virat Kohli, affectionately hugging the Pakistani opener Mohammad Rizwan after the latter's match-winning knock of 79 not out. The sight was not only extremely pleasing; but also transmitted a stern message to the fanatic supporters that the traits of mutual respect and admiration cannot be allowed to yield place to hatred and acrimony on or off the field.

So what prevents us from appreciating the skills and greatness of all sportspersons irrespective of their nationality or passport? If our respective team or nation wins, well and good; but if not, we should learn to applaud the opposition or better team of the day, be entertained by the spectacle and move on. This is civility. Why are we hell-bent on marching backwards in the direction of the dark age by creating fissures between human beings in the name of nation and

Kajal Chatterjee | Kolkata

### **DELIVER THE OLD PROMISES FIRST**

Sir — The Congress general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra has promised the UP voters that if her party is voted to power, free treatment worth up to ₹10 lakh will be provided for any disease. She has also promised to purchase wheat and paddy at ₹2,500 per quintal and sugarcane at ₹400 per quintal. Total waiver of loan to farmers and 20 lakh jobs are the other promises. All the political parties make promises to voters when elections are due to be held. But they do not implement these promises where they are already ruling.

The Congress has Chief Ministers in three States — Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh and Punjab — and is a junior partner in Jharkhand, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu. The Congress should have no problem implementing the promises made to UP

## **Need a connect with Kashmiris**



eportedly, Kashmir was turned into an mpregnable fortress with hi-tech Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) maintaining aerial surveillance during Home Minister Amit Shah's three-day visit. Quick Reaction Teams and bomb and dog squads were kept in readiness at select places to meet any eventuality. Additional troops to strengthen the existing heavy army contingents were deployed across the State. Reports also suggested that 700 to 900 people were detained under The Jammu and Kashmir Public Safety Act ahead of his visit. Yet, it has repeatedly been asserted that the

voters in Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh and Punjab; then why has the grand old party not delivered on its promises? How can the Congress see the UP voters as different from the people of the three States currently under its rule? No party should make promises that cannot be delivered or that make a severe dent on the economy of the State.

KV Seetharamaiah | Bengaluru

### **POLITICAL TURMOIL AHEAD OF ELECTIONS**

Sir — A thick layer of ambiguity over the answer as to which party in the six States including most politically important UP going to polls in the first quarter of the next year — will emerge victorious is tangible notwithstanding, most party leaders are making respective claims to the formation of their party's Government. Moreover, the Congress, despite facing the anti-incumbency factor, was set to form a Government in Punjab riding on the ongoing farmers' protest as well as a

return of good days (ache din) in J&K is

In Jammu, the Union Home Minister said, Syama Prasad Mookerjee had vociferously voiced his opposition against the two Vidhan (Constitution), two Nishan (flag) and two Pradhan (Prime Ministers) arrangements. In fact, all the members of the Constituent Assembly, including Syama Prasad Mookerjee — except for Maulana Hasrat Mohani, founder of the Communist Party of India — had voted for the adoption of Article 306A (later called as Article 370) in the Constitution. To be sure, the people of Kashmir have suffered enough as a result of both bloody militancy and State repression. To bring even semblance of normalcy in J&K, our rulers need to remove their Hindutva goggles first, shed the inherent animosity towards the Muslim majority population, restore statehood and special rights, and strengthen the hands of the real representatives of the people.

Haridasan Rajan | Kozhikode

weaker SAD-BSP alliance. It went ahead with replacing a party stalwart and Chief Minister Capt Amarinder Singh by a Dalit face Charanjit Singh Channi and even blunted thereby the SAD-BSP combine's poll promise of a Dalit Deputy

Chief Minister in the State. In view of this political atmosphere charged with hectic political hustle and bustle, high tempers with all leaders thinking of doing something new — what it all boils down to is that the upcoming Assembly elections in these States have become the cynosure of all eyes of the political parties, who are up to pulling all stops in a bid to downplay their political rivals. Let's wait and watch this ongoing political razzmatazz as to whose party leaders' cherished dreams see the ight of the day, at the end of the day! Azhar A Khan | Rampur

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Keeping in mind the elections, the farm laws may be recalled and implemented in a new form later



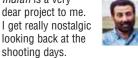


a target to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050, and we have a clear plan for achieving it.

Australia now has

**Australian Prime Minister** Scott Morrison

Indian is a very dear project to me.



— Sunny Deol

Pakistan has come to the T20 World Cup full of



**New Zealand skipper** Kane Williamson

The PM should dismiss the Goa Chief Minister and his council for involvement in corruption in the middle of the pandemic.

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# **FIRST COLUMN EDUCATION THROUGH** THE LENS OF FUTURE

The nature of education has increasingly got universalised in the last few decades



VINAYSHIL GAUTAM

ny group activity requires some shared observance of well-con-A sidered norms. They could be as basic as the time the activity would begin, where it would begin, how it would conduct itself and more. Any confusion there would have its impact on the nature of the outcome of the group activity. The issue, therefore, is not whether regulations are needed but the level of regulation and its efficacy. A few amongst the free spirited are known to have reservations about any rules or regulations. What they need to realise is that even to enable them to be free spirited, a few regulations would be required. The country has been in fits and starts been attempting to rewrite the regulations required to enable the new education policy. The exact status of firming up regulations related to the same is not openly known, yet. It is obvious that such an exercise would need considered thought and requires lead time. Be that as it may, in the ultimate analysis, regulations are guidelines with thresholds defined. Crossing them would merit visitation of a punitive kind. The negative recognition which would then follow would require credible means of implementation. The credible means of implementation would require an information network and an adequate implementation system. The prescription is difficult to follow with grace and effectiveness. The challenges to the above



are obvious. It is the credibility of implantation which would hold the key. When applied to the education system it is important to recognise how the nature of education has increasingly got universalised in the last few decades and how there has been increasing pressure to merge global trends with local traditions. A further consideration which has got to be kept in mind is that of progressive emergence of international guidelines and norms in the education sector like many other sectors including oceans, space, sports and more. A reference to Sustainable Development Goals 2030 may help to make the observation clearer. The fourth SDG talks of having the aim of inclusive, equitable, quality education and lifelong learning. These are ideals with universal appeal. The story continues to talk of equal access and affordable quality-which also would cover university education.

The sectors under reference would include technical, vocational, tertiary sectors and more. On the ground, there is the reality of a rapidly changing economics and that of societal and environmental challenges. With the disruptions arising out of technological developments including digital revolution, artificial intelligence, machine learning and more, a well thought through, acceptable, response of the education system is yet to crystallise. A universal bottom line, would need to emerge. In the meanwhile, web-based education, duly fanned by the pandemic, is increasing its scope and depth. The universe of training is undergoing transmutation and talk of big data developments is a factor to contend with. All this becomes necessary, also because the world is experiencing new models of work and increasingly unpredictable demographic trends. All in all, the present times are unique, if somewhat imponderable. Those who are not allergic to ambiguity will find it fascinating to grapple with some of these issues. The collective ability of this generation and the ones to follow to seize the opportunity will be the touchstones of future joy or grief of human survival.

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# Infiltrators cannot be called refugees



RAJENDRA PRASAD GUPTA

The Bangladeshi infiltrators have not only affected the economic, social and religious fields but are also participating in the country's democratic system

he issue of Bangladeshi infiltration has become sensitive for the unity and integrity of India. Since 1971, a large number of Bangladeshi infiltrators have been coming to India. Due to these infiltrators, the demography of North-East India has undergone a disturbing change, which poses a long-time threat to the security of the country. Post-Independence, the Congress governments took no concrete action on the issue of infiltration, as a result of which the problem has become alarming.

In West Bengal and especially in Assam, this problem became so serious that a bill had to be passed in the Parliament in 1950, in the form of the Immigration (Expulsion from Assam) Act. Despite this, not much was done to tackle this menace.

Bangladesh does not share any border with Bihar but due to the porous India-Bangladesh border, the infiltrators started coming to Bihar and entered Kishanganj, Purnia, Araria and Katihar via Malda, Uttar Dinajpur and Murshidabad in West Bengal. During 1951-1961, the population of old Purnia district increased by 37 per cent, almost twice the increase in the population of Bihar. An increase of 23.90 per cent was recorded in 1971-1981.

Former CBI Director Joginder Singh had said in a report that about five crore Bangladeshis have infiltrated into the country. This is corroborated by the fact that in the 2001 census of Bangladesh, there was a decrease of one crore peo-

ple in its population.

If we look at the fertility rate of India, Pakistan and Bangladesh then this trend is further established. In 1971 and 1981, India had a fertility rate of 5.5 per cent and 4.7 per cent, Pakistan 6.6 per cent and 6.5 per cent and Bangladesh 6.9 per cent and 6.2 per cent, respectively. In 1991, India and Pakistan had fertility rate of 4.6 per cent and 6 per cent respectively, while Bangladesh had fertility rate of 4.4 per cent.

It is clear from this that there has been an unusual decrease in the figures of Bangladesh as compared to earlier whereas this difference is common in India and Pakistan. At the same time, there is a similar fluctuation in the data before 1971, in all three countries. On the other hand, if we look at the lation density data of Bangladesh, it is known that in 1980, 1985, 1990 it was 611, 697 and 792, respectively. Now if we compare these two, if the fertility rate decreased during this period, then how did the density increase so much?

Overall, Bangladesh has not made any action plan for its population control even though it has severe shortage of all kinds of resources. The government has been continuously hiding its population, the sole purpose of which is to shift their people to India.



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Despite the criticism of US President Richard Nixon in 1971, the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi gave them a place in India as refugees. Even after Bangladesh became independent, these people took advantage of staying on in India but the Congress government did not take any action. What is more, Indira Gandhi imposed a refugee aid tax of 5 and 10 paisa collected from Indians in the form of revenue and postal tickets.

Driven by narrow political interest, the Congress, Left and presently the Trinamool Congress, are all walking on the same road, leading to steady increase in the population of Bangladeshi infiltrators in the North-East and West Bengal. And now when the Modi government is taking action to check their flow and is talking about bringing the National Register of Citizens (NRC) in national interest, these parties are coming to the aid of these illegal infiltrators in the name of so-called secular-

Bangladeshi infiltrators have not only affected the economic,

social and religious fields but they are also participating in the democratic system of India, which has been their main agen-

Mamata Banerjee had said in the Lok Sabha on Áugust 4, 2005, that infiltration in Bengal has become a disaster. She had also brought an adjournment motion in the Lok Sabha on this. She even threatened to resign on the issue. However, when Banerjee is in power today, she is opposing the NRC for political gains. The way Bangladeshi actor Firdous Ahmed was seen campaigning for the Trinamool Congress in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections made her intentions clear.

Even today, the views of these opposition parties are the same as they were in the past. Even today, these people sympathize with the Bangladeshi infiltrators and spread confusion among people by calling them refugees. In such a situation, it becomes very important to understand and know the difference between refugee and infiltrator in the context of India.

In 2014, after Narendra Modi

formed the government at the Centre and BJP got the chance to come to power in the North-East, there has been a consistent crackdown against Bangladeshi infiltrators. The changes that have taken place in the last seven years are the result of the revolutionary decision of the Union Government. Now a large number of security forces have been deployed there and various technological arrangements are being made for preventing infiltration.

We all need to reflect on this issue so that the forces dividing India can be stopped. It becomes our moral duty to save India's culture, civilization and language. I peneve that nothing should be more important to us than nationality. For us the unity and integrity of the country should be paramount. The first and last right on India belongs to the citizens here. Therefore, the concern for all of us should be the same that as a nation, we should become stronger and more prosperous.

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I DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE TMC'S MOTIVE IN TRYING TO START A UNIT IN GOA BY ENCOURAGING **DEFECTIONS FROM OTHER PARTIES.** — CONGRESS LEADER **P CHIDAMBARAM** 





THE CONGRESS'S FAILURE HELPED THE BJP GAIN STRENGTH. THIS HAS PROMPTED PARTIES LIKE OURS TO (TAKE UP) THE CHALLENGE. — WEST BENGAL CHIEF MINISTER **MAMATA BANERJEE** 

# Captain can force a hung Assembly in Punjab

### Even if the Captain's new outfit does not win enough seats, it will damage the Congress. This is what the Punjab Opposition parties want

hat is the big picture in poll-bound Punjab after the exit of the former Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh? The emerging scenario is that Punjab will face a multicornered fight. In that event, no party or a coalition is in a position to get a majority. Depending on who needs whom, there is bound to be post-poll realignments as it could be a hung assembly or a coalition government.

Till now, power-sharing has rotated between Shiromani Akali Dal coalition and Congress in Punjab. In 2017, the Aam Aadmi Party tried to upset this trend but could not succeed as the Congress under the Captain won handsomely. This time the equations have changed,



KALYANI **SHANKAR** 

and SAD had walked out of NDA coalition last year on the issue of the farm laws. AAP continues to be ambitious to expand. Akali Dal has tied up with BSP. The Captain is keen to partner with BJP and breakaway units of Akali Dal.

Before the Congress party high command threw out Singh unceremoniously, it was almost sure to win the State, but now its Punjab unit is weakened. New chief minister Charanjit Singh Channi may not be able to win with indiscipline and factionalism facing the party. There is also an impression that Channi is only a stopgap arrangement to keep the seat warm for Sidhu. It is Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka

Gandhi Vadra who stoked



Sidhu's ambition and made him the party chief in Punjab. Now he remains an unguided missile harming the

Congress prospects. This is not the first time Captain has floated his own outfit. In 1984, he joined SAD to protest the army entering the Golden Temple. In 1992, Singh formed his political group called the SAD (Panthic) but merged it with Congress which he rejoined in 1997. Since then,

Amarinder has remained in tion. He might have already Congress and became the chief minister twice between mula for the BJP. 2002-2007 and then between 2017-2021.

The miffed Captain is clear on one thing — to damage Congress prospects in the upcoming assembly polls. He is willing to take his goal.

anybody's help to achieve There is a rider to his proposed alliance with BJP. As Punjab has been in the he can poach on the midst of farmers' protests over the controversial farm laws for the last one year, an early resolution to the prevailing farm crisis is key to Amarinder's political ambitions. He hopes to play the up to the BJP even as chief middle man between the minister. He supported the striking farmers and the

worked out a face-saving for-

Amarinder has clarified that his primary political plan for the polls will centre around peace and security apart from farming. Even if his new outfit does not win enough seats, if his party can get about five percent votes, it will damage Congress. This is what all the Punjab oppo-sition parties want. Whether Congress or whether they will come to join his new party is unknown. Politicians are very shrewd where their

self-interests are concerned. Singh has been warming Centre on security matters. Centre to resolve the situa- For instance, he was with the through the Captain. it is wartime for all parties.

Centre on the 'surgical strikes' post-Pulwama terror attack, and more recently, the Union government's decision to extend the Border Security Force's jurisdiction

in Punjab. How will the Captain's ambitious plan affect the other parties in Punjab with just four months left for the polls? For the Captain, it is a challenge before he bows out of politics, and he has already said that he will leave politics "only in victory, not

in defeat.' The BJP is indeed a marginal force in Punjab. In 2017, SAD was BJP's senior alliance partner and a longtime ally. The party is now hoping for a resolution with the protesting farmers

the Congress was an unexpected bonus as the BJP lacks a credible chief ministerial

Amarinder Singh's exit from

A partnership with the Maharaja would give an advantage to BJP and also weaken Congress. His moderate image and army background also suit the BJP's style of majoritarian politics. The farmer's agitation has added to the BJP's discomfort. The party would welcome anyone and anything credible. Singh does not have time to build the party, and the BJP can provide him with organizational support and finance.

The ultimate loser is Congress unless it manages to win miraculously. For now,

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# Myanmar's Aung San Suu Kyi testifies for first time in Junta Court

leader Aung San Suu Kyi testified for the first time in a junta court on Tuesday, four months after being put on trial by the military, a source with knowledge of the case told AFP.

Myanmar has been in turmoil since the February 1 coup, with nationwide protests and

by security forces, according to a local monitoring group.

Suu Kyi went on trial in June, four months after she was taken into custody, and faces a raft of charges that could see her jailed for decades.

On Tuesday she "gave her statement at the court by her-

incitement related to two February statements criticising the coup, the source said.

The contents of her testimony "cannot be revealed" until the court has certified them, the source said, adding

barred from attending Suu Kyi's trial at the special court in the military-built capital Naypyidaw and the junta recently banned

her legal team from speaking to the media.

said the Nobel laureate, 76, will not call any defence witnesses at her incitement trial and will represent herself.

The junta has threatened to dissolve her National League for Democracy party and continues to wage a bloody campaign against opponents to its

Myanmar topped the agenda of Tuesday's talks between leaders from the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, which has come under international

ic solution to the crisis. The generals boycotted the summit after ASEAN insisted

Iran says cyberattack closes

gas stations across country

pressure to broker a diplomat-

Myanmar send a "non-political representative" instead of junta chief Min Aung Hlaing.

The rare rebuke came after Myanmar rebuffed requests that a special envoy meet with "all stakeholders" in the country -- a phrase seen to include deposed leader Suu Kyi.

Myanmar, mostly ruled by

side since it joined in 1997.

Elections in 2015 overwhelmingly won by Suu Kyi's National League for Democracy party ushered in civilian rule -- but this was cut short by the most recent coup.

# Af's all-female orchestra keeps music alive in exile

months, members of Afghanistan's all-female Zohra orchestra have reassembled in Doha, their music once again filling the air as they face an uncertain future.

While grateful to be safe in Qatar, their escape from Taliban rule is bittersweet, as the girls leave behind friends from the orchestra and their "old companions" -- their instruments.

Last week marked the first time in three months that Marzia Anwari, along with other members of the Afghan music community who escaped to Qatar, played live for an audience.

"Most of the girls from the Zohra orchestra are here with me in Qatar, but some of them are still in Afghanistan," the 18year-old violist told AFP.

"I hope that they can join us here as soon as possible and we can be together and rebuild

Zohra, Afghanistan's first all-female orchestra, was established in 2016.

The group of 35 young musicians aged 13-20, some orphans or from poor families, gave a culture-crossing performance at the 2017 World Economic Forum in Davos that overcame tradition and death threats in their home-

Now in exile, and with new instruments, the musicians are hoping to keep their cultural heritage alive after the Islamist hardliners seized power in August.

Everything is 'haram'

Music was banned when the Taliban last ruled Afghanistan from 1996 to 2001, and since their return, women's believing that girls belong in freedoms and education have again been abruptly curtailed. "In Afghanistan, they con-

sider everything 'haram' (religiously forbidden) for women, particularly music," Anwari said. It was difficult to be a working musician even before the takeover, she said, with many conservative Afghans

"When we'd go outside,

people would call us... 'promiscuous' and other such things,"

The Taliban have been trying to win backing and financial support for their Islamist regime, promising a more flexible rule than last time. AFP

# Miles donations are providing flights for Afghan refugees

began with ordinary people donating frequent-flyer miles has raised enough in two months to provide 40,000 flights for refugees from limited, and we knew that the Afghanistan, and organizers and the White House are looking to nearly double that figure.

About 3,200 flights with donated miles have already carried Afghans from temporary housing at U.S. military bases to new homes around the US, according to organizers.

Corporations have made half of the contributions so far, mostly in tickets donated by airlines, including ones that ferried refugees from bases overseas to the U.S. under contracts with the federal government.

The campaign was started by Miles4Migrants, a group that was founded in 2016 and uses donated miles and credit card points to help refugees. The group saw support for refugees fleeing Afghanistan in August, as the U.S. military

KABUL: A campaign that withdrew and turned the country over to the Taliban, and began talking to other non-

profits about helping. "Government resources are American people wanted to support Afghans who were arriving and help them find safe homes," said the group's cofounder, Andy Freedman. That's when we turned to the

United Airlines has contributed 7,000 flights and American Airlines donated 6,000. Smaller contributions have come in from Delta, JetBlue, Alaska, Frontier, Air Canada, aircraft maker Boeing and the Tripadvisor Charitable Foundation, organizers say.

Individuals have donated miles and credit card points to cover 20,000 flights, according to Miles4Migrants and Welcome, US, a new not-forprofit coalition that is trying to generate private-sector support for arriving Afghans. AP

## Send help to Af: Pak, China appeal to int'l community

**Islamabad:** In a rare joint appeal, the leaders of Pakistan and China on Tuesday urged the international community to swiftly send humanitarian and economic aid to Afghanistan, where people are facing food and medicine shortages in the shadow of winter.

A Government statement said Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan and Chinese President Xi Jinping discussed Afghanistan over phone, saying afterward that people there need international help "to alleviate their suffering, prevent instability" and rebuild after the United States withdrew and the Taliban seized power in August. The development came a day after Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi met with the Taliban representatives in Qatar to discuss a range of issues.PTI

**Dubai:** A cyberattack crippled gas stations across Iran on Tuesday, leaving angry motorists stranded in long lines. No group immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, which rendered useless the government-issued electronic cards that many Iranians

It bore similarities to another attack months earlier that seemed to directly challenge Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei as the country's economy buckles under American sanctions. Those economic problems worsen as the U.S. and Iran have yet to jointly re-enter Tehran's tattered nuclear deal with world powers. semiofficial ISNA news

use to buy subsidized fuel at the

agency, which first called the incident a cyberattack, said it saw those trying to buy fuel

with a Government-issued card through the machines instead receive a message reading cyberattack 64411." Most Iranians rely on those subsidies to fuel their vehicles, particularly amid the country's economic problems. While ISNA didn't

acknowledge the number's significance, that number is associated with a hotline run through Khamenei's office that handles questions about Islamic law. ISNA later removed its reports, claiming that it too had been hacked. Such claims of hacking can come quickly when Iranian outlets publish news that angers the theocracy.
India's Gas, Water And

Critical Infra Vulnerable To Cyber Attacks: Report

Farsi-language satellite channels abroad published videos apparently shot by drivers in Isfahan, a major Iranian city, showing electronic billboards there reading: "Khamenei! Where is our gas?" Another said: "Free gas in Jamaran gas station," a reference to the home of the late Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ruĥollah Khomeini.

State TV said Oil Ministry officials were holding an "emergency meeting" to solve the problem. Some gas stations that accept only cash and are not in the subsidy card network continued pumping fuel.

The use of the number

'64411" mirrored an attack in July targeting Iran's railroad system that also saw the number displayed. Israeli cybersecurity firm Check Point later attributed the train attack to a group of hackers that called themselves Indra, after the Hindu god of war.

Indra previously targeted

firms in Syria, where President Bashar Assad has held onto power through Iran's intervention in his country's grinding

Cheap gasoline is practically considered a birthright in Iran, home to the world's fourth-largest crude oil reserves despite decades of economic

Subsidies allow Iranian motorists to buy regular gasoline at 15,000 rials per liter. That's 5 cents a liter, or about 20 cents a gallon. After a monthly 60-liter quota, it costs 30,000 rials a liter. That's 10 cents a liter or 41 cents a gallon. Regular gasoline costs 89 cents a liter or \$3.38 a gallon on average in the US, according to

In 2019, Iran faced days of mass protests across some 100 cities and towns over gasoline

### N Korea accuses UN | Protesters in Sudan burn tires, special rapporteur of 'distorting reality' Seoul: North Korea on Tuesday the North of ri the North of rights violations

rebuked the UN special rapporteur on its human rights situation for "distorting our reality" and acting "at the urging of the US" as the country responded to his recent criticism of the regime.

In the remarks carried by the Pyongyang's official Korean Central News Agency, the spokesperson for the Korea Association for Human Rights Studies berated Tomas Öjea Quintana for having accused

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rapporteur' on the human rights situation in the DPRK has maliciously slandered our state at the United Nations, reeling off reckless remarks

Assembly session.

rights violation, oppression of freedom of expression," the spokesman said. DPRK stands for the North's official name, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Yonhap News Agency reported. "The 'rapporteur,' not being content with distorting our reality, has pointed a finger at our 'people's livelihood' and viciously picked on

the most realistic anti-epi-

such as 'systematic human

Cairo: Pro-democracy protesters blocked roads in Sudan's during a recent UN General capital with makeshift barricades and burning tires "Recently, so-called 'special Tuesday, a day after the military

> national community. The country's Sudan's top

the spokesperson added. IANS | since the overthrow of longtime

#### block roads a day after coup autocrat Omar al-Bashir in a popular uprising two years

The United Nations seized power in a swift coup widely denounced by the inter-

general said the prime minister of the dissolved government who was arrested Monday, along with other officials, was being detained for his own safety at the general's own house, not in a prison. He said Prime Minister Abdalla Hamdok was in good health.

The takeover came after weeks of mounting tensions between military and civilian leaders over the course and the pace of Sudan's transition to democracy. It threatened to demic measures taken by our derail that process, which has state for our own specific need, progressed in fits and starts

Security Council was to discuss the situation in a closed-door meeting later in the day. In his second public

appearance since seizing power, Gen. Abdel-Fattah Burhan said Tuesday that the military was forced to step to resolve a political deadlock.

The whole country was suspended due to political rivalries, he told a televised news conference. The experience during the past two years has proven that the participation of political forces in the transitional period is flawed and stirs up strife. Western governments and the U.N. condemned the coup and called for other senior officials who were detained. U.S. President Joe

announced the suspension of \$700 million in emergency assistance to Sudan, a nation in Africa linked by language and culture to the Arab world.

But Burhan raised the possibility that some of those being held could face trial for what he called incitement against the military.

Mariam al-Mahdi, the foreign minister in the government that the military dissolved, was defiant Tuesday, declaring that she and other members of Hamdok's administration remained the legitimate authority in Sudan.

'We are still in our positions. We reject such coup and such unconstitutional measures," she told The Associated Press over the phone from her continue our peaceful disobedience and resistance.

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# Erdogan steps back from threat to expel 10 foreign envoys Ankara: Turkish President ment shows they have taken a

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Recep Tayyip Erdogan has step back from the slander stepped back from his threat to declare the Ambassadors of 10 countries, including the US, Germany and France, as "persona non grata" after they made a joint statement for the release of a jailed businessman.

Speaking after a cabinet meeting, Erdogan welcomed a new statement by several Western embassies in Ankara, which noted that they abide by a diplomatic convention that stipulates not to interfere in a host country's internal affairs, reports Xinhua news agency.

"Our intention is never to cause a crisis but to protect our honour, our pride, our sovereign rights. The new state-

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be careful now," President said.

"It is the duty of the head

of state to give the response to this disrespect towards our judicial members," he stated. The US and other embassies

on Monday issued statements. saying they respected a UN convention that required diplomats not to interfere in the host country's domestic affairs.

The crises erupted last week after the embassies of the US, Germany, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway and Sweden in Ankara made a joint statement for the release of Osman Kavala. IANS

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### **Israel urged** to respect **Blue Line** Beirut: A top UN official has

Lebanon,

urged the ebanese Armed Forces and the Israeli Defense Forces to respect the sanctity of the Blue Line, a border demarcation between the two nations published by the world body in 2000, in furtherance of peace and stability.

The remarks by Stefano Del Col, chief of the UN Interim Force in Lebanon, came during a celebration held at the mission's headquarters in Nagoura on the occasion of the UN Day, Xinhua reported.

"For over a decade now, the iconic blue barrels have helped avoid incidents that could become flashpoints for misunderstanding and conflict," Del Col said in a statement. IANS

#### negotiator to meet EU diplomat in Brussels Tehran: Iran's Deputy Foreign Minister for Political Affairs Ali

Iranian nuke

Bagheri announced that he will meet European Union diplomat Enrique Mora on Wednesday in Brussels. "I will meet the Joint Commission coordinator in

tinue our talks on result-oriented negotiations," Bagheri tweeted. Bagheri met Mora, deputy secretary-general and political director of the European

Brussels on Wednesday to con-

External Action Service, in Tehran on October 14. Iran, Bagheri wrote, is 'determined to engage in talks that remove unlawful and cruel sanctions in a full and effective

### **China continues to bully** its neighbours: Pentagon

Washington: China continues to bully its neighbours to try to coerce them into behaviour that is more in keeping with its national security or economic interests, the Pentagon said on Monday. Pentagon Press Secretary

John Kirby was speaking to reporters at a news conference. "China continues to bully

its neighbours to try to coerce them into behaviour that is more in keeping with China's national security or economic interests. And we don't believe that that is conducive to a free and open Indo-Pacific," Kirby

he said, has put a real premium on bolstering and reinforcing its alliances and partnerships in that area and making sure they have proper defensive capabilities in place to deal with the security challenges that exist out there. "So, we're going to continue to work as hard as we can," he said. Responding to a ques-

The Biden administration,

China border. "Obviously, nobody wants to see the situation become more tense," he said.

tion, Kirby said the United

States is certainly mindful of

the tensions along the India-

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Equity indices darted up for the second straight session

on Tuesday as healthy corporate results and upbeat global cues reignited risk appetite

after the recent spell of weak-

ness. A rebounding rupee

further bolstered sentiment,

traders said. The 30-share

BSE Sensex opened on a firm

footing but ran into rough

weather in afternoon trade,

before staging a comeback to

close 383.21 points or 0.63 per

er NSE Nifty surged 143 points

or 0.79 per cent to end at

ers' chart on the Sensex, spurt-

ing 3.92 per cent, followed by

Titan, Nestle India, Bajaj

Finance, Tech Mahindra, Kotak

Bank and Reliance Industries.

Reliance Industries accounted

for around half of the bench-

India Ratings and Research

(Ind-Ra) on Tuesday revised

downwards the domestic pas-

senger vehicle growth esti-

mates to 15-18 per cent this fis-

cal, citing semiconductor short-

age that could extend to 2022.

forecast an 18-22 per cent

growth for the Indian PV mar-

ket, said further downside risk

duction remains contingent

on a softening of demand from various end-consumers of

chips and an increase in chip

production globally," the rating

manufacturers have indicated

an improvement in production during October 2021 over August and September, the-

Govt improving cyber

mechanism on National

mid rising number of cyber

Afraud complaints even on

National Consumer Helpline

the Home Ministry where peo-

ple can report cases of cyber

fraud. Speaking to the media,

Central Consumer Protection Authority (CCPA) Chief

Commissioner and Additional Secretary in the consumer

affairs ministry Nidhi Khare said: "To effectively address

the rising number of cyber

fraud complaints, we have col-

laborated with three agencies to

improve cyber fraud redressal

mechanisms on NCH." These

agencies are: Indian Cyber

Crime Coordination Centre

(I4C) under the Ministry of

Home Affairs, National

Payments Corporation of India

(NCPI) and Telecom

Regulatory Authority of India

(TŘAI), she said.

Consumer Helpline

fraud redressal

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While certain Indian PV

agency said in a statement.

remains for the segment.

Ind-Ra, which had earlier

"Any normalisation in pro-

Market heavyweight

On the other hand,

Ind-Ra revises PV

growth estimates

downwards for FY22

On similar lines, the broad-

Tata Steel topped the gain-

cent higher at 61,350.26.

18,268.40.

mark's gains.

the pioneer

**Markets build on gains** 

IndusInd Bank, ICICI Bank,

PowerGrid, HUL, NTPC, Dr

Reddy's and Axis Bank were

among the laggards, shedding

up to 1.92 per cent.

"Markets managed to end higher in a volatile trading session, thanks to firm global

announcements from the US

markets set the tone in the

beginning however choppiness

in the index majors, especially

from the banking pack, in the

middle kept the participants on

their toes," said Ajit Mishra, VP

Research, Religare Broking.

a further rebound, but a lot

would depend on the earnings

announcement scheduled in

the following sessions, he

noted. Vinod Nair, Head of

Research at Geojit Financial

Services, said, "Following a

strong opening backed by pos-

itive gains in global markets,

domestic indices were torn

between gains and losses in

today's volatile trade." "Broad-

based buying led by auto, real-ty, and metal stocks aided the

continuing surge in chip

demand globally and time lag

to set up new capacities could

keep the supply limited, it

added. Normalisation can only

be envisaged to happen by the

end of the second half of 2022,

the agency said.Based on its

discussions with industry

peers, Ind-Ra said the chip

shortages could extend to 2022

and the situation remains high-

ly uncertain. "Given the time

lag and the challenges of

expanding chip capacity, the

shortages could worsen and the

situation may not normalise before 2H 22 (second half

2022). "In fact, we may expe-

rience an oversupply post the

planned chip manufacturing

capacities come onstream in 2023 and 2024 coupled with

the demand normalisation in

the personal computer/laptop segment," it added.

Indications are in favour of

Upbeat earnings

amid firm global cues

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On Plot No. 8a Situated In The
Residential Colony Known As
Indraprastha Colony, Sector 30-33,
Faridabad Measuring 160 Sq. Yds.
Part of Rect. No.06 Killa No.21 Min of
Villane Itmadurur Tehsil Amd Dist

Village Itmadpur, Tehsil Amd Dist

ate Mr. Jaggesh Tripathi Through Legal Heirs

1.Mrs. Rajmati Tripathi W/O Late Mr.
Jaggesh Tripathi D-C-565, Dabua
Colony Faridabad-121001, Haryana Also At: Mrs. Rajmati Tripathi W/O Late Mr. Jaggesh Tripathi H.No-2726, Gali No-68 Mola xtn. Badarpur South Delhi, Delh

ripathi R/O- Dc-565 Dabua Colony, Niit Faridabad-121001, Harvana Also At: Mr. Rajnish S/O- Mr. Late Jaggesh Tripath House No.8a, Ground Floor, I.P Colony Sector-30-33, Faridabad Haryana- 121001.

Also At: Mr. Nitish Sehgal Proprietor Print Word CG-87, Ground Floor Block-C Unitech Arcadia, South City

W/O Mr. Nitish Sehgal, R/O- H.No. D-15, Second Floor South City-2, ector-48 Gurgaon, Haryana

122018. 1 Mr.Jitendra Kumar Agrawal S/O-Sh.Madan Mohan Agrawal, R/O-10/145, Geeta Colony,Gandhi Nagar, 3. Rs.52,40,697/-

10031 Also At: Mr. Jitendra Kuma Agrawal (Director) Kaila Industries Pvt Ltd. R/O- 4/6665, Satya Narayan Market, Janta Gali, Gandhi Nagai Delhi- 110031. Also At: Mr. Jitendri Kumar Agrawal R/O- Flat No.1720, 17th Floor, Tower Crema, Mahagun oderak, Sec-78, Noida U.P-201301 2-Mrs. Vinita Agrawal W/O - Mr. Jitendra Kumar Agrawal, R/O 10/145, Geeta Colony, Gandhi Nagar, East Delhi 110031. Also At: Mrs finita Agrawal (Director) Kaila ndustries Pvt Ltd. R/O- 4/6665, Satya Narayan Market, Janta Gali, Gandhi Nagar, Delhi-110031. Also At: Mrs. Vinita Agrawal R/O- Flat No.1720,

oderak, Sec-78, Noida U.P-201301

.Mr. Itesh Kumar Tyagi S/O- Mr. Dev

West- As Per Site Plan South- As Per Site Plan East- As Per Site Plan

partment, Plot No. 7, Dwarka, Sec- 3. Rs.73,13,579/ Apartment, Plot No. 7, Dwarka, Sec-7, Delhi, 110075 2.M/S. Shree Ram Chemicals It's Proprietor Mr. Itesh Kumar Tyagi Ground Floor 93, Peepal App, Pocket-E, Dwarka Sec-17, Delhi-

rakash Tyagi Flat No. F-29, Baahma 2. 16-SEP-2021

3. Mr. Dev Prakash Tyagi S/O Mr. laahma Apartment, Plot No. warka, Sec-7, Delhi, 110075.

3rd Floor, Gali No.183, Tri Nagar Ganesh Pura, North West Delhi-

Ganesh Pura, North West Delh 110035 Also At Mrs.Shweta Sharm

Plot No.32, Pocket No.-5a,

ector-25, Delhi-110042.

1.Mr.Ashwani Kumar Sharma, S/O- 1. 10-May-21 Sh. Ravi Dutt Sharma, R/O- 2426 3rd 2. 20-Sep-2021 Floor, Gali No.183, Tri Nagar Ganesh 3. Rs. 2,24,24,043/-Pura, North West Delhi-110035

lumar Sharma Plot No.32, Pocke No.-5a, Sector-25, Delhi-110042. 2.Mrs.Shweta Sharma, W/O Mr shwani Kumar Sharma, R/O- 2426

1.Mr.Rushil Uppal S/O- Sh.Sushil 1, 10-May-21 Uppal R/O- 446, G/F, Sainik Vihar, 2, 16-Sep-2021 Pithampura, Delhi-110034 Also At: 3, Rs. 1,68,46,890/-Mr. Rushil Uppal Propreitor- M/S Shri Krishna Rollers 356, Village Mangolpuri Khurd, New Delhi-110083. Also At: Mr. Rushil Uppal Plot No. 270, G/F Pocket -1, Sector , Bawana Dsidc, New Delhi-110039 .Mrs.Punam Uppal, W/O Sh.Sushi

Uppal, R/O- 446, G/F, Sainik Vihar, Pithampura, Delhi-110034 Also At: Mrs. Punam Uppal Plot No. 270, G/F ocket -1, Sector -1, Bawana DSIDC New Delhi-110039 Also At: Mrs. Punam Uppal R/O-C-2/100, West Enclave, Pitampura, New Delhi 3.Mr.Nishant Uppa S/O- Sh.Sushil Uppal R/O- 446, G/F, Sainik Vihar,

Pithampura, Delhi-110034 Also At: Mr. Nishant Uppal Plot No. 270, G/F New Delhi-110039 Also At: Mr Nishant Uppal Propreitor- M/S Skr Sales Corp.356, Basement Village Mangolpuri Khurd, New Delhi-10083.

. Mr. Raiesh Bhardwai S/O Sh. Om 1.09-Aug-202

Prakash 8, Himdarshan Appartment, 2 Bhaikaka Nagar, Ahmedabad, 3 Gujarat-380001 Also At Stelmac imited Sansad Road, Ahmedabad,

crossings Republik, Dundahera Shaziabad, U P-201016 . Mrs. Bharti Bhardwaj W/O Sh tajesh Bhardwaj 8, Himdarsha

Appartment, Bhaikaka Nagar, Ahmedabad, Gujarat-380001 Also At Apartment No.1-1907, 19th Floor Proview Aboni, Crossings Republik, Dundahera, Ghaziabad, U P-201016

Balcony Having Super Area 1280 Sq.Ft le 118.91 Square Meter Approximately In E Multi-Storied Building Constructed Under The Name And Style As "Proview Aboni At Gh 6, In The Township Known As Crossings Republik, Dundahera, Ghaziabad, U P.

Residential Apartment No.1-1907 On

In the circumstances as aforesaid, the notice is hereby given to the above borrowers, co-borrowers and/ or their guarantors (where ever applicable) to pay the outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the borrowers and the mortgagors under Section 13(4) of Securification and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Securify laterest Act 2002 and the anolicable fulles thereunder.

action, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. Please also note that if the entire mount of outstanding dues together with the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is not ondered before publication of notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting outstations, tender from public or by private treaty, you may not be entitled to redeem the secured asset(s) lease note that under Section 13 (13) of the said Act, no Borrower shall, transfer by way of sale, lease or herwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written

Govt proposes Open Network for Digital Commerce as pvt sector led non-profit firm

IANS NEW DELHI

Rupee recovers

12 paise to close

crude oil eases

Mumbai: The rupee snapped

its two-session losing streak

to settle 12 paise higher at 74.96 against the US dollar

on Tuesday, tracking a posi-

tive trend in domestic equi-

ties and losses in crude oil

prices. A weaker greenback

against major global rivals and easing US Treasury

yields also supported the

bourses to bell the day in pos-

itive territory. However, con-

tinuous selling by the FIIs in

the market fanned investor

cautiousness. Upbeat quarter-

ly earnings outweighing infla-

tion worries boosted the mora-

leof global markets," he added.

The growth in energy demand declined steeply in

September due to lower power

generation in the wake of coal

Research (Ind-Ra) has pub-

lished the October 2021 edition

of its credit news digest on the

energy demand increased mar-

ginally by 1.8 per cent year-on-

year to 114.7 billion units (BU)

in September 2021 (August

2021 - 17.8 per cent) after reg-

istering a 16 per cent increase in 5M FY22 (April to August

steep reduction in growth in energy demand in September

2021 was attributable to lower

generation, as reflected in an

increase in power outages in thermal power plants due to

"Ind-Ra believes that the

As per the report, all-India

India Ratings and

shortages, a report said.

domestic power sector.

Growth in energy demand declined

steeply in September due to low

coal availability: Ind-Ra

ocal unit, analysts said.

at 74.96 as

The Central Government proposes to operationalise the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) as a private sector-led, non-profit company to bring focus on ethical and responsible behaviour while providing for trust rig while providing for trust, rigorous norms of governance, accountability, and trans-

The ONDC is expected to provide a start-up mindset for a population scale implementation, enabled by a management with a futuristic vision, leadership with a deep understanding of commerce, comfort with cutting-edge technology, and missionary outlook to drive change.

The role of the entity would be to develop the network by adopting and building enabling technology and encouraging wide-scale voluntary participation by ecosystem players. It would ensure network discipline by establishing a code of conduct and rules of network based on

coal shortages," it stated.

Generation also declined

from hydro power plants

(down 5.9 per cent y-o-y) and

coal-based thermal power

tion decreased marginally by

1.4 per cent y-o-y to 108.35BU

per cent increase in generation

from renewable sources to

13.6BU, led by a 43 per cent

improvement in wind power

generation to 6.43 BU and 25

per cent growth in solar gen-

The coal production cumulatively by Coal India

Limited (CÍL) and Singareni

Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) increased by 20.1 per

cent to 47.6 million tonnes

(August 2021: no change)

owing to the improved all-India

in September 2021.

eration to 5.11 BU.

power demand.

The total all-India genera-

However, there was a 30.8

plants (down 0.5 per cent).

principles of consumer protection, fair trade, and regulatory conformity.

The entity will also provide

foundational services for managing the network like digital infrastructure, common registry, certification of participants and certifying agencies, grievance redressal, etc.

It will develop and operate

reference applications for buyers, sellers and gateway for market activation and priming the network along with partner entities. It will also support SMEs in their digital transformation by developing readymade tools to help existing software applications quickly adapt to the network.

Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal reviewed the progress on ONDC initiative of the DPIIT on Tuesday.

Expressing satisfaction with the progress made and desired to compress timelines for making this network a reality soon, he directed that wide participation from ecosystem should be ensured.

# Consumer Affairs dept sends

PNS NEW DELHI

202 notices and recovered ₹41,85,500 from 75 companies for violation of Legal Metrology Act for incorrect declaration of 'country of origin' on products on their platforms. The maximum number of such violations were found with respect to electronic appliances, followed by clothing and home

for violations relating to 'country of origin' on the products listed on e-commerce platforms and failure to declare

RBI imposes

₹90 L penalty

on Vasai Vikas

Sahakari Bank

The RBI on Tuesday said it has imposed a Rs 90 lakh penalty on Vasai Vikas Sahakari

Bank, Maharashtra, for non-

compliance with certain direc-

tions, including on classifica-

tion of loans as NPAs, and

Bank said the bank had not

complied with its directions on

ensuring end-use of funds in

borrowal accounts and classi-

fication of loans/ advances as non-performing assets, spe-cific direction of RBI for ensur-

ing that the bank's balance

sheet and profit and loss

account are signed by at least

ing the statutory inspection of

the bank with reference to the

bank's financial position as of

March 31, 2019, the Inspection

Report pertaining thereto and

examination of all related cor-

respondence, the central bank

This was revealed follow-

three of its directors.

In a statement, the Reserve

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other directions.

incorrect declaration of date of expiry/best before, address of manufacturer and importers, charging more than MRP, nonstandard units and net quantity. The electronic products recorded the highest violations with 47 notices, followed by apparel with 35 notices. These 202 notices have been served between October 16, 2020 and October 26, 2021.

# over 202 notices to 75 companie for violence of rules

The Department Consumer Affairs issued

Addressing a press conference, Secretary Department of

country of origin. The rest 15 notices were for

# notices, 202 notices were issued

products.

### Consumer Affairs, Leena Nandan said out of of 217 **NORTHERN RAILWAY NOTICE INVITING TENDER** Name of work and its location

Electrical Works required for GM Inspection in GZB Approx cost of the works in Rs. 77.07 lacs Address of the office Sr. Divil Elect. Engineer/General, New Delhi 17.11.2021, 12.00 Hrs. Date & time of submission of tender Opening of tender 17.11.2021, 12.00 Hrs.

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& Sr. Divl. Elect. Engineer/General, New Delh

2430/2021

e- Tender Notice दिनांक: 25 10 2021 पत्र सं. 787, Office of the Executive Engineer PCM Dhalipur, Dehradun invites online bids from interested parties. Brief summary of the tenders are

Tender No-20/EE/PCM/Dhalipur/2021-22 Name of work-Repair of Damaged road on right side of power channe from Steel Bridge no-01 to Bhimawala Bridge Dhalipur, Dehradun. **Estimated value of Tender:** Rs. 2,11,99,320.00 (excluding GST)

Date & Time of availability of bid document: 27.10.2021 at 17:00 Hrs Last Date for submission of bids on website: 23.11.2021 up to 13:00 Hrs

For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal "http://uktenders.gov.in" Executive Engineer (PCM)

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### INDO COTSPIN LIMITED

REGD. OFFICE: 78 K.M. DELHI MILE STONE, G.T. ROAD, VILLAGE JATTIPUR, POST BOX NO. 3, POST OFFICE SAMALKHA, PANIPAT -132103 CIN:- L1111HR195PLC032541 Website-www.indocotspin.com Email ID:rajpalaggarwa112000@yahoo.com Statement of Standalone Un-audited Financial Results for the Ouarter Ended September 39, 2021

| ı | Ended September 30, 2021              |            |              |                 |  |
|---|---------------------------------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|--|
| ۱ | (Amount Rs. in                        |            |              |                 |  |
| ۱ |                                       |            | YEAR TO DATE | CORRESSPONDING  |  |
| ı | PARTICULARS                           | 3 MONTHS   | FIGURES FOR  | 3 MONTHS        |  |
| ı |                                       | ENDED      | CURRENT      | ENDED IN THE    |  |
| ı |                                       |            | PERIOD ENDED |                 |  |
|   |                                       | 30.09.2021 | 31.03.2021   | YEAR 30.09.2020 |  |
|   |                                       | Un-Audited | Audited      | Un-audited      |  |
|   | Total Income from operations (net)    | 142.64     | 816.08       | 125.22          |  |
|   | Net Profit/(Loss) from Ordinary       | 4.43       | 4.77         | 0.45            |  |
|   | activities after Tax                  |            |              |                 |  |
|   | Net Profit/(Loss) for the period      | 4.43       | 4.77         | 0.45            |  |
|   | after tax (after Extraordinary Items) |            | 7.77         | 0.40            |  |
|   | Paid Up Equity Share Capital          | 420.05     | 420.05       | 420.05          |  |
|   |                                       |            |              |                 |  |
|   | Reserves (excluding Revaluation       | 4.43       | 219.15       | 0.45            |  |
|   | Reserve as shown in the Balance       |            |              |                 |  |
|   | Sheet of Previous Year)               |            |              |                 |  |
|   | Earnings Per Share (before            | 0.10       | 0.07         | 0.01            |  |
|   | Extraordinary Items) (of Rs. 10/-     |            |              |                 |  |
|   | each):Basic and Diluted               |            |              |                 |  |
|   | (in Rupees)                           |            |              |                 |  |
|   | Earnings Per Share (after             | 0.10       | 0.07         | 0.01            |  |
|   | Extraordinary Items) (of Rs. 10/-     |            |              |                 |  |
|   | each):Basic and Diluted               |            |              |                 |  |
|   | (in Rupees)                           |            |              |                 |  |
|   | (III nupees)                          | 1          | I            | I               |  |

 i) There is no qualification on the Unaudited report for the quarter ended 30/09/2021
 ii) The above is an extract of the detailed format of Quarterly Financial Results Filed with the Stock Exchange under Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing and Other Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015. The Full format of the Quarterly Financial Results is available on the Stock Exchange websites: www.bseindia.com;tel.+91-9896034879

NOTE:

For Indo Cotspin Limited

Managing Director Din:00456219

#### (NCH), the Consumer Affairs Ministry has tied up with its Home, Finance and IT/Telecom counterparts to improve cyber fraud redressal mechanism on the NCH. Currently, there is a year tenure next month. national helpline 155260 under

As per the public notice dated October 24, 2021 issued by Department of Economic

cadres or department are eligible to apply for the post.

Candidates from recognised universities or recognised research institutions or central regulatory bodies and registered private institutions or financial institutions are eligi-

### Govt invites applications for | expects chief economic adviser post

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The Government has invited **I** applications for the post of chief economic adviser (CEA) to replace KV Subramanian, who will complete his three-

Subramanian was appointed as CEA on December 7, 2018, while he assumed charge on December 24 in the same

Affairs, the Ministry of Finance, officer of central, state governments, RBI and public sector banks holding analogous post on regular basis in parent

# FM Logistic 40% growth in India

**PTI** ■ MUMBAI

Tuesday

The Indian arm of French **I** third party logistics player FM Logistic is expecting a 35-40 growth in turnover this fiscal even as it remains focussed on developing Grade-A multiclient facilities, dedicated warehouses near the customers' manufacturing centres, and modern urban logistic hubs, its Managing Director Alexandre Amine Soufiani said on

Earlier, FM Logistic unveiled its new strategy, 'Powering 2030', which aims to double its global revenue to Euro 3-billion in 2030 from Euro 1.4 billion at present and centres on omnichannel supply chain services, urban logistics, sustainability, distribution and customer experi-

FM Logistic aims to become a reference partner in the field of sustainable, omnichannel supply chains, it

Stock Exchange website at www.bseindia.com.

Place: Delhi

Date: 25.10.2021

### **Banks sanctions** ₹11,168 cr under credit outreach initiative

New Delhi:Banks have sanctioned loans worth ₹11,168 crore to about 2 lakh borrowers under the credit outreach programme, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said on Tuesday. Under this programme, banks have been holding special camps across various parts of the country to sanction loans to eligible borrowers as per the prudential norms. Most of the banks have announced festival offers at concessional rates of interest and waived processing charges.

"During her review of PSBs in Aug, Smt @nsitharaman had exhorted banks to conduct Credit Outreach Programme in Oct to support revival of economic growth. In line with this, banks have been holding district-wise & sector-wise loan outreach programmes," a tweet by the Finance Minister's office said. The loans under the Credit Outreach Programme are over and above those sanctioned and disbursed under the various central governmentloan guarantee schemes, it

### RAGHUNATH INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

CIN No.: L52312UP1994PLC022559 Regd Office: 8/226,Second Floor, SGM Plaza, Arya Nagar, Kanpur UP 208002 Corporate Office: 6926, Jaipuria Mills, Clock Tower, SubziMandi, Delhi-110007 E-mail: rgc.secretarial@rediffmail.com, Website: www.raghunathintlimited.in

**NOTICE** 

Pursuant to Regulation 29 read with Regulation 47 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of Board of Directors of the Company will be held on Friday, 12th November, 2021, at 03.30p.m. at its Corporate office at 6926, Jaipuria Mills, Clock Tower, Subzi Mandi, Delhi-110007, inter-alia to consider and take on record the Un-Audited Standalone and Consolidated financial results of the Company for the guarter and half year ended on 30th September, 2021. This Intimation is also available on the Company's website at www.raghunathintlimited.in

and on the Stock Exchange website at www.bseindia.com. Further, in accordance with the SEBI (Prevention of Insider trading) Regulations, 2015 and the Company's Code of Conduct for Prevention of Insider Trading, the Trading Window for

dealing in the Company's securities was closed from Friday 01st October, 2021 and will open 48 hours after the said financial results are declared to the Stock Exchanges. For Raghunath International Limited

(G.N. Choudhary) Place: Delhi Date: 25.10.2021

CIN No.: L16003UP1994PLC016225 Registered Office: 8/226,Second Floor, SGM Plaza, Arya Nagar, Kanpur UP 208002 Corporate Office: 6926, Jaipuria Mills, Clock Tower, Subzi Mandi, Delhi-110007 Website: www.rtcllimited.in E-mail: rgc.secretarial@gmail.com

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Further, in accordance with the SEBI (Prevention of Insider trading) Regulations, 2015 and the Company's Code of Conduct for Prevention of Insider Trading, the Trading Window for dealing in the Company's securities was closed from Thursday 30s September, 2021 and will open 48 hours after the said financial results are declared to the

For RTCL Limited Vishal Saxena Company Secretary

Date: 26/10/2021

Bal Krishan Aggarwal

Date: 27-10-2021, Place: Delhi & NCR

1-Mr.Nitish Sehgal, S/O- Sh.
Ravinder Sehgal, R/O- H.No. D-15,
Second Floor South City-2, Sector-48
Gurgaon-122018, Haryana Also At:
Mr. Nitish Sehgal, S/O- Sh. Ravinder
Sehgal, H-90 C, Second Floor,
Shakarur, Hanyman, Wali, Gali Residential Built-Up Entire Ground Floor, Having Covered Area Of 917.083 Sq.Ft. Approx. (82.50 Sq. Mtrs.) Along With Furniture And Fixture On Ground Floor With Impartable And Undivided Right And Share In Pict Of The Land Which Is Share In Plot Of The Land Which Is Share in Piot Of the Land which is Part Of Piot No. 130 Block A Measuring 150 Sq. Mtrs. (180 Sq. Yards) In The Colony Known As South City-li, Gurugram, Haryana. Sandhi Nagar Delhi-110092

Bounded As -: North –As Per Sale Deed West - As Per Sale Deed South - As Per Sale Deed East - As Per Sale Deed

Residential Dwelling Flat/Unit No.1720, 17th Floor Tower Crema, Situated In Complex Known As Mahagun Moderna Construction Upon Plot No. GH-02, Sector-78 Noida District Gautam Budh Nagar

(U,P) Having Its Super Area 1250 SQ.FT. (116.13 SQ.MTR), Together With Proportionate Undivided Impartible Interest In Land On Sub Lease Basis And Usage Right For One Cover Car Parking. Bounded As - : North- As Per Site Plan

No.179. Ground Floor Group 2,

Having Its Area 71.00 Sq. Mtr Situated At Sector-18B, Dwarka, New

Free Hold Singlestorey Built-Up Property Bearing No.32, With Roof Rights Upto Sky, Pocket-5-A, Sector-25, Area Measuring 330.00 Sq. Mtrs., Situated At Rohini Residential Scheme, Rohini 4. Rs.2,54,77,900/-Also At Mr. Ashwani Kumar Sharma Propreitor- M/S Rgl Goods Transpor Company Khasra No.515/2 Min (0-3) Delhi, Which Is Bounded As Under

North: Plot No.57 South: Road. East: Plot No.31. West: Plot No.33.

Entire Third Floor, With Roof/Terrace Rights. Alongwith 1/4 Ownership Rights In The Stilt Parking, With

Rights In The Stilt Parking, With Common Rights Of Stair Case, Main Gate, Passage & Lift, With All Other Common Facilities & With The Proportionate 1/4" Rights Of The Land Beneath, Floor/Portion Of Built-Up Free Hold Property Bearing No.137 Land Area Measuring 252.012 Ssq Mtrs., Situated In The Layout Pian Of The Bhirochi Co-Op. House Building Society Ltd. Now Known As Bhera Enclave, Paschim Vihar, New Delhi-110087.

19th Floor, Block-Consisting Of One Drawing Cum Dining Room, Two Bedrooms, Two Toilets, Kitchen 4. Rs.24,03,525/

nforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002 and the applicable rules thereunder. find attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act where under rou can tender the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses ncurred by the Bank only till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured asset(s) by public

Sd/-, Authorized Officer,

Market estimates suggest - around 90% of start-ups fail within the first five years of their inception. DR MANISHA ACHARYA tells us how support from business incubators can turn innovative ideas into reality and increase the startup success rate



tartups can only achieve success and reach a unique posi-tion when they move in the right direction. To provide them support with a growth mindset, business/startups incubators are gaining huge popularity across the globe. According to a US-based International Business Association – there are around 7000 business incubators worldwide.

limited resources and expertise to execute a billion-dollar business idea. That's where incubators play an integral role to provide the direction and supportive framework to innovate and take the business idea to the mar-

From nurturing young entrepreneurs and their startups to providing useful resources including office space, R&D Labs, hands-on management training, marketing support and access to investors, business incubators help founders in many ways to bootstrap a startup.

#### Idea validation

Every startup founder tries his/her best to come up with a revolutionary business idea. They often consider the idea that can disrupt the tions, expansion, product developmarket and aim for becoming one of ment and marketing.

founder needs to be careful before launching and validating the idea. They must follow an approach that can minimize risks and costs in setting up the business with a maximized success rate.

A business incubator helps the founder in finding a problem that is worth solving through a revolutionary concept or product. Additionally, Usually, early-stage startups have they focus on selling and the core market landscape to help founders create a market fit product.

Mentorship
In order to build a sustainable and financially viable business, startup entrepreneurs need mentoring. Incubators that mentor startups often report a higher rate of success and attain a huge wealth of knowledge. They are provided with the benefits of increased productivity, problemsolving abilities and improved business performance.

A good business mentor having experience in building up a successful business from the scratch is a great sounding board. With their experience, founders can iron out several issues in finances, business opera-



Dr Manisha Acharya CEO, Center of Innovation & Incubation (CII)

**EARLY-STAGE** START-UPS HAVE LIMITED RESOURCES AND **EXPERTISE TO EXECUTE A BILLION-DOLLAR** BUSINESS IDEA. THAT'S WHERE INCUBATORS PLAY AN **INTEGRAL ROLE TO** PROVIDE THE DIRECTION AND SUPPORTIVE **FRAMEWORK** 

Networking opportunities Networking is the ability to find new customers, partners and investors to grow the business. Business incubators can gear the business growth for early-stage startups by fostering networks. Their potential to link with people or lab space to provide valuable support and connections to set up a sustainable

Furthermore, a business incubator identifies the most relevant practices of networking that help startups acquire new business leads. In addition, it focuses on updating the founders with new trends in attracting influential people for their startup that play a crucial role in making strong business connections.

### Workspace & pool of shared

Unlike large enterprises or corporates, early-stage startups do not have deep pockets. They face challenges in renting out an office space or utilizing important resources. Entrepreneurs with the support of a business incubator can get access to a decent workspace where they can brainstorm and craft impactful busi-

Apart from office space, few

business incubators also provide R&D and lab support that help founders in the faster realization of their business idea. Moreover, the founders get the opportunity to net-work with like-minded innovators and take advantage of utilities and cost-efficiency.

### Support with fundraising

Early-stage startups after developing a viable business idea require funds. They are necessary for further expansion and scalability. Without a business incubator, it becomes difficult for startup founders to reach potential investors and pitch their idea. On the other hand, business incubators have strong links with angel investors and venture capitalists and can help the founders in crafting a winning pitch and reaching out into investor meetings.

In a competitive market landscape like the present economy, the rate of failure for early startups is high. Market estimates suggest around 90% of Indian startups fail within the first five years of their inception. Thus, support from business incubators can turn innovative business ideas into reality and increase the startup success rate.

Real education should consist of drawing the goodness and the best out of our own students.

— Cesar Chavez

# FULL-TIME PGDM COURSES AT FORE SCHOOL OF

Applications open for admissions in the 31st batch of PGDM, 16th Batch of PGDM (IB), 5th batch of PGDM(FM) and 3rd batch of PGDM(FM) and 3rd batch of PGDM (BDA) for the upcoming session. This year the total Number of seats is 420 (180 for PGDM programme; 120 for PGDM IB; 60 Each for PGDM FM and PGDM BDA).

International **Accreditation:** Located in the heart of the capital city of India, in Qutub Institutional area amidst institutes like IIT Delhi, JNU, IIFT, Indian Statistical Institute, FORE School of management is among very few B schools in India Accredited by SAQS.

Placement: For the batch 2019-21, Average CTC offered was INR 10.7 LPA & Highest was INR 27 LPA. Top recruiters are EY, KPMG, Deloitte, GEP, ZS, Genpact, DELL, Gartner, Accenture, Cognizant, HCL, Infosys, Tech Mahindra, JLL, TATA Power, Dalmia, Indiamart and so on.

Deadline: Dec 20, 2021 till

23.59 pm



# MSC ENERGY ENGINEERING WITH INDUSTRIAL MANAGEMENT

This course is for graduates and established professionals pursuing careers in energy management. It blends theory with hands-on experience, giving you the level of insight and understanding you

need to be a great manager.
The focus of this MSc: to produce new generations of managers who are

equipped to deal with the challenge

Eligibility: Three-year bachelor's degree / four year bachelor's degree with a minimum of 60% or "first class" in

science, technology or engineering. Overall IELTS score of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 in each component, or equivalent.

**Duration:** 1 year Fee: Overseas (2022

## annual fee): £27,350

### IIT Bombay launches two certificate programmes

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ndian Institute of Technology (IIT) ■Bombay, in partnership with Coursera Inc., (NYSE: COUR), one of the largest online learning platforms in the world, has launched two new certificate programmes—Digital Transformation and Power Electronics and Motors for Electric Vehicles (EVs).

Four-month-long Digital Transformation Certification, with live lectures, is designed for non-IT managers leading digital transformation initiatives. The course teaches how

to identify opportunities to transform the organisation through strategic implementation of new technologies and builds analytical skills to understand how to implement and execute the right solutions.

Power Electronics and

Motors for Electric Vehicles (EVs), a 4.5-month certificate program, helps build essential skills for advancing careers in the field of electric vehicles (EVs). Learners will gain insight into the design and development of new solutions optimized for India's transportation future. The program covers courses in Motor Design, Power Converter Design and Motor drives.

# Never miss out on opportunities

Germany stands 4th in world GDP and plays a great role in international community. It offers internships in various fields like business, media, marketing, engineering, hospitality and many more

ermany is a country that has one of the largest economies in the world which play a great role in the international community. The country ranks 9th in terms of cultural influence. It is a place where people love to connect with others and learn about the diverse world cultures and has placed itself on the 2nd position for entrepreneurship in 2020 which includes factors like being connected to the rest of the world, technological expertise, transparent business practices and a lot more.

As Germany is also greatly economically influential, it ranks 4th in terms of power. It is a magnificent place to gain work experience giving you a practical aspect to the degree you've earned. This country provides access to international work skills, while helping students learn and develop German language abilities as it has strong international

As Germany has a highly developed market, it stands 4th in the GDP in the world. Internships are available in various fields like business, media, marketing while there are sectors such as engineering, hospitality and many more where students can apply to learn to gain valuable work experience.

Use online opportunities to keep track of the internship or find an internship via organisation. DAAD and AIESEC are the organizations that exist to place students in any location in Germany. You can find support and contact them via visiting their web-

MBA - Business Management The internship opportunities that a student can receive in Germany in the business



sector is endless as Germany is home to more than 500 companies. Germany offers paid internships up to 1000 dollars in private companies, regional businesses, headquarters of multinational corporations, and other smaller private companies. Having an internship in Germany in the business field will help the intern to develop an international perspective that will be highly beneficial in the busi-

**MBA** - Marketing Germany has a huge population and with this population comes the demand for different marketing opportunities and tactics. In the field of marketing, interns must work with communications and public relations, develop competitive analyses, conduct market research, create impactful messages and more. If one has a good hold of skill sets and matches the personal preferences and needs of the company, Germany also offers highly paid internships in web design and social media. Apart from this, educational work with brand managers as part of their

Engineering – All Field
The automobile industry in Germany is vast, big and successful companies in Germany offer students engineering paid internships. The summer internships offered in Germany are the best way to use your theoretical engineering knowledge into practice. If you join as a trainee, you will have to work to help the engineers design and plan various projects which will help you to build your team working and developmental skills.

Health and Social Sciences

Germany offers many paid internships for students who are interested in social services institutions, psychology, psychiatry, hospital industry and more. As a part of their internships, interns will have to work with families, battered women, children, the elderly, refugees and such other people. The possibility for an intern to get an internship in this sector is huge. Some workplaces in Germany also offer a paid internship of eight week for professional development in fields like social sciences, health, and other related sectors.

The legal system in Germany is full of unique experience and intricacies and intrigue. Those interns who wish to apply for an internship in Germany in this field will work under major mergers, corporate law firms, acquisitions, environmental laws, media and more. These opportunities are worth a try. Getting an internship in law would be one of the most eye-opening

programmes in Germany offer interns to experiences that will change the perspective of the intern throughout their law career.

> Germany is a country that has an influence in the European Union and works in the same spheres as political and government officials. The political internships in Germany are a great way to learn about the government and history. It enables the intern to apply political knowledge in their own country. Apart from this, the internships provide a great way to create networks and help you to get one step closer to having a career in politics. These internship placements are offered by municipal offices,

> mayor's office, lobby groups and more. 2000+ German internship opportunities are available on LinkedIn itself. A huge number of businesses post for internships in project management, analyst, marketing, global retail transformation, product management, digital activations, finance intern, corporate communications, global supply chain management, digital analytics & consumer insights, recruiter, investment banking, global operations sustainability, IT operations, business and strategy, pharmaceutical, social media and creative marketing, technical project management, software developer, front end & backend engineers, technical writers, and a lot more.

> These 3 to 12 months of paid internships are designed in a way to give you an international work experience and help to boost their self-confidence with deeper understanding of the German economic roles.

The writer is Som Sharma, Director,

# Face her and educate her

International Girls day, it's time to rethink the condition of adolescent girls in our country, to reflect on ourselves and to ask our minds as to what we are doing to improve the condition of girls? Our country India, from the day it got independence has achieved tremendous development in terms of improvement of our GDP, technology, industrial development and foreign trade. But behind this so-called 'success', remains the deplorable condition of young girls, who are for years neglected and showed towards. apathy Government of India has been making its own efforts to uplift this neglected and marginalized section of girls through various initiatives such as Sukanya Samriddhi Yojana, Balika Samridhi Yojana and Mukhyamantri Rajshri Yojana to name a few. But even with the introduction and functioning of these schemes in rural India, the question remains as to how impactful these schemes have been to change the 'perspective' and 'attitude' of the masses towards the girl child in our country. World Population Report

2020 indicates that the number of 'missing women' in the country have doubled over the past 50 years. India accounts for 45.8

the horizon of million 'missing women' worldwide. The phrase missing women refers to those women who are killed before they are born by sex selection and also after birth, where they are deliberately killed by lack of proper nutrition and care.

We are blessed with a few philanthropic and educational institutions who 'care' and 'nurture' the girl child. One such institution is Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham located in Kerala, India. Amrita University, through its research lab known as A and Center for Gender Equality and Empowerment have been striving for many years now to provide the marginalized and leftout girls with quality education, health and nutrition, safety and security and inclusive development. Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham was selected by the Government of India to be an implementing agency of the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), a special initiative project. The young women are trained on courses such as Automotive Repair, Plumbing, Tailoring and General Duty Assistant. Ammachi Labs launched its first PMKY training center in Odisha, Kerala and Tamil Nadu followed by Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh. The writer is Amrita Vishwa

# 5th graduation show at WWI school of fashion

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Whistling Woods International (WWI) School of Fashion presented a creative showcase of its final year graduating students -Aiyanna 2021. The 5th edition of the fashion graduation showcase witnessed creativity and innovations being brought to life, where along with fashion and style, fabrics, cut, silhouette and embellishments

While the student work showcase ranged from Avantgarde to Indian Wear to Evening Wear to even smart Street Wear, the highlights of

were honored and appreciated.

this year' Aiyanna 2021 were the incredibly unique factors students brought into their collections. From designing and producing 100% compostable & sustainable t-shirts, the revival of Batik with natural dyes, contemporised tra-

ditional embroidery to detailed and precision-oriented menswear and encompassing the essence of Goa in the garments through revival of Kunbi, this year' collection showcased at the fashion graduation show wasn't just about fashion on ramp but bringing a change towards sustainable

trends, practices and future. Bringing forward the uniqueness of the immensely talented young budding

designers, this year' edition was based on the theme, Beyond Stillness. Whistling

International encourages collaborative learning and Aiyanna 2021 brought this vision to life. School of Fashion joined hands with School of Filmmaking (Cinematography Department), School of Music and School of Event

# IMTS Institute: Study and work together

 $F^{
m or}$  everyone working and wants to advance their education, the Institute of Management and Technology Studies is the place for them to earn degree certificates while they work. IMTS has created an online education channel through which learners can empower themselves, advance their knowledge and become better at whatever they do or like.

The graduates from IMTS are presently working in various capacities in different multinational companies such as BSF, Indian Army, Banking Apple, IBM, PayPal,



HCL, Facebook, Google, and more. In its existing database, more than 27,000+ students now have their data saved and

Students of IMTS Institute stand a chance of experiencing no stress or difficulty as they learn. It has now deemed it fit to open a new

branch in Dubai. This enables students in UAE, Kuwait, Oman, and other parts of the Middle East to access quality education. It also offers online support, career support, and career counseling support.

Students can have doubt-clearing sessions with professors. Apart from that, they can gain good ideas in technological development that is taking place in the industry.



### Internships give an opportunity to learn and to put our studies into workplace, says DR VISHAL M BALARAMNAVAR

here are around 600 medical schools in the country as of 2020 with more than 50,000 medical students passing out every year after they qualify for these medical colleges through NEET. The internship year is a very important part of a medical student's life before becoming a fully discovered medical professional. It is during internship that medical students learn the real manner in which doctors work. It is here that they learn in the intricacies of medicine.

After studying for four-and-ahalf years it is finally the time to put oneself to work. Internships give us the opportunity to learn so much more and enable a platform to put our studies into work.

Being in a new place where you won't have your friends or teachers anymore but patients and hospital staff, it is a huge shift. Here are some tips that one should follow to have a successful and calm internship.

#### **BE SYSTEMATIC**

Being an intern, you would have a lot on your mind and since it is new, it is difficult to focus on many things at a time. For this, try to be systematic. Make a to-do list and try keeping a track of most of your work one by one. When in

doubt or need assistance always be confident enough to ask for help from your seniors and observe how they have tabs on their devices to keep them systematic.

#### **KNOW THE BASICS**

As an intern, if you do not know about diseases that are not common it is okay and is often unlooked at but it is important to learn the basics well that is knowing the Symptoms and practices of common diseases like nausea, how to control pain, and more. One of the ways to remember these practices is to refer to intern guides on the internet which gives you a lot of information.

#### **BE OBSERVANT**

It is important, as an intern, to listen and observe all the senior workers and doctors carefully. Being an intern gives you the leverage as you don't have to know everything about a particular topic since you're there to learn. In an internship, one should always be open to learning. The best and ideal way is to listen more than speaking.

#### STUDY YOUR PATIENT

Reading through your patient's files allows you to have a better knowledge about your

Application deadline: It is

The Glenn Gould School

Eligibility: Open to

Supporting documents:

invites applications for schol-

**arship support**. International

students receive scholarships

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Submit the High school tran-

script, Post-secondary tran-

script, Two recommendation

letters, current repertoire list,

audition repertoire list, musical

Registered for at least 20 hours

of class or individual instruction

per week. Both the Bachelor of

Music; Performance (Honours)

and the Artist Diploma

Program require a minimum

strong command of English is

necessary for success in our pro-

grams. For this reason, proof of

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ficiency is required before a can-

didate can be admitted. Original

copies of test results sent direct-

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submit an online application.

last date to apply for this is

How to apply: To partici-

**Application deadline:** The

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residency of two years.

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December 15, 2021.

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patient and their symptoms, medication, reactions, allergies and much more. Patients expect that their care providers know their medical conditions thoroughly and offer the best possible treatments. Reading through your patient's files not only aids you offer better help but also expands vour ability to identify the weak points and your knowledge to expand on other cases.

#### **SPEAK TO THE PATIENT'S FAMILY**

As an intern, it is highly possible that you may not know much about the patient and its treatment but most of the time the family just wants to have health updates. It is important to be good and responsive to the patient's family and build trust. Most of the time the family responds by saying thank you which makes one feel good and satisfied.

#### **CALM YOURSELF DOWN**

As an intern, the people around you don't expect you to know a lot of things. So putting a lot of pressure on yourself from the initial stage of your internship will make you less confident even if it is your forte which will result in a bad impression. Remember to keep yourself calm and try to keep a smiling face on; have a good atti-

tude and follow up on things that are important.

#### **BE A TEAM PLAYER**

While being an Intern you are new to everything around you. During this time, it is important to be a team player. Being with your team will not only help you improve your patient's health but will also build the trust and bond that is needed for a team to be efficient enough. Nothing would work properly in the hospital if your team consisting of fellow interns, senior residents, phlebotomists, medical assistants, nurses, hospital transporters etc does not work in sync, patience and respect for one another.

The 5.5 years of your life of being a student physician are very crucial and of utmost importance of which that one whole year where you have different residential rotations and meet a lot of different people helps you gain experience and knowledge which is essential for your development.

Though being an intern, you would have limited time and much more work to do, but practicing these tips will help you widen your skills and contribute to you in the future.

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# Why go for global MBA degree

A global MBA degree will help students to gain wider exposure, a stronger network & good package, says DR AKHIL SHAHANI

n MBA degree is one of the best pathways to a lucrative career.
MBA professionals are confident individuals and have a pool of information that can help any organisation to succeed. Be it any industry, an MBA graduate will find a suitable job matching his or her skills and knowledge.

To be a successful MBA professional, an individual must possess good communication and interpersonal skills and qualities such as teamwork and professionalism. While a normal Indian MBA degree can help students develop these skills and qualities; a global MBA degree will help students to gain wider exposure, a stronger professional network, and a good salary package.

But you may ask, what exactly is a global MBA? You take classes in an Indian college affiliated to a foreign university. The teaching that is conducted in India counts towards the total course credits needed by the foreign university to gain an MBA. In many cases, the last part of the course is taught online or in the physical campus of the foreign university, after which the MBA is granted.

Let's see how a global MBA degree can help you shape your career.

Increase in opportunities: Today, the universal nature of business demands an in-depth understanding of global markets. To succeed in the dynamic business world, an individual must have practical knowledge of the business world and the latest industry trends around the globe. It will keep you updated with all these and will also provide you with a wide range of opportunities for your professional growth. A global MBA degree follows a curriculum that is designed to give an international perspective. It gives you the confidence to work in any organisation in any part of the world. International exposure: The pan-

demic has made us realise the importance of globalisation. In trying times, businesses and organisations across the globe came together to support each other. This situation had led to a growing need for MBA professionals who can have the knowledge and skills for dealing with international issues and situations. A global MBA prepares you to



Dr Akhil Shahani MDr. Thadomal Shahani Centre for Management. Shahani Group

work with foreign firms, lead and manage diverse teams and make strategic decisions.

Broaden networks: Pursuing a global MBA degree makes you a part of a huge global network of talented and successful professionals from various industries. Ît is rightly said that it is not important what you know, but who you know. Compared to an Indian MBA degree, a global one will help you connect with professionals from various industries in different countries. The faculty and guest lectures from industry experts will guide you with your career, give you industry insights, and can even nelp you secure your dream job. A global MBA degree curriculum also exposes you to diverse business environments and widens your perspective about various international issues.

Increased remuneration: You can enhance the skills that are needed to succeed in the global business environment. You also learn relevant skills to survive and flourish in the ever-evolving international business community. This gives you an edge over others. Comparably, the possibilities are global MBA degree holders tend to have better promotion opportunities than Indian MBA degree holders, because they have a wider and broader global business knowledge and

Whether SAT or ACT, most students in India struggle with the verbal sections of these tests- both reading comprehension (a passage followed by questions) and grammar.

Take the reading section on the SAT for example. You need to be a good reader and a smart test taker. There are 52 questions spread across 5 passages (around 700 words each). The time allocated for the section is 65 minutes. This means you will be rushing through each passage and answer accompanying questions in around 10 minutes. But time is not the only challenge here

The test has passages ranging from literature and science to historic speeches and US founding documents. A recent official practice test, for example, has a passage from George Eliot's 1861 book review article on employment. For SAT success, you need to understand the passage and answer questions correctly. Understanding the passage is easy on science or social science passages, not so much when the passage is a lumbering, convoluted essay on democracy in 19th

Most questions on the SAT reading section are inference-based questions. This is not a simple fact finding mission. You questions, apply elimination techniques and strictly follow strategies tailored to the SATall of this across 5 passages and 52 questions in 65 minutes without losing

How to start preparing?: The first step to preparation is a diagnostic test.

Remember, the SAT and ACT are not literature tests or math tests like those at school. You need to learn the rules, remember the rules, and play by th Even if you are good at Math and English at school, you need to work specifically on SAT or ACT to get better at the test. Realizing this is crucial. You need to find out how comfortable you are with the format of the test you plan to take and you definitely need to find out what your untrained score is.

Don't worry if you are not comfortable with all the topics on the test. The point is to find out how you will do on the test without preparation Once you have taken your diagnostic

test, you should get your performance reviewed. The review should help you identify strength areas as well as improvement areas. Your diagnostic test should also help you identify which test you will do better on (SAT or ACT)

Once you have taken the diagnostic and got it reviewed, the next step is to ensure you have an effective study plan in place. For SAT you can and should take advantage

of Khan Academy resources. However, you will quickly find that you will benefit from a more graduated approach to tests such as the ACT and the SAT that allows you to learn and practice specific skills and strategies. Time management is a crucial technique that you need to learn.

On that note, regular mock tests are essential. If your prep starts a month before the test, you need to keep careful track of scores and narrow your prep down to specific areas where you are facing problems

> The writer is Adarsh Khandelwal, CEO-co-founder, Collegify



**¬he Computer Science** Department at ETH Zurich invites applications for its Student Summer Research Fellowship for students from around the world.

**Eligibility:** You are enrolled in a study programme (Bachelor or Master) in computer science or a closely related field (e.g., electrical engineering, mathematics, physics); You have two years of study completed by summer 2022 (Master students naturally satisfy this condition).

The duration of the fellowship is fixed to full two months of July and August.

English language requirements: You will need a good working knowledge of English in order to participate fully. Your language ability may be assessed during the interview.

How to apply: After your registration, SiROP offers you to affiliate with your institution. After clicking on apply now button on SiROP page you will be asked to fill in personal data and upload several documents:

Your CV. Use Europass for-

Official academic transcript of university. Use grading system that your university pro-

Letter of motivation/personal statement (1 page). Why you have chosen your proposed scientific area of research. What

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> THE LEARNING APP Location: Work From Home Stipend: ₹25.000 per month

**ROOMS** 

**GROUP** 

Location: Delhi

**CERTYBOX** 

Location: Lucknow

Link: internshala.com/i/0cc235 Deadline: November 3, 2021

Location: Work From Home

Stipend: ₹40,000 per month

Deadline: November 3, 2021

Stipend: ₹8,000-₹12,000 per

Link: internshala.com/i/e3c3c2

**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT (SALES) AT** 

MEDIA & PUBLIC RELATIONS (PR) AT

WEB DESIGNING AT THE UNIQUE CULTURE

**ENGINEERING AT SANVIYA IT SOLUTIONS** 

Deadline: November 4, 2021

Stipend: ₹10,000 per month

Deadline: November 4, 2021

Stipend: ₹15,000 per month

Deadline: November 3, 2021

Stipend: ₹10,000 per month

Deadline: November 3, 2021

Stipend: ₹9,000 per month

Link: internshala.com/i/8a79ec

Deadline: November 3, 2021

Link: internshala.com/i/dd47f3

Location: Bhubaneswar

Location: Ranchi

Link: internshala.com/i/31454d

**POLITICAL SAMPARK** 

Location: Chandigarh

Link: internshala.com/i/70976f

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## **CORPORATE COMMUNICATION AT BYJU'S**

### PROGRAMMES ALIGNED WITH GLOBAL NEED

uture technocrats need interdisciplinary skills. They should have the ability to unleash their imaginations and expertise to recognise and solve complex problems with their indepth knowledge. They should know how to anticipate which innovations matter the most. IIT Jodhpur has designed academic programmes aligned to this

global need Features of programmes The

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fundamentals

sciences for enabling students to have a broader multi-disciplinary perspective for specialisation being pursued

Early design courses with a focus on conceptual multidisciplinary design methods rather than discipline-specific focus enabling students to think and act like technocrats

Requisite disciplinary depth

Option to study a wide range of departmental specialisations or minor areas in emerging domains

Opportunity to explore entrepreneurship, and engineering innovation through industry collaboration as part of the regular program

At present, IIT Jodhpur offers eight BTech programmes offering the above-mentioned salient features with multidisciplinary learning opportunities

#### MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED

he IMS Ghaziabad signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Mata Sundri College of Women-

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University of Delhi on October 25 2021. The collaboration was done during SAMAAGAM -2021. the annual Academic

festival, organised by IMS Ghaziabad for developing managerial acumen and leadership qualities in the students

#### **PRIDE WEEK AT ABWA**

he students of Aditya Birla World Academy (ABWA), South Mumbai successfully conducted Pride Week programme aimed at supporting the LGBTQIA+ community.

the support of the pastoral care

community. The campaign was Students of Classes XI and XII launched the initiative with

were planned throughout an entire week to promote diversity and inclusiveness, as well as raise the visibility of LGBTQIA+

celebrated with focus of building allyship where students were seen conducting a diverse range team at school. Several activities of engaging activities

### **ENERGY-EFFICIENT TECHNOLOGY FOR COOKING**

he Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati has transferred to an industry partner an energyefficient and environmentfriendly technology developed for cook-stoves by its researchers for commercialisation. This will ensure that the benefits of the research reach the society at large and benefit the common man.

The research team headed by Professor P Muthukumar, Department of Mechanical Engineering, IIT Guwahati, had developed porous radiant burners for cook-stoves equipped, which can provide the fuel saving in the range of 25 to 50 per cent. It can be operated with LPG, biogas and kerosene

major contribution of IIT Guwahati towards the Government's efforts to enhance the access to clean cooking energy by

This effort will be a

(ICS) through various policies and programmes. Professor Muthukumar said: "These indigenously developed cook-stoves equipped with specially-

promoting LPG, biogas and

improved cook-stoves

designed double layered PRBs provide fuel saving in range of 25-50% and reduce CO and NOx emissions by 80 per cent The newly developed PRB is ideally suited both gaseous fuels.

#### CONSORTIUM TO PROVIDE CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGIES

Madras Robert Bosch Centre for Data Science and Artificial Intelligence (RBCDSAI) is launching the RBCDSAI Industrial Consortium to provide information resources support on cuttingedge technologies to industries working on Al. The consortium will enable the industries members to learn about the

he Indian Institute of Technology

scientific developments and latest trends in Al and Data Science.

Professor Balaraman Ravindran. Mindtree Faculty Fellow and Head, RBCDSAI, IIT Madras, said: "There is highquality AI research happening at RBCDSAI. The idea is to use this consortium as a means to disseminate output of our research to industry partners.

#### **WORKSHOP ON LEADING SELF TO EXCELLENCE**

he Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology Delhi (IIIT-Delhi) organised a free workshop on Leading Self to Excellence under the aegis of the AICTE Training and Learning (ATAL) programme. ATAL is a unique initiative by AICTE to enhance the quality of technical education in the country by training the faculty on a wide range of topics of relevance

"Each one of us is a leader. We first lead ourselves, and then as we lead our lives well, others start to follow us. So, the primary focus of this workshop was on leading oneself, and then only in the second part of the workshop, we discussed about leading others. This is an inside-out kind of approach," said Dr Anuj Grover, Associate Dean, IRD at IIIT-Delhi. The workshop was

ciples of effectiveness as elucidated by leadership coaches like Stephen R Covey, Ram Charan, Bob Burg and John Mann. The sessions were interspersed with activities and spiced up with stories from Indian lore to drive home ideas. The AICTE mandates there should be a few sessions that help the participants to manage their physical and mental well-being.

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# PAK'S FIVE-WICKET IN OVER NZ



**PTI** ■ SHARJAH

Pacer Haris Rauf led a clinical bowling display with an excellent four-wicket haul before Shoaib Malik and Asif Ali's onslaught as Pakistan took "revenge" on New Zealand for a recent off-field snub with a five-wicket win in the T20 World Cup here on Tuesday.

Most of the top-order batters, except for opener Mohammad Rizwan (33), struggled but the experienced Malik (26 not out off 20 balls) and number seven Ali (27 not out off 12) flourished towards the end with a 48-run partnership for the sixth wicket to take Pakistan home with eight balls to spare.

This was Pakistan's second consecutive win after their comprehensive 10-wicket victory over India on Sunday.

The New Zealand team, playing in its first match, had recently withdrawn from a scheduled series against Pakistan after landing there, citing a security threat which, according to the host country, did not exist.

Chasing 135 for a win, captain Babar Azam (9) and Rizwan made a decent start but they were finding it difficult to get the runs and the boundaries as the chase progressed.

Azam was not at his fluent best as compared to his brilliant unbeaten 68 against India and

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Abu Dhabi

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Oct 27, 7:30 pm IST

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Bangladesh -

was out in the sixth over, bowled by Tim Southee, who got his 100th wicket in T20 Internationals.

Runs were not coming easily for Pakistan at this stage as they reached 30 for 1 at the end of power play and they got another jolt as one-down Fakhar Zaman (11) was trapped LBW by Ish Sodhi in the ninth over.

Former captain Mohammad Hafeez hoisted James Neesham for a six as soon as he came out as Pakistan reached 58 for 2 at the halfway mark.

But, in the next over, he got out with Devon Conway taking a stunning diving catch near the boundary ropes off the bowling of Mitchell Santner.

New Zealand were back into the match with Rizwan, who had scored 79 not out against India, trapped LBW by Sodhi in the 12th over.

After a couple of relatively quiet overs, Trent Boult got his first wicket by getting rid of Imad Wasim (11) in the 15th over. But from there on, Pakistan changed the script of the match, courtesy Malik and Asif Ali. Pakistan needed 44 runs

from the final five overs and in came Ali who clobbered Southee for two consecutive sixes in the 17th over to tilt the match in his

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Malik hit a six and a four tion off the batter's pads.

Oravid is all but certain to to be

the Indian cricket team's next head

coach after he formally applied for

the high-profile position on Tuesday. With Dravid, the current head of

National Cricket Academy applying,

the job for the Cricket Advisory

Committee becomes easier as there

aren't any big names in fray who can

is the first and only choice of BCCI

Also, it is reliably learnt that he

match the batting great's stature.



# SA hand WI 8-wicket defeat

**PTI** ■ DUBAI

as South Africa produced an all-round effort to bounce back strongly from their opening defeat and beat West Indies by eight wickets to secure their first win in the Super 12 stage of the ICC T20 World Cup here

Both South Africa and West Indies started their Super 12 campaign on a losing note. While the Proteas were handed a five-wicket defeat by Australia, West Indies sank to six-wicket

South Africa will next play Sri Lanka in their third Group 1 match on October 30, while West Indies will take on Bangladesh a day earlier.

South Africa first weathered

Contrary to the end result, South Africa did not have the best of starts to their chase losing skipper Temba Bavuma

But Hendricks, who

innings with a 57-run second wicket stand.

After Hendricks' dismissal, van der Dussen and Markram then carried South Africa forward to bring down the equation to 44 off last six overs.

While van der Dussen held one end up, Markram played an explosive knock to take South Africa home. Markram decorated his innings with two fours and four sixes. Earlier, Lewis smashed a quickfire half-century before West Indies lost the plot to manage the modest score.

Lewis and Lendl Simmons (16) got West Indies off to a flier. The duo put on 73 runs off 63 balls for the opening stand before West Indies lost wickets at regular intervals.

Lewis did the bulk of the scoring in the partnership. He showed his aggressive intent from the beginning, hitting Kagiso Rabada for a boundary over backward point and then lofted the bowler straight over his head in the next ball.

Next it was Aiden Markram's turn to face Lewis' wrath as the batter struck two sixes and a four in successive balls to garner 18 runs in the fifth over.

Lewis then smashed Anrich Nortje over mid-off but a ball later the bowler induced a thin edge from Simmons which wicket-keeper Henrich Klaasen failed to hold.

Lewis was in ominous form

Scoreboard

WEST INDIES (BATTING) Evin Lewis (56) Kieron Pollard (26) Lendl Simmons (16)

**SOUTH AFRICA (BOWLING)** Dwaine Pretorius 2 (17, 3wkt) Keshav Maharai 4 (24, 2wkt) Anrich Nortje 4 (14, 1wkt)

Total 190 (4 wickets, 20 overs)

Total 144 (2 wickets, 18.2 overs

**SOUTH AFRICA (BATTING)** Aiden Markram (51) Rassie van der Dussen (43)

WEST INDIES (BOWLING) Akeal Hosein 4 (27, 1wkt)

Kieron Pollard 1 (9, 0wkt) Ravi Rampaul 3 (22, 0wkt)

#### Scoreboard

Reeza Hendricks (39)

**NEW ZEALAND (BATTING)** D Mitchell (27) D Conway (27)

**PAKISTAN (BOWLING)** H Rauf 4 (22, 4wkt) I Wasim 4 (24, 1wkt) M Hafeez 2 (16, 1wkt)

K Williamson (25) vickets, 20 overs

PAKISTAN (BATTING) Mohammad Rizwan (33) Asif Ali (27) Shoaib Malik (26)

**NEW ZEALAND (BOWLING)** Ish Sodhi 4 (28, 2wkt) Tim Southee 4 (25, 1wkt) Trent Boult 3.4 (29, 1wkt)

ts, 18.4 overs

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#### Group A

Africa bowler. He brought up his

fifty in style, slog sweeping Tabraiz Shamsi over deep

square-leg to reach landmark in

vein after his fifty and clobbered

Keshav Maharaj for a six but

finally perished a ball later in

search of one too many, holed

out to Rabada at deep midwick-

et. He struck three fours and six

sixes during his 35-ball knock. Two more quick wickets, somewhat, put a brake on West

Indies' charge after the brilliant

struggle as his 35-ball innings

was the joint-longest in terms of

balls without a boundary in men's T20 World Cup.

stay was shortlived as he became

Maharaj's second victim, caught

by David Miller and then

Simmons was castled by Rabada

West Indies skipper Kieron

Pollard and Chris Gayle, hitting

the left-arm spinner for a six

was cut short by Dwaine

Pretorius before Andre Russell

was cleaned up by Nortje in the

later to compound the West

Shamsi was taken to task by

Gayle's run-a-ball 12 knock

Hetmyer was run out a ball

Pollard made 26 off 20 balls

But Simmons stay was

Nicholas Pooran'S (12 off 7)

start given by Lewis.

in the next over.

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next over. Shimron

Indies problems.

Lewis continued in the same

just 32 balls.

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|--------------|---------|--------|--------|
| Team         | Matches | NRR    | Points |
| England      | 1       | +3.970 | 2      |
| Sri Lanka    | 1       | +0.583 | 2      |
| Australia    | 1       | +0.253 | 2      |
| South Africa | 2       | +0.179 | 2      |
| Bangladesh   | 1       | -0.583 | 0      |
| West Indies  | 2       | -2.550 | 0      |

| Group B     |         |        |        |  |
|-------------|---------|--------|--------|--|
| Team        | Matches | NRR    | Points |  |
| Pakistan    | 2       | +0.738 | 2      |  |
| Afghanistan | 1       | +6.500 | 0      |  |
| Namibia     | 0       | +0.000 | 0      |  |
| New Zealand | 1       | -0.532 | 0      |  |
| India       | 1       | -0.973 | 0      |  |
| Scotland    | 1       | -6.500 | 0      |  |

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#### RATRA IN FRAY TO BECOME INDIA FIELDING COACH Mumbai: Former India wicket-keeper Ajay Ratra has

applied for the position of the fielding coach of the Indian Cricket team. The 39-year-old Faridabad born Ratra has played six Tests and 12 ODIs and 99 first class matches. Ratra, who played for Haryana in the domestic circuit, told PTI on Tuesday. Ratra, who has a varied coaching experience, is currently the head coach of Assam and is in the north Eastern state for the team's camp ahead of the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy, which will start on November 4.

#### HAYDEN IMPRESSED WITH INDO-PAK SPORTING BROTHERHOOD **Dubai:** Former Australia opener Matthew Hayden has

hailed the "sporting brotherhood" displayed by arch-rivals India and Pakistan after their T20 World Cup clash, saying the players have set an example with their conduct. India lost to Pakistan for the first time in an ICC World Cup, going down by by 10 wickets in the opening Super 12 game of the T20 World Cup on Sunday.

#### GAVASKAR LAUDS KOHLI FOR HIS TERRIFIC INNINGS

Dubai: Legendary batter Sunil Gavaskar has heaped praise on India captain Virat Kohli for his 57-run knock against arch-rivals Pakistan in their T20 World Cup match here, saying it was a "terrific innings" under difficult circumstances. Kohli's 49-ball 57, which was laced with five fours and a six, went in vain as India lost to Pakistan by 10 wickets in their Super 12 match here on Sunday.

## LOCKIE FERCUSON OUT OF T20 WC DUE TO INJURY Sharjah: In a big blow to New Zealand's T20 World Cup

campaign, fast bowler Lockie Ferguson was on Tuesday ruled out of the showpiece due to a "grade two" calf tear just before their opening match against Pakistan. Pacer Adam Milne is set to replace him in the 15-member squad, subject to approval of the ICC Technical

# Aiden Markram struck a whirlwind unbeaten fifty

in the next over before Ali set the

Sharjah sky on fire with a six and

- to take Pakistan to 135 for 5 in

the bowling attack with four wickets as Pakistan restricted

New Zealand to a modest total.

of trouble after they were invit-

ed to bat in the face a disciplined

Pakistani bowling attack with

opener Daryl Mitchell and

Conway top-scoring with 27 each and captain Kane

New Zealand could not

Williamson contributing 25.

have one substantial partnership

with their highest being the 36-run opening stand between Mitchell and Martin Guptill

wasim and Mohammad Hafeez

also took one wicket each for

Pakistan. Afridi, who rattled

the Indian top-order in

Pakistan's win over India, got the

swing in the opening over which

was a maiden one. But Mitchell

hit a four off his second over

Ali for a six as New Zealand

looked to take the initiative. But

they were unable to come out of

the power play unscathed as

Rauf uprooted Guptill's tim-

bers after the ball took a deflec-

Rahul Dravid formally applies

for head coach's post

Mitchell then hoisted Hasan

which yielded eight runs.

Shaheen Afridi, Imad

Earlier, Rauf spearheaded

The Kiwis were in all sorts

hit the winning runs -- a two -

on Tuesday.

loss against England.

Evin Lewis' (56) initial onslaught to restrict West Indies to 143 for eight and then rode on solid batting displays from Markram (51 not out off 26), Rassie van der Dussen(43 not out off 51) and Reeza Hendricks (39) to comfortably chase down the target with 10 balls to spare.

early to a run out.

replaced Quinton de Kock dropped for for not taking knee against racism, and van der Dussen then stabilised the

#### but failed to push up the scoras he didn't spare a single South ing towards the end. Shami one of the best

bowlers in world: Rizwan

Pakistan wicketkeeper Mohammad Rizwan on Tuesday urged people to show respect to players, voicing his support for senior India pacer Mohammed Shami, who was subjected to abuse on social media following the national team's World Cup loss to the arch-rivals.

The Pakistan opener, who played a match-winning unbeaten 79-run knock in his team's comprehensive 10-wicket over India in the T20 World Cup campaign opener on Sunday, requested people to show respect to players, who are always under immense pressure to perform.

"The kind of pressure, struggles & sacrifices a player has to go through for his country & his people is immeasurable. @MdShami11 is a star & indeed one of the best bowlers in the world.

"Please respect your stars. This game should bring people together & not divide 'em #Shami #PAKvIND," Rizwan wrote on

One of India's best fast bowlers in recent times, Shami was the team's most



expensive bowler on Sunday, giving away 43 runs in 3.5 overs. His ordinary performance in the match was linked to his reli gion by trolls on social media.

### 137/8 Highest Total 159/6 Never played in T20 World Cup of the IPL final between Kolkata Knight Riders and Chennai Super

## Sameer makes winning start at French Open



**PTI** PARIS

India's Sameer Verma progressed to the second round of French Open Super 750 badminton tournament with a straight game win over Lee Dong Keun here on Tuesday.

The 25-year-old from Madhya Pradesh, who had won three titles to qualify for the 2018 World Tour finals, beat the Korean 21-14 21-12 in 54 minutes in the men's singles opening round here. This was Sameer's first win

over the Korean, having lost to him twice in the past. Sameer had stunned world

no 3 Anders Antonsen of Denmark at the Denmark Open second round last week before retiring in the quarterfinals due to a calf muscle injury. His performance helped him improve to world no 21 in the latest Badminton World Federation ranking chart.

#### Celta wins 3-0, keeps Getafe winless in Spanish league **AP** ■ MADRID

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T20 captain, which in all likeli-

hood, will be Rohit Sharma.

Canti Mina scored twice and Iago Aspas added Janother as Celta Vigo defeated last-place Getafe 3-0 to keep its opponent winless in the Spanish league.

Mina found the net in the 55th and 73rd minutes and Aspas scored in the 58th as the visitors ended a run of two straight losses. Getafe played a man down from the 63rd after

defender Djené Dakonam was sent off for a foul

Getafe started the season with seven straight losses before drawing two consecutive matches entering Monday's game. Second-to-last-place Levante is the only other team without a league

It was the third victory of the season for Celta, which moved to 14th place, four points from the relegation zone. The match marked the home debut for Getafe

coach Quique Sánchez Flores in his third stint with the modest Madrid club. He made his first-division coaching debut with Getafe in 2004 and had a brief and unsuccessful return to the team in 2015.

Celta on Thursday hosts Real Sociedad, which leads the league with 21 points, one more than Real Madrid and Sevilla.

# Nikki Poonacha, Paras Dahiya advance in Fenesta Open Nationals

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op seed and former champion Top seed and former change.

Nikki Poonacha took some time to get his rhythm before beating Sai Karteek Redddy Ganta while Paras Dahiya edged out Karan Singh at the Fenesta Open national tennis championships here on Tuesday.

The tall Poonacha beat Reddy 6-4 6-3 in his men's singles opener while fourth seed Dahiya had to work hard to defeat Karan Singh 6-2 7-5 at the DLTA Complex.

"It was a good game overall for me. It was close at 4-3 but I think I played good tennis. I just came from Tunisia, so I'm getting used to the conditions here," said Poonacha.

"It was a good win and a good

day. So far my experience with the Fenesta Open has been great. Delhi is my favourite place to play and I have won a few big tournaments here," said Nikki.

Dahiya was also pleased with his



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"I'm really grateful to come back here. Today's match was really good. The first set was good for me. In the second set, I started a bit slow, but somehow I managed and this is a good win for me to boost my confidence," he said.

Third seed Nitin Kumar Sinha

6-1 win over Neeraj Yashpaul. "I played good and let me see

how it goes on Wednesday. I love playing in the Fenesta Open," said

In the women's singles, Vanshita Pathania knocked eighth seed Prerna Bambri 2-6, 7-5, 6-1.

### Kushagra starts off with a new record in 400 mtr Freestyle New Delhi: Delhi's Kushagra

Rawat sets a new senior national record on the opening day of the 74th Senior National Aquatic Championships at the Basavanagudi Aquatic Centre on Tuesday. Kushagra bettered Olympian Sajan prakash's 400m freestyle mark by more than a minute, coming home in 3:53.68. In another event, Olympian Shrihari Nataraj

bettered his own meet record in 100m Backstroke with the timing of 00:55.10. The previous record of 00:55.63 was set by Nataraj in year 2019.

Olympian Sajan Prakash representing Police displayed his supremacy as he made podium finish in 50m butterfly with the timing of 00:24:90.

